

## WOMEN IN BUSINESS ORANGE COUNTY

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Everybody who is anybody was there. Where? At the Green Parrot Café, that posh eatery in Santa Ana, where the food was fabulous and the wine flowed like . . . well, like wine.

It was lovely to see some familiar faces we hadn't seen in quite a while . . . notably Susie Sampson, Barbara Nelson, and Linda Newby (newlywed) Moss. I guess we know what it takes to get them to a meeting, don't we? It was also nice to see one of our newer members, Dorothy Pacella, joining in the fun.

The presentation on wines and wine-making by Green Parrot owner Joan Hutchinson was enlightening and very thorough. I'm ready to start plantin' those vineyards! Four wines were presented and tasted, two whites and two reds. And a handy list of wine-tasting definitions was provided so that next time you are out to dinner with friends, you can talk intelligently about the wine you're drinking. For instance: "This wine is toasty, earthy, and flabby, don't you agree?" That means it's "like buttered toast, smells and tastes of damp earth, and is feeble." Mmmm, doesn't that make your mouth water?

In the banquet room next to ours was another women's group. They were making so much noise we couldn't hear ourselves, and apparently we were making so much noise they couldn't hear themselves! Perhaps we should have merged.

As part of our self-introductions, we were to tell how long we had been a member, and whether we had attended any or all of the past ten Washington, D.C., trips. Members who had been on the trips were so enthusiastic and effusive in their praise that we were all ready to sign up for this year's event. As a matter of fact, four more women are seriously thinking of going. It's hard to believe that this will be our eleventh consecutive visit to our nation's capitol. It's not too late if you would like to go along. Just call Jean Harduvel and she'll take good care of you.

Oh, I almost forgot. All members who attended the wine-tasting dinner were given wine glasses, inscribed with "WIB" and a bunch of red grapes. (Is it a bunch of grapes, a group of grapes, a peck of grapes, a pod of grapes??) If you left early and did not get your wine glass, call Ann Coil and she can help you.

All in all, it was a most enjoyable evening. If you weren't there, you missed a heckuva good time!

On to next month's meeting. It is the President's Summer Social . . . a great meeting for you to invite your friends. It will be held at the Meadowlark Country Club in Huntington Beach. Those of you who attended our last meeting there enjoyed it thoroughly, so the board decided we should do it again. You will be receiving a flyer soon. Let's have a really big turnout!

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