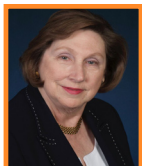


# GFWC/CFWC ORANGE DISTRICT

## THE PEAL



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**April 2019**



### O.D. President ~ Marcia Willett

Can you believe convention season is upon us? We have three conventions coming up. The first is our own District Convention on Saturday, April 27, at the Tustin Ranch Golf Club in Tustin. Registration starts at 8:45 am with the convention beginning at 9:45 am. If you have not registered it is not too late if you send your registration in by April 5th to Maria Sterk. The theme is “Feeding Hunger – Feeding the Mind” and we hope your club will decide to enter the table center piece contest. Choose a Dr. Seuss book and build a center piece around the title. You get extra points if you can incorporate my philanthropic theme of Hunger. Please come and celebrate all the wonderful work that has been done by every club. Fabulous work has been accomplished by all!

The second convention is the CFWC Convention to be held in Sacramento May 16-18. You can find all the information for this convention on line at CFWC.org. Lots of workshops are being held on many topics. The theme of this convention is Mardi Gras “Let the Good Times Roll”. The registration deadline for the CFWC Convention is April 15th. Get a few members together and head for Sacramento. Let’s party!!!

Finally, the GFWC Convention with the theme “Bridging Our Differences - Broadening Our Horizons” will be held in Austin, Texas from Friday, June 28 through Monday, July 1. The registration deadline for early-bird pricing is April 15.

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### First Vice President ~ Mary

I would like to once again like to thank all of the clubs for their narrative reports. I have read them all and am impressed with not only the scope of the projects but with the creativity.

I hope each of you will attend the Orange District Convention when we will be recognizing all of the clubs for their community service. Awards will be given to help recognize the achievements but I want to remind all the clubs that the community projects that you have completed have already been recognized by those who were on the receiving end.

#### Remember the Starfish Story

One day a man was walking along the beach when he noticed a boy picking up something and gently throwing it into the ocean.

Approaching the boy, he asked, “what are you doing?” The youth replied, “Throwing starfish back into the ocean.

The surf is up and the tide is going out. If you don’t throw them back, they’ll die”. “son,” the man said, “don’t you realize there are miles and miles of beach and hundreds of starfish?” You can’t make a difference!”

After listening politely, the boy bent down, picked up another starfish, and threw it back into the surf. Then, smiling at the man, he said...”I made a difference for that one.”

**REMEMBER – YOU MAKE A DIFFERENCE!**

**O.D. President ~ Marica Willett (Continued)**

The final registration deadline is June 1 but be aware that registering after April 15 will result in slightly higher event costs. All the information for this convention can be found on the GFWC.org website. This is a wonderful opportunity to meet members from all over the United States and from international clubs as well. I will be attending all three conventions and I hope some of you will be joining me!



Congratulations!

Today, is your Day ~ You're off to Great Places!  
You're off and away! ~Oh, the Places You'll Go!

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**Susie Autry - Corresponding Secretary**

Wow! The end of another very successful year is approaching. Clubs are collecting their 2019-2020 dues and Membership Chairs will be turning in their Data Blanks shortly. Data Blanks serve an important purpose at our district level.

It is from these that we gather the information that will be in the next yearbook. It's so much nicer if the information is correct to begin with rather than have lots of changes later.

Please take the time to verify that the information for your President, Dean and Treasurer is correct. We all know we don't have typewriters around so just print very clearly. Thanks and Congrats on a great year.

**Public Issues**

**Linda white, chairman -** [gmatwhite@twc.com](mailto:gmatwhite@twc.com)

Many thanks to all the clubs writing narrative reports in this program. The judges were truly amazed at what our clubs accomplish. Good luck at convention.

I know most of our clubs slow down during the summer but there are a few dates to remember for possible projects:

Memorial Day, May 27 – Many of the local cemeteries use volunteers place flags at the headstones of veterans

Flag Day, June 14

Independence Day, July 4

National Night Out, August 6- Many cities participate in this national program to increase awareness of police activities and promote public safety. Check with your city on how your club might participate.

Don't forget our men and women overseas. Visit [www. greenbeanscoffee.com](http://www.greenbeanscoffee.com) to gift a "Cup of Joe for a Joe" for only \$2.50 per cup! Their notes of appreciation are very heartwarming. Have a great summer!

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**CONVENTION CLUB ADS ARE NOW PAST DUE! WE WILL, HOWEVER, CONTINUE TO ACCEPT THEM UNTIL MARCH 30TH.**

**AD PRICES:FULL PAGE: \$50.00 - HALF PAGE: \$30.00 - BUSINESS CARD: \$20.00. THAT DEADLINE ALSO INCLUDES YOUR CONVENTION MEALS AND REGISTRATION!  
THANK YOU! PAM TICE - [pamela\\_tice@yahoo.com](mailto:pamela_tice@yahoo.com)**



## Hello all you wonderful Orange District Clubs! ~ Sandy Tessier, Membership Chairman

The first year of Marcia's presidency is coming to an end and we have come a long way. Our little red sports car is at the midpoint on our membership map. And at the halfway point the gas gage reads 149. That's 149 new members that you have added to your club roles. Hooray for YOU!!

I'm sure we will keep up the momentum speeding into next year. After April send your dues to the Financial Secretary, Geri Walsh. She will collect dues as they come in over the summer and until December 1. She will send me the names of your members as they join. Every month, starting with our first O.D. meeting in September, we will watch the gas gage go up as new members are added.

- \* Remember some tips on gaining new members:
  - \* Have a tri-fold advertising your club and carry it with you ready to give it out to anyone you may meet.
  - \* Make sure your club is "on line". Have a good easy to read and easy to use web site.
  - \* Take advantage of Facebook, Linked In, and other free on line resources in order to get your name out there.
  - \* A warm, friendly club will attract new members like flowers attract bees.
  - \* And if you have any questions or need help feel free to contact one of your friendly, helpful Orange District board members. We are here to help you be successful!!
- See you at Convention in April!

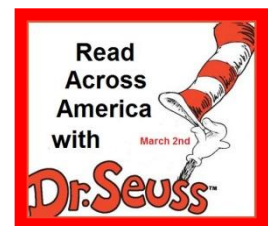
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Connie Wadsley  
Orange District Education Chair  
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## "Education is not preparation for life: Education is life itself"- John Dewey

Thank you to all clubs who submitted your annual **Education Report**. So many of you are doing amazing work in your local communities supporting schools, libraries and students. Thank you for your continuing hard work to enrich and expand opportunities for students in so many important areas. I loved reading about the club projects happening in Orange County!

Reminder: We will continue to collect **Dr. Seuss books** through next year. This is one of GFWC's Grand Initiatives so please continue to bring new books to council meetings and to Convention on April 27<sup>th</sup>. Children's Hospital of Orange (CHOC) has a special need for young adult/tween books too! THANK YOU for your generous support of this project.



As spring arrives many clubs will be offering **scholarships** to deserving students so please remember that no matter how small a scholarship may be, every one is important to the recipient! Don't forget to consider community college, trade schools, single Mothers, and veteran specific scholarships. And consider having your recipients come to a general meeting or special club event so that club members get a chance to meet these amazing winners! This is a great opportunity to invite the local press to cover just one of the amazing things about your club!

Thank you for all you do for students and  
your community every day!

**CFWC Orange District ~ Advocates for Children  
Re/CHOC ~ Children's Hospitals of Orange County**

**Play Dates for young children.**

The following information comes from a survey of Children's Doctors serving at these CHOC facilities. They are also parents of young children. They were asked to comment on "playdates" and their experiences with their own family. Playdates are beneficial in many ways especially social growth, but the doctors make suggestions on what to ask the host, before the event.

\* Is there a pool on the premises?

If so, a designated adult should be assigned at all times for that area.

\*Is anyone in the home unwell? Do they have a fever?

Don't go there.

\*Will the children be watching cable tv or movies?

Inform the parents of the titles and subjects of this screen time.

\*Is there a trampoline at the location?

All doctors said they would not allow their children to visit. All agreed, trampolines are deadly. They can result in broken bones and head injuries. Do not go there.

\*Are there pets in the home?

Are they kid friendly? Are there allergy problems?

\*Are there guns in the home?

Are they safely locked away?

Questions and comments from those who know.

**Alison Wessler – Chair 714 847 5044 ~[alisonwessler@gmail.com](mailto:alisonwessler@gmail.com)**



In early March, **Yorba Linda Woman's Club** held it's 23rd annual Spring Craft Fair! We took over the entire Yorba Linda Community Center with over 150 vendors selling a variety of items, an Egg Hunt sponsored by Kids & Smiles (benefitting Pediatric Cancer patients), live music, and delicious food in our Club Café (the loaded baked potatoes were the talk of the town)! The money raised from our Craft Fair goes back into our local community by awarding scholarships, art awards, and sponsoring students to attend leadership seminars, as well as many other philanthropic causes throughout the year.

## AWARENESS AND PREVENTION OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

*Chairman: Karlene Ballard email: [karlala@aol.com](mailto:karlala@aol.com)*

Thank you to all the clubs that participated in the **PURSE CONTEST** at the March District meeting. Clubs that brought purses were: Cypress, Dana Point, Irvine, La Habra, Fountain Valley, Ebell of Fullerton, and Yorba Linda. Congratulations to the La Habra Woman's Club for winning 1<sup>st</sup> Place in the **PURSE CONTEST**!!! All the purses collected will bring a smile to survivors' hearts. Thank you to the clubs that brought an additional 41 purses to the meeting along with goodies to fill them.



**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE LA HABRA WOMAN'S CLUB FOR COMING IN 1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE AT THE PURSE CONTEST!!!**

Pictured: On the left is Wilma Santana, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President/Membership Chairman of the La Habra Woman's Club. Also pictured is Orange District Chairman of Domestic Violence, Karlene Ballard.

It is not too late for clubs to participate in the GFWC'S Purse Project. The GFWC Signature Program committee has asked that we collect new and gently used purses and fill them with items that will bring a serenity and calmness to a survivor of domestic violence. (See flyer attached in the Peal)

### DATES TO REMEMBER....

**APRIL 24, 2019: DENIM DAY...** Do you know what Demin Day is? Do you know how Demin Day came about? Demin Day was started to bring about Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention in communities. Handouts were given to clubs regarding the Movement of Denim Day at the March District meeting.

**JUNE 15, 2019: WORLD ELDER ABUSE AWARENESS DAY...** Clubs received handouts on ideas to bring awareness to elder abuse at District meeting. How will your club bring awareness to elder abuse?

**WHAT WE DO PUTS A SMILE IN SOMEONE'S HEART: AND OURS'.**

PLEASE NOTE:

Memorial Service for Hazel Stover  
May 11, 2019 at 11 a.m. Lunch to follow  
First Christian Church of Orange  
1130 E. Walnut Ave., Orange, CA 92867 ~ 714.538.9681

*Woman's Club of Orange Presents*

*Garden  
Serenade*

*82nd Annual Flower Show  
Thursday, April 25, 2019  
12 Noon to 4 PM*



*Free Admission  
Opportunity Prize Drawings Hourly!*



SAVE THE DATE  
16TH ANNUAL  
GARDEN TOUR

*Unique and Colorful Gardens Including  
OUTDOOR LIVING at its best!*

*Sunday, May 19, 2019  
10:00 am to 4:00 pm*

Presented by the  
Rossmoor Woman's Club

Working together to provide support to  
our local community charities through  
volunteer services.

A self-guided tour of unique gardens plus shopping  
at our Outdoor Marketplace with the RWC Plant  
Sale located at Rush Park.

Great selection of vendors with jewelry, purses,  
yard art - along with food trucks, and raffle items.  
Lots of fun and a great way to get ideas for  
your own garden.

FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT  
[WWW.ROSSMOORWOMANCLUB.COM](http://WWW.ROSSMOORWOMANCLUB.COM)  
OR CALL (562) 810-7139.

# PURSE PROJECT



## A GFWC SIGNATURE PROGRAM PROJECT



**P-PURSES  
U-UNITING  
R-RESOURCES TO  
S-SUCCESSFULLY  
E-END VIOLENCE AGAINST  
WOMEN!**

The **GFWC Signature Program** Committee is asking clubs to raise awareness and benefit **domestic violence** shelters by collecting purses for survivors.

Collect **new** and **gently used purses** and fill them with: **"item ideas for purse"** (right side of flyer) and any other goodies that will **bring serenity** and **calmness** to a 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. After you fill the purses, donate them to a local shelter. Be sure to tag your purses with your club name and that you are a proud member of the GFWC. "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.**

## ITEM IDEAS FOR PURSE

Shampoo  
Conditioner  
Toothpaste  
Toothbrush, floss  
Feminine products  
Deodorant  
Lotion  
Tissues  
Emery boards  
First-aid kit  
Key chain  
Calendar  
Journal/Pen  
Wallet/coin purse  
Brush/comb

## gift cards

Walmart  
Target  
Food/restaurants  
Grocery stores  
Movies

## Feel-good items

Scarf /tied to outside of purse  
Candy/gum/No chocolate  
Jewelry/Can be gently used

Make-up bag  
Make-up (Must be new)  
Nail polish (New)

**Cards or labels with encouraging quotes**

## GIRL/BOY BAGS

Coloring book/crayons  
Activity book  
Toys/Board games  
Pillow/blanket  
Hand-held games: include batteries  
Sports items  
Label bags: girl/boy/  
pre-teen/teen

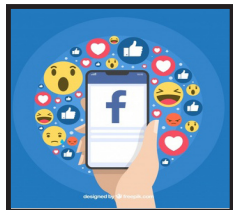
**ORANGE District Chairman:**

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### Conservation Notes-Beverly Rigney and Barbara Murphy, Chairmen

Just a little update on Arbor Day 2019. When we checked the date, April 26, 2019 was given. This is the National Arbor Day. When we checked with our Arborist at the City, she shared they were celebrating Arbor Day on March 8th, which we were able to attend after the Orange District meeting. I know Van Nuys celebrated the next weekend, planting some 183 trees. Each City and State can designate a date in Spring. So, to get credit for the Grand Initiative, we would say your Club will qualify to report as long as you do so by **April 26th**. Don't forget to visit [aborday.org](http://aborday.org) and let us know if you do plant a tree as we will share the news.



### WE'RE ON FACEBOOK! ~ Frances Phelps, Comm. Sect.

Thanks to Mariellen Yark, the District Facebook page has been transferred to the 2018-2020 Administration. Be sure to check it out. Feel free to submit any **club related** photos, articles, etc. that you might wish to share with other ORANGE DISTRICT members! <https://www.facebook.com/orangedistrict/>

### Legislation & Public Policy

Colleen Janssen 805-813-0844 [colleenj02@gmail.com](mailto:colleenj02@gmail.com)

GFWC needs our help. If you are not registered for Legislative Action Alerts, you may not know that they need us each to send a letter to our local Representative in Congress. Please share this letter text with your members so they can sign a letter and mail it.

Dear Representative xxxx,

*The Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) has been incredibly successful in transforming our nation's response to domestic violence and sexual assault. Yet so much remains to be done to ensure that all survivors are fully supported and have options to keep themselves and their children safe.*

*As a member of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, an international women's organization dedicated to community improvement by enhancing the lives of other through volunteer service, I urge you to support H.R.1585, the Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act of 2019.*

*This bill contains modest enhancements and critical fixes to existing law, invests in prevention, improves access to justice for Native survivors, protect victims of dating violence and stalking from abusers with guns, improves enforcement of court orders, and increases access to safe housing for survivors.*

*I urge you and your colleagues to move swiftly in passing the Violence Against Women Act of 2019 without harmful amendments that would roll back vital existing protections for all victims and include enhancements that improve on services and supports for survivors.*

*Now is the time to invest in responding to and preventing domestic and sexual violence. We must reduce barriers and increase access for all survivors.*

Be sure to have each member sign their letter, including their printed name and address, then mail it to their elected Congressional Representative.

**PARLIAMENTARIAN – TESS RUPE** ~ Attached to the PEAL are the proposed Bylaw revisions that will be voted on at the Orange District Convention. Please read the document prior to arriving at the convention. It is suggested that you bring your Orange District yearbook to use as a reference guide as we go through the proposed changes. Also bring your copy of the Proposed Changes since a limited number of copies will be available at the convention.

**PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE BYLAWS AND STANDING RULES  
ORANGE DISTRICT CONVENTION 2019**

In addition to any amendments that are adopted at the 2019 convention, the 2018 Bylaws, when published may contain several editorial changes. These are changes that do not affect the meaning or the application of the Bylaws and therefore, do not require a vote by the membership. This can include punctuation and spelling errors or renumbering when a new section is inserted or deleted.

**ARTICLE VI DUTIES OF OFFICERS** (Corresponding Secretary yearbook page 37)

CURRENT WORDING	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED WILL READ
Section 6 ...and shall compile and distribute to each Member of the District council as listed in Article V, Section 3.	Amend by striking sentence beginning with ... and shall and ending at Section3.	... Committee. In addition, shall be responsible for itinerary.

Rationale: Yearbook would become responsibility of special chairman

**ARTICLE VI DUTIES OF OFFICERS** (Director of Finance yearbook page 37)

CURRENT WORDING	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED WILL READ
Section 8 – (1 <sup>st</sup> sentence) .....Financial Secretary, First Vice President	Insert President between Financial Secretary and First Vice President	.....Financial Secretary, President, First Vice President, ....

Rationale: Clarification President is member of Financial Committee

**ARTICLE VI DUTIES OF OFFICERS** (Director of Finance yearbook page 37))

CURRENT WORDING	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED WILL READ
Section 8 (last sentence) The Director of Finance shall be Vice Chairman of Meal Reservations For Council meetings and Convention.	Delete sentence reword and bullet point.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review and sign all warrants after comparing with the budget.</li> <li>• Submit warrants for approval to the Executive Committee</li> <li>• Forward all warrants to the Treasurer for payments.</li> <li>• Oversee the preparation of filing of federal and state tax requirements.</li> <li>• Submit bi-annual report to California Attorney General.</li> <li>• Shall give an interim report of the budget at the January Council meeting.</li> </ul>

Rationale: Clarification of duties

**ARTICLE VI DUTIES OF OFFICERS** (Treasurer yearbook page 37)

CURRENT WORDING	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED WILL READ
Section 9 (1 <sup>st</sup> paragraph) ....all bills approved by.... ....shall pay bills...	Strike the word bills- replace word with "warrants"	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Paragraph 1 sentence 1 .....all warrants approved by.....</li> <li>• Paragraph 2 sentence 2 ....shall pay warrants....</li> </ul>

Rationale: Treasurer pays from approved warrants not bills

**ARTICLE VI DUTIES OF OFFICERS** (Treasurer yearbook page 37)

CURRENT WORDING	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED WILL READ
Section 9 (paragraph 3) ...incoming treasurer next successor	Amend by striking <del>next successor</del>	...incoming treasurer within two weeks....

Rationale: Redundant – not needed

**ARTICLE VI DUTIES OF OFFICERS** (Treasurer yearbook page 38)

CURRENT WORDING	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED WILL READ
Section 9 (paragraph 4) During the first year of his or her term in office, and at the conclusion of the term, the Treasurer shall be responsible for the preparation and filing of federal and state tax requirements, assisted by the director of finance.	Delete sentence	The Treasurer shall be a member of budget committee.

Rationale: Responsibility moved to Director of Finance

**ARTICLE VI DUTIES OF OFFICERS** (Financial Secretary yearbook page 38)

CURRENT WORDING	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED WILL READ
Section 10 (paragraph 1) The Financial Secretary shall send to the Treasurer and Director of Finance a detailed report of the source of these deposits and accounts to which they shall be credited.	Add "President" after Director of Finance	The Financial Secretary shall send to the Treasurer, Director of Finance and President a detailed report of the source of these deposits and accounts to which they shall be credited.

Rationale: President should be aware of deposits.

**ARTICLE VI DUTIES OF OFFICERS** (Financial Secretary yearbook page 38)

CURRENT WORDING	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED WILL READ
Section 10 (paragraph 2) The Financial secretary shall serve As meals reservations chairman for the Council meetings and Convention.	Delete entire sentence. Add The Financial Secretary shall report all new members to the President and Second Vice President	The Financial Secretary shall report all new members to the President and Second Vice President.

Rationale: Meal Reservations no longer Financial Secretary responsibility. President and Second Vice President should be aware of all new members.

**ARTICLE VI DUTIES OF OFFICERS** (Financial Secretary yearbook page 38 )

CURRENT WORDING	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED WILL READ
Section 10 (paragraph 4) .....all books and records that are in his or her custody.	Amend by striking ....that are in his or her custody.	....all books and records.

Rationale: Clarification

**ARTICLE X STANDING COMMITTEES** (yearbook page 43)

CURRENT WORDING	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED WILL READ
Section 1 The Standing Committees of Orange District shall be Bylaws and Resolutions, Membership, Credentials, Meals, Convention, Public Relations, Nominating and any other deemed necessary by the Executive Committee	Amend by Striking <del>Meals and Public Relations</del> Insert – Meeting Planning and Communications	The Standing Committees of Orange District shall be Bylaws and Resolutions, Membership, Credentials, Meeting Planning, Convention, Communications, Nominating and any other deemed necessary by the Executive Committee.

Rationale: Update to current practice and current title

**ARTICLE X STANDING COMMITTEES** (yearbook page 43)

CURRENT WORDING	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED WILL READ
Section 1.d (d) Meals see Article Vi, Section 10	Delete	

Rationale: Meals will be handled by Meeting Planning

**ARTICLE X STANDING COMMITTEES** (yearbook page 43)

CURRENT WORDING	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED WILL READ
Section 1.f (f) Public Relations Chairman shall promote and coordinate awareness of Orange District activities and shall mail publicity releases to district events to the club chairman for release on a local level.	Amend by striking <del>Public Relations</del> Insert Communications. Amend by striking <del>...and shall mail publicity releases to district events to the club chairman for release on a local level.</del>	Communications Chairman shall promote and coordinate awareness of Orange District activities.

Rationale: Update to current practice and title

**STANDING RULES - Number 19** (yearbook page 46)

CURRENT WORDING	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED WILL READ
The Convention Committee must submit a proposed budget to the Executive Committee for approval	Insert by January Council meeting	The Convention Committee must submit a proposed budget to the Executive Committee for approval by the January Council meeting.

Rationale: Establish deadline

**STANDING RULES – NUMBER 23** (yearbook page 45)

CURRENT WORDING	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED WILL READ
If monetary awards for Scholarships are to be presented through Orange District, to the school or organization of the recipient's choice, these awards must be claimed by February 1 of the following year. After February 1 funds shall revert to the origination funds.	Delete	

Rationale: No longer done