



"Called to His purpose"

Romans 8:28

Whispering Winds
Women's Auxiliary

**SPECIAL
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Whispers from the Auxiliary

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From The President.....

I hope this New Year finds you all healthy and looking forward with enthusiasm to a blessed year! We continue to be very busy getting ready for our annual breakfast meeting on February 20. Our theme, "Faith, Family, Friends: Celebrate the Love" reminds us of what is truly important in our lives. We are looking forward to our guest speaker, Paula Bott. Hope to see many of you there!

The Season of Lent is also fast approaching. This is a time when we stop, reflect, and take stock of our spiritual lives. Let us offer this special time up to God and invite Christ to be especially present as we journey through this sacred season.

During this season we reflect on the sufferings of Christ and in light of recent events in Haiti, the human suffering that we find more and more prevalent and certainly very difficult to comprehend. Our prayers are lifted up for those who are suffering as a result of the devastating earthquake in Haiti.

"God whispers to us in our pleasure, speaks in our conscience, but shouts in our pains," says C.S. Lewis, and that perhaps is more a reflection of our human character than it is of God's best plan for reaching His creations. I read recently if we'd listen to His whisper when everything was rosy, it wouldn't take a megaphone of pain

to get our attention. But why and how He chooses even to speak to us in the first place still remains a mystery. Christ bore our sorrows, suffered and died for us and through all of the pain and suffering, he made us stronger, he saved us. We killed Him and He made us stronger. God works in mysterious ways.

Terry Poletta
President



Meet WWVA Board Members and Committee Positions for 2009-2010

Position	Chair-person	Co-chair
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If you feel the need to serve please contact Terry Poletto @ tpoletto@san.rr.com , she will help you find your place.

Valley Women's Auxiliary



“BUILD BASKETS”



Annual Spring Meeting All Call WHISPERING WINDS WOMEN'S AUXILIARY

Saturday, February 6th, 9AM - 1PM 13081 Treecrest St. Poway 92064

Countdown to our Annual Meeting February 20th PLEASE JOIN US TO “BUILD BASKETS” YOUR HELP IS NEEDED NOW!

Bring any items you would like to donate: Gift cards, bath & beauty products, books, hand made gifts, movie tickets.....

We will be assembling & putting on the finishing touches. If you can't join us and have items to donate please call Val Sponner @858-679-8366 & we will arrange for pick up & delivery.

Set-up & Tear Down

The Women's Auxiliary is having their annual breakfast at the Bay View Restaurant at MCRD on February 20 from 9 AM - 1 PM. Many of you have voiced an interest in getting move involved in the auxiliary and

have expressed an interest in volunteering. We would very much appreciate help that day getting set up at 7 AM and also help at 1:00 getting everything together at the end of the event. We are usually done by

1:30 but it really helps to have some extra helping hands. If you are interested in helping out, please contact Terry Poletto @ tpoletto@san.rr.com or 858-536-8737. Thanks for your support of the auxiliary!

24/7 365 Fundraising for Whispering Winds Women's Auxiliary



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Please 'shop 'til you drop'

Vicki Youngers
Val Spooner
Ways and Means

Membership stands at 175

Membership stands at 175. About 150 of you have submitted your current e-mail address to the Membership Chair, Sharon Anderson: 619-582-4023; seaaaa@cox.net

If any adjustments need to be made in regard to your addresses, phone numbers, or committee assignments, please let her know.

It was discussed at the last board meeting that the newsletter should be mailed to those members who do not

use e-mail since we now publish the newsletter electronically. This action is in process. Newsletters are published electronically in February, April, June, August, October and December.

The membership year runs from July 1st through June 30th. If you join or renew at the annual retreat it is for the coming fiscal year. If you join or renew after September, your membership is for the current fiscal

year, expiring in June.

If you are not yet a member, consider joining this wonderful group of women. We get together for fellowship and fun but most of all we support in each other in our spiritual journeys.

Be sure to. . . .
 “shower the people you love, with love. Show them the way that you care.” (Song by James Taylor)

Sharon Anderson
 Membership Chair



TERRY'S GREEN TIPS

This month my green tips focus around something none of us can avoid: transportation. Most of us drive cars and use air transportation on occasion. How can we “green” our transportation needs? Here are a few simple tips that will

help out the environment:

Start Driving Smarter

There are 4 simple tips to follow to improve your gas mileage:

- Maintain a steady speed.
- Don't speed.
- Avoid quick

starts and hard stops.

- Don't weave in and out of traffic.

Keep Tires Inflated Properly

Underinflated tires require more energy because they increase “rolling resistance.”

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The engine has to work harder and, consequently, more fuel is consumed. According to the Department of Energy, properly inflated tires can improve your gas mileage by 3.3 percent, and underinflated tires waste more than 3.5 million gallons of gas each DAY!

Join a Carpool

Most moms here in San Diego live in carpools. Joining a carpool for work is a bit trickier but if possible, a good thing for the environment.

Take Trains, Not Planes (Interesting if not entirely practical)

If possible, consider taking trains, not planes. Trains certainly have their drawbacks as travel times are much longer and tickets more expensive. Passengers, however, aren't as cramped and it can be much more pleasant to ride

the rails. Trains produce about two to three times less CO₂ per person per mile than planes generate. According to some estimates, emitting CO₂ into the upper atmosphere – which planes do – does more than twice the damage of the same amount of CO₂ emitted at ground level.

Perform Routine Maintenance

Getting regular tune-ups and performing routine maintenance on your car will reduce emissions, reduce air pollution and reduce our nation's dependence on foreign oil. The EPA states that fixing a serious maintenance problem, such as a faulty oxygen sensor, can improve gas mileage by as much as 40 percent. Replacing a dirty air filter can improve fuel economy by up to 10 percent. Every little bit helps!

Lighten Your Load

The more weight you have in your car, the harder the

engine has to work, which means lower gas mileage. According to the Department of Energy, an extra 100 pounds in your car reduces fuel economy by up to 2 percent. If you remove any unnecessary items and lighten the load by 100 pounds, you can save about 6¢ a gallon. Those who have mini vans with removable captain's chairs can save a bundle by leaving them out of the van if you don't use them all of the time. I took mine out after my girls left for college and my gas mileage improved tremendously!

Fuel-Wise Warm-Ups

Don't warm up your car for more than 30 seconds. In this extremely frigid climate here in San Diego, that will be especially useful! However, many of us visit other parts of the country where temps are quite cold. Idling for any longer than 30 seconds wastes fuel. The best way to warm up a vehicle is to drive it. Idling for 10 minutes uses about .2 gallon of fuel – as much as

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it takes to travel five miles – and each gallon you use produces close to 20 pounds of carbon dioxide.

Carry Those Clubs!

Carry those golf clubs. It's great exercise and healthy. Electric carts require energy to operate and charge. It takes hours to

fully recharge a cart.

Walk or use Mass Transit

Walk if you don't have to drive and if available, choose mass transit. The latter is not always the most convenient in San Diego but if you have that option, consider it.

If you have any tips you would like to share with the auxiliary, please e-mail them to me at tpoletto@san.rr.com

Tipster Terry



Dates to Remember



February 6, 2010-“Basket Building”
9AM - 1PM
13081 Treecrest St.
Poway, 92064

February 20, 2010 -WWWA Annual Meeting, Breakfast and Silent Auction
9AM - 1PM
Bayview Restaurant
Marine Corps Recruit Depot
San Diego

Silent Action begins at 9AM
Breakfast served at 10AM

April 30, May 1-2:
WWWA Retreat –
Whispering Winds

Whispering Winds Women's Auxiliary Purpose Statement

As women united by faith in Jesus Christ and by a common interest in Whispering Winds Family Camp, we propose to contribute to the growth and development of the Camp through Prayer and fellowship.

Assisting in fundraising, disseminating information, and providing support for all functions and projects for the upgrade of the facilities at the Camp. Providing monies for scholarships and projects for the upgrading of the facilities at the camp.