



Orange Coast California Council
Chatterbox

Lighting the Path of Friendship

February 2008

Happy New Year Flashers and Lighthouse Keepers!

The January Brunch “Skate into 2008” was the perfect way to start the New Year. A big thank you to the members of WGAC for the wonderful day.

Congratulations to all the chapters receiving recognition for their beautiful Yearbooks. Also, congratulations to all of the members nominated to the 2008-2009 Board. We are now looking forward to the All Councils’ Valentine Ball on February 23rd at Mile Square to honor all our lovely Princesses. Hope to see all of you there.

Well the members of OCCC have been busy traveling during the month of January. First, we were visiting PCC in beautiful Solvang. It is such a fun visitation because of the great PCC members and of course the extra activities such as shopping, wine tasting, and visiting the interesting Indian establishment. Then the following weekend we were off to the charming Mission Inn in Riverside to visit with our marvelous Sisters in MCC. This is another fun and interesting place to visit with lots of shopping. Thanks to all of the Lighthouse Keepers who traveled with us this year. We also have learned a new game this year in our travels. Yes, we do have fun!!!

Hope to see everyone again on Saturday, March 8th at the Foxfire Restaurant to enjoy “Sisters on Safari” presented by Delta Alpha Nu. We will have our election of Officers for 2008-2009. Please come and support your candidates. We will also be honoring our Valentine Queens and Princesses.

Remember to send in your Convention Forms so we can all party together at our 2008 California Convention hosted by CCC in Fresno in May. It really sounds like we are going to have a wonderful time so let’s all “Celebrate”.

Look forward to seeing everyone soon.

Beta Hugs,
Jo Ann



Orange Coast California Council
Brunch Meeting January 12, 2008

The January 12, 2008 meeting of Orange Coast California Council was called to order by President JoAnn Spates at the Mesa Verde Country Club, Costa Mesa, at 10:00 a.m. The candles were lit by Vice President Christine Morrow. Donna Wertz gave the invocation and all members joined in the Pledge of Allegiance and Opening Ritual.

The Memorial Service was conducted by Donna Wertz assisted by Linda Israel and Grace Reilly honoring Jean Barry, Beverly Vanatta, Georgina Allee from WGAC; Mary McFie, Donna Williams from NOCC; Betty Burke, Hazel Robbins from NHAC; Pat Baerthlein, Mildred O'Neil, Edna Klauck from SVC who passed away in 2007.

President - JoAnn welcomed everyone to "Skate Into 2008" hosted by Westgrove Area Council. JoAnn introduced Chairman Carol Smith and Carol introduced Co-chairman Sharon Hayes and the committee.

Vice President - Christine introduced the the 60-year Diamond members, 50-year Golden Circle sisters, 25-year Silver Circle recipients, Order of the Rose recipients, Director/Sponsors and Advisors. Christine asked members attending their first brunch today to stand and be recognized. She thanked each member who has traveled with the board this year. The PCC visitation will be on January 18 and 19 in Solvang and the MCC visitation will be on January 26 and 27 in Riverside.

There were no corrections or additions to the November 10 minutes as mailed with the October Chatterbox.

Recording Secretary - Linda Economon reported that the Executive Board of Orange Coast California Council met on December 8, 2007 in the home of Donna Wertz. Any business to come before the membership will be presented under the Chairman's report. Any recommendations will be discussed under New Business.

Corresponding Secretary - Betty Phillips reported that 7 pieces of correspondence were sent from December 7 through January 10 and 17 pieces were received. The total sent to date is 120 and the total received to date is 97.

Deviating from the normal order of business, *IPP - Charlene Farwell* - presented the November Brunch report. She thanked her board, the Friendship Stars, and the membership for their donations and attendance. She presented a check in the amount of \$2,002.77 to OCCC.

Treasurer - Betty Jo Patchen reported receipts in the amount of \$3,148.00 since the November brunch meeting, total disbursements of \$4,592.73 and a balance of \$8,930.34 in the checking account as of today. The balance in savings is \$15,739.68. This report is placed on file subject to audit.

Registrar - Jan Reichert mailed 25 and e-mailed 73 copies of the October Chatterbox for a total of 98. The deadline for the February Chatterbox is February 9. Today there are 24 chapters represented with 131 members and 5 guests present for a total attendance of 136. Beta Zeta Master, WGAC, has 100% attendance. The chapter with the most members in attendance is Laureate Beta Nu, WGAC with 16. Jan introduced her new friend.

Vice President - Christine introduced the International Award of Distinction members in attendance and thanked them for their years of service and dedication. She introduced and welcomed chapter guests.

Parliamentarian - Helen Murray reported the nominating committee met on December 5, 2007 at the home of Chairman Betty Phillips and prepared a slate of officers for the 2008-2009 OCCC Executive Board. Betty will give their report under New Business. A list of candidates and their qualifications and an absentee ballot will be published in the February Chatterbox. Be prepared to vote in March. All candidates nominated today will introduce themselves and be allowed two minutes each for a campaign skit. She presented certificates of appreciation to those who served on the nominating committee. A proposed by-law change will be read under New Business. The suggestion box and forms are in front of Helen's place at the head table.

Historian - Betty Rolnick - no report.

Yearbook Chairman - Jerelyn Sawyer - presented the following Yearbook Awards:

Ritual - Second place - Delta Beta Nu, NOCC

First place - Delta Kappa Chi, WGAC

Exemplar - First place - Xi Theta Psi, NOCC

Preceptor - Honorable mention to Preceptor Xi Sigma, NHAC; Preceptor Xi Theta, SVC;

- Preceptor Eta Rho, NHAC
- Third place – Preceptor Omicron Alpha, SVC
- Second place – Preceptor Xi Kappa, NOCC
- First place – Preceptor Mu Omicron, WGAC
- Laureate - Second place – Laureate Beta Nu, WGAC
- First place – Laureate Eta Beta, SVC

A meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 30 at 7:00 p.m. in Jerelyn's home to make any changes to the rules that the Yearbook Chairmen from each Council wish to make.

Directory Chairman Dottie Soteriou announced that the newest changes to the directory will be included in the February Chatterbox. A meeting for the City Council Directory Chairmen and Independent Chapter Presidents will be held in her home on Thursday, January 31 at 7:30 p.m. Roster sheets, ad contracts and directory order forms will be distributed at that meeting. Dottie encouraged everyone to sell as many ads as possible to help offset the cost of printing the directory. Roster forms are being prepared and will be sent to the State Area Boards and Convention Chairmen by the end of January. Anyone who is interested in submitting a bid for printing the directory should do so as soon as possible. A final decision on the printing will be made by the Board at their February meeting.

Philanthropic Chairman – Jerelyn Sawyer collected \$2,530.00 in donations at the November brunch and \$217.00 in the bags on the tables. An additional \$500.00 plus interest of \$1.28 was received after the November brunch. December donations totaled \$1,495.00. December interest was \$2.43. Jerelyn reported that 132 tickets were sold for the Alley Cats concert and the profit from ticket sales was \$849.00. An additional \$325.00 was raised from the drawing for the gift cards that night for a total of \$1,174.00 for our four projects. Our totals are:

Cystic Fibrosis	\$2,743.54
Stanford Kidney	2,268.53
Bay Area Lupus	1,518.53
Scleroderma	1,568.51
Total	\$8,099.11

Jerelyn asked for donations from the membership.

Community Service Chairman – Bobbie Varner reported that two requests for sisters in need were granted. The current balance including \$1.54 interest is \$6,823.20. She asked for donations from the membership.

Protocol Chairman - Jackie Harman - presented the Intrastate Protocol report. The changes are:
 Page 7 – Hostess Hints – 9e – voted to set aside for 2009 – this states Past Presidents party will be held Friday night – in 2009 they want to try having it on Thursday night.
 Page 12 – Hostess Hints – seating – 20b – voted to change the wording to Hostess Area Registrar or Convention Registration Chairman
 Page 17 – Hostess Hints – Registration Fee – add the words: Additional \$25 does not apply to Hostess Area Council Members.
 Page 9 – Hostess Hints – add 15f – beginning in 2010 Reception Hours will be 8 – 11 PM in lieu of State Area Parties. This shall provide time for members to greet all. According to the 2008 Convention Registration Form, this will be done this year due to lack of suite availability, the State Area Presidents parties will possibly be held in the Reception Room.
 Page 16 – in 2011 delete Friday night reception under registration fees. Since there will now be a fee for the reception.

Friday Protocol and Standing Rules met separately, and then Saturday they met together.

Four Brunch bids were received to hostess the 2009 OCCC Bi-Monthly meetings before the Executive Board meeting in December and the Board accepted the bids. At the meeting, the final bid was received. Based on Standing Rule 16 a, b and c, these five groups have been selected to host the following brunches:

January 2009	Laureate Eta Beta	SVC
March 2009	Laureate Delta Nu	NOCC
May 2009	Saddleback Valley Council	
July 2009	Orange Aids	
September 2009	Preceptor Zeta Tau	NOCC

An orientation meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 23 at 7:30 p.m. in Jackie's home to review the Hostessing Procedures.

The convention packets will be out soon and Jackie pointed out that there is a \$45.00 non-refundable registration fee. If an event is cancelled the fee is refundable minus 10% or \$5, whichever is greater. Reservation deadline is March 1, 2008 and cancellation deadline is March 31, 2008.

Any suggestions for changes to the Convention Hostess Hints and Protocol must be given to Jackie in writing by March 10, 2008 for consideration at the Protocol meeting in May.

Immediate Past President - Charlene Farwell reported on the visitation to SCC in November. The next visitations are to PCC in Solvang on January 18 and 19 and MCC at the Mission Inn in Riverside on January 26 and 27.

Charlene announced that scholarship application forms are available today and are due no later than the March Brunch. At the November Brunch \$1,725.00 was donated and \$50.00 was received after the brunch for a donation total to date of \$2,595.00. Charlene asked for donations from the membership.

Director Sponsor – Donna read her thought for the day.

The members of Delta Alpha Nu, NOCC, presented the skit for the March brunch. It will be at Foxfire Restaurant in Anaheim Hills on March 8, 2008. The theme is “Sisters on Safari”.

Unfinished Business - Betty Phillips presented the report of the Nominating Committee. The slate of officers is:

President	Christine Morrow	Preceptor Xi Sigma, NHAC
Vice President	Bobbi Varner	Laureate Beta Nu, WGAC
Recording Secretary	Evelyn Lambert	Preceptor Xi Sigma, NHAC
Treasurer	Denise Kuhns	Laureate Eta Beta, SVC
Director Chairman	Linda Peterson	Beta Omicron Master, Ind.
Philanthropic Chairman	Annie Minium	Laureate Beta Nu, WGAC
Community Service	Betty Robinson	Preceptor Zeta Tau, NOCC

The names are now placed in nomination. Nominations for each office could be made from the floor. As each office was called, no further nominations were heard from the floor. Each of the members listed above are the only nominees for the offices. Thanks were given to the Nominating Committee and they were dismissed. Congratulations were given to each of those members nominated.

New Business: Parliamentarian Helen Murray read the following proposed by-laws change:

Article VI – Election of Officers; Section 2, J. now reads “Only two (2) members from any one Chapter may be nominated for, or appointed to, the Executive Board of OCCC. In a year that OCCC hosts a State Convention, the Protocol Chairman, Immediate Past President and Convention Chairman and Co-Chairman would be exempt from this rule.” The recommendation is to change to read; “Only two (2) members from any one Chapter may be nominated for, or appointed to, the Executive Board of OCCC, with the exception of the Immediate Past President. In a year that OCCC hosts a State Convention, the Protocol Chairman, Convention Chairman and Co-Chairman, would be exempt from this rule.” The proposal is to exempt the IPP from the rule in any year. The rationale for this change is that the IPP position is automatic and neither the IPP, nor the President, has an option for this position.

President JoAnn asked that the candidates for the 2008-2009 Executive Board line up in reverse order to introduce themselves and present their skits, starting with Community Service.

Chapter drawings and the donation drawing were held. *President - JoAnn* thanked everyone for attending today and thanked the West Grove Area Council for a wonderful brunch. We look forward to the March Brunch, “Sisters on Safari”.

There being no further business to come before the assembly, the meeting was adjourned at 12:50 p.m. with all members standing for the Closing Ritual and Mizpah.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Economon
Recording Secretary

ANNOUNCEMENTS



OCCC Brunch
Sisters on Safari
Saturday, March 8, 2008
Foxfire Restaurant, Anaheim Hills
Chair: Jullie Keller
Co-chair: Bobbie Barry



A Night on the Red Carpet
2008 All-Council Valentine Ball
**To Honor our Valentine Princesses &
To Benefit our Philanthropic Projects**
Saturday, February 23, 2008
Mile Square Golf Course, Fountain Valley
No-Host Cocktails: 6-7 p.m.
Dinner: 7-8 p.m.

MORE ANNOUNCEMENTS

A Request from NOCC

We – Rose Hrovat, Christine Alfonso, and Deb Woodward – do not have badges to put our sorority pins on. We are looking for help from one of our sisters to offer her talents in making badges for us. We will be happy to pay you for your time and expenses! Thank you!

2009 OCCC Brunch Schedule

The following have been awarded the 2009 OCCC Brunch Meetings. We thank you for your interest and support.

January 10, 2009	Laureate Eta Beta, SVC
March 14, 2009	Laureate Delta Nu, NOCC
May 9, 2009	Saddleback Valley Council
July 11, 2009	Orange Aids
September 12, 2009	Preceptor Zeta Tau, NOCC
November 14, 2009	2008-09 OCCC Executive Board

NOCC FEBRUARY MEETING CHANGE

**Thursday, February 21 (not 14!)
7 p.m.
Orange Public Library & History Center
Community Room
407 E. Chapman Avenue
Orange, CA 92866**

OCCC Beta Sigma Phi Standing Rules

The following language to Rule 9, Section A was approved by the OCCC Executive Board at its February meeting:

“Directory ads will become available for sale following the meeting with the City Council Directory Chairman and will be awarded on a first come, first serve basis to the individuals who supply a completed ad contract and check. City Council Directory Chairmen are to verify with the OCCC Directory Chair that no one from another Council has already submitted the required documents and purchased the inside and back covers before committing to the individual requesting either of these ads.”

CANDIDATE QUALIFICATIONS
2008 – 2009 OCCC EXECUTIVE BOARD ELECTED POSITIONS

President - Christine Morrow		Preceptor Xi Sigma - NHAC	
<u>Active Member</u>	<u>Chapter</u>	<u>City Council</u>	<u>OCCC</u>
7+ years	President, VP	President	VP, Rec. Secretary
Current Degree, Exemplar	Rec. Secretary	Rec. Secretary, Historian	Philanthropic Chair

Vice president - Bobbi Varner		Laureate Beta Nu - WGAC	
<u>Active Member</u>	<u>Chapter</u>	<u>City Council</u>	<u>OCCC</u>
23 years	President	President	Directory Chair
Current Degree	Vice President	Vice President	Community Service Chair
Laureate	Yearbook Chair, Council Rep	Valentine Ball Chair, Founder's Day Chair	

Recording Secretary - Evelyn Lambert		Preceptor Xi Sigma NHAC	
<u>Active Member</u>	<u>Chapter</u>	<u>City Council</u>	<u>OCCC</u>
4 years	Rec. Secretary	Vice President	Corr. Secretary
Current Degree, Exemplar	Treasurer	Founder's Day Chair	Rec. Secretary

Treasurer - Denise Kuhns		Laureate Eta Beta - SVC	
<u>Active Member</u>	<u>Chapter</u>	<u>City Council</u>	<u>OCCC</u>
12 years	President	President	Community Service Chair
Current Degree, Laureate	Treasurer		2007 Convention Treasurer

Directory Chair - Linda Peterson		Beta Omicron Master - IND	
<u>Active Member</u>	<u>Chapter</u>	<u>City Council</u>	<u>OCCC</u>
44 years	President	Corr. Secretary (SAAC)	Rec. Secretary
Current Degree	VP, Rec. Secretary		Corr. Secretary
Master	Corr. Secretary		Philanthropic Chair, Directory Chair

Philanthropic Chair - Annie Minium		Laureate Beta Nu - WGAC	
<u>Active Member</u>	<u>Chapter</u>	<u>City Council</u>	<u>OCCC</u>
32 years	President, VP	President	
Current Degree, Laureate	Rec. Secretary	Vice President	

Community Service Chair - Betty Robinson		Preceptor Zeta Tau - NOCC	
<u>Active Member</u>	<u>Chapter</u>	<u>City Council</u>	<u>OCCC</u>
48 years	President, VP	Coordinating Chair	Yearbook Chair
Current Degree	Rec. Secretary, Treasurer	Founder's Day	Honorary Member
Laureate			

All of these candidates have numerous Special Honors and Awards. Please take time to get to know them.



CAPE BLANCO LIGHTHOUSE
CIRCA: 1870

Cape Blanco juts out one and a half miles into the Pacific Ocean from Oregon's southern coast. At the end of the cape is a large headland with 200-foot cliffs along most of its perimeter. These chalky cliffs promoted early Spanish explorers to name this landmark, which is the most westerly point in Oregon, Cape Blanco or White Cape.

Cape Blanco Light Station was built on 47.7 acres of land. A two-family dwelling was built for keepers' quarters, with fireplaces in each room for heat. Several small buildings were constructed to house oil and other necessities. Most materials used for construction were shipped in, however, the bricks were made locally. Lt. Col R.S. Williamson was the engineer of record; he rejected nearly 20,000 of the 200,000 bricks as inferior. Finally, the light station was completed and H. Burnap was hired as the first Keeper. One the eve of December 20, 1870, the Fresnel lens was lit for the first time.

Since the lighthouse was far away from any harbor, its primary function was to warn ships away from the reefs which extended from the cape, and to provide a position fix for navigators. A light from a power first-order Fresnel lens with a fixed white signature served this function well.

This isolated lighthouse holds at least four Oregon records: it's the oldest continuously operating light, the most westerly, it has the highest focal plane above the sea, (256 feet), and Oregon's first woman keeper, Mabel E. Bretherton signed on in March 1903.

Cape Blanco's history is full of shipwrecks and lives saved. One notable shipwreck was the "J.A. Chanslor" (an oil tanker) in 1919. Of the 39 passengers, only three survived the collision with an offshore rock.

James Langlois and James Hughes were Cape Blanco's most distinguished keepers. Hughes was the second son of Patrick and Jane Hughes, whose 2,000-acre ranch bordered the Light Station property. They both served their entire careers at Cape Blanco, Langlois 42 years and Hughes 33 years. The keeper job included keeping the light working from sunset to sunrise.

Langlois, Hughes and many other keepers for the Light-House Service diligently kept the lamps burning, and the huge Fresnel lens polished until the U.S. Coast Guard took over in 1939. The station was later automated and abandon in 1979. The last known "keeper," stationed at Cape Blanco for grounds keeping and security purposes, left in December 1987.

Cape Blanco's two keepers' dwellings, oil house, water tower, and other utility dwellings are long gone, but the majestic tower, the centerpiece of the station, remains.

Cape Blanco Lighthouse is listed on the National Register of historic places.

**2007 - 2008 Orange Book Corrections
As of 12 January 2008**

Name	Council	Chapter	Item Corrected	Correction	Pages
Madi Jacobson	SVC	Preceptor Omicron Alpha	Email address	madi61@sbcglobal.net	62, 67
Darelene Carpenter	SVC	Preceptor Omicron Alpha	Email address	darelene@cox.net	67
Sharon Draper	NHAC	Laureate Epsilon Omicron	Email address	lthselvr@cablespeed.com	8, 40
Shelly Murphy	NHAC	Preceptor Xi Sigma	Email address	futbollover8@sbcglobal.net	38
Charla Lackey	SVC	Laureate Eta Beta	Email address	mbrfrst@cox.net	8
Betty Phillips	NOCC	Preceptor Zeta Tau	Email address	ldletime2@sbcglobal.net	8
Betty Rolnick	WGAC	Laureate Beta Nu	Email address	occcteapot@sbcglobal.net	8
Joanne Racki	NHAC	Preceptor Xi Sigma	New Email address and home phone number	randr@cablespeed.com , 360-437-7748	9, 39
Charlene Farwell	SVC	Laureate Eta Beta	Email address	charnrandy@cox.net	8
Carolynne Hannon	SVC	Delta Alpha Phi	Address	P.O. Box 64208, Sunnyvale, CA 94088	63, 65
Rachel Stone	NOCC	Chi Master	Area Code for Idaho telephone #	208 325-8668	60
Peggy Coker	WGAC	Laureate Beta Nu	Work Telephone Number New Email address	714-667-8252 ext.880, Peggy.Coker@Grubb-Ellis.com	74, 83
Dottie Soteriou	NHAC	Preceptor Xi Sigma	Email address	sigabby@cox.net	11
Betty Rolnick	WGAC	Laureate Beta Nu	Phone Number	714-539-1702	12
Michelle Carrillo (Joe)	WGAC	Delta Kappa Nu	New Member	1321 Cheltenham Lane, La Habra, CA 90631, 714-420-6489 cell, michellecatcan@aol.com	78
Jeanne Whitaker (Dan)	SVC	Laureate Eta Beta	Address Correction - Steet #	25932 Tree Top Road	71
Kathy Beckwith	NHAC	Preceptor Eta Rho	Email address	kbeckw@2000@aol.com	37
Bonnie Scott	WGAC	Laureate Beta Nu	Email address	B.AtTheBeach1@verizon.net	84
Donna Wertz	WGAC	Alpha Tau Master	Work Telephone Number	562-590-1350	6
Candy Teubert	SVC	Laureate Eta Beta	Zip Code Correction	92879	8
Jackie Harman	NOCC	Laureate Delta Nu	Email address	bearybud@roadrunner.com	8
Anne Marie Netzel	WGAC	Delta Kappa Chi	new info	7811 N. Stevens Street, Spokane, WA 99208, 509-464-0724, jamnetzel@q.com	78
Elaine Williams	WGAC	Delta Kappa Chi	new Email Address	lainey021@ca.rr.com	79
Candace Smith	SVC	Delta Alpha Phi	new address phone and Email remain same	1823 W. Malvern, Fullerton, CA 92833	65

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Annie Minium	WGAC	Laureate Beta Nu	new Email Address	aminium@sbcglobal.net	84
Suzanne Benet	NOCC	Delta Alpha Nu	President New Address	500 Blue Water Lane, Fullerton, CA 92831	46
Shanna Frankin	NOCC	Delta Alpha Nu	Vice President		46
Kim Prague	NOCC	Delta Alpha Nu	Corresponding Secretary		46
Rosemary Itrich	WGAC	Alpha Tau Master	Corrected Street Address	11152 Dallas Drive	88
Charlotte Sanders	NOCC	Laureate Eta	Corrected Address	16761 E. Buena Vista Ave., #B	59
Mary Nye	NOCC	Laureate Eta	Corrected Email Address	Mary_Nye@sbcglobal.com	59