

December 2024

# THE PEAL

The Newsletter of The Orange District



A MEMBER OF THE GENERAL FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS  
INTERNATIONAL & CALIFORNIA FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS

P.O. Box 1443, Anaheim, CA 92815



## GIVING IS JOY INDUCING

At this time of the year, most of us are inundated with requests to give money, time, gifts, and more to those who are less fortunate. We sigh, and see if there is something we can afford, then choose the causes that mean the most to us. When we give to others, we feel the joy of the holidays.

As you know, my president's charity is Crime Survivors. This organization, based in Orange County, helps victims of violent crime in our communities. Many of their survivors are women, and sadly, many are children.

I ask that your club considers helping Crime Survivors with either a donation check, gift cards for teens, gifts or gift cards for women, and/or toys for the children. Due to traumatic circumstances, sometimes the toys these children receive from Crime Survivors are the only toys the children own.

If you can help, that would be sincerely appreciated. They need everything by December 13 for their distribution scheduled for two days later. The flier on the next page shows the information you need should you choose to donate, help as a gift wrapper, or assist with toy distribution.

Their phone is (844) 853-HOPE, website: [crimesurvivors.org](http://crimesurvivors.org), or email [info@crimesurvivors.org](mailto:info@crimesurvivors.org). Feel free to contact me with any questions.

Do what you can, and have a blessed and happy holiday season!

See the Crime Survivors Toy Drive information on the next page.



## A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

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# CRIME SURVIVORS HELP NEEDED!



Will you HOST A TOY DRIVE for survivors?  
Toys Needed for Children by December  
13th! (majority needed by 12/13 (event on  
12/15) more are always needed after)

To best provide hope and healing for  
survivors of crime, we depend deeply on  
the support of our community. In the past,  
we have provided over 40,000 holiday gifts  
to survivors and their families! If you would  
be interested in helping us with a toy drive  
this year, email [info@crimesurvivors.org](mailto:info@crimesurvivors.org)!

[www.crimesurvivors.org](http://www.crimesurvivors.org)

**VICTIMS  
MATTER.** Help Children this Christmas  
Host a Toy Drive with Crime Survivors



Contact: (844) 853-HOPE | [info@crimesurvivors.org](mailto:info@crimesurvivors.org)



Volunteers Needed – Can you help?

December 14th – Sorting & Wrap Bag Up  
@ 9:00 AM

December 15th – Christmas Blessings @  
7:00 AM

Please email to submit volunteer form  
(email only if committed to volunteering)  
[info@crimesurvivors.org](mailto:info@crimesurvivors.org)

“Volunteers do not necessarily have the  
time; they just have the heart.”—Elizabeth  
Andrew

**VOLUNTEERS  
NEEDED**

**SORTING & WRAP UP**  
December 14th @ 9:00 AM  
Orange County

**CHRISTMAS BLESSINGS**  
December 15th @ 7:00 AM  
Orange County

We will also be distributing Christmas Blessings  
to additional counties: Los Angeles, Ventura,  
Riverside, San Bernardino & San Diego  
to help victims unable to travel!

FOR MORE DETAILS:  
[info@crimesurvivors.org](mailto:info@crimesurvivors.org)  
(844) 853-HOPE

[www.crimesurvivors.org](http://www.crimesurvivors.org)

## IT'S REPORT-WRITING SEASON (aka "The Most Wonderful Time of the Year")



### A MESSAGE FROM 1st VP/DEAN

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#### REPORT-WRITING WORKSHOP VIDEO ON OD WEBSITE

November 18<sup>th</sup> was the district Zoom report-writing workshop for club deans (or presidents) and OD reporting chairmen. If you were supposed to attend, but couldn't, I'm happy to report that the workshop was recorded and the video link is available by contacting me.

Club dean reporting procedures are the first 45 minutes or so; district chairmen procedures are covered in the 2<sup>nd</sup> half. Please take the time to watch the video, then contact me with any additional questions.

Reports are due via email on or before **JANUARY 10<sup>TH</sup>**. No handwritten reports will be accepted. Please use the "fillable PDF" report form OR the Word version. These are also on OD website.



#### COLLECTING FOR CLUBS

The drop-off table at November's council meeting was simply overflowing! Thank you for making this district project a success! Numerous clubs generously contributed to three worthy philanthropy projects being done by the Cypress, La Habra and Rossmoor clubs. This means that, with your help -- *more* crossword books, *more* t-shirts, and *more* socks will be delivered during the winter months to people and families in need. Thank you!

**NOTE:** Club participation is "reportable" and can be included as in-kind donations in the report appropriate for the items contributed:

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### **Crossword books**

*(collected by WC Cypress)*

Purpose: homebound seniors who receive food from *Meals on Wheels*.

### **Men's socks/T-shirts**

*(collected by La Habra WC)*

Purpose: veterans residing or receiving treatment at Long Beach Veterans Hospital.

### **Socks of all sizes**

*(collected by Rossmoor WC)*

Purpose: homeless, family and/or domestic violence shelters in Rossmoor-Los Alamitos-Long Beach area.

In January, we'll collect for three different clubs. The details will be in **The Call** (published in December).

It's easy to participate as a club or individually: 1) Choose which item your club will contribute; 2) Ask members to bring items to a club mtg or use club funds for purchases 3) Bring items to the council meeting.

The district recently received this kind note of appreciation:

*"I want to say thank you on behalf of Rossmoor Woman's Club for the generosity Orange District clubs showed in contributing 132 pairs of socks to our sock drive! The number far exceeded my expectations and will help warm the feet of people in need in our community. We run an ongoing sock drive and donate to organizations such as: the Bethune Transitional Program for homeless children; the Long Beach Rescue Mission; Lydia House, and others.*

*I love the idea of our clubs supporting each other's efforts to serve all of our communities.*

*It helps us to be like Jane and get the job done! Again, thanks to all who contributed."*

*Susan Denley, President/Rossmoor Woman's Club*



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**LAST CALL!!!**



This is your last call to submit any new/returning members for this club year. Please note any new members submitted from 08/01-12/01 will be counted toward the CFWC MemberSHIP party contest.

Get those dues in before December 1, 2024. You can find the form right on our Orange District website: [cfwcorangedistrict.com](http://cfwcorangedistrict.com)

Member Resources

Orange District Forms

Remittance Form for New and Returning Members

### A MESSAGE FROM 2ND VP/MEMBERSHIP

Good Luck!

*Natalie Skullr-White*  
*Lhwcserves@gmail.com*  
*714-856-9655*

**Membership PARTY**

**GFWC CALIFORNIA FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS**  
**2ND V.P./MEMBERSHIP CINDY SANDERS'**  
**CLUB MEMBERSHIP INCENTIVE:**

**GET 25 NEW MEMBERS BY DECEMBER 1, 2024**  
**AND CFWC'S MEMBERSHIP TEAM WILL PERSONALLY COME TO**  
**YOUR CLUB AND THROW A PARTY!**

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### A MESSAGE FROM 3rd VP/WAYS & MEANS

Louise Hernandez  
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**RaiseRight** [raiseright.com] is a program that allows families and organizations to earn funds by purchasing gift cards for everyday expenses. 100% of earnings go back to your organization. It's free to join—no minimums, no earning caps. I researched the key benefits for Orange District clubs that may desire a simple and valuable way to fundraise. Check them out, and let me know if you have any questions.

**Effortless Fundraising:** With RaiseRight, you earn funds simply by buying gift cards at face value, which is ideal for those who want to support a cause without direct donations or traditional fundraising activities.

**\*Example**

**Flexible Use:** Funds can be earned for a wide variety of purchases—groceries, gas, restaurants, travel, and more. Participants earn on purchases they'd make anyway, which can add up significantly over time.

**Over 900 Retail \*\*Partners:** RaiseRight partners with popular brands and retailers, offering a wide selection for both digital and physical gift cards. This variety means club participants can use the program for nearly any type of spending.

**Customizable Earnings:** Some brands offer higher percentage returns than others, so club participants can strategically purchase gift cards from retailers that give more back.

**Convenient App:** The RaiseRight app makes it easy to manage orders, check gift card balances, and track earnings from your phone. This streamlined access is great for participants on the go.

**Quick Earnings:** Many digital gift cards are delivered instantly, allowing participants to earn rebates on their purchases in real time.

**No Extra Costs:** Since gift cards are bought at face value, participants aren't spending extra money—they're just redirecting their usual spending through the program.

**Helps Build Savings for your Club:** Over time, clubs can save a considerable amount of money that can go towards programs and projects, etc.

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**\*Example:** You are going to Starbuck’s. You first purchase a \$50 gift card through the RaiseRight app. With this purchase, 4.5% will go to your registered club. You just donated \$2.25 to your club through RaiseRight.

**\*\*RaiseRight Partnerships**

Clothing & Accessories  
 Casual & Fine Dining & Fast Food  
 Discount Stores & Outlets  
 Electronics & Office  
 Entertainment

Gas & Auto  
 Grocery  
 Health & Beauty  
 Home Décor & Improvement  
 Sporting Good & Outdoors  
 Travel

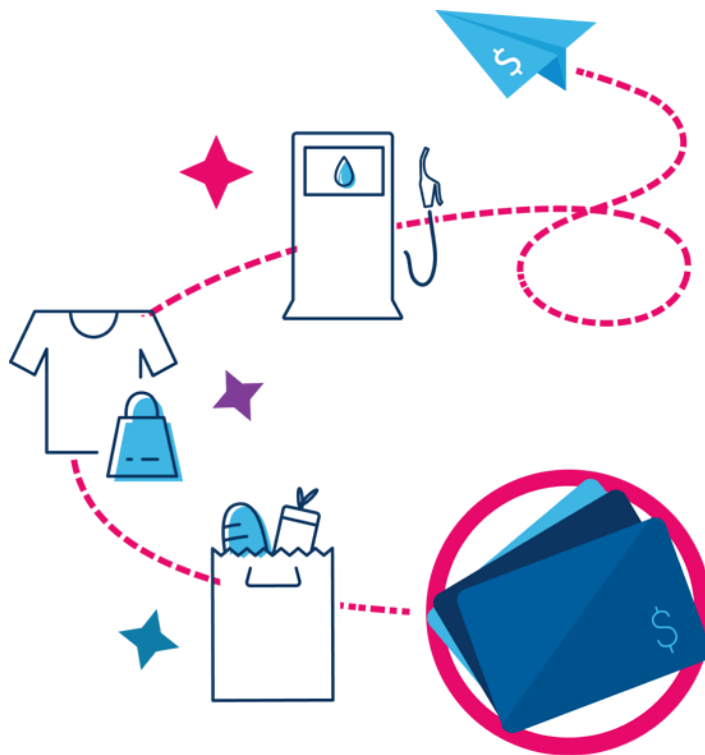
**NOW AVAILABLE!**

In addition to gift cards, RaiseRight is introducing a new way to earn—simply by shopping online. As a member, you log in at RaiseRight.com or the mobile app and select the new *Shop Online* tab to get started!

**Note:**

Club Admin can download summary report

Create a “Family” account for your club, allowing members to join



**DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING YOUR  
NEW MEMBER INFORMATION**



**A MESSAGE FROM  
FINANCIAL  
SECRETARY**

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*562-367-9706*

**IMPORTANT REMINDER!**

If your club gained new members (*or had members renew*) in the months since May 2024, you will need to submit those dues to:

Orange District Financial Secretary  
P.O. Box 1443, Anaheim, CA 92815

Current District/CFWC/GFWC dues are \$22 per member. The year-end **DEADLINE** for Orange District to **receive** dues is **December 1, 2024**.

Contact me ASAP with any questions.

See [cfwcorangedistrict.com](http://cfwcorangedistrict.com) for the remittance form:  
[cfwcorangedistrict.com](http://cfwcorangedistrict.com)

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Orange District Forms

Remittance Form for New and Returning Members





WEBSITE UPDATE  
Member Resources Page



A MESSAGE FROM  
COMMUNICATIONS  
SECRETARY

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gosman@uci.edu  
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Here's our NEW  
Facebook home page!



Orange District CFWC

Check out our website [cfwcorangedistrict.com](http://cfwcorangedistrict.com) for links to tools and documents that are of value for all club members.

The latest CFWC/GFWC additions to our website are:

- The Art of Leadership
- Federation at a Glance
- Membership Handbook
- Parliamentary Gems
- GFWC Ceremonies Guide
- GFWC Style Guide

**Member Resources**

<a href="#">Orange District Budget</a>	<a href="#">California Clubwoman Magazine</a>
<a href="#">Orange District Bylaws</a>	<a href="#">CFWC The Art of Leadership</a>
<a href="#">Orange District Forms</a>	<a href="#">CFWC Federation at a Glance</a>
<a href="#">OD Document Retention Policy</a>	<a href="#">CFWC Membership Handbook</a>
<a href="#">OD Glossary of Terms</a>	<a href="#">CFWC Parliamentary Gems</a>
<a href="#">OD Orange Blossom</a>	<a href="#">CFWC QuickBytes</a>
<a href="#">OD Member Club Events/Flyers</a>	<a href="#">GFWC Club Manual</a>
<a href="#">OD New Member Welcome Video</a>	<a href="#">GFWC Clubwoman Magazine</a>
	<a href="#">GFWC Ceremonies Guide</a>
	<a href="#">GFWC Style Guide</a>

**FACEBOOK UPDATE:**

Our new Facebook page is up:  
[www.facebook.com/orangedistrictcfwc](http://www.facebook.com/orangedistrictcfwc)



We are posting fliers for events  
We are sharing club accomplishments  
We want more followers on our new facebook page.

**FOLLOW US TODAY!**



### A MESSAGE FROM CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

*Kathy Loch*  
*ktloch@yahoo.com*  
*714-326-4643*

As your Corresponding Secretary, I can't think of a better time to use your own correspondence skills to connect with others. November and December present the perfect opportunity to reach out to someone in your life. This person could be someone you see on a regular basis, such as another club member, or someone from your past.

A "thinking of you" card, a "thank you for your friendship" note, and a "Happy Holidays" card are examples of brightening up someone's day. This reminds me of a good friend of mine who sends my husband and me a Happy Wedding Anniversary card every year. My husband and I don't even exchange anniversary cards every year! But, my friend hasn't missed sending a card for the past 52 years. That's pretty amazing and demonstrates her thoughtfulness.

As the holidays draw near, you may want to take a little time out of your busy day to reach out to someone special. It can actually make you feel even better than the recipient!





### A MESSAGE FROM PARLIAMENTARIAN

*Marcia Willett  
marciaewillett@gmail.com  
714-307-6042*

This information on bylaws was recently provided by our CFWC President, Sonya Matties. I think every club needs this information. Should you have questions, please contact me.

While you have been busy setting up programs and projects for this club year, it is also really important to examine your bylaws. The bylaws are the cornerstone of your organization and without clear bylaws, you can often run into problems. If you have recently changed the way you do things, changed officer or chairman titles and/or responsibilities, added new positions in the organization, and/or have not reviewed your bylaws in the last two years or so, it's time to do so now.

According to Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised, bylaws are the most important rules which an organization must compose for itself. The bylaws should protect the right of a member, present or absent, and must include what control those attending a regular or specially called meeting have to act for the entire membership. If you have a Board of Directors and/or an Executive Committee, their responsibilities and duties must be stated.



Choose a bylaws committee and a chairman. Generally, the committee should be large. The members on this committee should be those members who are most fair, who can see two sides to every question, and who are flexible in their thinking. You will also need at least one person who is capable of writing in the manner of your current bylaws. If you have a qualified parliamentarian, it may be helpful to have her on the committee or to use her as a resource.

The first step is to read the entire bylaws. By doing this, you may see conflicting statements or the same statements in two different places. This should be changed. Do the bylaws reflect your organization as it currently operates? Are only the most important rules included? Don't forget, less important rules can be part of the Standing Rules. Standing Rules are related to details, rather than parliamentary procedure and can be changed at any meeting by a majority vote. Things like meeting time, hostess duties, or the order of business at a meeting belong in Standing Rules.

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Things that belong in bylaws, but are often left out:

- The amount of dues and any other required financial obligation. By having this in the bylaws, the entire membership would have to vote to change it.
- The number of members that constitute a quorum. While Robert's Rules allows such designations as "majority of members", this chairman recommends a numeral be used. If you have lost and/or gained members, and want to start your meeting, it may be confusing or inaccurate to try to figure out if you have a majority or some percentage of your members present. If you use a numeral, such as 24, all you have to do is count. A rule of thumb when deciding on the correct number for a quorum is to figure out how many members you usually have at a meeting, except in bad weather. Then subtract a few and that can be your quorum. You want a relatively small number.
- The procedure to be followed in case of the resignation or loss of an officer.
- How and when special committees are created
- How/if/when a meeting can be conducted electronically.

Once the amendments to the bylaws have been written up by the committee (and approved by the Board of Directors or Executive Committee if that is the procedure in your organization), then every member must receive a written copy of the proposed amendments with time to read them before a vote is taken. Generally, the written copies are distributed the month before they are voted on, but you may have a different procedure in your current bylaws. A two-thirds affirmative vote by those present and voting is needed to accept an amendment.

Please contact me with any questions you may have.



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### A MESSAGE FROM CHAIRMAN OF ADVOCATES FOR CHILDREN

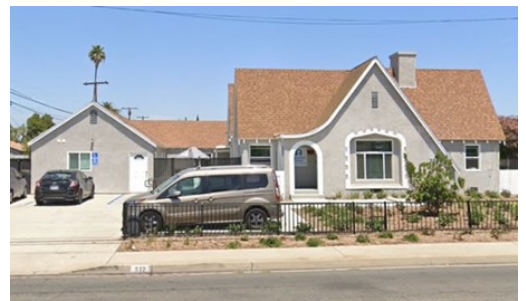
*Cathy Sakurai  
sakuraicathy@gmail.com  
(text, also, if sending an email)  
714-458-8916*

## COVENANT HOUSE

I would like to introduce you to Covenant House, an organization that helps young people who are homeless or survivors of trafficking across America. They offer services and shelter. Here in Orange County, they have a house in Anaheim. Covenant House offers food, shelter, medical care, safety and love, 24/7. They offer long term support to help these young people heal, rebuild meaningful lives and go on to have brighter futures.

California's Homeless Youth are young persons of ages 12 to 17 who are living apart from a parent or guardian and young adults ages 18 to 24 who are economically and/or emotionally detached from their families. These would include runaways, expelled youths who are told to leave their homes, and/or ones who have aged out of foster care. Often, they are abandoned, or deserted, sometimes released from the juvenile justice system. Some are homeless for short periods, while others have spent a significant amount of time on the street. The longer a young person spends without shelter or support, the more susceptible they are to sexual abuse, exploitation and drug abuse.

*Covenant House Anaheim*



The number of homeless youths in California is always changing. It is estimated nationally, 1.6 to 2.1 million youth are homeless age 12 to 24, the number of those age 12 to 17 is 1.6 to 1.7 million. This is over the course of one year. Where 300,000 to 400,000 might be homeless for a single day. In California that number is 200,000 any given day.

It is easy to see how homeless youth in California could use the services offered by Covenant House. I hope your club will take on the task of helping this worthwhile charity.



### A MESSAGE FROM CHAIRMAN OF ARTS & CULTURE

*Mariellen Yarc*  
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*714-827-2054*

All the photography rules and guidelines are listed in detail in the CFWC website, including Contest Labels for your photos. This year digital submissions are highly recommended. CFWC also requires a signature on their Creative Arts Waiver form (also available on their website).

If you need any help getting to the details or forms, please call me at 714-827-2054 or email me at [attyly@aol.com](mailto:attyly@aol.com).

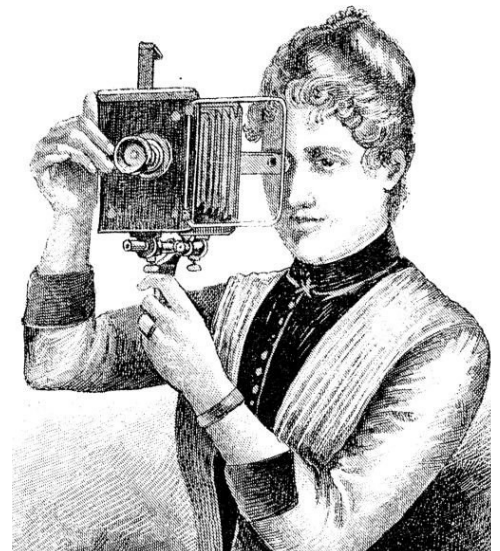
Share your artistic abilities ladies!

Orange District is participating in the CFWC Photography Contest this year. If you or someone in your Club would like to participate, I must receive your photos on or before our next District meeting on **January 10, 2025**. After they are judged by photo experts, I will announce the winners and share their photos at our March 14, 2025 District meeting. I will then submit the winning photos to the CFWC Photography Contest (they must be submitted to CFWC by me no later than April 15, 2025.)

There are two Main categories in the photography contest:

1. The World in Pictures (3 sub-categories):
  - A. Our World Up Close – Macro photography, such examples are bugs or parts of flowers.
  - B. Natural Wonders — mountains, waterfalls, oceans, etc—emphasis on NATURAL.
  - C. Reflections — Feature an object, setting or landmark that is reflected in glass, water, ocean, mirror, etc.
2. GFWC Living the Volunteer Spirit

Photos that capture GFWC clubwomen as they actively meet, plan, volunteer or celebrate in groups or one-on-one.





November is Veterans Awareness Month, starting with the ceremonies held nationally on the 11th to honor both those living and deceased.

Many of our clubs participate through our projects with CalVet.CA.gov, the Women's Veterans Program, Working Wardrobe in Orange County, WomensHealth.VA.gov, VeteranSisters.org, founded in 1920, in Vista, CA.

Any one of these organizations can put you in touch with your local non-profits that can help not only the veterans, male or female, but help their families with daily necessities.

### A MESSAGE FROM CHAIRMAN OF CIVIC ENGAGEMENT & OUTREACH

*Pamela Tice*  
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These are ongoing projects that we can plan to do in the coming year. Please reach out to them! I am also available to answer any of your questions regarding projects under Civic Engagement and Outreach!

My email is [pamela\\_tice@yahoo.com](mailto:pamela_tice@yahoo.com); cell number (714) 686-6492. Please leave a message.

Best wishes for a joyous holiday season. Pam



### A MESSAGE FROM CHAIRMAN OF COMMUNITY IMPACT PROGRAMS

*Kathi McGraw*  
*Glenn.mcgraw@ca.rr.com*  
*714-995-8850*

The Community Impact Program is probably the least used program in GFWC. This is because it requires a club to develop their own project and not just donate money and/or items to another charity. Yet this project can be an excellent way for clubs to gain new members and to make a special mark in their community.

Because this program is a 2 year program, clubs have a whole year ahead to start a Community Impact Project.

Here are some steps to develop a project:

1. Discover a need in your community.
2. Research the need with input from the community.
3. Write a Goal Statement describing a clear view of what is to be accomplished by the project and what benefits will be gained.
4. List Funding needed for the project and possible sources.
5. Develop a Timeline for the project.
6. Set up Community Connections to help with the project.
7. Promote the project with different media.
8. Record the project steps as you complete them.





### A MESSAGE FROM CHAIRMAN OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS & PREVENTION

*Marilyn Reames  
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#### **From: The National Domestic Violence Hotline**

Holidays are often a time of joy and community, but for people with an abusive partner, the holidays (or even a long weekend) can be stressful and dangerous. Spending time with family and friends, dealing with extra stress, and traveling can challenge safety planning during any holiday or long weekend. Family and friends may struggle to help or support the survivor during this time. We suggest safety planning for holidays and weekends to help families and survivors feel safer during these moments.

**What to know:** Many survivors feel isolated by their unhealthy or abusive partners. Connecting with family and friends can be an important step in healing.

**Tips for a survivor:** Create a plan to keep checking in with someone during a holiday or long weekend. You can also create a code word, which allows you to let someone know you need help without tipping off their partner. Be sure to agree on what action the code word calls for:

Consider brainstorming reasons to get out, like helping someone with holiday plans or shopping; you can get creative with these ideas. You can call The Hotline at **1-800-799-7233** for creative ideas on safety planning for a holiday or a long weekend.

#### **Tips for a family member or friend:**

It can help to discuss safe times and ways to communicate. You might consider if there are times during the day when the survivor is typically away from their abusive partner. Or it might be safer for them to email or text rather than call. (It's best to make sure the abusive partner does not have access to the survivor's email account or phone before using these methods to communicate).

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It may feel instinctual for family or friends to say an abusive partner is not welcome at a holiday function. You have the right to say who is or isn't welcome in your home but understand that isolation is a powerful tactic of abuse. If the abusive partner cannot come, they may not let the survivor visit either.

Emotional support and safety planning can help both you and the survivor move forward. Keep in mind you can talk or chat with a Hotline advocate to figure out what works best for you.

### Tips for a family member or friend:

Seeing someone you care about being hurt is also stressful. Remind yourself that you can't make decisions for someone else, but you can ask a survivor what they need and offer help. We do our best helping when we are taking care of ourselves, so try to make your own plans to get rest, get good nutrition, talk to supportive friends and do things you enjoy.

<https://www.laurashouse.org/>



## Crisis Hotline Support

Available 24 hrs a day, 7 days a week

[866-498-1511](tel:866-498-1511) (toll free)

[949-498-1511](tel:949-498-1511)

Resources, referrals and safety planning.



## Contact Us

24 Hour, 7 Days a week Toll Free Hotline

[866-498-1511](tel:866-498-1511)

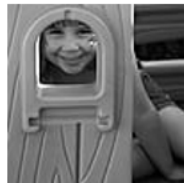
[949-498-1511](tel:949-498-1511)

Counseling & Resource Center & Corporate Office (South Orange County)

[949-361-3775](tel:949-361-3775)

Domestic Violence Advocacy Center (North Orange County)

[714-450-6131](tel:714-450-6131)



## Emergency Shelter

(45-day program) Provides shelter, support and case management for women, men and children. Provides safe refuge through residential shelter, therapy, life skills and case management.

Transitional Housing  
(6-12 months program)

The goal of the Transitional Living Program is to help clients become self-sufficient and strive for overall stability. Transitional clients collaborate closely with a therapist and case manager to work towards their goals, which may involve achieving financial stability, enrolling in an educational program, obtaining employment, or securing permanent housing, among other objectives.

Access is coordinated with your emergency shelter case manager.

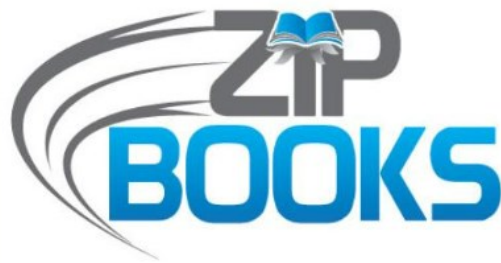


Happy Thanksgiving. I know we are all very busy with the holidays, but it is so relaxing to sit down and read a good book when the opportunity presents itself. I just found a service the Orange County libraries offer at no cost. It is ZIP Books.

Zip books are books from Amazon that you return to your local library when you are done reading them. No catch. It is a Grant Program by the California State Library. This program concludes June 30, 2025 or when funds run out.

### A MESSAGE FROM CHAIRMAN OF EDUCATION & LIBRARIES

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There are parameters as with anything.

- You must have a library card in good standing with OC Public Libraries.
- You are limited to ordering 2 books a month and 2 checked out at a time.
- Titles must be shipped from Amazon.
- Titles must be sold by Amazon or a USA third party seller
- No overseas sellers

New Print books must be valued under \$50, New World Language books can be valued at \$75. Books should not be available at our library (no prepublication orders or anything published within the last 12 months). Alternate formats (such as large Print or in another language) are okay to order.

To order, go to OC Libraries and complete their form. You may want to look at the Amazon catalog. Enjoy your book and after three weeks return it to the library.

I do hope you will take advantage of the services from the OC Libraries: **OCPL.org**.



### A MESSAGE FROM CHAIRMAN OF ENVIRONMENT

*Linda Holman  
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714-329-8177*

Thank you to the clubs that sent in the check for their tree(s). We are creating a legacy for future generations by planting trees in the parks.

The benefits of trees extend beyond improving air quality, increasing property values, and helping with flood control.

Trees in urban areas are even more important for our mental health. Spending time in nature and around trees lowers stress and blood pressure, improves mood, and people in hospitals with views of trees heal faster. It also reduces crime.

Our goal is to plant 20 trees with the help of each club in Orange District. We are almost half way there. The trees will be planted in Craig Park.

Clubs can support this Urban Forestry Project by contributing \$150 for the purchase of a tree by December 10th. Send checks to CFWC Orange District, P.O. Box 1443, Anaheim, CA. 92815.

Clubs contributing will be invited to the tree planting event with local dignitaries and media coverage. These trees will provide value for many generations.





### A MESSAGE FROM CHAIRMAN OF HEALTH & WELLNESS

*Nettie Hershman*  
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This year I have chosen to concentrate on UNICEF: Shot @ Life Campaign.

This program was launched in 2012 and they work with the United Nations (as well as the World Health Organization) to raise awareness about global vaccine inequities. Global immunization services remain stalled since the pandemic, with approximately 14.5 million "zero dose" children worldwide who did not receive a single dose of basic vaccines in 2023.

Did you know that every 20 seconds a child dies unnecessarily of a vaccine-preventable disease?

February, March and April are the main advocate months, so now would be the time to have your chairmen start planning for some fund-raising projects, so we can help raise awareness.

If I can be of any assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me, as I would be glad to work with your chairmen.

**LET'S MAKE A DIFFERENCE!**

shot@life

October 28, 2024



A MESSAGE FROM  
CHAIRMAN OF  
LEADERSHIP

Kathryn Baldwin  
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The LEADS Workshop was held on Monday, October 28, at the clubhouse for the Placentia Round Table Women's Club from 9-12.

Thirteen members from various clubs in the Orange District attended and were treated to excellent presentations from Orange District President, Colleen Janssen, Orange District 1st Vice President, Linda Queen, Orange District Parliamentarian Marcia Willett, and current Mayor of Yorba Linda, Ms. Tara Campbell.

Tara shared her beginnings in leadership and how it grew to inspire her to develop the Civic Youth Leadership Academy she conducts every year for the youth in Orange County.



Linda shared the three P's of Leadership-Prepared, Polished and Professional. Colleen was an inspiration as she led us through a fun and thought-provoking exercise, while she demonstrated her outstanding leadership skills. Marcia Willett shared "How To Build Leaders". She makes it seem like something we all should desire to aspire to be.

GFWC is focused on Leadership Reimagined. We seek to educate, engage, and empower members to reach beyond traditional community service and social engagement. We strive to be more inclusive, collaborative, and dynamic.

Applications are available on the [cfwcorangedistrict.com](http://cfwcorangedistrict.com) website under "forms." Applications are **DUE by December 11, to [kathibaldwin@aol.com](mailto:kathibaldwin@aol.com)**. Interviews will follow, and the selection of the LEADS Candidate will be announced by the first week in January 2025.

## STAYING INFORMED AND TAKING ACTION IS SO IMPORTANT



### A MESSAGE FROM CHAIRMAN OF LEGISLATION & PUBLIC POLICY

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Women’s clubs play a fundamental role in creating more equitable and thriving communities by the work we do. We strengthen communities by providing the educational, health and social services that our citizens need and which the government sometimes cannot fully provide. As a women’s club we can do even more by coming together to protect our legacy and the indispensable role we play in our communities’ future.

It's easy to see our clubs’ mission in action when our neighbors and community are the direct beneficiaries, such as when we provide food for the hungry, bring a smile to the elderly, support our veterans, or rescue relief to fire survivors. It’s harder to recognize the full impact of the indirect benefits clubs provide us for example, supplement breast cancer screening, funding for victims of violence, taking action to support Alzheimer’s patients and their caregivers or telling congress of your support for vaccines for all children across the world.

However, YOU individually can take action to provide your voice and support in these types of GFWC legislative agendas.

Ensure you are signed up at Take Action [www.gfwc.org/getinvolved](http://www.gfwc.org/getinvolved).

Want information on more local issues closer to home? Stay informed by signing up for a newsletter sent right to your email inbox through CalMatters, a nonpartisan and nonprofit news organization bringing Californians information and stories about life issues, while holding our local leaders accountable. These newsletters give Californians information we need to understand and engage with our local government leaders. Sign up at [www.calmatters.org](http://www.calmatters.org) and select newsletters.



The 2024 Election is over and while a few local Orange County election ballots are still being counted, consider inviting your local elected officials to one of your meetings. Perhaps contact your city Mayor, councilmembers, your County Supervisor or Congressman. As elected officials, they are always open and appreciate attending women’s clubs to keep us informed on issues and what we can do to assist our communities. **Always Stay informed and Take Action.**

## THE PEAL



### A MESSAGE FROM CHAIRMAN OF WOMEN'S HISTORY AND RESOURCE CENTER

*Judy Wagner  
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## CELEBRATING OUR VETERANS

We just celebrated Veterans Day and in honor of that I would like to honor one of our Veterans that has done so much for the State, District and her own Club. She has been a Women's Club member for 46 years. Held many positions within her Club and the State and District. In the TAWC; President twice, Parliamentarian, Amenities Chairman, Numerous Chairmanships, Press and Publicity, Bylaw and Nominating Committees.

In the District: President, Dean, Credential Chair, Art Chair, Amenities Chair, Nominating Committee, OC Emeritus President. Then we can't forget CFWC as recording secretary, Convention co/chair (3 or 4 terms), President's Page, Amenities 4 terms, Bylaw committee 2 or 3 terms.

#### **Libby Buckley – Military Service**

With a college degree, two-year course in Medical Technology, and three years' experience, she applied to the USAF Surgeon General for a Direct Commission as a 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt in the Medical Corps. This was in 1960.



She was accepted and sworn in by her father, a retired Army Colonel, in July 1960. She entered active duty on Sep 3, 1960 and proceeded to Gunter AFB, Alabama, for a 30 day indoctrination. They received uniforms and learned about the USAF and how to march!

Her next assignment was the USAF Hospital at Plattsburgh AFB, Plattsburgh, NY. The duties were the same and the size was the same.

During her days in Savannah, she met a pilot and in 1968 they were married. Due to his retirement, she separated from active duty in July 1968 with a rank of Captain.

According to her the 8 years spent were absolutely wonderful. She worked hard and played hard now and then. She traveled to Europe, Newfoundland and Puerto Rico at no expense. She bummed rides on USAF Air Craft with no ladies rooms, carried her own luggage, sat in bucket seats, and ordered box meals before they took off.



# VENDORS

Are you looking for vendors for your club's events? I keep an up-to-date, ever-growing list, currently at 97 vendor contacts. When clubs have events, I am happy to email out your flier or vendor letter to the group. All you need to do is send me the flier or letter in a pdf, and ask me to email it to the vendor list. That's it! Send your flier or letter to me at [colleenj02@gmail.com](mailto:colleenj02@gmail.com). *Colleen Janssen*



## GARDEN GROVE OFFICE DEPOT CLOSURE

As most of us are aware, Office Depot/Office Max offers some pretty great discounts, especially on printing, through the GFWC discount program. Unfortunately, their store at 11100 Garden Grove Blvd., Garden Grove, is closing at the end of November. There are liquidation deals on paper, furniture, and anything else left in the store. They do not offer any printing services, the shelves are pretty bare, and no GFWC discounts are offered, but the prices keep going down. You may want to see if there is anything you or your club needs, before they close for good. Their other stores are still open. *Colleen Janssen*

**Office DEPOT.**  
**OfficeMax**

# Upcoming GFWC Webinars

Details and links are in the 11/15/24 emailed issue of GFWC News & Notes

## THE GFWC LEARNING GATEWAY SERIES

REGISTRATION IS OPEN FOR THE NEXT *GFWC LEARNING GATEWAY* WEBINARS PRESENTED BY THE 2024-2026 GFWC HONORARY CHAIRMEN.

**JANUARY 27, 2025 @ 7 P.M. ET – *ESO Beyond the Page, Mystery with a Mission***

Join Amazon best-selling and award-winning author, **Amy Peele**, GFWC Education and Libraries/Health and Wellness Honorary Chairman as she dives into her book "CUT" and how she brought a 35-year career in the transplantation field to the pages. Her Transplant Medical Murder Mystery series is referred to as "mystery with a mission and a side of humor" and enjoys five-star reviews on Goodreads and Amazon.

<https://bit.ly/3AkgYoc>

**FEBRUARY 5, 2025 @ 7 P.M. ET – *Heart Health Awareness Month***

During Heart Health Awareness Month, **Jude Mabone**, Miss District of Columbia 2023 and GFWC Health and Wellness Honorary Chairman recounts how her own heart health scare has brought her to work with the American Heart Association. She will share her life's journey and the importance of CPR/AED training.

<https://bit.ly/48Epc7g>

**FEBRUARY 11, 2025 @ 7 P.M. ET – *The Role Storytelling Plays in Advancing a Brand and Building Membership***

**Leslie Capps**, Founder Wild Woman Marketing and GFWC Communications Honorary Chairman Personal Connections are the key to building membership. We will delve into how using your GFWC volunteer story as a marketing strategy will gain local recognition and increase membership numbers!

<https://bit.ly/3UI3Srs>



## Join us for the Winter 2025 GFWC Learning Gateway Series

Learn from 2024-2026 GFWC Honorary Chairmen and gain insight into these varied topics:

**January 27, 2025 at 7 p.m. ET - *ESO Beyond the Page, Mystery with a Mission***

<https://bit.ly/3AkgYoc>

**February 5, 2025 at 7 p.m. ET - *Heart Health Awareness Month***

<https://bit.ly/48Epc7g>

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Woman's Club of Cypress

# ENO BRANDS JEWELRY SALE

## All Jewelry ONLY \$5

Rings, Bracelets, Earrings,  
Necklaces for Men & Women

*Makes excellent Holiday gifts!*

*Cash/Venmo*

Friday, November 22nd from  
5:00-8:00 pm and Saturday,  
November 23rd 10:00am - 1:00pm



*Thanks  
giving*

6481 Global Dr., Cypress  
(Holder between Cerritos & Katella)

FULLERTON

# Women's Leadership

FORUM

YOU ARE INVITED

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2024, 5:00 PM

Hosted by **The Woman's Club of Fullerton**,  
Former Council Member **Pam Keller** and  
Event Founder CA Assemblywoman **Sharon Quirk-Silva**

at the **Coyote Hills Golf Course**  
1440 E Bastanchury Rd, Fullerton, CA 92835

HONORING LOCAL LEADERS

## 2024 Honorees



**Jodi Balma**  
Leadership In  
Education



**Rosalina Camacho**  
Leadership In  
Veteran Advocacy



**Barbara Johnson**  
Lifetime  
Leadership



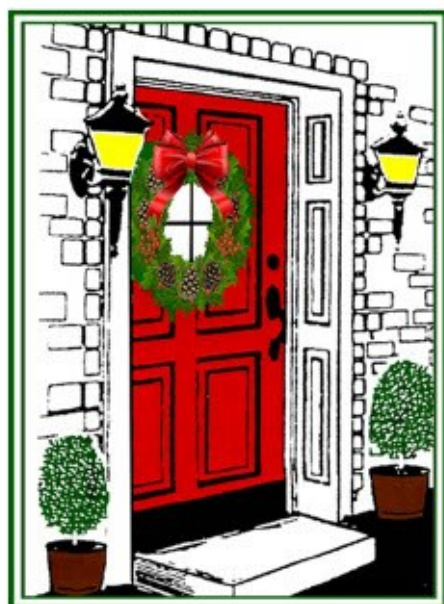
**Judith Kaluzny**  
The Warrior  
Award



**Egleth Nuncci**  
Leadership In  
Community  
Engagement

For More Information go to  
[www.wcof.club/fullertonwomenleadership/](http://www.wcof.club/fullertonwomenleadership/)

# HOLIDAY HOME TOUR



Presented by  
**The Rossmoor Woman's  
Club**

**Sunday, Dec. 8, 2024  
11:00 am to 4:00 pm**

5 Beautiful Homes Seasonally Decorated

**Tickets \$25**

Also, join us in the gardens behind  
**Flags With a Flair**

for Complimentary Refreshments, Raffle Baskets & Entertainment by  
The Kingsmen Duo and Holiday Demonstration by Cynthia McElwee.  
Plus, don't forget to visit the Shops @ Arbor Village

Tickets may be purchased @ the merchants below or scan QR code to  
purchase tickets in advance after October 7.



**Brita's Old Town Gardens  
225 Main St., Seal Beach**

**McNally Electric & Lighting  
10792 Los Alamitos Blvd.**

**Cinnamon Stik  
10641 Los Alamitos Blvd.**

**Prep Kitchen Essentials  
The Shops @ Rossmoor**

**Flags With a Flair  
10651 Los Alamitos Blvd.**

For more information Visit our website at: [www.rossmoorwomansclub.com](http://www.rossmoorwomansclub.com)

All net proceeds go to our local charities  
501(c)(3) Non-profit organization

*San Clemente Junior Woman's Club Presents:*

## *San Clemente Community Angel Tree 2024*

*Benefitting underprivileged children and seniors, in our San Clemente Community*



**Shop Online to  
Save Time!**



### **How you can help:**

1. Choose an ornament from the Angel Tree located at the SC Community Center (100 North Calle Seville at Del Mar Avenue) OR SC Aquatics Center (987 Vista Hermosa)
2. Purchase and wrap the gift requested on the back of the ornament
3. Return the gift, with the ornament attached, to the front desk at the Community Center or at the SC Aquatics Center by **Monday, December 9, 2024**

*For more information about the Angel Tree contact  
the SCJWC [Info@scjwc.org](mailto:Info@scjwc.org)*

*To learn how you can be a part of the San Clemente  
Junior Woman's Club visit us at [www.scjwc.org](http://www.scjwc.org)*

# QUARTERMANIA

WOMAN'S CLUB OF ORANGE  
121 S. CENTER STREET, ORANGE

SATURDAY, JANUARY 18TH, 2025  
DOORS OPEN AT 10:30 AM

\$25 ADMISSION INCLUDES:  
BOXED LUNCH AND AUCTION FUN

*Bring a roll of quarters. First time?  
Don't worry, rules are fully  
explained before the auction begins.*

INVITE: FRIENDS AND FAMILY  
EVERYONE WILL WIN SOMETHING

PURCHASE TICKETS AT THE GENERAL MEETING,  
BUY YOUR TICKETS EARLY, THIS EVENT ALWAYS SELLS OUT  
INFO: DEBBI TODD 714.846.0901



Fundraising Proceeds Support  
WCO Philanthropies  
Supporting Our Community Since 1913  
2024 Non-Profit of the Year

Club House Location:  
121 S. Center St., Orange, CA 92666  
Mailing Address:  
PO Box 674, Orange, CA 92666



*Placentia Round Table  
Women's Club*

**February 19, 2025**

*Come join this Fun and Exciting Fundraiser!  
Delicious Appetizers, Delectable Desserts and  
Wonderful Prizes*

**Tickets ~ \$20 pp  
Doors Open 6:00 pm ~ Games Start 7 pm**

*Placentia Round Table Women's Club  
901 N. Bradford Ave., Placentia, CA 92870*

**For Information & Tickets Call or Text  
Susan Hirzel (714) 225-2014 or  
Karen Mangold (714) 261-1365**

*Proceeds Benefit PRTWC's Many Philanthropies including  
Our College Scholarship Program*

**PlacentiaWomensClub.org**







EBELL CLUB OF  
IRVINE

# QUARTERMANIA FUNDRAISER

Saturday, June 14

Rock n Brews - Tustin

1222 Irvine Blvd

Tustin 92780

Doors Open 12:30 - First Bid 1 pm

**\$20 per player**

A day of Bidding, Shopping and Fun!

You don't want to miss it!

**Tickets Contact**

**Vicki Medaxian - 408-569-5322**