

# *GFWC Coco Plum Woman's Club, Inc. January 2024 Newsletter*



## *What's Happening in January!*



## *President's Message*

Dear Coco Plum Friends

Happy New Year!

The new year offers an opportunity for renewal.

However, let us not forget the value of traditions. During the holidays the power of rituals and traditions can provide a sense of continuity and community.

Our annual holiday party celebrates our efforts. It is our club's tradition to celebrate our successes.

The Coco Plum Woman's Club tradition of caring spans over 100 years. These acts of kindness are a way to symbolize our achievements.

Let's raise a glass and toast our members from the past, the current membership, and our future members. Here is to more years of doing good.

Wishing all a happy & healthy new year.

Carol Nobles  
President

# January Birthdays



Happy  
*Birthday*

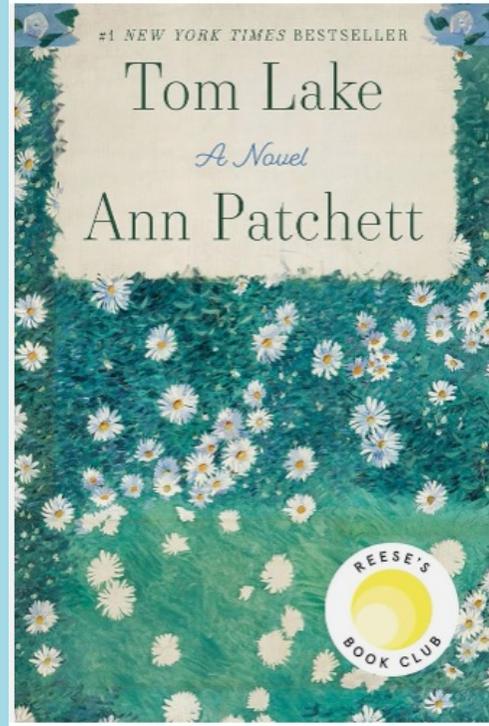
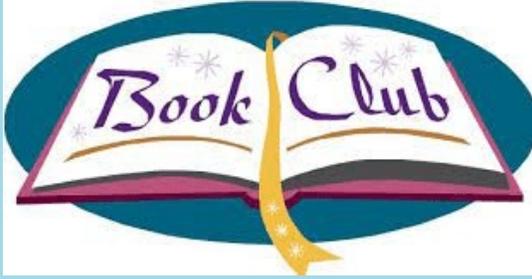
Jan G.	1/1
Pam C.	1/11
Margaret S.	1/16
Carol N.	1/28

## EDUCATION and LIBRARIES COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM

**Overview of this CSP** - GFWC members promote education in both children and adults. We aim to help others, while we also continue to learn. Projects in this CSP are designed to foster schools, as well as other educational institutions and opportunities, and to promote literacy, libraries and the love of a good book. Through these efforts, we encourage the growth of individuals and communities at home and around the world.

Chairmen, Charlene Feldner and Barbara Wexler





Our next Book Club meeting is  
Tuesday, January 16, 12:30 pm  
in the Boardroom.  
BYOBL (bring your own bag lunch)  
some do, some don't.

The Elves of the Education Committee were very busy before Christmas preparing and delivering gifts to the migrant children of Redondo Elementary School in Homestead. Julie, Jan, Barbara, and Charlene felt the true meaning of Christmas, seeing the joy on the children's faces as they opened their crates. The added gifts we included from our generous club members made the crates even more special.

As we watched the children open their crates, they were so excited!

One second grade girl said, "Oh my goodness, I love this book!"

As our visit ended, the children presented us with snow globes and ornaments as a "thank you" to Coco Plum Woman's Club!

Thank you, members, for all you gave for these little angels. Enjoy the pictures.





## ARTS and CULTURE COMMUNITIY SERVICE PROGRAM

The GFWC Arts and Culture Community Service Program encourages members to promote and support art and cultural programs in their clubs and communities, and to expand understanding on every level, from local and regional to national and international. Our goal is to create projects that include crafts, dance, drama, food, music, and other manifestations of art and culture that develop skills, awareness, and appreciation. It is designed to inspire clubwomen and ignite within them a desire to make the world a more beautiful, thoughtful, and caring place.

Chairman, Aminta Konawicz



## ENVIRONMENT COMMUNITY

# SERVICE PROGRAM



**Overview of this CSP** - The GFWC Environment Community Service Program encourages us to become stewards of the earth by working to preserve the world's resources, protect wildlife and domesticated animals, live sustainably, and beautify our communities and enjoy nature. Environmental degradation is cumulative and many scientists warn that we are at a tipping point. There is no time like the present to act.

Chairmen, Donna Falana and Norma Craig

We hope everyone's having a good summer, and staying cool in this heat.  
Remember the three "Rs" - **REDUCE, REUSE and RECYCLE!**



## **World Water Day is March 22, 2024.**

GFWC Florida will be buying water purification tablets for people with water insecurity. A box of tablets costs \$40.00 and will purify 10,000 gallons. The goal is to donate 1 million gallons of clean water to people in need. The Environment Committee will decide on a method of fundraising to contribute to the purchase of water tablets.

# CIVIC ENGAGEMENT and OUTREACH COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM



**Overview of this CSP** - The GFWC Civic Engagement and Outreach Community Service Program reminds GFWC members that each of us is a part of a larger society and is responsible for undertaking actions that will create a better quality of life and foster a sense of community locally, regionally, nationally, and globally. This Community Service Program highlights and encourages citizenship; crime prevention, safety, and disaster preparedness; the needy, hungry, and homeless; and our military personnel and veterans.

Chairman, Sara Warren

Sara, Julie and Joyce represented Coco Plum Woman's Club by participating of the wreaths laying at the Palms Woodlawn Cemetery in Homestead. Thank you Ladies.



## HEALTH and WELLNESS COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM



**Overview of this CSP** -The human body, mind, and spirit comprise our health and wellness. To improve our well being, we must address three key components: nutrition, disease prevention, and physical and emotional care. This Community Service Program aims to explore the various opportunities for awareness and advancement of each of these vital areas.

Chairman, Diana Martin

**WALK TO END  
ALZHEIMER'S**  
ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION

**MIAMI**  
**NEW DATE**

**JAN.**  
**14**  
**2024**

Time:  
Event Begins at 8am  
Ceremony at 9am  
Walk at 9:30am

FIU - Riccardo Silva Stadium  
Miami, FL  
[Map it](#)

December Membership Meeting was a full day. Installation of 3 new members and installation of a Pam's husband, Rick, as our newest Booster! Welcome to GFWC Coco Plum Woman's Club! After the meeting, we made flower arrangements that went to the Purdue Nursing Home.







**GFWC Coco Plum Woman's Club Holiday Party 2023**







## CAMP BOGGY CREEK has an urgent need for 2024



- **Colorful twin bed set - fitted sheet, flat sheet and pillowcase set! (No comforters please)**
- **Kid friendly**
- **Boy and girl style or just fun patterns**

**PLEASE, NO SOLID WHITE SETS, the kids see them in the hospitals.**

**Please bring them anytime to the board room and I will get them to Camp Boggy Creek.**

**~ Thank you, Jena**

## Sunshine Committee

Remember those that are sick,  
healing or need help.  
If you know of anyone who is sick  
or needs help,  
please let me know.  
Anita Jenkins



*thinking of you!*

Wishing a speedy recovery  
Marlene Mariani - broken hip



## Calendar Events

- 1/5: Board Meeting
- 1/10: General Membership Meeting
- 1/14: Alzheimers Walk
- 1/16: Book Club: 12:30pm

Click on the Calendar link below which will direct you to our website Calendar page for detailed information and flyers

[Click to CALENDAR](#)

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