



GFWC Florida
District 13 Newsletter - Spring 2019
Carol Johnson, Director

"Smiles across the miles"

DISTRICT 13 ARTS & CRAFTS COMPETITION: The district competition will be **Saturday, March 9th** from 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., at GFWC Pompano Beach Woman's Club, 314 N. E. 2nd Street, Pompano Beach. Lunch will be served. First place winners will compete with other club submissions around the state at GFWC FL convention in April. Contact Ann Jamesson, District 13 Arts Chairman, 954-370-0314, annejam19@gmail.com for when bring items and the cost.

CONVENTION IS COMING!!! Meet you at the Rosen Hotel in Orlando, **Friday, April 5 through Sunday lunch, April 7.** Let's root for our fellow-District 13 clubs when they win awards. And, our District 13 get-together will be **Friday evening, 9:30 p.m.** The room number will be posted on the board at Registration. Hope to see you there. Also, at **Saturday night Fun Night at 10 p.m.:** Our district will enter the lip-syncing contest to "Wild Thing, I think I love you" by the Troggs. (Yes, that one!!) We'll have visors and props but we MUST have a desperately-needed rehearsal at our district get-together on Friday night. PLEASE PLAN TO JOIN US AND BE A DISTRICT 13 ROCK STAR!!!

DISTRICT SPRING WORKSHOP

Saturday, June 8

Hosted by members of the Hollywood Woman's Club.

FALL BOARD MEETING

Sept. 19 through 22, Rosen Hotel, Orlando

2020 GFWC FL's ANNUAL CONVENTION

May 14 through 17, Rosen Hotel, Orlando

COMING UP IN DISTRICT 13:

(These events are in chronological order to help you plan.)

We have so much going on this spring; let's support one another's events!!

GFWC PLANTATION ACRES WOMEN'S CLUB: The club will host an international buffet luncheon on **Saturday, March 2nd**, Jacaranda Country Club, 9200 West Broward Blvd, Plantation. Tickets are \$45 and the special event is a spring butterfly release. Contact President Linda Buchanan, 954-242-4029, salon5050@hotmail.com for more information.

GFWC PLANTATION WOMAN'S CLUB: Plan to attend this wonderful day-time event, "Garden Fest Plant Extravaganza" on **Saturday and Sunday, March 16 and 17**, at Volunteer Park Center in Plantation. Planned are nature seminars, food and music, and there's no entrance fee nor charge for parking.

GFWC WOMAN'S CLUB OF WEST BROWARD: The club's annual Bingo Party is **Saturday evening, March 16**. Davie Woman's Club clubhouse, doors open at 6:30; games begin at 7 p.m. Cost is \$10 and there will be yummy snacks, dessert and coffee. Contact: 954-370-0314.

GFWC DEERFIELD BEACH WOMAN'S CLUB: 100th BIRTHDAY PARTY!!!

This HUGE event will be a luncheon on **Saturday, March 23**, at the Royal Fiesta Event Center, 1680 S. E. 3rd Court, The Cove Shopping Center on Hillsboro Blvd in Deerfield Beach. Cost is \$40. For reservations call 954-421-4700. Also, did you know that the club's "100 members for 100 Years" campaign earned them 108 members--a more than 40% increase in membership? Fabulous job, ladies.

GFWC CORAL SPRINGS WOMAN'S CLUB: The club will hold its annual Taster's Luncheon on **Saturday, March 30**, at the Northwest Regional Library on University Drive in Coral Springs. The theme is "The Mad Hatter's Tea Party" and there will be a hat contest. Contact Terri at terriink@aol.com or 954-478-9020 for tickets.

GFWC POMPANO BEACH WOMAN'S CLUB: Pompano Beach is hosting its Calendar Tea Party at their clubhouse on **Saturday, April 13**, 11:30 to 2 p.m. on Cost is \$35, and all attendees will receive a copy of their club's 2020 calendar. Entertainment, raffles and games—let's go! Contact Gwen at 954-647-3539 or purchase tickets online at www.pompanobeachwomensclub.org

OTHER HAPPENINGS AND INFORMATION

CONGRATS to Jo Ann Smith on being named Citizen of the Year by the City of Fort Lauderdale. That's just wonderful, Jo Ann!!!

GFWC DEERFIELD BEACH WOMAN'S CLUB: The club routinely plans "field trips" for its members. Recently, your director was invited on an overnight bus trip to St. Augustine and Jacksonville. Thank you, ladies, for a super time with lots of laughs! Loved being with you.

GFWC POMPANO BEACH WOMAN'S CLUB: Pompano Beach recently celebrated its 109th birthday! Congrats to you; what a remarkable accomplishment!

GFWC'S SEVEN INITIATIVES: GFWC President Mary Ellen Brock has requested all clubs to accomplish 7 Initiatives during this administration, which are planting trees on Arbor Day (Conservation); volunteering on Martin Luther King Day (Leadership); donating NEW Dr. Seuss books (Education); donating shoes for Soles 4 Souls at DSW Shoe Store (Conservation and joining GFWC's Legislative Action Center (Legislation) at GFWC's website. Also, consider a project for women in the military (Public Issues). Let's try to complete one or more of these initiatives and report them to the respective GFWC FL chairmen in January. WE CAN DO IT!!!

DISTRICT 13 VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR: I am delighted to share with you that our district Volunteer of the Year nominee is **Phyllis Mavrikis from GFWC Deerfield Beach Woman's Club**. Phyllis is the club's first vice president and has spearheaded many projects for autistic children, literacy and education. She helped make 100 blankets for Operation Smile and also helped her club attain 108 members in celebration of its 100th birthday in March!! Phyllis is an active member of the Deerfield Beach Historical Society, conducts monthly tours at Butler House, helps with beach clean-ups each year, supports Surfers for Autism, Pioneer Days and Deerfield's Art Festival. She is committed to GFWC principles of volunteerism. Let's cheer Phyllis on at the Saturday night banquet at state convention.

TO ALL DISTRICT 13 CLUBS: Ladies, I am delighted that so many of you are sending notes of your upcoming events, happenings and information that you want to share with your fellow district club women. Please send that information to me at carol0193@att.net, for the next newsletter, which will be out prior to Fall Board in September. Remember to include date, place, address, time, cost and a contact's phone number and email address. **WE WANT TO SHARE ALL OF YOUR CLUB EVENTS IN OUR NEWSLETTER!!!**

OPERATION SMILE DONATIONS: I am pleased to share with you that monetary donations from District 13 totaled \$3,293.47 in 2018!!! In addition there were many, many in-kind donations. It's a GREAT project and I know you're excited about continuing to be a part of it.

GFWC—HOW SPECIAL IT IS: Let's preface our club name with GFWC on everything we send out--flyers, bulletins, newspaper articles, stationery and invitations, too. We are proud to be a part of this great international organization, and we should show others how GFWC-proud we are. If your club doesn't have the distinction of GFWC before its name, and you'd like to do it, vote on it, send that information to GFWC FL, and you'll be mighty proud of your new name.

District 13's Rap Limerick

(OK, you'll probably see this a million times more, but it's still soooo true!!!)

District 13 is as good as it gets,
We work and work and have no regrets.

Op Smile is for us,
Raising money with no fuss.

Yeah, you'll see-we're the BEST you've ever met!!!