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NWPC MEETINGS:

5:30 PM, 1st Tuesday
Toledo's Restaurant
(SW corner Shaw & Fresno)
\$17 at the door, [Click here](#) for
reservations by paypal, or contact
Janet
Cloonan: hatjanet@sbcglobal.net
or 559/439-5818

BOARD MEETINGS:

5PM, Monday after meeting
Home of Ruth Gadebusch
(All members are welcome)

Upcoming Events:

THIS IS IT! WOMEN'S EQUALITY DAY IS UPON US!

The plans are made. The invitations are out. All that remains is for **ALL** of us, and our friends, to make our reservations for a terrific evening of great entertainment.

This year's recognition of Women's Equality Day is different. In a departure from the seriousness of recognizing citizens who have contributed to gaining equality for women, we are turning to humor as a respite from the cares of the political world.

OK, so it's also a fund-raiser, not just fun but the responsibility of all members to support. It provides the money for our endorsed candidates in the next election cycle, our reason for being.

Come. Enjoy and go home with renewed vigor and commitment to our mission.

Ruth Gadebusch

**NEXT MEETING:
Tuesday, September 6, 2011**

WHAT DO WE WANT AND WHEN DO

August 26

NWPC-Fresno Women's Equality Day Fundraiser

September 12

Pecha Kucha

October 14-16

NWPC-CA Board and Women of Achievement

Membership Matters:

[Click here](#) for membership information.

New & Renewing Members:

Susan Anderson
Margaret Mims
Patti Galvin
Allison Boogaert
Elizabeth Parker
Amy Nuttall Zwaan
RaymaChurch

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PRESIDENT:

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559/439-3577

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[Annette Levi](#)
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CFO PAC:

[Kristi Andreen](#)
559/431-6045

STATE DIRECTOR:

[Frances Berman](#)
559/225-1179

**WE WANT IT?
You know the answer!**

Please join us for a group session at our September meeting assisted by our friend Paul E. Pierce, Facilitator Extraordinaire!

Paul Pierce has been a teacher of people of all ages. His career has included working as a city planner and he has also served as County Planning Commissioner. He has worked as a leader on both sides of labor-management, negotiating contracts and facilitating various group processes.

Paul's approach to work is to help clients recognize what they already do well; and then coach them to build on this positive foundation to create desired futures for themselves, their teams and their organizations. His experience includes many years of working with people at all levels in public agencies, education, private businesses and nonprofit organizations.

At NWPC we have a very simply stated and direct mission: To increase women's participation in the political process and to increase the number of pro-choice women in elected and appointed positions.

We know why we're members. We've had successes but we can and have to do better because the attacks on our rights are increasing. Let's do some long range planning, get energized, and get ready for the looming re-introduction of the Equal Rights Amendment!

As Paul says, "Improve the Process / Improve the Outcome."

Join us for this important meeting!

5:30 - Social Time

6:00 - Dinner Ordering and Business

7:00 - Speaker

LEADERSHIP CALL:

Every organization needs leadership. Without it no organization exists. Nothing is accomplished. We learned in kindergarten that many hands make light work.

This year our Nominating Committee is starting early to give

Chairpersons:

ARRANGEMENTS:

[Janet Cloonan](#)

559/439-5818

[Sara Pomare-Martinez](#)

559/294-8536

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[Katrina Tonkogolosuk](#)

559/786-4791

MEMBERSHIP:

TBA

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ANGELS Among Us:

Many thanks to Judy Parker for handling registration in Annette Levi's absence.

Raffle prize donors for

September:

Carol Bequette

Carole Laval

Frances Berman

Susan Good

Louise Bauer-Davoli

Mary Stanley

Table decorations:

provided by Carole Laval

As always, Judy Parker and Beth Teviotdale took care of our Happy/Sad \$ announcements and Missy Heffron handled the raffle.

Thank you all!

August ANGELS To Be:

Frances Berman

Viki Wilson

Louise Bauer-Davoli

Katrina Tonkogolosuk

Cathy Brass

members an opportunity to adjust their calendars for assuming responsibility in January. When they call on you be prepared to make a commitment. Volunteers are welcome. Not only are officers needed but committee chairpersons. Remember - that bit about many hands and light work. You are not alone. Help is available.

Being a part of the leadership is your expression of belief in the mission. Knowing that you are making a difference far outweighs any trials and tribulations of service.

Nominating Committee members waiting to hear from you:

Beth Teviotdale (Chairperson) (559-891-1497)

Joanne Bazarian (559-222-6212)

Janet Cloonan (559-439-5818)

Susan Good (Alternate)

Don't know what the duties entail. Call Ruth (439-3577) and you will hear more than you ever wanted to know...exactly what the opportunities are.

PECHA KUCHA:

Monday, September 12, 2011

7:00 pm– 10:00 pm

Location: Fulton 55, 875 Divisadero Street, Fresno

Phone: 559-412-7400

Cost: \$5 General Admission \$3 Creative Fresno members

Link: <http://www.pecha-kucha.org/night/fresno/>

Strange name, but a great opportunity to take our message to a new audience! Drawing its name from the Japanese term for the sound of "chit chat", Pecha Kucha rests on a presentation format that is based on a simple idea: 20 slides with 20 seconds to describe each one. It's a format that makes presentations concise, and keeps things moving at a rapid pace.

The theme for September is 'Movement,' and we're going to do a presentation on the Women's Movement. Join us! It will be fun.

LOOKING BACK:

President Ruth Gadebusch called the meeting to order. Guests and

Special ANGEL:

Every newsletter contains photographs provided by Howard K. Watkins. Contact Howard with any questions at 559/355-7040 or email: howardkwatkins@gmail.com



members were introduced. Diane Milutinovich introduced her mother, Violet, who was celebrating her 90th birthday. VP-PAC Louise Bauer-Davoli reported on the upcoming Women's Equality Day event at the Fresno Art Center. Details were provided and it should be a great night out!

CFO PAC Kristi Andreen and our own inimitable Mary Stanley reported on the 40th Annual NWPC conference in Washington DC in July. It was an exciting and inspiring and they returned with lots of news and good ideas for our local caucus.

State Director Frances Berman presented highlights of the state meeting she attend in Van Nuys, in early July. She reported that state meetings are scheduled for April, 2012. Another upcoming state event is the October 15 presentation of the Women of Achievement awards in Emeryville. We've submitted a honoree and will have a contingent present at the event.

During Happy/Sad \$ it was noted that Governor Brown has eliminated funding for the Commission on the Status of Women. It was also announced, the Central Valley Progressive PAC will hold an event at Howard Watkins' home on the afternoon of August 21 to honor our own Supervisor Susan Anderson.

Our speaker for the evening, Stephanie Vasilovich, Executive Director of Development, UC Merced was introduced. She spoke about her background and the central valley. She summarized the great strides UC Merced has made and its impact on the valley.

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