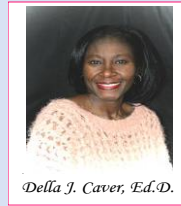




FAR WESTERN REGION

Associates Jewels



Wow! Where does the time go when you are trying to get so many things accomplished in the time frame, all to help improve the operations of all the Associate groups. The Mothers away from home has been a priority and everyone throughout Jack and Jill agrees that we need to improve the process to make sure all our graduating seniors are contacted. Lastly, we need to continue to encourage our graduating mothers to understand the importance of joining the associate groups. The national regional chairs continue to create exciting national getaway trips for associate jewels to connect and reconnect. I hope to see you at the scheduled informal gatherings in the Northern area on June 2 and the Southern area gathering on June 10 and or in Kansas City for the Jack and Jill National Conference.



IPRAC Jewel Emma Turner

California School Boards Association Elects Emma Turner as New President-elect

Nine-year school board veteran will serve as next President-elect of the statewide education association

SACRAMENTO, Calif., (Dec. 6, 2017) – La Mesa-Spring Valley School District Board President Emma Turner is the new President-elect of the California School Boards Association. Turner was elected by the organization's delegates; a group representing nearly 1,000 California school districts and county offices of education and will become president of the association in December 2018.

She retired from the United States Navy in 2004 after serving 27 years and rising through the ranks to become an officer in the Judge Advocate General's Corps. Along the way, she also earned a doctorate in psychology — all while raising a family.

2018 ASSOICTAES GET-AWAY- CANCUN, MEXICO



LOS ANGELES JEWELS

The Los Angeles Chapter Jewels enjoyed a wonderful Breakfast at Tiffany's themed Associate Appreciation Activity. The chapter pampered us with every sweet detail as we were serenaded by a hip-hop violinist while enjoying Tiffany Blue champagne with our delicious brunch.

The Los Angeles Chapter Jewels have been delighted to serve the chapter with the Outstanding Senior competition, The Teen Summit, the Chapter Fundraiser and in any way the chapter needs assistance.



SEATTLE JEWELS

At the Seattle Chapter's 60th anniversary celebration we were gifted with a gift card to use as we liked. Some of the Seattle Associates got together to treat ourselves and go see Black Panther followed by a happy hour. It was a great afternoon full of fun and laughter. Wakanda Forever!



PASADENA JEWELS

One of our most popular and great participation events is our annual Mother Away From Home program where we pack goodie boxes for our own "Group VI" college kids. On Saturday, October 21st we packed 20 boxes, personalized notes of encouragement and addressed birthday cards complete with our signature \$2.00 bill gift.

The boxes contained all sorts of goodies to remind our kids that they are not forgotten. We even had own Group VI'er, DeShawn Samad, who helped us pack. It was nice having her help and to share how she appreciated receiving the MAFH box when she was in graduate school. Thank you Jewels for all your efforts.



INGLEWOOD JEWELS

The Inglewood Chapter of Jack and Jill hosted another fabulous Associates Appreciation on Saturday, February 24th at the home of Associate Vice Chair Linda McClellan's home. We had a large turnout for the event. We always appreciate the event as we look forward to welcoming potential new mothers as well as reuniting with current mothers. The Inglewood Associate Group Moms were recognized for their consummate leadership that has been the guiding force for those following in their footsteps. We feasted on a variety of delicious delectable treats and enjoyed wonderful tea. We also showed off our fabulous hats, took pictures and enjoyed a wonderful afternoon with each other. We look forward to next year's Associates Appreciation Tea.



LOS ANGELES JEWELS

The Los Angeles Chapter Associate Jewels had a fantastic time at the theater viewing the drama Head of Passes starring Phylicia Rashad at the Mark Taper Forum.



FRESNO JEWELS

The Fresno Jewels enjoying time away from Fresno as they relax, reflect and enjoy each other's company for a weekend of healthy living in the beautiful area of Shaver Lake, CA.



PASADENA JEWELS

While most of our holiday celebrations center around our family and friends, it's a joy to know that no matter how busy the Pasadena Jewels get around the Christmas Holiday Season we take out time to share some of our holiday treats with those less fortunate. As has become our December tradition we shared our baked treats with the families at the Union Station Family Center in Pasadena on Monday, December 18th.

The smells of sweet desserts filled the kitchen. Both staff and residents meandered to the kitchen to smell and see what was happening. It was hard to keep the kids away who wanted desperately to take a sample. I think at the end they and their parents enjoyed desserts before breakfast. But why not treat ourselves?

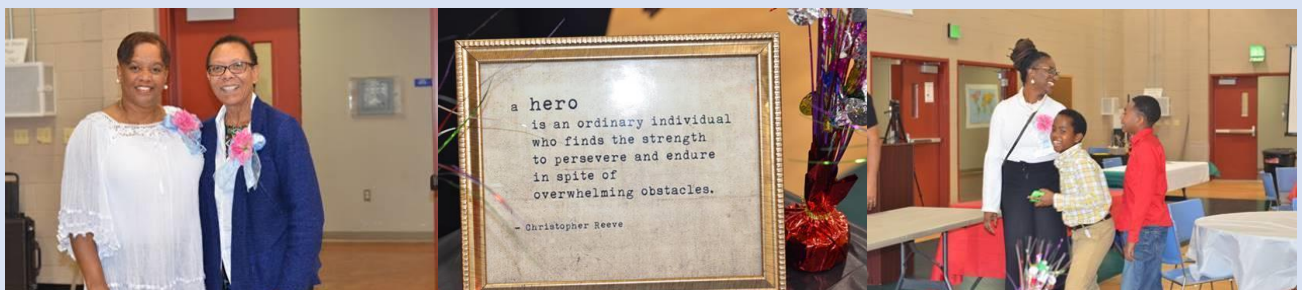
Thanks to the cooks and kitchen helpers: Jewels Gloria, Desi, Pam and Beverly. Thanks to the dessert elves who delivered or dropped off their baked goods: Jewels Mildred, Ann Marie, Debbie, Dori and Deadra. We also added music to our kitchen cooking which was both fun and festive.

Our dessert table was decorated with beautiful long stem red roses. There were sugar cookies, persimmon cookies, soft molasses cookies, peppermint bark, decorated butter cookies, sour cream pound cake, brownies...etc. The staff and residents truly appreciated our generosity. All in all, isn't this what makes the holiday enjoyable and sharing with others?



FRESNO JEWELS

The Fresno Jewels worked with the Veteran's at The Fresno California Veeran's Home to assit them in wiritng about their history and hen served them lunch. Celebraing Veteran's with Jack and Jill Groups 3 and 4.



CONTRA COSTA JEWELS

Jack and Jill Lifetime Contra Costa County Chapter Associate Member Judy Baloney escorted by her husband Mr. Edward Baloney, celebrated her birthday by inviting family, friends and her special book club members to the Heritage Black Renaissance Ball. Her son Aaron Baloney traveled from St. Louis, her daughter Tasha Penny and husband traveled from Los Angeles, they are actively involved in Jack and Jill Los Angeles Chapter with 3 children. Special out of town guest included Mrs. Brenda Penny-Gainer, Jack and Jill Associate from the Los Angeles Chapter.



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JUNE 2, 2018

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CHAPTER NEWS

Please remember to share your chapter events with the Fabulous Far West Associate Jewels by sending in pictures with a brief description of the of the event, fundraiser or volunteer activity.

Please send to RAC Caver @
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PLEASE SEND BY JUNE 9, 2018

If you have any questions, please call me
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