



September 2025 THE CALL

The Newsletter of The Orange District

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INTERNATIONAL & CALIFORNIA FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS
P.O. Box 1443, Anaheim, CA 92815



Orange District Council Meeting

Friday, September 19, 2025

10:00 am

Ebell Club of Anaheim

226 N. Helena St.

Anaheim



A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

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IT'S ALL ABOUT US!

WE'RE BACK! We are back from our Summer break and ready to get to work. At our upcoming meeting, we have some great things happening.

AWARDS: Some of our District clubs won AWARDS at Conventions held by the General Federation of Women's Clubs (GFWC) in June, and the California Federation of Women's Clubs (CFWC) in May. At our September 19 meeting, these awards will be presented to club presidents.

AFFILIATE ORGANIZATIONS: GFWC has organizations that are affiliated with our organization. These non-profits have been vetted and are recommended to us to support. Our speaker, Linda Queen, Orange District 1st VP/Dean will share information about these organizations, and how we can support their work.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Club presidents, or their representative, should be prepared to announce your upcoming events and news at the end of the meeting. Also, you are welcome to bring fliers to place in club mailboxes. This is optional, and you will need 20 copies to cover all clubs, and 25 more if you want to share with District Executive Committee members and Chairmen.

Looking forward to seeing everyone on September 19th !



ORANGE DISTRICT COUNCIL MEETING



- DATE:** Friday, September 19, 2025 (*one week later than usual*)
- TIME:** Doors open at 9:30 am. Meeting begins at 10:00 am
- COST:** \$40
- PLACE:** Ebell Club of Anaheim Clubhouse, 226 N. Helena St., Anaheim.
- INVITED:** All Club Presidents and Deans are voting members of the council and should be in attendance to represent their club. All club members are welcome, too.
- RSVP:** **NEW!** To Marilyn Mocilnikar, marilyn.mocilnikar@gmail.com
- PAY:** With one club check at the door made out to "Orange District CFWC"
- LUNCH:** Please tell Marilyn which lunch option is desired for each member.

Lunch Choice: Beef Lasagna OR Vegetarian Lasagna

All lunches include:
California salad with four berry vinaigrette on the side
Roasted vegetables, bread, and chef's choice dessert

"GFWC AFFILIATE ORGANIZATIONS"

Our speaker will be our very own Linda Queen, Orange District 1st VP/Dean.



Strategic partnerships are a key component of GFWC's (*General Federation of Women's Clubs*) advocacy and public policy strategy. Like other organizations, GFWC uses its limited resources to maximize our impact for the benefit Community Service Projects undertaken by members.

GFWC Affiliate Organizations provide the issue-expert insight, as well as important tools and resources, such as messaging, toolkits, graphics, speakers, and much more for social marketing campaigns.

Clubs are encouraged to support the work of these organizations. Linda will talk about these organizations, how they are vetted by GFWC, and how we can get involved. Some of our local clubs will share their involvement with Affiliates.



Club RSVPs are due to Marilyn Mocilnikar,
marilyn.mocilnikar@gmail.com, by September 10, 5:00 pm.
RSVP questions: (817) 946-1461. No late RSVPs, please.

ORANGE DISTRICT COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

Friday, September 19, 2025

CALL TO ORDER

Colleen Janssen, President

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Pamela Tice, Civic Engagement & Outreach Chairman

INSPIRATION

Maria Sterk

CREDENTIALS & QUORUM

Beverly Rigney

WELCOME

GFWC Woman's Club of Cypress

INTRODUCTIONS

Colleen Janssen, President

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS

Colleen Janssen, President

GROUP ACTIVITY

Colleen Janssen, President

PRESENTATION OF GFWC & CFWC AWARDS

Linda Queen, 1st VP/Dean

SPOTLIGHT ON PROGRAM CHAIRMEN

Linda Queen, 1st VP/Dean

BLESSING

Maria Sterk

LUNCH

RECONVENE

PROGRAM

Linda Queen

PANEL DISCUSSION BY CLUBS

Linda Queen, 1st VP/Dean

DISTRICT CHAIRMAN REPORTS

Linda Queen, 1st VP/Dean

CLUB ANNOUNCEMENTS

PIN DRAWING

Rosemarie Fernandez, 3rd VP/Ways & Means

OPPORTUNITY DRAWING

Rosemary Fernandez, 3rd VP/Ways & Means

ADJOURNMENT FOLLOWING THE COLLECT

Colleen Janssen, President

ORANGE DISTRICT: WE DO GOOD THINGS!

As I write this, I'm waist deep in final tasks for our annual Summer Conference! It's tomorrow (if you're reading this on Friday 8/8) and I hope a great time will be had by all...

Now on to other things that are in the works --

Last September, as we began this administration, district community service program chairmen each decided on a District Project (or philanthropy) in line with their chairmanship. Here's a recap:

	<u>District Chair</u>	
• Advocates for Children	Cathi Sakuri	The Joyful Child Foundation – child/youth safety
• Arts & Culture	Open	District photography contest
• Civic Engagement	Pam Tice	Support for Seniors
• Domestic Viol A&P	Marilyn Reames	Crime Survivors (OD President's Project)
• Education & Libraries	JoAn Poirel	Books for children; Little Free Libraries
• Environment	Linda Holman	Tree planting project (year 2)
• Health & Wellness	Nettie Hershman	UNICEF Shot @ Life (a GFWC Affiliate)

The OD Arts & Culture program currently lacks a chairman. Please contact President Colleen if you'd like to be considered for the role. Perhaps you're one of our talented, award-winning member photographers – this could be perfect for YOU!

I was thrilled with last year's response to our "Club Collections" program! Your generous support of each other's philanthropies demonstrated IN A BIG WAY that we do more when we do it together!

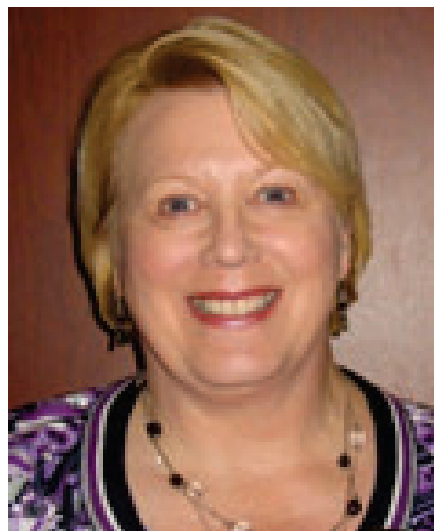
At September's council meeting, we will collect baby-appropriate COTTON, and FLANNEL fabric.* This fabric will be used to sew a variety of items needed by newborns and preemies in NICU's throughout Orange County. The OC Chapter of Threads of Love, led by club member Jackie McPheeters, is a vital link in the lives of so many families. Now that JoAnn Fabrics has closed, Threads of Love are in urgent need of fabric to fulfill their ongoing commitments to 16-18 local hospitals. They make thousands (and thousands) of items each year!

If you sew – you've got a fabric stash! If you don't sew, you have friend or neighbor with a stash.... Please help support the Threads of Love mission. Hundreds of babies will thank you!

* Min 1 yard cuts. These babies may have extremely fragile skin and/or serious respiratory conditions. No metallic or metallic thread; no muslin, denim, fuzzy, or scratchy fabric. NO religious themes, please.

Attn: District Program Chairmen

A chairman's meeting (on Zoom) is scheduled for Wed, Sept 3, 10:00 am. I'll circulate the zoom link soon. Please plan to attend and be prepared to discuss your chairmanship plans for the year. Thanks!



A MESSAGE FROM 1ST VP DEAN

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GFWC California Federation of Women's Clubs Statistical Form

January 1st to December 31st, 2024

This report is required from **ALL** CFWC clubs and districts. Include total statistics from your Club or District for each Special Program, Community Service Program, Advancement Plan, and Epsilon Sigma Omicron (ESO).

For projects benefiting a GFWC Affiliate Organization (*Alzheimer's Association; Canine Companions; Heifer International; Hope for Justice; March of Dimes; Operation Smile; Saint Jude's Research Hospital; Shot@Life; UNICEF USA*): report statistics in the most appropriate Special Program or Community Service Program below, according to intent of the project. Also report these statistics on the **Affiliate Data Form**.

Club _____ District Orange Area C

GFWC SPECIAL PROGRAMS <i>Report Statistics for All Projects</i>	Number of Projects	Volunteer Hours	Dollars Donated	In-Kind Donations
GFWC SIGNATURE PROGRAM: DOMESTIC & SEXUAL VIOLENCE AWARENESS & PREVENTION	44	2,269	36,863	34,363
GFWC JUNIORS SPECIAL PROGRAM: ADVOCATES FOR CHILDREN	87	3,755	42,921	68,915
GFWC WOMEN'S HISTORY & RESOURCE CENTER	30	3,455	12,933	1,627

GFWC COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAMS <i>Report Statistics for All CSP Projects</i>	Number of Projects	Volunteer Hours	Dollars Donated	In-Kind Donations
ARTS AND CULTURE	44	3,506	48,236	11,356
CIVIC ENGAGEMENT AND OUTREACH	151	10,914	65,777	59,716
EDUCATION AND LIBRARIES	78	5,139	201,578	11,680
ENVIRONMENT	52	1,556	11,129	3,760
HEALTH AND WELLNESS	86	6,865	56,593	55,115

GFWC ADVANCEMENT PLANS	Number of Projects	Volunteer Hours	Dollars Spent
COMMUNICATIONS AND PUBLIC RELATIONS	74	6,778	11,591
LEADERSHIP	52	20,643	20,328
LEGISLATION AND PUBLIC POLICY	20	795	0
MEMBERSHIP	89	13,243	5,204

FUNDRAISING AND DEVELOPMENT	Number of Projects	Volunteer Hours	Dollars Raised
	105	22,794	376,070

EPSILON SIGMA OMICRON (ESO)	Hours of Reading	# Books Read
	11,220	3,108

Instructions

- **CFWC Clubs:** This report is required from all clubs. Complete and submit it by email to your District President by the district deadline. **DO NOT SUBMIT THIS FORM DIRECTLY TO CFWC.**
- **CFWC Districts:** This report is required from all districts. Complete the report using the district totals and totals of all clubs in your district for each category. Submit the compiled statistical report to CFWC Dropbox by February 15, 2025.

Definitions

- **Community Service Programs** are the programs and projects members initiate and participate in to serve their communities, including projects benefiting GFWC Affiliate Organizations.
- **Number of Projects** is the numerical account of the programs/projects initiated and participated in by clubs and districts.
- **Volunteer Hours** is the amount of time that members worked on approved programs and projects.
- **Dollars Donated** is the monetary amount given to programs and projects. Note: These funds must have gone through the club/district treasury in order to be reported.
- **In-Kind Donations** reflect the monetary value for goods and items provided to programs and projects. Refer to the *GFWC In-Kind Donation Guide* for an estimated value of commonly donated items (available at cfwc.org and gfwc.org).
- **Dollars Spent** are costs incurred by members, clubs or districts to achieve Advancement Plan goals.
- **Dollars Raised** reflects the dollars earned from fundraising and development programs and/or projects.

🌸 Welcome Back! Let's Talk Membership 🌸

Welcome back from a well-deserved summer break!

As we begin the new club year, here are a few quick ideas to energize your membership:

🌟 Monthly Member Spotlights

Highlight at least one member each month in your newsletter or on Facebook. Include a photo and a short bio—help members connect and show your club's personality!

🎲 Easy Icebreaker

Have members answer fun questions like "What's on your bucket list?" Then read responses at meetings and let the group guess who it is!

☕ Host a Membership Event

Plan a simple "Coffee & Conversation" or Membership Tea to welcome potential members in a relaxed setting.

☀️ Welcome New Members

Pair new members with a "buddy" or host a short orientation. A warm welcome makes all the difference!

📖 Need More Ideas?

Check the Membership section of the GFWC Club Manual in the Member Portal—or reach out anytime for support.

Here's to a year of connection, growth, and fun.

See you at the Summer Conference!

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT - PAM HILTON, EBELL CLUB OF ANAHEIM

Ebell Club of Anaheim is incredibly grateful to Pam Hilton. A member since 2015, she served as president for four consecutive terms. She shepherded our club through Covid and other serious challenges. She has graciously and generously shared her knowledge with us of the corporate world, as well as her experience in running her own businesses. Her efforts in sustaining our club cannot be overstated.

This past June, she received the E. Kate Rea Award for Ebell Club of Anaheim's Woman of the Year. Though currently not on the board, she chairs the bylaws committee, yearbook and Ebellaire. She also is assisting Ebell with establishing its own Dropbox account to help maintain and sustain our essential documents and programs which will be invaluable in the years to come. So many thanks, Pam!



A MESSAGE FROM 2ND VP MEMBERSHIP

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Welcome Back from our Summer Break



For most clubs the end of Summer Break means a new fiscal budget begins in September. How do we prepare for another year of Fundraising to support our clubs and philanthropic endeavors?

Nonprofit fundraising best practices include developing a comprehensive plan, identifying and engaging diverse donors, leveraging various fundraising channels and prioritizing donor stewardship. Effective strategies always involve data-driven decision making, ongoing evaluation (what went well last year, what didn't) and adapting to the evolving fundraising landscape such as Raise Right, Ralph's Community Rewards Program or One Cause.

A MESSAGE FROM 3rd VP WAYS & MEANS

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Here is a simple snapshot of suggested annual planning steps:

- Look at your annual calendar: Slot in your events that happen every year and see where you have gaps for new and fresh campaigns.
- Create fundraiser goals: Define how much you want to raise, your target number of attendees for each event and sponsorship goals
- Set a budget: Your budget can help guide your decisions and make sure you maximize revenue for the cause - not expenses.
- Develop a sponsor procurement plan: Design a strategy to recruit local and national businesses to sponsor your events throughout the year. Provide them with multiple levels of sponsorship to capture the most sponsorship dollars.
- Secure the right fundraising technology: A powerful fundraising strategy needs powerful fundraising software. Make planning and giving easy with One Cause

Goal setting can help future-proof your club and ensure you are always moving towards your mission. Ask yourself, is your club's mission clear? Once you know where your club currently stands, you can think about where you want to be in 12 months' time. Remember to send your fundraising flyers to the Orange District to be added to The PEAL & The CALL.

I am excited to share the Orange District will have a **Fall Fundraiser on Thursday, October, 23, 2025** at ECOS in Cypress, CA. Look for our invitation in this Call newsletter. See first-hand how safer plant-derived ingredients are used to make eco-conscious cleaning products. Create your own take-home room spray and enjoy a nice lunch compliment of ECOS all for \$25. Get your reservation in early as we only have 40 spots available. It's going to be a great event you won't want to miss and a great opportunity for ideas and projects for your environmental chair.

I look forward to working with all of you in the 2026 Fundraising year.

THE CALL

A MESSAGE FROM FINANCIAL TEAM



Gina Whinery, Director of Finance
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Managing club finances is all about teamwork.

The Finance Secretary keeps track of all the money coming in from dues, fundraisers, and donations, and then shares this info with the Treasurer.

The Treasurer's job is to deposit the money and handle the taxes.

It's a good idea for the Finance Secretary, Treasurer, and club leaders to work together on a budget so everyone knows what's coming in and going out.

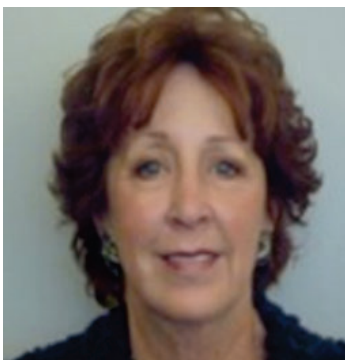
Plus, having the President or 1st Vice President regularly check the finances helps keep everything transparent and accurate.

Got questions? Contact either Ginay Whinery, Marsha LaRusso or Barb Murphy.



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**We will vote on the Proposed Budget at the September 19 Council Meeting.
Please see the next two pages to review the Proposed Budget before the meeting.**



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ORANGE DISTRICT 2025-2026 Budget Review

(Current Ending May 2025)

Accts	Assets	Orange District Budget 2024-2025	Proposed New Budget 2025-2026	Budget Difference
	Carry Over checking	\$ 7,834.39	\$11,443.00	3608.61
Projected Income				
101a	Annual Dues (District)\$2 @ \$1500	\$3,200.00	\$3,000.00	-\$200.00
107	District Council Mtgs 4 per year	\$13,560.00	\$14,000.00	\$440.00
109a	Convention	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$0.00
106	Summer Conference	\$3,800.00	\$5,000.00	\$1,200.00
111	OD Yearbook	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$0.00
103	Ways and Means	\$2,928.61	\$4,000.00	\$1,071.39
199	Undesignated Income	\$100.00	\$0.00	-\$100.00
	Total Income	\$34,473.00	\$40,493.00	\$6,020.00
Operating Expenses				
503	Ways and Means	\$500.00	\$200.00	-\$300.00
521a	Gen Office Expenses	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$0.00
521b	Insur - general liability (Aug)	\$120.00	\$115.00	-\$5.00
521c	Insur - Officer/directors (Feb)	\$820.00	\$1,100.00	\$280.00
521d	Document Stor (May, Nov)	\$700.00	\$750.00	\$50.00
521e	Call - printing	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
521f	Call - postage	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
521g	Orange Blossom (1st year)	\$250.00	\$0.00	-\$250.00
521h	Yearbooks	\$475.00	\$475.00	\$0.00
521i	General Postage	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$0.00
521j	P.O. Box rental (July)	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$0.00
525	District donations	\$500.00	\$400.00	-\$100.00
526	Corresponding Supplies	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
544	Web Site/zoom/etc (June)	\$288.00	\$300.00	\$12.00
545	QuickBooks Online (June)	\$720.00	\$702.00	-\$18.00
546	CA Atty Gen'l & State fees	\$55.00	\$75.00	\$20.00
547	Publicity	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	Total	\$5,378.00	\$5,167.00	-\$211.00
Officer/Chairman Expenses				
509	Pres Exp at \$.30 per membr	\$480.00	\$450.00	-\$30.00
510a	Pres CFWC Bd Meet (2x + WSR)	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$0.00
510b	Pres - CFWC Convention	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00
511	Deans Exp - copy & postage	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
512a	Dean-CFWC Conv (1st Year)	\$750.00	\$0.00	-\$750.00
512b	Dean/Pres Elect CFWC Conv (2nd)	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
512c	Dean-CFWC Bd Meet (2x + WSR)	\$1,200.00	\$1,800.00	\$600.00
516	Membership Chr (Fall Bd)	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$0.00
517	OD Chairmen (12 @ \$30)	\$360.00	\$360.00	\$0.00
518	CF Chair Exp (3@30)	\$270.00	\$240.00	-\$30.00
519	Membership Event	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$0.00
520	Membership Amenities	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$0.00
	Total	\$7,810.00	\$8,700.00	\$890.00

Orange District Amenities				
504	President Charity - donation	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
505	In/Out Board Mtg (2nd Yr)	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
506	Summer Conference (Meals)	\$2,500.00	\$4,200.00	\$1,700.00
507	OD Council Meetings	\$12,000.00	\$13,000.00	\$1,000.00
530	Convention	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$0.00
600	Past Pres pin (2nd yr)	\$0.00	\$20.00	\$20.00
601	Historian - scrapbook	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
602	Pres Discretionary Amenities	\$200.00	\$100.00	-\$100.00
603	Pres-Elect Installation (yr 2)	\$0.00	\$200.00	\$200.00
604	Honor Past OD Presidents Donations	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$0.00
605	President's gift (year 2)	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
606	OD Council Guest Speakers	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$0.00
607	Clubhouse - Non Official Use	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$0.00
608	LEADS Candidate - State	\$400.00	\$400.00	\$0.00
Total		\$18,400.00	\$21,520.00	\$3,120.00
CFWC Amenities				
609a	CFWC Conv Program Ad	\$60.00	\$60.00	\$0.00
609b	CFWC Conv Gift Basket	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$0.00
	CFWC Area C Gift Basket	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$0.00
Total		\$160.00	\$160.00	\$0.00
Federation Convention Exp				
610a	Pres GFWC Conv (yr 1)	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
610b	Pres-Elect GFWC Conv (Yr 2)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
610c	WSR 2025	\$0.00	\$80.00	\$80.00
Total		\$2,000.00	\$2,080.00	\$80.00
Other Expenses				
710	Undesignated Funds (Misc)	\$725.00	\$2,866.00	\$2,141.00
Total Expenses		\$ 34,473.00	\$40,493.00	\$6,020.00

Hope everyone had a great summer!



A MESSAGE FROM CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

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As Corresponding Secretary, one of your major club responsibilities is probably sending out correspondence to club members via E-blasts. If you are newly appointed to this position or if you just need a refresher after summer break, the following rules for email etiquette may be helpful to you.

1. All club email requests need to have prior approval by the club president.
2. You may want to address your emails to all club members by using the "To:" address line or you can address the recipients by using the "bcc" address line. The latter may be preferred by the club members.
3. Use a clear subject line. This will help the recipient prioritize emails. A subject line that is to the point will make it easier to sort through their inbox and decide what communications takes precedence.
4. Proofread every email you send. Make sure there are no spelling and grammatical errors. Are you using simple sentence structures and correct capitalization and punctuation?
5. Compose your email before entering the recipients' email addresses. It is always best practice to write the contents of your email first in case you accidentally send the message too early.
6. Double check your recipient addresses. Are there new members to be added to your list? Has anyone passed away since your last email message? Has anyone sent you a separate message asking you to change their email address?
7. You don't always have to "reply all". If someone has a question about an email you sent, you can forward the question to the member who originally requested the e-blast or you can just reply to the sender who is asking the question.
8. Send out requested emails and reply to your emails in a very timely manner. This is good etiquette and shows that you take responsibility for your position as corresponding secretary.
9. Use the appropriate level of formality. For instance, "Dear Members". Use "please" and "thank you" as necessary. Be sure to add RSVP contact information as needed.
10. Your emails should include the "who, what, when, where, and why" details to keep questions and confusion at a minimum.
11. Font size matters. When composing your messages, use normal size font and clear font styles. Using bold, ALL CAPS, and large font size indicate YELLING! These styles should only be used in rare cases.
12. Repeating email messages and sending reminders should be used at a minimum. Flooding members' inboxes with repeated messages and constant reminders is not recommended.

Set to Record your Club History



A MESSAGE FROM RECORDING SECRETARY

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It's that time again where clubs are coming back from a summer hiatus and getting back to monthly meetings, upcoming fundraisers, and district events. New boards are taking over, and new members are being recruited, so it's the perfect time to get organized and practice documenting EVERYTHING.

Remember, keeping a record of all the activities and meetings is not only important for tax and finance purposes, but it's also a record of the history of your club and all that you accomplish. Ensuring you have a secretary, or recording secretary, on your board is crucial to maintaining minutes of your meetings and a proof of the philanthropy your club participates in.

Here are some suggestions to help your club recruit the best secretary to record all your meetings and events:

1. Be sure to have clear communication on the time commitment and expectations for the person taking on the role. This requires having a detailed description in your bylaws of the duties and realistic skills you want the person to have, including being organized and punctual.
2. Be creative in using outreach to find the right person including, but not limited to, social media and community networking. Do not limit yourself to looking only at your current members, this is a chance to recruit a new member who may have the right skill set you're looking for.
3. Cultivate a positive environment that will encourage people to take interest in the role. "Taking notes" sounds boring and tedious, it's important to make sure they see the value in the position. Provide a warm and welcoming atmosphere and establish comradery among the board members so everyone feels equally important.

The secretary is not just someone to take a few notes during a meeting, they keep track of member attendance, motions made, upcoming events, promoting the club to the community, membership and so much more. Please feel free to reach out to me at mdbwomensclub2024@gmail.com if you have any questions or concerns, I'm here to help you be as successful as you can.



WHAT'S NEW ON OUR WEBSITE?



A MESSAGE FROM COMMUNICATIONS SECRETARY

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Our Orange District website (cfwcorangedistrict.com) has been refreshed with updates to help our member clubs with easy access and useful information. Check out the latest below:

CALENDARS – Orange District & other meeting dates have been updated for the next 12 months. OD Calendar/Other Meetings

COMMUNITY SERVICE – A new page has been added summarizing 2024 volunteer hours, total number of projects, donations and funds raised. Photos are included to show our clubs in action. Community Service

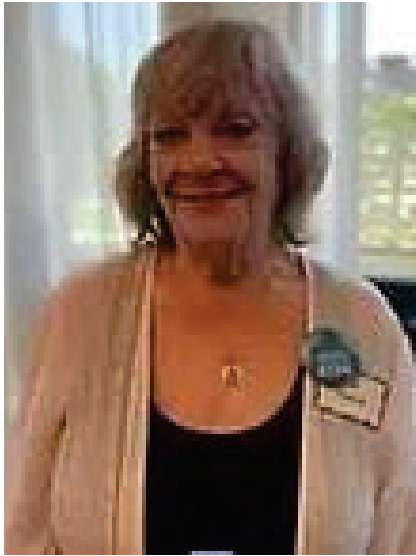
MEMBER RESOURCES – New links provided for some of the frequently asked for information. It is almost a one-stop shop! Member Resources

2024 REPORT AWARDS – A summary of all the award winners and a link to the first-place reports have been added. 2024 Awards Winners

AND for those who access the Orange District website from your phone or tablet, the site is now more user friendly for viewing on smaller devices.

Let us know what you think of all the updates!!





ENVIRONMENT

The planting of 21 trees in Craig Park is complete.

Thank you to the clubs supporting this project.

This was a successful collaboration of CFWC Orange District clubs, the Fullerton Elks Lodge and the Orange County Parks Department.

Planting trees is our way of nurturing Mother Earth.

I will be doing the tree planting project again this year.

A few years ago, we smirked and laughed at the young people sitting around a table, all looking at their phones. Now, I often find myself checking my phone and so is almost everyone else at the table. We are becoming disconnected.

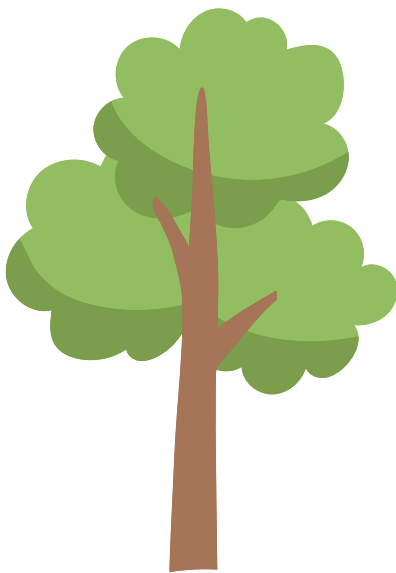
When we are disconnected from Nature we become stressed, worried, and anxious. We forget we are part of Nature.

Parks are places for reconnecting to Nature in Urban environments. Going to a park can restore your balance, uplift your spirit, and improve your immune system.

Let's see how many trees we can plant this coming year.

"When we plant trees, we plant the seeds of peace and hope."

— Wangari Maathai - She founded Green Belt Movement an environmental non-governmental organization focused on planting trees, environmental conservation, and women's rights. In 2004 she became the first African woman to win the Nobel Peace Prize. [4] Source: Wikipedia



Let's see how many trees we can plant this coming year.

Harriet Hemings

(May 1801-after 1822)



A MESSAGE FROM CHAIRMAN OF WOMEN'S HISTORY & RESOURCE CENTER

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This summer I read a book called "The President's Daughter" by Barbara Chase-Riboud. It told the story of Harriet Hemings. Now some of you might know about her, but for those of you who do not I would like to tell you about this famous woman.

Harriet Hemings was born into slavery at Monticello, the home of Thomas Jefferson, third president of the United States, in the first year of his presidency. Most historians believe her father was Jefferson, who is now believed to have fathered, with his slave Sally Hemings, four children who survived to adulthood.

Harriet is believed to be the daughter of Sally Hemings and the widower Thomas Jefferson. Jefferson and his wife Martha Wayles Skelton Jefferson inherited Sally Hemings, her mother Betty Hemings and ten siblings from the estate of her father John Wayles, along with more than 100 other slaves. It is widely believed that Jefferson and Hemings had a 38-year secret relationship beginning in Paris several years after the early death of his wife. We know from the historical and the DNA data that Thomas Jefferson can neither be definitely excluded nor solely implicated in the paternity of illegitimate children with his slave Sally Hemings.

While the question of how to approach the man who wrote the Declaration of Independence and never freed the mother of his children is one that will undoubtedly continue to spark fierce debate for years to come. Harriet Hemings was the daughter of the most powerful man in the country and an enslaved woman thirty years his junior. She grew up in a world where she was both a Jefferson and a slave and lived as both a Black woman and a white woman over the course of her life. Over the course of the last few decades, the unequal relationship between Thomas Jefferson and his slave, Sally Hemings, has come to dominate discussions of Jefferson's legacy as a politician and as a man.

In 1822, at the age of 21, Harriet left Monticello. Jefferson instructed his overseer Edmund Bacon to give her \$50 (equivalent to \$1,180 in 2024) to help on her journey. Although legally she had escaped and was a "fugitive", Jefferson never tried to persuade her to return or posted notice of escape. Harriet Hemings was the only female slave he "freed" in his lifetime. Her brother Madison Hemings later said she had gone to Washington, DC, to join their older brother Beverly Hemings, who had similarly left Monticello earlier that year. Both entered into white society and married white partners of good circumstances. All the Hemings children were legally slaves under Virginia law at the time, in accordance of which they inherited the status of their enslaved mother, who was three-quarters European in ancestry (making them seven-eighths European in ancestry). Jefferson freed the two youngest brothers in his will of 1826, so they were legally free.

The story that is told in this book is very interesting when you look at the way the Black slaves were treated and the way that the people of color and from different countries are being treated in our society today. Harriet passed as a white lady and was involved in helping her family, who remained slaves in many ways. If you would like to read more about Thomas Jefferson and his 'mixed' family you would find it very informative on how women have shaped our country for so many years.



Orange District Fall Fundraiser

ECOS Manufacturing Tour

Earth Friendly Products

Get the Job done the ECOS way

11150 Hope St, Cypress

Thursday, October 23, 2025, 11 am - 2 pm

\$25 pp - lunch provided

(40-person limit)

Join us for an opportunity to tour the ECOS Cypress manufacturing facility. This facility runs on 100% clean energy and includes a solar panel garden. ECOS has achieved Climate Positivity, the first company to make its products in carbon neutral, water neutral and is a TRUE Platinum Zero Waste facility.

Love room sprays but hate the chemicals they contain? Part of your experience will be to create a "take home" room spray working with an on-site scientist.

**CLOSED TOE SHOES REQUIRED
(NO SANDALS)**

**MUST BE ABLE TO WALK UP/DOWN
MULTIPLE STAIRCASES
(NO ELEVATOR)**

**Reservation Deadline - October 1, 2025
(use attached reservation form)**



CFWC Orange District Fall Fundraiser
Thursday, October 23, 2025
Club Reservation Form

Club Name: _____

President: _____

Contact person regarding this form: _____

Phone: (_____) _____ Email: _____

ALL Club members and leadership are invited and encouraged to attend.

	Names of Members Attending	List any Dietary Restrictions
1 .		
2 .		
3 .		
4 .		
5 .		
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RSVP no later than October 1, 2025 Advance payment is required

\$25 Registration PP (includes Lunch \$25 per person x # _____ = Total \$ _____

Check payable to "Orange District CFWC." Mail to PO Box 1443, Anaheim CA 92815

Email a copy to Rosemarie Fernandez @
rosemariefernandez@icloud.com to reserve spots

DUE BY 5:00 PM	PUBLICATION
2024	
May 17	Summer Conference CALL due by 5pm
May 24	Summer Conference CALL sent out
August 2	September CALL articles/fliers due by 5pm
August 9	September CALL sent out
September 13	October PEAL articles/fliers due by 5pm
September 20	October PEAL sent out
October 4	November CALL articles/fliers due by 5pm
October 11	November CALL sent out
November 15	December PEAL articles/fliers due by 5pm
November 22	December PEAL sent out
December 6	January CALL articles/fliers due by 5pm
December 13	January CALL sent out
2025	
January 17	February PEAL articles/fliers due by 5pm
January 24	February PEAL sent out
February 7	March CALL articles/fliers due by 5pm
February 14	March CALL sent out
March 14	April PEAL articles/fliers due by 5pm
March 21	April PEAL sent out
April 11	May PEAL articles/fliers due by 5pm
April 18	May PEAL sent out
May 16	Summer Conference CALL due by 5pm
May 23	Summer Conference CALL sent out
August 1	September CALL articles/fliers due by 5pm
August 8	September CALL sent out
September 12	October PEAL articles/fliers due by 5pm
September 19	October PEAL sent out
October 3	November CALL articles/fliers due by 5pm
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November 7	December PEAL articles/fliers due by 5pm
November 14	December PEAL sent out
December 5	January CALL articles/fliers due by 5pm
December 12	January CALL sent out

DUE BY 5:00 PM	PUBLICATION
2026	
January 16	February PEAL articles/fliers due by 5pm
January 23	February PEAL sent out
February 6	March CALL articles/fliers due by 5pm
February 13	March CALL sent out
March 13	April PEAL articles/fliers due by 5pm
March 20	April PEAL sent out
May 15	Summer Conference CALL due by 5pm
May 22	Summer Conference CALL sent out

Submit

SUBMISSIONS FOR:

THE CALL:

Executive Committee Members
 Orange District Chairmen *(optional)*
 Club Presidents—event fliers *(optional)*

THE PEAL:

Executive Committee Members *(optional)*
 Orange District Chairmen
 Club Presidents—event fliers *(optional)*

Email articles/fliers by 5:00 pm on the due date to ALL three of these people:

Denise Jusko: Editor
 orangedistrictcfcw@gmail.com

Colleen Janssen: President
 colleenj02@gmail.com

Kathy Loch: Corresponding Secretary
 ktloch@yahoo.com



**Help us welcome our new editor of
*The Call & The Peal***



Denise Jusko!

Continue sending your submissions as usual. She will access them through the Orange District email.

SAVE THE DATE!

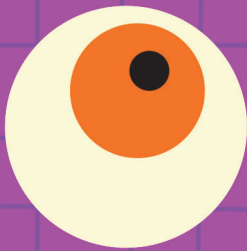
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OCT
2025**



GUEST SPEAKERS



PRIZES



SILENT AUCTION



VENDORS



COSTUMES



**A BAT-TASTIC
GOODTIME!**

SEE YOU THERE



**BRING YOUR
FRIENDS**

AREA C

Conference

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4101 E. WILLOW ST., LONG BEACH

RSVP INFORMATION IS COMING SOON!

OFFICIAL CALL

To the 107th Annual **WESTERN STATES REGION CONFERENCE**

**September 12-14, 2025
Long Beach, California
Long Beach Marriott Hotel**

"Reach For The Stars"

Dear Members of the Western States Region,

As your WSR President, I am excited to invite all the clubwomen in our region to the 107th Annual Western States Region Conference in Long Beach, California, September 12-14, 2025 at the Long Beach Marriott Hotel. I know you will enjoy this conference and hope you encourage all your fellow clubwomen to attend.

We will be joined by GFWC international President Suellen Brazil and GFWC President-elect Wendy Carriker who will bring greetings and information from GFWC. There will be interactive, interesting and informative presentations from each of the GFWC Program areas, so come prepared to learn! We will also be electing our WSR officers for the 2026-2028 administration and voting on amendments to our Standing Rules.

If you come early to the conference, the tours on Thursday and Friday give you a great opportunity to explore the Richard Nixon Presidential Library and iconic Laguna Beach! You'll be able to attend a special 9/11 Memorial Service at the Library and also learn about the California Federations special connection to President Nixon. And if you love chocolate, there's a special event on Friday afternoon you will not want to miss!

And of course, there will be lots of opportunities to network and catch up with your GFWC friends from across the region. If you are a LEADS graduate there will be a social time for you to reconnect with your fellow graduates.

If you have not already done so, be sure to make your hotel reservations before the deadline of August 18, 2025 to receive the special rate.

The registration form for the conference is included in the Call and the deadline for registration is August 18, 2025.

See you in September!

Pam Briggs, President
Western States Region

**FIND DETAILS, REGISTRATION
FORM, MENU, EXCURSIONS, AND
MORE IN THE 06/23/25 ISSUE OF
CFWC QUICKBYTES**

WOMAN'S CLUB OF ORANGE

Evening Group New Member Interest Meeting



WHEN: Tuesday, September 23, 2025

TIME: 6-7:30 PM

WHERE: WCO Clubhouse Gardens
121 S. Center St., Orange CA 92866

WHO: Women Interested in Making Friends
while Serving the Community

COST: Free (Desserts, water, tea and wine
will be provided. A raffle will be held for
non-members)

WCO Members will be on hand to provide
information and answer questions. A rock
painting activity will be conducted for all.



The Woman's
Club of Orange is an
organization of women
dedicated to the
promotion of
friendship and service
in the community and
the world.

RSVP by 8/18 at www.womanscluboforange.org/upcoming-events

Woman's Club of Orange
HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE

CRAFT
fair

SAT. OCT 4TH 2025 | 9AM TIL 4PM
121 S CENTER ST, ORANGE, CA 92866
FREE ADMISSION, OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
BRING A FRIEND,
SWEET SHOP
LUNCH AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE

HALLOWEEN, CHRISTMAS & THANKSGIVING ITEMS
WOMANCLUBOFORANGE.ORG



CONTACT LINDA HICKS
714.213.4411



Fundraising Proceeds Support
WCO Philanthropies
Supporting Our Community Since 1915
2024 Non-Profit of the Year

Club House Location:
121 S. Center St., Orange, CA 92866
Mailing Address:
PO Box 674, Orange, CA 92866



THE LAGUNA NIGUEL WOMAN'S CLUB
INVITES YOU TO JOIN US FOR

DOLLARMANIA!

Location: Sea Country Community Center
24602 Aliso Creek Rd, Laguna Niguel

Date: Saturday, September 27

Time: Doors open at 11:15 for lunch.
Auction begins at 12:15.

Cost: \$45 (includes "bidding" paddle and catered
boxed lunch)

Checks payable to LNWC and send to:

Laguna Niguel Woman's Club
PO Box 7112, Laguna Niguel, CA 92607-7112.

Zelle to: lnwc1969@gmail.com

Please note "Dollarmania Fundraiser" in the memo
and indicate if you prefer a vegetarian lunch.

Experience the excitement of a live auction using a numbered paddle to bid on a variety of valuable items and gift cards donated by local businesses. An auction item bid will range from \$1 to \$4. Bring your one dollar bills for the bidding! There will also be a raffle and a silent auction.

Reserve your spot now and invite your friends and family to join in the fun! RSVP no later than September 11.

Proceeds go to Waymakers and Beta Foster Care, two organizations that provide vital support to vulnerable children and families in our community.

EBELL CLUB OF ANAHEIM PRESENTS...



Love, Wine & Painting!

A professional artist will guide everyone from ten to a hundred in creating their painting while enjoying wine and appetizers.

Saturday, October 4, 2025

1:00 - 3:30 p.m.

(Doors Open at 12:30)

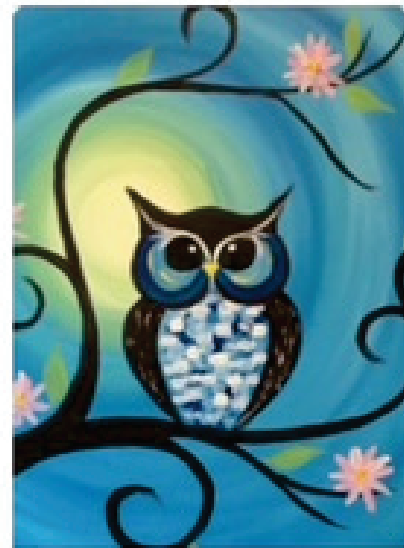
Ebell Club of Anaheim

226 N Helena St., Anaheim

RSVP by Tuesday, Sept. 30.

theebellclubofanaheim@gmail.com

or call 714-931-5269



***Silent Auction
and Wine Raffle!***

**Enjoy a fun afternoon
with friends and discover
your hidden talent!**

**Only \$45 per person!
Includes a glass of wine,
appetizers and all
painting supplies!**

Proceeds benefit AUHSD Scholarships for Fine Arts

Barber City Women's Club

Handmade

Craft Fair, Bake Sale & Lunch

Sunday September 28, 2025

9 AM-3PM

Lunch 11AM-2PM \$15

Everyone Welcome

14046 Rancho Rd. Westminster



*Since 1927 ~ 14046 Rancho Road
Westminster, CA 92683
Formerly ~ Barber City, California*

More info Text 714-414-9696

**WOMAN'S CIVIC CLUB OF GARDEN GROVE
INVITES YOU TO A FUNDRAISING EVENT**

CARD BINGO

**SATURDAY,
SEPTEMBER
6TH**



DOORS OPEN AT: 11:00 AM

COST: \$20

INCLUDES LUNCH - SERVED AT NOON

**COME JOIN THE FUN!
OPPORTUNITY DRAWINGS
DOOR PRIZES & RAFFLE BASKETS**

**FOR QUESTIONS OR
RESERVATIONS:
CALL SYLVIA
714-319-1084**

**EVENT LOCATION:
WOMAN'S CIVIC CLUB
9501 CHAPMAN AVE, GARDEN GROVE
(CORNER OF CHAPMAN AND GILBERT)**