GFWC California Federation of Women's Clubs Orange District





THE CALL

President: Marcia Willett
Communications Secretary: Frances Phelps
Website: www.cfwcorangedistrict.com
March 2019



Orange District Council Meeting
Friday, March 8, 9:45 a.m. - Phoenix Club
Luncheon Fee \$30.00 per person
Hostess Club: La Habra Woman's Club
RESERVATION DEADLINE: Monday, February 25

Please read below, reservation changes for this month!

RESERVATION PROCEDURE

Mary Sprague substituting for Suzanne Vaugine
mlsprague@sbcglobal.net

PLEASE NOTE: Monday, February 25th is the deadline for the March 8th Council Meeting

Mary Sprague is substituting for Suzanne Vaugine and will take the Reservations: Mary's phone: 714-637-2879, Email: mlsprague@sbcglobal.net. Please email the names of those attending and include the designations of any Past District Presidents, District Officers and District Chairman. In addition since we will be celebrating membership, please add the number of years each attendee has been a member.

ATTENTION!!

I have heard from Mary Sprague that Chairmen & Officers are upset because their credential cards were not in the Call they received but included in the club convention packets. <u>Please</u> remind everyone that **they will register with their clubs and will receive a card from them.**

We will have extra cards at check in at convention in case that does not happen. Please call me or reply if you have any questions or concerns! Thank you! Pam Tice 714-686-6492

President – Marcia Willett marciaewillett@gmail.com

What is the most valuable asset we have as an organization? Our members! Without them we don't exist. We can't do philanthropic work or grow as a club, district, or state.

In recognition of their importance, we will be celebrating The "Member" at the March 8th Council Meeting. Please do everything you can to encourage the attendance of New Members while at the same time being sure to honor established and long-term members. Their guidance, knowledge and energy are the cornerstone of our organization.

Please add the years of service to their names when you register members for the March 8th Council Meeting. Consider underwriting all or a portion of the cost of attendance at the Council Meeting not only for New Members but for the member who has served the longest in your club.

Let's all celebrate the member, new, current and established! See you on March 8th.

Marcia

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First Vice President - Mary Sprague msprague@sbcglobal.net

Thank you to all of the clubs for turning the reports in on time! We had 131 narrative reports turned in. I am enjoying reading all about your Community service, how lucky the communities are to have all of the Orange Districts clubs.

- Be sure to share your club reports with all of your members, many times we get so busy working that we do not realize how much is accomplished,
- Share your reports with visitors and prospective members, what better way to impress them than showing them what you do.
- Put a copy of all your reports with the club minutes, this is a history of your club activities,
- This is an excellent time to review your projects. Have a rap session to make sure that the members feel a project is relevant, needs to be continued, has the support of the members, members enjoy working on the project and not just doing a project because it has always been done.

Remember just because the reports for 2018 are in does not mean we are done. There are still many projects that need to be done. Try to find at least one new project,

KEEP A LIST OF ALL PROJECTS AND MONEY DONATED BY MONTH. This will make report writing easier next year. Use a project recap sheet for each project and write it Immediately following the completion of the project. (If you don't have one, let me know and I will be happy to send you one.)

Encourage your members to attend the District Convention where we will be celebrating all of the clubs accomplishments.



ORANGE DISTRICT COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA * Phoenix Club ~ March 8, 2019

8:45 am REGISTRATION - Louise Hernandez

9:40 CHIMES ~ Susan Hillman

9:45 CALL TO ORDER

Pledge of Allegiance - Linda White Patriotic song - Pamela Hughes-Tice

Inspiration - Norma Susic

Welcome – La HabraWoman's Club Credentials Report - Louise Hernandez

INTRODUCTIONS – PAST PRESIDENTS & CLUB PRESIDENTS

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS

Financial Secretary TBA

Treasurer Nancy Capel Maria Sterk Director of Finance Communications Secretary Frances Phelps Corresponding Secretary Susie Autry **Recording Secretary** Gayle Carter Tess Rupe Parliamentarian 3rd Vice President/Ways & Means Lois Small 2nd Vice President/Membership Sandy Tessier 1st Vice President/Dean of Chairman Mary Sprague President Marcia Willett

11:20 DISTRICT CHAIRMAN'S REPORTS - Mary Sprague

11:45 RECESS

12:00 noon LUNCHEON

Blessing - Norma Susic

12:45 RECONVENE

District Chairmen's Reports – cont. - Mary Sprague

Final Credential Report - Louise Hernandez

Announcements - Clubs Pin Drawing - TBA

Opportunity Drawing - Lois Small

ADJOURNMENT - Following the reading of The Collect

^{*}Subject to change

CONVENTION IS COMING! CONVENTION IS COMING!

Saturday April 27, 2019 - Tustin Ranch Golf Club 12442 Tustin Ranch Road, Tustin, CA 92782

THEME: 'FEEDING HUNGER - FEEDING THE MIND"

AGENDA

Junior & Friends breakfast - 8:00 a.m.

Registration - 8:45 a.m.

Call to order - 9:45 a.m.

Opening Session

Business of Orange District

Awards

Memorial Service

Recess

Luncheon - 12:00

Entertainment - 1:00

Awards

Final Credential Report

Attendance Award

Opportunity Drawing

Spirit Award

Announcements

Collect

Adjournment

BE SURE TO CHECK OUT
THE TABLE
CENTERPIECE
COMPETITION FLYER
ON PAGE 12!!

CREDENTIAL CARD with registration fee of \$5.00 AND MEAL REGISTRATION FORM must go through your own Club Reservation person first, then mail with check to Meal Reservation Chairman by March 8, 2019. ww

IMPORTANT DEADLINES

March 8 - Registration, Meal Reservations & Program Ads MEALS: Breakfast: \$25 ~ Lunch: \$45 ~ Registration: \$5

Orange District President: Marcia Willett

Convention Chairman: Pamela Hughes Tice, 714-686-6492 Credential Chairman: Louise Hernandez, 714-812-1808

Director of Finance: Maria Sterk, 714-761-4009



Read

Across

America

Are you still "double spacing at the end of a sentence?? Did you know that that's now considered a "NO-NO"?

Yes, those of us who come from the age of typewriters, were taught to double-space after the period. But in the current realm of computers, the computer automatically does that for you. Therefore, you end up with THREE SPACES between sentences and your editor must then go through the document to delete all the extra spacing in order for the document to read correctly. Give it a try....you'll see! One space only at the end of a sentense please.

Connie Wadsley ~ Orange District Education Chair ~ crwadsley@yahoo.com

"Education is not preparation for life: Education is life itself'- John Dewey One of GFWC's 7 Grand Initiatives for the 2018-2020 term is to promote literacy and GFWC's involvement with libraries; GFWC would like to collect 1,000 new Dr. Seuss books (in English and different languages) and distribute 500 books to Washington, D.C. schools, hospitals, and shelters and 500 books to clubs' local schools, hospitals, and shelters on Dr. Seuss' birthday in 2020.

Please continue to collect Dr. Seuss books for the next years. I will continue to collect books at OD Council meetings and at OD Convention in April. This is a two year GFWC Grand Initiative. Thanks to all who donated book at the January Council meeting – over 100 new books were collected at the meeting!

Epsilon Sigma Omicron (ESO) is an honorary educational society open to all per-capita paying GFWC federated club members. Over 60 years ago, the ESO program became a permanent part of the GFWC Education Department. Through ESO, clubwomen are given direction in planned reading for self-enrichment and personal growth. Many GFWC clubwomen have profited from this unique self-improvement program, seen as vital by the members it directly benefits.

ESO provides clubwomen with a structured reading program that is educational and stimulates a desire for self-improvement. ESO goals include:

- Encouraging clubwomen's pursuit of higher education
- Creating an additional means to unite women in volunteerism
 - Developing a support network for women returning to school
 - Improving current and develop new study skills
 - Stimulating systematic home reading and study with minimal supervision
 - Encouraging the establishment of home libraries & greater use of public libraries
 - Encouraging the formation of reading/study/discussion groups

Members can participate in ESO as part of a reading group or on their own. The program provides membership, awards and certificates, pins, reading lists, and a framework in which to pursue continued self-improvement through reading. Many clubs combine club programming with ESO related activities, such as reading awareness and book promotion. Go to GFWC.org for more information and instructions. When a clubmember wishes to be join ESO, they must first pass through the ESO pledge stage. The completion of an ESO pledge application is needed before a pledge can begin working towards membership status. The pledge application must be sent to the respective state ESO chairman, who will begin tracking the pledge's progress. Please send a pledge application (available at GFWC.org) to Lois Fitzhugh -332 Rosestone Court, Roseville, CA 95747. A copy of the pledge will be in your OD Council meeting file "mailbox" in March. Contact me with any questions.



Advocates for Children

The District Meeting on January 11 featured a Collection of diapers and wipes for March of Dimes NICU Baby Showers and was an overwhelming success. I don't know how much we expected but we ended up needing a large truck to transport everything to their headquarters.

Three cheers to Barber City Woman's Club. Their Dean, Patty Van Noble provided her truck and she and President Nadine Davis transported everything to Irvine and then unloaded it. Thank you so much ladies, and of course thank you to all our clubs for

your generous donations. I received a "thank you" from our speaker Tammra Tanner in which she states. "We estimate that over 4800 diapers and 87 packages of wipes were collected by the clubs."- for the health of all moms and babies. **Alison Wessler, Advocates for Children - alisonwessler@gmail.com - 714-847-5044**



CONSERVATION NOTES - Beverly Rigney, Barbara Murphy, Chairmen

One of the International President Mary Ellen Brock's 7 Grand Initiatives is to plant 1,000 trees during her tenure as President. Our suggestion is to tap into Arbor Day happening this year on April 26th.

If you become a member of the Arbor Day Foundation...arborday.org...your membership is only \$15 a year and you will receive 10 free trees in your first year. Your Club can call your city's Park and Recreation Department to see if they have any need for trees or on a personal level, maybe one of your neighbors lost their parkway tree and would love a replacement.

Please let us know if you are able to plant a tree and we will share the news.

PARLIAMENYARY BYLAWS Orange District, Parliamentarian Tess Rupe, 714-527-5502

Your bylaws comprise the fundamental rules that define your organization. They include all the rules that your group determines of such importance that they can't be changed unless the members get previous notice of proposed changes and a large majority is required to vote on any proposed change. (usually from one general to the next general meeting, about 30 days.)

The bylaws committee, chosen by your club, studies the bylaws. If they have decided some changes re necessary, or something added, they must then present them to the club in writing with an explanation of the changes. It is then put to a vote and must have two thrirds of the votes to pass. This is usually done at close of the club year and before the new club year starts

2018 GFWC INTERNATIONAL OUTREACH COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM

Tommie Kalman, District Chairman.

6041 Foxfield Lane, Yorba Linda, Ca. 92886. 714-779-1845 - Email: spuzk@yahoo.com

In the January CALL, I started an article regarding a seemingly new attitude lately in helping people in other countries to not only prosper but to survive. I'm continuing that article here:

OPERATION SMILE: GIVE A SMILE

Every 3 minutes a child is born with a cleft. For more than 30 years Operation Smile and GFWC have worked together to provide free surgeries for children with cleft palate and cleft lip, as well as care and treatment during their recovery. Operation Smile has a global network of medical professionals who donate hundreds of thousands of hours toward the care of children around the world. Since their founding in 1982 they have provided more than 240,000 surgical procedures for cleft palate, cleft lip, and other facial deformities. A child's cleft lip or palate can be repaired for as little as \$240 and in as few as 45 minutes, but it is more than a surgery. Your support gives renewed hope to children and families around the world. 888-677-6453

SHOT @LIFE: 4 VACCINES TO PREVENT CHILDHOOD DEATH

We all treasure our children's first moments....their first birthday, first word, first step. So whenever a child dies it is a tragedy. The United Nations has chosen Shot@Life to spearhead their campaign to wipe out vaccine preventable diseases like pneumonia, diarrhea, measles and polio that kill a child every 20 seconds. You can help save a child's life by encouraging learning about, advocating for, and donating vaccines. Measles vaccine has saved 17.1 million lives since 2000. Polio now is only found is 3 countries Afghanistan, Nigeria, and Pakistan. Our state was awarded second place as a Lifesaver State. Key dates to watch for are World Polio Day and World Pneumonia Day. Send letters to Congress to support funding for global vaccines. Donate funds to send life-saving vaccines to children in developing countries and follow Shot@ Life on Facebook and on Twitter @ShotAtLife.

UNICEF: A GFWC PARTNER FOR OVER 60 DECADES / SAVING LIVES, BUILDING FUTURES

Our District gave immense support last year to the UNICEF charity "CHANGE FOR GOOD". That was our foreign money collection effort that was so much fun. UNICEF concentrates its' efforts to ensure the world's most vulnerable children have access to immunizations, clean water, nutrition, education, emergency and disaster relief, and more. GFWC supports the "HEALTHY VILLAGES PROGRAM" which works with villages in the Congo to support efforts to build and maintain basic systems to provide clean water, a simple latrine for every home, and insecticide-treated mosquito nets in each home. It costs \$5,000. to support a village. All donations go toward GFWC's collective efforts and 90% of every dollar goes to help kids. Los Angeles Regional Office 310-277-7608

OUR NEW DISTRICT INTERNATIONAL OUTREACH PROJECT

Our new IO project for this year is still on the drawing board. We have had so much fun with the foreign money collection and, of course, the shoe project that earned our District \$1,180.00., that I am taking time to find the right project. Good work...from all our members! I was very proud of our group. We had over 110 bags of 25 pair of shoes in each bag. They were quite heavy so we conscripted two strong men to toss them on the truck. We filled up the truck half way...a really great collection of shoes, all in wearable condition. In total the weight of our bags was a little over 1,100 pounds. You have all been so supportive of these International Outreach projects that I want to find a fun, light weight project for this year.



Mark your calendar for the annual Rossmoor Spring Garden and Outdoor Living Tour. The event, sponsored by the Rossmoor Woman's Club, is scheduled for Sunday, May 19, 10 am to 4 pm. During the self-guided tour, visitors will see several homes' outdoor living areas, pools and landscaping. The event also includes food trucks and plants for sale. All net proceeds go to fund scholarships for Los Alamitos High School students and to support a variety of non-profit charities in Long Beach and north Orange County. Tickets go on sale in April. For more information, go to the club website at rossmoorwomansclub.com

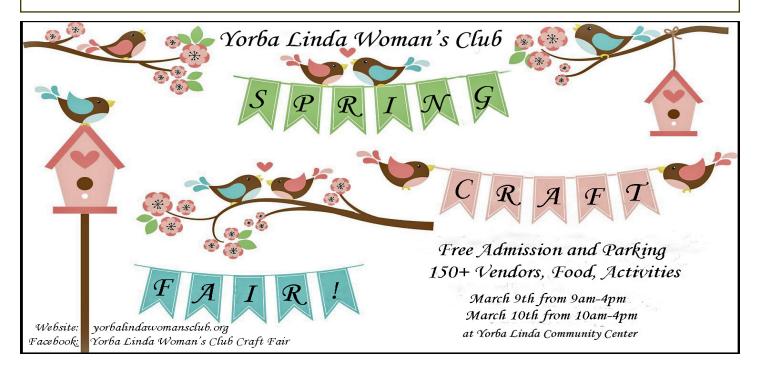
Emeritus: Definition of Emeritus by Merriam-Webster: Holding after retirement, an honorary title corresponding to that held last during active service.

The **ORANGE DISTRICT EMERITUS CLUB** is an affiliate club and according to its bylaws, is open to any person who has served one year as an officer of Orange District, CFWC or as a chairman or an officer of the CFWC.

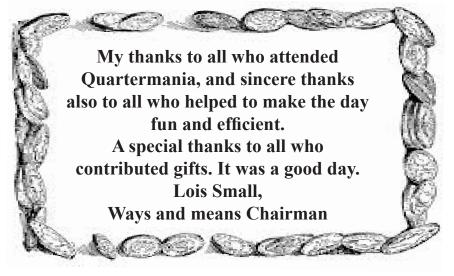
The object of the Emeritus Club is to promote sociaibility and good fellowship among its members, to renew old acquaintances among former Board members who have served Orange District or California Federation of Women's Clubs.

The Emeritus Club meets twice a year in September and <u>March</u>, with a short meeting, lunch and enterainment. The annual dues are \$15.00 payable in March. Please contact us for information and we hope to see you as a new member.

Barbara Grider, President Orange District Emerius Club 949-857-1613 barbaragrider@cox.net Carole Stone, Membership Orange District Emeruts Club 714-875-6456 caroleallison419@gmail.com







FROM GFWC JANUARY 17 GFWC "NEWS AND NOTES" Techie's Tips:

Attract New Members Through Your Website

- Update the copyright footer to the current year. An incorrect year indicates a website hasn't been changed in a while.
- Keep your calendar and recent events section up to date. This will give visitors a reason to come back and check on public events they can attend.
- Ensure club leadership is current, especially at the beginning of a new Administration.
- By regularly updating web content, you'll show visitors that your club is exciting, hard-working, and something they should be a part of!



Free Admission
Opportunity Prize Drawings Hourly!

Open to all Amateur Gardeners - No Entry Fee to Exhibit

- * Enter your prized plants, flowers, or flower arrangements in our professionally-judged show.
- Enjoy the plants and floral arrangements on display from local gardens.
- Shop vendors' booths, including our Sweet Shoppe and Plant Booth.
- Pause and refresh at our Garden Cafe. Pick up a light lunch or a beverage & dessert.



Information & Entry Forms Available at: The Woman's Club of Orange - 121 S. Center St. More Info: www.womanscluboforange.org or call 714-836-5919



MARCH IS MEMBERSHIP MONTH!

March is membership month at Orange District.

We will be celebrating members old and new
Bring your new members and those long time members to

Be recognized at the March meeting

There will be games & prizes!

Orange District Meeting
March 8, 2019
Phoenix Club Anaheim
Reservations due by Monday Feb. 25

Send them to:

Mary Sprague mlsprague@sbcglobal.net 714-637-2879
We need the names of those attending
The number of years each attendee has been a member and designations of any
Past District Presidents,
District Officers and District Chairman
See you there!



"BEE" Inviting, Friendly, Resourceful, Inventive & Vital!

AWARENESS AND PREVENTION OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE Chairman: Karlene Ballard - karlala@aol.com - 714 875-5275

CALLING ALL PURSES!!!!

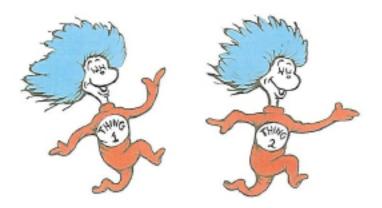
Don't miss the PURSE CONTEST at the March 8, 2019 District Meeting!

The GFWC Signature Program Committee is challenging State Federations to raise awareness and benefit domestic violence shelters in their states by having a "PURSE CONTEST" at their annual State Conventions. The District will be holding a "PURSE CONTEST" on March 8, 2019, at the District Meeting.

Collect new and gently used purses and fill them with goodies that will bring serenity and calmness to a domestic violence survivor. Once your club has collected the items to be donated, have a get-together with members to fill the purses. At the get-together, **start a conversation** about domestic violence to bring about Awareness and Prevention. Be creative...decorate and add personal touches to the purses. Don't forget to tag all purses with your club name and that you are a proud member of the GFWC & CFWC.

Each club is asked to bring no more than 3 purses to the District meeting to be judged. (March 8, 2019). Each Club will deliver their remaining collected purses to their chosen safe-haven shelter(s). Purses brought to the District meeting will be judged. One will be selected to be displayed at our State Convention in May 2019. "Using a purse is a good way to make each donation feel thoughtful, personal, and enjoyable for the woman who receives it." (Diane Waterhouse, State Chair) What we do puts a smile in someone's heart; and ours'.

Convention Table Centerpiece Competition April 27, 2019 Tustin Ranch Golf Course



Choose a Dr. Seuss book and build a table center piece around its title.

Awards will be given in the following categories:

Most Creative • Most Humorous Most imaginative • Attendees Favorite

Extra points will be awarded for incorporation of President Marcia's Philanthropy, HUNGER.

Space needs to be allowed for lunch service.

Decision of judges is final.

Winners will be announced following lunch.

Fill out the following entry form and submit it to Amenities Chairman Susan Hillman at the convention.