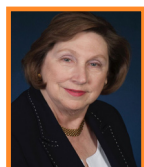


GFWC/CFWC ORANGE DISTRICT

THE PEAL



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O.D. President ~ Marica Willett

What a fabulous District Convention we had! The centerpieces were extremely creative. We had record attendance, enjoyed some great entertainment with Tony Odell Rogers and managed to get through bylaws revisions in record time. I wonder what next year will bring. We are taking suggestions for next year's theme so email them to me. It is not soon to get started.

Mary and I, along with five Orange District members just returned from the CFWC Convention in Sacramento. I am happy to say I had to make many trips to the podium to pick up awards. Want to know what they were for? Well, come to the July 11 Summer Conference so we can all celebrate our successes together

While at the convention we had the good fortune to attend the GFWC 1st Vice President's Deb Strahanoski's workshop. Later that day we were able to spend a few minutes chatting with her. What an engaging lady. I hope you will have the opportunity to hear her speak. In the future.

On October 26 Orange District will **host the Area C meeting** at the Phoenix Club. Please put this date on your club calendars and encourage member attendance.

Finally, be sure to take some time this summer to rest, relax and enjoy your family and friends so when you return to club work in September you will feel invigorated....

HAPPY SUMMER! Marcia

First Vice President/Dean ~ Mary Sprague

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THE CLUBS!

All of the clubs contributed to their communities this year and deserve a "pat on the back". Thank you again to the District Chairmen for all of their hard work in getting the project information out to the clubs, having the reports judged and their presentations at convention. I hope all of you enjoyed hearing a little bit about the first place winners.



I just returned from the CFWC Convention and again it was wonderful celebrating with all of the members and districts on their accomplishments. Secrets Will be revealed at the Summer Conference.

Statistics that you should be proud of. California 2018 Breakdown Totals:

Projects:	7,821
Hours:	882,058
Dollars:	\$6,767,980.00
In-Kind:	\$1,785,957.00

This is one reason we write reports because **STRENGTH UNITED IS STRONGER.**

Have a happy summer and I look forward to seeing all of you at the Summer Conference on July 11th at the Yorba Linda Presbyterian Church.





Convention 2019 was great thanks to all of you who attended, designed the fabulous Dr. Seuss centerpieces, wore themed costumes!! AND worked in your communities to win well deserved awards! A huge thank you also goes to the Convention Committee who made this a seamless, well planned event!

This summer we will be planning next year's Convention...feel free to send your ideas for locations, hotels or clubs; theme ideas and any other comments to make 2020 even more exciting and well attended! Have a relaxing summer! Pam Tice & Marcia Willett

P.S. We had huge compliments on our vendors...please invite them to your next Club event!
Eileen Gerber-Clothing & Accessories (714) 742-8257; and Carol Kovac-Fabulous Jewelry (951) 309-1011.

Sandy Tessier 2nd V. P. Membership

Greetings from your Membership Chair!

Summer is almost here and some clubs take a month or two off to make time for vacations. However, even if your club is dark during the summer months don't forget to look for new members. They may be hiding in plain sight. Who knows, that neighbor down the street, or the friend who is in your gym class may be just itching to join your club. And just like the song says, "she just doesn't know it yet".

In July we will be having another summer workshop, July 11 at the Yorba Linda Presbyterian Church, to be exact. Personally, this is my favorite Orange District activity. It's a chance to chat with other club women, exchange ideas and catch up with current activities. At the membership workshop this year I will be sharing some of the cleaver and effective ways some clubs are gaining members and keeping the ones they have. See the CALL for details.

In the meantime, be sure to send me the list of every new member you get so our little red sports car can continue the journey to its final destination in 2020. Send the names, date they joined and their email address to me at jstessier@msn.com. When we left last March our total club membership gains were 149. Since then I have received many new member notifications to add to the count. I can't wait to see what the new member count will be when we meet again in September.

Have a Happy Summer and see you in September,

Susie Autry, Corresponding Secretary

Corresponding Secretaries are often the ones called upon to send Get Well and Sympathy cards. Perhaps we should extend that responsibility into sending Thank You cards. They benefit the receiver as well as the sender.

I suggest going to the website below and check out the benefits of being a grateful person (or organization?) Can't organizations benefit from extending thanks as well? Here are just a few that were listed.

Grateful people: Can handle stressful situations better and show lower blood pressure and lower levels of the stress hormone cortisol; Are more patient; Have healthier hearts with less inflammation...

from <https://www.fairview.org/blog/8-Amazing-Benefits-of-the-Simple-Thank-You>

Sally Barron

Communications & Public Relations Chairman, Yorba Linda Woman's Club

In 1961, the GFWC Yorba Linda Woman's Club gave their first scholarships by awarding two local students \$50 each. On May 2nd this year the Club awarded over \$30,000 in scholarships, arts and HOBY leadership awards to 57 high school students from local area schools. The funds were raised through a combination of proceeds from our Spring and Fall Craft Fairs and our wonderful sponsors.

In attendance were the students' families, friends, art teachers and school principals as well as several local dignitaries: City of Yorba Linda Mayor Tara Campbell, Mayor Pro Tem Beth Haney, Councilmember Gene Hernandez, City Manager Mark Pulone, OC Supervisor Hon. Don Wagner, Senator Ling Ling Chang, and representatives from the offices of Congressman Gil Cisneros and Assemblyman Phillip Chen. On display were the winning students' photography, drawing, painting, mixed media and 3D art entries.

The annual awards ceremony evening is a wonderful culmination of all the outstanding work of the Yorba Linda Woman's Club each year. The club members dedicate their time to planning, coordinating, advertising, etc. to continue these successful events, so that we can continue to give back to our community and young students through scholarships and awards.



REMEMBER...
ORANGE DISTRICT SUMMER CONFERENCE.
Friday, July 11, Yorba Linda! You will be receiving
a July CALL with registration and agenda.
AND
ORANGE DISTRICT will host the
AREA C MEETING Saturday October 26.



Ocean Subaru presented a BIG check to the Woman's Club of Fullerton on Friday, April 26, 2019. Ocean Subaru chose the Woman's Club of Fullerton to be their local charity for the Subaru Share the Love event, which ended on January 2, 2019. The event guarantees a \$250 donation per car, to the buyer's choice from four national, and one local charity.

Ocean Subaru chose the Woman's Club of Fullerton because of the club's values and generosity to the local community. The Woman's Club of Fullerton is truly committed to making a significant difference

in the lives of members of our community, and its members are strong believers that to get more out of life, you must put more into the lives of others.



The Woman's Club of Orange partnered with the City of Orange in the renovation of Shaffer Park. The park, created in 1964 was tired. The city closed it for 18 months while they performed a complete renovation. The donation was suggested by Hazel Stover a past president of the WCO. The club donated 3 park benches and 3 trees. The benches surround the large kiddie play area and provide a comfortable spot for moms and grand moms to sit and watch the kids play.

FROM May 16 GFWC NEWS & NOTES:

GFWC - Notable Volunteers in Action

The Salem Area Woman's Club (New York), Women's Club of Indian River (Delaware), **GFWC Yorba Linda Woman's Club (California)**, and the Needham Women's Club (Massachusetts) are featured on GFWC's Blog. Have a success story to tell? Email pr@gfwc.org.

FROM May 23 GFWC NEWS & NOTES: Where in the World is GFWC?

During your summer travel plans this year, take a picture of this "flat GFWC" and post it with the hashtag #GFWC1820. The GFWC Juniors will award winners for the most creative, funniest, and furthest distance, so snap those photos so so we can see everywhere GFWC goes this Administration!

LEGISLATION & PUBLIC POLICY

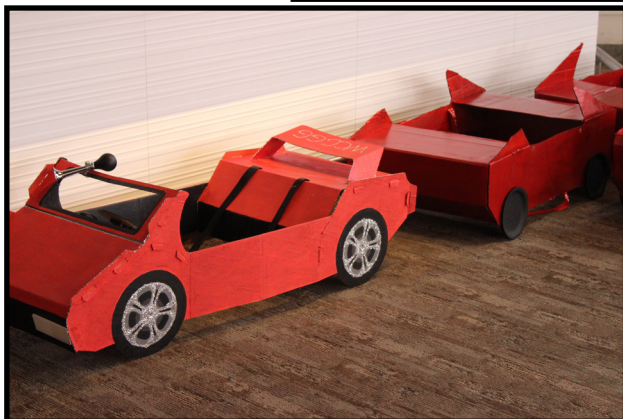
Colleen Janssen 805-813-0844 colleenj02@gmail.com

EXCITING NEWS! Dates for the new regional Legislation & Public Policy meetings are being booked for this fall. Please be sure to designate two people from your club to attend one of the meetings. Dates and other details will come soon.

On Thursday, July 11, there will be a presentation at the Orange District Summer Conference to educate clubs on the power of having a Legislation & Public Policy Committee in your club. Plan to send one or more members to this presentation to hear first-hand how we can help you successfully run the committee in your club. Questions? Contact Colleen.



Orange District 2019 Annual Convention





Advocates for Children: Safe Kids

Alison Wessler, Chairman: Advocates for Children

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Safe Kids is a global Organization dedicated to protecting children from unintentional injuries – the number one cause of death to children in the United States. When we talk about preventing injuries we're not talking about skinned knees, bruised ankles and scraped elbows. These are the telltale signs of a curious child exploring the world, pushing limits and seeking adventure.

Stay Safe Orange County offers help to you in the following areas:

Safety at home, property crimes, bike safety, Catch a crook, Child car seats, Home Security, Identity theft, Scams, Personal safety, When to call 911, Child ID and DNA kit, and Sports Injuries.

Free information is available to you from Stay Safe Orange County. Speakers and Programs are also available to your club and community.

CONTACTS

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455 South Main

Orange CA 92868

Phone - 714-509-8631

Coalition Coordinator – Amy Frias

Email: afrias@choc.org

Phone 714-509-8631

Bev Rigney, Dean Rossmoor Woman's Club

We have a member, Denise Laube, who is a breast cancer survivor and is organizing the pet project of Dori Kelsey, our CFWC President, for the Rossmoor Woman's Club. It's called "Girls Love Mail". You write a letter from your heart to support a girl, a woman or even a man who has just been diagnosed with breast cancer. Denise started her letter writing committee in April and to date has mailed in 60 hand written notes from our members. She meets with anyone interested after each of our monthly meetings and explains how it works. She provides note cards if they need them. It's fun and easy...something you can do from the comfort of your home. And it means so much to those receiving the hand written note of encouragement. Go to Girlslovemail.com for more information

Rossmoor Woman's Club is also supporting a local non-profit called African Sisterhood. It was started by a 17-year-old Los Alamitos High School teenager, Jessica Ridgeway. While on a trip to Africa with her family, Jessica encountered young girls at an orphanage. She said a young girl approached her and asked her to be her "sister". Upon further research, after making many new friends with young African girls, Jessica said she learned of the severe shortage of feminine products for African women. Not having the menstrual products forces the girls to begin missing school and, as a result, about 35% of the young girls drop out. We had Jessica speak at our April General Meeting. Many women in our Club volunteered to host a "sew-in" to make the needed feminine pads. Jessica is returning to Africa in June and her goal is to take 500 "kits" back with her. We will keep you informed of this project as I feel it might be an exceptional "International Outreach" activity for Orange District.