



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



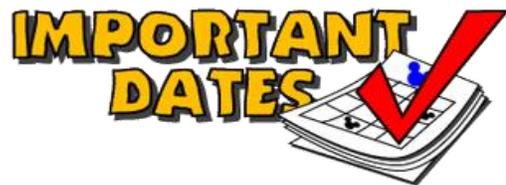
## GAVEL TALK - MARCH 2020

*Pat Kelly, Editor*

CALENDAR OF EVENTS		BIRTHDAY CORNER
<b>MARCH</b> Fri 6th Executive Board 9:30 am 1st Friday Bridge 11:30 am Mon 9th Hospitality Tea 11:30 am Wed 11th Evening Mtg. 6:30 pm Tue 17th Marathon Bridge 2 pm Mon 23rd Bridge Lunch 11:30 am <b>Mon 30th FUNDRAISER 9:30 am</b>	<b>APRIL</b> Fri 3rd Executive Board 9:30 am 1st Friday Bridge 11:30 am Wed 8th Evening Mtg. 6:30 pm Mon 13th Hospitality Tea 11:30 am Tue 21st Marathon Bridge 2 pm Mon 27th Bridge Lunch 11:30 am	  <b>Sandi Phoenix 9th</b> <b>Corrine McKeel 14th</b> <b>Jean Johnston 22nd</b> <b>Esther Jones 29th</b>

### *Presidents' Message*

*Betsy Quinn and Kathy Tinsley*



Happy Spring everyone!

- March 6th Executive board meeting
- March 8th Daylight savings begins
- March 19th First day of spring
- March 30th Bridge and Bunco fundraiser



### MARCH FUNDRAISER

If you haven't sent your money in for our annual bridge and bunco fundraiser please do so as the event is March 30th. This is our only means to provide scholarships to Grossmont Union High School District students. We are hoping to see everyone!



Many, many, many THANKS to Judy our Rental Manager for the FABULOUS job of taking care of our Clubhouse. Your dedication Judy is very much appreciated.

Blessings to all,  
 Betsy and Kathy



Hi everyone, Happy St Patrick's Day and Happy March. Did you know that March is Women's History Month? In honor of Woman's History Month, I would like to share a bit our club history. Much of this is taken from the research reported by our member Jodi Van Tieghem. Jodi will be making her own history as she is honored on Friday, March 6th as our newest Honorary Member. Most of you know LMWC was formed on May 12, 1902. The twelve founding members were Miss M. Anthony, Louisa Commo, Sara Upton Edwards, Mary Ferguson, Louise Finley, Tina Hibson, Clara Magruder, Florence McKinney, Katherine Pearson, Mrs. Rodgers, Nellie Simonds and Lula Van Doran. The first meeting was held in the living room of the home of Mary Ferguson. Mary moved to La Mesa from Chicago where she was a member of one of the founding national woman's clubs. Mary was elected the first LMWC President, 1902 – 1906. Our founding members were prominent residents of the La Mesa community. Louise Finley was the wife of Kellogg Finley, La Mesa's city treasurer in 1912. Florence McKinney was wife of Reverend Henry McKinney, pastor of the Methodist Church. It is their home that now houses the La Mesa Historical Society. Just one more tidbit of history, our beautiful rosewood baby grand piano was donated to LMWC by Carrie Jacobs-Bond in 1912. Carrie Jacobs-Bond was a famous composer. She entertained community members with her music to help LMWC's fundraising efforts. She was honored by our club members when she was voted an Honorary Member.

Your volunteer Community Service Committee members, Betsy, Marsha, Pat, Darcy, Judy, Margie, Carol and Sandi met on Monday February 24th. Oh my, what a lively, fun group and full of so many ideas. The purpose of this meeting was to identify a community service direction and calendar projects for our year. These goals were met, and project ideas will be presented at the Board and General meetings this month. Please take time to review the project boards and sign any sign-up sheets at our General meeting. A short list follows.



March 16, 1:00 p.m., at the clubhouse, a work party is scheduled to assemble the personal care kits for the San Diego Rescue Mission. This is in support of our Co-President, Betsy's projects to support the homeless. Many travel size personal care items have already been donated, but we can always use more. Please look for the donation list in this "Gavel Talk". Pat also found some prepared kits at Walmart. Hope to see you on Monday, March 16.

Our major fundraiser to support our scholarships is a very important community service project. Please help to make this a 100% membership participation event. Margie and her committee are hard at work to make this "Roaring 20's" themed event the best ever! Mark your calendar for the 5th Monday of March, March 30th and join the fun.



Arbor Day, **April 24th**, is one of the GFWC seven Grand Initiative projects that your committee would like to support by planting trees. It was decided that our existing Penny's for Pines project will be the perfect way to plant not only 1 tree, but many that are needed in our forests. An exhibit will be set up as part of the decorations for the "Roaring 20's" fundraiser. There will be a special canister for monetary donations to this very worthy project. We are hoping to collect at least the \$68 it takes to plant one acre of trees. Please support this and encourage your guests to donate, not just a penny, but hopefully some dollars to support our special Arbor Day donation to Penny's for Pines.

The Timken Museum of Art has a special exhibit, "Captivating Women from the Dijkstra Collection" running through **May 10**. Jean J. is helping us coordinate a guided tour of this exhibit and lunch in Balboa Park during April. Watch and listen for details and look for a sign-up sheet at our March meetings. The exhibit is free, and we will plan to carpool from the clubhouse.

Saturday, **April 25th** is Federation Day. In honor of this special Saturday, the Chula Vista Woman's Club is presenting a fundraiser fashion show luncheon, "Take a Walk-Through History". Vintage fashions and narration are sponsored by the Women's History Museum. The cost is \$30. What a fantastic way to celebrate our Federation Day and women's history and support a sister District club. We would like to fill a table of eight, or more for this event. Sign-up or contact Sandi to make your LMWC reservation. Please make your check to La Mesa Woman's Club.



**May 2nd** brings us to our District Convention, “I am Woman – See Me Sparkle & Shine”. The cost is \$30 which includes registration and lunch. The location is the Swiss Park in Chula Vista. Dress is “Business, Dressy, Special Occasion”. Look for sign-up and make your check to LMWC.

The **May 2nd** District Convention is the same day as the annual Meals on Wheels “Mad Hatters Tea”. We are project double booking on this day. Darcy will have more information and sign-ups in support of Meals on Wheels.



**May 19 – 26** brings us to our member and guests Royal Caribbean cruise from San Diego to Vancouver, Canada. Many of us are looking forward to this fun time.

Our June afternoon lunch social meeting is scheduled for **June 22nd**. Watch for more details to come.



**June 14th** is the La Mesa Flag Day Parade. This project was started by our past member and city council member Ruth Sterling. As part of increasing our community visibility, we are discussing actively participating again this year. Are you interested?

July & August we are dark, but not without a fun project or two. Plans for a social lunch activity are in the works. Stay tuned for details, there is more to come. See you at the March meetings and fundraiser.

Opportunity Basket and gift card donations are still being accepted. If you have not already, please let Sandi know what you are donating and if possible, bring your donation to the March general meeting. The absolute deadline for all donations is Friday, March 20. There is a work party scheduled on Monday, March 23rd at 1:00 pm at the clubhouse, to wrap up all the opportunity baskets. This is always a fun, social time to get to know each other. Hope to see you all there.

### 2nd VICE PRESIDENT

**Lou Turner**

The first day of Spring begins on March 19th so we should have nice weather ahead for our Annual Bridge and Bunco fundraiser on March 30th. We encourage all members to support this event by making a reservation and inviting friends to come with you. On Friday, March 6th, our executive board members are planning to honor our newest Honorary Member, Jodi VanTieghem, with a light lunch for some of her family and many friends who play bridge on the 1st Friday of each month. The celebration begins at 11:30 am and we’ll have an opportunity to thank Jodi for her longtime dedication to the LMWC. All members are invited to stop by at 11:30 to visit with Jodi and offer your congratulations. The bridge ladies will begin playing immediately after refreshments are served.



### 3rd VICE-PRESIDENT

**Margie Hartman**



A meeting was held March 2nd to finalize our plans for our BIG fundraiser—“Roaring Twenties.” Team members reported on the progress of each of their responsibilities—catering, decorations, donor letters, reservations, opportunity baskets & door prizes etc. We are hoping for a big turn-out at the Card/Bunco/Luncheon (March 30th, Monday @ 9:30 a.m.) so urge your friends to come and enjoy the day. There will be a delicious luncheon 🍷 and a lot of fun 😄!! Invite all your friends to our fabulous party!!!



Our talented guest speaker for the March 11th meeting will be Joni Ham. She is the owner of La Mesa Floral Design which is located on the corner of Jackson and La Mesa Blvd. She has been designing, creating, and trying to cultivate ones vision to have you experience a lasting imagine of the beauty in floral design. She has been very generous to the La Mesa Woman’s Club on numerous occasions.

This exhibition explores the variety of strategies used by artists in both Europe and the United States to depict women. Both mythological scenes and everyday life are depicted in these paintings all of which date from the late 19th- through the early 20th century. The collection of Sandra and Bram Dijkstra is known to connoisseurs for its quality and its strong focus on academic works from the fin de siècle.

**THE WOMEN'S MUSEUM at ARTS DISTRICT LIBERTY STATION**

The Women's Museum of California is located in the Arts District Liberty Station, a unique destination where you can wander and explore galleries and even have lunch!

MUSEUM HOURS are 12:00 pm to 4:00 pm  
Wednesday – Sunday Closed Monday & Tuesday

**Timken Art Museum’s Spring Exhibition:**  
Captivating Women from the Dijkstra Collection  
On view February 11 - May 10



This project was conceived as part of a course taught at the University of San Diego by Timken’s Director of Curatorial Affairs, Derrick R. Cartwright, Ph.D., during the fall of 2019 and includes the input and interpretations of young scholars as they approach the enduring qualities of these complex, compelling representations.

**EDUCATION REPORT**

**Margie Howard Hartman**



The deadline for the scholarship applications is March 12th. Students from Grossmont Union High School District are eligible to submit an application. We have received several applications already. Judging will be done in March & April. The winners will be announced and awarded checks and certificates in May & June.

**HOSTESS CHAIRMAN – Evening**

**Angie Lombardo/Roz Kennedy**



The hostesses for the March evening meeting are Nora Maxwell and Pat Kelly. Many thanks to Jean Adams and Roz Kennedy for the delicious pie and snacks they provided at the February meeting with a Valentine’s Day theme.

March Bridge Dates:			
Friday, 6th	1st Friday Bridge	11:30 am	
Monday, 9th	Hospitality Tea	11:30 am	
Tuesday, 17th	Marathon Bridge	2:00 pm	
Monday, 23rd	Bridge Lunch	11:30 am	

Hospitality Tea: This month Gertrude Findley's table will provide the refreshments.

If you are interested in substituting or playing bridge, please call Nora at (619) 448-6842.

	<b>MEMBER UP-DATES</b>
	<p><b>Glynnis Andrews</b> fell at home and unfortunately fractured her pelvis. She is recovering at home and would appreciate receiving Get Well and/or Thinking of You cards from her La Mesa Woman's Club friends.</p>
	<p><b>Linda Sotelo</b> continues to suffer with pain in her left knee due to fluid and swelling. She also has developed a small blood clot in the calf of that leg and is on blood thinners. She would appreciate cards and phone calls from her club friends.</p>
Please keep both ladies in your thoughts and prayers!	

<p><b>Personal Care Items for the San Diego Rescue Mission include:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Travel size shampoo &amp; conditioner</li> <li>➤ Travel size lotion</li> <li>➤ Soap or body wash</li> <li>➤ Tooth brush &amp; tooth paste</li> <li>➤ Feminine hygiene products</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Sun screen</li> <li>➤ Lip balm</li> <li>➤ Sanitizing hand cleaner</li> <li>➤ Comb</li> <li>➤ Band aid</li> <li>➤ Deodorant</li> </ul>
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