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Resolutions for a Happy New Year

New Year's resolutions are famous for being easily made and easily broken. This year, why not set some simpler goals? Here are a few resolutions that everyone can make, and they're well worth keeping, too!

- Show kindness – It's a choice, Choose it.
- Show encouragement – If you do, people will strive for more.
- Show patience – Just remember, you're not perfect either.
- Show compassion – Put yourself in someone else's shoes.
- Show fairness – Don't stack the deck in anyone's favor.
- Show leadership – Too many people are followers.
- Show humor – Life is short. Don't take it too seriously.
- Show concern – Listen to the problems of others.
- Show love – It can solve lots of unsolvable problems.
- Show forgiveness – You'll help change the world.

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We lost a dear friend.

Bertha Brown passed away at her home on November 28, 2004.

We will greatly miss her. She always had a smile on her face, was there to lend a helping hand, made you laugh and was just a downright nice lady.

It will take several people to fill her shoes.

We give our sincerest condolences to Bertha's family.

President's Message

"We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give." Norman MacEwan

We are truly fortunate to have such a "giving" volunteer membership. Your time, talents, ideas, and support of fund raisers/opportunity drawings are exceptional tributes to the Pomona Valley Chapter. I am honored to serve as your President this term.

It seems like yesterday that I was in the midst of planning the October installation, and here we are looking at a new year! Held at the historic Carnegie Library in Upland, installation was an evening to honor and appreciate the outgoing Board, and welcome the incoming Board.

Thanks to Verlene Riddle for her excellent knowledge and guidance serving as President for the 2003-2004 year. We are grateful for the outgoing board: Fran Pfeiffer (Faust Printing), Jan Van Alstine (San Antonio Community Hospital), Linda Cook (Thread-At-Work), Glenda Ebersole (Ebersole Grafxx & Web Design), and Betsy Beucar (ASIST). For Board members continuing on: Kathleen Spear (Graber Olive House), Jill Fox (R&D Pest Services, Inc), Indra Ahuja (Sunkist Growers, Inc), Sylvia Marshall (Anheuser-Busch Sales), and, of course, Delores Peich, your Vice President/President Elect (The Claremont Club). We are most thankful for former board members returning to serve: Barbara Tomeo (PFF Bank & Trust) and Michelle Lawrence (Gourmet Gourmet Catering); and for new board members Char Costantino (Century 21 Prestige Properties), Kristine Gutierrez (LeRoy Haynes Center), and Sue Henry (Image Concepts). We have a wonderful mix of experienced members and new members. Gourmet Gourmet Catering catered our delicious dinner. Our installing officer, Tracy Stepp, 1996 past president (The Claremont Club) did an outstanding job of presenting the new board and charging us with our responsibilities in the coming year.

Executive/Firm recognition night held at Etiwanda Gardens was an experience in delightful wines selected by guest speaker, Michael Biane. Executives present were entered in a special drawing. Darrell Paulk, President/CEO of LeRoy's Haynes Center, won the executive gift donated by Anheuser-Busch Sales. At this event, we also presented Darrell Paulk and Kristine Gutierrez with funds for the Center's Reading Library. This donation, along with approximately 100 books that were donated by representatives, and the son of Jill Fox's assistant, Andrew Campa, was our Reading Rally project for the year.

The Magic Lamp was the site of our December annual business meeting where we adopted our 2005 budget as presented by Linda Cook, Budget Chair. We thank Linda and her committee (Fran Pfeiffer, Barbara Tomeo, and Verlene Riddle) for their work in this most important function for our Chapter. The evening ended with our traditional "*Night Before Christmas*" gift exchange – an activity the Pomona Valley Chapter has celebrated for the past 50 years, I'm told!

We were sad to hear of the loss of our good friend Bertha Brown who passed away November 28. Bertha was a life member having served as president of our Chapter in 1984. We will miss her infectious smile and good humor.

I look forward to seeing all of you at The Claremont Club for our January meeting dedicated to kicking off 2005 with a retreat for representative, sustaining/life members.

Have a safe and Happy New Year to you all.

The 2003-2004-membership year has been a good one. Success with our ASIST Program, both locally and internationally, great new members, programs that were fun, entertaining, and educational, the donation of so many books to LeRoy Haynes Center, and the wonderful enthusiastic involvement of our members made the year a very fast paced and rewarding one.

I wanted to personally thank everyone for the outstanding year and the gifts I received on Installation night as outgoing President. The cuddly aromatherapy bear smells wonderful, even though I haven't had the heart to put him into the microwave yet, the jeweled mask pin will always remind me of my experience at the EWI International Convention in New Orleans and the wonderful ladies that I was able to share the experience with, and the beautiful Calla Lily pin will always remind me of the special, savvy ladies of the Pomona Valley Chapter of EWI. I am very proud to wear my past president's pin with honor.

All of my best wishes go to our new Board and to Mary Ann. I know great things are in store for us in the 2004-2005-membership year.

EWI® MISSION AND VISION

Executive Women International® is an organization that brings together key individuals from diverse businesses for the purpose of:

- Promoting member firms
- Enhancing personal and professional development, and
- Encouraging community involvement

MEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

Coming in future issues, if you are aware of an existing member anniversary list, please contact Jill 909-949-4323 or Jillfox2@msn.com.

SPECIAL NOTE – ASIST

If any member knows of someone that they feel might qualify for ASIST program, please contact Sue Henry, Image Concepts, by email or phone. The timeline for applications to be returned is no later than **April 22, 2005**.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT!

Christmas Cookie Bouquet

- 1 (18-oz.) roll Pillsbury refrigerated Sugar Cookies
- 20 flat wooden sticks with round ends
- 4 coffee mugs
- 8 10-inch strips of ribbon
- Seran wrap

Preparation Directions:

1. Heat oven to 350°F. Cut cookie dough into 18 (1/2-inch) slices. Roll each slice into a ball. Arrange in circle on ungreased cookie sheets, 3 inches apart and 2 inches from edges. Securely insert wooden stick into each ball with end pointing toward center of cookie sheet.
2. Bake at 350°F. for 10 to 14 minutes or until golden brown. Cool 2 minutes; remove from cookie sheets with pancake turner. Cool 30 minutes or until completely cooled.
3. Tie a ribbon around each cookie
4. Arrange 5 cookies in a mug and wrap in Seran wrap, secure with ribbon

EWI® Welcomes

Chaffey College, Kathy Dutton
Harold Gun Lai, Jr. Attorney & Counselor at Law, Donna Lai
Lemco Precision, Inc., Jean Logan

EWI MEMBER'S BIRTHDAYS

December 6, 2004 Kathy Dutton
Chaffey College

EWI CHAPTER STANDING COMMITTEES

Advisory: Verlene Riddle

ASIST/Philanthropy Committee: Shall coordinate the ASIST Program for the Chapter based on instructions submitted by the Corporate Philanthropy Director. Shall submit progress reports to the Board, assist Program Director in planning the program for the announcement of Winners, and assist Public Relations Chairman in planning news coverage.

Sue Henry, Chair, Betsey Beaucar, Janette Camps, Linda Cook, Char Costantino, Alma De La Pierda, Glenda Ebersole, Theresa Hanley, Susan Hanson

Budget Committee: Shall have as one of its members The Treasurer and it is recommended that the Immediate Past Treasurer be a member. The Budget Committee shall prepare annually and submit to the membership at the annual business meeting in December, the proposed budget for the ensuring year, which has been approved by the Board.

Barbara Tomeo, Chair, Indra Ahuja, Fran Pfeiffer

Bylaws Committee: Shall study, prepare and submit to the Board any proposed recommended amendments to the Chapter bylaws.

Linda Cook, Chair, Ruth Base, Phyllis Riehl

Courtesy/Hospitality Committee: Shall handle the arrangements and /or notification necessary of the Chapter's customary Observance shall handle the arrangements and/or notification necessary of the Chapter's customary observance or acknowledgments such as birthdays, illnesses, etc. Committee shall be responsible for welcoming and introducing new members and guests to our representatives.

Delores Peich, Chair, Ruth Base, Marlene Keith, Phyllis Riehl, Sue Shoemaker, Kathleen Spear

Historian: Delores Peich

Membership Committee: Shall direct the activities of the Chapter in securing new member firms and in processing all memberships according to the bylaws.

Michelle Lawrence, Chair, Linda Cook, Marlene Keith, Ella Perry, Fran Pfeiffer, Verlene Riddle, Kathleen Spear, Tracy Stepp, Barbara Tomeo, Jan Van Alstine, Rhona Weinberg-Gwelber

Nominating: Verlene Riddle, Chair

Parliamentarian: Jan Van Alstine

Program Committee: Shall have general charge of planning and arranging the programs and banquet arrangements for the regular Chapter meetings. Arrangements shall first be submitted to the Board of Directors for approval.

Kristine Gutierrez, Chair, Alma De La Piedra, Jill Fox, Sue Henry, Theresa Lock, Ella Perry, Vivian Shiffman, Carolyn Soper, Tracy Stepp, Jan Van Alstine

Publication Committee: Shall be responsible for the preparation, publication and distribution of the Chapter's monthly publication.

Jill Fox, Chair, Betsey Beaucar, Glenda Ebersole, Kristine Guterrez, Susan Hanson, Michelle Lawrence, Sylvia Marshall, Sue Shoemaker, Rhona Weinberg-Gwelber

Roster: Verlene Riddle, Chair, and Helen Foland

Sergeant-At-Arms Committee: Shall assist the Sergeant-At-Arms in having charge of all meeting reservations and registration of meeting attendees.

Char Costantino, Chair, Bertha Brown, Heather Dickerson, Kathy Dutton, Helen Foland, Theresa Hanley, Rayleen Kerr, Donna Lai, Jean Logan, Delores Peich, Julie Robertson

Ways & Means Committee: Shall devise, suggest, and supervise generally the ways and means of financing special activities of the Chapter. The Committee shall make recommendations to the members of its purposes and plans for securing funds. Such plans shall first be submitted to the Board of Directors for approval. Committee will assist with raffle at regular meetings.

Indra Ahuja & Sylvia Marshall, Co-Chair, Janette Camps, Heather Dickerson, Kathy Dutton, Rayleen Kerr, Donna Lai, Theresa Lock, Jean Logan, Julie Robertson, Vivian Shiffman