

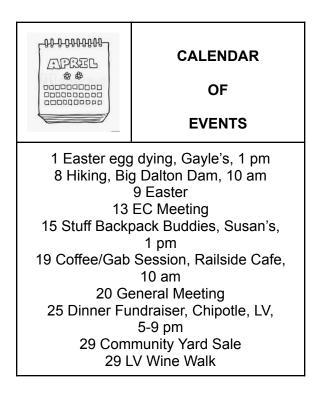
# Orange Blossom Gazette

# GFWC LA VERNE-SAN DIMAS WOMAN'S CLUB NEWSLETTER

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May the Spirit of Nature Fulfill Your Spirit of Volunteering.



# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE: Tami Miller

Considering this was only March, I'm afraid to see what April Showers will bring. But I love the way my dying front yard looks and the mountains are picturesque.

The SGVD Convention is less than 3 weeks away. We have 8 members attending. We will be there to support our Member of the Year – Jennifer Nummelin, and Citizen of



# EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE 2022 - 2024

President: Tami Miller Co-First VP/Dean of Chairmen: Susan Minnihan & Linda Roache Co-Second VP/Membership: Marlene Carney & Gloria Schaaf Third VP/Ways & Means: Gayle Garcia Recording Secretary: Barbara Randolph Treasurer: Kathy Castle-Kuhn Parliamentarian: Pat Borchard Corresponding Secretary: Jennifer Nummelin

the Year – Cathy Koch. Not to mention the anticipation of taking home some Club Awards for our community participation programs.

Due to the Convention taking place on the 3<sup>rd</sup> week of the month, our General Meeting will be moved to Thursday April 27.

I hope you remembered to renew your Club Dues. We will be losing a few members due to relocation of their family and/or personal family obligations making it difficult to participate or attend our meetings. Please remember if your personal status changes, we are still here to welcome you back. Thank you to the members who made their voices heard by voting for the upcoming Club changes. This is an exciting time for our Club to benefit from these changes, and our updated Bylaws' as we move forward in our next term.

The La Verne Wine Walk is coming up on April 29. We will be looking for volunteers to assist with the event sign-ups. Once we have more information an email will be forth coming.

Be sure to check the calendar posted in this newsletter for all Club Events. Thank you, Cathy, for doing such a fine job in keeping us informed.

Tami <u>Club1270Deventer@yahoo.com</u> 909 596-4084

# PRESIDENT'S AIDE/AMENITIES: Jennifer Nummelin

Happy Spring, everyone!! I have no report.

Jennifer jennummelin@aol.com

# <u>CO-FIRST VP/DEAN OF CHAIRMEN:</u> Susan Minnihan & Linda Roache

Is it Springtime yet??? It seems like the weatherman can't quite figure that out! At this writing, it's a beautiful day; but with a rainy mid-week in our forecast. I think we will have a case of "April Showers will bring May flowers"!



April, I think, will prove to be a very busy month; Easter will be coming up soon along with lots of opportunities to support our Club. Our Club Chairmen are providing the opportunity for you to be as busy as you'd



like to be! Advocates for Children has a "Backpack Buddies" assembly taking place on April 15 @1:00 at Susan Minnihan's home. Contact Susan if interested in participating. There's also a walk for Paws for Pets on April 22. These are just a few April events. Please read the Chairmen's articles that follow for details, and for all that this month offers for volunteerism, social events as well as a couple of Fundraisers!

Did you know??? A hike at Big Dalton Canyon on April 8 is listed under a Social Event but it can fall under the category as "Walking Wonder Women" under Health & Wellness in our Project Books. So, if you participate, please remember to log in your hours at the next meeting.

It was announced at the March General Meeting that we currently have the Health & Wellness chairmanship open. This chairmanship has lead positions already filled under most categories, so it makes it one of the easier chairmanships. If you are looking for a way to become a little more involved in the Club and get to know people a little better, this is one way to do it! Please contact Linda Roache if you have an interest or have any questions. We need someone to step up!

The District Convention will be held on April 21 and 22. We will be attending and hope to hear our Club name called up to receive awards and to be recognized for all of the hard work put in by membership and Chairmen which was reflected in their end of the year reports!

Hope to see everyone at the General Meeting on April 27th!

Happy Easter!



Susan <u>susanminnihan@aol.com</u> Linda Roache <u>lgroache@hotmail.com</u>

# <u>CO-SECOND VP/MEMBERSHIP:</u> <u>Marlene Carney & Gloria Schaaf</u>

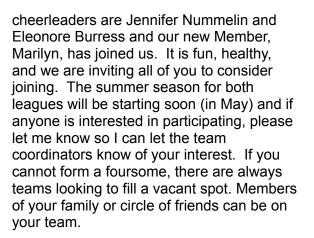
Spring is in the air even though Winter is having a hard time saying good-bye. The season is a good time for growing flowers, plants, club members, and friendships. We hope to gain more new members, given all of the wonderful activities that are planned.

At our March meeting we were happy to welcome a new member, Marilyn Caldwell. She retired from her career as an elementary school teacher at Bonita Unified. She enjoys arts and crafts, gardening, reading, and going to the ocean. She joined to make new friends and provide service to those in need. Please reach out to her and give her that wonderful La Verne-San Dimas Woman's Club welcome.

Members were sent a summary of the results of our most recent membership survey. The results were very positive, and the feedback received will be very helpful to the board as they plan for the future. Please continue to send us your ideas for volunteer projects and social activities.

Membership Renewals are due at this time and *my absolute deadline is April 20.* Renewal is \$38.00. Many of you have already renewed and thank you. We always welcome new members throughout the year. Thank you all for being the supportive members that you are. You've made a huge positive difference with so many. We encourage you to invite prospective members to our casual social events that Jennifer and Gayle plan. An updated membership roster will be sent on June 1. Renewal payments can be mailed to **GFWC La Verne-San Dimas Woman's Club, P.O. Box 8434, La Verne, CA 91750**.

Bowling - As most of you may know, several members are regular bowlers. We bowl on Tuesday morning at 10 am and on Friday at 12 noon at Chaparral Lanes in San Dimas. Our member bowlers are Tamara Miller, Gloria Schaaf, Dian Moravek, Barbara Randolph, Sue Herrera, and me. Our



Being involved in a club like ours can be very rewarding and we encourage everyone to renew and tell their friends about us. The more members, the more we can give back to our fine communities. LET'S RALLY TO MAKE OUR CLUB MORE VISIBLE AND ENTICE NEW MEMBERS!

Marlene <u>carney.marlene@gmail.com</u> Gloria <u>guschaff@yahoo.com</u>

# CORRESPONDING SECRETARY: Jennifer Nummelin

I have sent out several get well, condolence, and birthday cards this past month. We are still trying to schedule Senator Rubio to speak at our meeting, and it appears September is her earliest availability. If there is an organization with whom our Club has collaborated, and you identify it would be beneficial to send them a thank you/correspondence card, please let me know.

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#### <u>CFWC</u>

CFWC 120<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention – May 18-20.

Location: Doubletree by Hilton 201 E. Mac Author, Santa Ana Registration fee \$30



Registration Deadline April 26.

If you are interested, email me and I will send you the Convention Call.

# <u>GFWC</u>

**GFWC Convention** – June 10-12 Location: Louisville, Kentucky

# >> Chairmen Chats <<

# ADVOCATES FOR CHILDREN: Chairman Sue Herrera

Happy Easter, Ladies!

Thank you for approving the Backpack Buddies motion, a great project that gives back to our local school kids by providing them with hand-crocheted octopuses which provide comfort and a sense of belonging. Thanks to Cathy Koch and Gayle Garcia, we've made more than 100 buddies; and Susan Minnihan will host a backyard get-together on Saturday, April 15, at 1:00 p.m. so that we may all get together to stuff them, sew eyes and mouths on, and get them ready to distribute for the next school year!

#### Sue sue.bosek@cvspm.com



I will be collecting homemade (knitted, crocheted, sewn) beanies, scarves, & pillow cases to be donated to the Foster Family

Agencies in our area. This is an ongoing project. Please bring whatever you're donating to each meeting & I'll get them where they need to go. (And please keep track of money & time spent.) Thank you!

Cathy Koch granniepurpyl@gmail.com

# <u>CIVIC ENGAGEMENT & OUTREACH:</u> <u>Chairmen Jennifer Nummelin &</u> <u>Candy Miller</u>

The annual Paws for Pets fundraiser is held on Saturday the 22nd at 9:00 a.m. at Bonelli Park. This is the Inland Valley Shelter's main means of raising much-needed funds for spay/neuter programs, medical care, rescue efforts, emergency, and adoption services. If you are interested in participating in the 1.5 mile walk with a group of fun people (and many happy pet dogs), go to their website ivhsspca.org, for information. Last year, several of us participated, and it was fun. Also, vendors galore.....

Of note: Many families are losing their monetary assistance (emergency Covid funds), which means they will rely more on Food Banks now. If you have an extra dollar or two, consider donating to the local food banks, Shepherd's Pantry, or Sowing Seeds. \*No one is immune to financial hardship.

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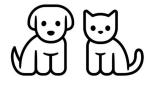
Thanks to our Club for the \$50 cash donation and to all who contributed to the Chocolate-Bunny-Easter-Basket challenge: we delivered 98 bunnies! Please let me know (or enter in the Project Book) if you contributed and I don't have your name. (I have Sue, Eleonore, Pat, Susan M., Tami, Candy, and Wendy.)

Barbara Randolph roddyrandolph@yahoo.com

Sue is looking for volunteers to help decorate and plan our float for the City of La Verne 4th of July Parade.

Sue Herrera sue.bosek@cvspm.com





I am collecting used blankets & towels for the Humane Society. This is an *ongoing project* & donations may be given to me at any meeting, or text me (626 201-7375) & I'll pick them up at your home.

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# ENVIRONMENT: Chairman Marina Salcido



Cups for Corky is our on-going Environment project. Those getting started early on your Spring cleaning can make room on those shelves by donating your gently used cups to Corky's. The Cups for Corky's basket will be on the stage at our monthly meetings.

Everyone can help reduce the waste in our landfill by bringing your own cup to each meeting.



Recycling bottles and cans is a good way to save our resources and support the Bonita High School Band. Your Recycling donation will help Bonita High School Band pay for uniforms, instruments, equipment and other essentials. Contact Gayle Garcia for your donations. <u>klasiccat@gmail.com</u>

# Marina dirt4us4@yahoo.com



# Coats & jackets needed!

I am collecting gently used coats & jackets - kids & adults sizes - throughout the year, & I deliver them to Burlington Coat Factory. They clean & repair them,

then redistribute to the homeless, college students, Veterans, & shelters in the area. This is an *ongoing project* & donations may be given to me at any meeting, or text me (626 201-7375) & I'll pick them up at your home.

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# <u>SOCIAL COMMITTEE:</u> <u>Chairmen Jennifer Nummelin &</u> <u>Gayle Garcia</u>

#### **Upcoming Events Info.:**

April is a busy month!!

Saturday the 1st, Easter egg dying at Gayle's house, @1:00 p.m. BYOE! \*Bring you own (hard boiled) eggs\*

Saturday the 8th, hiking at Big Dalton Dam. Meet at 10 a.m. Sue will lead a very easy one hour hike in Big Dalton Canyon (weather permitting) to see the streams running full steam. 2041 Big Dalton Canyon Road, Glendora. Wear comfy shoes and socks, bring a hiking pole, water, sunscreen in case it is too sunny (you remember sun, right?), and sunglasses, if desired.

Saturday the 15th, stuff Backpack Buddies, at Susan Minihan's home. Meet at 1:00 p.m. Susan has more info.

Wednesday the 19th, Coffee/Gab session at Railside Cafe, 10 a.m. Address: 322 S. San Dimas Ave, in S.D. (When the weather



warms up more, we will return to Kuhns Park for these impromptu gab sessions.)

Tuesday the 25th, our Club fundraiser at Chipotle, 5-9 p.m. Mention our club name/bring a flyer, and we receive 33% of profits for that time frame. Tell your friends! A yummy way to bring in money for our future projects which help the community. Address: 2298 Foothill Blvd., in La Verne.

Saturday the 29th, a double whammy! The Yard Sale, in the morning (Gayle has details, and is still in need of volunteers), which is another means of raising monies for our Club; AND the La Verne Wine Walk in the afternoon (city website has more details). After such a busy morning, you may need a glass of wine...

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# WOMEN'S HISTORY: Chairman Gloria Schaff

# MILESTONES IN WOMEN'S HISTORY

Through decades of activism and organizing, these women made history through the first five years of the 1920s.

1921 - Edith Wharton won the Pulitzer Prize for Fiction, becoming the first woman in the award's four-year history to do so. She was honored for her 12th novel, "The Age of Innocence."

1922 - Rebecca Ann Felton of Georgia was the first woman to serve in the U.S. Senate. Her short appointment (only two days) was largely ceremonial, honoring her long career in journalism and state politics.

1923 - Equal Rights Amendment is first proposed by Alice Paul. If added to the Constitution, would make it illegal to discriminate on the basis of sex. The

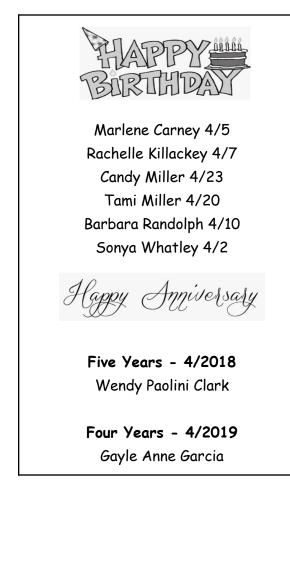


amendment was proposed in every Congress from 1923 to 1972 when it finally passed.

1924 - Revolutionary Marxist Alexandra Kollontai was promoted to second-in-command of the Soviet Union's Norwegian embassy, which officially added her to the diplomatic corps.

1925 - Nellie Tayloe Ross becomes the first woman governor in the U.S. Wyoming, the first state to give women the right to vote, and the first to elect a woman to a state's highest office.

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My Secret Sister,

Thank you for my St. Patrick's Day gift of a Starbucks gift card. I will enjoy using it for sure.

Hugs, Linda K.



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