




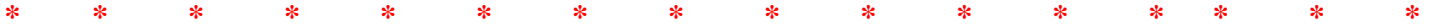
La Mesa Woman's Club
**A Member of GFWC, CFWC &
 Southern District**



GAVEL TALK - MAY 2016

Pat Kelly, Editor

CALENDAR OF EVENTS		BIRTHDAY CORNER
MAY Fri 6th Executive Board 9:30 am 1st Friday Bridge 11:00am Mon 9th Hospitality Tea 11:30am Wed 11th Evening Assembly 6:30p Mon 16th Combined Day & Evening Lunch Mtg. 12:00pm Tue 17th Evening Marathon 5:30p	JUNE Fri 3rd Executive Board 9:30am 1st Friday Bridge 11:00 am Mon 6th Hospitality Tea 11:30am Mon 20th Reception for the Scholarship Winners 1:00pm	Best Wishes to our birthday ladies!  Barbara Walls 16th Dorothy Dixon 18th



President's Message

SOUTHERN DISTRICT CONVENTION

Eleven LMWC members attended the convention. We all had a good time talking, laughing and perusing the Hawaiian theme baskets presented by the clubs. Laurie Miller decorated the LMWC basket. When the voting was complete our basket won first place. My highlight of the convention was receiving the LMWC "Leadership Award." Thank you for naming me LMWC "Leader of the Year." I'm proud to be your President. The position is always enjoyable and sometimes a challenge.



Betsy and Sandi did an excellent job writing our project reports. We were awarded six first place certificates for: Membership, Conservation, Advocates for Children, Education, International Outreach and Communication featuring the Gavel Talk, our Website and the yearbook. We also received second place in two areas - Home Life and fundraising. The certificates and reports will be in a notebook at the club house.

Congratulations to all.

Carol Dreesen



SCHOLARSHIP PRESENTATION RECEPTION

Due to family obligations I requested the awards reception be held on Monday, June 20th during the Day Assembly meeting. Wednesday, May 11th will be a regular Evening Assembly meeting. Jean is working on getting a guest speaker. Thirty-seven students submitted applications. The committee is diligently working to select the winners.

RECOGNITION

Esther Jones next to the new commercial stove she donated to the La Mesa Woman's Club with the plaque to recognize her generosity. We are very grateful to Esther for her legacy!



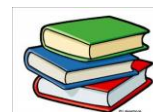
1st VICE PRESIDENT- DEAN

Betsy Quinn



Last chance to participate in the shoe drive for the children at Bancroft School! If you have not already donated, please consider giving a pair of shoes to a deserving child at our adopted elementary school in Spring Valley. It's easy--just purchase a pair of shoes for a child in grades K-5 or visit the thrift shop for a pair of "gently used" children's shoes. We have met our goal of 25 pairs (one shoe for each of our members); good for us! This project ends this month. Thanks to all who have so generously given. Don't forget to let me know the value of your donation as well as your time spent in service, as these figures will be listed on our annual report.

What's next? At our April meeting, members indicated that they were interested in supporting the following service projects: Eleanor's Place, Meals on Wheels, La Mesa Relay for Life, Young Lives, Lions, Tigers & Bears Animal Sanctuary, and Friends of the La Mesa Library. More information to come regarding how you can get involved. As always, if you have any ideas for a project, please let me know.



Keep your used books and magazines coming--Grossmont Hospital Auxiliary and the Library appreciate our donations.

2nd VICE PRESIDENT

Nora Maxwell

Please be sure and tell your friends and acquaintances about the Woman's Club and try to interest them in becoming members. Ours is a very active Club and we do a lot of good in the community. We all need to work on recruiting new members. Be active and participate in our activities for working together we will accomplish much.



MEMBER TO MEMBER AWARD

I was pleased to present the Member to Member award to **Laurie Miller**. Laurie is LMC Correspondence secretary. I'm sure many of you are recipients of her cards. She is always pleasant to be around. She takes on all projects when asked. Laurie put all the bridge and bunco fundraiser baskets together and has earned the title of Basket Concierge!

Thank you Laurie; we all appreciate your efforts!

3rd VICE-PRESIDENT

Lou Turner

As you know, we had a very successful Bridge and Bunco fundraiser on Saturday, March 5th and thanks again to so many members who helped make it all possible. We made \$3,454 profit plus we have a \$1,000 donation from Floyd and Howerton Plumbing which went directly into our Scholarship Fund. Floyd and Howerton are awesome friends of the LMWC and our continuous efforts to support education in our community.

We will award scholarships to these deserving Grossmont High School District seniors at our Day Assembly on Monday, June 20th at 1:00 pm. Please plan to attend as we celebrate and congratulate these students!

We are holding two dates on our calendar for other fundraisers to benefit other community projects that we support. Please reserve Friday, July 29th and Monday, August 29th for playing bridge and bunco at the clubhouse. Plans are not finalized yet but our June Gavel Talk will outline details.

HOSTESS CHAIRMAN – Day

Gertrude Findley

The hostess for May's lunch meeting on Monday, the 16th will be Carol Dreesen who would appreciate someone stepping up to assist. Anyone care to volunteer??

HOSTESS CHAIRMAN – EVENING

Angie Lombardo/Roz Kennedy

The hostess for the May 11th meeting is Lou Turner. She also needs someone to step up to assist. Thank you to Elaine Ayres and Pat Kelly for the delicious strawberry shortcake last month!

4th VICE- PRESIDENT

Jean Adams

MAY PROGRAMS

<p>DAY / EVENING ASSEMBLY LUNCHEON The day meeting will be for all members and it is a lunch at 12:00. Hope to see everyone there. Please RSVP to Carol at (619) 729-5510 so she can have a head count for the lunch. Thank you!</p>	<p>SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS RECEPTION No guest speaker is scheduled for the Evening Assembly meeting on Wednesday, May 11th due to a last minute change of the scholarship recipients' reception to the June 20th meeting.</p>
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SOUTHERN DISTRICT

Maryann Alianelli, President

Congratulations to LMWC on the award certificates received at the Southern District convention. It was wonderful to have 11 of our members attending. Thank you also to President, Carol Dreesen for helping judge the hula contest and the club taking care of the District opportunity baskets. La Mesa won the contest for the best theme basket. It was a fun convention with awards and installation of the new Southern District EX Board which takes over June 1. I received a beautiful silver necklace with a hummingbird filled in with purple stones and purple earrings to match as my District President gift. I also received a beautiful Presidents book done by Marti Ryan and a surprise 16 x 20 collage done by Pat Yeakey. I hope to bring them to a meeting for everyone to see.

I volunteered to be the Southern District candidate for the Area D position on the CFWC bylaw committee. The Southern District is responsible for the table decorations for the CFWC Convention banquet on Thursday night, the first night of convention. We decided to go with a patriotic theme of red, white and blue with a flag, so I've been haunting Michael's sales. Andrea Joerden will be attending the convention with me. There are about 20 members from Southern District attending. I hope to have all of them attend a workshop and report back the information to all the District clubs.

THANK YOU to these LMWC members that became Federation Angels supporting the District Fundraiser; Jean Adams, Maryann Alianelli, Dorothy Dixon, Carol Dreesen, Gertrude Findley, Andrea Joerden, Esther Jones, Pat Kelly, Angie Lombardo, Beth Miller, Nadine Parsell, Lynn Roehrich, Arnell Sanderlin, Ruth Sterling, and Lou Turner. Their names were listed in the convention program and they were recognized and given a Federation Angel bookmark. It's not too late to participate. Any donation amount will be appreciated and your name will be listed in the next issue of the Southern District Spotlight newsletter. Thank you for your support of the Southern District.

Club dates that you may want to attend, there will be sign ups at the meeting.

May 4-7 Julian Wildflower Show, Town Hall, **Free**

May 16, 9:30 am, Wednesday LMWC, Southern District Ex Board and Convention Wrap up

June 10, Friday, Julian Wm Club Tea, \$25 (Maryann will drive if anyone wants to attend)

June 11, Saturday, San Diego & Mira Mesa Fashion Show Brunch \$30

June 25-July 4, Julian Town Hall, Heritage Quilt Show, **Free**

July 2, 11:00 am, Eleanor Burns Show, "Quilts of Our Lives, \$15

Pictures from Southern District Convention are on following page.



Chris Herzog, CFWC President gave the Invocation



President Maryann's welcome speech.



Past Southern District Presidents



Nicole Entenza & Lou Turner, first timers



Maryann's President's Book



Right to left:

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| Barbara Nelson | President |
| Denise Berrian | 1st Vice President |
| Elizabeth Cuen | 2nd Vice President |
| Rose Mae Cundari | Treasurer |
| Pat Yeakey | Secretary |

(Elizabeth was absent, and Bea Valenzuela stood in for her)

2016-2018 Southern District Officers

BRIDGE-

May Bridge Dates:

Friday, 6th	1st Friday Bridge	11:00 am
Monday, 9th	Hospitality Tea	11:30 am
Tuesday, 17th	Evening Marathon	5:30 pm



Please NOTE: There will not be a 4th Monday bridge luncheon from May to September.

Anyone interested in being a substitute for any of the bridge groups, please call Esther Jones at (619) 583-5010.

Hospitality Teas: This month Esther Jones' table will provide the refreshments.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Please extend your sincere condolences to Nora Maxwell and her family on the passing of her daughter, Terri. Nora asked me to print the following statement: "I wish to thank the members of the La Mesa Woman's Club for their thoughts and encouragement with the passing of my daughter Terri. She fought a good battle, but in the end the disease took her. Her service was lovely and she looked so at peace."

We sadly announce the recent passing of former La Mesa Woman's Club member, Michelle (Chelle) Yale. The family asked that the club make a donation to the Sharp-Grossmont Hospital Auxiliary in her honor. The Auxiliary is planning a memorial for Chelle, and Sandi volunteered our club to help. No details known at this time.