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**Celebrate
The
Success!!**

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The mission of the American Business Women's Association is to bring together businesswomen of diverse occupations and to provide opportunities for them to help themselves and others grow personally and professionally through leadership, education, networking support, and national recognition.

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Cheryl Magnuson is a consultant, trainer and executive coach of McGhee Productivity Solutions—www.mcgheepro.com.

If you're bogged down by endless e-mail messages, conflicting commitments and numerous interruptions, it's not too late to reclaim control of your workday and take back your life. Each of us can benefit by learning the tools to help us manage out time more efficiently.

By applying the same time management and productivity techniques used by leading companies, you can better manage all of your communications, action items and interactions. Mark your calendars for the fourth Tuesday in August. Don't miss it!

Meeting Program August 25, 2009

Speaker: Cheryl Magnuson

Consultant, Trainer, Executive Coach

McGhee Productivity Solutions

"Take Back Your Life"

Learn to Improve Your Productivity
Using Microsoft Outlook

Meeting Location

Anaheim Park Hotel
222 West Houston Avenue Fullerton, CA
(714) 626-7832

Networking 6:00pm Dinner 6:30pm

R.S.V.P. Carol Smith (714) 828-1497



Menu
Chicken Picatta

Meeting Policy

All members have a standing dinner reservation. Banquet chairperson confirms with the hotel the Wednesday before the scheduled meeting. Chapter is committed to the number confirmed with the hotel. Please remember to call & cancel your reservation or you will be billed for your meal unless other arrangements are made in advance & confirmed with Carol Smith. Thank you for your understanding.

Annual Chapter Dues

This is just a reminder that Placentia Stars Members annual dues are payable in the month of August, the start of our new chapter year. The cost is a very reasonable \$60 per year. This is in addition to your na-

tional dues which are payable by your anniversary date of joining ABWA. Please be sure to either mail or bring your dues to our meeting on August 25th. Make your check out to ABWA and see our hospital-

ity chairperson, Carol Smith. Do not hesitate to ask any board member or Carol if you have any questions. Being a member in good standing allows you to participate in all chapter activities and national events.

**INLAND VALLEY MEETING
08/08/09**


Placentia Stars celebrating WIN

**NEW MEMBER
RECOGNITION**


Welcome to our newest member of the Placentia Stars, Andrea Heermance, owner of a family owned business, Heermance Family Chiropractic. Dr. Andrea can be contacted at drandreadc@gmail.com. Welcome Andrea to the "fun" chapter of ABWA!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sep 12, 2009 Los Angeles Area Council

Sep 24-26, 2009 National Leadership Conference

Oct 10, 2009 Impact Council

President's Message


August 10, 2009

Dear Placentia Stars Members,

On behalf of all the chapter members, we wish to extend a thank you to the outgoing board for their leadership and support for the 2008-2009 chapter year.

Several Placentia Stars members attended the L.A.A.C. Friday night social held in Downey. We enjoyed great food, fun, laughter, games and networking with past National Officers and the two District VI Vice President candidates: Debbie Shadaram from Reno, Nevada and Dr. Kella B. Price from Yuma, Arizona. Other past officers included Amy Dawson, 2004 Top Ten Business Woman, 2007-2008 National Secretary-Treasurer and Co-Chair for National Women's Leadership Conference in Kansas City, and current District VI Vice President from Colorado Springs, CO, Michelle M. Egbert.

On Saturday, August 1st, we attended the L.A.A.C. "Hats Off to a Mountain High Event" Candidates Forum XI and Luncheon. The event was well attended and in addition to networking with members from other chapters, we enjoyed shopping. Donna Hemphill, longtime member of the Verdugo Glen Chapter, was selected as the Council's Woman of the Year. Annie Parenzan, member of the Wind Song Chapter, served as the moderator and asked the candidates questions which gave us an opportunity to know them better.

On Saturday, August 8th, several of the members traveled to Sun City to attend the Inland Valley Council's "Everybody Wins with WIN". Pattie Vargas, ABWA 2007 Top Ten and a member of the Soaring Eagles Chapter, gave an excellent presentation on WIN (Women's Instructional Network). This exciting new sophisticated, interactive online learning and communications tool was designed exclusively for ABWA members. This is the tool that separates ABWA from other organizations. There is an article in this newsletter to show you how you can be a part of WIN. All attendees were treated with a homemade cookie with the WIN logo made by Tom Ten Agnes Peters, member of the Hemacinto Chapter.

At the planning meeting for the 2009-2010 chapter year, the new board will be using the surveys you completed as a guide for the programs and goals for the coming year. We are very excited and enthusiastic about a fun filled, educational and informative year. We welcome all suggestions in guiding us to keep the Placentia Stars a vibrant chapter.

Looking forward to seeing all of you at the August 25th meeting.

Carol J. Peterson

**Placentia Stars
2009-2010**

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& Committees**

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Treasurer's Report

JULY 2009 PLACENTIA STARS TREASURER'S REPORT

Beginning Balance: **6/30/2009** **\$2,968.03**

Income:

Dinners	9@\$22, 1@\$22.25 =	\$ 220.25
50/50		\$ 18.00
Community Chest		\$ 5.00
Chapter Dues		\$ 30.00
Dinner (owed payment)		<u>\$ 23.00</u>
		\$ 296.25

Deposits:

7/29/2009	\$ 273.25
7/31/2009	<u>\$ 23.00</u>
	\$ 296.25

Expenses:

7/28/2009	#2106	Sandee Jeffers - Past President Gift	\$ 50.00
7/28/2009	#2107	Anaheim Park Hotel	\$ 222.11
7/28/2009	#2108	Angel Cabrera	<u>\$ 100.00</u>
			\$ 372.11

Ending Balance: **7/31/2009** **\$ 2,892.17**

Bank Bal	7/31/2009	\$ 2,919.17
Less Outstanding Cks:		\$ 50.00
Plus Outstanding Deps:		<u>\$ 23.00</u>
Reconciled Bank Bal:		\$ 2,892.17

Note: Little Lotto Liability for remainder of the year: 400.00

Note: Community Chest Committed Funds: \$38.51

WIN (Women's Instructional Network)



The Women's Instructional Network (WIN) lets you:

- Take online courses to enhance your professional and personal skills and earn PDU credits.
- Choose from a broad array of courses including Managing Team Performance, Communications Skills, Resolving Conflict, and many more.
- Learn from the same tools used by Fortune 200 companies!
- Learn how to effectively manage teams, groups, or your business.
- Stay current with *Chapter/Network* and national news.
- Connect with a WIN professional mentor

And, much more!

An ABWA member pays only \$15/year as part of your annual dues for full access to the WIN network. As an ABWA member, your \$15 gets you full access to all the communications, mentoring and training tools available exclusively through the WIN network.

Basic members receive 5 FREE Team Tools training modules; Express members receive 10 FREE modules! And, you can take additional courses for only \$24.95 each.

Basic membership is \$75 plus \$15 = \$90. You can sign up for WIN up to 60 days before your renewal date and not have to pay the additional \$15 again.

WIN WITH ABWA TODAY!!!

**American Business Women's Association
Placentia Stars Chapter**

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6:00PM – Networking

6:30PM – Dinner and Program

Anaheim Park Hotel

222 W. Houston (91 Fwy & Harbor Blvd) Fullerton

ABWA Members \$22.25 Guests \$25.00

To make reservations to attend the ABWA meeting, please RSVP by:

August 20, 2009 Contact: *Carol Smith* (714) 828-1497



Placentia Stars on the web at
www.abwaplacentiastars.org

Los Angeles Area Council
www.laacabwa.org

Impact Council
www.impactabwa.org

National Association
www.abwa.org

Michelle Egbert, District VI VP
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INVOCATION

Lord, In the quiet of this hour we come to thee for wisdom and for power, to view thy world through only love filled eyes, to grow in understanding, to be wise, and sure to see our guiding light, and thus to know each other as thou knowest us, AMEN.

BENEDICTION

Oh guiding spirit guardian of our days, be with us as we go our separate ways, help us to feel those thoughts that lift and bless, to know a closer bond of friendliness, to see thy beauty always every day, translated into living this we pray, AMEN.

Celebrate Good Times

August Birthdays/ Anniversaries



Molly Schubert 08/11/98 A

Carol Smith 08/19 B

LITTLE LOTTO



JULY WINNER
Angel Cabrera

Secretary's Minutes

Tuesday July 28, 2009, 6:30pm. Location: Anaheim Park Hotel, Fullerton, CA.

Meeting was called to order at 6:35pm by President, Bryna Dambrowski. Invocation and pledge of allegiance. Self introductions—name, work, ABWA affiliation. Secretary's minutes from June were approved and filed with one noted exception to be corrected. Treasurers report from June was approved and filed. Membership—every member to sponsor at least one new member. If the person joins national, our chapter still gets the credit. Carl Jeffers and M.J. Bryant volunteered to audit the books for the 2008-2009 chapter year.

Program was presented by M.J. Bryant—Yakking About Packing. M.J. gave a fabulous demonstration on how to pack less and still be prepared for anything. Use plastic dividers for separating items. Take clothes that coordinate with each other, try and stick with a color scheme and complimentary colors. Place easily wrinkled items on the bottom. Lay your pants with the pant legs outside and then fold the pants into the suitcase. Add the balance of your clothes last to keep from wrinkling. Place your shoes along the sides of your suitcase. Use colored luggage or tags for identification purposes when you reach your destination. Place identification inside your luggage in case it is lost.

The new board was installed by Dee Kirtley. Little Lotto winner for July was Angel Cabrera. 50/50 drawing winner was Carol Smith. We had 11 members and one guest. The meeting was adjourned by President, Bryna Dambrowski. Benediction was led by Lynn Gaytan.

ABWA's Proud Code of Conduct

1. All members will serve as goodwill ambassadors for the American Business Women's Association.
2. Members will not allow their personal beliefs and convictions to interfere with the representation of ABWA's mission.
3. Members will always treat their member colleagues, guests, vendors and sponsors with honesty, respect, fairness, integrity, responsibility, kindness, and in good faith.
4. Members will maintain compliance with ABWA National, Chapter and Express Network Bylaws.
5. Members will not use their personal power to advance their personal interests.
6. Members will strive for excellence in their professions by maintaining and enhancing their own business knowledge and skills, and by encouraging the professional development of other members.