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The Coco Plum News

GFWC Coco Plum Woman's Club

February 2016

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Caroline Jensen

Happy Birthday GFWC Coco Plum Woman's Club. You are looking good for being around 104 years. I have wondered what those eight pioneer women would think if they could see us now. We are not so lonely as they had been – modern methods of communication have helped. Yet, I think that we look for the same things as they did. Female friendship is as important and working towards the common goals of literacy, charity, the wellbeing of our communities still keep our focus.

So many people to thank for the success of our purse and jewelry sale. First to **Peggy Vital** for the chairmanship of the event and her helpers **Maxine Bizette** and **Anita Jenkins**. It seems that those names are consistent on the "thanks" list. And to those who donated their purses and jewelry, your generosity helps us toward our charitable donations. You are good deed doers! Doesn't it feel good? Thanks to those who bought purses and jewelry. This is a fun event and monies go to women who are not as fortunate as we are – SafeSpace.

Do not forget to make your reservations for our book review on February 17. It will be different since the book to be reviewed is a cook book! I am taking the reservations. And start planning what you can bring to tempt our palates after we have been hearing about food in the review.

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President Message cont'd.

A card party is planned for March 16. It is one of our big events for charity – like in the past it will go to **Feeding South Florida**. This is so much fun! All kinds of games are played at this party. There is bridge, canasta, and I have seen a table of dominos. I hope you ALL invite friends and family because it is FUN! Did I say that before? And, if our talented members continue to provide their goodies, it will be yummy as well.

I hope you all are enjoying our cool weather and are in good health. We are so fortunate to live in this amazing area free from blizzards and winter storms.

INSPIRATIONAL MOMENT FEBRUARY 2016

Rosann Whitten

“Let THE Words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in Your sight, O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.” Psalm 19:14

Art Committee**Anita Jenkins**Ajtrav2644@att.net**FEBRUARY ART SHOW**

Please bring your items that are going to be entered into the February Art Show to our meeting, February , 10th. If you can bring them early, 10 am, that would be appreciated as we have to categorize them and put numbers on them. First prize winners will go to the District Art Show at Coral Gables Woman’s Club on February 24th.

**Dates to Remember**

Tuesday, February 2nd 2016,
Board Meeting 10 am – Noon
Coco Plum Board Room

Wednesday, February 10, 2016
Business Meeting / Luncheon 10:30 am
Program: Speaker on Historical Bldgs.
Arts & Crafts Exhibit
Happy Birthday Coco Plum

Wednesday, February 17, 2016
Book Review by Linda Ogden Epling
“The Cooking Queen”
10:30 am – 12 Noon

Wednesday, February 24, 2016
Arts & Craft Exhibit 10:30 am
GFWC Coral Gables Woman’s Club

Friday, March 4, 2016
Board Meeting 10 am – Noon
Coco Plum Board Room

Wednesday, March 9, 2016
Business Meeting/Luncheon 10:30 am
Program: Picnic

Wednesday, March 16, 2016
Card Party 10 am -3 pm
GFWC Coco Plum Woman’s Club

Wednesday, March 23, 2016
DCFWC Meeting: 10.30 am
GFWC Coco Plum Clubhouse

February Birthday

Betty Hill – February 7th

GFWC Coco Plum – February 14th

Mary Lou Nadeau – February 14th

Jenny Joy – February 16th

Nell Penick – February 23rd

Edith Hughes Clark February 24th

Collette Traylor – February 28th



New Member

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 Birthday – March 18



Financial Secretary Report

Donna Lewis

Our meeting attendance has improved. In December, 35 members and 4 guest attended the meeting. We made \$ 39.50 on White Elephant sale and \$ 12.00 from book sales. In January, 45 members including one new member and three guests were in attendance. We made \$ 25 from the coin jars for education and \$ 21.50 from the book sales.

Our meetings are always the second Wednesday of the month. If you have not received a phone call by the Thursday before the meeting, remember to call Dottie Zamas 786.444.2114 or zammdj@yahoo.com and make your reservation. Any cancellations must be received by Donna Lewis 305.251.5805 or mickeymowgli@aol.com on the Monday before the meeting or you will be responsible for reimbursing the club the full \$ 18.00 charge for the meal.

Parking

As we all know that parking is a problem at Coco Plum and when it rains the back parking lot is flooded. Rhoda Quarles has offered to let anyone part at her house. It is just across the street from Coco Plum. Her address is 7235 SW 53rd Place. Keep this in mind. Also car-pool whenever possible.

Public Issues

Pat Chehab

February is a very busy month with many special days including the following:
 2- Ground Hog Day, 5 – National Red Dress Day, 8 – Chinese New Year,
 10 – Ash Wednesday, 12 – Lincoln’s Birthday, 14 – Valentine’s Day,
 15 – Presidents’ Day (no school), and the 16th is a teacher planning day.
 The Public Issues Committee would like to remind all members we are still collecting for Project Up-Start. Unfortunately we have not been able to connect with Ludlam Elementary to “adopt” a particular family but please keep donating supplies, new clothing, toiletries, etc. Our thanks to all who have participated in our efforts to help homeless students and families in Miami-Dade County Public Schools.



Domestic Violence

Aminta Konawicz

I want to thank you for the support of our GFWC Signature Project – Domestic Violence Awareness and Prevention. We were Third Place last year, and this year, 2016 we are challenging ourselves to take First Place. The Hacienda Girls Ranch is one of our goals to help these young ladies to go on with their lives. We will be collecting clothes and items to take them to Hacienda as one of our goals (Bring some to our February meeting). Any suggestion regarding Human Trafficking is very much appreciated (Programs etc.) Again we are working on baskets for SafeSpace shelter. I want to welcome our new member, **Judy Sallerson**, to our committee. There will be a short meeting after our business meeting in February.

BOOK CLUB



We are reading
“The Pearl That Broke Its Shell”
 by
Nadia Hashimi
 Are next meeting is Feb. 15th
 at
 Bahamas Breezes
 11:30am



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Please join us at our Annual Card Party

Place: GFWC Coco Plum Woman's Club
1375 Sunset Drive
Coral Gables, Fl. 33143

Date: Wednesday, March 16, 2016

Time: 10:00 am – 3:00 pm

Lunch: 12:00 Noon

Admission: \$ 20.00

If you play cards, please arrange for your foursome.

There will be tables to play other games like Dominos.

We will have door and opportunity prizes.

*Proceeds from the Card Party will be donated to
Feeding South Florida*

For Reservations call: Sally Perlman: 305 271-7009 by March 11, 2016
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