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A Message from the President:

Thank you for the excellent attendance during the November district meeting which was followed by the District Report Writing Workshop. The report writing workshop was conducted by District 1st Vice President, Jane Hendricks. The forms are as follows: Club Award Entry Form for club chairmen to report their programs and projects; CFWC District Award Entry Form (for District Chairmen) and CFWC Statistical Form for Clubs & Districts, prepared by Club Presidents and District Presidents to be forwarded to the district and CFWC. The forms have been sent to all Presidents, Deans and Chairmen. The deadline to turn in reports to the District is January 15. They can be delivered at the meeting on January 8. Also, thanks to Jane for providing the additions to lunch and the delicious sandwiches provided by all the members.

I am looking forward to attending the LA Philippine Woman's Club Reciprocity/Federation day on December 3, the Norwalk Woman's Club Reciprocity/Federation day on Wednesday, December 13, the Woman's Club of Bellflower Reciprocity/Federation day on Saturday, December 16. What a busy month, and then we have the holidays!

Be sure you sign up with your club to attend the "Festival of Trees" activities on December 11th at the South Gate Auditorium at 10:00 a.m. Your district president and each club will be providing a beautiful Christmas tree or Christmas wreath for the drawings. We are looking forward to beautiful entertainment: Christmas music.

Don't forget the schedule for "Gifts for Giving." There are several days to help with the packing and wrapping at the Metropolitan State Hospital and an opportunity to help pick out gifts. "Bring your scissors and a friend." Call Betty Lou Larsen for information.

Barbee Heiny, Los Cerritos District President

CALENDAR

Sunday, December 3

The LA Philippine WC
Federation/Reciprocity
1:00 p.m.
St. Columban Catholic Church
125 Loma Drive, Los Angeles 90026

Monday, December 11

District Executive
Committee-
8:30 a.m.

Festival of Trees & Lunch-

10:00 a.m.
Setup & Coffee
9:30 a.m.
Southgate Auditorium
4900 Southern Avenue
Southgate 90280

Wednesday, December 13

Norwalk WC
Federation/Reciprocity
10:30 a.m.
Masonic Lodge
12345 Rosecrans Avenue
Norwalk 90650

Saturday, December 16

Woman's Club of
Bellflower
Federation/Reciprocity
10:45 a.m.
9402 Oak Street
Bellflower 90706

2nd Vice President, Dean of Chairman:

This officer was so pleased that there were 40 who attended the Report Writing Workshop. This District Dean hopes that the workshop helps make the District Chairmen and the Club Chairmen reports easier to write. The reports are due by January 15, 2018. This officer's presentation on report writing has been copied and e-mailed by Kathy Cook. Thank you. You may contact the District Dean for a copy.

May the coming holidays bring you comfort in knowing that the CFWC is doing good to bring a comfort to those in need. Let us find company with our families who we are thankful for and let us feel the joy they bring us in the holiday season.

We do jobs in the district and our clubs, not for praise, but to tell the world that we act selflessly for others who need us. Many hours and monies go into the reports that are written by our clubs.

Take care,
Jean Hendricks, Dean of Chairman

4th Vice President, Fundraising:

Pala Casino Trip

Progress Park was a busy place on Thursday, November 16th at 9:15 a.m. with thirty-five arriving to board the bus for their day at Pala Casino. Also on board were breakfast items: 16 doz. (192) donut holes, 4 doz. assorted mini muffins, 4 doz. cans pineapple juice, 4 doz. cans apple juice, and 4 cases of

bottled water. Water was donated by Farmers and Merchants Bank, Lakewood branch, with F&M name on it, by Jason Bennett, Regional Vice President. Los Cerritos District has had an account with F&M Bank for many years.

Among the distinguished guests were five **Past District Presidents:** Fran Smith, Julie Lehenbauer with Jim, Winnie Baker with Gary, Barbara Briley Beard, Area C V/P and Ruby Cure. Past District President Betty McDougall and Sandi Reynolds were unable to join after health issue. **GFWC Long Beach Club** President Julie Lehenbauer joined by Jim and Sue Proctor with Norm; **El Dorado Club** President Marilyn Brock with Margaret Hohly; **Paramount Club** President Gerda Trutzl with Frank, 1st V/P Eliza Trasoras, Past President Laura Oropeza, Ana Flores; **Norwalk Club** President Kathy Cook, Past President Betty Lou Larsen, Emma Lewis, Olga Rivas; **Lakewood Club** President Fran Itkoff with John, 1st V/P Cathy Brassell with Joe, Membership V/P Sandra Richardson, Treasurer Roberta Davis, Inspiration Pearl Wise; **L A Philippine** club members Alicia de Aragon, Belinda Tan; **Artesia-Cerritos Club** President Katherine Chu and son Asia drove and joined Membership V/P Joanne Witt, Lynn Ogawa, Michele Diaz, Karen Speers, Kyoko Takahashi; and Barbara Beard invited friends, Raquel Hansen and Rosemary Youn. I don't think I forgot anyone.

Joanne Witt and Eliza Trasoras conducted five games of Bingo on the way to the casino. Five winners of \$35. each were Jim Lehenbauer, Alicia de

Aragon, Laura Oropeza, Cathy Brassell and Raquel Hansen. Sandra Richardson collected the money, delivered the winnings, and delivered breakfast items, juice and water on the way down and snack items and water on the way back on the bus. Wonder how many new members Sandra found during the trip?

A big **“Thank You”** to Joanne, Elisa and Sandra for your help; great job and lots of fun. Thanks to those who participated. Thanks to Elisa and Gerda for your help with coolers and ice. Thanks to Pala Casino for the bus, Odyssey bus company Driver George for his excellent help loading everyone, their walkers, scooter, food and water. **“Special Thanks” to everyone for your support of the Pala Casino Trip and Los Cerritos District.** Pala Casino Pens were given to each by escort, Ms. Ruby.

Festival of Trees Event and Lunch, Monday, December 11th.

The program begins at 10:00 a.m. Lunch: \$15.00. Make reservations with club.

South Gate Auditorium, 4900 Southern Ave., South Gate, 90280. Auditorium Opens at 8:00 a.m.

South Gate Women’s Club will host the **Coffee Hour. Woman’s Club of Bellflower** will decorate the luncheon tables. Each club has been asked to donate a decorated tree or wreath; please have them available no later than 9:00 a.m. If you have lights on tree or wreath, please bring an electric cord and check with Paula Grimes who knows where electrical outlets are located. If trees and wreaths have no lighting, please check with Kathy Cook for location placement.

Club Fundraising. TABLES are available, \$15.00 each table. Set up will begin at 8:00 a.m. and selling can start as soon as sale items are in place. **ALL Club Tables must be ready for sales by 9:00 a.m.** If interested in obtaining one table or more please contact **Ruby Cure, Cell # 562-818-3137, no later than Friday, December 1st.** Make Checks payable to **Los Cerritos District**, memo line **CLUB FRT** will be collected at the event December 11th, by 4th V/P Fundraising Ruby Cure. If you reserve a table and do not use it, you will still be charged for the setup.

Program begins at 10:00 a.m.

There will be Special Holiday Entertainment. Lunch will be served by **GFWC Long Beach Women’s Club**. Be sure to have the White Festival of Tree ticket stubs deposited in the container placed in front of each tree or wreath that you are interested in, with a phone number on the stub before depositing ticket stub.

Following lunch, a ticket stub will be pulled from each container, and a winner will receive the tree or wreath. Winner need not be present, so please listen for the name, to see if you may have sold the winning ticket. Tickets for Opportunity Drawing (Blue) 7 for \$5.00 and (Red) tickets 7 for \$5.00 for a Special Holiday Basket (value \$50.00) will be available. If you don’t have \$5.00 bills, there is always change available. These drawings will conclude the program, followed by standing for the Collect, and being adjourned.

Thanks for all your club members participation in this beautiful Los

Cerritos District holiday event. Get your members to car pool and come early. Great opportunity for each club to enjoy fundraising for their club.

Festival of Tree tickets (150) have been assigned to each club, to be sold to members, family and friends. The tickets are numbered, if the club does not sell all the tickets assigned to their club, they must return the tickets along with a check for those tickets sold. Clubs that have sold all (150) tickets may request more or make club check, payable to LOS CERRITOS DISTRICT, memo line White Festival of Tree Tickets. Send check to Ruby Cure, Fundraising Chairman, 4137 Chatwin Ave., Lakewood, CA. 90713 by December 1st or no later than 9:00 a.m., Monday, December 11th at the Festival of Trees event. **Tickets not sold and not returned will be charged to your club for payment to District.**

You do not need to be an officer in your club to attend District events. You may also bring a friend; they could be your clubs next new member. If it's a luncheon event, make your reservations with your club. Welcome to all Federated Sisters.

Looking forward to seeing each of you on Monday, December 11th for the Los Cerritos District Festival of Trees Holiday Party in the South Gate Auditorium, 4900 Southern Ave., South Gate, CA. 90280. Come early and enjoy the day.

Love in federation
Ruby Cure, 4th Vice President,
Fundraising

Public Relations:

GREETINGS, LADIES OF GFWC,

As the holidays quickly approach, may we all be more thankful, and joyful than we anticipated or expected. For the New Year, let's invite a friend or neighbor to our District meetings and to join our city clubs. The meetings are informative, inspiring and fun. A great way to start a new year!!

HOLIDAY happiness to all,
Pat Miller-Settles, Public Relations

Care and Concern:

District Committees

Greetings to All Our General Federation Sisters,

Hope Your Holidays are Great. In case, you don't know who I am; I am Jo Collins. My Position on the Los Cerritos District Board is the Care and Concern chairman. If you know of a Fellow sister, in your club, that has passed away, in the hospital, having health issues, feeling down and out, etc. or they just need, a big hug. PLEASE e-mail me, text me, call me and let me know. I will send them a card. EVERYONE NEEDS A LITTLE TLC, now and then.

E-MAIL- norwalkred@aol.com

TEXT- 1-562-805-4544

LAND PHONE- 1-562-404-9757

Love and prayers to all of you; Merry Christmas,

Jo Collins, Care and Concern Chairman

Writing Contest:

Community Service Programs

Please get your writing entries to Cathy Brassell by the December 11th Festival of the Trees. This includes poetry, fiction, and non-fiction. Each club has been given a copy of the instructions and the release forms. Entries must be sent to State in January so I need to have them so they can be judged. Call me with any questions.

Cathy Brassell
District Writing Chair
Lakewood Women's Club

GFWC Conservation Challenge

Every state has been invited to participate in the Conservation Challenge titled **GFWC Style Project Runway** to be held at the 2018 GFWC Annual Convention in St. Louis, Missouri on June 23-26, 2018.

The Challenge: to create a "complete" outfit using reusable **TOTE BAGS** that members have used. (not plastic grocery bags-nor new tote bags).

Time Limit: You must register to enter by March 15, 2018 (entry form to follow) so a winner can be selected at the CFWC Annual Convention.

ONE ENTRY PER DISTRICT.

Rules: 1. Your fashion entry **MUST** be a complete outfit, ie. dress, top and skirt, top and pants, jumpsuit. Outfit may be accessorized, but wisely.

2. Either fabric reusable bags or plastic reusable bags can be used. **NO PLASTIC** grocery bags.

3. Entry **MUST** be made of at least 80% tote bags. The remaining 20% can be other fabric.

4. Entry does not have to be sewn; any way you can keep it together is acceptable; **BEWARE** of a wardrobe malfunction.

5. You **MUST** provide a volunteer to model your outfit and her name must be included on the entry form. If selected at the State competition, she must be able to attend the GFWC Convention in St. Louis.

6. **ONLY ONE ENTRY PER STATE. No individual or club entries will be accepted.**

Participating states must register by April 1, 2018.

Please call or email me if you have any questions.

Chris Rios
CFWC Conservation Chairman

DEADLINES

Gifts for Giving

To **Betty Lou Larsen** 562-864-7167

by.....**Dec 4**

Festival of Trees Table Reservations

to **Ruby Cure** 562-818-3137

by.....**Dec 11**

Writing Contest Entries

to **Cathy Brassell** 520-488-1588

by.....**Dec 11**

January Newsletter Articles

to **Paulina Jones**

LosCerritosEditor@gmail.com

by.....**Dec 15**

LAKEWOOD WOMEN'S CLUB

Greatest Achievements

Hello Ladies,

Lakewood Women's Club's greatest achievements are its new members and making us more visible in our community. As of November, we have three new members with four more having attended one of their two meetings required for membership. We have worked hard passing out flyers any and everywhere making us more visible at community functions. We joined the Lakewood Chamber of Commerce and were interviewed on TV in the Chamber's Speaker Series. We distribute flyers at our two local libraries, the senior center and other gathering places making sure they are always well stocked. We handed out flyers at the summer Concerts in the Park, the Lakewood Fiesta, car shows, and the Lollipop Lane craft show. Yes, we are everywhere!

We also started a second club meeting in the evening for women who are unable to attend our daytime luncheon meeting. We have met twice and have had three new ladies show interest. We anticipate as time passes these women will be able to attend the daytime meeting but until then we

are supporting each other as one group.

We have done a lot of fundraisers which has enabled us to increase our donations and scholarships. Designing and purchasing matching club shirts has also increased our visibility in the community.

We have truly come together as a club and enjoy and love being women in Federation. Go Lakewood!

Sandy Richardson
Lakewood Women's Club
2nd Vice President, Membership

WOMAN'S CLUB

OF BELLFLOWER

DEAN'S MESSAGE

The Woman's Club of Bellflower was first organized in 1922. In 1923 the club was federated into the General Federation of Women's Clubs. Ninety-four years later in 2017, the current members of the Woman's Club of Bellflower are still contributing their time and effort to their community.

Our club's greatest qualities are defined by the wonderful clubwomen that I have the privilege to call friends. Leadership, selflessness and devotion to the General Federation of Women's Club are only the first traits that come to mind when I think of the ladies who make the Woman's Club of Bellflower what it is today. They welcomed me into

their club five years ago when I was 21 years old. I had something in me then that was only a spark of interest in community service. Today, because of the women I have met through the GFWC, I can say proudly that my spark has ignited to flame.

At the Woman's Club of Bellflower, we lend our clubhouse to our community for a wide variety of uses. People rent our clubhouse for weddings, baby showers, celebrations of life, and even hobby clubs meet there. We donate our space for city-endorsed meetings and rehearsals. Every time that a person walks into our space, they are greeted with emblems of the GFWC. Thousands of individuals have walked into our clubhouse, and they all share the memories of being in a building founded not only on concrete but on the ideals of the GFWC.

With the donations received to use our building, we grant scholarships to four students from two high schools every year in our school district to help them pursue higher education. One thing that I immediately admired about the Woman's Club of Bellflower is that the students are not chosen to receive scholarships based on typical criteria. We do not quickly choose students with the best grades but students who show a work and volunteer ethic. We consider their aspirations and how they communicate in an essay they write for us. The club also donates yearly to our local continuation high school which has a textbook fund available to any student who graduates from there and continues to higher education. We help support a local scholarship organization with

yearly donations so that students outside of our criteria for selection may share in the spirit of the GFWC: giving freely for the greater good.

Throughout the year, we also donate our time and money to city-sponsored events and charity drives. We work with our city to facilitate our assets to families who need it most. We help make the holidays better with food and gift cards. We make it easier for students to return to school each year by donating backpacks through our city's volunteer center. We host intercession snacks and refreshments at our city's orchestra and theatre events. We make ourselves busy by involving ourselves where we can make someone's day go a little bit easier. We are grateful to be a part of the Los Cerritos District, the California Federation of Women's Clubs, and the GFWC.

With love,
Paulina Selene Jones
Dean, Woman's Club of Bellflower



Gifts for Giving

Once again, the Norwalk Woman's Club is doing the Gifts for Giving project. We have been doing this project since 1982. Each year around 400 gifts are wrapped and shipped to the families or friends of Metropolitan State Hospital patients with help from other Women's clubs and people in neighboring communities.

If you have items you can donate to these patients to send to their families or friends as Christmas presents, let us know! Items that you might not like or want and plan to regift would be very welcome. The patients really appreciate this chance to participate in the Christmas Holiday.

Donations can be brought to the any of our meetings, local or District. You can call Betty Lou Larsen (562-864-7167) or send an e-mail to Kathy Cook: k.cook1@verizon.net. We will arrange to collect these gifts.

All donations are truly appreciated. Donations can be accepted up to December 4.



Woman's Club of Artesia-Cerritos

"KEEPING L.A. WARM"

Donate blankets or
coats to

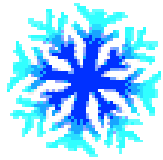
Don Knabe Community
Regional Park
19700 Bloomfield Ave.
Cerritos CA, 90703

To Schedule a pick-up or
drop-off **BEFORE DEC 18**,
call
(562) 924-5144

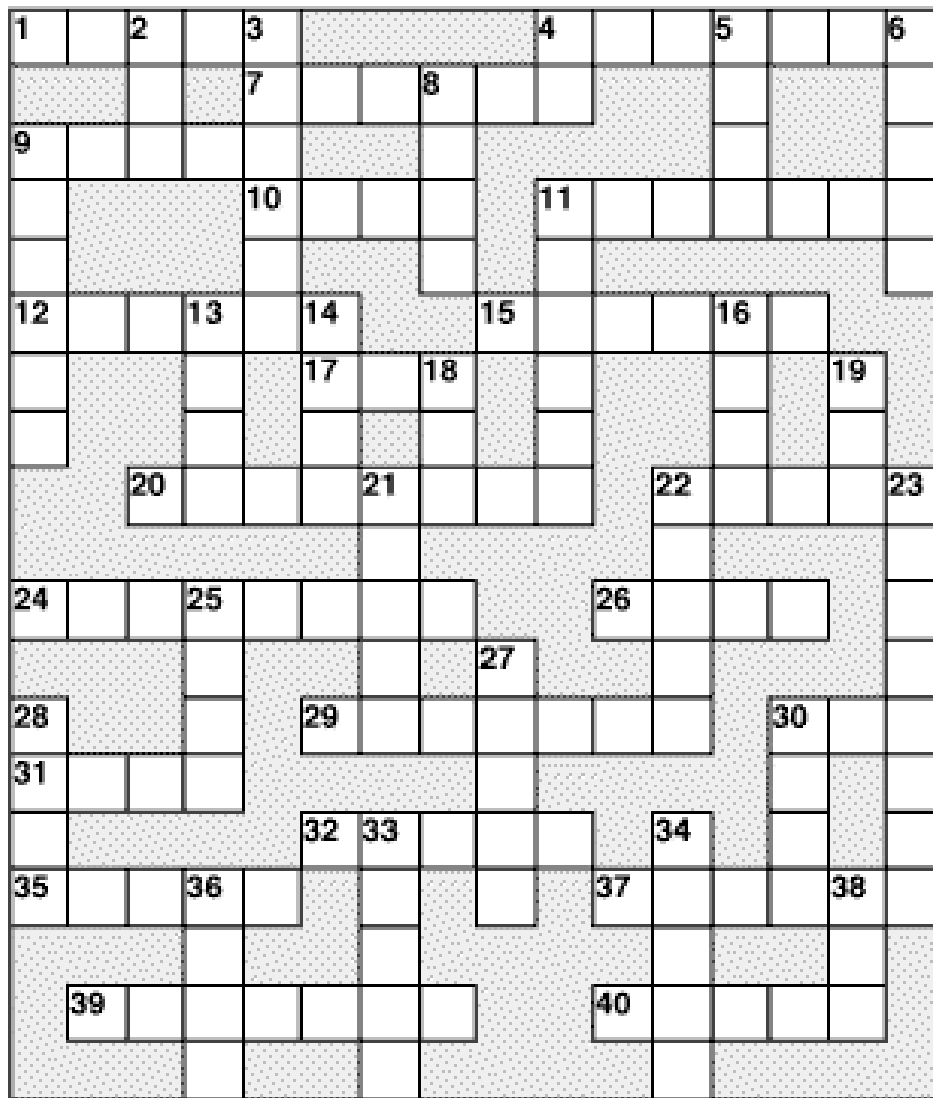
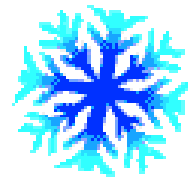
Editor's Note

I just want to take a moment to thank my grandmother, Carmen Rico, who went to heaven on November 16. She instilled in me a deep sense of appreciation for much of what the GFWC represents. Without her, I would not be who I am today. Thank you grandma; I love you.

Sincerely,
Paulina Selene Jones, Editor



Winter Crossword



Down:

- 2. Frozen water
- 3. Small
- 4. Myself
- 5. Small pie
- 6. Neck warmer
- 8. Chilly
- 9. Used to move snow
- 11. A season
- 13. Strong emotion
- 14. Ripped
- 16. Nil
- 18. Bath _____
- 19. Cloud of water vapour
- 21. Last month of winter
- 22. Wooden snow vehicles
- 23. Winter road condition
- 25. Be carried on
- 27. Locomotive
- 28. Carried along by wind
- 30. Piece of hockey equipment
- 33. Make this in the snow
- 34. Winter foot wear
- 36. Faucets can do this
- 38. You hear with this

Across:

- 1. Sudden cold breeze
- 4. Hand warmers
- 7. Hanging spike of ice
- 9. Freezing rain
- 10. Show and _____
- 11. Conditions outside
- 12. Flowering plant, colour
- 15. Achoo
- 17. Not in
- 20. Month of winter
- 22. Carols, etc.
- 24. Valentine month
- 26. Thaw
- 29. Keeps drinks warm
- 30. Small dog
- 31. Winter Olympic sport
- 32. Silky material
- 35. Breezy
- 37. Ice sport
- 39. Foot warmer
- 40. Direct a vehicle's course



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