

JANUARY 2019



Member of the General Federation of Women's Clubs

GFWC Florida – District 7

President's Corner

As we start this brand new year, it is my hope that all of our members will work together to enable the Apopka Woman's Club to give more back to the community than ever before.

We have a lot of fun activities planned for the year, including the Quarter Mania on February 9th. This is an event that you can bring spouses, family members, and friends to enjoy. There will be lots of good food and prizes. Again this year, we are going to provide lunch at Canine Companions for Independence on February 13th, which is a really interesting field trip.

The Conservation Committee will sponsor a "Clean the Road" day soon, which is work, but kinda fun too. They usually try to see who picks up the most unusual item. It is a nice time to work closely together with just a few women at a time. And, we will have our second annual Azalea Sale that will raise money for our charities.

Our Bunco party is in March and so much fun. With prizes and good food, how could it not be fun? This event is to raise money to fund our club as all of our profits from the festival are donated back to the community. What a busy year we are going to have!

Speaking of the festival, please note that every member is expected to donate their time working at the festival both Saturday and Sunday. If you look at our by laws, Article III Membership, Section 3, Classification: Parts A and B state that all members both active and associate SHALL participate in the festival. If you can't do certain physical tasks, there are many other less labor-intensive things you can help with, just ask. That will be our word for April "ASK". Someone will answer.

Joann

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

JANUARY
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP
MEETING

FIRST UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH
(Fellowship Hall)
201 S. Park Avenue, Apopka

Tuesday, January 15, 2019

6:30 Social 7:00 Meeting

Program: Art/Crafts Competition

Refreshments:

Betty Ashton, Hostess
Cynthia Drayton, Shirley Edwards,
Alice Nolan, Bonnie Parks, Pat Raub,
Shirley Risser, Gail Seaman, Destiny
Varga, and Trudy Weiss.

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ApopkaWoman'sClub/facebook
apopkaartandfoliagefestival.org

Prayer Requests

Please add the following members and family members to your prayers lists. Also, club members who have unspoken prayers requests and wish to remain anonymous.

Pat Blackwell who fell at her home and is recovering.

Sandy Bove' who fell at the Christmas Party and had shoulder surgery.

Kathy Hopper who has not been feeling well.

Ann Mixson who will be going in for a complete knee replacement.

Tom (Debbie) Turner, continued prayers.

If you are in need of prayer or know someone who is, please contact
Pat Raub, Corresponding Secretary

Happy Anniversary to...

Leslie & Dan Dempsey

Debbie & Tom Turner

Marlene & Patrick Ryan

Jo & Jim Oliver

Sharon & Robert Canfield

Ann & Wayne Mixson

Happy Birthday to...

Phyllis Folk

Saudi Muhammad Ellis

Kitty Vierbickas

Shirley Edwards

Maryann Sarra

JANUARY PROGRAM IS **ARTS**

Ladies, the time for our AWC Arts & Crafts Competition is fast approaching on January 15, 2019. I am excited to see all the talent and creativity this year.

For proper tagging - **all items to be entered in the competition must be turned into me no later than this Friday, January 11, 2019.** At this time, you will also have to fill out your paperwork. Time is ticking - don't delay.

COMPETITION ITEMS WILL NOT be accepted at the meeting on the 15th.

Want to just display your item? Please consider sharing a past project, as we need more items for the display table. Items that have been made prior to last year, **DISPLAY ONLY**, can be turned into me on January 11th as well, or bring to the church before the meeting between 3:30 p.m. and 5:30 p.m.

I know we have some talented members out there waiting to be discovered. Any questions, please call me.

Pat Richter, Chairman

The North Shore Birding Festival (January 18-21) replaces the event known as Birdapalooza and is being sponsored by the Orange Audubon Society. Unfortunately, we have not been able to reach the society to inquire as to whether any outside participation is allowed.

At this time, it looks as if it will be bird-viewing tours around the North Shore of Lake Apopka, speakers, and entertainment.

Dawne Levenski and Shawne Baker, Special Events Chairman



Apopka Woman's Club Fundraiser

(Weather Permitting)

We are selling

Azaleas, Camellias, and Yellow Tabebuia Trees

(Prices available at the general meeting)

Saturday, January 26, 2019

9:00 A.M. until 4:00 P.M.

First Baptist Church Parking Lot

441 S. Highland Avenue

Apopka 32703

(Corner of 441 and Highland Avenue)

Volunteers are needed. Please call --

Sharon Canfield

or

Shawne Baker



NEW MEMBERS...

Lillian D. Finno

Please take a moment to welcome our new member to the Club, and add her contact information into your yearbooks.

Ruth Ann Clasen
2nd Vice President

NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION

We are hosting a New Member Orientation on February 19, 2019, at 5:30 p.m. prior to the general meeting.

This meeting is also open to prospective members. This will give you an overview of where we have been and how far we have come as a club.

To register, simply send an email to me. In the subject line type: New Member Orientation (FEB)

Thank you.

Ruth Clasen
Membership Chairman

CLUB NAME BADGES

If you are in need of a new name badge, please see me at the January meeting.

An order will be going in soon. They are \$10.00 each.

Ruth Clasen

NEW CONTACT INFORMATION?

Have you changed your email, address, cell, or dropped your home phone number since you filled out your application last year?

We will make sure it gets to the appropriate committee chairmen and it will be posted in the next newsletter for our members. Please contact me.

Ruth Clasen

APOPKA ART & FOLIAGE FESTIVAL

Happy New Year to all members of the Woman's Club. We had a productive Festival Kick-off meeting on Tuesday, November 27th, 2018, at the Apopka City Hall Chamber. Thank you to all the committee chairs that attended.

The discussion provided updates from the individual committee chairs. Some of the highlights of that meeting were discussion about the upgrades done at Kit Land Nelson Park. The upgrades enhanced the beauty of the park by providing wider sidewalks, ADA accessibility, and safer walkways for pedestrians while in the park, a great benefit for all future events at the park. The discussion continued with updates provided by each committee chairman and some really good ideas were shared. I look forward to continue the discussion and ideas as we continue to make this 2019 Foliage Festival a great success.

Also, at the next general meeting, Co-Chairman Theresa Mott will be taking orders for Aprons and Shirts. Remember, ladies, we need "all heels on deck." So please sign up immediately with committees for Saturday and Sunday at our Festival in April.

Committee members, please mark your calendars for our next **FESTIVAL meeting, Tuesday, January 22, 2019, at the Museum of the Apopkans at 5:30 pm.**

Diane Velazquez Co-Chairman

VOLUNTEER HOURS

Please take the time now to sit down and calculate the hours that you have worked on things for the Woman's Club and other places that you give of your time. Put everything down and I will see if it is items we can count in our club hours. Also, if you have spent any of your money for the club, whether you got a reimbursement or not.

The hours must be turned into the DISTRICT by February 2, 2019, so as soon as you give them to me, the sooner I can get them done.

Thanks for all the hard work and your time that you give to this club. I appreciate all you do.

Susan Bornmann, First Vice President

Also, please take some of your time and join us for the Annual District Art and Craft Competition at:

GFWC FLORIDA - DISTRICT 7 ARTS & CRAFTS COMPETITION

WHEN: Saturday, February 16, 2019

WHERE: St. Matthews Episcopal Church
5873 N. Dean Road
Orlando, FL 32817

HOST CLUB: GFWC Central Florida Women's Service League

TIME: 10:00 am – 1:00 pm (approximate end time)

Arts & Crafts and Registration Open from
8:30 am - 9:45 am

COST: \$12.00 per person (lunch) for **active members**
(Club pays your \$3 registration fee)
\$15.00 per person for **associate members**

Make checks payable to: GFWC Apopka Woman's Club
Deadline: WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 30, 2019

I promise you will have a wonderful time and meet some really great women.

Thanks, Susan Bornmann, District 7 Director (my other hat, haha)

Christmas Party Fun!



WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE...

Happy New Year! Just a reminder we will be collecting any new items that you might have received as Christmas gifts that you won't be able to use. These items will be used as door and bunco prizes at our Bunco Party on March 23rd. **Please bring to our general meeting on January 15th.**

Tickets will also be for sale at the meeting for \$10.00. Thank you for your help.

Eileen Langley and Kay Huth, Chairmen



QUARTER MANIA FUNDRAISER FOR OPERATION SMILE

Presented by GFWC Apopka Woman's Club

All proceeds benefit our State President Sharon Oliphant's Operation Smile Project Fund

Saturday, February 9, 2019 at the First United Methodist Church
201 S. Park Ave, Apopka

Doors open at 6:00 p.m. Auction starts at 7:00 p.m.

Family Fun Night - Please bring Spouses, Neighbors, Friends, and Co-Workers

Adults \$5.00 - Receive a numbered paddle, ping-pong ball,
and a FREE door prize ticket

Visit with 15+ vendors - Cash & Carry - buy products, place orders, book parties

Each vendor will present an item for auction.

Bids are 1-2-3 or 4 quarters, depending on value of item.

One number will be drawn.

Match your paddle number to the number drawn and you are a winner!

Win fabulous prizes for mere quarters!

Please bring your own quarters, if possible.

Additional quarters will be available to purchase.

Appetizers, Refreshments, and Beverages will be provided.

Vendors + Quarters + Paddles + Refreshments + Surprises = Quarter Mania!

For Tickets, Reservations, and Additional Information contact:
Pauline Mathius

FROM THE RECORDING SECRETARY...

If you have any copies of AWC minutes (board and general meetings), please give them to Joann or me. We are trying to gather all minutes from years past to catalogue and put on a flash drive.

Having all the minutes in one place will be good for historical reasons. And will make it easier to look up information. Thank you.

Geri Unrue



HOME LIFE COMMITTEE...

Canine Companions for Independence Lunch

Canine Companions will be holding on-campus trainings for new companions/owners in February. **We will be hosting a lunch for them on WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2019.**

Italian food will be our menu and there are many ways for members to participate. We will provide dishes like lasagna, baked ziti, etc., as well as salads, desserts, and drinks.

At the January meeting, we will collect \$5.00 from those who would like to contribute to a pizza order. We will also need cups, napkins, and paper goods to be brought to the lunch. We do not have an exact time as of yet, but we usually arrive around 11:15 am to prepare.

We will be able to visit with the participants during the meal, but not the dogs as they are in training. In past years we have been given a tour after lunch and anticipate that offer again.

A sign up will be available to attend the facility and help with lunch at the January meeting.

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Home Life Library Project

We are working with a few nursing homes to freshen up their libraries soon. Please do not bring books or magazines to the January meeting, as we are not ready for them yet. Thanks!

Christy Faircloth, Chairman



*January 21st
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day*

AWC Save the Date!

Jan 15 General Meeting
AWC Arts/Crafts Competition

Jan 22 Festival Meeting
5:30 Museum of Apopkans

Jan 26 Azalea Sale

Feb 9 Quarter Mania Fundraiser

Feb 13 Canine Companions for
Independence Luncheon

Feb 16 District 7 Art/Crafts
Competition

Mar 23 Bunco Party

Apr 27-28 Apopka Art & Foliage Festival

CONSERVATION COMMITTEE...

Just a reminder to bring **INK and TONER CARTRIDGES**, Harbor House items mentioned in the last newsletter, **EYEGLASSES**, and **PULL TABS** to the meeting. Put all your donations on the Fellowship Hall counter.

Remember to recycle batteries to keep them out of the landfill. Check with Best Buy, Office Depot, Radio Shack, and Lowes for used battery receptacles.

Stick to the basics when recycling - aluminum and steel cans, plastic bottles, plastic jugs, paper, and cardboard. When in doubt - throw it out. Don't risk contaminating the load of good recyclables.

Trudy Weiss, Chairman



Thank You Notes from the Mailbox!

The club received the following thank you notes: Festival of Trees, First United Methodist Church of Apopka, Harbor House, Loaves and Fishes for our donation to their organizations, and Shirleen Fisher for flowers received.

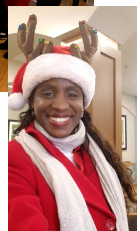
A Caroling We Will Go...

Don't miss caroling with us next year. It was so much fun and we had a blast! Our caroling days were December 9th and December 22nd.

The residents and staff enjoyed our singing so much they joined in, singing, and clapping. They would love for us to return. We left candy canes for staff and patients to enjoy.

It was a wonderful event and very heart warming. Good fellowship over lunch. Thank you to all who attended.

Pat Richter, Arts Chairman



February is our
"Sweets for our Firefighters"
on Valentine Day.

Please plan to help the Public Issues
Committee by contributing your
wonderful baked goods.

We will be giving details at our
January meeting.

Betty Ann Huntsman, Chairman



JANUARY IN FLORIDA

