

September 2009

Las Ninas Advisor's Message

Welcome back Las Ninas!

We do hope this newsletter finds you enjoying the last few official days of summer! Hopefully all of you have had a great start to the school year as well.

We know many of you contributed lots of hours to various hospital and community service events such as Camp Escapades, the Las Amigas horse show, Community Helpline, Cabrillo, Ride to Fly, baking and Calexico. We'd just like to say, "Thank you!" and "Great job!" We have heard rave reviews from the Orthopaedic hospital staff about how wonderful our Las Ninas girls are. We are proud of how well all of you represent Las Ninas. Thank you!

Our first Las Ninas meeting will be held in the Community Room of the Peninsula Library (Deep Valley Drive) on Wednesday, September 9, 2009 with the Las Ninas Board meeting at 4:30, the General meeting at 5:00 and the Las Ninas Mother's Advisory Board meeting at 6:00 pm. Let's be on time as your President, Shannon Wheeler has a lot to bring to you as well. Please calendar Wednesday, October 14th and Wednesday, November 4th as upcoming Las Ninas meetings in the library too. The months of December and February are the individual Las Ninas class meetings. The class advisors will be notifying you in the future as to the location and dates as we get closer.

By now, the gown checks have come and gone. All of the Seniors looked beautiful in their gowns. By the time you read this, they will have taken their headshots and group photo! Remember seniors and juniors to check your hours. I know you received emails regarding your hour status to make sure there are no problems or surprises on September 1st. Seniors, remember your pillows are due at the September meeting!

Much time is being put into the Big Sister/Little Sister program and you will learn more about it at the September meeting. We would like to encourage you to really support the Big/Little Sister program. Upper-classmen, please do all that you can to connect with your little sister and the other younger girls. Make them feel welcomed, included and wanted at our events. You are such wonderful role models for our younger girls, so please do all you can to assist these girls with whatever issues or questions they may have. Let's also give our upcoming cookie dough drive a lot of support!

Thank you to Katie Shumaker and Courtney Delaney for bringing you this Fall newsletter as we have a lot of exciting activities and events to let you know about. Thank you to Rita Johnson for her hard work distributing the newsletter to all of you too! If you attend a Las Ninas event, remember to bring a camera and pass along any pictures to your class historians. They will be gathering them throughout the year and many will be used as slides at the Fashion show.

Now and throughout the school year, please feel free to contact us with any questions or concerns. We welcome your ideas and value your suggestions.

**Mrs. Peverly Hukill and Mrs. Laurie Schoellkopf
Las Ninas Advisors**

***Important Reminder* . . . It is recommended that by the end of the Freshman year, Las Ninas members complete 20-25 hospital hours and 45-50 community service hours. Juniors must complete 70 hospital hours and 140 community service hours by September 1st of the Junior year. Seniors must have completed their total Las Ninas hours requirement of 100 hospital and 200 community service hours by September 1st of the beginning of their Senior year.**

Las Ninas President Message

Las Ninas!

I really hate to say it, but SUMMER IS OVER... and school is in session! That means, freshman are getting used to bigger campuses, sophomores aren't at the bottom anymore, juniors are getting ready for the hardest year, and SENIORS are anticipating graduation! Remember, every year is equally as important! Our first meeting is September 9th! I hope to see you all there!

-Shannon Wheeler :]

Getting To Know Your President....

- What does your closet need?

What a question! I could go on for hours! I really need a faux fur vest, a chunky costume-y necklace, something with fringe on it, and leather boots. I need to stock up on the revamped edgy 90's apparel that is coming back into style too!! Hahaha, I've got some work to do... Donations?

- What was your favorite movie that you saw this summer?

The Hangover, hands down!

- What is your favorite song on your i-pod that you could listen to over and over?

Recently I have been listening to "Any Man of Mine" by Shania Twain on repeat in my car. I literally cannot get enough of this song! I know, cheesy country song! But it is soooo good!

- What do you like best about being a part of Las Ninas?

Being able to contribute to making the world a better place along side the girls I love.

- Yogurt or Ice-Cream?

Yogurt... definitely! SO much easier to eat and so much better for you!

- Inspirational quote?

“Courage, sacrifice, determination, commitment, toughness, heart, talent, gut. That’s what little girls are made of; the beck with sugar and spice.”- Bethany Hamilton (pro surfer)

To my wonderful SENIORS!!!!

The year has started; the year we have looked forward to for the past three years of our lives! We ahve made it to the final stretch and now it’s our time to show how hard we have worked! With the ball and the fashion show literally months away we have a lot to get done, and I know that we are all excited for it to begin! I hope that everyone had a great summer vacation, and I look forward to hearing all about it at our first meeting!

See y’all soon!

<3 always

Chelsea Director

Hope everyone had a great summer and finished the required amount of hours! We know school’s just started and this year is going to be tough for all of us, but just do your best and keep up your hours. Get a head start on the pillows as they are due earlier for us this year and are a good way to get lots of hours. Before we know it, it will be senior year and we will be the ones in the white dresses. In order to get there though, we need to get those hours done and over with, so manage your time well, work hard, but still have fun.

Junior class representatives,

Christina Gunzenhauser and Natalie Delcarson

Hi Sophmores!!

Hope you guys had a great summer and hopefully got in a lot of hours :)

See you guys at the first meeting of the year (September 9th)!!

Luv,

Lauren and Danielle

Las Ninas Volunteer Opportunities

Event Opportunities

15th Annual Halloween Terrorfest Shipwreck!

The Las Ninas Fall Social is happening on the Queen Mary's, "Shipwreck!" Shipwreck is filling with 6 terrifying mazes, all which have been re-vamped and re-intensified more scares and special effects than ever before! The mazes run through the 12 decks of the ship and on the adjacent deadly docks!

When: Friday, October, 23rd

Departure Time is 5 pm from:
The Dauchot's
217 Via Colusa, PVE, 90274
310.465.1561

Volunteers will shuttle the girls to:
The Queen Mary
1126 Queens Hwy., Long Beach, CA 90802
562.435.3511

Pick-Up Time: 11pm from the Dauchot's home

Cost: \$35, checks should be made payable to Las Ninas and mailed to:
Randy Dauchot
217 Via Colusa

Palos Verdes Estates, CA 90274

Deadline for payment: Friday, September 25, 2009

(please include the girl's name and cell phone number on the check)

What to bring: Approximately \$30-\$40 if you would like to purchase a t-shirt and/or refreshments. Wear flat, closed toe walking shoes.

Shipwreck Rules: No cameras of any kind are allowed. No costumes are allowed. No headbands, bandanas, or extra long t-shirts.

So jump on board. Las Ninas, to this ghost infested Queen Mary that sits floating on the ocean with her lights flickering in the dark and a full moon cast overhead with the Halloween mood in air.