

*GFWC Coco Plum Woman's Club, Inc.  
September, 2021 Newsletter*



*What's Happening in September!*

# Hello September



## President's Message

Welcome back to our first meeting for the 2021-22 year after a hot long summer. Our speaker for our first luncheon meeting is Elizabeth Fisher, the President's Project Chairman for the State. She has a presentation of GFWC Florida's involvement with the Surfside disaster. It is very moving and describes the involvement of GFWC Florida and our members to do good things in our community. You were part of this by providing monetary support along with donations of drinks, water, and snacks. Thank you.

Our annual Tea Party was a huge success and enjoyed by all our members and guests. We will be contributing to the FIU Food Bank and FIU Panther's Pride charities for students in need along with supporting the homeless students at Southridge High School. Thank you to our members for making all the delicious food and a special thank you to Gabby Martonffy and her committee who worked so hard to make this event a success. Thank you, thank you and thank you.

I look forward to seeing all of you at our meetings and to welcome you back. We have many exciting programs scheduled for the year and we need all of your support.

As stated in our directory, "Our club is open for those who will give time and make positive efforts by reaching out to the community while enjoying the fellowship of its members".

Sue

## September Birthday Celebration!



*Jeanette P.*

*Pat R.*

*Sue P.*

*Gloria P.*

*Barbara M.*

*Suzanne M.*

*Nancy F.*

*Ardyce G.*

*Christine M.*



## BOOK CLUB

We will meet on September 21<sup>ST</sup> at Coco Plum. The books we picked to read over the summer were:

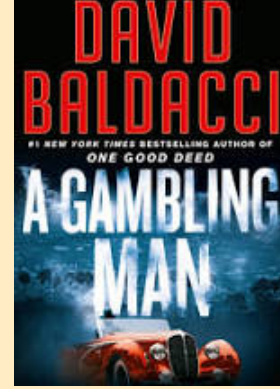
**"The Searcher" by Tana French**

and 2 books by David Baldacci  
"A Gambling Man" & "One Good Deed"

We will be talking about these if you have read them. Don't forget to bring a bag lunch!

Please let me know if you are planning to attend. We are looking forward to meeting again and will be discussing venturing out for lunch next month.

Happy reading,  
Anita



## National Senior Day on Saturday, August 21<sup>st</sup>.

We drove to our members house, whom are homebound at this time.. We delivered goodie bags and treats. We were not able to get all the pictures but I can assure you, everyone was surprised and had smiles on their face!!

Donna and Sue delivered crossword books, colored pencils, novels, games and puzzles to Jackson Memorial Perdue Medical Center. Perdue is a skilled nursing and rehabilitation facility with 163 beds on 11 beautiful acres in Cutler Bay. They provide extended-stay nursing care to seniors with varying levels of disabilities.



## **12th Annual English Tea was a huge success!**

**Everyone seemed to have a good time with Doris Southern as our MC! Thank you Doris, you did an outstanding job.**

**Thank you to all that came. We had about 90 guest in attendance. A special shout out to District 11 Clubs that attended, North East Miami Woman's Club, Miami Woman's Club, Miami Spring Woman's Club, Coconut Grove Woman's**

# Club and Coral Gables Woman's Club. Thank you for your support!







# St. Jude Walk/Run

Get ready, get set, and get your walking shoes on!

It's time for the St. Jude Walk!

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 18<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 AM and we will walk at 8:30  
AM SHARP!**

**Come walk with us around the lake at Baptist Hospital on Kendall  
Dr.**

If you don't want to walk, you can come and be our cheerleaders! We are collecting donations now. Donations can also be mailed to Joyce Windhorst, payable to Coco Plum Woman's Club and in the memo please write ST. JUDE WALK. We will also be collecting donations at the walk or online at the link below. Any amount counts!! Thank you in advance for your donations.

What does St. Jude do with your donations? Your donation helps families to never receive a bill from St. Jude for treatment, travel, housing and food – because all a family should worry about is helping their child live.

Click here to donate online: [Coco Plum's St. Jude donation page](#)

Contact Jena Staly – 305-794-0996 if you have any questions.

## 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.

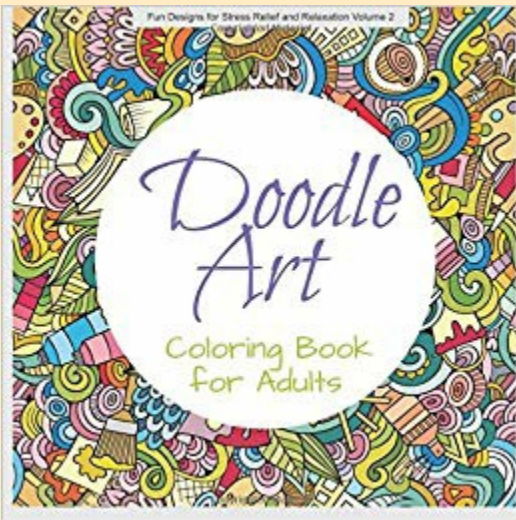
Chairmen, Charlene Feldner and Barbara Wexler



## ARTS and CULTURE COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM

**Overview of this CSP** - The study of art and culture enriches the human experience. Art education improves problem solving and critical thinking skills, builds focus and perseverance and nurtures creativity, confidence and collaboration. Cultural awareness promotes effective communication and profoundly increase the ability to appreciate and enjoy a variety of new people and experience.

Chairman, Donna Falana



Starting with our new club year, every month I will have a box at the front door. I will be collecting **Doodle books, puzzle books, colored pencils, and lead pencils** for the seniors at Perdue. They love getting the books and look forward to our donations. Since the numbers of visitors at Perdue is limited due to the increase in Covid cases, the books keep them busy and engaged.

Thank you in advance!

## ENVIRONMENT COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM

**Overview of this CSP** - 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.

Chairman, Carol Nobles



## CIVIC ENGAGEMENT and OUTREACH COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM

**Overview of this CSP** - This project reminds 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. The 4 "broad strokes" of this effect include: Citizenship; Crime Prevention, Safety and Disaster Preparedness; the Needy, Hungry and Homeless; and our Military Personnel and Veterans.



Chairman, Pat Rivas

## 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 CSP aims to explore the various opportunities for awareness and advancement of each of these vital areas.



Chairman, Sara Warren

GET WELL SOON!

Evelyn Chesney



Marielle Lopez

Sue McManus

*thinking of you!*

Mark your calendar and join in on the  
Monthly Webinar!  
Register in the Members Center of  
[gfwcflorida.org](http://gfwcflorida.org)

## GFWC Florida Monthly Webinar Series

2021-2022

Saturdays at 10:00 a.m. ET

Register in the Member Center on [gfwcflorida.org](http://gfwcflorida.org)



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- CSPs - Hear from Top 10 & Creativity Award winner clubs
    - *Sept. 4 - Health & Wellness and Environment*
    - *Oct. 2 - Education & Libraries and ESO*
    - *Oct. 30 - Arts & Culture and Civic Engagement & Outreach*
  - Dec. 4 - Membership & Retention: Terry Reese & Christa Nuckols
    - *How to engage and retain members in today's world*
  - Jan. 8 - Communications & Technology: Laura Connelly
    - *Google Drive & GFWC Florida Member Center*
  - Feb. 5 - GFWC and GFWC Florida: Dianne Foerster & others
    - *Structure, resources, benefits of being federated*
  - March 8 - Grants: Elayne Bassinger and Kay Taylor
    - *How to identify grant opportunities and write grants*
  - April 2 - Clubhouses: Candi Aubin
    - *How to generate revenue and stay financially solvent*

**September 18 - St. Jude Walk Baptist  
Hospital Pavilion 8am** (Chaired by Jena Staly)

**November 18 - Fashion Show/luncheon -**  
(Chaired by Barbara Bearden & Linda Simpson)

**January 20 - Card & Game Party**  
(Chaired by Sally Perlman)



## Calendar Events

**9/18 - St Jude Walk 8am Baptist Hospital  
Pavilion**

**9/24-26: GFWC Fall Board Orlando**

**10/21-24: GFWC Southern Region  
Convention - Orlando**

**11/9: District 11 Luncheon**

**11/18: Fashion Show/ Luncheon**

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

**[Click to CALENDAR](#)**

## **GFWC Coco Plum Woman's Club Executive Board and Board of Directors 2020-2022**

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