



GFWC Long Beach Women's Club

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and the California Federation of Women's Clubs

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It was great to see out past president's of district at the Zoom March Council meeting on Monday. We contributed \$150 this year for the donation to the President's Project, VA Hospital. I enjoyed the meeting and hearing from everyone. I hope we can get back to live meetings soon.

Our Reciprocity should be this month, but had to be cancelled because we have no place to meet for a large group. I have found a place where we can have our meeting on the 24th that has an indoor patio with heaters and though they can only sit six at a table, they will put them fairly close together for us. So we will meet at Hof's Hut, 2147 Bellflower Blvd., Long Beach at 11:30a.m. Park in the back and go in the back door asking for Long Beach Women's Club. Hope to see you all there. I know we all look forward to our regular indoor meetings soon.

The District Convention is Sat. April 24 and will be by ZOOM. All are invited and hopefully you can all attend.

I hope everyone has a very nice Easter and is able to get with family and friends. I will be out of town the month of April as I am travelling to Oklahoma to see my sister on the way to visit my dear friend Roxanna who moved away almost 2 years ago in Tennessee



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We wish our President

Barbee safe travels !

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Hello ladies,

I can't believe it's already the middle of March. Where has this year gone to?

I'm ready to get back to club work. I've had both of my vaccines but I must admit I'm still a little reluctant to get 'out there' since so many others have not. Los Cerritos District will probably not have in-person meetings until September so LBWC is not planning on a Summer Auction. It was suggested at the last meeting we can rename it to Fall or Winter Auction. I guess we'll still have to play it by ear.

Are you 'Knitting Your Bit'? I am. The scarves (6"x60") should be neutral in color and they're easily and rapidly done using large needles. These scarves will be going to VA Medical Centers throughout the country. When they're received they will store them for one month in quarantine to insure they will be covid-19 free before passing them on to a Veteran.

Dues are due. Here's the break-down: GFWC International dues - \$15.00; CFWC - State dues - \$4.00; Los Cerritos District - \$2.00; and \$17.00 goes into the clubs' treasury to be used for philanthropies and projects. That total is \$38.00 and with your dues you'll be a member of one of the largest women's service organizations in the world. GFWC has nearly 70,000 members throughout the United States and internationally.

We provided an afternoon meal to RMcD House. They are always so appreciative it's a pleasure to donate. I also took 13# of pop-tops. Keep saving them because they're still needed to bring awareness to the funding that helps to maintain the house.

CFWC is holding workshops throughout the month of March. 'March Madness' offers 10 Workshops on many chairmanships and you're invited to attend on ZOOM. Register at reservationscfwc@gmail.com. These Workshops are always informative. I haven't seen the details yet but there will be workshops in April as well (and we've heard a rumor that our own **Julie Lehenbauer** will be leading one and that the last one in April will be with the past CFWC Presidents - we're pretty sure that Vicki might be a part of that one!).

EQUAL RIGHTS AMENDMENT - Urge Members of Congress to cosponsor bipartisan House Joint Resolution 17 and Senate Joint Resolution 1 to remove the deadline for ratification of the Equal Rights Amendment. In January 2020, the necessary three-quarters, or 38 states, ratified the proposed Equal Rights Amendment (ERA) as the 28th Amendment to the United States Constitution. Unfortunately, the United States Archivist refused to publish and certify the ratification based on a 2020 memorandum from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of General Counsel, stating that the deadline had passed. Deadline? I can't believe we're still debating this resolution.

April is National Child Abuse Prevention Month. Nationally, neglect is the most common form of abuse. Three-out-of-five (nearly 61%) of victims were neglected only, more than 10% were physically abused only, and 7% were sexually abused only. These are very sad and shameful statistics.

Our next meeting will be at the Crab Pot in Long Beach on the 24th of March at 11:00 am. I hope to see you there.



Hugs, Lynn



EDITOR'S NOTE

Did you know?

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CFWC (California Federation of Women's Clubs) has a **FREE** e-newsletter. It's a weekly publication that arrives early each Monday morning in your inbox. It contains lots of news about possible club projects, activities of our State Federation, opportunities to attend virtual workshops on all phases of our organization. The best news is that it is **FREE!**

How to subscribe? It's very simple! Go to www.cfwc.org, click on the QuickBytes tab, you will find a place to subscribe. We look forward to seeing your name on our subscriber list



CFWC also has a quarterly magazine. It's called the "GFWC California Clubwoman". Here you will find extended articles from our state officers and chairmen and highlights of club and district activities around the state. We have a new editor, due to the passing of Editor Sandra Lucas. Plans are being made for the magazine to be digitalized and sent to all subscribers **FREE** of charge. It will still be available in a printed format for subscribers who pay a nominal fee. More details later— check our website often www.cfwc.org to follow up on the Clubwoman Magazine but all the other resources offered there.



GFWC (General Federation of Women's Clubs) also have a **FREE** e-newsletter. It arrives in your inbox on Thursday mornings. To subscribe email GFWC@GFWC.org, put News & Notes in the subject line. In your message state that you'd like to subscribe and include your name and address and they will respond with a confirmation.

AND, did you know?



CFWC has a FaceBook page. You can find it at

GFWC California Federation of Women's Clubs.

We're got a terrific FaceBook Manager and she posts all kinds of useful information, lots of thought provoking information and a lot of humor thrown in for good measure. Check it out !!!



The California Federation of Women's Clubs will be holding their Annual Convention May 12-15 via ZOOM. All information can be found on our website cfwc.org. It's on the top right of the home page. This convention is open to ANY member at no charge. Deadline to all reservations on April 15th. Check it out now and join us !