



October 2025 THE PEAL

The Newsletter of The Orange District

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Be Like Jane



Get the Job Done!

My Favorite Time of the Year!



Seriously, I LOVE Halloween. I plan a theme for my front yard each year starting in November, purchase my supplies at after-Halloween sales, and dream of decorating outside. My neighborhood kids have already been asking for months what this year's theme will be.

My themes are never scary. I have had themes such as Dinosaurs, Grandma's Trick-or-Treat Village, Peanuts Characters with Snoopy, and so on. This year, my theme is Carnival. I'll have games for the kids to play like Bean Bag Toss, and goodie bags with little toys and candy. I have parents who bring their children every year to take a family photo in front of my decorated garage door.

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

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Why am I telling you this? I invite my club members who don't have little Trick-or-Treaters show up at their home. I usually have 6-10 club members at my house, each one giving candy or little toys to my 100+ visitors. The kids love to stop at one house and get candy from multiple people.

Each of us is a member of a club (or more than one) that raises money and helps in our community, but we are also friends. We like to spend time together and enjoy each other's company. Reach out when you can, and invite members out to lunch, to a movie, or maybe to share the experience of Halloween at your home.



Together, we make a difference, and isn't that terrific?





RECOGNITION WINNERS FOR 2024

Award Winners Announced at the May 2025 California Federation of Women's Clubs (CFWC) Convention

2024 CFWC Service Award, Fundraising & Development, Small Club: GFWC Ebell Club of Irvine
2024 CFWC Service Award, Domestic & Sexual Violence Awareness & Prevention, Small Club: GFWC Ebell Club of Irvine.
2024 CFWC Service Award, Advocates for Children, Small Club: GFWC Ebell Club of Irvine
2024 CFWC Service Award, Communications & Public Relations, Small Club: San Clemente Jr. Woman's Club
2024 CFWC Service Award, Leadership, Intermediate Club: Woman's Civic Club of Garden Grove
2024 CFWC Service Award, ESO, Intermediate Club: Tustin Area Woman's Club
2024 CFWC Service Award, Advocates for Children, Intermediate Club: GFWC La Habra Woman's Club
2024 CFWC Service Award, Advocates for Children Creativity Award: Yorba Linda Woman's Club
2024 CFWC Service Award, Advocates for Children, Large Club: GFWC Woman's Club of Cypress
2024 CFWC Contest Award, Newsletter Contest, Medium Club: GFWC Ebell Club of Fullerton for The Ebell Echo
2024 CFWC Contest Award, Newsletter Contest, Large Club: Woman's Club of Orange for The Orange Leaf
2024 CFWC Service Award, Large District, Civic Engagement & Outreach: Orange District, Chairman, Pamela Tice
2024 CFWC Service Award, Large District, Environment: Orange District, Chairman Linda Holman
2024 CFWC Service Award, Large District, Health & Wellness: Orange District, Chairman Nettie Hershman
2024 CFWC Service Award, Large District, Leadership: Orange District, Chairman Kathi Baldwin
2024 CFWC Service Award, Large District, Legislation & Public Policy, Orange District, Chairman Rosemarie Fernandez.
2024 CFWC Service Award, Large District, for Women's History & Resource Center, Orange District, Chairman Judy Wagner
Membership Award for Growth, Orange District, Chairman Natalie Skullr-White; 88 new members July 2024-Dec 2024.
Orange District won the 2024 CFWC Membership Chimes Award

Award Winners Announced at the June 2025 General Federation of Women's Clubs (GFWC) Convention

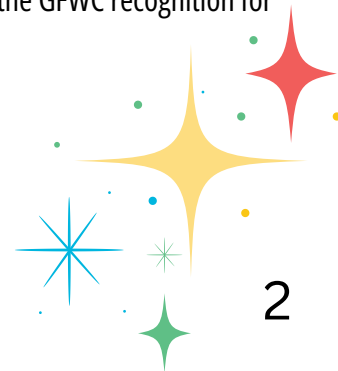
Recognition Award for participation in the GFWC Legislative Ladder: GFWC Laguna Niguel Woman's Club.

Jane Cunningham Croly Award for Excellence in Journalism Covering an Issue of Concern to Women: Colleen Janssen

Additionally, the California Federation of Women's Clubs presented a plaque to commemorate the GFWC recognition for this prestigious award to Colleen Janssen



Congratulations





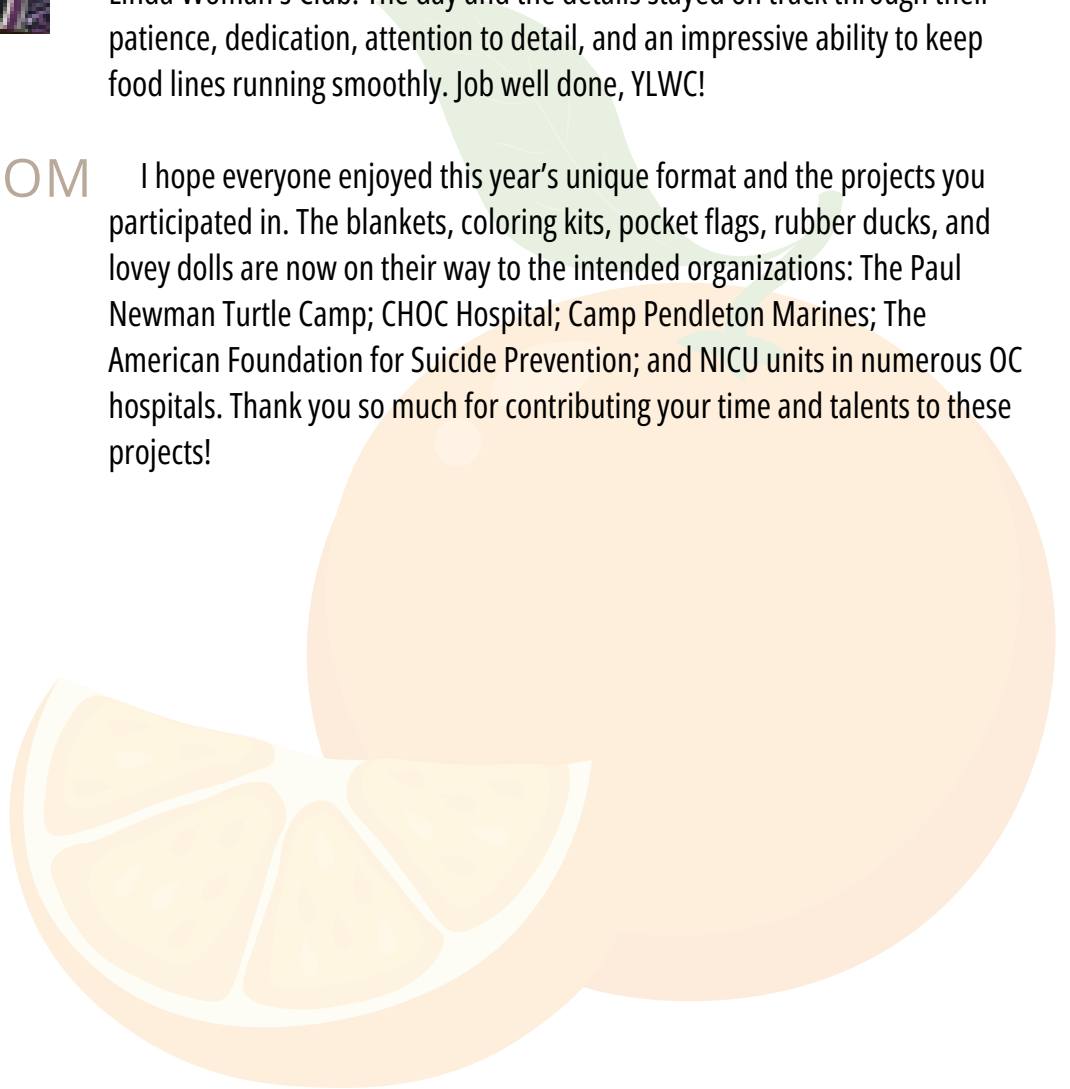
We Got the Job Done at Summer Conference!

As we ramp up the 2025-2026 club year, with new activities and projects on our minds, I'd like to express my deep appreciation to those who attended our recent Summer Conference and, in particular, the members of Yorba Linda Woman's Club. The day and the details stayed on track through their patience, dedication, attention to detail, and an impressive ability to keep food lines running smoothly. Job well done, YLWC!

A MESSAGE FROM 1ST VP DEAN

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I hope everyone enjoyed this year's unique format and the projects you participated in. The blankets, coloring kits, pocket flags, rubber ducks, and lovey dolls are now on their way to the intended organizations: The Paul Newman Turtle Camp; CHOC Hospital; Camp Pendleton Marines; The American Foundation for Suicide Prevention; and NICU units in numerous OC hospitals. Thank you so much for contributing your time and talents to these projects!





A MESSAGE FROM 2ND VP MEMBERSHIP

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Membership Spotlight

Meet Myrt Perisho

Woo-Hoo! Myrt Perisho shows off her Orange District certificate recognizing her 50 years as a member of the Rossmoor Woman's Club. Myrt is known for her entertaining tales about the club's "old days," as well as her ideas for things we can do now! Thank you, Myrt, for all you do!



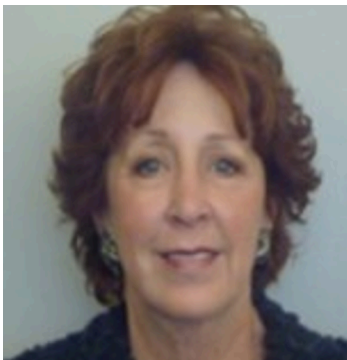
A MESSAGE FROM FINANCIAL TEAM



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Forms a 501(c) (3) Tax Exempt Organization are required to file.

— State of California Requirements —

Go to <https://oag.ca.gov/charities>; under Charities select Annual Registration Renewal.
select RRF-1

Form RRF-1 — to be filed every year.

Annual Registration Renewal Fee Report to Attorney General of California

Due 15th day of the 5th month after the close of the club's fiscal year (every year)

If your gross revenues or assets are over \$25,000 you must attach a copy of your form 990EZ or 990.

The filing fee varies depending on the club's gross revenue.

If the revenue is less than \$50,000 fee is \$25, if between \$50,000 and \$100,000 it is \$50.00.

Form CT-TR-1 Annual Treasurer's Report to Attorney General of California

If gross receipts are below \$50,000 and did not file form 990 or 990EZ then you are required to file this form Go to www.sos.ca.gov; select business; Under business Programs select #2. Corporation Statement of Information File Online; enter corporation number or name.

Form SI-100 —

Secretary of State – Statement of Information

Due 90 days after filing Articles of Incorporation

Then filed every two years.

Filing Fee is \$20.00

Be sure to send an amended form if officers change between the filing term.

There is no charge for the amended form.



Franchise Tax Board (FTB)

(To be filed each year)

Go to www.ftb.ca.gov; under blue tab select Businesses; under Filing Information select Charities and Nonprofits; under Filing Requirements select Exempt Return Filing Requirement; under Who Must File select Form 199 Exempt Annual Information Return or FTB 199N California e postcard.

Form 199N — e-Postcard

Gross receipts are normally \$50,000 or less.

Due 15th day of the 5th month after the close of the organization's tax year

Be sure to print confirmation for your files.

Form 199 —

Gross receipts are over \$50,000.

Due 15th day of the 5th month after the close of the organization's tax year

Be sure to print/make copies for your files of what you sent.

There is a \$10 filing fee

Internal Revenue Service (IRS)

(To be filed each year)

Go to irs.gov web site and select blue tab Charities/Nonprofits; select Annual Reporting Filing; select 990 series forms and schedules and select Form 990-N/Form 990EZ/ Form 990

Form 990 — Return of Organization Exempt from Income Tax

Due 15th day of the 5th month after the close of the organization's tax year

Gross receipts of \$200,000 or more per year or total assets are \$500,000.

Form 990EZ — Short Form Return of Organization Exempt from Income Tax

Due 15th day of the 5th month after the close of the organization's tax year

Gross receipts are less than \$200,000 per year and assets less than \$500,000.

Form 990-N (e-Postcard) Organizations Annual Gross Receipts \$50,000 or less

You must register with a username and password before you begin

Due 15th day of the 5th month after the close of the organization's tax year

Eight items of Basic Information:

1. Taxpayer Identification Number
2. Tax Year
3. Legal Name & Mailing Address
4. Any other name the organization uses
5. Name and address of Principal Officer
6. Web site address if the organization has one
7. Confirmation that the organization annual gross receipts are \$50,000 or less
8. If applicable a statement that the organization has terminated

Remember to print or make extra copies of all forms and confirmations for your club records, and to include when sending in the RRF-1 Form.



REGISTERING & REPORTING RAFFLES

Raffle Registration Update:

As of April 1, 2023, the new Raffle Registration year will be the calendar year (January 1-December 31). The Raffle report (CT-NRP-2) form is due by 2/1/2024. New forms CT-NRP-1 and CT-NRP-2 became available April 1, 2023. Your 2024 applications will be accepted starting on October 1, 2023. For complete information please refer to the California Office of Attorney General - Dept of Justice Website: oag.ca.gov/charities/raffles

The "raffles" subpage contains detailed information, forms and an informative video explaining legalities and requirements concerning holding raffles, opportunity drawings, giveaways, etc. Although raffles are generally considered gambling by the State of California, there is a narrow exception for tax-exempt organizations which allow them to conduct properly registered raffles to raise funds for beneficial or charitable purposes. At least 90% of the gross raffle receipts must be used for charitable or beneficial purposes of the organization conducting the raffle or for the benefit of another eligible organization. The annual raffle registration/reporting period is January 1 through December 31. Raffles can be registered at any time during the registration period; however, the registered raffle(s) must occur on or before December 31.

What you need to know:

Holding legitimate raffles is a two-step process. Step one takes place before the year in which you plan to have raffles: and step two takes place after the end of the year in which all your raffles take place.

Step One – BEFORE - Register raffle(s) with Calif Atty General's Registry of Charitable Trusts.

Submit Registration Form CT-NRP-1* (+ \$30.00 fee). Whether your organization plans to hold one raffle or several between Jan 1-Dec 31. You must file a Nonprofit Raffle Registration at least 60 days BEFORE the first raffle of the year occurs. I recommend having the Registration form filled out and in the mail by October 1 of each year. If desired, dates of all raffles planned during the active registration period can be included on the registration form. Note: you must wait to receive a registration confirmation letter before conducting the raffle or selling raffle tickets.

Step Two – AFTER – Report on all raffles held during the year.

Submit Form CT-NRP-2* After all the raffles have occurred. You must submit a Nonprofit Raffle Report that includes all raffles held during the prior Jan-Dec reporting period. This report is due February 1. If a raffle is part of a larger fundraising event, be sure to maintain a separate record of raffle proceeds and expenses. Only raffle proceeds/expenses are included in the report.

*Use updated forms, effective 4/1/2023 (see above website). These forms can be downloaded to your computer.



Mail printed and completed copies to:
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Registry of Charitable Trusts
P.O. Box 903447
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A MESSAGE FROM CIVIC ENGAGEMENT & OUTREACH

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9/11 and Celebrating Our Country's 250th

A 24th annual memorial ceremony commemorating the anniversary of 9/11 was held at the Richard Nixon Presidential Library this past week.

Attendees included GFWC members from the Western Regional conference being held in Long Beach. California is fortunate to have two Presidential Libraries in the Southern part of the state, with the other being the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library.

Please recommend visiting these to better understand our US history and our impact on the world.

Many of the not for profit organizations that CFWC and GFWC supports are facing serious financial burdens with the government pulling funding. Please contact the ones your Club donates to and find out what you can do to help. The Veterans Association is on that list, as are many clinics that support the families on the poverty line and legal immigrants.

Our country will turn 250 years old next July 4, 2026! It is never too late to plan a fabulous celebration in your community, organize a parade of non-profits, Scouts and local volunteers! Have a community picnic in your park and ask the Mayor and or your Assembly person to speak. We need to celebrate the many centuries of American Democracy and remind ourselves that Freedom is never Free!



It's National Literacy Month

This is the time of year when we send our children off to school. What is the one thing we know they will be learning? Of course, it is reading. We all read newspapers, signs, grocery lists, books, directions (ones that are not on YouTube). Reading is essential to surviving. One of life's pleasures should be to sit down with a good book, relax, and read for as long as you want. We can read inside, in bed, outside, in our garden and find the pleasure of an adventure.

A MESSAGE FROM EDUCATION & LIBRARIES/ESO

September is National Literacy Month. We can be involved by getting books into the hands of children. Take a young reader to the library, have a story time at your library and please remember to include the adults who are learning to read. You could have a tea party or a read under the tree adventure. Let's do something to encourage and increase our reading skills.

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GFWC has an honorary educational society Epsilon Sigma Omicron. Most of you may not know exactly what it is. They are part of the GFWC Education Department. Their motto is "Enlighten Thy Own Path Way". It is open to all GFWC club members. It encourages continued reading and education through books. There are 33 categories from which to choose your books. They are varied and interesting topics.

Some of our members have read over 1000 books over the years. It doesn't matter how long it takes to read the books, it matters that you are continuing to read. If you would like more information, please check the GFWC.org website and click on the ESO tab.



Happy Autumn.

Creativity & Connecting



Greetings members,

It's truly an honor to step into the role of Chair of Arts and Culture for our GFWC Orange District. The arts have always been more than just creativity on display—they're a way of connecting us, of telling stories, of celebrating who we are and what we can become.

As Chair, my goal is to bring fresh opportunities for us to experience and enjoy the richness of culture together—whether that's through events, performances, contests, workshops, or simply sparking conversations that inspire. I look forward to collaborating with all of you, hearing your ideas, and weaving together programs that reflect the talent, curiosity, and spirit of this wonderful community.

Together, we can make the Arts and Culture program not just something we attend, but something we live and share together. The following is a partial list of the upcoming local cultural opportunities available to OC residents.

A MESSAGE FROM CHAIRMAN OF ARTS AND CULTURE

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THROUGHOUT OCTOBER LIVE MUSIC AT THE WHARF

Free outdoor concerts presented as part of the "You, Me + Vitamin Sea" series will take place every Thursday from 4 to 6 p.m. Artists will represent many genres and will play in the Wharf Courtyard, near Frisby Cellars and Jon's Fish Market. 34675 Golden Lantern, Dana Point, danapointharbor.com/events

THROUGHOUT OCTOBER TANAKA FARMS PUMPKIN PATCH

The local farm will adapt its annual pumpkin extravaganza to allow for social distancing. Visitors will still be able to enjoy wagon rides, the vegetable patch, and acres of pumpkins growing on the vine. Fruits and veggies grown on the farm will be available to buy at the farm's drive-thru produce stand. 5380 University Drive, Irvine, 949-653-2100, tanakafarms.com

OCTOBER 1 THROUGH NOVEMBER 1 URBAN LEGENDS DRIVE-THRU HAUNT

Scary scenes, ghost stories, and monsters lurk around every corner at this immersive Halloween-themed experience in which guests drive through and take in the frights from their vehicles. Live performances and light, sound, and special effects round out the 45-minute show. Recommended for ages 10 and up. OC Fair & Event Center, 88 Fair Drive, Costa Mesa, 714-708-1500, urbanlegendshaunt.com



THROUGH OCTOBER 9

"NESTLE INTO NATURE: MOVEMENTS SEEKING BALANCE"

Nature-themed paintings and sculptures from eight Korean artists attempt to show the connection between the earth and identity in this exhibit. The work of Ji Oh, Jin Sil Kim, Peggy Lee, Yoon Chung Kim, Koojah Kim, Young Shin Kim, Young Ku Park, and Soojung Park were chosen by guest curator Sunook Park, a professor at Cal State Long Beach's School of Art. Groups of four people or fewer will be admitted for private 15-minute viewings; face masks and reservations are required. Muckenthaler Cultural Center, 1201 W. Malvern Ave., Fullerton, 714-738-6595, themuck.org

OPENS OCTOBER 11

"OUR OCEAN'S EDGE"

The black-and-white photography on display in this exhibit, by Los Angeles-based artist Jasmine Swope, explores California's 124 marine protected areas—almost like national parks in the ocean—scattered along the length of the state's 1,100-mile coastline. The project aims to document the fragility of the ocean parks while raising awareness about marine conservation efforts. Laguna Art Museum, 307 Cliff Drive, Laguna Beach, 949-494-8971, lagunaartmuseum.org

RUNS DECEMBER 6 through APRIL 4

"WAYNE THIEBAUD: CLOWNS"

To mark Thiebaud's 100th birthday on Dec. 6th, this exhibit will show about 40 paintings, drawings, and etchings of clowns the acclaimed artist has made over the past five years. Thiebaud has been fascinated by clowns since childhood, when he saw them in a traveling circus and was mesmerized by their costumes, makeup, and movements. The exhibit is a version of the one that opened in December 2019 in Paul Thiebaud's San Francisco gallery. Laguna Art Museum, 307 Cliff Drive, Laguna Beach, 949-494-8971, lagunaartmuseum.org.

OCTOBER 15

LA FOLLIES: ALL THAT JAZZ

The LA Follies—a Los Angeles-based performance group that includes dancers, acrobats, aerialists, and even fire dancers—is known for taking inspiration from golden age Hollywood movies. This performance will include nods to famous musicals "Sweet Charity," "Chicago," and "42nd Street." Casa Romantica Cultural Center and Gardens, 415 Avenida Granada, San Clemente, 949-498-2139, casaromantica.org

OCTOBER 16

ILIZA SHLESINGER

The comedian performs her signature standup at this drive-in performance. Known for her five Netflix comedy specials, she won "Last Comic Standing" in 2008 and launched a sketch comedy show, "The Iliza Shlesinger Sketch Show," on Netflix this past April. City National Grove of Anaheim, 2200 E. Katella Ave., Anaheim, 714-712-2700, citynationalgroveofanaheim.com



OCTOBER 17 PUMPKIN PAINTORAMA

Kids can team with their favorite adult for this fun exploration of squash. Activities will include dissecting pumpkins and other squash, carving them into stamps, and painting a pumpkin that the artist will get to take home. Registration is required, and class size is limited to ensure physical distancing. Sherman Library and Gardens, 2647 East Coast Highway, Corona del Mar, 949-673-2261, thesherman.org.

OCTOBER 17 ROAD RALLY SCAVENGER HUNT

The Muckenthaler's annual gala hits the road this year. Attendees will be given a series of clues taking them to spots around Fullerton, all leading back to the cultural center, where they'll pick up a gourmet dinner provided by Colette's Catering and attend a drive-in performance. Muckenthaler Cultural Center, 1201 W. Malvern Ave., Fullerton, 714-738-6595, themuck.org.

THROUGH OCTOBER 29 "THE FMC AND ME"

Orange County residents created art panels in everything from charcoal, pen and ink, and marker to paint and pastels for this exhibit celebrating the Fullerton Museum Center and its contributions to the community. Artwork created for the exhibit will be available for purchase, with the proceeds benefiting the museum. Fullerton Museum Center, 301 N. Pomona Ave., Fullerton, 714-738-6545, cityoffullerton.com.

Ongoing Virtual

Bowers Museum bowers.org

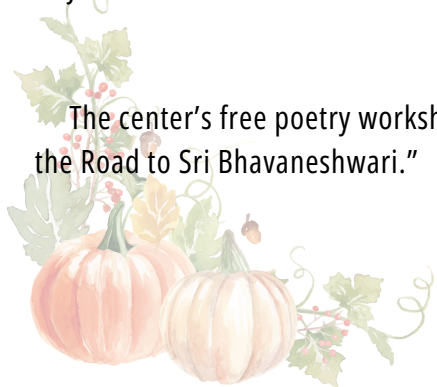
The speaker series continues with talks about aspects of the Walt Disney Archives, including a presentation on the collaboration between Walt Disney and Salvador Dalí (Oct. 3) and a cooking demo of dishes served at Disneyland's Tahitian Terrace (Oct. 24). Other lectures include a discussion of tattooing in ancient Egypt (Oct. 10) with Anne Austin, assistant professor of anthropology and archaeology at the University of Missouri-St. Louis, and a talk about the history of chocolate (Oct. 11).

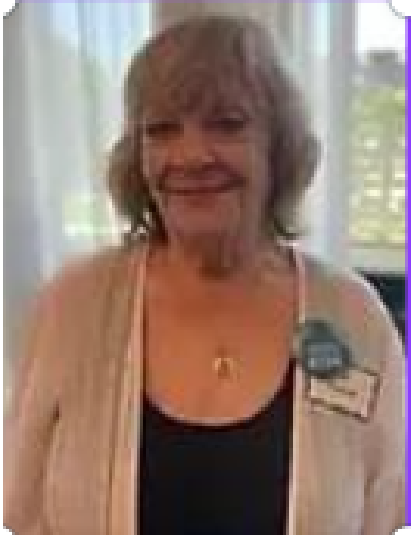
Chance Theater chancetheater.com

In "Chance Cyber Chats," actors, directors, producers, and dramaturgs who've worked with the theater lead discussions about Broadway shows streaming online. Oct. 2 is "Funny Girl," and the Oct. 16 chat will focus on "Lady Day at Emerson's Bar and Grill."

The Muckenthaler Cultural Center themuck.org

The center's free poetry workshops on Zoom draw on the work of Mary Oliver and Robin Coste Lewis's poem "On the Road to Sri Bhavaneshwari."





Tree Planting Project

Last year's tree planting was a successful project thanks to all the clubs that participated. I am continuing this project and working with the County of Orange again this year.

I need your help. Your club is invited to make a donation of \$150.00 to purchase a tree. The checks should be made out to OC District with a memo for Trees. The date of the tree planting will be in January.

The County of Orange selects the location and clubs are invited to participate in the planting. No digging required.

I will have information at the next OC District meeting and a form to complete and submit with a check if your club decides to participate. Please consider how much benefit a single tree can give. Multiply that by a tree per club.

Thank you for your support last year. We planted 21 trees. Please consider supporting it again this year. Planting trees inspires the best in us.

"When we walk into a grove of trees or under an open sky the magic of nature takes over and the heaviness of life lifts a little." - Natassia Cassinero

A MESSAGE FROM CHAIRMAN OF ENVIRONMENT

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





“The first wealth is health” - Ralph Waldo Emerson

In the 1970's Dr. Bill Hettler introduced the “Wellness Wheel” as a principle for living a healthier, fuller, and better life by consciously paying attention to the importance of balancing aspects of our lives.

The Six Dimensions of Wellness consists of emotional, occupational, physical, social, intellectual, and spiritual.

A MESSAGE FROM CHAIRMAN OF HEALTH & WELLNESS

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This year my focus will again be Shot @ Life - helping give more kids around the world access to life saving vaccines. I will present more when I speak at meetings and with flyers.

Hope we can all work together to make a difference!



Women's Leadership Then and Now *



A MESSAGE FROM LEADERSHIP CHAIR

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In the early 20th century, women in most countries lacked voting rights and were excluded from political and corporate leadership. Leadership roles were informal - expressed through activism, philanthropy, education, community organizing. A major milestone came in 1920 with the ratification of the 19th Amendment, granting the first American women the right to vote.

Following World War II, women entered the workforce in greater numbers, yet leadership remained largely male-dominated. The 1960's and 70's brought the women's liberation movement, challenging societal norms and demanding equal opportunities-remember the symbolic "bra burning" protests?

The late 20th century saw progress with women in politics and executive offices, and with gender equality becoming a recognized global goal. Today, in the 21st century, women lead some of the world's largest companies. Social media and global movements like #MeToo and Time's Up, have amplified conversations about gender bias and equality. Women's leadership has evolved from grassroots activism to holding the highest offices in politics, business, and global organizations. Women leaders are often celebrated for collaborative, empathetic and inclusive approaches

The General Federation of Women's Clubs offers a unique opportunity to develop leadership skills through its LEADS program, held on the Friday before the GFWC Annual convention. Each state selects one candidate to attend, but all members can access LEADS resources through the GFWC Member Portal. The Leadership Committee encourages every state to host a LEADS Program. Leadership grows when we share it. As you prepare for this next club year, be sure to offer opportunities for leadership growth.

To that point, the CFWC LEADS Meeting is scheduled for February 26-28, 2026, in Santa Clara, CA. The Orange District winner must be available to attend the CFWC LEADS meeting on those dates.

The LEADS application is available by contacting me, ASAP, by email at kathibaldwin@aol.com or by phone at (714) 875-5976. Applications and information will be available at the Orange District Meeting, scheduled for Friday, September 19, 2025, at the Ebell Club of Anaheim. **LEADS applications must be returned to me (in my hands, not postmarked) no later than November 21, 2025.**

**This article is from GFWC Leadership Committee Member Suzanne Simons*

The Orange District Leadership Workshop will be held on **Monday, November 3, from 9-12** at the Placentia Round Table Women's Club, located at 901 N. Bradford Avenue Placentia. The event flier is on the next page. To RSVP or with any questions, please contact Kathi Baldwin by email at kathibaldwin@aol.com.

ORANGE DISTRICT, CFWC

LEADS WORKSHOP

Leadership Workshop to Unlock Potential

Featuring: **Attorney Judith Kaluzny**

COLLEEN JANSSEN
ORANGE DISTRICT PRESIDENT
LINDA QUEEN
1ST VP/DEAN ORANGE DISTRICT
MARCIA WILLETT
ORANGE DISTRICT
PARLIAMENTARIAN

Monday, November 3, 2025

9:00am-12:00pm

**Placentia Round Table
Women's Club
901 N. Bradford Ave.
Placentia**

ALL CLUB
MEMBERS
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RSVP NOW!



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

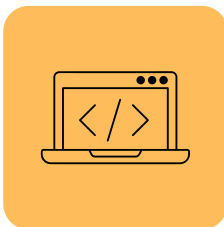
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Ada Lovelace (1815-1852)

Ada Lovelace (born December 10, 1815, Piccadilly Terrace, Middlesex [George now in London], England—died November 27, 1852, Marylebone, London). The daughter Lord Byron (a famous poet) and Lady Anne Byron. Lord Byron left the family soon after Ada was born, and Ada never met him. He never returned to England.

Ada Lovelace Day is an annual event held on the second Tuesday of October to celebrate and raise awareness of the contributions of women to STEM fields. This year it is on October 15, 2025. It is named after mathematician and computer science pioneer Ada Lovelace. It started in 2009 as a "day of blogging"; and has since become a multi-national event with conferences. It aims to increase the profile of women in STEM and, in doing so, create new role models who will encourage more girls into STEM careers and support women.

Ada is often regarded as the world's first software engineer, but did you know she came up with her ideas way before computers were even invented? Since she was born in 1815! Her mother hired the most knowledgeable experts and tutors to teach Ada about logic, science and mathematics. When she was a young girl, before they were invented, she wanted to invent a flying machine.



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At seventeen she attended a party and met a famous inventor and Mathematician, Charles Babbage. He had designed the Difference Engine, which was basically an early version of the calculator.

In 1843 Ada made notes on Babbage's newest design, an updated version of the Difference Engine that was called the Analytical Engine. In her notes, Ada predicted the engine could follow codes to calculate numbers and form letters. This was an early model of what would become known as a computer. In a book on digital computing in 1953, more than 100 years after she had made them. The book explained how computers follow patterns in order to work just as Ada had predicted.

She married William King at nineteen. She was called countess Lovelace after William became an earl. They had three children together and Ada continued to be involved in the fields of inventions, Mathematics and science throughout her life.



I hope that you enjoy reading about the Women in History that have made an impact in our lives today. In the early 1800's and 1900's many women shaped the History and continue to shape our history today in many fields. We can follow the "Be Like Jane" pledge of our President and make a difference in your Club and Community. Stand up for what you believe and listen to the beliefs of others without judging or condemning them for what they believe. This is the way problems are solved without violence.



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GFWC 2025 Federal Legislative Priorities (119th Congress, 2025 - 2026) February 2025

Signature Program: Domestic and Sexual Violence Awareness and Prevention

VAWA Appropriations: GFWC urges Congress to provide increased federal funding for FY 2025 and FY 2026 to provide safety, access to services, and justice for survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking. Survivors rely on federally funded direct services such as shelter, rape crisis response, legal assistance, and counseling. Communities rely on prevention programs, available 24-hour hotlines, and trauma-informed training for law enforcement.

Anti-trafficking: GFWC urges Congress to pass anti-trafficking and anti-exploitation bills reauthorizing essential programs to support survivors and combat human trafficking in all forms, both domestically and internationally. Proposed legislation, the Trafficking Survivors Relief Act, would provide federal criminal relief to survivors of human trafficking who committed a non-violent offense as a direct result of having been a victim of trafficking. GFWC supports efforts to strengthen collaboration between federal, state, and local law enforcement, and improve resources available to survivors.

Victims of Crime Act: GFWC supports robust funding for the Crime Victims Fund authorized by the Victims of Crime Act (VOCA). The Fund is financed by criminal fines and penalties from convictions in federal court, not taxpayer dollars. The Office of Victims of Crime disburses money from this fund to states and other entities to support victim compensation and assistance programs, including domestic violence shelters, rape crisis centers, child advocacy centers, and other child sexual abuse treatment programs. Proposed bipartisan legislation, the Crime Victims Fund Stabilization Act, would redirect unobligated resources collected through the False Claim Act to the Crime Victims Fund for five years, while maintaining critical protection and compensation for whistleblowers.

Advocates for Children

Online Safety: GFWC supports efforts to prevent online sexual exploitation of children. Proposed legislation includes the TAKE IT DOWN Act which will criminalize the publication of nonconsensual intimate imagery, including AI-generated deepfakes, require social media and other websites to remove such images within 48 hours of receiving notice from the victim, and ensure that perpetrators are held accountable. The SHIELD Act would provide federal law enforcement with the tools they need to crack down on privacy violations, provide victims with legal protections, and hold exploiters accountable. Additional bills are expected.

Arts and Culture

GFWC supports increased funding for the National Endowment for the Arts to enhance state and local programs that help transform communities into beautiful and resilient places through strategies that incorporate arts and culture.

Civic Engagement and Outreach

GFWC urges Congress to reauthorize the Older Americans Act and the Farm Bill, protecting funding and strengthening programs addressing hunger and food insecurity.

Education and Libraries

GFWC supports federal funding for STEAM (science, technology, engineering, arts, and math) programs; strong educational programs with challenging academic curricula for all students including those with learning, social, mental, and physical disabilities; and increased funding for the Institute of Museum and Library Services to strengthen local community resources.

Environment

GFWC encourages balance between the interests of proper management of resources, adequate water supplies, protection of wildlife, and the interests of energy production, including more fuel-efficient and renewable energy sources.

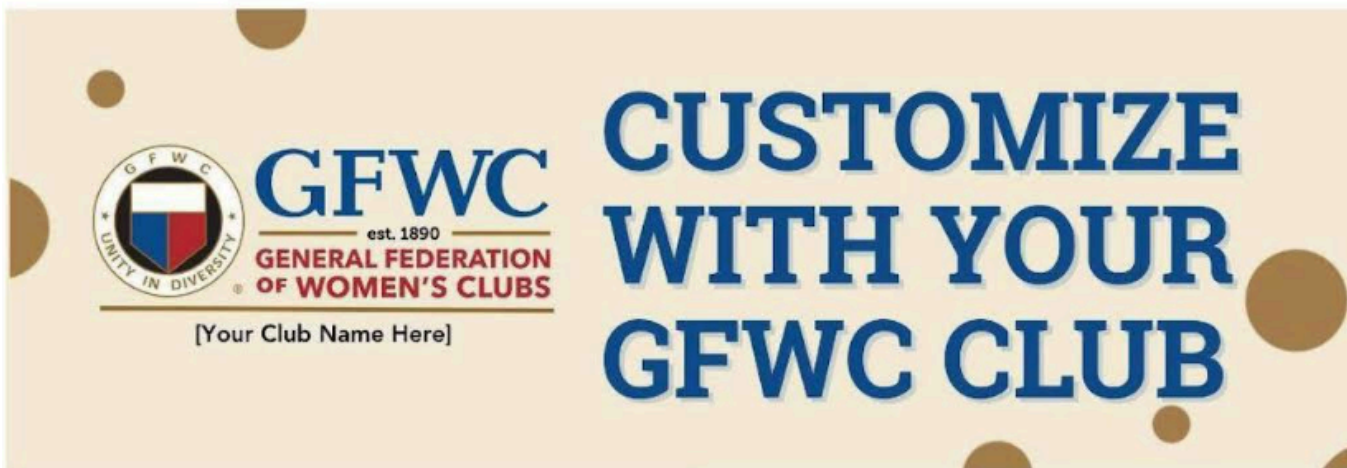
Health and Wellness

Global Vaccinations: GFWC supports funding the CDC's polio eradication and measles elimination programs through the Health and Human Services appropriations bill, and funding through the State Department/Foreign Operations appropriations bill for immunizations and improving global disease detection systems that enable other nations to effectively detect and efficiently respond to a range of other diseases. Preventing diseases at their source is the most cost-effective approach, saves the most lives, and makes the world more resilient to new viruses that could cause the next pandemic. Without coordination and rapid analysis of national and international public health data, private sector pharmaceutical manufacturers would not have the lead time required to roll out updated vaccines at scale and prevent deaths. The United States must remain the global leader in medical research and innovation.

Breast Cancer Screenings: GFWC urges Congress to require all health insurance plans to cover screenings, supplemental screenings, and diagnostic examinations at no cost to patients who are at greater risk for breast cancer. Beginning September 2024, the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) requires radiology services to inform patients whether they have dense breasts.

For more information, contact: Suellen Brazil, GFWC International President, sbrazil@gfwc.org, 202-347-3168; or Debra Bryant, GFWC Federal Government Relations Consultant, debra.bryant@unified-solutions.us, 202-263-9902.

START USING THE NEW GFWC LOGO NOW!



Present a united and stylish front with a customized GFWC club logo. As many of you are aware, our recent rebranding initiative started with the intention of bringing all GFWC entities under one recognizable umbrella to elevate its profile nationally. In so doing, the first phase of the GFWC Rebrand campaign involved the redesign of our primary logo, which includes the Emblem, acronym, full name spelled out, and year of founding. As one of the longest standing women's organizations in the world, we wanted to share the long legacy of service GFWC members have provided by highlighting our founding date in our new logo.

In the spring of 2024, the second phase of the campaign was rolled out for GFWC Regions and GFWC States. Those 58 organizations now have consistent branding available to unite them under one larger organizational look. But this was just a step along the way.

The third and final step of the GFWC Rebranding campaign is the same GFWC logo with the recognizable Emblem for use at the club level. Until now, clubs have created their own logos. While each club still has the individual freedom to use their historic logo we hope that many of you will join us in establishing a cohesive and consistent look to all GFWC materials.

By using coordinated branding at all levels of GFWC we build recognition locally and internationally. It makes it easier to connect clubs around the world to each other and to our work as a whole organization. We are proud to offer an easy and simple way for clubs to produce their own GFWC logo through Canva, an online, free, design platform.

For questions about the GFWC Rebrand, please email the Communications Department at PR@GFWC.org.



Visit <https://bit.ly/CustomClubLogo> to open the GFWC Custom Club Logo Template on Canva. Insert your club's official name inside the brackets on each page. When you're finished select "Share" and click on the pages you would like to download. Make sure to save the logos in a place where club members have easy access to them!

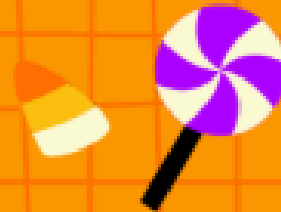
Remember these tips:

- Keep the font size used on the template
- Capitalize Each Word. Do Not Use ALL CAPS Unless It Is On Your Official Club Charter.
- If Your Club Name Is Longer Than 30 Characters, Use Two Lines.
- Using GFWC In Front Of Your Name Is Not Necessary In This Format.
- Be aware that users cannot download transparent background files unless they are Canva Pro users. Free for nonprofits that have their own Tax ID, you must register using your individual club name, not GFWC National.

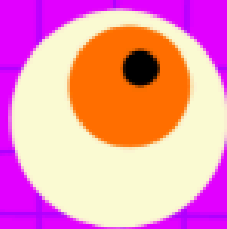
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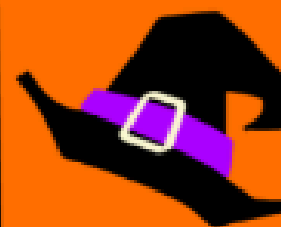
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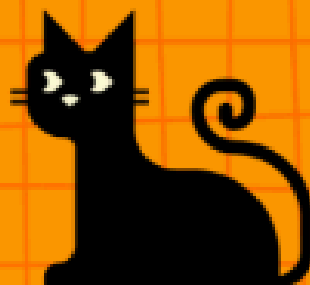


**COSTUME
CONTEST!**



\$45

RSVP BY OCT. 10



**9:00AM DOORS OPEN
10:00 AM MEETING**

AREA C *Conference*

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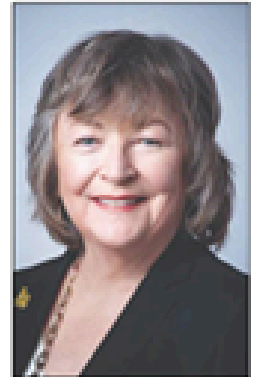
Area C Conference Guest Speakers

Jane Close Conoley

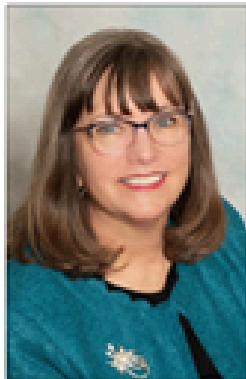
Jane Close Conoley has been the President of CSU Long Beach since January 2014. She is the author or editor of 22 books and more than 100 chapters, refereed journal articles, and technical reports.

Conoley previously served at UC Santa Barbara and UC Riverside, Texas A&M University, University of Nebraska-Lincoln's Teachers College, Texas Woman's University and Syracuse University.

Conoley's areas of primary interest are interventions with children with disabilities—especially serious emotional disturbance and aggressive children and youth—and family intervention. Her most recent work investigates the application of the science of positive psychology to educational settings.



Colleen Janssen



Colleen Janssen was the recipient of the Jane Cunningham Croly Award for Excellence in Journalism at the 2025 General Federation of Women's Clubs (GFWC) Conference held in Atlanta, GA. Her article, "Here Comes the Bride" ran in the Winter 2023 issue of GFWC California Clubwoman Magazine. The article covers the problem of child marriage in the United States.

At the 2024 and 2025 conventions of the California Federation of Women's Clubs, a Resolution was passed, then updated to oppose forced marriage. This resolution is now headed to GFWC for consideration.

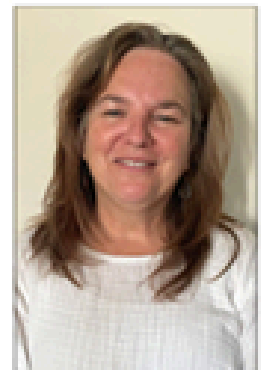
This prestigious award recognizes a journalist who demonstrates a commitment to issues concerning women. GFWC encourages submissions that address women's rights, strength, bravery, and the fight against sexism.

Dawn Mendelson

After years of making commissioned work, Dawn Mendelson was invited to teach with a nonprofit mosaic arts program and social enterprise. While leading workshops in South L.A. and Skid Row, she discovered a passion for helping people new to art find their creative voice.

In her 14 years with Piece by Piece, Dawn has served as Instructor, Program Director, and Managing Director, leading both new and experienced artists in creating large-scale public art. Dawn continues to work with individuals on Skid Row, bringing them art and healing.

Dawn also developed ArtWorksLBC, an arts wellness program in Long Beach, CA, partnering with Rose Park Neighborhood Association. This program uses art to connect the local community through various activities that also inform the neighborhood about critical issues and services in Long Beach.



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AREA C
Conference
Registration Form



Club Name: _____

Contact Name: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

District (*circle one*): Los Cerritos Marina Orange Sierra-Cahuenga Other: _____

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Total # Reservations _____ X \$45 each = \$ _____

Mail completed form by 10/10 with your club check made out to **"Marina District"**
To Suzanne Beaudelaire, 426 N. Maria Ave., Redondo Beach, CA 90277

RSVP Questions, contact Angie Waller: ewaller1@sbcglobal.net
Non-RSVP Questions, contact Sandy Tessier: jstessier@msn.com



You are invited to participate in a
Special Project: 2025 Legacy Box

hosted by the Ebell Club of Anaheim

Thurs., Sept. 25, Oct. 16 & Nov. 20 (10-11:30 am)

Ebell Club of Anaheim / 226 N. Helena Street / Anaheim 92805
(across from Pearson Park)

This year 2025 marks an amazing year and benchmark,
5 years since Covid; 20 years since Hurricane Katrina;
25 years in this century, 50 years since the fall of Saigon;
70 years since Disneyland began; 80th year since end of World War II,
87 years since the dedication of the Ebell Clubhouse.

Ebell members, women's club members, service organizations

and the Anaheim community are invited

to reflect on any of these events, life in general in 2025,
even propose a message to future Anaheimers.

Ebell historical items will also be included,
poems, drawings, stories are welcome too.

Items in the "2025 Legacy Box" will be set to open in 2050;
with another "Legacy Box" to be made available,
to reflect the mid-point of the 21st Century in Anaheim.

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Ebell Club of Anaheim has served the community of Anaheim
for over 100 years, providing scholarships for Anaheim high school students.
Building Chair of its beautiful, historic clubhouse was Kate Rea
(Kate and her sister Ella, inspired the street name, "Katella").

For further information, please email, theebellclubofanaheim@gmail.com
or contact Hilary at 714-394-1459

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Saturday, October 4, 2025

1:00 - 3:30 p.m.

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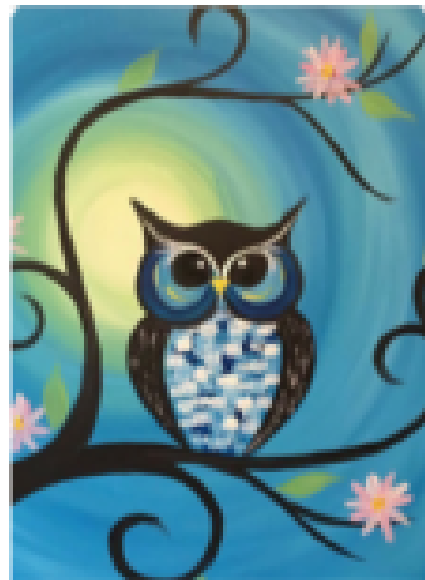
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Join our team and help us fight to end Alzheimer's!



Sweet Orange-ettes
Scan or Click the QR Code to
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When: November 8, 2025 | 9:00 a.m.

Where: Bolsa Chica State Beach

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Sunday September 28, 2025

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Ebell Club Of Irvine Fundraiser.

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FIESTA FUNDRAISER

For:

Date: Monday, September 22

Time: 11-9

Rodrigo's

Mexican Grill

14882 Holt Ave, Tustin • (714)832-3280

20% of your total (before taxes) will be donated

Donated To: GFWC Ebell Club of Irvine

(Flyer must be presented and filled-out to qualify)

Family Name:

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San Clemente Junior Woman's Club Presents:

San Clemente Community Angel Tree 2025

Benefitting underprivileged children and seniors, in our San Clemente Community



**Shop Online to
Save Time!**



How you can help:

1. Choose an ornament from the Angel Tree located at the SC Community Center (100 North Calle Seville at Del Mar Avenue) OR SC Aquatics Center (987 Vista Hermosa)
2. Purchase and wrap the gift requested on the back of the ornament
3. Return the gift, with the ornament attached, to the front desk at the Community Center or at the SC Aquatics Center by **date tbd**

*For more information about the Angel Tree contact
the SCJWC Info@scjwc.org*

*To learn how you can be a part of the San Clemente
Junior Woman's Club visit us at www.scjwc.org*

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