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GFWC Plantation Woman's Club



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## GFWC Plantation Woman's Club

### March General Meeting Environment

We are having a speaker that is going to talk about Air Plants. She will bring things to sell, so bring your money ☹ her name is Taryn Palo. She is the president of the Lighthouse Garden Club. I have heard that she is very creative with her air plants. This oughta be very interesting since this is an easy project. For even those that can't handle plants (in soil.)

Well, our tomato plants are over 10 feet tall now. Mark has to buy taller stakes so he can stake them up. We are going to try to plant garlic, onions and potatoes now because they didn't do too well last year during the winter, which is our Spring. You can grow herbs in the summer as long as they're in the shade or part shade. This year we have an abundance of tomatoes, which I am going to roast in a 395° oven for one hour then then I put them in a glass container and stick it in the freezer.

After they are frozen, Mark will take the glass container out and put it in hot water for a few minutes to loosen it from the edges, then he will put them in a seal meal bag which takes all the air out and stick them back in the freezer so I can use them for tomato sauces or anything else I want. Boy, there's nothing like fresh grown tomatoes. You really can tell the difference from store-bought. 🍅

See page 8 for pictures of our tomatoes!

Signing off for now, if you have any questions, don't hesitate to call. Dirty Martha Gregory

### New Meeting Place

Great news. We now have a new place to hold our monthly general meeting. Starting in March our meetings will be held at the Plantation Preserve, 7050 W. Broward Blvd., Plantation, Fl 33317. Meetings will still begin at 10:00 AM.

This new location will allow us to order lunch at the beginning of the meeting. The week before the meeting we will email the menu. The menu will have a choice of three items; ex: soup & salad, soup & sandwich, a third item such as a salad plate with tuna salad, chicken salad & egg salad. This also includes a non-alcoholic beverage. Price will be \$15.31. The lunch menu will change each month.

When you arrive for the meeting, you will be able to order and pay for lunch - cash and credit cards are acceptable. At the end of the meeting, the Preserve staff will serve lunch.

We are looking forward to the new location and being able to have a hassle-free lunch. Please come and join us in our new location.

*Nancy Dzoba - President*

# President's Message



This month we start the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration of our club. Looking back on our history it is amazing on all that has been accomplished. Think of all the changes that have happened over that time. Plantation has grown from an unincorporated area of 30 homes to a thriving community of 93,000 people. Our club has been instrumental in this. We founded the first library, started the first summer camp and assisted in the development of programs and support for Police, Fire and Parks and Recreation. Everywhere you go in the city you can spot something we have impacted, things such as trees for our parks, fountains for our buildings and training equipment for public safety.

None of this could have been completed without the dedication of our members. When you volunteer your time, you are actually volunteering to improve our community. The service provided by our early members has made our city a great place to live. According to Martin Luther King:

*"Everybody can be great. Because anybody can serve. You don't have to have a college degree to serve. You don't have to make your subject and your verb agree to serve. You don't have to know the second theory of thermodynamics in physics to serve. You only need a heart full of grace. A soul generated by love."*

I want to thank the thirty-five Club presidents that have come before me. They are the volunteers that laid the building stones we continue to walk on. Without them volunteering and donating their time and energy we would not be the outstanding organization we have become.

Let's continue our teamwork and make the next 75 years even better.

**Nancy Dzoba, President**

*Thank You*  
*for your support*

- \* City of Plantation
- \* Ireland Companies
- \* Mike Taussig
- \* Peter Weidinger Insurance Agency
- \* Prescription Pad Pharmacy
- \* PQ Termite Services
- \* Tim Fadgen
- \* TM Ralph Funeral Homes
- \* Van Kirk & Sons Pools & Spas
- \* Waste Management

# Membership



Tuesday, February 13th was our 75th year of welcoming new members. Our newest volunteers were inducted with a poetic essay entitled "United in Purpose" and each new member received a key ring reminding them that "Growth is never by mere chance; it is the result of working together".

New members, pictured above left to right: Dee Trifunovic, Barbara Lee, Gail Marie Perry, Robyn Sortal, Mary Lou Samaras, Beverly Kreye, Marjorie Epstein Aloni, Alice Purdy, Marcy Brennan, Kathi Curtis. Nancy and Helen are at each end.

New Members not in attendance: B.J. Tolzsis, Ruth Robert, Holly Wright Munoz, Jan Heinrich, Mila Trifunovic and Jennifer Wilson.

**Helen Ackerman, 2nd VP, Membership**



During the induction ceremony, our new members received a keychain with a tree of life (similar to the one on the wall at the Plantation Community Center) and a small heart that states "Thank You".

Welcome new members...the Club is excited to have each of you join.

# Financial Report

Lou Ireland, Treasurer

GFWC Plantation Woman's Club - January 2024 Bank Account Reconciliation		
11000 - Cash - Checking - Beginning Balance		\$3,660.53
12000 - Transfer from Money Market	\$3,000.00	
41000 - Membership Dues	\$160.00	
42000 - Checking Account Interest	\$0.42	
43100 - General Meeting Luncheon	\$495.00	
43200 - Boosters	\$40.00	
43300 - 50/50 Raffle	\$53.00	
43802 - Craft Show Vendor Rents (refunded)	-\$200.00	
<b>Total Deposits</b>		<b>\$3,548.42</b>
61000 - GFWC Annual Dues		
61301 - Plantation - Events at Community Center	\$800.00	
63000 - General Meeting Luncheon	\$585.00	
63706 - Craft Show Miscellaneous Expenses		
63702 - Craft Show Advertising	-\$500.00	
65000 - Yearbook Printing	\$1,368.00	
66551 - Plantation Elementary - Tiger Bucks Store	\$28.73	
66800 - Office Expense		
67300 - Bank Fees		
67640 - Committee Expense - Int'l Interest	\$62.24	
67800 - Newsletter	\$231.30	
69000 - Volunteer of the Year Luncheon Deposit	\$1,000.00	
<b>Total Withdrawals</b>		<b>\$3,575.27</b>
11000 - Cash - Checking - Ending Balance		\$3,633.68
12000 - Cash - Money Market - Beginning Balance		\$56,569.36
41001 - Bus Bench Ads	\$5,600.00	
42100 - Money Market Account Interest	\$5.09	
<b>Total Deposits</b>		<b>\$5,605.09</b>
Transfer to Checking	\$3,000.00	
<b>Total Withdrawals</b>		<b>\$3,000.00</b>
12000 - Cash - Money Market - Ending Balance		\$59,174.45



## Club Bling Shirts

We will continue to take orders for black t-shirts with sparkling rhinestone lettering that will say "Plantation Woman's Club" on the front.

The order will go to ShirtsRUs in Plantation after the general meeting in March. Please supply your own black t-shirt along with \$10 in cash or check. Put your t-shirt in a clear plastic bag along with your name and phone number and give the shirt to Carole Bennett, t-shirt coordinator, at the March meeting. Judy McLeod, treasurer, will take your check or cash at that time.

We wear these shirts to city council meetings when the Club is being recognized and also to other events throughout the year.

### Helen Ackerman, Membership

*The quality of your life will be determined by the quality of your contribution. When you work to improve the lives of others, your life improves automatically.*

— Kurek Ashley

## Camp Boggy Creek District Fundraiser

Please make checks payable to: "GFWC Florida" with a memo for "Camp Boggy Creek".

The Hollywood Club also needs a head count for the event. Please don't wait to RSVP.



CAMP BOGGY CREEK FUNDRAISER  
DISTRICT 13 AND SURROUNDING DISTRICTS



Ladies, our last fund raiser for the 2022-2024 Boggy Creek President's Project is WINE GLASS ART.

Hosted by the Hollywood Woman's Club:  
501 North 14<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Hollywood, FL 33020

Date: Saturday, March 9th at 10AM

HWC member, Carole Soler, will be teaching this class and she is known for her submissions to GFWC Florida's Art Competition over the last couple of years.

The cost for this event is \$20 per person and the wine glass will be provided. Please bring a of snack for the attendees to enjoy after the completion of their wine glass art.

Each club is asked to attend this District 13 fundraiser to support Camp Boggy Creek.

Please contact Carol Johnson, President's Project Chair, to confirm your attendance: Email is [skippy69@outlook.com](mailto:skippy69@outlook.com).

Looking forward to seeing you there!

## Doggie Palooza

January 27<sup>th</sup> was another beautiful day for Doggie Palooza.



This event was held at Happy Tails Park. We were a Big Dog sponsor for the event which raises funds for different canine charities in Broward County.

The club, in addition to educating attendees about the Woman's Club also had bandanas and dog toys available for a donation. Money raised was donated to K-9 Companions, a 501c3 organization that trains dogs to assist people with physical needs.

Nancy Dzoba - President

# Volunteer of the Year

## RESERVATION FORM

GFWC PLANTATION WOMAN'S CLUB  
 VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR LUNCHEON:  
 SATURDAY, May 4, 2024  
 Sheraton Suites Plantation Walk  
 Time: 11:30 AM Social; 12 PM Lunch  
 Adults: \$50

All meals will include: Classic Caesar Salad, Bread & Butter, and Italian Lemon Crème Cake

Please indicate your choice of entrée.

### Options:

- **Key West Chicken** (chicken breast sauteed with lemon, white wine, caper, and artichoke sauce, served with primavera rice pilaf and seasonal mixed vegetables);
- **Asian Citrus Glazed Salmon** (with an orange juice reduction, garlic and teriyaki glaze, served over a brown rice and quinoa blend with seasonal mixed vegetables);
- **Meatless Stir Fry** (vegetarian)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Entrée: \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate if you wish to be seated with another person or group. We will do our best to accommodate your request.

**SPACE IS LIMITED AND RESERVATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED ON A FIRST-COME/FIRST-SERVED BASIS**

Please return not later than: **April 15, 2024**

Checks payable to: "GFWC Plantation Woman's Club"

- Mail to: **GFWC Plantation Woman's Club, PO Box 16845, Plantation, FL 33318**
- Or bring to: **the March or April general meeting.**

For additional information, call **Lou Ireland** (954-915-8660) or **Judy McLeod** (954-439-1492) - VOY Co-Chairs



If you have any suggestions or new ideas, please speak to the assigned Chair(s) of the area you have suggestions on. If you don't know who the chair is, please speak to one of the Board members. You can find the Board members by looking in your yearbook.

This suggestion surfaced at the February general meeting.

## SAVE THE DATE - MARCH 1ST ROCK THE PARK

## 75th Anniversary Birthday Gifts

This anniversary year is being celebrated by a magnet that can display a favorite picture as well as being used as an extra backup holder. The 5 by 7 1/2 inch magnet has the club's colors as well as a stylized purple hibiscus, website and email address.

Each month the anniversary magnets will be given to members celebrating their birthday.

**Helen Ackerman, 2nd VP, Membership**

## Tiger Buck Store Update

As I watched our new members induction at our last meeting I realized six of the newbies and our President are involved in the Tiger Bucks store!



They are a beautiful addition of our small number of Tigerettes. I can't tell how much all of our ladies are appreciated as they represent our club in the elementary school.

**Shirley Wiggin, Tiger Buck Store Chair**

THANK YOU  
**Volunteers!**  
 We couldn't do it without you

## Yearbook Additions

Please add these new members into your yearbook.

Any changes to your yearbook personal information should be emailed to me, **Renee** at renee.flores@dot.state.fl.us.



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## February Boosters

- **Sandy Fernandes**, sends Koji, her pet, birthday wishes on his 11th birthday, April 7.
- **Kathi Curtis**, thanks Shirley Ware for being the best mom!
- **Gail Marie Perry**, sends wishes to Nathan Joaquin my sunny sun son.
- **Eirene Stansbury**, sends great nieces Finley and Ryli VanReeth "Happy Valentine's Day from my heart to yours."
- **Claire Clemente**, sends Happy Valentine's Day wishes to her wonderful husband Ron who supports her every day in her health journey.
- **Cece Ramirez**, sends Glenna Jones, her beautiful sister who she can't live without, Happy Valentine's Day wishes.
- **Shirley Wiggin**, sends Hal Wiggin Happy Valentine's Day and Happy 43rd Anniversary wishes to the one I love!
- **Edith Gooden-Thompson**, sends Happy Valentine's Day wishes to Maurice, my love.



**Thank You to our February Booster Members**

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**March Booster Theme**

"Happy 75th Anniversary to our Club"

**Claire Clemente, 3rd VP, Ways & Means**

## Help Spread the Word

**CALLING ALL HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS  
LIVING IN PLANTATION**

The Plantation Woman's Club's scholarship program is now open, and we welcome you to submit your application. There are six (6) available scholarships, each worth \$3,000.

The deadline to submit is March 29, 2024. You can find the application on our website at gfwcplantationwomansclub.com.

The Plantation Woman's Club has been providing qualifying scholarships to Plantation students since 1960 - 64 years!

In 2024 the Plantation Woman's Club will be celebrating its 75th Anniversary - providing support and giving back to Plantation since 1949.

*Remember, you will miss every opportunity you never go for!*

**GOOD LUCK!**

## District 13 Arts Competition

All of the first-place winners from the January Arts Program Club Level, will be on display and judged for the State Level competition on Friday, March 1st, 9:00-12:00 at the Plantation Community Center. Our Club is hosting this event and brunch will be available at **NO COST**.

All winners at this District Level will move on to the State Level in Orlando in May.

Stop by and see all of the talent we have in District 13.

If you can help that morning, please reach out to Roberta Carraway. (954) 254-0733.



## Expenditure Approved

At the February Meeting, the general membership approved \$2,000 for our Club to be the title sponsor for this year's Royal Easter Egg Hunt.

The Plantation Woman's Club has been the title sponsor of this event since 2007. We just love giving back! Doing what we do best!!

## Sneaker Donations

Thank you to the Club's membership for their donation of old sneakers during January and February. A total of three large shipping bags have been mailed to GotSneakers who will send a check to our Club for helping to keep sneakers out of Florida landfills.

The next donation of sneakers will take place in September and October so if members of your family wear out their sneakers during the summer months bring them to the Fall meetings.

Thank you to Liz Dori and Gail Triviz for assisting with the collection of old sneakers.

**Claire Clemente, 3rd VP, Ways & Means**



At the February 2024 meeting we had the 50/50 raffle which we have each month. \$1.00 per ticket or \$5.00 for six tickets. ALWAYS A CHANCE TO WIN! And...proceeds will go to CAMP BOGGY CREEK to assist with their wonderful mission.

An anonymous member was the lucky winner this month and donated the winnings to the club. CONGRATULATIONS AND THANK YOU!!!

**Cece Ramirez, Social Committee**

## Plantation Historical Museum

One of the new exhibits at the museum is a display that highlights the 75 years of the Plantation Woman's Club.

If you have any items of historical insight to the club and would be willing to loan it for the display, please let Helen Ackerman know. If you get a chance over the next couple of months, please stop by. The main exhibit is on model trains. There is also a story walk. This outdoor display allows you to read the story "How to Train your Train" while enjoying the outdoor garden area.

**Nancy Dzoba - President**

## Camp Boggy Creek Needs Twin Beds Sheets

This year, all GFWC Women Clubs in Florida is supporting the GFWC Florida President's Project for Camp Boggy Creek by collecting TWIN bed sheets - preferably ones that have colorful children-like patterns on them AND definitely **NO ALL-WHITE SETS!!!** They remind the campers of hospital beds - and we don't want that to happen for these special children.

Please bring the sheet sets to our March general meeting. If you forget, it's ok...just bring them to our April general meeting. All of the collected twin sheet sets will go up in April to the Spring Convention in Orlando. Thank you in advance for your generosity.



Left: These are the sheet sets that were donated at our February meeting. Thank you to those that brought these in.

**Renee Flores, Newsletter**

## February Meeting Recap

February Meeting brought us a lot of Valentine-colored clothes and smiles, and everyone made it to the Fire Station for a nice change in venue.



Our program was presented by Plantation Fire Department member, Kaitlin Murthins (pictured in

blue) - highlighting Heart Health Month. Kaitlin gave a very informative presentation including demonstrations of CPR for both adults and babies. Kaitlin couldn't leave before bringing out Sparky, a learning tool our Club recently paid to upgrade. This new Sparky not only remotely moves around AND talks, but also shoots out water. Sparky travels to schools and events as needed.

Pictured to the right, Kaitlin is showing our Helen Ackerman how to position her hands and where to apply pressure to an adult's chest to perform CPR. The fast-past rhythm and the correct pressure can be challenging. An easy way to remember the rhythm is to sing Staying Alive by the Bee Gees while pushing. Keep that pace for 30 pushes. Call 9-1-1 with your smartphone on speaker while continuing to push. You may just help save a life one day. Thank you, Kaitlin!



# Sunshine O'gram

Greetings Everyone, what an impressive number of members and guest attendees gathered at Plantation Fire Station#2 last month as we celebrated our 75th anniversary! Membership Chair **Helen Ackerman** led the formal induction ceremony introducing our 16 new members with 11 present. Welcome, ladies! Our special program highlighted Heart Health Month with Kaitlin Murthins, a member of the Plantation Fire Department who gave a very informative presentation including a demonstration of CPR and the Heimlich maneuver for both adults and children. A delicious lunch catered by Ciro's followed including cupcakes topped off with special "Happy 75" picks to honor the occasion the occasion. Yummy!

We were all saddened to hear that long-time member **Charlotte Klimas** had passed away. It had only recently been known that she was under treatment for cancer and then hospice care quickly followed. A member of PWC since 1990, Charlotte was a lovely lady and very active and supportive of our club work. She will be missed. Our prayers and condolences go out to her husband Perry and family.

Our youngest member, **President Dzoba's** granddaughter **Kylie Cigalotte** fell ill and was hospitalized. Prayers were answered and as we go to press, we are happy to report she is home again. Our prayers remain with her as she continues down her road to complete recovery and once more back to her best happy self.

**Ann Polley**, a dear lady who is so quick to offer prayers to others is presently in need of ours. As you may know, Ann has a multitude of medical issues including serious hearing loss. At this time, she is having issues with her cochlear implant. Her daughter Janet has learned she too is beginning to have a problem. Doctors have determined that it is a genetic condition. Our thoughts and prayers go out to both with the hope that upcoming appointments with specialists will prove helpful.

Even though she was still recovering from a slip and fall accident which resulted in a fractured rib, new member **Beverly Kreye** was with us and present for her induction ceremony. Great gal!

Happy news from **Darlene Vlazny** who gave us an update on son Ryan's new (the first one was 30 years ago) cochlear implant surgery which went well. His stitches have now been removed and programming will begin with the process taking three months for full effectiveness. Ryan who has been dealing with hearing as well as sight challenges is such a remarkable young man. Our prayers are always with him and his great family too. He deserves a miracle!

Our smiles were big as we learned that **Karinne Bernstein** had finally won the battle with the l-o-n-g flu as she called it. She is feeling well again and beginning training in her new employment. Congratulations! Always an achiever, we know she will succeed in any challenge.

With our oh-so-changeable weather this season, many of you have been struck by the flu bug, colds, allergies, etc. and join us in welcoming March and the 1st day of spring on the 19th and warmer weather. Did you know this is also National Craft Month? It's never too soon to begin working on your entries for next year's Craft Show and display your creativeness!

**Claire Clemente** and hubby Ron enjoyed a relaxing get-away on Celebrity's ship Ascent traveling to Puerto Rico, Tortola-BBI and St.Kitts. A never-to-be forgotten experience because it included her 1st time win in a casino with a jackpot prize of \$500!! What mad money! **Beverly Payne** and **Sue Kuchenruether** had a fun time aboard Carnival's Conquest staying on ship at the first port Key West (who knows what mischief went on there?) and then cruising on to Cozumel. Bev, who loves to cook took a cooking class where the group prepared a meal featuring authentic Mexican recipes, drank margarites and had GREAT FUN! Next, **Beverly** continued her cruising with her sister accompanying her. This time aboard Carnival's Mardi Gras to Cozumel and on to Mahogany Bay where they stayed at port because a tropical storm appeared. This didn't hamper their spirits or good times as Bev said, "like being in a storm and not even knowing it".

And finally, as we celebrate our "75th", a salute and tribute to all of YOU, our members! From those founding members of 1949 to our present group of 2024, determined and resilient YOU come out, show up even when it hurts or is difficult at times, using your talents and dedication to volunteer doing the good works that foster and promote our community. As our President stated in a recent newsletter, "BE PROUD OF THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS YOU HAVE HELPED TO MAKE SUCCESSFUL." YOU have earned it! And many thanks to **Helen Ackerman** for researching and compiling all the interesting and enlightening historical highlights for us. We are looking forward to the "rest of the story" as they say.

So, in closing, HATS OFF TO PWC OF 2024!!

Take care. Be Well. Be Safe.  
**Sunshine and Cheer,**  
**Connie, Pat and Eirene**

## VOY - Donations Needed



### **DONATIONS FOR BASKETS VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR LUNCHEON**

Ladies.....as you know, we are in the planning stage for the VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR LUNCHEON. The gift baskets and silent auction are important fund raisers for us. Please consider the following:

- Items that you may have received for the Holidays that perhaps need a new home.
- Gift cards for Manicures.....if you are a regular manicure person, ask if your salon would donate a gift card.
- If you frequent a restaurant on a regular basis, perhaps you could ask for a gift card.

Your help is appreciated.

**Michelle Moskowitz & Cece Ramirez  
VOY BASKET CHAIRS**

## Environment - Continued From Cover



*Left: Variety of tomatoes from Martha's garden - picked fresh and delicious!*

*Below: If you look closely you can see the tomatoes nestled in plants over 10 feet tall!*



## **What You Need to Know About the Volunteer of the Year Celebration**

Save the date for our Volunteer of the Year Event - a celebration of volunteers. Saturday May 4th (May the Fourth be with you!) will be here before you know it. The event is on a first come-first served basis so get your registration and payment in sooner rather than later.

In the background, a team has been working diligently on this event under the tutelage of its co-chairs, Lou Ireland and Judy McLeod. It takes many hands to make this a beautiful event for everyone. Included will be a silent auction, raffle baskets and stunning décor - an event to discuss for years to come. Hint: bring your checkbook - the silent auction items and baskets are truly amazing! You're going to want to win at least one.

Now back to our Club, it's time to nominate that outstanding woman you feel deserves the honor for 2023. She cannot be a previous recipient, but she's the one who has done and gone above and beyond during the 2023 year for our Club.

The nomination forms will be collected through March 22nd and made available through our newsletter and general meetings. You can also snail mail them to our 2022 honoree, Nancy Dzoba. Just fill out the form and follow the directions. You can fill it out at the meeting and hand it right to Nancy...so easy!

For our newer members, since Nancy was last year's winner, she will host a gathering where all previous Women of the Year will discuss and vote on the persons **YOU** nominate. This is why it's so important for you to nominate someone.

Whomever is chosen is kept secret until the April general meeting where the perfect choice will be announced, and then it's on to the celebrating...

On May 4th, our Club will host a celebratory lunch, this year held at the Sheraton Suites in Plantation Walk, where our Club and many other volunteer organizations will gather and honor their chosen recipients.

Start deciding if you would like to attend this prestigious event. Look for more information in future newsletters, email blasts, and most important, at our general meetings. Pay for your meal before seats run out. Don't miss helping to support and honor the amazing Woman from our own club.

Recap: two - four - six - eight...now's the time to nominate!! Get your form into Nancy Dzoba before the deadline. Thank you!

**Renee Flores, VOY Committee Member**



# 10 Zone at the Plantation Police Department

Just think...ahhhh!

Every one of us finds ourselves in a stressful situation at one time or another. What do you do to distress?

Stress is a part of a Police Officer's job. Most days it's a routine low-level stress that comes with being a first responder. But in some situations, the stress can ratchet up very high, e.g. responding to an accident scene with fatalities, a car chase, school lockdown, gunfire, assault, 911 calls.

Most police stations have workout equipment that provides for the Officer's physical health. Now Police departments across the country are recognizing the need to provide for their mental health as well. Plantations Woman's Club was happy to provide the funds to the Plantation Police Department to create a space where officers can go to destress/relax.

## Enter 10 Zone

Through the direction of Captain Jessica Ryan, they have taken an unused storage room and created a quiet room, named *10 Zone*. It's designed to be a relaxing environment. It has soothing sounds, low lighting and painted walls that promote relaxation. It is equipped with a 3D zero gravity full body massage chair, a meditation chair with back support, and a bamboo meditation bench.

To tune out the sounds of the day, there are wireless on-ear headphones with noise cancellation and disposable earphone covers. There is a Tibetan singing bowls machine that creates a vibration that resonates with the body's energy and helps restore balance and harmony to the body. The 72" tall, mirrored waterfall fountain, trickles water from the top of the mirror onto the bed of rocks to the mimic the sounds of a waterfall.

For practicality, there is a wood floating decorative cubby wall shelf with hooks and baskets where the Officers can store their belts/ gear, plus a wooden bench and shoe rack complete with disposable foot covers.

An Individual can book the room for a 20-minute session anytime of the day. (There is an online booking calendar.) On the occasion an officer is involved in a high stress situation, he or she is given priority to use the room.

PWC members were invited to the grand opening of the room on January 17th. The door was dressed up with a large silk ribbon. Our President, Nancy Dzoba, was given scissors to cut the ribbon and officially open *10 zone*. It felt wonderful that PWC could give back something to the Police who do so much for us.

FYI: At the Plantation Police Department, and in most Broward law enforcement agencies, the police radio code 10-10 refers to a personal break (restroom, coffee, quick snack, etc.). When an officer advises 10-10 over the radio

the dispatcher knows they will be on a personal break and unavailable for calls (unless there is a true emergency call in which case all bets are off).

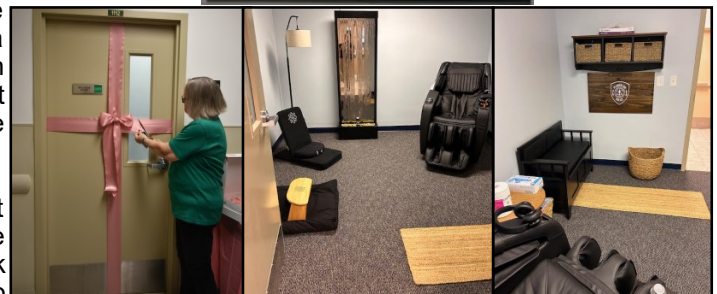
Also, the PPD currently only has seven (7) actual patrol zones designated in the City, 10 Zone is a play on words/numbers being a non-working zone and relating to the 10-10 personal break.

Now you know! (I think I'm going 10-10.)

**Michelle Moskowitz**  
4<sup>th</sup> Vice President,  
Community Improvement Projects



**10 Zone**  
Donated by  
GFWC Plantation Woman's Club  
2023



# Happy 75th Anniversary Plantation Woman's Club!

1959-1969



THE SECOND TEN YEARS OF THE PLANTATION WOMAN'S CLUB— Information put together by *Helen Ackerman, Club Historian 2023*

## HIGHLIGHTS OF 1959 TO 1969

In 1960, major projects centered around raising funds for the "Clubhouse Building Fund" by selling the new 50 State U.S. flag, card parties and driver license renewals. The "Benefit Ball", held at the Galt Ocean Mile Hotel benefited two two-year scholarships at the Junior College of Broward County. Socials involved book brunches and new member teas.

In 1961-62 the Club continued its support of the Police Athletic League, teen youth dances and preteen socials. The club's summer socials were bridge and canasta parties. The United Fund and heart fund were charities noted. The local civil defense course was publicized as well as the Plantation Junior Woman's Club "Cabaret".

In 1962-63 general meetings were held at 8 PM on the second Tuesday of each month at Peters Elementary School. Board meetings were held on the fourth Tuesday of each month at the Plantation Community Church. Our Club membership was at 140 women.

In 1963 the Club bought a Knabe grand piano and presented it to the City for the new community center located at 5555 Palm Tree Road.

Continued in 1963 were monthly card parties at the community center. In December the two-day Christmas Bazaar is held at the Plantation Community Center.

February 1964 notes the Fashion Crafts Show at the community center with a note that, "Our members (PWC) are special guests at the Junior's meetings". In March of the same year the Junior Woman's Club sponsors Cabaret—a fund raiser—at the War Memorial Auditorium in Ft. Lauderdale. In April our Club sponsors the "Spring Dance" for couples at the Plantation Country Club.

Fundraisers in the fall of 1964 centered around the Club's sponsorship of the Christmas Bazaar at the Plantation Community Center. The Club ran the family BBQ in April at the Peters Road picnic grounds for members and their children.

In 1964 the Club began a two-year Cancer Campaign distributing literature on cancer to other clubs and businesses. The Club ladies pledged to make "dressings" for cancer patients as many members were expert at using sewing machines. April of 1965 featured a couples dinner-dance entitled "April Showers" where the proceeds benefited the Plantation Library.

A fashion show and bridge luncheon were held at Pier 66 in Ft. Lauderdale where profits went to Broward Junior College and the Easter Seal Clinic for the purpose of buying a speech therapy machine.

At the end of 1964 a "Holiday Glamour" makeup program, in conjunction with the Jackie Gleason Show in Miami, was held in Plantation for members. As part of this glamour event, members brought food donations for Thanksgiving for needy families.

In January of 1965 the Plantation Library honored the Club by dedicating a plaque to the Plantation Civitan Club and the Plantation Woman's Club for their work in establishing a local library.

December saw the Club's sponsorship of "Bazaar A Go-Go" that raised funds for the scholarship fund at Stranahan High School.

The years 1966 and 1967 were successful fund-raising times with a September fashion show, "Attic Treasures" benefiting the Plantation High School Senior Scholarship fund, as well as fund-raising rummage sales.

The Club's 18th birthday was celebrated in 1967 with an evening party at Plantation General Hospital's cafeteria. The Plantation Woman's Club and the Plantation Junior Woman's Club were feted at the same time for their work in the community.

400 dressings for the cancer society were completed in 1967 meeting the Club's goal.

In January of 1968 the Club ran the "Potpourri Shop" at the Sun Dial special needs school on Thursdays.

The Club sponsored the Plantation High School Juniorettes, books for the Plantation Library, the Summer Reading project and the Plantation High School scholarship fund.

At the end of 1968 the Club raised funds via the December Christmas Bazaar. In March of 1969 the annual rummage sale benefited the Plantation Library. In 1969 the Club presented the Plantation Library with a five-piece engraved silver service and a coffee maker.

As the decade came to an end, the Christmas Bazaar was now held at a larger facility—the Lauderhill Mall in the City of Lauderhill. Hacienda Girls Ranch was taken on as an on-going project. A tea honoring new members and past presidents was held in December of 1969.

All information is from scrapbooks and yearbooks. Photos have been copied from these materials to accompany history tidbits when presented in the newsletter.

## HIGHLIGHTS OF THE 1960's

Every year there was a Holiday Fund raising dance at the Plantation Country Club or larger venues beginning in 1954. This became a major Broward County benefit event with well-known orchestras, hundreds of door prizes, ten grand prizes with special balloon drop giveaways and an all-male revue called "First Class Male" featuring a floor show of male chorines dancing to a themed program (Hawaiian, ballet, etc.). These are the husbands of Club members. This event and the dancers get major local newspaper publicity every year and it raises thousands of dollars for the Club's major charities. It is even featured on all Broward County U.S. mail trucks as a poster for PWC's advertising of funding for the United Fund. In 1958 our Club donated \$2,100 to the United Fund as part of the proceeds from the fifth annual Charity Ball held at the Governor's Club in Ft. Lauderdale. (As a side note there is a mention that "babysitters are at a premium" when this event is held).

(In 1959 the population of the City of Plantation is 3,200 - scrapbook notation).

In the 50's the Club sponsors "Over the Coffee Cups" and "Spring Coffees" which were events to welcome new residents to Plantation at various member's homes.

The 50's also saw the beginning of "block card parties" to raise funds for the Club's projects and charities.

The Club sponsored "sewing days" for welfare projects. Conversational Spanish was also offered to members at no charge.

THE CLUB ACTIVATES THE FIRST LIBRARY IN PLANTATION IN 1959 AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER. THIS LIBRARY IS OPEN ON TUESDAY AND FRIDAY FROM 1:30 TO 2:30 FOR THE WHOLE COMMUNITY TO USE. BOOKS ARE FREE TO TAKE OUT FOR ONE WEEK. THERE IS A 5 CENT DAILY CHARGE FOR LONGER BORROWING TIMES. THE CLUB HAS RESPONDED TO THE FLORIDA FEDERATION REQUEST TO UPDATE LIBRARIES AROUND THE UNITED STATES. CLUB MEMBERS VOLUNTEER THEIR TIME AND THEIR BOOKS.

Plantation phone numbers start with LU such as LU3-5791.

The Club is involved with numerous fund-raising projects such as the Lantana Tuberculosis Hospital, the Daniel Rehabilitation Center, The Seminole Indian Girl Project - providing food and clothing for several indigent Indian families, the Broward County Dental Clinic, and the Broward County Crippled Children's Society.

In September of 1956 the Club begins the sale of Florida Driver License renewals at the Westgate Shopping Center in a storefront. There is no Chamber of Commerce in Plantation and our Club is the only registered non-profit that sees the opportunity to provide a community service and make money for the Club's charities. This activity continues until Florida starts renewing licenses by birth month instead of only once per year.

The Club is continuing to sponsor the Annual Charity Ball which is now open to the general public via pre-paid tickets. It is held at major venues like the Galt Ocean Mile Hotel in Ft. Lauderdale that "has at least three ballrooms for the event."

The Club supports the United Fund, Cerebral Palsy Fund, Haven of Rest for the Aged, Police Athletic League, the Seminole Indian Welfare and Scholarship Fund, the Sun Dial School, the Children's Home Society of Broward County, the Visiting Nurses Association, the Ft. Lauderdale Oral School for the Deaf, the Lantana Tuberculosis Hospital and the Mental Hygiene Clinic, just to name a few.

In Plantation, our Club begins the "Civil Defense Program" in cooperation with the Plantation Police, Fire Department and Peters PTA to form the Civil Defense Action Corps - an informational program to let residents know what to do in "case of an air attack or storm".

THE CLUB PROVIDES THE FIRST TWO-YEAR SCHOLARSHIP TO THE NEWLY FORMED "JUNIOR COLLEGE OF BROWARD COUNTY". THE SCHOLARSHIP IS TO GO TO "ONE BOY AND ONE GIRL" CHOSEN BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE COLLEGE, DR. JOSEPH RUSHING. IN FEBRUARY OF 1961 TWO STUDENTS RECEIVE AN ALL-EXPENSE SCHOLARSHIP FROM OUR CLUB. THE SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS ARE: FLORENCE J. GRANDE, 6021 SW 3RD TERRACE, PLANTATION AND ROBERT HAROLD STRICKLAND, 5732 SW 10TH COURT, WEST HOLLYWOOD.

The Club is running summer socials such as bridge and canasta parties along with splash party events. The Club sponsors book reviews and brunches which are open to the public at the Pier 66 Yacht Club.

THE BUILDING FUND FOR THE PROPOSED CLUBHOUSE BECOMES A MAJOR PRIORITY FOR FUND RAISING EFFORTS BY 1960.

The Broward County Federation of Women's Clubs held their 41st Anniversary Silver Tea in December of 1960. The hostess club was the Lake Forrest Woman's Club of Hollywood. Having a silver tea service set was the norm for this annual event and explains our Club's silver tea service that is in storage.

In 1960 The Junior Woman's Club is sponsored by the "Plantation Senior Woman's Club" (Ft. Lauderdale News-March 8, 1960). The Juniors form when members of our Club want to go in another direction. They meet at Peter's Elementary School in mid-March of 1960 and become another community support organization.

All information is from the Minutes of the Club as well as the scrapbooks. The Minutes are in the process of being copied by the Plantation Historical Museum so that anyone will be able to reference them in the future.

# March 2024

Tuesday, March 5th - Board Meeting at 10:00AM, Plantation Community Ctr  
 Tuesday, March 12th - General Meeting at 10:00AM, The Preserve

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1  Barbara Maturse	2  Liz Dori
3 	4	5  Helen Ackerman	6	7	8  Agnes Mathey Patty Ralph	9
10 	11	12	13  Carol Call Olga Nelson	14 	15	16
17  Claire Clemente	18  Karinne Bernstein	19	20  Sandra Brandt	21	22	23 
24 	25	26	27	28  Mary Pavlinek Sheryl Nelson	29 	30
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 Public Issues - TBA

Doggie Palooza - Nancy Dzoba  
 Garden Tea Party - Cece Ramirez  
 Volunteer of the Year - Lou/Judy M.  
 Parades/July 4th Picnic - Renee Flores  
 Not Your Mama's Craft Fair - Nancy/Lou  
 Holiday Lunch - Darlene Vlazny  
 Socials - Cece Ramirez  
 Tiger Bucks Store - Shirley Wiggin  
 ESO Book Club - Nancy Dzoba

Ways & Means - Claire Clemente  
 Membership - Helen Ackerman  
 75th Club Anniversary - Helen Ackerman  
 Scholarships - Karen Hodish