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President's Message



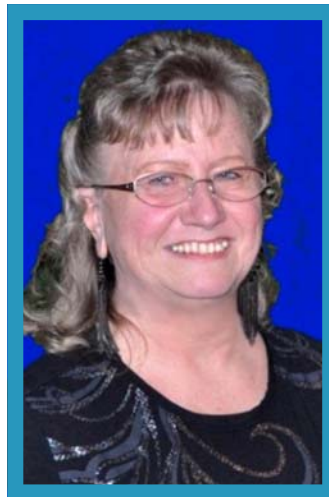
2010—2012 Theme

2011—2012 Officers and Directors

Barbara Crawford, President
Sandra Moore, Vice President
Carole Jouroyan, Secretary
Ingrid Grewer, Treasurer
Directors:
Joan Nellis
Rose Tharp
Julie Vagts
Roberta Hagopian,
Immediate Past President

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Spring is here! And, as hard as it is to believe, there are only a couple of months left in this club year. We have had our elections and our new Board of Directors will be installed in May. We will be calling on

members to step up to the plate and accept chair positions so we can begin planning for the upcoming year.

Put on your thinking caps and then start jotting down your ideas for projects and fundraisers that you'd like to see us work into our new calendar. Our yearly planning meeting is coming up in June and we need **your** ideas.

And as we head into our new club year let's ramp up our enthusiasm and keep in mind these words

of Ralph Waldo Emerson:

"Enthusiasm is one of the most powerful engines of success. When you do a thing, do it with all your might. Put your whole soul into it. Stamp it with your own personality. Be active, be energetic, be enthusiastic and faithful, and you will accomplish your object. Nothing great was ever achieved without enthusiasm."

Barbara Crawford

Calendar

April 5	Business Meeting	May 3	Business Meeting
April 7	World Health Day	May 13	Mother's Day
April 8	Easter	May 15	International Day of Families
April 11	Altrusa International Birthday	May 17-20	District Eleven Conference Tempe, AZ
April 18	Luncheon Meeting	May 22	Board Meeting
April 20	Glendale Club Chartered	May 28	Memorial Day
April 22	Earth Day	TBA	Installation Dinner

Arbor Day Ceremony - Barbara Crawford



From left to right: Rose Tharp, Ingrid Grewer, Barbara Crawford, Joan Nellis and Bob Nellis.

*"It's spring fever. That
is what the name of it
is. And when you've
got it, you want—oh
you don't quite know
what it is you do
want., but it just fairly
makes your heart
ache, you want it so!*

~ Mark Twain

On March 6, 2012 the 62nd Annual Arbor Day Celebration was held at Casa Adobe de San Rafael in Glendale. At this event, sponsored by Glendale Beautiful, in cooperation with the City of Glendale Community Services and Parks Department, certificates honoring many members of the community were handed out. As is

our tradition, Glendale Altrusa purchased a tree in honor of President Barbara Crawford, who gratefully accepted her certificate at the ceremony. Notification of the date and place where the tree is to be planted will be sent at a later time. In attendance with Barbara were Altrusans Ingrid, Rose, Joan, and Joan's husband, Bob.

Joint Meeting: Through a Public Defenders Eyes - Julie Vagt

The Glendale, Los Angeles and Arcadia Altrusa clubs met Wednesday, March 28, at Taix French Restaurant for a wonderful joint dinner meeting with a very informative speaker from the Los Angeles Public Defenders office.

Janet Aldapa Araujo, Attorney at Law who has 28 years of experience, gave a talk on jury selection and what a tough job it is for the public defenders and defense attorneys to pick jurors with open minds. She reminded us that the Prosecution already has the

jury on their side because most of us come into the Jury Selection process believing the defendant is guilty and resenting the fact that we have to serve in the first place. I suspect she opened some eyes, hearts and minds. She certainly opened this author's.

It was a very lively discussion as Janet asked for and got feedback from her audience, many expressing the opinion that the process itself was redundant and way too long.



2012—2013 Board of Directors

Elections were held on March 1, 2012.
Congratulations to our new Board of Directors!

Donnalee Monninger, President
Barbara Crawford, Vice President
Carole Jouroyan, Secretary
Ingrid Grewer, Treasurer

Directors: Pat Donlin

Joan Nellis

Maggie Sweeden

Barbara Crawford, Immediate Past President

April Luncheon

The April Luncheon Program will be at Noon, on Wednesday, April 18, at Shakers Restaurant. Shakers is located at 801 N. Central in Glendale.

Our speaker will be Chris Carson from the League of Women Voters. She will be speaking on the propositions on the ballot in the November elections.

Baby Gift Pack Project - Rose Tharp

Another Special Day. On March 16, Ingrid Grewer, Donnalee Monninger and Rose Tharp got together to prepare and deliver 25 new Baby Gift Packs for the Glendale Memorial Hospital Women's Center. Each Baby Gift Pack is delivered to a low-income family giving birth to a baby at the GMH Women's Center.

The Glendale Club's ongoing GMH Baby Gift Pack Project has donated about 125 gift packs to date, and we still have a few more to go. This project is

partially funded by a grant received from Altrusa International Foundation.

It is heartwarming to know that each gift pack, besides containing essential baby items, also includes a "Welcome and Good Wishes" letter from the Glendale Club. The letter enclosed in each Baby Gift Pack, keeps the name Altrusa present in our Community as it has been for the past 57 years.



Donnalee Monninger (left) and Ingrid Grewer prepare to deliver the baby gift packs.



Ingrid Grewer (left) and Donnalee Monninger (right) deliver the baby gift packs to GMH Women's Center.

And the Prize goes to

The winner of the Academy Awards Fundraiser was announced at the March Business Meeting. The ballot with the highest score was submitted by Dan Aspell of Peoria, IL. He won a \$100 grand prize. Congratulations to Dan!

Dan is married to Roxanne, Yvette Guerrero's sister. Some of you may remember Roxanne from last year. She volunteered her time at the Glendale Club's Academy Awards Viewing Party.



Member News:

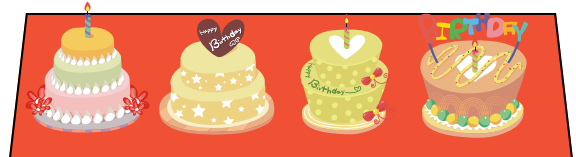
Sandra Moore and Carole Jouroyan are each taking a leave of absence until June 1st.

Please keep Richard Jouroyan (Carole's husband) and Julie Vagts in your prayers as they each continue to battle health issues.

Happy Birthday to



Yvette Guerrero	April 8
Carole Jouroyan	April 11
Danielle Vitale	April 17
Tim Moore	April 26



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