

GFWC Long Beach Women's Club

Member of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, Int'l and the California Federation of Women's Clubs

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President's Message

Hope everyone had great Holidays! Now it is time to get to work!

It is already January and the Fine Arts Festival is coming up on February 24 at South Gate auditorium. The theme is "CELEBRATION OF WOMEN'S VOTE". The forms will be available soon. Please get your photos, handcrafted items and paintings ready, and the decorations should be about the theme. It is always a fun day, so get your items ready and prepare to have fun!

One thing we really need to think about is recruiting. Let's think about it and come up with some ideas. We are still meeting at Grounds, but need to look for another location for *all our new members*!!!!

I know it is a little early, but thanks to Lynn for our reports. She always does such a good job.

Barbee

PRESIDENT'S SPECIAL PROJECT



Waiting for Spring





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From our Dean

HAPPY NEW YEAR!,

I hope you all had a wonderful Christmas. I did. I spent the day eating wonderful foods, enjoying Julie's beautifully decorated home and spending time with my favorite people. We played a fun gift exchange game and laughed our heads off. Totally enjoyable.

I'm happy to tell you that all the club reports are written, copied and sent to the District Dean who will disburse them to the relevant District Chairmen. I didn't rely on See's candy this year to get me through the process but I had some other aids. Despite our small membership numbers the club successfully completed many projects. We have much to be proud of. Hooray, for the LBWC!!

On Monday, February 24th the Fine Arts Festival will be held at the South Gate Auditorium in South Gate. Is there a member who will volunteer to decorate our luncheon table or have ideas to get us started? The theme is "Celebration of Women's Vote". It has been 100 years since the passage of the 19th Amendment but it took 120 years of marches and demonstrations, starting in 1840, to get there. Our club will be catering the event so we need all the help we can get. I'd like us to participate at the Festival by performing a skit or doing something creative. Bring your ideas to the next meeting. We're entering the "Club Craft Table" competition so if you've created anything within this past year please bring it to the FAF if you're getting there early as the judging is scheduled to start at 9. If you're not getting there early bring it to meeting on the 22nd. If you'd like to enter needlework, painting, photography or craft items in the District competition I hope to have the registration forms at the next meeting. I'll also have a sign-up sheet. Mark your calendar right now for this enjoyable event – <u>MONDAY</u>, **FEBRUARY 24TH AT THE SOUTH GATE AUDITORIUM**.

Tuesday, January 21st the club will be baking at Ronald McDonald House. I have a huge bag (Costco) of chocolate chips left over from Christmas so I'd like to incorporate those if we could. We can do double chocolate brownies and peanut butter chocolate chip Rice Krispies. Can you think of something else? Put your thinking caps on and let me know before I go shopping.

March 25th will be the clubs' Federation/Reciprocity Day meeting at the Black Angus in Lakewood. We'll have a served meal with Los Cerritos District officers and other club presidents joining us. We'll have a sale table to sell baked goods, re-gifts, crafts, jewelry, etc. Anything we can sell will help defray the cost of the luncheon for the club. Let's show our guests a wonderful and welcoming time and greet them at the door as you'd like to be greeted if you were attending their clubs.

The Garden Conference will be held on Monday, April 6th. You're saying to yourself that this is only January why should I be concerned about something that's going to happen in April. <u>WELL</u>, this is the time to start some of your seedlings to bring as door prizes. If you happen to be shopping and see something inexpensive that could relate to the Garden Conference pick it up for a door prize. The door prize give-away is always a fun part of the Conference.

Los Cerritos District is holding a 3 day convention April 26-28. On Sunday the 26th, the eve of the convention will be a reception for Robbie Hicklin, the outgoing president. On Monday the 27th will be the opening with a keynote speaker, elections of new officers and workshops. On Tuesday the 28th will be the awards luncheon and installation of the new District President and the in-coming slate of officers. We'll be getting more information later but wanted you to put the date on your calendar.

I think I've covered everything and so I hope to see you at the meeting on January 22rd at Grounds Bakery at 11:00am. See you then.

Hugs, Lynn

We thank Lynn for all the time and effort she devotes to our club reporting.

It's not an easy task to collect all the necessary information and put in on paper!





LOS CERRITOS DISTRICT FINE ARTS FESTIVAL MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2020 South Gate Auditorium Always a fun day— viewing the crafts, the art, the tables and being with friends!

LOS CERRITOS DISTRICT GARDEN CONFERENCE APRIL 6TH PLANT YOUR SEEDLINGS NOW !!



GFWC Long Beach Federation/Reciprocity Day March 25th

Black Angus at the corner of Candlewood/Clark in Lakewood Plan to attend to meet and greet our District Officers, District Chairmen, and the Presidents of the other clubs in our District.

In addition to your presence,

we need your items for sale— baked goods and candies are always a hit!



Sorry, but couldn't resist sharing the view from my kitchen window

Much as I love being in Reno, I miss each of you! Take care.

the editor