

GFWC Long Beach Women's Club

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

October has been an interesting month with the shutdown and the many ZOOM meetings, both for State and District. Luckily, we are small enough we have been able to meet the last 2 months at The Crab Pot restaurant. We like it so much, we have decided to continue to meet there as long as possible.

Our turn to provide a basket for the drawing at the District zoom meeting is in December and Julie Dolette has agreed to create it. This is the only way the District is doing fundraising at this time. This month will be the first time. We are to send checks for the tickets and the drawing will be done by the fundraising chairman. It should be a lot of fun!

This month, our past member, Christine Cortopassi rejoined after taking time off for family business. We are glad to welcome her back.

There are several ZOOM meetings for chairmen and interested members by the state chairmen. Check the CFWC website for the dates and those speaking.

Hope you are all well and will be able to attend our meetings. Wishing you all a Happy Thanksgiving!

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Hi ladies,

Still hanging in there? We don't have much choice, do we? Who would have 'thunk'. We need to get back to business and the only way we'll be able, is to adopt safe practices to stop the spread of covid and that means <u>wearing masks, washing hands and distancing.</u>

• Since we're unable to prepare meals or bake at RMcD house we voted to spend about \$50 each month to purchase snacks or whatever is needed for the Ronald McDonald house pantry. This past month we took individually wrapped cookies, chips, fruit cups and gummi bears. During the summer when many clubs go dark the house still has residents and they still need to eat. During the quarantine the house census has been down but a staff member said they've been given the okay to increase the number of residents. This month we're going to order lunch or dinner from a restaurant and deliver it.

• At our last meeting we amended a motion to increase the donation from \$150 to \$600 for a scholarship in memory of Gaby McDonnell, mother of Long Beach mayor Robert Garcia, who along with her husband passed away from covid 19. The scholarship was given to the healthcare program at California State University at LB. This project was brought to our attention by Amanda LePine who is still a club member even though she's moved to Oregon. She's doing well and the fires didn't threaten her property but the air quality was not good. The same with our editor Vicki; she said the air quality in Reno was pretty rough for a few days. She's working one or two days a week and that's probably enough during this quarantine.

• As you might imagine, LC District is having a difficult time doing fundraising. The chairman is selling opportunity tickets each month on 2 or 3 baskets. She's displaying them on ZOOM and asking members to send her ticket money and she'll put the tickets in a container to be drawn at a District Board meeting. Read the District Bulletin for more instructions.

• The October 31st Area C Conference is going virtual. If you'd like to go you may contact me and I'll help you sign up.

There is also a 4 day workshop called 'Meet the Chair'. CFWC Chairmen will explain the highlights of their chairmanships. The dates are November 3, 10, 17 and 24 from 2 to 4 pm and you may sign-up for one or all. You can register at: ament.pam5@gmail.com

I stopped by and brought lunch to Lee and picked up a <u>heavy</u> box of coupons to send to a military base. Thank you to Julie or Jim for mailing them for me. Lee is doing well. She's very conscientious about distancing and staying safe. She is 97 and she and her cats are 'snug as bugs in a rug'.

Don't forget to vote. There are lots of Measures to be voted on. Do your research. Don't let a TV portrayal make your mind up. Look who's financing the measure; that sometimes helps with your decision.

We're meeting at the Crab Pot again on October 28 at 11:30 am. Wear your masks and join us for a lovely luncheon and meeting.



Elbow bump, Lynn

Don't worry about getting old, worry about thinking old.

- Unknown



We all owe our thanks to Margaret A Wilcox who invented the car heater in 1893! (Margaret also invented a combined clothes and dishwasher).



Mark you calendars

October 28 Lunch with friends at the Crab Pot, 11:30am

October 31, Area C Conference, via ZOOM, contact Lynn

October 31







November 26



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