

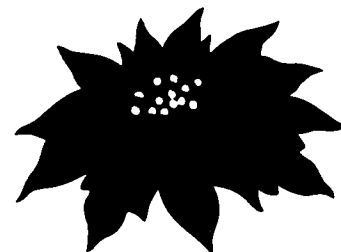
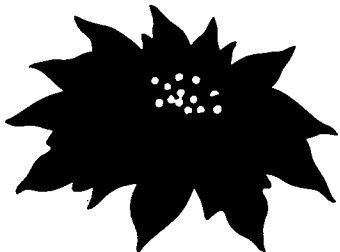
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COLLECT
For Insurance Women

Take us, O God, under Thy divine protection.

Make us to act as Thy messengers for peace
and contentment, for harmony and
understanding.

Grant that we may see more clearly the point
of view of other men and women in all lines
of insurance.

Realizing the highly competitive nature of
our business,
teach us to respect competition at all times.

Keep us free from pettiness and unwise
discrimination.

Let us do our work willingly, honestly and
thoroughly, giving service graciously at all times.

Teach us, O Lord, to know and to realize
that by
Thy grace we can live in perfect peace with one an-
other.

And grant that through this organization we may
become closer in friendship and understanding.
Amen.

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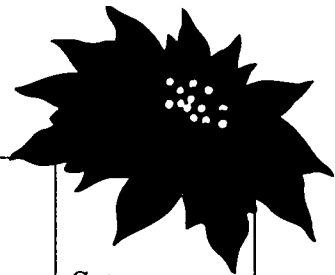
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December

Birthstone: Turquoise, Zircon
 Flower: Narcissus



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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5 	6	7	8 <u>Chanukah</u>	9	10 Arrangement Deadline	11 
12	13	14	15 Firefighters Day Board & Dinner	16	17	18
19	20 Cover Note Deadline	21	22	23	24	25 <u>Christmas</u>
26 Kwanza	27  	28 	29	30	31 New Year's Eve	
<p>SHARON GRATER-(CLAUS) 1ST RHEA MESHEKOW - 11TH SHAWN-ELLEN LEWIS - 12TH KASTURI DESHMUKH - 27TH CATHRYN FEELY - 27TH NANCY BURGOS - 28TH DEBORAH PALADINO - 28TH</p>						

2004

INSURANCE WOMEN OF LOS ANGELES

December Board & Business Meeting

Will be held on

December 15, 2004

**COME JOIN US CELEBRATE
THE HOLIDAYS.
BRING A WPAPPED
EXCHANGE GIFT
OF \$ 20.00
AND MEET SANTA CLAUS**



TIME: 5:30 PM – BOARD MEETING

DINNER: 6:15 PM –

Call Cynthia Andrachick for menu choices

Sunroom at the Paradise Café, adjacent

To the Beverly Garland Holiday Inn

4222 Vineland Avenue, N. Hollywood

Phone: (818) 985-6567

Cost \$27.00 per Person

Includes Hosted Parking



RSVP To Arrangements Chairman:

Cynthia Andrachick @ (818) 464-9365

Reservation Deadline: December 10, 2004

Note: If you are on the standing reservation list,

You must call to cancel

**No-shows will be billed. This includes members and
Non-members.**

NAME BADGE NOTICE

Effective at the August 18, 2004 Business meeting, name badges must be worn at business meetings. If you are in violation you will be fined \$ 1.00.

To order a badge, please see Vicki Huff, cost will be \$ 6.00.



Nana's Banana Bread

Ingredients

- 5 tablespoons butter
- ½ cup granulated sugar
- ½ cup firmly packed light brown sugar
- 1 large egg
- 2 egg whites
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1½ cups mashed, very ripe bananas
- 1¾ cups all-purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- ½ teaspoon salt
- ¼ teaspoon baking powder
- ½ cup heavy cream
- ½ cup chopped walnuts

1 Preheat oven to 350°F. Spray bottom only of 9 x 5 x 3-inch loaf pan with nonstick cooking spray.

2 Beat butter in large bowl with an electric mixer set at medium speed until light and fluffy. Add granulated sugar and brown sugar; beat well. Add egg, egg whites and vanilla; beat until well blended. Add mashed banana, and beat on high speed 30 seconds.

3 Combine flour, baking soda, salt and baking powder in medium bowl. Add flour mixture to butter

grandma's secrets



Nana always thought that quick breads tasted better the day after they're baked.

So as soon as the loaf was cool, she would wrap it up in plastic wrap and leave it out on the counter overnight to let the flavors develop. The next morning she'd slice it and serve it for breakfast with butter and her own homemade jam.

mixture alternately with cream, ending with flour mixture. Add walnuts to batter; mix well.

4 Pour batter evenly into prepared loaf pan. Bake until browned and toothpick inserted near center comes out clean, about 1 hour 15 minutes.

5 Cool bread in pan on wire rack 10 minutes. Remove bread from pan; cool completely on wire rack. Slice and serve with butter and jam.

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*“You measure the size of the
Accomplishment by the
Obstacles you had
To overcome to
Reach your goals”
Booker T. Washington*



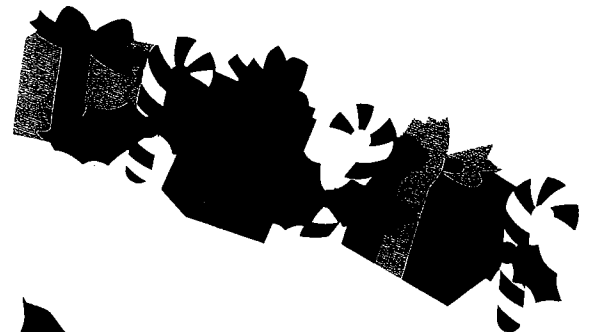


COMMUNITY ACTION

PLEASE BRING
AN UNWRAPPED GIFT
TO THE DEC 15TH MEETING.

HELP MAKE
A CHILD SMILE
THIS HOLIDAY SEASON.

THANK YOU,
AND HAPPY HOLIDAYS



LAUREN
PAMELA
JOHN
CHRISTINA
DAVID
JASON
OLIVIA



Marine Toys For Tots Foundation



West Valley Food Pantry



This year, it is again our goal to partner with our clients and neighboring companies to collect and donate thousands of new toys to children all over the Southland. Please bring toys to your office and place in the collection boxes or MAKE A TAX DEDUCTABLE DONATION TO THE FOY FOUNDATION. THE FOUNDATION IS ABLE TO PURCHASE TOYS ON YOUR BEHALF AT 20% OFF RETAIL PRICE!

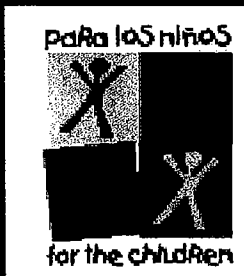
2004 Toy Drive!



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***GREETINGS FROM YOUR
COVER NOTE
COMMITTEE***

From our family to your family, Happy Holidays.

At this time of year more than ever, we give thanks, for our health, families, jobs, friends, etc. Not to be forgotten is NAIW.

For some of us it has become more than an association, it has become family. For those of you who were not at this past Regional Conference here are some of my thoughts when I was so honored to be MC along with Chris Lipka at the Saturday Night Awards Banquet.

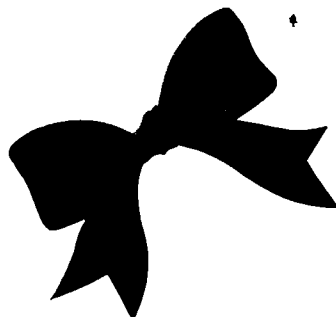
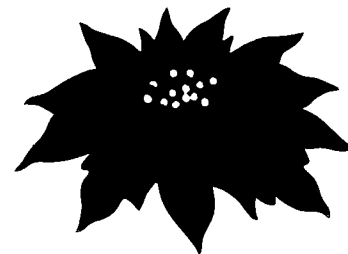
“To me NAIW is like a home made quilt. Each square is a local association, the threads holding the squares together are the members. When all the square are put together held tight by the threads, you get a feeling of security, warmth, hard work, dedication, and anticipation of adding a new square to the quilt.

Yes, at times the threads start to unravel, or even pull away from the other squares. When this happens it gives us cause to feel sadness, and a sense of loss. However, being the professionals that we are, we run to get a needle, either pick up the frazzled thread and sew back to its original spot, but first we find out why it became undone in the first place. We repair it to the best of our ability. Sometimes, it is beyond repair. What do we do? We find new thread; we lovingly sew the square back on to the quilt using the new thread, giving it an extra knot, to help keep it in place.

Help keep NAIW strong and held together. Please make one of your New Years Resolutions to work at keeping our square held tight by being part of our wonderful array of threads. If each association does this, we can have a quilt that will last for many years to come.”

**In Fellowship,
Margie Scott
Nancy Burgos**

***THERE ARE GOLD SHIPS
THERE ARE SILVER SHIPS
BUT THE BEST SHIP
IS
FRIENDSHIP***



Subj: **2005 Region VIII Conference - President's Luncheon**

"Live...Love...Learn."

Let's help foster a love of reading for disadvantaged children in our local community. We encourage you to bring a new children's book to the President's Luncheon which will be donated to "The Wonder of Reading," an organization that funds libraries and distributes books to public schools and students. We are seeking new books because these students are so unaccustomed to receiving something brand new just for them. Bring a book you loved as a child and share the wonders of reading!

This is a wonderful way to support NAIW's community focus "Partners in Literacy".

Please share this message with your fellow NAIW members.

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South Bay Chapter of NAIW, Host Association
2005 NAIW Region VIII Conference



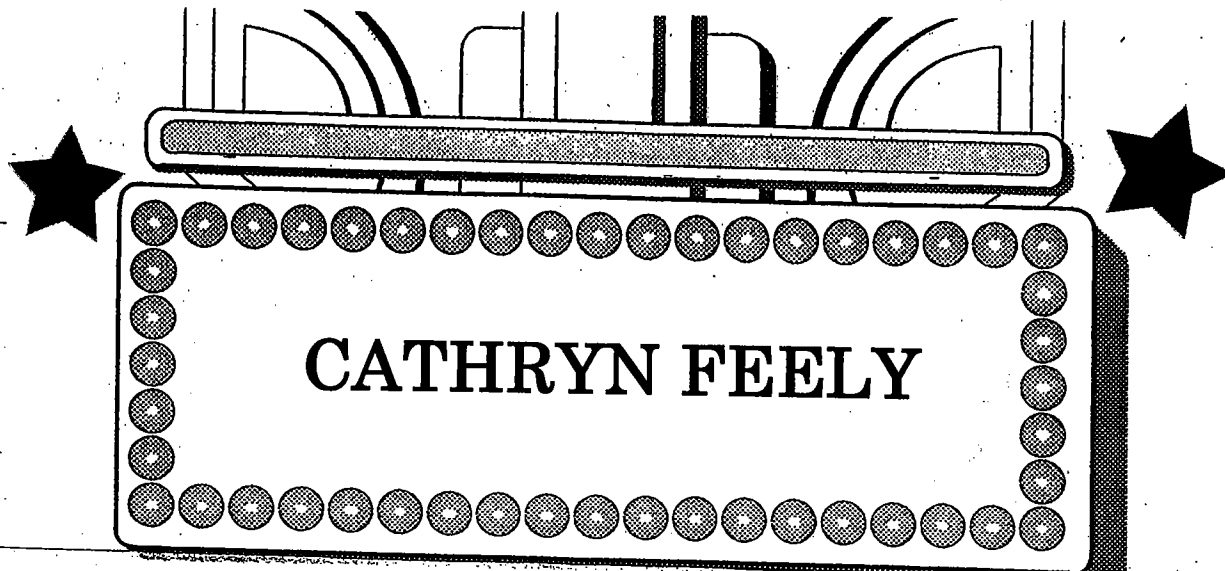
***THE BEST PREPARATION FOR
A SUCCESSFUL TOMORROW,
IS, A PRODUCTIVE TODAY***

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Cathryn Feely our member of the month was born and raised in Los Angeles, Ca. She attended school in the Cahthay Circle district. Upon graduation she took several years of college courses.

She met her husband Joe over the telephone. She had just returned from a trip to Southeast Asia. She asked a co-worker more about him, as he had "a great phone voice." After talking on the phone for a few months, they agreed to meet at Barney's Beanery in September 1985. She recalls they were the best dressed couple there, as everyone else had on leather. Joe is from St Paul, growing up in a large Irish family and she being Jewish, made the courtship that more exciting. They married in August, 1991.

Her first job was working for Swett & Crawford, where she was a file clerk. She then moved on to USF&G for a year. After that she worked at Fields Clothing as an Assistant Manager. She is now at Campbell & Associates Ins Brokerage for the past 7 years. She is Vice President of claims & Claims Manager

Cathryn has been IWLA Secretary, Vice President, and is our current President Elect.

She has chaired both the Bylaws committee & Arrangements committee for the state meeting. She was also Chairman for the Awards committee, being responsible for the Plaques for the May Banquet. This job turned out to be more then she bargained for, as that year she was the Rookie of the Year for IWLA, she felt a bit left out when she was told to just pick up the trophy, which was sealed in a box. After the banquet she felt better for all the secrecy. She has taken CWC, and all the ICan classes. She also was a member of the education, and legislation committees.

On a personal level, she is a volunteer Docent for the Museum of Tolerance for the past 10 years (Tour Leader); she just received her 10 year recognition pin this past spring. She used to do International Folk Dancing once a week, but due to health problems has not been able to. She does admit to having wonderful memories of dancing. Cathryn does not have garage sales; she prefers to donate instead to needy causes. Her hobbies include: Traveling, Bruce Springsteen (She admits to being his BIGGEST fan), she loves to read, go to the beach and has a fascination with foreign languages. (Maybe I can teach her some New York slang), she has also been a player at the IWLA Friday nite poker game at one of the State meetings. Jury is still out on how she played.

I asked what her most memorable moment in IWLA was, she responded the night she was named IWLA Rookie of the year, she will always treasure that night.

Her advice to a new member is: "Really make an effort to attend & participate. Attend meetings, mingle and volunteer."

Cathryn you are one of our most valued members, friend and mentor. Thank you for all your unselfishness thru the years. You are always ready to give and can be counted on. Hopefully you can mentor some of our newer members. And thanks again for being our Mrs. December.

In Fellowship,
Margie Scott,
Cover Note Editor

