

GFWC WOMAN'S CLUB OF INVERNESS

NEWSLETTER



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Recognize the special people you've been blessed to know.. Live today, enjoy the moment . By Bonnie L. Mohr



Our Presidents'



We have had a busy and successful fall: Fantastic Garage Sale!!

* Another great take-out meal (Octoberfest) with pretty authentic German food.
* Great turnout for the Veteran's Parade.
* The number one team (second year in a row) for the virtual wellness challenge that supported and raised funds for the Coping with Dementia that serves and educates local families living with Alzheimer's. * Return to a night of getting together for fellowship dinners. * The addition of a daytime lunch bunch. * The addition of a field trip (the first to a bromeliad nursery.) * Participation in the District 5 meeting in Williston. * A very successful open house for potential new member. * New members! * Tremendous programs especially the Veteran's Day Program where we shared so much. * Outstanding contributions (as usual) for the children at Human Resources.
* The Finalization of the new requirements for our annual scholarship for a Citrus High School student.

And.....a 50's dance!!!! (Live music, skits, 50s music, 50s clothing!!!!.... get prepared!)

Now, have a great Holiday Season and come out for the rest of the year!!

*With Love, Respect and Kindness
for All,
Sandy and Sandra*



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ATTENTION!

Newsletter Editor Reminder:

The next issue of the newsletter will be published for **Jan., Feb., Mar.** Please have all notes and Photos to me **NO LATER than Mar 1st.** It is most helpful if photos are provided in JPEG format and Text is provided in Word. If text is provide in PDF format, I have to retype it as I do not have the needed software to edit it.

Upcoming Calendar Events



**OCTOBER
2021**

We did it!

NOVEMBER 2021

We Did it!

DECEMBER 2021

- 10 - Board meeting: 10:00 am**
13 - Regular meeting: 1:00 pm
15 - Book Club: 1:00 pm
16 2nd Thursday: Dinner out TBA

GFWC ACTIVITIES

Upcoming Dates and Deadlines

Dec. 15 - GFWC Florida dues, membership list and remittance forms are due
Jan. 15 - GFWC Florida Junior Woman's Club reports due
Feb. 1 - GFWC Florida Woman's Club reports due
Feb. 19 - GFWC Florida LEADS
Mar 1 - Community Impact Program award entries postmarked (no email)
Mar 30 - Apr 4 - GFWC Florida Blue Umbrella Rail Trip to Washington, DC
May 20-23 - GFWC Florida Convention



Art in January

As soon as your Christmas celebrations is over, get your art entries ready for our January show and competition on January 10 at our regular meeting.. There are so...o...o many categories to choose from: sewing projects, woodworking, painting, photography, recyclable materials. Look up the long list on the GFWC website, or contact **Debbie Sargent** who can provide a list for you .

What We Will Do



Our Christmas Meeting



Our meeting this month will be full of fun and laughter and fellowship! We will meet at 1:00 since we were unable to have our usual Christmas banquet. However, please bring a wrapped gift of \$10.00 or less for a white elephant Christmas exchange. Each will draw a number and then choose a gift. If you don't want that one, you get to exchange with someone who already has something you might want. No hard feelings...just a lot of fun.

Rosalie has asked that we bring signed **Christmas cards** for her to deliver to various health facilities. If you have some at home, sign them before the meeting. If not, we have a number for you to sign while you listen to the meeting.

Christmas Caroling: Don't forget that we plan to go Christmas caroling on December 22. If you know of any shut-ins you would like us to visit (outside their home) please let us know. Also, both co-presidents, Sandy Boyette and Sandra Koonce, will be out of town for the holidays so a good leader for the night is needed.

Arts and Crafts Show: Coming up in January. All items entered are to have been made between January and December 2021. Look at what you've done and use the lull after the holidays to get ready for our show!

Craft Day: Join us on January 18th for some creative fun and walk out with a masterpiece! We'll use alcohol inks to create colorful coasters. Nothing to bring, all materials included for a minimal fee. Class is limited to 8 persons. Sign-up sheet will be available. Contact Angie Mayo for more information. 352-527-0071

Annual Service Hours Report: A form for recording your many hours of service will be distributed at our December meeting (or mailed to you if you are not at the December meeting). They should be mailed back in by January 1 as your "reporting team" will be using them to do our bragging to state.

Songs will be sung and laughter will float! Be there in your **Christmas colors!** And, don't forget a note or special card for your **Secret Sister!**



Sue Allen, Sandra Koonce, Barbara Cooper, Bonnie Jesse, Sandy Boyette and Donna Anllo.

What a fun time we had attending the District 5 Annual meeting in Williston. Dozens of hoboes, including representatives, enjoyed the casual, fun day of dress. Bonnie and Donna even carried signs asking for help or offering to work. Barb Cooper sported mis-matched socks and Sue Allen was comfortable in her bib overalls. The meeting had some serious sides as we elected a new District 5 director.

DISTRICT 5 ANNUAL MEETING



Co-president Sandy Boyette looks over the centerpiece at the District 5 meeting in Williston in November. The food that was used for the centerpieces was donated to a local food pantry.

GFWC WOMAN'S CLUB OF INVERNESS

PRESENTS....

BACK TO THE 50'S

FEBRUARY 26, 2022



TURN BACK THE CLOCK AND ENJOY THE 50'S AGAIN

- Roll up your blue jeans and tie a scarf around your neck.....or.....pull out the old poodle skirt.
- Practice with that hula hoop that has been stored for ever so long!
- See how many Rock and Roll songs you still know all the lyrics to.

AND...

Save the date of Saturday, Feb. 26 for our trip back to our youth – or for some of you, the youth of your parents.

A disc jockey has been hired who will spin your favorite records and lead us in several contests.

The big party will also be a **FUNdraiser**, so we hope you will invite neighbors and friends to join in the night of fun.

A planned lip-syncing contest will challenge you to put together a team, find a good 50's song (i.e., the Purple People Eater), get costumes and present your version of a visual of the song.

A 50s food can be accompanied by your favorite beverages (BYOB).

We will meet at the Point O' Woods (TOO FAR) building on Gospel Island which has a good dance floor and plenty of room.

Barbara Cooper, who has chaired so many of our previous theme dinners has volunteered to head the committee, which is seeking volunteers.

Prices and more details will be coming at you. Just save the date!

Caroling Planned for Pre-Christmas afternoon



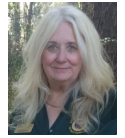
CAROLING

Wear your Santa hat, bring your husbands/friends and join us for our second annual Christmas caroling outing on **Wednesday, Dec. 22** will gather at the clubhouse at **3 p.m.** and carpool to pre-determined homes. If you know of shut-ins, please call in the information to Linda Chuckman (352-419-5400) who will be coordinating the event.



TREASURER NOTES

Bonnie Jessee



Holiday Greetings!

I am pleased to report that our fundraising has enhanced our bank accounts in a positive direction! As reported at our last meeting, we are once again segregating funds that we derive from building rentals to an account that is earmarked for major building repairs or renovations. We know that somewhere in the not-too-distant future we may need a new roof, parking lot update and/or other major improvements. We began the account separation shortly before covid hit and when we were stopped from holding virtually any fundraisers, we used all the funds we had to keep us above water. Weight Watchers is still contracted for one meeting a week and other rentals are coming in, sometimes we have more demand than other times, but we're hoping the holiday rentals pick up.

TerriLynn continues to bring in money and we encourage all our members to share the TerriLynn info with friends and family so this valuable resource keeps adding to our coffers without any work on our part!

Our October take-out dinner was a BIG success; we netted \$761! We are planning two more of these dinners next year and hope to duplicate the financial success on each of them. These dinners require a significant amount of time, work, and coordination to come off as well as they have. Applause to Sandra, Sandy, and all the helpers who work together and have fun preparing these meals - they have been jobs well done!

The annual Garage Sale was a significant money-maker and while we may or may not ever host another Garage Sale, this one was worth the work financially as we brought in \$2,112.10!!! Extraordinary effort...thanks to all who helped out!

In November we paid the GFWC state organization for dues and contributions (\$1,088.95), and in January we pay half of our homeowner's insurance policy which is about \$1,200.00. So, these two larger expenses were and are expected and planned for; we have the funds available.

At present (12/9/21) our balance is \$7,070.50 in our General Account and \$4,053.45 in our Building Account.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or comments. Complaints send to Sandra! (Smile).

Thank you all, With love, respect and kindness and wishing everyone happy and safe holidays!
Bonnie Jessee



GFWC WOMAN'S CLUB OF INVERNESS FL
2nd Vice President Chairman - Donna Anlo
MEMBERSHIP



Greetings Fellow Members,

At our opening meeting on September 13th, there were twenty-six members and two guests attending. We all wore masks and decided we would be comfortable doing the same for the October meeting.

I inducted two new members at that meeting. **Debbie Reynolds and Sandy Olson**. A special thanks to Sandy for her patience and long wait for her induction. We are so happy to have these two new members and look forward to working with them in all our endeavors.

Our Open House on September 21st, was another positive move forward for us.

I'm so grateful for all the members who were able to attend. Each of you played a very important part in making this so successful. There were twelve of us and seven guests so it was possible to conduct one on one informative conversations with our guests.

We all felt the warm, casual environment is what helped create enthusiasm among the guests who, by the way, all completed applications with promises of attending our October meeting. **Yay! Now in November we have three new members!**

Special thanks needs to be given to our Co-Presidents, Sandra Koonce and Sandy Boyette, First Vice-President, Sally Barrow and Recording Secretary, Katherine Regan for their help presenting the event.

With love, respect and kindness, *Donna*



GFWC SIGNATURE PROJECT:
Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention.

Domestic Violence: Don't Wait Nine Seconds to Break the Silence



The GFWC Signature Project Standing Committee seeks to make the community more aware of Domestic Violence within our community and identify ways in which the Club can help local Shelters and educate the public. The Project covers not only Domestic Violence, but also Child Abuse and Elder Abuse issues. It addresses Teen Dating Violence and related issues. Each April, we plant a pinwheel garden in honor of Child Abuse Awareness and Prevention month. **The primary focus of this committee this year will be Jessie's Place, which cares for children affected by Domestic Violence.**

GFWC Success for Survivors Scholarship. As a national leader in the fight to end domestic violence, GFWC will award \$2,500 to help survivors of intimate partner violence obtain a post-secondary education through the GFWC Success for Survivors Scholarship. The scholarship deadline is January 31 of each year. Promoting the GFWC Success for Survivors Scholarship is a key component to helping us change lives, and we can't do it alone. Spread the word. Visit www.GFWC.org/Scholarship to download the press release and other marketing materials. For more information contact the GFWC Programs Department at 202-347-3168 or Programs@GFWC.org.

We are Proud Supporters of Jessie's Place (Citrus County Children's Advocacy Center), Citrus County Citrus Abuse Shelter Association which is the local refuge for domestic violence victims.



OUR CLUBHOUSE



IWC CLUB HOUSE AVAILABLE FOR RENTAL

Just to let you know ...

Despite the restrictions of Covid during the first part of the year, the IWC building rentals have marched (limped) along. January thru May was pretty slow – 1 in January, 2 in February, 2 in March, 3 in April and 1 in May. However, starting the beginning of June, Weight Watchers resumed meeting every Tuesday afternoon and Friday Morning – a HUGE boost for our June, July and August income. They, however, have had diminished attendance with this latest Delta variance and have to meet every Friday only. Hopefully they can hold on.

In June, July and August we've had a total of 7 baby showers, 2 birthdays, 2 memorials and 1 baptism giving us over \$3,000 for the year so far.

Most of our rentals come to us through word of mouth and from people who have attended a function in the past. We have the BEST renters in Citrus County. 99% are respectful of the property and say they'll be back and/or tell their friends about us. In the years I've worked with the renters I've had many smiles along the way – from a 5 yr. old's birthday party whose mother had that same baby's shower here, to a special 95th year birthday, a 10 yr. old's tea party and even a few weddings.

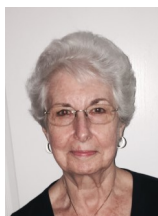
Don't miss an opportunity to spread the word.

We charge \$115 for four hours (giving renters an hour ahead at no charge so they can set up). If they need more than four hours the cost is \$25/hr. We also ask that they take home whatever garbage they generate and leave the building clean the way they found it. If they don't want to clean it, there is an extra \$50 charge. The best deal in town!!! Bottom line to renters: respect the care and upkeep of the building. And they do. People seem to be heeding the warnings about gatherings of more than ten, which has certainly been reflected in our rentals.

The clubhouse is ideal for not only meetings, but so many other occasions – bridal showers, baby showers, birthday parties, memorials, weddings, craft shows, even small church services. Don't be shy about spreading the word. It's the best deal in town – all the comforts and coziness of home for only \$115 for four hours and \$25 for each additional hour.. We're easy to find, have lots of parking, have a full kitchen and are nice and clean. Call Dorothy for information. 352-560-6155

Pray we get better!

Dorothy Stanton, Clubhouse Rentals Chair

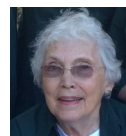


RESTAURANT GATHERINGS

Sue Allen

We will resume our dinners out! The second Thursday of every Month (unless you want another per month!) for all who are ready to get out again.! Dec. 14, 2021, at the Cove will be our reuniting at a restaurant. Remember it is a time to bring a spouse, a friend, or just yourself alone, and come get better acquainted over a casual meal. We are open to any suggestions as to any place you might like to go!

Sue



ART & CULTURE

Debbie Sargent, Chairman



Imagine What We Can Plan for a Service Project in Art & Culture

We can participate in an Art & Culture Service Program with just a little planning and imagination.

- Include handmade gifts in baskets for Assisted Living and Nursing homes.
- Donate art supplies to students, teachers, daycare centers, churches and libraries.
- Attend a Painting Class with Club members or invite an instructor to a meeting for fun night of painting.
- Plan holiday events and projects such as, homemade cards for nursing home residents.

Have you been doing Art ?

*Love, Respect and Kindness,
Debbie*

Civic Engagement and Outreach Veterans Day



**CIVIC ENGAGEMENT
AND OUTREACH**
Barbara Cooper
Chairman



Ladies,

Our GFWC Inverness Woman's Club created an outstanding float for this year's Veterans Day Parade. Sandy Boyette and Dennis Cleerden, Linda and Alex Chuckman and Barbara and Gary Cooper all did a stellar job creating a float using the Clubs' banners and American Flags. Dennis generously donated the use of his truck again this year. Gary provided the structural materials and they all provided their expertise in woodworking

Our only female veteran, Maxine Henderson rode in the front of the truck with Dennis. Sandra Koonce, Sandy Boyette, Linda Chuckman, Barbara Cooper, Sandy Olson, Chris McIntire, Sally Barrow and Bonnie Jessee were chosen through a lottery drawing to ride in the bed of the truck. They waved flags as people on the sidelines stood and applauded as we travelled the parade route.

It was such an honor to celebrate Veterans Day along with our veterans both male and female from all branches of the military. The parade terminated at the Old Historic Courthouse where many monuments stand honoring both male and female veterans from World War I, World War II, the Korean conflict, Vietnam War and the Gulf Wars.

With Love, Respect and Kindness,

*Barbara Cooper, Chairman, Civic Engagement and Outreach
Committee: Barbara Weirich, Marilyn Marselle*



Exciting news! Beginning with the Winter 2022 issue, the *GFWC Clubwoman Magazine* will now be available to every member, without subscription, as a benefit of belonging to the Federation.

Download your magazine today from the GFWC Member Portal, under "C" in the "Clubwoman Magazine" folder. If you receive *News & Notes*, then you have already created a profile for accessing the Portal! If you do not receive *News & Notes* and have not yet created a profile, visit the [FAQs page of the GFWC website](#) to get started. Alternatively, you can visit the [GFWC YouTube channel](#) for a tutorial on how to use the Digital Library. Or, if assistance is needed, please contact GFWC@GFWC.org.





CIVIC ENGAGEMENT AND OUTREACH

Chairman, Barbara Cooper



Veteran's Day Program one of the Best Ever

[Tears flowed and patriotism abounded during our November general meeting that was three days before Veteran's Day.](#)

Program chair Sally Barrow began with the meaning of Armistice Day and then had members read poems written from each generation of war that we have participated in since World War II. After "Flanders' Fields" (the poppies grow), she gave the meaning behind the "Buddy Poppies," that veterans sell each year just before Veterans Day. She also had a poppy for each member present.

At the conclusion of her program, she asked all members who had been married to a service man while he was on active duty to share their stories. Agnes Kearns, Adele Wardrop and Bev Black were in this group. Agnes' husband took her to Africa on one of his assignments, Adele's husband served in all four branches of the military (!), and Bev's husband was assigned to President Dwight Eisenhower at the Pentagon (!).

Bonnie Jessie shared about her reluctance to allow her son to enter the military after she herself had been a loud protester of the Viet Nam war involvement. Her tears and ours blended as she told of his journey and retirement as a Lt. Col, and now ROTC instructor.



The food items for **Citrus United Basket (CUB)** (be as generous as your budget allows – as you know, there is a REAL Need).(Buy one get one free at the time you shop is a good way to help others! Set it aside for the next time we give! Or...take yourself and let us know.) **BRING TO OUR JANUARY MEETING!**

Needs Are:

Peanut butter, box Cereal, Boxed Potatoes, Macaroni and Cheese, Canned Fruit, Canned Tomatoes, Canned Tuna, Jar Applesauce, Canned Beans, Box Crackers, Package of Rice, Package Oatmeal, Package Pasta, Spaghetti Sauce, Chicken Noodle Soup, Canned Corn, Can Mixed Vegetables, Can Carrots, Canned Green Beans, Canned Tomato Soup, Package Stuffing, Canned Mayo or any Jar Vegetables.

NOTE: When you drop off Food Items yourself, take a picture, tell them you are dropping off for the GFWC Woman's Club of Inverness for serving our Community, then send to newsletter Sue Allen Editor at: sallen11@tampabay.rr.com to put in the newsletter. Thank you!

PRALINE PECAN PUMKIN DIP

A festive fall party dip with a sweet crunch, featuring Terri Lynn's Praline Pecans.

Ingredients:

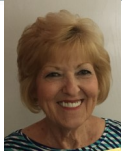
8 oz Cream Cheese, softened
¾ cup Brown Sugar
1 cup **Terri Lynn Praline Pecan Halves** (roughly chopped)
Flat pretzels (or other dipping snack)

1 cup Canned Pumpkin
1 tbsp Cinnamon

Directions:

1. Spread softened cream cheese on serving plate.
2. Mix the pumpkin with the brown sugar and cinnamon.
3. Spread pumpkin mixture over cream cheese.
4. Top with roughly chopped Terri Lynn Praline Pecan Halves
5. Keep chilled, serve with flat pretzels.





SUNSHINE
Pauline Stasick
Maxine Henderson



Ladies,

I have been humbled this week to be a recipient of our Sunshine Committee's "get well" wishes after contracting Covid. Thank you all for your prayers and acts of kindness, as they were so appreciated!

Frances Hamilton however was not as fortunate as I. She was in the hospital recovering from Covid for 10 days. During that time her heart rate dropped so low that she had to have a pacemaker to regulate it. She is on her way to recovery and was sent to Diamond Ridge for some rehab and therapy. Please keep Frances in your prayers and know that your encouragement matters! She is home now and still has challenges.

Sally Barrow's dear Joe Robiller was sent two cards and we are glad to hear he is doing well. I just received word that Anna Murray had a mild case of Covid, too. Anna, please know that we are thinking about you and miss you!

We were so sorry to hear of Marion Gundling's loss of her husband Art. Marion is always one of the first to volunteer to help the club and we pray for her loss.

Marilyn Marselle was sent a "thinking about you" card as she has been ill for some time and unable to attend our meetings. It wasn't until I was practically bedridden with Covid that I realized how important each and every member is to this fellowship of women.

Maxine Henderson and I have coordinated this assignment of the Sunshine Committee together as a team. We both welcome your calls and emails, so we may spread a little sunshine in the hearts of our members and loved ones.

With Love, Respect and Kindness,
Pauline Stasick & Maxine Henderson



Book Club
Angie Mayo Chairperson



Upcoming books—

For December 15th: *The Silent Patient* by Alex Michaelides. Alicia Berenson, a famous painter married to an in-demand fashion photographer, lives in a grand house overlooking a park in one of London's most enviable areas. One evening her husband Gabriel returns home late from work, and Alicia shoots him five times in the face. After that, she never speaks another word. Her refusal to give any kind of explanation captures the public imagination and makes Alicia famous. Theo Faber, a criminal psychotherapist, is determined to get her to talk and unravel the mystery of why she shot her husband. Read and find out if he's successful.

For January 12th: *The Vanishing Half* by Brit Bennett. The Vignes sisters are identical twins. But after growing up together in a small, southern black community and running away at age sixteen, their lives shape differently. Many years later, one sister lives with her black daughter in the same southern town she once tried to escape. The other secretly passes for white, and her white husband knows nothing of her past. Even separated by so many miles and just as many lies, the fates of the twins remain intertwined. *The Vanishing Half* considers the lifelong influence of the past in shaping a person's decisions and expectations. It explores the reasons why people sometimes feel pulled to live as something other than their origins.

If anyone wishes to join our discussions on the above dates at 1 p.m., please let me know by sending me an email at holamayos@hotmail.com. You can either participate actively or just listen in to our discussion.

"It is not true that people stop pursuing dreams because they grow old, they grow old because they stop pursuing dreams." – Gabriel García Márquez

A night of fellowship at the Cove as our Thursday night dinners have resumed. Come join the fun on each Thursday night of the month. It's a night for friends and spouses.



Environment

Education



ENVIRONMENT
Linda Chuckman, Chairman



IWC Excels in Virtual Wellness Challenge

The Inverness Woman’s Club, once again, was the top performing team in the Citrus County Virtual Wellness Challenge. This was the second consecutive year in which IWC was recognized with the first-place honor. During the Wellness Challenge, teams earned points through activities in ten different categories such as healthy eating, exercise, stress relief, social engagement, and mental stimulation. In addition to the overall team recognition, IWC member, Sandy Olson, was the top-scoring individual in the county. At our December meeting, David DeCarlo, a Dementia Education, Inc. board member presented awards and plaques to the club as well as to the twenty-three members who made up the team.

The Wellness Challenge’s purpose was two-fold. Not only was it designed for greater self-awareness in terms of healthy living practices, but it also raised funds for the nonprofit Dementia Education Inc. IWC team members felt that that participating in this worthy cause also helped them ‘get on track’ with beneficial activities and habits. At the conclusion of the Challenge, team members set their goals on continuing these practices throughout the year.

Soles4Souls Shoe Collection

Did you know that recycling shoes keeps pounds of textiles out of landfills and has an impact on reducing carbon dioxide emission? That was the effect of IWC’s last shoe drive, and we are focused on continuing to have a positive impact on the environment while helping those in need. Through the Soles4Souls program, IWC members are collecting gently worn shoes. The shoes will be collected at our February meeting and will be shipped, with financial support from the online company, Zappos, to the Soles4Souls organization. They, in turn, will redistribute shoes to assist victims of natural disasters, the homeless, and those living in impoverished areas throughout the world. This will be a great way for us to clean out our closets with purpose and to help the less fortunate.

With Love, Respect, and Kindness for all, Linda



EDUCATION AND LIBRARIES
Katherine Regan, Chairman



Progress report regarding Scholarship Process

In keeping with our plan to support the GFWC Challenge Project and the GFWC Woman’s Club of Inverness mission to award a Scholarship to a qualified female graduating student with “special needs”, we have met with the Citrus High School Scholarship Coordinator. With her guidance, the Scholarship application has been revised to align with the intended student audience. The revised application form has been submitted to Citrus High School. The Scholarship Coordinator has informed me that the Scholarship application has been sent to the district office to be published on the Scholarship website and is also posted on the Scholarship bulletin at Citrus High School. The application submission deadline is March 31, 2022 and we hope this early posting will give students a head start as they start the process to plan for their future. We will continue to keep everyone inform.

With love, respect and kindness for all, Katherine Regan

WEBSITES Webstore: <https://InvWomansClub.terrilynn.com> * GFWC Inverness Club: www.gfwcinvfl.org

Our New email : GFWCInvernessFL@gmail.com * GFWC FL State: www.gfwcflorida.org

GFWC Washington: www.gfwc.org





HEALTH & WELLNESS

Rosalie Matt



Ladies,

Please keep collecting magazines, cards, and puzzles again so I can take to the Nursing homes. You can bring to every meeting now and I will load the trunk! Remember besides the magazines they will take puzzles, playing cards.

We are going to take Christmas card again this year so if you have cards to spare let's write on them from the GFWC Woman's Club of Inverness. Bring to the Dec. meeting.

Thank you for All the Christmas gifts for the children at the Citrus Resource Center.

With Love, Respect and Kindness for all, Rosalie

Contact information for our new members!

Please add these names to your membership list in your yearbook:

Susan Finkfiner, 1901 Flame Bush Terrace, Inverness 34453.
H: 352-453-9772; C-452-397-5997. suefink62@gmail.com

Chris McIntire (Vaughn), 874S. Steeves Pt., Floral City, FL 34436.
C-407-748-9040. chris.mcintire@yahoo.com

Jeannie Wallace (Gary), 3546 N. Brazilnut Rd., Beverly Hills, FL 34465. C-727-501-5459. jmwbaner@comcast.net

Fundraising Committee

All Members

Ongoing project this year is **Terri Lynn**. So **All members** should be **promoting** this on **Facebook, email, friends, and community**. **Every time** you see an opportunity to tell about our fundraiser, the better the funds will come in to our treasury.

All projects for fundraising should be helped by all members! **Sign up where you know you fit!**



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Happy Birthday!

Dec. 12th -Sandra Koonce
Dec. 13th Rosalie Matt
Dec. 21st - Sally Barrow



Cooking at Home! Cranberry Orange Relish

Famous Cranberry Orange Relish walks the line between a dinner side and dessert—to delicious effect! Combining tart, wintery cranberries with the sunny, summery sweetness of oranges, this relish is pleasingly zesty and refreshing no matter the meal or season. Cranberry Orange Relish can lighten a heavy meat dish, cut through the richness of gravy, or serve as a unique topping to vanilla ice cream.

A quick and easy-to-make pick-me-up and a vibrant twist on classic cranberry sauce all at once!

Ingredients: 1 unpeeled orange, seeded, cut into eighths. 1 (12-ounce) package frozen cranberries, rinsed and drained. 1 cup sugar

Directions: 1. Place half of the cranberries and half of the orange slices into a food processor. 2. Process the cranberries and orange slices in the food processor until the mixture is evenly and nicely chopped. 3. Move the mixture to a bowl. 4. Then, repeat the process with the remaining orange slices and cranberries. 5. Combine both halves of the cranberry/orange mixture in a larger bowl. 6. Stir in the sugar, making sure all of the fruit is saturated with sugar. 7. Store in the refrigerator or freezer before serving.

Merry Christmas!

GFWC Woman's Club of Inverness News!



Congratulations!



CELEBRATING 25 Years



Agnes Kearns was recognized at the October meeting of the Inverness Woman's Club for 25 years of membership. Because the club continues to take precautions concerning COVID, instead of a cake, individual cupcakes were prepared and served. The letters on the cupcakes spelled out, "Thank you, Agnes, for 25 years with IWC." Donna Anllo, membership chair, arranged the tribute and presented Agnes with a 25 year pin from the General Federation. Kearns has served the club in numerous positions. Most significantly, she was on the committee that found the property on which the organization's clubhouse was built and for many years was responsible for overseeing clubhouse rentals, which range from baby showers to family reunions to corporate meetings. An open house for potential new members was held in September to explain the club's volunteer purposes. Anyone interested in learning more about the club may call Anllo at 352-249-0889

"We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give." — Winston Churchill

Meeting Prospective Members At Our Clubhouse! Guests dropped in throughout the afternoon and were shown club scrapbooks and brochures. Present members sat down one on one with each guest to answer questions about the club. At far right, Barbara Cooper talks with Chris McIntire, who has become one of our newest members.



GFWC Woman's Club of Inverness News



GFWC WOMAN'S CLUB OF INVERNESS



OUR VETERAN !

Thank You Maxine Henderson
for your Service!



Jean Laird and Rosalie Matt delivered Operation Christmas Child again to the Citrus County Resource Center

Welcome New Members!



Donna Anllo, Sandy Olson, Jeannie Wallace, Chris McIntire, Debbie Reynolds, and Susan Finkbinder are our newest members. Although Sandy has been a member for almost two years, because of Covid, she has not been able to get acquainted or take part (even though she sat in on several Zoom meetings). Debbie likewise joined us while we were under lockdown but supported our fundraising dinners from the very first. Jeannie, Chris and Susan came to our open house and are already active in the club!

GFWC FLORIDA - DISTRICT 5 NOTES - THINGS DONE - COMING UP



Our new District 5 Director! Member of GFWC Williston Woman's Club at left and Sara Dessureau, GFWC FL 1st Vice President



Our Presidents attend GFWC Reporting Workshop!

Co- Presidents Sandra Koonce and Sandy Boyette were welcomed by GFWC State 1st Vice President Sara Dessureau at a workshop about reporting. They will use what they learned—about shortened forms for the annual reports to state in January as they compile our service hours. Service hour report form will be handed out at the December meeting.



South Central Region President Cathie Ryan issued the 2022 Invitation to Convention, which will be held June 25-28, 2022 in New Orleans, Louisiana. GFWC International President Marian St Clair closed the Convention with expressions of gratitude to the GFWC Southern Region for hosting and working so hard with her assistants and the Convention Committee to provide attendees with a memorable experience.

See you in New Orleans 2022!? Maybe some of us from IWC can plan to go????

Membership Montage - the process or technique of selecting, editing, and piecing together various activities of GFWC Florida to form a cohesive whole. Every Monday we will feature a different area of focus with aligning articles, stories, club activities and photos. Please submit your stories for each area of focus!

1st Monday - Membership

2nd Monday - Leadership

3rd Monday - Programs

4th Monday - Communications and Public Relations

ATTENTION!

Please submit brief articles & photos to clubwomaneditor@gfwcflorida.org each week by Wednesday. Indicate area of focus in subject line of your email. If your article or event is not in the newsletter, it could be scheduled for a future week!

If you would like this GFWC FLORIDA CLUB WOMAN newsletter delivered to your email inbox, visit the home page on gfwcflorida.org. Scroll to the bottom of the page and complete the newsletter sign-up form.

GFWC NOTES



The Woman's Club By David Robinson

Following the formal opening of GFWC Headquarters in January 1923, individual clubwomen and State Federations began to donate fine furniture, art work, silverware, and books to help create a more “home-like” environment.

Women, their fashions, and their interests were of public interest and magazine articles often profiled the “clubwoman” or “the woman’s club.” In 1927, *McCall’s* magazine published a painting entitled *The Woman’s Club* by David Robinson that portrayed a variety of faces and attitudes in an audience of woman’s club members. The painting was used to illustrate a Dorothy Canfield article about “3, 000,000 women.” The painting attracted much attention when it was exhibited in Nebraska in 1927. Nebraska Federation members requested the painting be presented to GFWC Headquarters and the artist contributed it in honor of the first Nebraska state president, Flavia Camp Canfield. The formal presentation was made at the 1928 biennial convention in San Antonio, Texas.

We have this hanging in our Club!

With Love Respect and Kindness,

Sue Allen,

GFWC Florida Women’s History Resource Center Chairman



GFWC Legacy Club

By Mary Baird, WHRC Committee Member

The idea for the GFWC Legacy Club came about at a GFWC North Carolina Convention, when Debby Bryant and Melanie Carriker had a conversation about their experiences as daughters of State Presidents. The idea continued to grow at the following Region Conference as others joined the discussion, including Mary Jo Thomas, Rosemary Thomas, and Babs Condon.

The concept was to form a club for those inspired to become a GFWC member because of their relationship with a grandmother, mother, aunt, sister, or other family member. The object of the club is to maintain the bonds of clubwomen who share GFWC membership through several generations of their families, to support the ideals and programs of GFWC, and to be a legacy of the Federation. The club charter was signed in 2015 by GFWC International Past President Babs Condon and her mother, GFWC Maryland Past State President Mrs. Barbara Peck, as well as GFWC North Carolina Past State President Wendy Carriker and her daughter, Melanie Carriker, and GFWC International Past President Juanita Bryant and her daughter, Debby Bryant. The first club president was Melanie Carriker.

Membership in the Legacy Club includes those who are first generation and beyond clubwomen. The club’s annual meeting is held during the GFWC Annual Convention. Current membership is approximately 60 members. The club has traditionally made a donation to the GFWC Women’s History and Resource Center. In 2020, the club celebrated the 100th anniversary of the ratification of the 19th Amendment with a donation of \$350 to the WHRC.

The club is open to any current clubwoman that has a legacy connection to GFWC through a family member. For more information on membership, contact one of the current club officers: President Rosemary Thomas, Vice President Susette Redwine, Secretary Dianne Maki-Sethi, or Treasurer Debra Bryant.

Donate to WHRC (Woman’s History Resource Center)

Help the WHRC preserve the history of GFWC and the contributions of its clubwomen!

Donate Online or write a **Check**

Include "WHRC" in the memo line, and make payable and send to: GFWC 1734 N Street NW Washington, DC 20036-2990

What We Did!



Chris McIntire and Donna Anllo working hard at garage sale



Dennis Clearing and Gary Cooper were the strong men who helped with heavy items – in addition to coordinator Mary Doolittle’s husband, Chuck; and Linda Chuckman’s husband, Alex.



Susan Finkbiner, our new member, shows of a tray of CDs’ that were popular at the Garage Sale.



Sandy Boyette, Linda Chuckman and Katherine Regan were among the workhorses that sorted garage sale items and priced them before the sale. This was a three-day effort that took place at three different homes. Thank you ladies for your hard work!



TAKE OUT DINNER FUNDRAISER

The Take-out dinner was very successfully prepared and launched! These ladies worked hard! Meal were enjoyed by all! Thank-You!



Mary Doolittle and Marion Gundling cooked all the chicken schnitzel for the Octoberfest dinner. Sally Barrow’s friend Joe, a native of Germany who once owned a German restaurant (in America), cut all the chicken in the proper way.



Sandra Koonce and Noreen Zemko, reservation chair for the Octoberfest dinner, went over the reservation list for prior to the doors opening.



Linda Chuckman pauses during one of her daily runs. Linda coordinated for the second year the virtual fitness challenge that brought first place honors both years for the IWC team!!!

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7/4/22	Independence Day	6/21/22
9/6/21	Labor Day	8/23/21
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12/25/21	Christmas Day	12/10/21
12/31/21	New Year's Day	12/17/21

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You may order your products online at www.gfwcinvfl.org .



TOGETHER WE CAN and MAKE KINDNESS LOUD



All of us know how good kindness can feel — to give and receive. Yet in our everyday lives we sometimes need a nudge toward making the move, giving the compliment, asking the question that shows we care. Last year at GFWC Florida we began wondering how we could give more of those nudges. We wanted the line in our manifesto.—We believe in human kindness , knowing we made better when we all work together—to come to life. Love, Respect and Kindness for all!

And so we Make Kindness Loud. Idea: There is no rocket Science involved— just a group of people walking around and hanging up flyers all around our community, in offices stores etc. Each flyer has some prompts for acts of Kindness. Some were small ideas that cost nothing, like calling an old friend to see how they were doing. Others suggested sending flowers for no reason or buying coffee for a stranger.

We hoped these small daily actions would make a difference in our community or workplace. Very soon we might find these moments could reach far outside our own little world. Stories of a chain reactions started by these kindness can come back to us . A new friendship can forge with a neighbor . The old neighbor who got the call, would then decide to coordinate a larger reunion with people from all over the country.

It is easy to think new friends and classmates don't change the world. But on the other hand, it's just as easy to think that maybe they can. And so we think why not share our flyers with people who might like to start some chain reactions of their own?

Not for ourselves, but for others.

GFWC IWC Forgotten Brick Project



The Forgotten Brick Project Barbara Rains, Chairman

Several years ago, purchase of bricks for our memorial garden pathway became a major fundraiser for our club. But no brick orders have been received for over two years. ***What's happened?***

Even though it is no longer classified as a main fundraiser, bricks can still be ordered to support contributions and gifts to our community, scholarships and club maintenance. It is not limited to only club members - the general public can also place orders.

This is a great opportunity to have a club member's name engraved into a brick, a military recognition, ***In Memory of*** or ***In Honor of*** as a permanent remembrance for everyone to enjoy. Artwork/graphics are available.

The cost of the brick with engraving is \$50 for each brick. The club receives 50% and free shipping is available when five (5) bricks are ordered at the same time. Use the 4x8 Donor Order Form with a check payable to the GFWC Woman's Club of Inverness and mailed to Barbara Rains, 1102 S. Otto Point, Inverness, FL 34450. For artwork/graphic designs and further information, contact Barbara at 352-598-3504.

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