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May the Spirit of Nature Fulfill Your Spirit of Volunteering.




Every Moment Counts.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE: Tami Miller

I hope all of you enjoyed your summer and were able to find a cool place to spend some time with your family. Even though our club was dark during July and August, our membership kept busy. We had a Tea Party Luncheon, we participated in the 4th of July Parade, we had a booth at the La Verne National Nite Out, continued with our Park Chats, and helped "Shoes That Fit" by assembling backpacks with shoes and school supplies for needy children returning to school. I hope you were able to attend at least one of the events.

	CALENDAR OF EVENTS
<p>5 Labor Day 6 EC Meeting 9 District Meeting, 9:30 Pico Rivera 13 / 20 / 27 Bowling, 10 am, Chaparral Lanes 15 LVSD General Meeting 16 / 23 / 30 Bowling, noon, Chaparral Lanes 22 Kuns Park Gab 25 Panera dinner, LV 29 USO Tour, Ontario Airport</p>	

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
 Corresponding Secretary: Jennifer Nummelin
 Parliamentarian: Pat Borchard

If you haven't already heard, we won "The Best of La Verne 2022 Service Club!" I am so proud of what this represents and that all of you made it happen.

I'm looking forward to starting our new term with our new Executive Board and a new group of Program Chairmen. It's good to see so many members step-up to leadership roles. On the Executive Board we have two co-positions, along with one co-Program Chairman. We are starting our term with enthusiasm and energy as our groups experience new skills and personal growth. That says a lot for our Club going forward.

Our new 1st Vice Presidents, Susan Minnihan and Linda Roach, held a Program



Chairman Workshop on August 30. Like we promised, we had training for those in new positions. CFWC will also be having ZOOM Workshops opened for all to attend. I will post the dates as they become available.

Our Bowling Teams will be returning to Chapparral Lanes the 2nd Tuesday in September. It's not too late for you to form a team. If you are interested, please send me an email ASAP.

I am really looking forward to seeing all your faces again as a reminder of what a great Club we have.

I still have a few tickets for the District Fundraiser, "Fall Derby High Tea Party," on Saturday, October 22, at Quiet Cannon. Currently we have six members going. Tickets are \$45.00 for Lunch, Entertainment, Vendor Shopping, Silent Auction and Door prizes. I will need your money at the September 15 meeting.

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CO-FIRST VP/DEAN OF CHAIRMEN:
Susan Minnihan & Linda Roache

Hope everyone enjoyed a wonderful summer and brought back good memories of fun adventures with no flight delays or lost luggage stories. Fall's around the corner; now if only our weather would cooperate and cool down!

We are looking forward to a great year as our Club's newly-elected 1st VPs. We held a presentation Tuesday night for our program chairs to share ideas and info as to motions, presentations, projects & report writing. Good information, questions, and suggestions were discussed by all. Handouts were given to all, and Linda will be distributing the remaining ones to those chairs who couldn't attend. Please read these over as they contain relevant

information and helpful hints for program chairmen.

If anyone has a motion or presentation/report, please inform President Tami, Linda, and I by or before the Sunday preceding our Executive Committee (EC) meetings. Normally, these will now fall on the second Tuesday of the month, but September's EC meeting will be Tuesday, Sept. 6, so the info needs to be submitted by Sunday, Sept. 4. Realizing this doesn't give members much time for Sept., but does for the rest of the year to start thinking of any new projects.

There will now be two project books, divided for easier member access to record their info on project sheets, at future meetings, starting with our September meeting. Project leaders (those who are coordinating a project) need to ensure their project sheets are in the respective book so participating members can record their hours, donations, etc. The project sheets for Adv. for Children and Health and Wellness were previously done. Program Chairmen are responsible for maintaining said sheets for each project and filed in the book(s). Susan will email blank motion slips and updated project sheets to all members.

Chairmen are encouraged to submit an article related to any of your respective program's projects for write up in the newsletter. (Email to Cathy Koch granniepurpyl@gmail.com by the 1st of each month & include time spent writing your article.) Doing this keeps members up to date on project info and participation.

We welcome your ideas, suggestions, and questions you have. Thank you all for stepping up to volunteer as program chairmen!

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CO-SECOND VP/MEMBERSHIP:
Marlene Carney & Gloria Schaaf

For many, September marks the end of summer, the hot sweltering days, the BBQs and the sounds of children playing in the pools. Although we had no club meetings during the summer months, our club members remained busy. Some traveled, some participated in volunteer opportunities, and thanks to our social activity coordinators there were gab sessions in the park and several social outings, and we still have our ongoing team of woman dedicated to the bowling league.

The end of summer also marks the beginning of the Fall Season which brings us football, Harvest festivals, Halloween, Thanksgiving, and many moments filled with fun and family gatherings.

The Fall season also starts the time of year that many individuals start feeling lonely and depressed and it is the perfect time for club members to spread the word of GFWC and recruit potential new members. If you see someone at work that eats lunch alone, the neighbor you say Hi to but you never see leave the house, a recent retiree looking for a new purpose, the person who has lost their spouse/partner, the parent whose kids live too far away or can't visit very often, the person you see walking in the neighborhood every day, or the person you see at the store on a regular basis. These could all be potential club members if they only knew we existed. Take a moment to hand them a brochure and talk with them about how we help the community, how much fun we have, and how we are like sisters and help and support each other. Invite them to come to one of our meetings or offer to bring them. Spreading the word of how much joy and satisfaction belonging to GFWC can

bring to our lives is a big step in helping our club membership grow.

As we enter into the Fall and Winter Seasons, do not get so busy that you forget about yourself and your health.

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Jennifer Nummelin

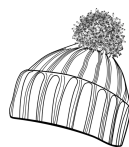
A busy Summer is coming to an end (just in time for a busy Fall). I spent a lot of time compiling and updating our Club Yearbook - with assistance from many of you, thanks - and hope it serves us well as a guide we can all use in future activities. I'll be handing them out at the September meeting.

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>> Chairmen Chats <<

ADVOCATES FOR CHILDREN:
Chairman Sue Herrera



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



CIVIC ENGAGEMENT & OUTREACH:

Chairmen Jennifer Nummelin & Candy Miller

Looking over our list, we had many projects! Several, such as National Night Out, Paws for Pets Fundraiser, and the 4th of July Parade, were held over the summer. They were well-attended, and we showed the community our talents and philanthropic endeavors. LVSD Women's Club won the city's "#1 service Club," in case you didn't hear! Candy and I (co-chairs) are available if you have any questions or ideas as to how to make these projects run smoothly. We look forward to working with you!

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ENVIRONMENT:

Chairman Marina Salcido

Hello Ladies,
I hope you had a nice summer. I am happy to be your new Environment Chairman. My goal this term is that we can all join forces and become stewards of this beautiful place we call earth. Recycling is a good way for our club to help reduce negative impact on our environment. You can start by saving your aluminum cans and plastic bottles. I can go to your home and pick up your recyclables or you can bring them to our monthly meetings. Are you tired of those old cups taking up space in your kitchen cupboards? Cups for Corky is a good way to clear up those kitchen cupboards and help cut environmental waste. At our monthly meetings, I will have a basket with a Cups for Corky sign for you to place your donated cups. You can call or text me at (626) 643-0912 for recyclables or cup pick up.

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Coats & jackets needed!

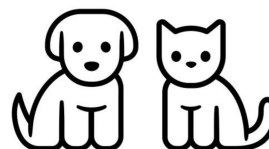


I am collecting gently used coats & jackets - kids & adults sizes - throughout the year, & I deliver them to Burlington Coat Factory. They clean & repair them, then redistribute to the

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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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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LEGISLATION & PUBLIC POLICY:

Chairman Barbara Randolph

We give our time and money to support many good causes in our area. Here is a way to make our voices heard nationally: sign up for legislative alerts at cqrcengage.com/gfwc. Click on "Join the Legislative Action Center" on the right side of the page. You'll receive alerts and be asked to contact your legislators via email (names and addresses are provided--you just type in your name) requesting their support. This is advocacy in action! Please

let me know if you participate, and I will keep track of your time. Thank you.

Barbara roddyrandolph@yahoo.com

SOCIAL COMMITTEE:

Chairmen Jennifer Nummelin & Gayle Garcia

Too many individual places to mention (remember all those emails I sent?) but we've been busy! Suffice it to say, we were having fun! Gayle and I have tried to research every suggestion you sent us, and hope to provide fun hands-on activities, tours, and social gathering places several times each month. Social events facilitate more cohesion within the club; and though we can't all attend every event, it's proven to be fun AND beneficial in working together for the community.

Upcoming Event Info.:

- ° Thursday 22nd - Kuns Park gab
- ° Sunday 25th - Panera Bread dinner/social @ 6 p.m. 2315 Foothill Blvd, cross street is Fruit, in La Verne.
- ° Thursday 29th USO tour @ 10 a.m. 1940 Moore Way, Ontario Airport *carpooling suggested. We usually bring donated snacks and other items for the service members. About an hour. Some may want to go to lunch afterward.

We have a lot coming up in the Fall, hope you'll join us!

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EventsRUs



Christine Wendel 9/14
Susan Brosche 9/16



Seven Years - 9/2015

Susan Brosche, Charter Member
Eleonor Burress, Charter Member
Tami Miller, Charter Member
Barbara Randolph, Charter Member
Elisabeth Reyes, Charter Member
Shirley Vanderbeck, Charter Member

Four Years - 9/2018

Kathy Castle-Kuhn
Laura Gonzales
Rachelle Killackey

One Year - 9/2021

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