

ANNUAL CONVENTION Simi Valley April 27-29

BPW members attending this year's Valley Sunset District Annual Convention April 27-29 in Simi Valley will learn about women in politics, hear our Young Careerist competition, and discuss a number of important issues facing our local, state, and national organizations. We have invited a local San Fernando Valley elected official who is a member of San Fernando BPW and has held office as City Council member and Mayor of the City of San Fernando to be our keynote speaker. It is our own Julie Ruelas, who was re-elected on March 6 and also happens to be the daughter of President Elvira. Julie is a professor at Mission College in the San Fernando Valley. She will share how one gets involved in community politics, how to throw your hat into the ring, and, once elected, the challenges of getting your goals accomplished.

At this conference, as our Young Careerist candidates share their goals, we will be seeing our leaders of the future. Members will elect officers for the 2007-2008 organization year and vote on proposed changes to the District Policies and Procedures.

This convention promises to be a great time for gaining new knowledge, for networking, and for enjoying time with old friends and new acquaintances. Beginning with the Friday evening reception and continuing through the Saturday speakers and business meeting, the Installation of President Elvira, and the planning workshops on Sunday morning, there will be opportunities for learning and for fun. Mark your calendar and plan to attend!

EQUAL PAY DAY

Tuesday, April 24, 2007

According to the 2005 Census Bureau, women on average earn 77 cents for every dollar paid to their male counterparts. For minority women, the wage gap worsens as African American women make 66 cents, Latinas make 55 cents and Asian American women make 80 cents. Each year, BPW members and advocates across the country organize Equal Pay Day activities and events in April to bring attention to the issue of pay equity. Equal Pay Day is held annually in April to signify the point into a year that a woman must work to earn what a man made the previous year.

BPW members organize events and activities not only for Equal Pay Day but year round to educate the public about the wage gap.

On Equal Pay Day 2006, April 25th, at a press conference in Washington, DC, BPW/USA in collaboration with the National Committee on Pay Equity and the WAGE Project announced the launch of WAGE Clubs--a new nationwide grassroots movement designed to increase awareness of pay equity and finally close the wage gap. The collaboration has created 97 WAGE clubs nationally to date.



Elvira Orozco – New President of Valley Sunset District



Following the resignation of Katerina Canyon in January, the President Elect of Valley Sunset District, Elvira Orozco, assumed the office of president. She will serve the remainder of this year and the 2007-2008 term. Elvira has been a member of San Fernando BPW since 1972 and has served in every local office, including election to the presidency several times. On the District level, Elvira has served as Treasurer, First Vice-President, President Elect, and Nominating Chair.

Professionally, Elvira was the elected Treasurer of the City of San Fernando for thirty-four years and Deputy City Treasurer for ten years. Prior to that, she worked for the Los Angeles County Clerk for three years. Elvira is currently the Treasurer-Manager of La Mission Federal Credit Union, which serves Santa Rosa Church parish.

An active member of her community, Elvira serves on the boards of directors of the San Fernando Women's Club, Friends of the Lopez Adobe, San Fernando Museum of Art and History, and the Valley Family Center.

She is the mother of two sons and two daughters, grandmother of twelve, and great-grandmother of four. Born in Van Nuys, Elvira graduated from San Fernando High School and Los Angeles Valley College.

VSD President Resigns

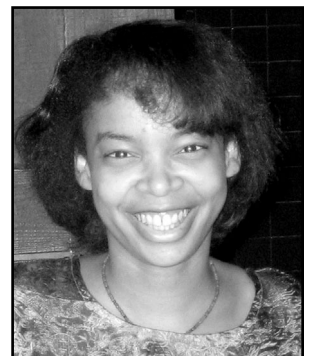
The following letter was sent to the Executive Committee of Valley Sunset District in January.

Dear EC Committee:

I hereby resign as president of Valley Sunset District Business and Professional Women. Due to health and personal circumstances, I am unable to continue as President and BPW member.

I have appreciated the opportunities I have received from the organization as a whole, as well as from the supportive members. I thank you for allowing me the opportunity to be a part of your organization.

Most sincerely,
Katerina Canyon



YOUNG CAREERIST SPEECH COMPETITION

Valley Sunset District Y-C competition is coming up fast. We will gather at Annual Convention at the Grand Vista Hotel on April 27-28 for the speak-off. Then it's on to the State competition scheduled for May 18-20. This officer is hopeful that we will have a fantastic representative. If you have questions, please call Linda Graham, Y-C Chair, at 805-638-6513.

VALLEY SUNSET DISTRICT

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President's Message

For those members who may not know why I'm writing this message as District President, Katerina Canyon submitted her resignation early in January 2007 due to ill health. We wish Katerina the best and pray for her recovery. We appreciate greatly all that she did for the District, representing us at State and National BPW as Young Careerist. Katerina was one of the founders of Camp BPW at National Conference. She was truly an active member and we hope that she will remain active in BPW.

The Winter Conference was a great success. All the vice-presidents did their part and all the other executive committee members and chairs fulfilled their duties—all graciously helping this officer. Thank you to all who participated.

The Annual Convention will take place April 27-29 at the Grand Vista Hotel in Simi Valley. Let's have a great turn-out! The program being planned by Marjory Hopper will be excellent as usual. Shirley Kellstrom, Vice-President of Legislation, will present her report and bring us up to date on these important topics. I look forward to seeing all of you there.



2007 – 2008 Theme:
**“WOMEN OF THE
21ST CENTURY”**

— *Elvira Orozco*

NOMINATIONS REPORT

The following is a list of candidates who have shown their willingness to serve Valley Sunset District for 2007-2008:

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| Vice President – Finance and Administration/Treasurer | Anne Marie Johnson Verdugo Hills LO |
| Vice President Legislation and Public Policy | Shirley Kellstrom Sunland – Tujunga LO |
| Vice President Membership and Marketing | Marjory Hopper Hollywood LO |
| Vice President Issues Management | Doreen Newsam Santa Barbara LO |
| Recording Secretary | Marlene Greenfield Greater San Fernando Valley LO |
| Nominations Chair | Rosemary Enzer Greater San Fernando Valley LO |

It is with deep regret that this chair has been unable to recruit a candidate for the office of President Elect. Hopefully, we will have a full slate of officers by our April Annual Convention. Surely some dedicated and loyal member will come forward and take on the mantle of leadership for the vacant office. This is a great opportunity to gain knowledge, the respect of the membership, and to serve the District. Please, this officer urges you all to look into your souls and step forward and throw your hat into the ring for this vacancy.

— *Mary Weightman, Nominations Chair*

A MESSAGE FROM THE EDITOR

As the final issue of the 2006-2007 ValSun goes to press, this editor wishes to take the opportunity to thank all the officers, chairs and members for their support. Your cooperation and assistance make this newsletter possible. A special THANK YOU goes to our talented publisher, Cindy Cleghorn, and her staff at C & M Printing and Mailing for their excellent layout and production.

Valley Sunset District is entering the Age of Technology with our new website and the availability of the ValSun online. Although members may opt to continue to receive the newsletter by mail, this editor encourages you to try the online version, if possible. For many years, the ValSun has been the district's greatest expense. The subscription fee of \$6.00 and a few ads do not even begin to cover the cost of printing and mailing. Even the recent increase in the subscription price to \$10 will not make up the difference.

It has been an honor and a pleasure to serve Valley Sunset District again this year.

— *Rosemary Enzer, ValSun Editor*

Women In The 21st Century

All BPW members are products of the 20th Century...and now, we are living in the 21st Century. As a college student in the 20th Century, I remember writing a speech, entitled "Hail the Woman!"

In this speech, women were recognized for their visions and accomplishments. But, I remember ending the talk with "one day, we will say "Madame President of the United States of America!"

Unfortunately, it did not happen in the 20th Century. Now we are living in the 21st Century, and many leaders of the world proclaim WOMEN as their president, ruler or head of state. The White House Project is launching a new initiative, "WHY WOMEN MATTER: LESSONS ABOUT WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP FROM HOME AND ABROAD". Their primary goal is to inspire a national movement to increase the number of women in politics in this country. Despite the historic role of leadership in the women's movement, the United States ranks 58th among nations in its representation of women at the national level. It is time to CHANGE the face of America's political leadership.

The USA is starting to make strides to increase the role of women in leadership roles. Currently, we have 67 women in the House of Representatives and 14 in the United States Senate. 2007 is a year of firsts. Nancy Pelosi, Congresswoman from California, became the FIRST WOMAN to be elected as the SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE! Senator Hillary Clinton is active on the political trail, campaigning for President of the United States. A few years ago, it was my privilege to introduce for a special Business Women's Week program, the former Prime Minister of Canada, Kim Campbell, who shared her experiences with the ups and downs of women in the world of politics and leadership...a most enlightening presentation.

We cannot always begin at the top of the ladder; women must climb up the ladder and begin by being active in their own community, be involved in organizations, school boards, the city councils, etc. So Valley Sunset District takes pride in presenting one of their own members as our keynote speaker for our Annual Conference, Julie Ruelas, member of San Fernando BPW. Julie was just reelected as a Council Member of the City of San Fernando. She has served previously as Mayor and Mayor Pro Tem. Professionally, she is a Professor of Education at Mission College. She teaches special classes in Early Childhood Education. Julie organized the first Children, Youth and Families Advisory Committee and as brought 9 million dollars to the San Fernando Valley through her grant writing and continuing assistance in Neighborhood Watch groups. And of course, this speaker's proud mother is our District President Elvira Orozco! Elvira has chosen WOMEN IN THE 21st CENTURY as her theme for the year. What a great beginning to hear from our BPW member Julie Ruelas, a local woman leader in the 21st Century!

— Marjory Hopper, Vice President Issues Management

Valley Sunset District Has Gone High Tech

Valley Sunset District has a new website. You can find it at bpwvsd.org. The purpose of this website is to give our members information about the district and to attract new members. There are five pages: About Us, Events, Resources, Newsletters, and Contacts. Please take a minute to "check out" the site.

We are also hoping to save some money on printing and postage by making the ValSun available online. This issue plus the previous two issues are already there. Just click on Newsletters and then click on the one you want to view. You can then print that newsletter or just part of it. If you are interested in this option, go to the Contact page and send me an e-mail that simply says that you want to receive the ValSun online. Once a newsletter is available, you will receive an e-mail advising you of that fact and providing a link to the current issue.

The printing and distribution of the newsletter is our largest expense. The \$6.00 paid by each member to the district for this publication only covers one issue. We need to keep this award-winning publication because it serves as our most valuable communications tool. If you opt-in to the online version, the district will be able to save hundreds of dollars on each issue.

Local organizations are also encouraged to post their events. Just send me an electronic or a paper copy of your flyer and I will see that it is posted on the website. Please remember to give some lead time. And then check out the website regularly to see what fantastic things VSD and its locals are planning.

— Anne Marie Johnson, VP Finance/Treasurer and Website Coordinator

LOCAL ORGANIZATION PRESIDENTS

Has your Local Organization paid VALSUN dues?

VALLEY SUNSET DISTRICT

APPOINTED OFFICERS & CHAIRS

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Yeah Mon! It's Jamaica!

Six members of the California Federation attended the International North America and the Non Spanish Speaking Islands of the Caribbean Regional Conference held in Montego Bay, Jamaica February 16-19. The conference theme was "New Dimensions in Leadership". Regional Coordinator, Monica McNeil, hosted the three day conference for members from Canada, International New York, California and various Caribbean islands. Also in attendance were the International President, Chonchanok Viravan, and three past International Presidents, Antionette Ruegg, Pat Harrison, and Yvette Swan. The six members from California were all from Valley Sunset and included Carolyn Blundell, Anne Parlapiano, Mary Weightman, Marjory Hopper, Margaret Eriksson and Sandy Thompson.

On the first day of the conference International President Nok presented information on "Reforming BPW in the 21st Century". She discussed changes that may be coming up for BPW including finances, organizational changes, location of the International office, and rewriting our Constitution and some by-laws. Also, she announced that there is a new look to the website.



THE TRAVELERS On the Water in Ocho Rios, Jamaica: (back row) Sandy Thompson, Mary Weightman, Margaret Eriksson, Carolyn Blundell (front row) Anne Parlapiano, Marjory Hopper.

In the afternoon Liz Benham, 2nd Vice President and Membership Chair, discussed increasing our membership and providing awards for getting new members. She has the Triple One Formula which is each member getting one new member each year. She also discussed becoming a member of Friends of International and stated that you can honor someone as a Fellow. So far there are three Fellows: Lena Madison Phillips, Ester Hymer, and Ken Herman.

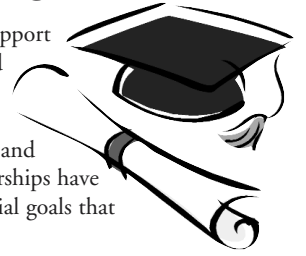
On Saturday morning Immediate Past International President Antionette Ruegg presented a talk on "New Dimensions of Leadership". She discussed the differences between men's and women's leadership styles. In the afternoon we had the choice of three workshops – New Dimensions of Leaders in Politics, Developing Leadership Qualities, and Mentoring. We all attended different workshops.

Saturday evening there was a banquet where we were all able to relax and get to know people from other areas.

On Sunday morning there was a panel discussion on violence against women. The panel members were from New York, Barbados, St. Kitts, Bermuda and California. Since we were not given any information before hand, the California delegation

BPW Foundation Scholarships – Women Helping Women

Thousands of deserving women are seeking support and assistance to complete their education and enhance their job skills. BPW Foundation Career Scholarships are targeted at women 25 years or older who have critical financial need and clear career plans. Over the years, these scholarships have helped women achieve educational and financial goals that otherwise seemed beyond their reach.



Help the BPW Foundation ensure that no deserving woman is left behind. Help women with limited resources, but unlimited potential, attain economic self-sufficiency.

REMEMBER that each and every contribution, no matter the amount, counts. Gifts of any size, \$15, \$20, or \$50 are greatly appreciated. It is our combined effort that makes the difference. **DONATE TODAY.**

— Marlene Greenfield, Foundation Chair

got together and brainstormed and Sandy Thompson was our representative on the panel.

At lunch time we voted on the candidate for Regional Coordinator who will be elected at the next International Congress. Yasim Darwich will be the candidate.

President Nok told us of plans for the XXVI BPW International Congress to be held in Merida, Mexico, in October 2008. The theme will be "The Power to Make a Difference". It should be an exciting conference held in a location with lots of history.

Our entire trip was not just sitting in meetings; we did have the opportunity to get around and see quite a bit of the area. We enjoyed jerked chicken, coconut milk and Red Strip Beer. We had an exciting bus ride going down the mountain from Bob Marley's birthplace on a one lane curvy road and visited the White Witch's plantation. And we discovered that everything in Jamaica is "No Problem."

— Sandy Thompson



John Hall's Adventure Tours Pre-School Visit – Montego Bay, Jamaica

LOCAL ORGANIZATION REPORTS

BURBANK BPW

Carolyn Blundell, President

Burbank recently held our International Night Dinner which featured the six members of Valley-Sunset who attended the IFBPW Regional Meeting of the North America and Non-Spanish Speaking Caribbean countries. It was well attended, with twenty-three of our district present.

Our March meeting will be at the Carousel Restaurant in the Holiday Inn in Burbank. Margaret Prickett and Jo Wheeler are the program chairs. This is Women's History Month, so I am sure they will have a great dinner meeting planned for us.

Burbank has just added four members to our roster.

We will be having our elections in April. The year has gone by quickly, but we have had some good programs and meetings. We are looking forward to the International Congress in Merida, Mexico 2008. This officer hopes that we will be well represented by more members from California.

SANTA BARBARA

Tina Pedotti, President

We have had several interesting speakers this year. They have included a speaker from the local Girls Club of Santa Barbara. In October we honored Claudia Worthen as our Woman of Achievement and on February 19 we held our annual Queen of Hearts Fashion Show, which is a fund raiser for Unity Shoppe.

This officer also attended the CFBPW Winter Board and Government in Action meetings in Simi Valley.

SUNLAND – TUJUNGA

Shirley Kellstrom, President

On February 27 Sunland Tujunga LO met with the community, members, and friends, to honor Cindy Cleghorn, owner of C&M Printers in Tujunga as our BPW Community Woman of Achievement for this year. Cindy is a member of Verdugo Hills BPW, and is the current Chairman of the Sunland Tujunga Neighborhood Council, and an elected member of the Mayor's 912 Commission. She exemplifies the spirit of BPW Community Woman of Achievement. We are proud to have her represent us and Sunland Tujunga.

Our March 20 meeting featured Women in History. We will join with Greater San Fernando Valley and San Fernando LO's on April 24 at the Sportsmen's Lodge for a combined installation of officers for 2007-2008.

The annual May planning meeting may bring about some creative changes in programming and new meetings for our LO and possibly others in the Valley. This too will be a brainstorming work in progress.

Summer is spelled "F-U-N-d"-raising again this year. We will keep you abreast of our plans and hope you can join in the fun with us. We will be most pleased to join your LO in whatever good times you are planning. Our efforts will be to support one another as well as supporting our own agenda.

This is definitely a new mode and we look forward to an interesting and challenging year!

MEMBERS IN THE NEWS

Carolyn Blundell, president of the Burbank local organization, is busy because her son, Kevin, is getting married in April. The couple gave "MOM" full speed ahead on planning the wedding. Carolyn reports, "So busy I am, but it is so FUN!!! Since most of you have known Kevin since I was carrying him, this will be interesting news for you; for those of you who do not know, Kevin grew up in BPW and, of course, has the correct frame of mind towards women's issues. A lot of you met his wife on the cruise. SO you know my family now. YEAH!!"

Senator Bob Margett (R-Glendora) is pleased to announce **Camille Levee** of Monrovia as his 2007 "Woman of the Year". Camille is a member of **Verdugo Hills BPW**.

"Camille is the natural choice for this award," said Senator Margett. "She is a community leader whose dedication and spirit of volunteerism has improved the lives of hundreds of women and children throughout the 29th Senate District."

Camille is a busy lady with a successful career. She is currently Executive Director of the non-profit Glendale Healthy Kids, which provides medical services to low-income uninsured children. Prior to that, she was director of development at Pasadena's Haven House, which shelters victims of domestic violence.

Camille has been a member of Rotary Club for thirteen years, the last five being with the Sierra Madre Chapter. Two years ago she chaired the Expanding Horizons Women's Conference for Senator Margett. Camille serves on the board of the Angeles Community Counseling Center and the Woman's Civic League and is first vice president of the service club, Zonta. She received the Chairman's Award from the Pasadena Chamber of Commerce and is active with the Chambers in Arcadia, Monrovia, Irwindale and Duarte. Camille began her volunteer career over 20 years ago when she became her daughter's Brownie leader. She would later serve as director of Girl Scout Councils in California and Arizona and chief executive officer for councils in South Dakota, South Carolina and Michigan.

Gloria Pollack, member of **Greater San Fernando Valley LO**, is a nominee for the Fernando Award, the most prestigious award given to Valley residents. This year marks the 49th annual award honoring an individual from the San Fernando Valley who "through a life of volunteerism encompassing personal commitment and involvement has worked to improve the quality of life in the San Fernando Valley." The five finalists for the award will be announced in the next few months and the winner will be honored in the fall.

Linda Graham, member of **Santa Barbara LO**, VSD Vice-President of Membership and Marketing, and Young Careerist Chair will be leaving California soon. Her husband has been appointed minister of a church in Iowa. She promises to keep in touch with Valley Sunset District members. Thank you, Linda, for your enthusiasm and hard work!

Carolyn Blundell is collecting supplies for the pre-school that our members visited in Jamaica. If you wish to donate crayons, paper, coloring books, etc., please contact Carolyn.

Congratulations to **Julie Ruelas** who was re-elected to the San Fernando City Council in the March 6 election. Julie is the daughter of President Elvira and a member of the **San Fernando Local Organization**.

Keep Your Eye (I) On MEMBERSHIP

Here's a little inspirational thought to help your membership drive.

INFORM present members, potential members and the public about your membership drive and what your group offers its members.

INSPIRE every member to take an active part in recruiting new members and making them feel welcome.

INQUIRE how other successful membership drives have been conducted. Adapt useful ideas for your campaign.

IMPRESS those who have talents your group needs so that they can make a real contribution. It's flattering to be needed.

INFLUENCE prospective members with your group's achievements. People like to be identified with a successful organization.

INNOVATE Maybe it's time to change from old techniques of recruitment. Try some brand new ideas this year.

INTRODUCE new (or potential) members to everyone in the group.

INSTALL new members with a special ceremony. These honors add warmth to your welcome.

INVOLVE new members in specific activities immediately.

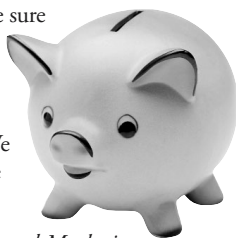
IMPROVE methods of keeping old members active and interested.

INSTILL loyalty in every member. Use your club's newsletter to keep everyone fully informed of the group's activities and achievements.

INFUSE your whole membership campaign with an air of success.

How's the "Kiss the Pig" Membership Drive coming along? Our local organization is having a monthly "door prize." Make sure you send in your statistics to: Linda Graham, 341 Via el Cuadro, Santa Barbara, CA 93111

Count how many current members you have and send their names, addresses and phone numbers. We will update our local files. Don't be embarrassed! We have to start somewhere!



— Linda Graham, Vice President, Membership and Marketing



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Proposed Changes to Valley Sunset District Policies And Procedures

The following portion of the Policies and Procedures was sent to the Bylaws Committee for changes suggested at the January 27, 2007 District Conference. The suggested changes, printed in bold type, will be presented at the Annual Convention for membership approval.

8. FINANCE

B. The Finance Committee shall take the following expenses into consideration when setting up the budget:

6. ~~Vice President of Legislation and Public Policy's~~ **Legislation Committee Chair's** expense to the State Legislation Committee Meetings and Government in Action.
7. ~~Vice Chair of Legislation and Public Policy's~~ **expense to State Board Meetings.**
8. ~~Vice President Membership and Marketing's~~ **Membership Committee Chair's** expense to State Board Meetings.
9. ~~Vice President Finance and Administration's~~ **Treasurer's** expense to State Board Meetings.
10. ~~Vice President Issues Management's~~ **Program Education Committee Chair's** expenses to State Board Meetings.

Re-number 7-10.

C. Handling of Income and Expenses

1. All requests for payment of revenue expenses must be substantiated by a receipt or statement and forwarded to the ~~Vice President of Finance and Administration / Treasurer~~ **Executive Committee for approval and payment.**

— Appointed By-Laws Committee: Margaret Prickett, Jo Wheeler, Sandy Thompson, Shirley Kellstrom

9. DISTRICT PUBLICATIONS

A. **Membership Directory (Year Book)**

2. The President Elect shall be responsible for submitting information on the Incoming Officers, ~~Management Team, Vice Chairs, Standing Committee Chairs, Past District President, and the State Directory State Officers and Committee chairs to the Directory Editor.~~
4. Names of discontinued members must be forwarded immediately to the ~~Vice President Membership/Marketing Membership Chair and Editor of the District Newsletter.~~
5. ~~Change of address shall be forwarded immediately to the Vice President Membership/Marketing, Membership Chair and Editor of the District Newsletter.~~
4. **Changes of address or names of discontinued members must be forwarded immediately by the LO Treasurer, to the District Membership Committee Chair, and the Editor of the District Newsletter.**

B. ~~District Publication (Newsletter)~~ **District Newsletter**

3. Subscriptions to the District ~~Publication Newsletter~~ shall be ~~Six Dollars (\$6.00)~~ **Ten Dollars (\$10.00)** per year per member to be sent to the Treasurer.

VALLEY SUNSET DISTRICT BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL WOMEN ANNUAL CONFERENCE REGISTRATION GRAND VISTA HOTEL

**999 Enchanted Way, Simi Valley, CA • Tel: 805-583-2000
FRIDAY, APRIL 27 – SUNDAY, APRIL 29, 2007**

Name _____
 Address _____
 City _____ Zip _____
 Phone (H) _____ (B) _____
 Cell _____ Fax _____
 Email _____
 Local Organization _____

CONFERENCE CAPACITIES (check all that apply)

___ State Officer ___ Special Chair
 ___ District Officer ___ LO President
 ___ Member ___ First Timer
 ___ Standing Chair ___ Guest

REGISTRATION

___ Registration \$ 20.00 = \$ _____
 ___ Lunch Saturday \$ 24.00 = \$ _____
 ___ Dinner Saturday \$ 35.00 = \$ _____
 ___ Breakfast Sunday \$ 16.00 = \$ _____
 ___ **TOTAL PACKAGE** **\$95.00 = \$ _____**
 ___ **Late Fee** **\$ 5.00 = \$ _____**
TOTAL REGISTRATION/MEALS = \$ _____

Medical/Dietary Restrictions (check if applicable)

___ Vegetarian
 ___ Medical (be specific e.g. "no chocolate", etc)

HOTEL RESERVATION DEADLINE IS APRIL 20, 2007

Rooms Single/Double \$92 + tax = \$101.20. Includes complimentary hot buffet breakfast on Saturday and complimentary cocktail Saturday evening.

RESERVATIONS DUE BY APRIL 20, 2007

Send checks payable to **Valley Sunset District BPW**, with this form to:

Margaret Prickett,
 13790 Oro Grande Street
 Sylmar, CA 91342-2208
 Telephone: 818-367-0010

Registration postmarked after April 20, 2007, will be charged a \$5.00 late fee.

**Business and Professional Women USA – California Federation
VALLEY SUNSET DISTRICT ANNUAL CONVENTION – APRIL 27-29, 2007**

TENTATIVE AGENDA

APRIL 27, 2007 FRIDAY EVENING

5:00 p.m. Open House President's Suite

APRIL 28, 2007 SATURDAY

8:00 a.m. Registration
 8:50 a.m. Early Bird Drawing
 9:00 a.m. Call to Order
 9:30 a.m. Julie Ruelas, Speaker
 11:00 a.m. Nominations Report
 Election of Officers
 12:00 p.m. Attitude Adjustment; Networking

12:30 p.m. Luncheon
 1:30 p.m. Young Careerist
 2:30 p.m. By-Laws Changes
 3:00 p.m. New Business
 5:00 p.m. Adjourn
 7:00 p.m. Installation Dinner

APRIL 29, 2007 SUNDAY

8:00 a.m. Breakfast
 8:45 a.m. Memorial Service
 9:15 a.m. Planning Workshop
 11:30 a.m. Adjourn

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS 2007

April 27-29, 2007 District Annual Convention
Grand Vista Hotel, Simi Valley

May 18-20, 2007 State Annual Convention
Ontario, CA

July 17-21, 2007 BPW/USA National Conference
Golden Nugget
Reno, Nevada

October 24-28, '08 BPW International Congress
Merida, Mexico

LOCAL ORGANIZATION EVENTS

April 16, 2007 Santa Barbara meeting "Wellness"

April 24, 2007 Greater San Fernando Valley,
San Fernando, Sunland-Tujunga Joint Installation
Sportsmen's Lodge, Studio City

May 13, 2007 Hollywood BPW meeting
Theater Party at the Matrix Theater

May 21, 2007 Santa Barbara Installation and LO Birthday Party

June 10, 2007 Hollywood LO — Special Premier
for all Valley Sunset District



RECYCLE YOUR OLD CELL PHONES!

Sandy Thompson is collecting old cell phones. Her church is then giving them to a group who cleans them, recycles them, then sends them, along with phone cards, to the troops in Iraq so that they can call home. If you have any phones that you would like to dispose of, just bring them to Sandy.



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