

*GFWC Coco Plum Woman's Club, Inc.*

## *May 2020 Newsletter*



### *What's Happening in May!*



### *President's Message*

This has been such a trying time for all of us, being isolated and when together, social distancing from each other. But life goes on and we will go on being the best Woman's Club in our

area. This is my last president's message as my 4 years has come to an end. I have been very honored to be President of such a great club. Every member has been important to me and I am honored to know each of you.

**Your new President, Sue Nichols** will do a fabulous job and I encourage each of you to give her your help and support. Since we could not have an installation meeting, we will do one as soon as it is possible when we are able to gather.

A couple of announcements. As I am sure you know the GFWC Florida Convention to be held in May has been cancelled. Also, the GFWC International Convention to be held in Atlanta the end of June has been cancelled.

Hopefully, we will be able to gather in September for the Fall Board Meeting, which will be held in Orlando.

We did plant a Pinwheel Garden for Child Abuse Prevention Month and we plan on planting a tree for Arbor Day.

I am honored to announce **that GFWC Coco Plum Woman's Club has won the Preservation Award from Dade Heritage Trust.** I do not know all the details yet but will let you know as soon as I get information.

Keep up to date with what is happening to GFWC by:

1. Reading our newsletter
2. Reading Membership Monday
3. Reading GFWC News and Notes

Thank you again and I am looking forward to seeing everyone when we return. Stay safe, keep your distance and wear your masks.

Anita

## **THE COCO PLUM WOMAN'S CLUB 2020-2022 EXECUTIVE BOARD**

PRESIDENT: Sue Nichols

FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT: Carol Nobles

SECOND VICE-PRESIDENT: Donna Falana

RECORDING SECRETARY: Caroline Jensen

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DIRECTOR: Charlene Feldner  
DIRECTOR: Diana Martin  
DIRECTOR: Margaret Sarafoglu  
DIRECTOR: Sally Perlman

Congratulations to our newly elected Executive Board. I want to thank all of you who took the time to respond so promptly and voted. You made it possible to hold this election despite the impossibility of meeting in person at this time. I hope that everyone is well and staying safe. Hopefully we will all be able to gather in person soon and will be able to continue with our community service projects.

Donna Lewis  
Nominating Committee Chairman

## May Birthday Celebration!



**Thank you, Thank You,  
Thank You**

# Anita



Anita, you were the anchor that held our ship together for the past four years and we want you to know how much we appreciated your talents and dedication to the club. You stepped up to serve another two-year term as President when we had a need. You always went above and beyond what was required or expected and you challenged us to become active in the community (Safe Streets, mats for the homeless, pinwheel garden, cookies for the police to name a few) and our club functions. You are truly an extraordinary club woman and your enthusiasm is contagious. You treated your officers with respect and were a true leader. As your ship sails on we know you will continue to be an asset as you serve on the State Board for GFWC Florida. Happy Sailing....

Your 2018-2020 Board Members

## THE ARTS COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM

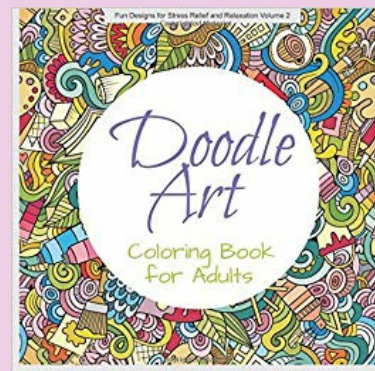
We can't have enough **Doodle Art Coloring Books** for adults and colored pencils!! We made so many men and woman happy when they received their books and pencils we want to continue!!!!

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

As soon as Florida reopens, I will try to

reschedule our tour of the facility. I will let you all know. In the meantime, please be safe and healthy.

Sara Warren, Chairman



## International Outreach Community Service Program and President's Project

### OPERATION SMILE

As the Community Service Programs are changing International Outreach will be changing. If you have collected any items for Operation Smile, please let us know. We will send in all our items as soon as we can get together.

Be on the look out for the new Community Service Program's and the new President's Project!!.



## THE HOME LIFE COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM

The Home Life Committee is designed to inform members of issues that affect the well-being 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.



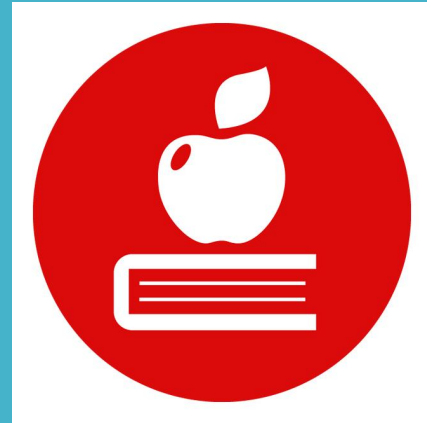


## THE EDUCATION COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM

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. Here is a picture of our latest drop off. We delivered our crate and some additional books to this residence who manages this cute Free Little Library. There are more and more popping up in Miami, so we want to be a part of it! Stay tuned for details about getting one for us! There are more books that need homes, 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!!**

## Way to go Carol Nobles!

Here she is planting a Jacaranda tree for Earth Day!



THE PRESIDENT'S **CORONAVIRUS GUIDELINES** FOR AMERICA

# 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.



For more information, please visit  
**CORONAVIRUS.GOV**

## 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 eating or drinking at bars, restaurants, and food courts—**USE DRIVE-THRU, PICKUP, OR DELIVERY OPTIONS.**

**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.



## Calendar Events

**ALL MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES  
ARE ON HOLD**

**5/14 - 5/18 - GFWC Florida Annual  
Convention -CANCELLED**

**6/27 - 7/1 - GFWC Annual Convention  
(Atlanta, Ga) CANCELLED**

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

**[CALENDAR](#)**

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and  
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