




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



GAVEL TALK - OCTOBER 2016

Pat Kelly, Editor

CALENDAR OF EVENTS		BIRTHDAY CORNER	
OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	<i>Best Wishes to our birthday ladies!</i>	
Fri 7 th Executive Board 9:30 am 1 st Friday Bridge 11:00 am Mon 10 th Hospitality Tea 11:30 am Wed 12 th Evening Assembly 6:30p Mon 17 th Day Assembly 1:00 pm Tue 18 th Bridge Marathon 5:30 pm Mon 24 th Bridge Luncheon 11:30a	Fri 4 th Executive Board 9:30am 1 st Friday Bridge 11:00am Wed 9 th Evening Assembly 6:30pm Mon 14 th Hospitality Tea 11:30 a Tues 15 th Bridge Marathon 5:30pm Mon 21 st Day Assembly 1:00pm Mon 28 th Bridge luncheon 11:30a		
		Juanice Harper 5th Carol Dreesen 14th Arnell Sanderlin 17th Roz Kennedy 25th	Pat Kelly 10th Lou Turner 16th Dalal Lehman 20th Carla Beard 29th



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Carol Dreesen



Fall Happenings

You may have thought weddings were held in Spring but this year seems to be different for several LMWC members. Sandi Phoenix is in Mexico for her son's wedding, Marsha McDonald is getting ready for her daughter's wedding in Coronado next weekend and October 15th I'm having a reception for my grandson and his new bride. Since my family is all here for the reception they want to take me out to dinner on October 14 to celebrate my 78th birthday . The reception is the next day and my great granddaughter Jayden turns 2 on the 16th. Busy, busy. Busy!



Area D Conference

Come one come all to the Area D Conference. We need more LMWC members to attend the Conference. So far we have 6 members signed up. Cost is \$28. The Area D conference will be held at LMWC on Saturday, October 22. Event chairperson, Stephanie Stark would like to have all clubs BRING CHILDREN'S BOOKS age 0-12. The books will be part of the centerpieces.



Meetings

September Meeting

The LMWC September meeting is usually a welcome back social. 18 members and 3 guests attended . Hostesses for the evening were Angie, Roz and JoAnn. They catered a delicious Chinese dinner. Thank you ladies.

This year we invited Terry Berg, a founder of "Stand Up For Kids". Her talk was very informative. As one of the founders she was able to give the ladies some interesting information about the "Stand Up For Kids" program and how important the toiletries are to young people living on the streets of San Diego . "Stand Up For Kids" provides a safe place for the teen's to spend an evening. Members and guests packaged 55 bags to send to "Stand Up For Kids". Thank you Maryann for bringing such an interesting project. Betsy will tell you more in her article.

LMWC is still collecting toiletries as well as items listed in the last gavel talk for Ronald McDonald House.

2017 Meeting Days and Times

Attendance at the Day Assembly has dropped to three or four members and the Executive Board. Esther has worked hard to get more members to attend meetings but they just want to play cards. The Board and members have had this under discussion for a long time. Here are some suggestions:

Attract new members

Meet quarterly and on special occasion's

Meet quarterly serve lunch, hold meeting and play cards

Please discuss the suggestions and let Esther, Arnell or the Board know if one of the suggestions appeals to you.

Hostesses Needed

LMWC members are responsible for providing dessert for each meeting. Hostesses are needed for the Day Assembly meetings in October and November. We also need joint hostesses from both Day and Evening members for our Christmas luncheon and installation of 2017 officers. If you can help, please get in touch with Gertrude, Nora or Angie.

Officers for 2017

The slate of officers for 2017 will be presented at all three the meetings in October with nominations accepted from the floor. The election of our officers is scheduled for November. I'm certain the nominating committee will present an excellent slate of officers for next year.

1st VICE PRESIDENT

Autumn greetings to all! By the time you read this, I will be touring in Italy, celebrating a landmark anniversary. Unfortunately, I will miss October's events, but look forward to seeing everyone in November.



In order to prepare for the process of reporting LMWC projects for 2016, I will need to receive some information from you. There is a form to complete for each project, and in order to prepare the information accurately, please check your calendars for the past year and compile the following if you were involved:

1. Project's name
2. Numbers of hours spent working on the project
3. Amount of money you spent
4. In kind donations you made

No form exists for each of you to complete! Please email me your information or jot down the information and place it in the First VP's file at the clubhouse.

Many thanks to those of you who have already informed me of your participation.

Betsy Quinn



Our philanthropic efforts this year were focused primarily on fundraisers for scholarships, support for Bancroft Elementary School, and collecting "comfort care" items for Ronald McDonald House and Stand Up for Kids.

Additionally, if you participated at all in donating books or magazines (Sharp Grossmont Auxiliary and Friends of La Mesa Library) please let me know.



Reminder: activities to support Bancroft are school supplies, shoes, replacement clothing, Christmas "adopt a child," incentives for tardiness and attendance, and coffee supplies for parent meetings.

2nd VICE PRESIDENT

Nora Maxwell

I can't believe it is October already. Hope you had a great summer and are ready to pitch in and get to working again for our club.

It is also time to renew your membership. Dues are \$50.00 and if you are writing a check, please make it out to the La Mesa Woman's Club. Of course we will also take cash. Our reports have to be in by the end of the year so we can pay our per capita tax to the district, so we would appreciate it if you could pay them as soon as possible.

Looking forward to a fun and productive year, so let's all join in and have a good time.

3rd VICE-PRESIDENT

Lou Turner

Last month, we announced that our next Bridge and Bunco fundraiser will take place on Friday, March 31, 2017. We found that planning an event on a 5th Friday of the month is convenient for our many bridge and bunco playing friends. Our fundraising committee will meet right after the holidays, but, in the meantime, we hope you will consider contributing a theme basket or gift cards to our opportunity drawing. Baskets in last year’s drawings were outstanding and made quite an impression, thanks in large part to Laurie Miller for her creativity. While holiday shopping and the stores are offering lots of sales, you might keep your eye out for items to add to your theme basket. All of us love a good bargain! So glad the fall season is on the horizon and that means cooler weather ahead.

4th VICE- PRESIDENT

Jean Adams

This month our program will be Jill Swain speaking on Road Scholar. She will be at both our Evening meeting at 6:30 pm on Wednesday, October 12th, and at our Day meeting on Monday, October 17th at 1:00 pm. She is giving a door prize also. Her presentation should be very interesting. Hope you can all come out for her.

HOSTESS CHAIRMAN – Day

The hostesses for the Monday, October 17th Day Assembly meeting will be _____ ??
Jean has arranged a good program. We hope you plan to attend.

HOSTESS CHAIRMAN – Evening

Angie Lombardo/Roz Kennedy

The hostesses for the Wednesday, October 12th meeting will be Margie Howard and Pat Kelly. An excellent program is planned.

BRIDGE-

OCTOBER Bridge Dates:

Friday, 7th	1st Friday Bridge	11:00 am
Monday, 10th	Hospitality Tea	11:30 am
Tuesday, 18th	Evening Marathon	5:30 pm
Monday, 24th	Bridge luncheon	11:30 am



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

Hospitality Teas: This month *Dorothy Dixon’s* table will provide the refreshments.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Pat Kelly, Chairman

The nominating committee consisting of myself, Nora Maxwell, Laurie Miller and Lou Turner will present the proposed slate of officers for 2017 at the October meetings. We will also be taking nominations from the floor at both meetings with voting held in November. The nominees are:

President	Carol Dreesen	4th Vice President	Jean Adams
1st Vice President	Betsy Quinn	Secretary	Marsha McDonald
2nd Vice President	Lou Turner	Treasurer	Pat Kelly
3rd Vice President	Laurie Miller		



Sincere condolences to Bob and Elaine Ayres for the loss of their daughter, Jennifer Ayres Bridgeman. Please keep the Ayres family and Jeff Bridgeman in your thoughts and prayers.

A Celebration of Life will be held on Saturday, October 16th from 11:00 am – 3:00 pm at the Coronado Community Center Nautilus Room. Lunch and beverages will be provided. Please call or email Bob at (619) 889-7085 cell or (619) 579-0821 home number or by email at wrayres@cox.net to RSVP if you plan to attend.

