GFWC Coco Plum Woman's Club, Inc.

April 2020 Newsletter



What's Happening in April!



Well, what can I say! During this time of stress, confinement and binge Netflix watching, I am gaining all the few pounds I had lost during my move.

With everything being cancelled and not being able to go to the Dollar Store, Macy's, movies or playing canasta, now is the time to catch up on missing friends, and family you haven't talked to in awhile.

I read that many teachers are encouraging their students to write letter, cards or notes to family, friends and those elderly in nursing homes. What a great idea! We, as GFWC Club women, can do the same. Write a couple of cards to nursing homes or to a first responder. Mark on the card if it's to a nursing home or a first responder. Put them in an envelope and send them to me or call me and I will pick them up. Then, I will forward them on.

As the Club is closed for now. We continue to monitor the phones and emails. Rosie, is working from home and is answering all the phone calls and continues to book our club for events in the future.

Speaking of the future. We will let you know as time moves on what decisions are being made regarding our meetings and events. We will be making the decision regarding the Tea and let you know.

If you need anything or just want to talk, please call me. I truly appreciate every one of GFWC Coco Plum members and know we will get through this and have lots of stories to tell.

Stay well, stay safe and stay happy.

NEW UPDATE: THE TEA HAS BEEN POSTPONED. STAY TUNED FOR FURTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Love, Anita

PS: I have a new address, so call me and I will give it to you.

2020 ELECTION SLATE and INSTRUCTION TO VOTE

NOMINEES FOR THE 2020-2022 BOARD:

PRESIDENT: Sue Nichols FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT: Carol Nobles SECOND VICE-PRESIDENT: Donna Falana RECORDING SECRETARY: Caroline Jensen CORRESPONDING SECRETARY: Heike Leibkuchler TREASURER: Joyce Windhorst FINANCIAL SECRETARY: Sara Warren

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Voting should be held at our April meeting, but due to the current situation, voting will be by electronic vote. We will be sending an email to **<u>club members only</u>** with the ballot attached.

All you will need to do is forward your vote to Donna Lewis mickeymowgli@aol.com

Since we did not have any nominees from the floor, the slate stands as printed.

Results will be emailed out as soon as possible.

April Birthday Celebration!



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Invítes you to Ann's 12th Annual Englísh Hígh Tea Apríl 16, 2020 2-4 pm Donatíon: \$35

For Reservations Call Nadine LaGuette @ 305-856-1816 or email <u>annegret@bellsouth.net</u> No later than April 12th, 2020

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Don't forget to wear your Tea hat. We have prizes for elegant, funny and original hats!



Proceeds from this benefit will go to the FIU Presidents Council - Fostering Panther Pride

FIU's Fostering Panther Pride (FPP) program offers tailored academic and other support services to undergraduate students identified as former foster youth or homeless.

THE ARTS COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM

We can't have enough **Doodle Art Coloring Books for adults and colored pencils!!** We made so many men and woman happy when they received their books and pencils we want to continue!!!!

We will still collect the Doodle Art coloring

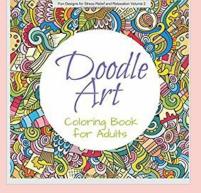


books at the next General Membership meeting whenever that will be!

Thank you to all that have donated in the past, we sure can use your help again!!

Thank you in advance and stay safe,

Donna Falana, Chairman



Signature Program -Domestic Violence Awareness and Prevention

I had scheduled a tour at the facility, but with all that is going on, I cancelled the tour for now, but will reschedule as soon as we have "the all clear" to proceed with the new normal life. I will let everyone know!



Sara Warren, Chairman

International Outreach Community Service Program and President's Project OPERATION SMILE

A BIG thank you to every one who brought items for OPERATION SMILE (President's Project) at the last meeting!

Donna Falana and I are working hard making SMILE bags. So far we have **30 bags**.

Please keep bringing the following items:

- Small shampoo (.85 to 1.4 oz travel size)
- Small comb



- Washcloth
- Small travel size bar of soap
- Small travel size tube of toothpaste
- Individually packaged child-size toothbrush
- Small stuffed animal
- 8 or 10 pack box of crayons
- Thin 8.5"x 11" coloring book
- Please no body wash, conditioner, or lotions.

To see more about Operation Smile, click the link below:

Operation Smile

International Outreach Committee chairman, Margaret Sarafoglu

THE EDUCATION COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM

This program focuses on both literacy and life-long learning in the community.

Many individual library crates have already been made and given to children. There are more books that have been donated, so this project is not over!!

Thank you, Charlene and Barbara, Co-Chairman

BOOKS! BOOKS! BOOKS! Please don't forget!



Once we have scheduled our next meetings, we would appreciate your continuous help with bringing books to the meetings! We can still end this year with many books for kids to read!!

THE HOME LIFE COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM

The Home Life Committee is designed to inform members of issues that affect the wellbeing of individuals, families, and communities.

We are working on some new ideas, please stay tuned for future activities. Be safe, wash your hands and stay indoors.

Carol and Pat, Co-Chairman



15 DAYS TO SLOW THE SPREAD

Listen to and follow the directions of your STATE AND LOCAL AUTHORITIES.

IF YOU FEEL SICK, stay home. Do not go to work. Contact your medical provider.

IF YOUR CHILDREN ARE SICK, keep them at home. Do not send them to school. Contact your medical provider.

IF SOMEONE IN YOUR HOUSEHOLD HAS TESTED POSITIVE for the coronavirus, keep the entire household at home. Do not go to work. Do not go to school. Contact your medical provider.

IF YOU ARE AN OLDER PERSON, stay home and away from other people.

IF YOU ARE A PERSON WITH A SERIOUS UNDERLYING HEALTH CONDITION that can put you at increased risk (for example, a condition that impairs your lung or heart function or weakens your immune system), stay home and away from other people.

CDC

For more information, please visit CORONAVIRUS.GOV

THE PRESIDENT'S CORONAVIRUS GUIDELINES FOR AMERICA

DO YOUR PART TO SLOW THE SPREAD OF THE CORONAVIRUS

Even if you are young, or otherwise healthy, you are at risk and your activities can increase the risk for others. It is critical that you do your part to slow the spread of the coronavirus.

Work or engage in schooling FROM HOME whenever possible.

IF YOU WORK IN A CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE INDUSTRY, as defined by the Department of Homeland Security, such as

healthcare services and pharmaceutical and food supply, you have a special responsibility to maintain your normal work schedule. You and your employers should follow CDC guidance to protect your health at work.

AVOID SOCIAL GATHERINGS in groups of more than 10 people.

AVOID DISCRETIONARY TRAVEL, shopping trips, and social visits.

DO NOT VISIT nursing homes or retirement or long-term care facilities unless to provide critical assistance.

PRACTICE GOOD HYGIENE:

 Wash your hands, especially after touching any frequently used item or surface.

Avoid touching your face.

- · Sneeze or cough into a tissue, or the inside of your elbow.
- Disinfect frequently used items and surfaces as much as possible.

CORONAVIRUS.GOV

School operations can accelerate the spread of the coronavirus. Governors of states with evidence of community transmission should close schools in affected and surrounding areas. Governors should close schools in communities that are near areas of community transmission, even if those areas are in neighboring states. In addition, state and local officials should close schools where coronavirus has been identified in the population associated with the school. States and localities that close schools need to address childcare needs of critical responders, as well as the nutritional needs of children.

Older people are particularly at risk from the coronavirus. All states should follow Federal guidance and halt social visits to nursing homes and retirement and long-term care facilities.

In states with evidence of community transmission, bars, restaurants, food courts, gyms, and other indoor and outdoor venues where groups of people congregate should be closed.

Meeting Reservations

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General Membership Meeting - RESERVATIONS

At our Business meetings, we serve lunch, which includes a glass of wine, salad, entrée and dessert all for \$20.00. Unfortunately, we cannot offer a variety of entrees. Therefore, we will be offering 1 vegetarian and 1 regular meal to choose from. When the ladies call you for your RSVP, please let them know if you need the regular meal or a vegetarian meal. THERE WILL BE NO SUBSTITUTION. Also, if you make a reservation and do not attend you will be billed for the meal. If you show up without a reservation you MAY NOT be able to eat as we only prepare meals for those that have made a reservation.

If someone has made a reservation and did not show up you may be able to take their spot, BUT you WILL still have to pay for your meal.

I hope this clears up any misunderstanding and confusion in the past. This is the best way we can control this situation. Thank you for your understanding.

Thank you for your help and cooperation. Anita Jenkins, President



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Calendar Events

ALL MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES ARE ON HOLD

5/14 - 5/18 - GFWC Florida Annual Convention (So far this is still on)

Click on the Calendar link below which will direct you to our website Calendar page for detailed in formation

CALENDAR

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