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2023 CWC Annual Educational Conference

Registrations for a LIMITED NUMBER of Orange Empire Chapter

members to attend this conference will be paid for by our chapter

Reserve your intent to attend by emailing me ASAP

Only new members joining before 4-1-23 are eligible

Award winners are yet to be determined by the State chapter committees so there is no guarantee Orange Empire nominees would be recognized at this event. Orange Empire will be honoring our nominees at either a local event or internal by office.

*Program and speaker details are on the CWC website:
www.californiaworkforceconnection.org under the events tab*

For further information, contact Nan Bowman 714-269-0612 nanettebowman@cox.net

EMAIL THE FOLLOWING BEFORE 4-1-23 TO THE ABOVE CONTACT IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

E-mail: _____

Home Phone Number: _____ Work Phone Number: _____

Local Office Name and Number: _____ Local Chapter _____

Check meal choice: Herb roasted chicken or Marinated tri-tip

Please indicate dietary restrictions if applicable: _____

★ 2023 CWC EDUCATIONAL CONFERENCE ★

Embracing Change & Transformation



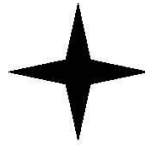
May 5, 2023

8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

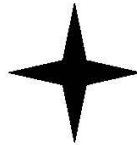
Held at the
Ontario Airport Hotel
700 N. Haven Ave.
Ontario, CA 91764



Nancy Farias
EDD Director



Jesse Cuevas
EDD Division Chief



Tiana Sanchez
Motivational Speaker

Early Registration Prices:

- Member: \$65
- Retirees: \$50
- Permanent Intermittent: \$45
- YEOP: \$35
- Non-Member: \$75

After April 1, 2023:

- Member: \$75
- Retirees: \$55
- Permanent Intermittent: \$55
- YEOP: \$40
- Non-Member: \$85

AWARDS LUNCHEON Noon - 2 p.m.

Registration is Non-refundable

[Eventbrite Online Registration Link](#) Ends April 18, 2023 (Processing fees apply)

For questions, contact: caworkforceconnection@gmail.com

Or visit the CWC website for updates: www.californiaworkforceconnection.org



EDUCATION* INNOVATION* OPPORTUNITY



Orange Empire Chapter

EXECUTIVE BOARD ZOOM MEETING
Monday, March 20 & April 17, 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

Orange Empire Membership Recruitment Contest
*\$50 for recruiting 3 new members**
 ENDS MAY 1, 2023

*Only Orange Empire members are eligible to win
 *New member must join Orange Empire Chapter
 *Transfers do not count

CALENDAR 2023

March

- 4 State Board Meeting
- 15 Cal-Liope Articles Due
- 20 Local Board Meeting
- 31 Holiday

April

- 9 Easter
- 17 Local Board Meeting
- 20 Orange Peal Articles Due

May

- 4 State Board Meeting
- 5 Annual State Convention
- 14 Mother's Day
- 15 Cal-Liope articles due
- 15 Local Board Meeting
- 29 Holiday

June

- 12 Local Board Meeting
- 18 Father's Day

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

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL AWARD NOMINEES

WS 042

Jannatara Alam
 Francisco Avila
 Magdalena Brooks
 Alicia Brown
 Henry Cabrera
 Maria Cannon
 Maria Cerda
 Amy Che
 Maria Crespo
 Alberto Cruz
 AnaPatricia Curiel
 Thach Dinh
 Renee Gonzalez
 Faviola Hernandez
 Justin Jennell
 Steven Knight
 Joleen Le
 Tommy Le
 Jessica Linares
 Vanessa Murcia
 Audrian Nguyen
 Ha Nguyen
 Huy Pham
 Gurjeet Rehal
 Isabel Rojas
 Chhaya Samtani
 Stephanie Santamaria
 Porsha Singh
 Michael Sir
 Jean Stringer
 Linda Taylor
 Jeremy Tom
 Thuy Tran
 Andrew Tsai
 Glory Turcios
 Katie Vu
 Minh Triet Vu
 Jenny Wang
 Rhonda Wooten-Savino

UI 019

Aleli Abrantes
 Lilia Akopyan
 Thomas Canal
 Vincent Chang
 Cynthia Chapman
 Hye Chung
 Peter Diep
 Dereck Do
 Jessica Gallardo
 Long Ha
 Briana Hernandez
 Genina Hipolito
 Elisa Hughes
 William Hur
 Kathy Le
 Michelle Loayza-Alcala
 Juan Martinez
 Chieu-Anh Nguyen
 Julie Nim
 Beatriz Orozco
 Marissa Panerio
 Kyong Park
 Molly Pham
 Jamie Pinasco
 Sandra Romine
 Leobardo Sierra
 Lesley Sediva
 Karina Sierra
 Yasmin Silvestri
 Hsiu Sun
 Brian Tam
 Jonathan Toek
 Margarita Urzua

DI 222 Chino Hills

Gloria Cabral
 Ariel Garcia
 Alyssa Lopez
 Heather Maples

UI 017

Jonathan Celio
 Enrique Duenas
 Jennifer Garcia
 Robert Garcia
 Wendy Manzon
 Van-Quynh Nguyen
 Maria Parra
 Paul Vu
 Michelle Zalazar

DI 219 Santa Ana

Dennis D'Arminio
 Sal Castaneda
 Andrew Gomez
 Susana Gonzalez
 Leann Graessley
 Michael Toscano

DI 309 Division

Rosa Tsui

Partner

Jaime Casarin

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Inventing Your Life
“The Color Between Leaves”
By Rob Claudio

During an extended holiday weekend, I was able to catch up on several films that had been on my to-watch list. One that caught me by surprise was a film titled, "Local Color". It was an older film from 2009; however, it was one of those that matched my profile, based upon other films I have watched. When one turns out to be way better than expected I am always very pleasantly surprised, especially when it moves me to write something about it. This story is about an aspiring young artist who loves painting and other arts. When he finds out that a famous retired painter lives near him, he does everything he can to meet the artist and when presented with the opportunity he also asks him if he can teach him about painting. Needless to say, the film is so much more than about painting. It had many blended life teachings in it which I always find fascinating; in what life lessons can teach us about our journey on this earth. Armin Mueller-Stahl, plays the part of the tortured retired artist who sees so many things wrong in the world and the lack of appreciation for beauty that is being ignored by many of today's contemporary painters. The rest of the story, I will let you find some time to immerse yourself in a great little film, however, I wanted to focus on a few of the artist's specific lines which touched me as he was attempting to teach a young eager student. In one scene the young man shows him a collection of portraits that he has already painted and wants to be critiqued. The artist looks at all of his paintings and simply tells him that he is painting through the eyes of what others have already seen. In a poignant moment, he imparts the wisdom he has accumulated through his many years of living that one must look at life through one's own eyes and not via someone else's. I loved this, because it reminded me of the many lesson's others try to teach us and yet our most valuable tutorials are learned from the mistakes that we each made and how we reacted to them afterwards. Another favorite moment was to look through the trees and see how the light which comes through the leaves paints a greater picture for us than the actual tree itself. This was another teaching moment on ways to see beyond what we sometimes think is right in front of our noses. Think of the many times one may have been in a situation where you could not find the answer or outcome that were wished for. In many of those instances, it was not until after we had a breakthrough in a personal situation, where we realized the response that we sought was often much simpler than what we thought. I could go on for a lot longer dissecting the many other lessons the artist teaches this young man. However, at the end of it you feel the life teachings which were imparted went far beyond painting substantial and meaningful portraits. The film provided me with many reminders about what is truly important in our lives. Among them was the need to connect to others, to help people when you are able and how many of the true joys in our lives come from very simple little things, which in many instances cost little to nothing at all. I hope that all of you take time on a consistent basis to appreciate the multitude of beauty that is already part of your life, even as unexciting as it may seem. Remember that witnessing a beautiful morning sunrise or a spectacular sunset with someone to watch it with you as a bonus, can make for a joy filled day. Finally, also pay attention to the colors that you see between the leaves, the clouds and the stars, along with other nature views that we all may take for granted. There is beauty all around us, we just have to train our eyes to see it. Finally, take a moment to appreciate all of the wonders of nature, especially when you find a moment that can easily take your breath away as it fills your heart to the rim with gratitude for having been a witness to it.

“There is an eternal love between the water drop and the leaf. When you look at them, you can see that they both shine out of happiness.”

- Mehmet Murat ildan

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

Community Service Report

Last November/December Susana Gonzalez coordinated the Orange Empire participation in the Sparks of Love Toy Drive. It was highly successful as acknowledged by the following letter from the Orange County Fire Authority.

January 27, 2023

Dear Business and Community Partners,

I would like to take a moment to thank you for your participation in the 2022 Spark of Love Holiday Toy Drive. Your willingness to support this campaign has resulted in a positive impact in the communities we serve. As you know, every year there is a tremendous need for toys in Orange County, and this year proved to be no different. With your help and support, we collected 39,312 toys for children in need this holiday season, more toys than we have ever collected before! In partnership, we were able to run a successful toy drive and more importantly bring joy to thousands of Orange County families.

At the Orange County Fire Authority, we pride ourselves on serving others. Your participation in the 2022 Spark of Love Holiday Toy Drive is the perfect example of that.

Please accept this letter as a sign of our appreciation for your contributions in making the 2022 Spark of Love Toy Drive a success. We look forward to your continued partnership in the future.

Sincerely,

Brian Fennessy
Fire Chief
Orange County Fire Authority

The collection box in Susana's office

