

THE CALL



GFWC/CFWC Orange District
PRESIDENT: Mary Sprague



Corresponding Secretary: Natalie Skullr-White
Website: www.cfwcorangedistrict.com

Updated August 25, 2020

Orange District September Council Meeting via Zoom
Friday, September 11, 2020 9:30am

RSVP by emailing list of attendees along with designations i.e. Club President, Chairman, or Member etc. to Mary Sprague at mlsprague@sbcglobal.net BY SEPTEMBER 7TH!

How to join the Orange District September Council Meeting via the web or Zoom app on phone:

STEP 1: Go to www.zoom.us/join

STEP 2: Enter Meeting ID **590 231 1544** and click Join.

STEP 3: Enter Meeting Passcode **9112020**

STEP 4: The host will admit you in to the meeting.

A couple of things to note...You DO NOT need to create an account to join a meeting as a participant. You only need an account if you plan on hosting a meeting. You also DO NOT need a webcam or camera on your computer. You can fully participate in the meeting without video. You will see/hear those who are using video but they will not see you.

There are limitations but you can also call in to the meeting on your phone. You will not be able to see any video and your vote on motions will not be anonymous. You can only listen to speakers.

STEP 1: Dial (669) 900-9128 STEP 2: Enter Meeting ID 590 231 1544 followed by #

STEP 3: It will ask for a participant ID. There is no participant ID. Hit # for Participant ID

STEP 4: Enter Passcode 9112020 followed by #



Editor's Note: Sandy Tessier is home and resting from her time in the hospital. Sending well wishes for a quick recovery and good health.



October PEAL messages due:
FRIDAY, September 18, 2020

President's Message—September 2020 CALL



Welcome to the Orange District September 11th Council Meeting. THIS IS A FIRST as the September Council Meeting will be held via **ZOOM**. Due to the Covid-19 situation we are unable to meet at the Phoenix Club **AND** most importantly it is not safe yet for the members to meet due to the pandemic.

We will have two practice sessions prior to the September 11th Council Meeting. We will have practice sessions on Monday, August 24th at 10:00 am and on September 3rd at 3:00 pm. All members on the Orange District Executive Board will receive invitations to all 3 events and we hope that you will attend at least one practice session prior to the September 11th actual Council Meeting. A special Thank You to Natalie Skullr-White for serving as the Co-Host for these meetings so this can be accomplished.

Thank you to Dean Sandy Tessier and all of the Orange District Chairmen for being flexible with cancelling the attendance at the workshop and trying something new by taping their workshops for the web page. Again, a special Thank You to Communications Secretary Katie Stewart for all of her knowledge and expertise in accomplishing this task.

I would like to congratulate all of the clubs for their inventive and clever ways of staying in contact with their members and continuing their community service projects. There is always something that we can do, even if we are quarantined and staying in touch with each other is vital.

My emphasis this administration will be Children - or Kids. My first community service project was working with mentally challenged children and I have never forgotten how I felt at the end of the day. Today's children face many obstacles to just being children; abuse, homelessness, hunger, and trafficking to name just a few. There are also children that just need a little attention or recognition so please keep children in mind when considering projects. There will be a speaker from "Stand Up for Kids" who will make a presentation as part of the Summer Workshop so please be sure to look that up on our website.

My theme this administration is "Together We Make a Great Team" and during this challenging time we need to work together and be there for every member of the team.

- Mary Sprague, President

TOGETHER WE MAKE A GREAT TEAM

**Orange District Council Meeting Agenda
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INSTRUCTIONS FOR ZOOM MEETING	Natalie Skullr-White
CALL TO ORDER	Mary Sprague
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE	Judy Wagner
INSPIRATION	Mercedes Szarka
WELCOME	Mary Sprague
ROLL CALL/INTRODUCTIONS	
EXPLANATION OF QUORUM	Kathi McGraw
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS (4 MINUTES) (Timekeeper)	

Recording Secretary Linda Queen

MOTIONS PASSED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (Information Only)

MOTION: That Maria Sterk, 2020-22 Treasurer prepare the taxes for the fiscal year 2019-20.

MOTION: Ballots for the 2020-22 District Election be destroyed.

MOTION: Orange District continue using Chase Bank for the 2020-22 Administration.

MOTION: The Excel program be used by the financial offers of Orange District for maintaining all of its financial records for 2020-22 term.

MOTION: Orange District ratify the chairmen as listed

MOTION: Orange District ratify the committee members as listed.

MOTION: The Executive Committee approve the 2020-22 OD Calendar.

RECOMMENDATION:

The OD Executive Committee recommend to the OD Council the Adoption of the 2020-21 proposed budget.

Financial Secretary	Geri Walsh
Treasurer	Maria Sterk
- Income Taxes	
- Report of Audit	
Director of Finance	Dianne Lundquist-Behrens
- Budget	
Communications Secretary	Katie Stewart
- Webpage	
Corresponding Secretary	Natalie Skullr-White
- Explanation of Deadlines and Call and Peal	
3 rd Vice President	Marilyn Bennett
2 nd Vice President	Colleen Janssen
1 st Vice President	Sandy Tessier
President	Mary Sprague

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DISTRICT CHAIRMEN REPORTS (3 MINUTES)

MINI WORKSHOP – MEMBERS – OUR GREATEST ASSET (15 Minutes) Colleen Janssen

Recruitment and retention of members helps us be the catalyst for good work in our communities. In this time of pandemic lockdown, it is critical we find ways to engage and encourage our members to continue to be part of the important work of our clubs. Colleen Janssen will share techniques for connecting with members. Have pen and paper ready to take notes to bring back to your club.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURN

Summer Workshop Cancelled

The coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic has meant that it's now vital to limit social contact and avoid gathering. For that reason, we've made the difficult decision to cancel the Summer Workshop. While we know this is disappointing, we hope you can understand the steps we're taking to help keep clubwomen safe.

Instead of an in-person event, workshops will be recorded and available on the Orange District website after September 1st.

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**GFWC/CFWC ORANGE DISTRICT
2020-2021 Proposed Budget**

ASSETS

<i>Emeritus Club Balance</i>	650.00
<i>Savings Account Balance</i>	4532.00
Carry Over Funds in Checking Account	9869.05

Projected Income

Annual dues to District \$1 per member	1500.00
Annual dues GFWC \$15 per member	22500.00
Annual dues CFWC \$4 per member	6000.00
Annual dues District – Affiliate Clubs	15.00
Annual dues CFWC – Affiliate Clubs	30.00
Late/New dues District \$1 per member	88.00
Late/New dues GFWC \$15 per member	1320.00
Late/New dues CFWC \$4 per member	352.00
District Council Meals & Expenses	12288.00
District Convention allocation refund	3000.00
Annual Summer Conference/Workshop	500.00
Orange District Yearbook	45.00
Orange District Photography Contest	65.00
Ways and Means	1204.95
Miscellaneous Income (Yearbook purchases, etc)	100.00

TOTAL INCOME 58877.00

EXPENSES**Operating Expenses**

GFWC dues	22500.00
CFWC dues	6000.00
Affiliate Club CFWC dues	30.00
Late/New dues GFWC \$15 per member	1320.00
Late/New dues CFWC \$4 per member	352.00
Ways and Means	356.00
Gen, Office Expenses Misc	300.00
Insurance General Liability	125.00
Insurance Officer/Director Liability	664.00
Document Storage	500.00
Call/Peal Printing	25.00
Call/Peal Postage	25.00
Orange Blossom (1 st year)	250.00
Yearbooks	400.00
General Postage	200.00
Tax Preparation	545.00
District Convention allocation	3000.00
Web Site	400.00
CA Attorney General & State Fees	70.00

Total 37,062.00

**GFWC/CFWC ORANGE DISTRICT
2020-2021 Proposed Budget**

Officer/Chairman Expenses

Pres Expense @.15 per member	225.00
Pres. CFWC Board Meeting 2 x (rm, mls, trvl)	1500.00
President – CFWC Convention	1000.00
Dean’s Expense – Copying/Postage	150.00
Dean – CFWC Convention (1 st year)	500.00
Dean/Pres Elect CFWC Conv (2 nd year)	0.00
Dean – CFWC Board Meeting 2x(mls, trvl)	830.00
Membership Ch CF (Fall Bd (mls, trvl)	250.00
OD Chairmen’s Expenses (\$25/chairman)	600.00
CF Chair Expense (\$30/3 Board mtngs)	90.00
Membership Event	150.00
O.D. Photography Contest	100.00
Total	5,395.00

Orange District Amenities

In/Out Mtg (2 nd Yr) OD Officers/Chair.	0.00
Annual Summer Conference/Workshop	480.00
OD Council Meals & Expenses	13600.00
Past President’s pin (2 nd yr)	0.00
Historian – President’s Scrapbook	40.00
Pres. Discretionary Amenities	50.00
Pres-Elect Installation Exp (2 nd year)	0.00
Honoring Past District Presidents	150.00
President’s Gift (2 nd year)	0.00
O D Council Guest Speakers	250.00
Clubhouse Use	300.00
LEADS Candidate	300.00
Total	15,170.00

CFWC Amenities

CFWC Convention Program ad	60.00
CFWC Convention Gift Basket	50.00
CFWC Area C Gift Basket	40.00
Total	150.00

Federation Convention Expense

President – GFWC Convention (1 st yr)	1000.00
Pres-Elect – GFWC Convention (2 nd year)	0.00
Total	1000.00

Other Expenses

Misc Expenses	100.00
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TOTAL EXPENSES 58,877.00

From the Executive Committee ...

Sandy Tessier
1st Vice President/Dean

Early Fall Greetings to all my friends old and new of the Orange District,

September is here and this club year will prove to be a challenging one for sure. All of us are venturing into uncharted territories.

For example, this year our Orange District Summer Conference was truly different. The workshop presenters videotaped their presentations and they will soon be available on our Orange District web site.

In many ways this is a great advancement because now every workshop will be available to view and review at anytime. And those who were unable to attend aren't left out; they will be able to experience the useful information and enthusiastic presentations whenever the need arises.

Furthermore, our September Orange District Council meeting will be a zoom web event. This is of course a first for us and I'm sure it will be informative and perhaps even a bit entertaining. I know it doesn't even come close to meeting in person but hopefully we will meet again very soon. In the meantime we all need to stay safe and healthy.

All our Orange District clubs are continuing their club activities as best they can in new and creative ways. Whenever your club has a project, fundraiser or upcoming event, be sure to write it up or send a flyer to Natalie Skullr-White so she can put it in the Peal or the CALL. Keeping in touch by sharing projects and ideas is so important because it keeps us connected and keeps our bond of friendship strong.

It is also time to think about reporting. Remember that the reporting year is January 2020 to December 2020. So be sure to capture all the activities and projects that have been going on with your club all year. Information has been sent out about some changes to the reporting categories. We will be talking more about that in the next few months.

All my best to you and till we meet again Stay Safe and Take Good Care.

Colleen Janssen
2nd VP- Membership

Our clubs work hard all year to raise money to give away to worthwhile causes. Our members make donations, volunteer for events, and so much more. Now, with the pandemic keeping most of us at home, we want to spend some time focusing on the health and well-being of our members.

At the September ZOOM meeting of Orange District, my presentation will focus on ways to keep members engaged with your club – even while they are home. Be sure to have a pen and paper handy to write down ideas that you can try with your membership.

Encourage your leadership team and members to attend the meeting and find ways they can work together for the benefit of your members and your community.



From the Executive Committee Cont'd ...

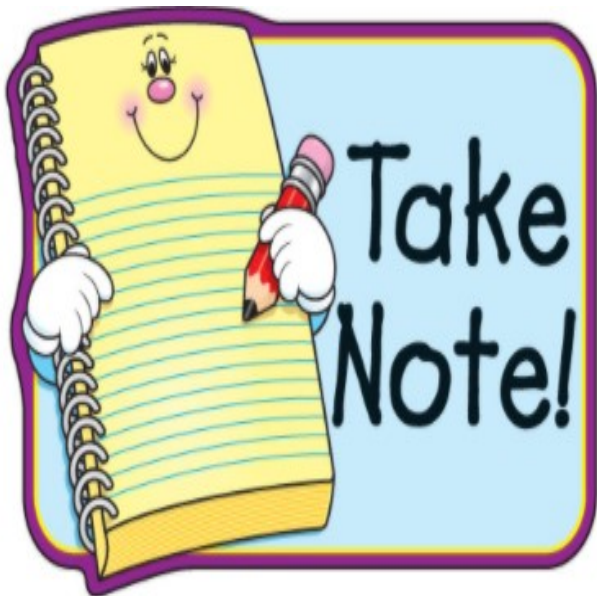
Marilyn Bennett
3rd Vice President/Ways & Means

It's the beginning of a new administration, the beginning of a new club year and nothing is normal. Our events and activities must follow down new roads of planning to finalization. There are things we can do and others that we cannot. However, we still must concentrate on the responsibilities that must be accomplished. The challenge is how do we do it!

What is the plan for Orange District fundraising in the midst of this crisis? As usual, we are planning a fundraiser for each year and considering several smaller socializing "Fun-raisers" if feasible. Plans can change at any time—be flexible and let us all go with the flow. Along the way we will probably learn a lot!



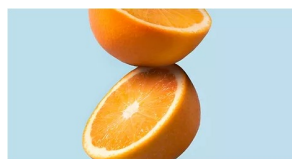
Save the Date
QuarterMania
February 13, 2021
Save Your Quarters!



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From the Community Service Programs...

Veena Narain, Education and Libraries Community Service Program



Staying at home has given everyone more opportunity to catch up on their reading! Try joining your club's Epsilon Sigma Omicron (ESO) reading group or participating in the online GFWC ESO reading book club (see their Facebook page: GFWC 2020 2022 ESO Book Club).

In addition, here are some interesting announcements from the Orange County Public Libraries (OCPL):

- Through their "**Rita Recommends**" service, the OC Public Libraries' staff will send you 5 personalized recommendations for your reading pleasure. Just visit [OCPL.org/rita-recommends](https://ocpl.org/rita-recommends) and fill out a survey of your reading tastes.
- OC Public Libraries is compiling their first **Community Cookbook**. To include your original or adapted recipe, email a brief write-up and photo to ocpl.ggr@ocpl.org and be sure to include your source of inspiration.
- Contactless Curbside Pick-Up is now available, as well as Book Drops for returns, at all OC Public Libraries' branches.
- OCPL chat is now available online. Visit ocpl.org and ask a question using their chat box or text message and receive a quick accurate answer Tuesday-Friday from 12pm-6pm and Saturday from 10am-4pm.

Irene Iverson, Environment Community Service Program



The time is NOW for you to contact your Member of the U.S. House of Representatives to give final approval for the Great American Outdoors Act, already passed by the Senate. This bipartisan bill provides significant funding which can be used to enhance your state and local parks, as well as provide much needed resources to the National Park Service, the Forest Service, the Fish and Wildlife Service, the Bureau of Land Management, and the Bureau of Indian Education.

The Great American Outdoors Act changes the funding formula for the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) which was created to help preserve, develop, and ensure access to public outdoor recreational facilities. Nearly all of the revenue is derived from oil and gas leasing, but it took the annual congressional appropriations process to release any of the funds for our federal, state and local parks. This bipartisan bill, H.R. 1957 as amended in the Senate, would provide an automatic funding source to add land and resources for national parks, wildlife refuges, and state and local parks, and offer states and local communities the resources to conduct long-range planning with greater certainty. These federal funds benefit the National Park Service, the Forest Service, the Fish and Wildlife Service, the Bureau of Land Management, and the Bureau of Indian Education, in addition to providing increased funding to the states and local communities. Also, the new National Parks and Public Lands Legacy Restoration Fund will be used to address the significant deferred maintenance backlog, and projects would have to improve accessibility for persons with disabilities. As a comparison, Congress appropriated \$495 million for FY 2020. If this legislation is enacted and signed by the President, the Congressional Budget Office expects more than \$2.5 billion will be released annually for the Land and Water Conservation Fund Programs, and another \$1.9 billion provided annually for the National Parks Service. **[TAKE ACTION!](#)**

From the Community Service Programs...



**ENVIRONMENT
COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM**



Karen Martinek, Chairman E: karengfwc@gmail.com

The GFWC Environment Community Service Program encourages us to become stewards of the earth by working to preserve the world's resources, protect wildlife and domesticated animals, live sustainably, and beautify our communities and enjoy nature.



Affiliate Organizations

(Confirmed as of date of printing)

Depending on club intent, projects/programs from these GFWC Affiliate Organizations could be reported here as well:



Resource Organizations



Get Inspired with "Grassroots" Projects

- Join the Arbor Day Foundation and receive ten free trees to plant or donate ten trees to be planted in a threatened rain forest or one of our National Forests.
- Save trees by initiating a "Go Paperless" campaign.
- Educate members on the dangers of poor air quality, which is the number one cause of premature death around the world.
- Support wetland conservation and learn how wetlands are a deterrent to both flooding and drought.
- Organize a household hazardous waste collection with your local services, to ensure these dangerous materials are disposed of properly.
- Educate club and community members about the importance of pollinators and how to create healthy habitats where they can thrive.
- Provide a program for club and community members that highlights the best native plants for food and cover.
- Advocate for and support regulations that limit light pollution, which is dangerous to nocturnal wildlife and disruptive to ecosystems.
- Learn about ocean wildlife in peril, such as sea turtles and manatees, and organize volunteer or fundraising opportunities to help protect these species.
- Offer a workshop on building birdhouses and provide information on bird species, their characteristics and behaviors, and their varying habitat requirements.
- Commemorate America Recycles Day (November 15), a program of Keep America Beautiful, by organizing a special event.
- Coordinate a children's poster contest on recycling.
- Hold a community workshop on sustainable gardening.
- Hold a club yard sale to repurpose gently used items and donate the proceeds to various environmental charities.
- Plan a clean-up day in the community by coordinating groups of volunteers to clean eyesore areas and properly discard the waste.
- Sponsor a "Yard of the Month" or other monthly beautification contest that recognizes community enhancement.
- Establish a hiking or biking trail in the community or maintain an existing trail, encouraging people to learn more about nature and enjoy the outdoors.
- Organize a local garden tour and donate the proceeds to a community garden or conservation project.
- And many more provided in Club Manual.

(This list is a brief offering of project ideas. Please visit Club Manual for other grassroots projects and/or programs as well as those with Affiliate Organizations or Resources.)

From the Community Service Programs...

ENVIRONMENT

- Clean up trash and litter.
- Recycle.
- Go paperless.
- Find creative and purposeful ways to reuse glass containers.
- Donate or sell old clothing.
- Reuse plastic bags as liners in smaller trash cans.
- Stop using plastic grocery bags, opting for a reusable bag instead.
- Cut down on plastic water bottles and disposable cups.
- Carry a reusable water bottle or travel mug.
- Explore zero waste practices.
- Ride a bicycle rather than drive.
- Start a compost pile.
- Make your own natural cleaning products.
- Visit a park on a regular basis.
- Enjoy nature.
- Plant and care for trees or donate funds for reforestation.
- Plant a garden at home, clubhouse, or community.
- Plant native wildflowers.
- Conserve water and energy.
- Choose projects about the environment—conservation, reducing, reusing, recycling.
- Plan a clean-up day in your community.
- Educate children on how they can protect the environment.
- Invite local experts and others to speak at club meetings about conservation and beautification.
- Add native plant species for the beautification and restoration of land and waterways.
- Clean up roadways, waterways, and trails.
- Implement beautification projects at parks, hospitals, shelters, and other community places.
- Clean up trash after youth games and community events.
- Encourage preservation of historic properties.
- Visit a state or national park.
- Tour a botanical garden.
- Create community gardens to promote self-sufficiency.
- Advocate for and investigate local food and where it comes from.
- Preserve natural habitats to protect wildlife.
- Provide needed items to sanctuaries for animal rehabilitation and care.
- Support curbside recycling programs or organize one.
- Work with others to facilitate proper disposal of unused medicines and needles.
- Participate in/volunteer at a hazardous waste collection event.
- Visit a landfill to learn about practices that protect the land, air, and water.
- Investigate renewable energy projects and sources in your area.
- Participate in an awareness day such as Arbor Day, America Recycles Day, Earth Day, etc.
- Start a school or classroom garden in spring to learn about weather, nutrition, and life cycles.