# WOMAN'S CLUB OF ARROYO GRANDE

FUN, FRIENDS AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

# MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Hello Everyone,

I hope you are all enjoying a great summer. Many of us on the Board have been working on projects to get ready for another great year. How do we top the year we just had? Our 75th year was absolutely terrific in so many ways. One thing I truly believe is that when you get involved with your club, it makes so many things more enjoyable. I encourage each of you to offer your time, your ideas, and your



friendship to keep us moving in the right direction. Your time is precious, but if you will give some of it to the upcoming projects and fundraisers, we'll all benefit. Your ideas sometimes will be just the spark we need to make things happen. Your offering of friendship, especially to our newer members, keeps them coming back and lets them know they are important to our club. This coming year, if you see someone sitting alone, ask if you can join them. Each of our members has an interesting story to tell, take the time to listen. I also thank the many long-time members for all of their great contributions over the years. Congratulations go to Betty LaPlante, who is now a *Lifetime Member*.

I'm looking forward to our September meeting when we'll get together for some delightful desserts provided by the Board members. It will be fun to catch up after our summer break. See you there.

Mary

# Dessert Luncheon - Sept. 13th 1PM

Celebrate! is the theme of the September luncheon. What do we have to celebrate, you ask? Well, living on the central coast for one. Two, we are celebrating a VERY successful past year and the hopes for a future year of even more successes for our club. Mary will tell you all about it at the meeting so be there. The Board Members will provide a sweet and savory "dessert" menu for all to enjoy. As in past years, \$5 will be collected at the door to pay for kitchen basics. Entertainment will be the ladies of the Central Coast Follies, always a treat! SEE YOU THERE!



#### MARK YOUR CALENDARS

1st Wednesday 10:30 Board meeting

2nd Friday 1 pm—Dessert Luncheon

Oct. 19, 2013 Celebrate Arroyo Grande!

Nov. 16, 2013 Artisan's Faire

Mar. 22, 2014 Bingo Fundraiser

May 9, 2014 Scholarship Tea

Plan to join in the fun at the HARVEST FESTIVAL

on Sept. 28th! Bobbi Cherry and Gloria Haas will be

leading the festivities Bobbi will be driving her truck and pulling a flat trailer. The past presidents will ride on our "float" and Carol Browne is trying to get the Trolley again for all other members who want to ride in the parade. The event is called "Spirit of 76" and starts at 10 a.m. but members should meet at the Woman's Club by 8 a.m. to help decorate our first ever Woman's Club of Arroyo Grande parade float!

Spirit of 76

We had a great year for membership last year! We have 97 paid members bringing in \$3150 to the WCAG. Inactive members in 2013/14 are Carol Scalise, Joyce Sheeren, Betty Tuft, Pat Conover, and Dottie Curry. Betty LaPlante is now a lifetime member. Congratulations, Betty!



#### WAYS AND MEANS



OUR WAYS AND MEANS SUPER FUNDRAISING DUO, CAROLINE BLEWITT AND ROSE SCALZO WANT EVERYONE TO KNOW THAT FUNDRAISING EFFORTS HAVE ALREADY BEGUN! WE WILL AGAIN FOCUS ON RECYCLING & REGIFTING THIS YEAR AS WE COLLECT GENTLY-USED JEWELRY AND DOOR PRIZES, NOT ONLY GOOD FOR THE ENVIRONMENT, BUT SAVING US MONEY! CAROL BROWNE WILL GLADLY START ACCEPTING JEWELRY NOW. HAVE OTHER DONATIONS? SEE CAROLINE OR ROSE.

### IMPORTANT REMINDERS FOR MEMBERS

#1 Remember to read your new yearbook to see when you are assigned to work on a luncheon or tea committee. If you are unable to serve on the date specified, you will need to trade with someone from another month or pay \$10 to the co-chair.

#2 Check your address, email, and phone number in the yearbook to make sure they are correct! Need to make a change? Contact Barbara Schieffer at 473-2906.

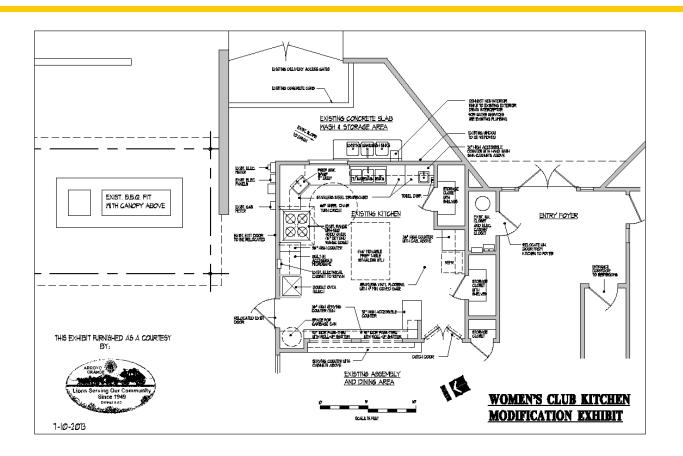
#3 Committee co-chairs: The reimbursement for committee expenses this year is \$25 for luncheons and \$50 for teas. Remember to keep receipts and get them to Gretchen for reimbursement.

# NEWSLETTER

\*\*Please notify Cindy Moreno (441-5803) or Mary Carson (473-5801) of any corrections or changes in your contact information, Including your email. If you are <u>not</u> currently receiving a mail copy of the newsletter and would like to, contact Cindy Moreno.

President Mary Carson and committee members, Laura Vopatek and Cindy Moreno, have been meeting for the past several months and throughout the summer with Arroyo Grande LIONS members, as well as other community members who use the Woman's Club & Community

Center for their meetings and activities. The goal? A long-overdue kitchen remodel. Using the building/planning expertise of LIONS members, an architectural plan has been drawn and preliminary discussions regarding necessary permits have begun. We are so excited with the design which is basically a gorgeous commercial kitchen. To complete the kitchen as planned, we will need a minimum of \$50,000, which we plan to raise through a combination of fundraising and contributions from individual donors and the City of Arroyo Grande. Our first fundraiser is scheduled for Saturday, October 19th, and will be called "Celebrate Arroyo Grande"! In addition to WCAG and LIONS, local organizations (South County Seniors, 5 Cities Duplicate Bridge, Friends of the Library, Boys & Girls Club, Central Coast Quilters, AAUW, Central Coast Fiddlers, and more) will be on hand to showcase what they do for the community and promote their individual causes. The LIONS will provide a BBQ meal of tri-tip sandwiches or half a chicken, complete with beans, garlic bread and salad for only \$10.00. The Woman's Club will have a bake sale during the BBQ, as well as selling beverages. Tickets will be available by the September meeting. STAY TUNED.......



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# **GROUP NEWS**

**ART:** Mondays, 10 a.m. until mid-afternoon. Bring your art supplies & a sack lunch. All levels welcome. Contact: Carol Browne, 473-9499.

**HAND & FOOT CANASTA #1:** 11 a.m., third Wednesday of the month. Light refreshments are provided, bring own drink. Call Gretchen Weckstein: 473-1366. We need new players & we will teach you how to play!

**HAND & FOOT CANASTA #2:** 11 a.m., fourth Wednesday of the month. Bring sack lunch and drink Contact: Sherry Headington: 489-0843

**HAND & FOOT CANASTA #3:** 10:30 a.m., fourth Monday of the month. Bring sack lunch and drink Contact: Suzy Anderson: 473-1819

**MEXICAN TRAIN:** 12:30 p.m., first Monday of the month. Bring MT set if you have one and own drink. Whoever shows, plays.

**CRAFTS:** 9:30 a.m. third & fourth\_Wednesdays. Contact: Snooks Powers, 356-4741

**<u>OUT & ABOUT:</u>** We are looking for ideas for future "Out and About" activities. Have an idea or want to sponsor an outing? Contact a Board Member!



**DO YOU HAVE NEWS?** Would you like to submit an article? Please call or email your news to put in the bulletin by the 15th of the month to Cindy Moreno, Editor 441-5803 or cmoreno595@hotmail.com





A get well card was sent to Jeanne Barks who had been in the hospital but is now home.

Congratulations to Freddie on her grandson's graduation from ROTC and UC Santa Barbara in June.



Do you know someone who has news or needs a little sunshine? Please contact Freddie Newman 489-6265