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2022 CWC Annual Educational Conference

“Creating Connections”



MAY 13, 2022
8 AM TO 5 PM

AYRES HOTEL

COSTA MESA / NEWPORT BEACH
325 Bristol Street

Registrations for a LIMITED NUMBER of Orange Empire Chapter members will be paid for by our chapter. Reserve your intent to attend by contacting me ASAP

Registration includes Program and Awards Luncheon

Contact Nan Bowman 714-269-0612 nanettebowman@cox.net

Inventing Your Life

“Finding True Joy” By Rob Claudio

I recently went for a walk up the hill from where I live, which got off to a rocky start because I had an excuse of not having enough time for it. However, once I got going my head cleared up and then enjoyed the beautiful nature landscapes around me, while reminiscing about where I was when I heard an old song playing on my music application. As I was headed back down, I could see a man walking closer towards me and as he passed by me, I said good morning and he smiled as he walked on. The man looked a bit tired and was carrying a large black plastic bag which I figured had his belongings in it. I then paused a bit and looked back as I watched him continue walking up that hill and I wished that he had a blessed day. As I continued on my way home, I contemplated how I was reluctant to go on this walk and it was all for my own better health; unlike the person who walked by me and appeared to be walking out of necessity. It is a moment like this that always makes me count all of my blessings, no matter how small I think they may be. All of us can easily forget how much we have to be thankful for and all it takes is a quick look around our own surroundings to realize that other people would love to have our life. I also thought about the devastation occurring in Ukraine and how the people are being forced out of their homes and country, while travesties are being committed around them. When I saw a picture of Poland and the train stations awaiting refugees with several donated strollers placed there for babies who may need them, it also warmed my heart to think that in the most difficult times there are people who continue to do good things for others. I know that the news of the world can be tough to absorb, especially when the focus is on what is going wrong, however, I hope that you fine tune your personal filter to what may be going right around you. I believe it is the only way that we can make some balanced sense of what our lives are filled with. Also, we must remember the great heart-warming examples such as those people in Poland and to do good for others, even if it may seem like a very small effort. Many of us know of folks in or around our inner circle that could use some help in one way or another. Think about how you could be a blessing to others and remove yourself as the focal point, even if for just one day. You will see how quickly that shifting of focus can brighten up your perspective and almost immediately bring to mind how much good that is already part of your life. Note that small efforts can add up quickly and the result at the end of a short time period, can paint a different picture of what truly is valuable in your life. Hence, when making a list of your to-do things for the day or as you are planning for the weekend ahead, add in there one thing that you could do to help someone else. Perhaps you can randomly pay for someone's cup of coffee at your favorite beverage place, pick up a tab at a drive through for the person behind you or donate a small amount of money to a favorite charity/cause. You can also donate some of your time to something you find meaning in, as it all is so worth it! As much fun as planned festive events may bring you, I guarantee that your heart will feel much fuller along with a greater sense of joy, when you begin to take inventory of all the things that you could do to make others a priority. I wish you much success in your efforts to brighten up someone else's day and I trust that your greater sense of joy will be growing exponentially as a result.

“Spread kindness, caring, and compassion and create your own paradise. Infuse it with joy and you've created heaven on earth.” - **Amy Leigh Mercree**

Remember to follow the blog at: inventingyourlife.blogspot.com

Congratulations to all Orange Empire Award Nominees

Haydee Avila-Hernandez, DIPM I Chino Hills 222 Individual Employee Performance

Haydee goes above and beyond her regular duties by assisting new hires/trainees, her fellow co-workers and managers, all while completing her multiple assignments in a timely manner. Haydee's commitment to excellent customer service is clearly seen by the action she takes at each phase to ensure minimal impact on our office workload.

Jorge Corona, DIPR/WC Chino Hills 222, Individual Customer Service Award

Jorge demonstrated his commitment to excellence in his role as a Worker's Compensation (WC) Representative. Jorge went above and beyond by creating a tool which allows for WC Representatives to input claim settlement data and notes more efficiently.

Susana Gonzalez, DIPR Santa Ana 219, Individual Employee Performance Award

Susana serves the people of California in our appeals unit making sure claimants receive entitled benefits while protecting the fund from fraud. In addition, she coordinated the Orange Empire CWC NAMI Walk, Sparks of Love toy drive and a Virtual Food Drive.

Matthew Aguilar, EPR UI 019, Individual Meritorious Award

Matthew consistently demonstrates abilities as a unit leader, team player, and role model. He is the first to volunteer for new projects, responds timely to inquiries, and provides cordial assistance to colleagues.

Vincent Chang and Derek Do, EPR's UI 019, Team Employee Performance Award

Due to their work experience, rich multifunctional UI knowledge, and dependability their skillset was utilized and optimized on various projects and those with urgent deadlines such as the VQ Pilot. Positive attitudes and teamwork mentality contributed to the success of our organization.

UI 017 Anaheim Management Team, Group Employee Performance

Carolyn Alcivar-Alonzo, Jean Biddle, Abel Bravo, Lisa Cao, Jonathan Celio, Trinh Do, Enrique Duenas, Michelle Granger, Van-Quynh Nguyen, Maria Parra, Juana Rosas, Jirasak Soukchareon, Carolyn Tatum, Nancy Tran, Quy Tran, Vicky Truong, Kin Vong, Anthony Vu, Khuyen Vu, Paul Vu, Michelle Zalazar, and Carlos Zambrano

This team is recognized for their dedication to lead by example and for their commitment to serving the public beyond the call of duty. In 2021, extremely high workload and mass hiring presented ceaseless challenges to maintain production while ensuring new staff was properly trained. Their fortitude and resolve to perform at their best does not go unnoticed. We are grateful for the opportunity to acknowledge this great team of individuals that collectively make up a very cohesive and responsive management team.

UI 180 Buena Park Reimbursable Employer Project Team, Group Customer Service Award

Josine Cabanting, Tracie Duong, Jacqueline Guadron, Monserrat Guerra Ramirez, Vivian Huynh, Eddie Lai, Betty Le, Thang Le, Jessica Pham, Vivian Portillo, Joannie Wang, Jason Wong, Betty Phu, Eileen Rodriguez, and Christine Delgado

August 2021 the team was challenged to conduct retroactive determinations and establish overpayments for three thousand eight hundred ninety two (3,892) cases of Reimbursable Employer Account. The REP team completed around one thousand eight hundred (1,800) determinations and established \$2,181,102 worth of overpayments during the 5 months in 2021.

Trophies will be delivered to nominators to present at an internal office function

ORANGE EMPIRE CHAPTER



SAVE POP TABS FOR



The income from recycling the aluminum pop tabs supports the House where families stay while their infants or children are receiving medical treatment for cancer and other serious illnesses at area medical facilities.

They can also be delivered or mailed to the Ronald McDonald House, 383 South Batavia Street, Orange, CA. For more information refer to www.rmhc.org.

Orange Empire Collects Labels for Education



As easy as downloading the APP and scanning receipts or clip and mail to:

Diamond Elementary School
1450 S. Center St., Santa Ana, CA 92704
www.boxtops4education.com



Orange Empire Chapter

Requests that you please SEND (front only) of your recycled cards (except for Hallmark, American Greetings or Disney) to: Sunrise Children's Foundation, 2795 East Desert Inn Rd., Ste 100, Las Vegas, NV 89121 to help children fulfill their potential to lead healthy and educational lives

See www.sunrisechildren.org for more information.



Orange Empire Member Recruitment Contest ends May 1, 2022

\$20 to the recruiter for signing up 3 new members

Only Orange Empire members are eligible to win

New member must join Orange Empire Transfers don't count

Orange Empire Calendar 2022 subject to change

January		February		March	
1	New Year's Day	7	Award Nominations Due	1	Award Nominations due to State CWC
8	State Board Meeting	15	Cal-Liope Articles Due	9	SOQ Training
10	Local Zoom Meeting	17	Book Club Conference call	21	Local Zoom Meeting
13	Book Club Meets	21	Local Zoom Meeting	31	Book Club
17	MLK Holiday	21	HOLIDAY	31	HOLIDAY
20	Orange Peal Articles Due		Publish Orange Peal		
27	Job Interview Training				
April		May		June	
14	Book Club	12	State CWC Board Meeting		
17	Easter Sunday	13	Annual Convention	2	Book Club
18	Local Zoom Meeting	15	Cal-Liope Articles Due		
20	Orange Peal Articles Due	16	Local Zoom Board Meeting	13	Local Zoom Meeting
28	Book Club	30	HOLIDAY		
31	End membership contest		Publish Orange Peal		

Send articles and comments to the Editor Nanette Bowman: nanettebowman@cox.net

2021-2022 BOARD & CHAIR MEMBERS	
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UI 180	Available
TAX	Jenny Fang

Orange Empire Chapter
EXECUTIVE BOARD ZOOM MEETING
Monday, April 18, 2022
6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
ALL MEMBERS WELCOME
 REQUEST ZOOM LOG IN FROM
NANETTE BOWMAN, SECRETARY
 714-269-0612
nanettebowman@cox.net

CWC Membership Application

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New	<input type="checkbox"/> Update	<input type="checkbox"/> Renewal	Date: _____
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Mail form (and any payment) to: Nanette Bowman, 2006 Port Albans Circle, Newport Beach CA 92660

Name: _____

Last name
First Name:
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Local Chapter: Orange Empire	Telephone Number: _____
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Home email: _____

Address: _____

Number and Street Address
City
State
Zip Code

Employer: _____	City: _____
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Job Title: _____	ARU: _____	Bargaining Unit: _____
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(If applicable)
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Type of Member & Association Annual Dues Amount

Partner/Non-State Employee: \$98.00
 Cash/Check Payment: I hereby agree to be sent an annual invoice for renewal of dues.

Retiree: \$36.00
 Cash/Check Payment: I hereby agree to be sent an annual invoice for renewal of dues.

EDD State Supervisor/Exempt Employee: \$0.00

I agree to provide my full social security number, which will be kept confidential. **SSN #:** _____ - _____ - _____

EDD State Employee Bargaining Unit 1 or 4: \$48.00

I agree to provide my full social security number, which will be kept confidential. **SSN #:** _____ - _____ - _____

Automatic Deduction: By checking this box, I hereby authorize the State Controller's Office (SCO) to automatically deduct **\$4.00** from my salary each month and transmit, as designated, an amount for membership dues to the CWC. I certify that I am now a member of the CWC and allow the organization to establish, change and/or cancel my deduction. This authorization will remain in effect until I submit a written request to the SCO to cancel this deduction and termination of membership will cancel all deductions made under this authorization. I understand that processing may take 2-3 pay periods.

-OR- **Cash/Check Payment:** I hereby agree to be sent an annual invoice for renewal of dues.

Other State Employee (Non-EDD): \$98.00 – Refer to your Bargaining Unit Contract for possible reimbursement.

I agree to provide my full social security number, which will be kept confidential. **SSN #:** _____ - _____ - _____

Automatic Deduction: By checking this box, I hereby authorize the State Controller's Office (SCO) to automatically deduct **\$8.17** from my salary each month and transmit, as designated, an amount for membership dues to the CWC. I certify that I am now a member of the CWC and allow the organization to establish, change and/or cancel my deduction. This authorization will remain in effect until I submit a written request to the SCO to cancel this deduction and termination of membership will cancel all deductions made under this authorization. I understand that processing may take 2-3 pay periods.

-OR- **Cash/Check Payment:** I hereby agree to be sent an annual invoice for renewal of dues.

I understand that the processing of this form/payment may take 1-3 months and that the California Workforce Connection (CWC) organization does not issue refunds.

Member Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Recruiter's Name: _____ **Local Chapter:** Orange Empire