



The President's Corner

by Pattie Vargas

Hello, Soaring Eagles!

I'm not sure how your October began but I think we can agree that it went out with a rushing wind and firestorm! I haven't heard from all of our members but so far, it looks like the Soaring Eagles were very, very fortunate. Like me, you were probably preoccupied with making sure your family and friends were all safe and accounted for. Once that was settled the reality of the situation began to set in. Many people lost everything they owned and are facing the daunting task of rebuilding from the ground up. Others are living in damaged homes and working through the process of returning to normal. Everyone is affected in one way or another, even if they experienced no physical damage.

Our friends, Dennis and Judy, lost the home they had lived in for almost 20

years. For a hobby, Dennis made beautiful guitars and other stringed instruments – all gone except one Mandolin that he grabbed on the way out. He also collected Bibles and historic Biblical works – all gone with the exception of his and Judy's daily Bibles. Judy collected angels and light-houses – gone. Family photos – gone. We were at lunch on Sunday discussing a particular CD we all enjoyed and Dennis said, "We have that CD, too." Judy said, "No, we don't."

That's when it really hit me – they didn't have anyTHING anymore. All the things we think make up our lives can be gone with a change in the wind's direction. It sounds trite, I know, but they demonstrated to me that *they* know what *really matters*. They sat there making jokes about the clothes they were wearing and the crazy stuff we had managed to find while sifting through the ashes (a plastic

firetruck that belonged to their grandson, of all things!) and I thought back to the email we had received from them on Monday night. It said, "Our house burned to the ground this morning around 10:30. We evacuated about 6AM and never looked back."

I don't think it's any accident that I have dreamed about fire every night since last Monday – I'm trying to learn a lesson here about what really matters. And knowing all of you, I know I'm not alone!"

Fondly,

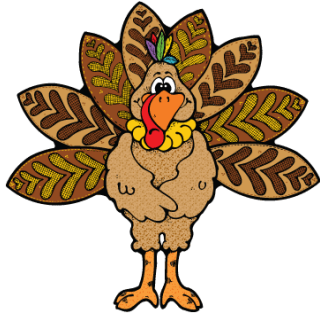
Pattie



Inside this issue:

Impact Council Quarterly Meeting	2
WOTG—How You Can Help	3
More Pics of Our Julie Kangas!	4
Top Business Woman Press Release	5
November General Meeting Info	6
Treasurer's Report	7
WOTG Save the Date	8





HAPPY THANKSGIVING SOARING EAGLES!

IMPACT Quarterly Council Meeting October 13, 2007

Program was "Successes – Achievements – Recognitions 2007 and the Elections & Installation of Officers for 2008".

Each Chapter Delegate was given an opportunity for a 90 second report for the last quarter accomplishments and events of their chapter. This will be a regular feature in the coming months.

Newly elected officers of IMPACT 2008:

Chairman	Donna Hempel ~ Verdugo Glen Chapter
Vice-Chairman	Phyllis Eichler ~ Windsong Chapter
Communications Officer	Carol Veach ~ El Dorado Chapter
Financial Officer	Susan Villotti ~ South Coast Chapter

Chairman candidates were Donna Hempel and Phyllis Eichler. All other officers were unopposed. Fourteen of the nineteen chapters were in attendance.

JoAnn Osby District VI Vice-President (outgoing IMPACT Chairman) installed the new officers.

Impact Council Woman of the Year will be announced by Chairman Carol Smith at January 12, 08 meeting.

"Woman on the Go- 2008" will be chaired by Soaring Eagles Chapter of Escondido. It will be held at the Wyndham Hotel (as usual) on January 26, 2008. Marlene Montooth reported planning meetings are scheduled. All Chapters will receive information via e-mail or thru Karen the Communicator.

Beginning 2008 – At each Impact Meeting individual chapters will provide refreshments as follows (\$5.00 per person remains the same):

January 12	Wavecresters	July 12	Diamonds of the South Bay
April 12	Orange Charter	October 11	Verdugo Glen

Awards were given to outgoing Officers and chairmen of various 2007 events and programs.

Marlene Montooth

Council Representative

November Birthdays!

Linda Colling ~ 1st

Sharon Mack ~ 18th

Cathy Dellas ~ 11th

Nancy Sticka ~ 24th



Help Our Chapter with *Women on the Go!*

In January of 2008, the Soaring Eagles will have the opportunity to host the annual Woman on the Go Conference. This one-day educational conference is held in Anaheim put on by the Impact Council, of which we are a member. This is our time to shine!

Pattie Vargas is serving as the Conference Chairperson and she's looking for a few (or a lot!) good women (and men!). Several members of the board have already stepped up to lead certain positions, but there is room for many more leaders and helpers. Pattie may still need **chairpersons** for:

- **Information / Hostesses:** Roaming ambassadors to help the day of the event to answer questions, give directions.
- **Promotions:** Line up door prizes, give-aways, etc from other chapters and businesses
- **Conference Secretary:** Attend all planning meetings, take minutes, track action items
- **VIP Coordinator, VIP Reception:** Invite all ABWA VIP's, manage accommodations for them, plan a VIP reception the night before
- **End of Day Reception:** Plan a casual reception at the end of the day for conference attendees

In addition to chairpersons, of course we need volunteers to help! The more involvement, the easier on all!

Please give careful consideration to this great opportunity. The conference is a wonderful experience and this year will provide us the chance to both *receive* and *give*. Let Pattie know where you would like to lend your talents and willing hearts!

See our "Save the Date" flier on page 8 of this newsletter and watch your e-mail for an announcement regarding the planning meeting.



“What lies behind us and what lies before us are tiny matters compared to what lies within us.”

-Ralph Waldo Emerson

Julie Kangas Named Top Business Woman 2008

More photos and information keep coming in of our awesome Julie Kangas! Check out these wonderful pictures and the fabulous press release on the opposite page.





FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

For Further Information

Brita Bolane: ABWA Soaring Eagles publicity chair (760) 525-7597 brita@pareitdown.com

LOCAL AMERICAN BUSINESS WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION CHAPTER MEMBER NAMED 2008 BUSINESS WOMAN OF THE YEAR

ESCONDIDO, CA (OCTOBER 4, 2007) – The American Business Women's Association (ABWA) Soaring Eagles chapter is pleased to announce Dr. Julie Kangas has been named the 2008 American Business Woman of the Year. Dr. Kangas was recently named a Top Ten candidate and at the ABWA National Conference in Greensboro, NC Dr. Kangas was awarded the highest honor in the ABWA organization, Business Woman of the Year.

For more than 50 years, ABWA's Top Ten program has annually honored 10 outstanding members of ABWA for achieving excellence in career, education and community involvement. The winners of the 2008 Top Ten Business Women of ABWA were chosen for their philanthropic achievements, as well as for their ability to demonstrate how their involvement in the Association has contributed directly to their career achievements.

The mission for ABWA is to bring together businesswomen of diverse occupations and to provide opportunities for them to help themselves and others grow personally and professionally through leadership, education, networking support and national recognition. "We are incredibly proud of Julie," said Pattie Vargas, ABWA Soaring Eagles President and 2007 Top Ten award winner. "Julie embodies the very spirit of what ABWA represents, the highest level of professionalism and leadership."

Dr. Kangas, along with her husband Dr. William R. Jungman, is the owner of Citracado Dental Group based in Escondido, CA. In addition to being an intelligent and savvy business woman, Dr. Kangas is the former president of the San Diego Women Dentists and currently serves as the vice president of membership for the ABWA Soaring Eagles chapter. Dr. Kangas manages family (married with four sons), career (dentist and business owner) and community involvement (serving several charitable foundations) with warmth and poise. It's no wonder that with 90 Top Ten candidates vying for Business Woman of the Year, Julie was the top choice.

For more information about Dr. Julie Kangas, please visit www.citracadodental.com/about/staff/kangas and to learn more about ABWA Soaring Eagles visit www.abwa-soaringeagles.org.

From the Editor: The minutes from the October general meeting were delayed due to the fire emergency in Escondido. In order to get this newsletter to you in a timely fashion, we will publish them in the December newsletter with the November meeting minutes.

ABWA Proud Code of Conduct

- * All members will serve as goodwill ambassadors for the American Business Women's Association.
- * Members will not allow their personal beliefs and convictions to interfere with the representation of ABWA's mission.
- * Members will always treat their member colleagues, guests, vendors and sponsors with honesty, respect, fairness, integrity, responsibility, kindness, and in good faith.
- * Members will maintain compliance with ABWA National, Chapter and Express Network Bylaws.
- * Members will not use their personal power to advance their personal interests.
- * Members will strive for excellence in their professions by Maintaining and enhancing their own business knowledge and skills, and by encouraging the professional development of other members.



JOIN US FOR THE NOVEMBER MEETING!

**OUR MEMBERS WILL HAVE PRODUCTS AND SERVICES
ON DISPLAY AT OUR VENDOR FAIR!**

**ESCONDIDO COUNTRY CLUB
1800 W COUNTRY CLUB LANE
ESCONDIDO, CA**

**NOVEMBER 1, 2007
5:30 NETWORKING, 6:00 MEETING
\$20 PER PERSON**



“What seems impossible one minute, through faith,
becomes possible the next.”

-Norman Vincent Peale



In Their Steps

Annual ABWA
Woman on the Go
Conference

January 26, 2008
Wyndham Hotel - Anaheim
222 W Houston Ave, Fullerton
8:00am - 4:00pm

Featuring

Chien Wang, Author of
It's Who Knows You
How, why and where to
network -*secret* techniques
from the master!

Registration

Early Bird (before 12/31):
\$90.00
After 12/31: \$110.00

**Breakout
Workshops**

**Dynamic
Speakers**

Lunch

**Networking
Opportunities**

**Plan NOW to
Attend!**

For More Info:
Email Pattie Vargas
pattie@thevargasgroup.net



ABWA Mission Statement

The mission of the American Business Women's Association is to bring together businesswomen of diverse occupations and to provide opportunities for them to help themselves and others grow personally and professionally through leadership, education, networking support and national recognition

Soaring Eagles Chapter 6495
Stacey Moffat, Editor
P.O. Box 725
Escondido, CA 92033



Working for You ~ ABWA Soaring Eagles

PRESIDENT

Pattie Vargas
760.489.1069

RECORDING SECRETARY

Candace Trevino
760.294.0767

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Sheri Genovese
619.838.7460

VICE PRESIDENT

Anne Grimes
760.253.6869

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

Shelley Gardner
760.945.6842

SCHOLARSHIP

Tina Marino
760.845.8838

1ST VP MEMBERSHIP / HOSPITALITY

Mary Large
760.739.0717

TREASURER

Leilani Haugen
760.743.1889

PUBLICITY

Brita Bolane
760.525.7597

2ND VP NEWSLETTER

Stacey Moffat
858.204.2677

CHAPTER ADVISOR

Rosi Weisser
489-9234

ROSTER

Mary Large
760.739.0717

3RD VP FUNDRAISING

Sue Puffet
760.822.2242

PROGRAM

Lisa Durham
760.798.9692

INLAND VALLEY COUNCIL REP

Marlene Montooth
760.715.5835

HISTORIAN / BANNER

Donna Martos and Roxann Randall
858.674.0760 760.471.1306