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HAPPY 2010 !

It's a New Year, and a New Decade. When making your resolutions for this year, I do hope all of you will make a resolution to meet with, and hopefully join, the **Insurance Professionals of Orange County**, and make it your association of choice.

At our January 6, 2010 meeting, we had a very good speaker, Mr. Gary Vehilis, Loss Control Manager of The Hartford. Mr. Vehilis spoke on, "Business Continuity in the Event of a Disaster" and how important it is to have Business Interruption insurance. This is a very important coverage for all businesses in California due to earthquakes.

His presentation was both informative and enlightening.

For those of you who need Continuing Education credits, we are having a one (1) hour CE class at our February 3, 2010 meeting. The Greenspan Co. will be presenting "Fair Claims Practices & Its Effects on the Broker". See flyer on our website, www.insuranceprofessionalsoc.org. for more information, registration, etc. You get dinner, education and fellowship all wrapped into one, so come join us.

I would like to encourage current and new members to plan to attend our Regional Conference, March 17-20, 2010 which is being held at the Flamingo Hotel in Santa Rosa. You will have the opportunity to meet new friends, renew past friendships, hear wonderful speakers, network, obtain CE credits and learn more about the National Association of Insurance Women. It will be an exciting meeting as we have three people running for Regional Vice President, one of which is our very own Janice Lovett, AIS, AU, MBA, CPIW. Let's all try to attend to support and encourage Janice along the way.

Don't forget, our So. California Inter-Coordinating Council Meeting is Saturday, January 23, 2010 in Woodland Hills, Ca. Janice, Carolyn Espinoza and I will be attending. If anyone else is interested, please contact me at freedasba@netzero.net.

In Friendship,

Freeda Koopmans, President

"Keep your face to the sunshine and you cannot see the shadows"

By Helen Keller

Know Your Members

Debbie Benson

Insurance Professionals of Orange County newest member is Deborah Benson. Deborah is the Vice President of CIC Adjusters, Inc. She has been with the same company for over 21 years and was instrumental in forming CIC Adjusters, Inc, an independent adjusting company/TPA that was established in 2006.

Deborah moved to California from Chicago, Illinois in 1978. She has been married to Gary (a blacksmith) for 26 years. They have three wonderful children; Ali, Zachary, and David. Ali leaves for Israel (then on to Prague) in the morning.

Interesting facts:



- Favorite Food: Anything but Beer or Cheesecake
- Hobbies: Gourmet Dinner Parties, Exercise, and Hiking

Why did you join Insurance Professionals of Orange County? Deborah said, "Women are the soul of the insurance business and I was looking for a network".

Please join us in welcoming Deborah to the group!



Scholarships Available

There are scholarships available through Insurance Professionals of Orange County and Region VIII. You can obtain a scholarship application for the IPOC scholarship from Freeda and apply for a Region VIII scholarship at www.region8.com



The Insurance Professionals of Orange County are very proud to recommend our member Janice L. Lovett, MBA, AIS, AU, CPIW for the position of Region VIII's next Regional Vice President. We feel Janice's qualifications are outstanding on the local, state, regional as well as national level. At the September California Council Meeting Janice verbalized her "Bucket List" included giving back to the organization she has been a loyal member of nationally for over 13 years by serving someday as Regional Vice President. Please join us in making Janice's dream come true.

Freeda Koopmans, President.



Members Birthdays and Anniversary's

- Midge Wheeler 1-22

Upcoming Events Calendar



- January 23, 2010 - So. Calif. Inter-Coordinating Council Meeting - Woodland Hills, Ca.
- January 28, 2010- IPOC Board Meeting - Janice Lovett's home
- February 3, 2010 - IPOC Monthly Meeting - Doubletree Club Hotel, 7 Hutton Centre Dr., Santa Ana, Ca,
- March 3, 2010 - IPOC Monthly Meeting - Doubletree Club Hotel, 7 Hutton Centre Dr., Santa Ana, Ca.
- March 17-20, 2010 - Region VIII Conference, Santa Rosa, Ca. (information will follow as soon as we receive from the hosting association)

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"Caring about others, running the risk of felling, and leaving an impact on people, brings happiness."

By Rabbi Harold Kushner

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Websites to Know

NAIW International - www.naiw.org
NAIW Region VIII - www.naiwregion8.com
CA Council of NAIW - www.cacouncilnaiw.com
Insurance Professionals of Orange County - www.insuranceprofessionalsoc.org
Insurance Scholarship Foundation of America: - www.inssfa.org

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Please join us at the
Southern California Inter Coordinating Council Meeting

Saturday, January 23, 2010

at

Restaurant BJ's Brewhouse

6424 Canoga Avenue
Woodland Hills, CA 91367-2407
(818) 340-1748

(BJ's is very close to the Warner Center, Woodland Hills, CA and next to the Hilton - Woodland Hills.)

Registration – 10:30 a.m.

Meeting – 11:00 a.m.

Buffet Lunch will be served at 12:00 p.m.

Fund Raising Tables available, please let us know if you need one

– Set up for tables begins at 10.15 am -

Registration:

Name/Designations: _____

Association: _____

Cost: \$28.00 per person

We accept **checks**, made out to IWLA; **Cash** at the door (exact change please)

Please RSVP by Thursday, January 13th to mrpiwla@sbcglobal.net

or by mail to:

IWLA
c/o Lily Gastellum
14374 Berg Street
Sylmar, CA 91342



**Insurance Professionals of Orange County
Proudly Presents**

Fair Claims Practices & Its Effect on the Broker
Guest Speakers From:



Date: Wednesday – February 3, 2010
Time: 5:30PM Networking
6:00PM Dinner
6:30PM Presentation – 1 Hour of CE Credit (133138)
Location: Doubletree Club Hotel
7 Hutton Centre Drive in Santa Ana, CA
Cost: \$30 for Members / \$40 for Guests

----- SCAN BACK OR MAIL -----

Name/Title: _____

e-Mail: _____

Company: _____

Preferred Contact Telephone Number: _____

Preferred Address: _____

Check One: _____ \$30 Member _____ \$40 Guest

RSVP by February 1st: cmespinoza@roadrunner.com

Come learn more at: www.insuranceprofessionalsoc.org

Checks in advance should be mailed with this form to:
Insurance Professionals Orange County @ PO Box 1264, Tustin, CA 92781
Please note – we only accept cash/check at the door.

Cancellation after 10am on Monday February 1st will result in you being invoiced.