

PALOMAR DISTRICT FEDERATION CALIFORNIA FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS Telescope E-News AUGUST 2017

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From the President, Myrna:

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As the second year of the 2016-2018 term begins, Officers and Chairs are settling in at all levels of GFWC, There will be more and more information on the above sites. Please use these sites to your advantage as they are tools that hopefully will make your job easier. If you still want to talk to a District Board member, please feel free to do so as we are here to help.

I hope that your summer was enjoyable and you had a good "playtime". I know that many clubs have used this time for planning. Palomar District held its first Executive Board meeting of the new term July 24. We are now getting ready for the Board of Directors' meeting September 26 in Julian. The CALL to this meeting will be out this week. We should have the Yearbooks available for you at that meeting. And, please make sure I get your club Yearbook.

The Board of Directors' meeting will have registration at 9:00 and a Call to Order at 9:30. Morning Goodies will be provided by Julian, District, and Inland Valley (each club needs goodies to serve 40 people). Julian will provide paper goods, coffee, and water. Myrna will provide a closer number of attendees a week before. Opportunity Baskets will be provided by Valley Center, Fallbrook, and District (\$25 value). We will hope to adjourn by 12:30.

The meeting's speaker will be Alice Slaughter, CFWC Domestic Violence Awareness Chair. Since Women's and Children's health is my focus this term, she will be speaking on elder abuse. A Registration Form will be attached to the CALL and due by September 19. This will allow you to take it to your September meetings for interested members to register. We hope there will be a big attendance to start off the new term. We will also need delegates from the clubs. This meeting will be a business meeting which means we will be voting on issues (Proposed Budget, amended By-Laws, Slate of 2018-2020 Palomar Executive Board, etc.) and we will need a quorum to vote. So here are the delegates per club:

Bonsall (5), Carlsbad (4), CWONC (3), Fallbrook (3), Julian (3), Oceanside (3), Poway (1), Valley Center (1), Vista (2), Inland Valley (1), STARS (1)



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Those of you who have said you will serve on the 2018-2020 Executive Board (thank you, thank you), please make sure your Letter of Endorsement is sent to Nominating Chair, Judy Pantazo, (Jatwell222@sbcglobal.net) by September1.

However, here is the catch 22 (isn't there always). You can't count a District Elected Officer/Appointed Chair (Club Presidents are District Elected Officers as are District Board members) as a club debate. Example: Myrna and Vicky belong to the Fallbrook club, but are District Board members so will vote as Board members vs. club members. If the club President appoints an alternate or liaison, then she will vote as the President and count as a District Elected Officer. Any questions, please call (760-728-6393) or email (mbin9@hotmail.com). We need 5% of our total membership to have a quorum. Right now that number would be 22. It may sound low, but there have been times when we have been very close to not having a quorum.

Enough with the lecture. We not only hope, but want to see your happy faces on September 26. We want to know how you think we could improve our mission of helping the clubs. And, likewise, we would like your support.

So on with the news. I will be sending several registrations over the next couple of weeks so please don't get confused by all the paper work. There will be several activities where we would like your support during the next 3 months. Then you can have another rest from mid November to January. Although I am not too sure how much rest you will get by completing those Narratives and Statisical Forms. But of course, you have been doing them right along, right?

Several of us will be attending the State Executive Board meeting in Fresno September 14-16 and will be reporting on the meeting on September 26. You should have received the CALL to the meeting several weeks ago, but I didn't get a response from anyone that they wanted to go. I encourage all of you to try going at least once. It really does show you how the CFWC works for you. There is still a small window if you want to go. The deadline for rooms is past, but somehow we might be able to work it out. The deadline for meals is September 5. We will be flying there so that is another consideration. This meeting will be heavily focused on Membership with workshops.

October 28 at the Yorba Linda Community Center is the AREA D meeting. Again, this is an opportunity to see your CFWC in action. All October the CFWC officers are busy traveling the state and doing meeting presentations for all the CA AREAS (A-D). Last year we had 17 members go. We did a "Project-in-a-Day" that was fun, but haven't heard what it will be this year. They usually have a dynamic speaker. The cost is \$28 and registration will be at 8:30. More information will be coming, but plan your carpools now.



October 24 in the LaSala Room in Bonsall is the annual Reporting/Statistical Form writing seminar. District 1st VP, Vicky O'Kelly, and District Scholarship Chair, Nancy Jones will be leading the meeting. We will find out at the CFWC September board if there is anything new in the reporting area. All Presidents and Deans are expected to be there in preparation for the January reporting deadline. Contest Chairs also need to attend to discuss deadlines for pre-reg and delivery dates. There will also be a short Executive Board meeting following this meeting as this is the last meeting of the year. Registration due by October 17.

December 1 LEADS applications are due to Myrna. If you are interested and have any questions, please ask Myrna, Debbie Bainbridge, Judy Pantazo, or Jan Imonti as they have participated in this program before. It is a very informative program where you learn the ins and outs of Women's clubs from top to bottom. The goal of course is leadership, but the training on leadership can be used in everyday or business work.

Lastly, please don't forget to pick up the information before/after the meeting for your club that is in the President's folders file box.

This information is to be shared with your club, either in your newsletters or at the meeting under District Information.

Thank you all for the work you do and the time you spend on Woman's Club work. I know you have many other issues that take up you time. It isn't said enough, but I want you to know, you are greatly appreciated. Any projects, programs you think we might want to hear about, let us hear your voice.

We will be having a Fundraiser this Fall. Sonja Hults, 4th VP, will talk about this at the meeting.

From the Dean, Vicky O'Kelly:

"Start by doing what is necessary, then do the possible, and suddenly you are doing the impossible!" Frances of Assisi

I found the above saying to be so true in my life, both my work life and my home life. I now find it is also true of Women's Clubs. Together we do the necessary, then the possible, and when we look back we may have done what we once thought was impossible!

Our Clubs and Projects are like that. We dream, talk, work, and then we can write about what our Clubs have accomplished. Each good work is worth letting others know about. Not only should you write your Club Award Entry Narratives, but you should let the local newspapers know what you did as well as the Chamber of Commerce and your public leaders! Take credit for your great works.



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Mark your calendars for **October 24, 2017- Palomar Dean's Workshop** (Reporting etc.) Both Club Presidents and 1st VPs are expected to come to the training. It will be held in the LaSala Room in Bonsall. More to come on this.

I am planning on making improvements to the training and the training manual. Last year I put together a beginning manual trying to explain the intricacies of writing Narratives. I gave a shot at the necessary. Unfortunately, I found out that it did not answer most of the questions that Clubs have. So, I am going for the possibility of improving it by answering your questions! One question that keeps popping up is: "What are the Judges looking at?". I will get into that in Version 1.2 of the manual. Meanwhile, if I am going to reach the impossible, I need your feedback. Please forward your questions about Projects and Club Award Entry Narratives to me so I can include them in the manual. Your questions can make a big difference!

Please send your questions to me at" vokelly4344@gmail.com, or call me at: 760-728-2700.

See you soon! Victoria (Vicky) Okelly, Palomar District Dean

From the Membership VP: on the Dist

Welcome back! I hope you and your club had a restful and enjoyable summer off, and are ready to get back into District doings? We're looking forward to a successful and memorable District year for 2017-2018, and we'll all play a big part in that success success doesn't happen by accident! Are you sending in your new member and renewal member information each month to District Treasurer Susan Fowler? If you send them in as you get them -- even if it's only one new or renewing member -- you'll help yourself and Susan avoid the last-minute "holiday rush" of reports coming to her over the Thanksgiving-Christmas holidays, which was the case in past years. The 2016-2018 Remittance Form for New And/Or Late Paying Members is on the District website (gfwcpalomardistrict.org) for downloading. A completed copy of the form, a check from your club treasurer for the dues being paid, and a list with the name, address, phone #, and e-mail address for each new or renewing member should be sent to Palomar District Treasurer Susan Fowler, P.O. Box 965, Julian CA 92036-0965 by the 10th of each month. (Do NOT send your paperwork to Reggie Maddox -- that's Susan's job.) Susan



has reporting deadlines to meet for both state and national HQ's, so your cooperation is very much appreciated. We're interested in how you recruit new members and encourage current members to renew? What methods have you tried and can recommend to the rest of us? "New Member Night", "Get Acquainted Tea", brochures to hand out at public events, cold calls to new residents in your community -- what has worked for you? What types of PR do you use to get your message out? We'd also like to hear about your club meetings that are as educational as they are enjoyable -- what were the topics, what type of speakers did you invite? Did you encourage club interaction with the speakers (asking questions, sharing experiences, purchasing his/her books, etc.) or did you let the speaker be "the whole show"? Suggestions you share for recruiting and educating/entertaining members could be the very key to your sister clubs' membership success, so we want to hear from you! Bev York, 2nd VP, Membership, (palomardistrict.org)

FYI -

Please bring flyers for your club's upcoming events and announce at September 26 meeting.

I believe most clubs have been involved with the Canine Companions for Independence. A couple of our District members are "puppyrasiers". On October 21, they are having their annual DOGFEST fundraiser. At Liberty Park in San Diego. A flyer will be attached to the CALL This fundraiser raises most of the funds for a year. So, come out walk yourself or you and your dog and raise funds. You may form a team from our club or neighborhood. We will be receiving a visit from a couple of furry friends and their puppyrasiers at our March meeting.

Also, if you are a club working on a project, please ask for any items you need that the other clubs may be able to supply:.

Inland Valley club is asking for new or gently used bras, cancelled postage stamps, fronts of used greeting cards (any occasion), and new greeting cards (any occasion). Contact Jan Imonti or Rosalia Zamora.



Attention ALL Districts,

ESO reporting will have a major change next year. GFWC will offer separate awards aside from the general Education Community Service awards.

I would like to bring up to date a list of districts and clubs that have ESO readers. If you have an ESO section among your members please e-mail me at <u>dii2537@aol.com</u>. This registration will be a permanent part of the ESO certificate records. We added 3 just this summer so don't be left out. ESO members work very hard to achieve each level of certification and it's important we know about them. I want to hear from ALL districts, even those not yet in the program. For further information or questions please contact me. Irene Iverson, CFWC Education Chairman

The President, 1st VP, and Membership VP would like to visit your club at a meeting. I have noted at several clubs I have visited that little is known about the GF organization. A calendar is being drawn up now so we will be contacting you to see what meeting is best.to visit.

Club Treasurers

Does your club fiscal year close on May 31st? If so, you may have deadlines fast approaching to file Federal and State Forms.

- File IRS Form # 990-N e-Postcard if gross receipts less than \$50,000.00 Over \$50,000.00 must file paper form 990 or 990-EZ- Delinquent if not filed by October 15th (Due 15th day of 5th month after close of fiscal year)
- File Attorney General Registration of Charitable Trusts- Form RRF-1 & CT-TR-1 (\$20 filing fee). Delinquent if not filed by October 15th (Due 4th month plus 15 days after close of fiscal year)
- File State of California # 199-N e-Postcard if gross receipts less than \$50,000.00. Failure to file at least once in three consecutive years will cause suspension of tax exempt status. Delinquent if not filed by October 15th (Due 5th month plus 15 days after end of fiscal year)





- Raffle Registration #CT-NRP-1 (File between Sept 1st and August 31st)
- Raffle Annual Report #CT-NRP-2 (File on or before October 1st)
- Check the date that your Articles of Corporation were filed. You must file the California Statement of Information Form #SI-100 every two years and your individual deadline is the same month your Articles of Incorporation were filed.

And don't forget to send in your NEW Member dues to our Palomar District Treasurer (Susan Fowler), due the 15th of each month between June 1st and December 15th.

See you all in Julian!

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