



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



GAVEL TALK - SEPTEMBER 2017

Pat Kelly, Editor

CALENDAR OF EVENTS		BIRTHDAY CORNER
SEPTEMBER Fri 1st Executive Board 9:30 am First Friday Bridge 11:00am Mon 11th Hospitality Tea 11:30am Wed 13th Evening Mtg. 6:00pm Mon 18th Day Assembly 1:00pm Wed 20th Southern District Mtg @ Sweetwater WC 9:30 – 12:00	OCTOBER Fri 6th Executive Board 9:30 am 1st Friday Bridge 11:30 am Mon 9th Hospitality Tea 11:00 am Wed 11th Evening Mtg. 6:30 pm <i>No Day Assembly Meeting</i>	 Margie Hartman & Suzanne Colbert 5th Jean Adams & Linda Sotelo 10th JoAnn Knutson 12th Marsha McDonald 23rd Darcy Barghols 30th

President's Message



Carol Dreesen



Member to Member

Sandi Phoenix presented the first Member to Member award in 2014. After a short hiatus the Member to Member Award is back. I have a new plate and Sandi has a stand to put it on. We plan to keep the plate in our hall award case for everyone to view. The recipient will be awarded a certificate to keep.

2014

November Marsha McDonald
 December Pat Kelly

2015

January Beth Miller
 February Esther Turner
 March Jodie Van Tieghem
 April Nora Maxwell
 June Elaine Ayres
 November Betsy Quinn

2016

February Carol Dreesen
 April Laurie Miller
 May Lou Turner
 September Angie Lombardo

The Clubhouse Management Committee

Pat Kelly, Carol Dreesen, Marsha McDonald, Lou Turner, Nora Maxwell and Jody Van Tieghem are the members of the CMC.

During the months of July and August the committee has worked diligently to have the inside of the clubhouse painted, paneling installed on one wall of the main room and an oak chair rail installed.

The floor in the main room is scheduled to be buffed and sealed September 5th.

Next on the list is to replace the carpeting in the small meeting room with Luxury Vinyl Tile. A date hasn't been announced for the installation because we are waiting for a third bid. Hopefully it will come in before the September executive board meeting. The bids are a lot higher than we hoped.



BYLAWS

You received a copy of the bylaws with the August Gavel Talk. Parliamentarian, Margie Hartman and her committee made a few corrections and changes. Please read the bylaws and compare them to the bylaws in your 2016 yearbook.

One of the changes relates to the nominating committee. In past bylaws the president appointed the nominating committee for the coming year. The change names the executive board members as responsible parties to name a nominating committee.

The nominating committee is announced in September, The Candidates for office in October, the election in November and installations of officers is in December.



Young Musicians Competition

Southern District has combined the Art and Music chairmanship. (Carol Dreesen) that's me, is serving as chair. With the help of Denise Berrian and Barbara Nelson, a letter has been drafted and an entry form designed. We are asking you to help recruit talented solo musicians to compete in the 2017-18 Young Musicians Competition. To enter the competition entrants must be a soloist under 22 years of age. Prepare a CD consisting of one classical and one other musical selection. Send the CD to the chairman by December 1, 2017. A copy of the letter and form is included with the Gavel Talk.

1st VICE PRESIDENT- DEAN



Hopefully everyone enjoyed some fun summer activities and has a working air conditioner during this heat wave! Once again our LMWC is assisting our adopted school, **Bancroft Elementary**, with school supplies. Items are divided into two categories: for the school and for the students, as requested by the teachers.

FOR THE SCHOOL: replacement clothing--underwear (all sizes) for boys and girls, socks, and sweats--long and short pants.

FOR THE STUDENTS: spiral notebooks, folders, pencils, and pencil boxes.

Also, the knitting club would love to receive your leftover yarn. Please bring all items to the clubhouse, which is always open on Mondays.



NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The slate of officers for 2018 will be presented at the October meeting and with the October Gavel Talk. Nominations will be 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.

I've enjoyed being your president for the past three years and hope to continue on the executive board in the coming year. We have a strong Executive Board and I'm proud to work with our members and officers.

Our club has a lot of excellent members who bring a wealth of experience and knowledge to LMWC. I have been fortunate to work with these women.

When a committee is formed it's important for the president to select people who work well together and have the skill set to do specific tasks. The names of committee members and chairmen are listed in the Year Book.



DAY MEETING CHANGES

Don't forget day meetings are September, December, March and June.

Betsy Quinn

This morning I received an alert from San Diego City Schools. Apparently 50 schools in Houston have been flooded, and many families of students have lost their homes and belongings. Although this is not technically a project, you can visit the SDUSD website to learn how you can help. If you would like to make a monetary donation to the Houston district's foundation, visit [Houston/SD Foundation.org/donate](http://Houston/SDFoundation.org/donate). Let's all keep the South Texas flood victims in our prayers. In addition, our local Red Cross has a need for blood and platelets. If interested, contact redcrossblood.org for more information.

A quote for your contemplation from the poet, Ralph Waldo Emerson: "The purpose of life is not to be happy. It is to be useful, to be honorable, to be compassionate, to have it make some difference that you have lived and lived well."

2nd VICE PRESIDENT

Lou Turner

I hope everyone is having a nice summer and that you are now looking forward to resuming our day and evening meetings in September. Please invite a friend who may be interested in learning more about the LMWC and what we are all about. We always welcome new people who want to support our fundraising events and philanthropies plus have a fun time while making new friends! See you in September.

3rd VICE-PRESIDENT

Sandi Phoenix

Happy Summer everyone! I just returned from a two week, whirlwind vacation in Iceland that I would love to talk about, but I know this article is about our fantastic fundraising efforts. All year the entire club has supported our fundraising events. Thank you one and all! Our “Summer Fun” event, complete with ladies in bikinis, was great fun and a huge success with the latest net profit count coming in at \$2,810!!! Thank you again Ladies!

I have received a couple emails from members who donated cash and/or items for our fundraiser. Thank you, ladies for being on top of this and so prompt. If you donated items and/or cash for this fundraiser, please send me an email with the amount of your \$ donation & the \$ amount that you spent for items you donated. Remember, LMWC is a 501(C)-3 non-profit organization and your donation is tax deductible. I will mail you a donation thank you for the IRS. Also, we need this information for our end of the year reports.

We have one last fundraising effort to enjoy. Our afternoon at the Off Broadway Live Theatre, in Santee, to see, “Variety Show” at 3:00p.m., on Sunday, October 8th promises to be a wonderful social for our spouses, family and friends, as well as a potential membership event and or last fundraising event for this term. “Variety Show” is a classic program filled with music from TV shows of the 60’s & 70’s. It is a light-hearted performance that promises to bring back happy memories and put smiles on everyone’s face.



You probably remember that just last week a plea was sent to all members asking everyone to make another effort to purchase and sell tickets before the deadline of August 25. LMWC will receive \$1,000 if we “sell out the house”, that is sell tickets to fill the 90 seats. At that time, we had sold 50 seats and had 40 seats to go. Many of you responded and we sold more seats. As of this morning, we still have 24 more seats to sell to receive the \$1,000. That’s only 6 tables of 4.

Thank you for giving it that extra push. We are so close! So close, that Steve, the production manager of the Off Broadway Live Theatre has graciously extended the deadline another time for us. The new deadline is our September Day meeting, September 18th. What do you think ladies? Can we do it? Can we sell those 24 seats so our club will receive \$1,000? YES, WE CAN! Who can we invite? Our sister clubs have been asked to help us and many federation sisters have bought tickets. If you will provide me with a list of names and addresses of people you know who might buy tickets, I will form a small committee to contact people to encourage them to support LMWC by purchasing a ticket, or a table of 4. Please email or call me with a list of anyone you think might be interested in going. Please email it right away. I know we can sell these last 24 tickets. Let’s do it, Ladies.

4th VICE- PRESIDENT

Jean Adams

Hello everyone. Hope you all had a great summer. The guest speaker for the Day Assembly meeting on Monday, September 18th will be John Schmitz from Friends of the La Mesa Library. His presentation should be very interesting.

The Evening Assembly meeting on September 13 is a dinner meeting; therefore, we will not have a guest speaker. It should be a fun and relaxing meeting. Hope to see you there!

FEDERATION NEWS

Sandi Phoenix

Mark your calendars:

1. Bostonia Woman’s Club is celebrating their 90th anniversary on September 6, 2017 with a special meeting. Please congratulate their members when you see them at future events.
2. Woman’s Club of Lakeside has a Bunco & Luncheon fundraiser on Saturday, September 23rd, at the Lakeside VFW. Registration begins at 9:00a.m. I bought a ticket, but I will be out of town on this date. If anyone would like my ticket, please let me know. First come, first gets.

3. Southern District Meeting on Wednesday, September 20th at the Sweetwater Woman's Club at 9:30 am. There will be three breakout sessions - Legislation, Membership and Project Record Keeping. Cost is \$2 per member.
4. Bostonia Woman's Club will hold their major fundraiser on October 21st, at the El Cajon VFW Hall. Tickets are \$25 for presale and \$30 at the door. The fundraiser is a Bunco and Luncheon.
5. CFWC Area D Conference will be October 28th, in Yorba Linda, 9:00a.m. to 2:00p.m. Registration and lunch is \$28.00. Registration deadline is October 10. Please see the sign-up sheet at our September meetings. To remind you, our club, LMWC, belongs to the Southern District along with 13 other clubs. Our Southern District belongs to an area within the state of California called Area D. There are four Areas, A, B, C & D. Each area is directed by an Area Vice President, who sits on the State, CFWC Board. There is one Area D conference each year. State Officers and Chairmen attend and speak. This is our opportunity to meet State Officers and Chairmen, learn about Federation, gather Leadership skills and hear about the CFWC State sponsored service projects. I plan to attend and I encourage our club officers and members to attend also.

HOSTESS CHAIRMAN – Day

Nora Maxwell

Welcome back ladies for another year at the La Mesa Woman's Club. I hope you enjoyed your summer off. Our next meeting will be Monday, September 18th at 1:00 pm. I will be your hostess. Our program will be John Schmitz of Friends of the La Mesa Library. Hope to see you all on the 18th!

HOSTESS CHAIRMAN – Evening

Angie Lombardo/Roz Kennedy

We will have a catered Chinese dinner on Wednesday, September 13th at 5:30 pm; cost is \$10 per person. Please RSVP to Angie Lombardo at (619) 440-1907 or Linda Sotelo at (619) 466-0824 by Friday the 8th.

SEPTEMBER Bridge Dates:

Friday, 1st	1st Friday Bridge	11:00 am
Monday, 9th	Hospitality Tea	11:30 am



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

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



*California Federation of Women's Clubs
Southern District*

Carol Dreesen
La Mesa Woman's Club
5220 Wilson Street
La Mesa, CA 91942

Dear

My name is Carol Dreesen. I'm the Music & Art Chair for the California Federation of Woman's Clubs, Southern District and La Mesa Woman's Club President.

While attending the California Woman's Club Convention I noticed the candidates competing for Young Musicians awards were predominantly from Orange County with no entries from San Diego. We have excellent show choirs and outstanding symphonic orchestras. San Diego should be able to produce many talented individuals.

I am asking you to help us find talented young solo musicians to compete in the 2017- 2018 Young Musicians Competition. There will be a monetary award for the first place and certificates for second and third place. Winners will be asked to perform at the Southern District Convention in April 2018.

To enter in the competition, entrants must be a soloist under twenty two years of age. Prepare a C D consisting of one classical and one other musical selection. Send the CD to the chairman at the address listed at the bottom of this letter no later than December 1, 2017.

Sincerely,

Carol Dreesen

The categories are:

Vocalist

Instrumentalist

Pianist/Keyboard

Please send your entry to:
Carol Dreesen, La Mesa Woman's Club
5220 Wilson Street, La Mesa, California 91942

For questions email or call dreesnc@msn.com Phone (619) 729-5510



California Federation of Women's Clubs
Southern District

YOUNG MUSICIANS COMPETITION ENTRY FORM 2018

PLEASE CHECK ONE:

VOCALIST _____ PIANIST/Keyboard _____ MUSICIAN _____ (Instruments)

NAME: _____ MALE _____ FEMALE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

TELEPHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

Birthdate: _____ Grade in School: _____ Name of School: _____

Must be under age 22

(COLLEGE or University Name & Year) _____

RULES OF COMPETITION AND REQUIREMENTS:

1. Completed entry Form, brief resume, and a CD.
2. Resume should include your academic and Musical Achievements.
3. The entry must be submitted by December 1, 2017
4. **YOUR CD MUST CONTAIN 2 PERFORMANCES:** One must be Classical:

2nd (your choice) _____

Contact Name & Phone _____

I will not hold CFWC, CFWC DISTRICTS OR CFWC CLUBS responsible for my entry.

Signature of Artist _____

IF under age 18: Parents signature: _____ Date: _____

RETURN ENTRY TO: Carol Dreesen, Chairman, Southern District

Young Musician Competition: (619) 729-5510 dreesenc@msn.com

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