

GFWC/CFWC ORANGE DISTRICT

THE PEAL



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O.D. President ~ Marica Willett



I hope you were able to attend the September District Council Meeting. We had a great presentation from Second Harvest Food Bank and heard all about their "Park it Market". They are continuously working to feed those who are most vulnerable.

Our November 9th District Council Meeting takes us to San Juan Capistrano. We will be holding our meeting at the El Adobe Restaurant. I hope you will encourage your members to attend and if you do not want to drive consider taking the train. The train depot in San Juan Capistrano is approximately 4 blocks from the El Adobe Restaurant. Seems like a great opportunity for a morning club social before the meeting. The emphasis at this meeting will be on veterans. Consider wearing red, white or blue to the meeting. After the meeting, you may want to wander through San Juan Capistrano's many shops. For a small fee you can visit the historic Mission. Whether you drive or train, don't miss out on this special meeting.

Have you heard about the Seven Grand Initiatives that the GFWC President, Mary Ellen Brock, is promoting for her administration? Her hope is that all the clubs in the federation will participate in all or some of the initiatives and thereby promote the organization's public image. The goal is for 1,000 clubs to participate over the next two years.

The Initiatives are:

- Service projects serving women in the military for Veteran's Day (which we are planning for our Nov. 9th meeting)
- Honor day of service projects for Martin Luther King, Jr. day, March 2
- Donate books-- especially Dr. Seuss books--in his honor to daycare centers, schools, and head start programs
- Arbor Day - work with your city to plant trees
- Participate in the Legislative process using the Legislative Action Center and writing and calling congress representatives to further GFWC causes
- Participate in Soles4Souls and used sneakers for donations to Nike's Reuse-A-Shoe program
- The Million Dollar Club – 1,000 clubs or individuals donating \$1,000 to the Capital Campaign for Headquarters restoration.

Remember this is a 2-year campaign, so pick out two of three projects for this year and save a few for next year. More information on Seven Grand Initiatives can be found in GFWC Club Manual and by reading the News & Notes, GFWC's Weekly e-newsletter. Please give this some thought.

Looking forward to seeing you in November.

First Vice President ~ Mary Sprague



We hope that everyone that attended the Orange District Summer Conference enjoyed themselves and learned at least one new thing. I would personally like to thank all of the officers and chairmen who prepared a workshop – weren't they great?

As the club year begins and planning begins on projects, take the time to think about the projects that your club does. Projects evolve in many different ways. Some projects are done year after year because "we have always done them". Some projects are suggested as they seek help with their projects or events, and some projects are suggested by GFWC, CFWC or Orange District.

Projects should be selected to meet a specific need of your club. They should capture the interest of club members. The projects chosen should be worth your club's commitment of TIME, ENERGY and RESOURCES. No matter how successful a project is or has been, it should be evaluated every year to see if the members want to continue or not.

News from Orange District ~ Sandy Tessier

This year (and next) I am the 2nd VP for Orange District in charge of Membership. Our Orange District president, **Marcia Willett**, has a logo of a little red Mustang sports car and the moto: **Driving Out Hunger**. Using her logo as inspiration, the membership drive this year is taking this little red Mustang on a road trip across the US. Starting in California we will travel all across the US stopping along the way to give tips on attracting new members and keeping all members happily engaged in meaningful club activities.

Along with our map we have a very handy **gas gage** by which we will be keeping track of the number of new members added by every OD club. At each OD meeting clubs who have gained new members will be acknowledged the total numbers recorded on our gas gage. *



The September OD meeting saw an increase of membership district wide: WC of Orange 8, Fountain Valley 3, Cypress 1 and RWC 8. A total of 20 to start off the club year.

*I want to thank **Bobbi Palmer** making my crazy idea of a Cross Country Trip come to life. Bobbi made a beautiful map of the US. It's big and beautiful and has our route clearly marked. She enlarged the Little Red car and turned it around so it is heading west to east. The gas gage to mark the addition of new members was her brilliant idea.

I also want to thank my Membership team, **Mariellen Yarc**, **Gayle Carter** and **Sue Owen**. They are all so talented and easy to work with that putting together the Membership Concept for 2018 – 2020 has been great fun. I hope you enjoy watching our Little Red Car make the trip from California to Washington D.C.



SEPTEMBER DISTRICT COUNCIL!!





**2019 District Art & Photo Festival
“Put Art in Your Heart”**

Mark your calendars! The day will include lunch; hands-on craft demos; entertainment; member contests in photo, art & craft categories; and more. It's likely your club has loads of talented women – tell them about this event and encourage them to participate! Everyone is welcome to attend (even if not competing in contests)! Ask your club president about details.

**Friday, February 8, 2019
Women's Club of Orange
121 South Center Street -- 10am to 2pm
(entries received 8:30 – 9:30 am)**

Judged Art/Craft Categories (created 2018):

China Painting; Counted Cross-stitch; Crochet/Knitting; Embroidery/Needlework; Jewelry;
Painting (oil/acrylic/watercolor); Pottery/Sculpture; Quilting; Sewing

Other Craft Categories (Members' Choice Judging):

Handmade Cards; Holiday Home Décor; “RED” theme
Succulent Arrangements

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- A Year in Pictures (display only, judged at GFWC level)

In honor of President Marcia's R.E.D. theme, there is special RED category. Could be anything “crafty”: painting, photography, crafts, quilts, jewelry, you name it.... but it must be RED (or mostly RED)! No “age limit” on these items. This category will be judged on originality and theme by members in attendance.

Want to showcase talented members or display unique club historical items? Non-judged display space is available: \$10 full table, \$5 half table. Tables can be reserved by individual members. Got Questions? Linda Queen, Art Festival: lindaqueen@roadrunner.com (714) 777-4208. Anna Fairchild, Photography Contest: annaute@gmail.com (714) 743-8779

Rossmoor Woman's Club Holiday Home Tour



Sunday, December 2, 2018

11:00 am to 4:00 pm

Beautiful Homes Seasonally Decorated

Complimentary Refreshments,
Raffle Baskets & Seasonal Gifts for Sale at
North Seal Beach Community Center

Help Us to Help Others

*Proceeds from this event fund LAUSD monthly Scholarships,
Casa Youth Shelter, Precious Life, We Care, Los Alamitos Library, Tech Trek,
support for local Military Families and Veterans, just to name a few.*

Purchase Tickets

Online

www.rossmoorwomansclub.com

or at any of these locations:

Antica Olive Oil, Vinegars & Spices

11110 Los Alamitos Blvd.

Brita's Old Town Gardens

225 Main Street A, Seal Beach

Green Street Interiors

10660 Los Alamitos Blvd.

**Tickets \$20
in Advance
\$25 Day of Tour**

McNally Electric & Lighting

10792 Los Alamitos Blvd.

New Attitude

10905 Los Alamitos Blvd.

Prep Kitchen Essentials

The Shops @ Rossmoor



Woman's Club of Orange

WANTED:

**WCO Artists & Crafters
for our**

WCO Fall Boutique & Craft Show

**Saturday, October 27, 2018 ~ 9 AM to 3 PM
WCO Clubhouse and Garden**

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Do you quilt, sew, knit, crochet, paint, do wood work, make centerpieces or other crafts?

If so, WCO invites you to donate items for our Club Booth. We are looking for handmade items, holiday items and gift items at various price points.

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To participate: E-mail a description of your item(s), along with suggested sales price, to Candi Milliken at candiamilliken@gmail.com. Deadline: Wednesday, Oct. 10.

A reminder: This is a donation. All proceeds will go to WCO philanthropies.

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Drop off items on Friday, Oct. 26, between 9:30 AM and 1:00 PM.

Crafters may pickup unsold items on Saturday, Oct. 27, at 3:00 PM. Items not picked up will be sold at the Fabulous Finds Auction.

It's a WCO Fundraiser!



Leadership - Kathi McGraw

Each year CFWC holds a LEADS seminar at it's February Board Meeting. This seminar helps "up and coming" leaders gain the capabilities, confidence and commitment necessary to pursue and attain higher leadership positions in their club, district, and state. In February 2019 the seminar will be held in San Diego. Each club received application forms in their box at the September Council Meeting. Clubs, take time now to find a member who would benefit from this seminar. If the applications were misplaced, you can find them online at gfwc.org under member services, click on LEADS and cfwc.org, click on chairmen and then on Leadership. All applications are due to me by November 15, 2018.

YOUR SECRET WEAPON TO ATTRACT NEW MEMBERS OR... "EVERY CLUB NEEDS A TRI-FOLD!"

It needs to be:

- Attractive / easy to read
- Up to date
- Available

It is:

- Informative
- Easy to make
- Inexpensive
- Handy
- Effective

Please include:

- Club name and contact information
- Your name and contact information
- Club WEB site address
- Club E-mail address
- Meeting times
- Interesting things you do

How to use your Secret Weapon:

- Have some with you at all times
- Whip it out whenever you talk to anyone, you never know.

Every day Reminders

Recognize your new members

- Give them a special badge
- Announce them at meetings
- Personally in invite them to events and section meetings
- Give each new member a buddy
- As you get new members let everyone know
- Snap a picture of your new members and put it in your newsletter
- Send a copy of the pictures of your new members to me (jstessier@msn.com) and I'll have a monthly New Member update on the Web site.





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