

#### September, 2019

#### **Claire's Corner**

Welcome back to all our snowbirds and vacationing members. We missed you all pray all went well and is well. Thank God we were able to miss Hurricane Dorian. Unfortunately the Bahamas did not. Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers. If possible, help in anyway, including the notice about the endeavors of the Rotary Club and The City Of Deerfield Beach, which have started collecting already. This will continue with dates, times and locations TBD. Please also see the notice about collecting items for homeless Women Veterans.

September and October are very busy months! Please see the calendars for dates, times, and events. We have many wonderful fundraisers coming up, and would appreciate the support of our members! Your time and talents are needed for these worthy causes—you are needed & greatly appreciated!

The project for the State GFWC President is Operation Smile and our DBWC projects are the Eagle Project along with The Honor Flight. The evening division is a Paws for a Cause with Katy Freitag.

District 11 and 13 lunches are coming up with our own Sally Brinkworth being honored. Please try to attend, as all members are invited to these fun events. We would love to see you all there to enjoy and celebrate together.

Thank you all for what you do and have done for this FANTASTIC club for over 100 years together. Our last executive board meeting was very informative and we accomplished a lot together as a team.

Your President,

Claire Riccardi





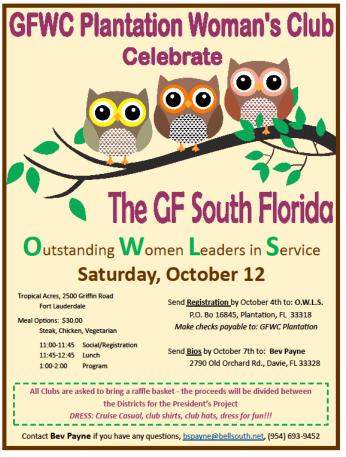


Jane Chapman, Community Outreach Coordinator for

Congressman Ted Deutch Will be our Guest Speaker Tuesday, September 10th, 1:00pm

She will be addressing issues affecting the Senior Community, as well as provide education on Congressional and local services available to the constituents of Florida's 22nd District.

Everyone in attendance will receive a folder with useful information including: Yellow Dot, File of Life, SHINE, Preventing Healthcare Fraud and Identity Theft, Seniors vs Crime, and many more.



Please join us at the OWLS Give a Hoot luncheon, where our club is paying tribute to Sally Brinkworth for her dedicated work as Social Chair and Membership Recruitment Extraordinaire 2018-19!



District 13 Clubs: Ya'll Come! Fall Tour hosted by Plantation Acres Woman's Club When: Oct.30, 2019 Where: Volunteer Park 12050 W. Sunrise Blvd., Plantation, 33323 Time: 9AM (breakfast/lunch included) GFWC President, Sharon Oliphant and GFWC Director of Junior Clubs, Shannon Bailey will visit clubs in District 13. Cost: \$10.00 (or less) Pre-Registration and pay at meetings, please contact Claire Riccardi or Katy Freitag





Srene Wesstrom 9/1 Marie Ettlinger 9/13 Jody Nelson 9/24 Carletta Nonzioto 9/27



Kathy Bishop 9/6 Linda Marshall 9/18

Lucienne Bonina 9/27

Eleanor DeBoo 9/29



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Any members who would like to volunteer in any Broward County Schools must complete the online application at <u>https://www.browardschools.com/volunteerapplication</u>. Please be aware that it takes approximately one week to be approved.



OFF TO COLLEGE! Left: Marti McGeary, Carlye Hall, Janice Dorvil, Marie Ettlinger, Arleen Grassi.

Right: Marie Ettlinger, Marti McGeary, Davis Major, Claire Riccardi

















The next time we will be welcoming home veteran's who are taking part in the Honor Flight of South Florida will be Saturday, September 21st, at 6:00pm. Contact Claire or Marti for more info!

#### **Beautiful to Behold!**

GFWC's historical involvement with the Everglades National Park goes back to its inception with the dedicated land of the Royal Palm National Park .

Our Eagle has landed and is being painted by Debbie Rollo and local artist, Gabriela Gamperl. When completed it will be displayed at the GFWC Florida Convention in Orlando, Sept. 20-22 with the other participating Clubs.

Our club will "Adopt" our eagle for display in our clubhouse. Donation proceeds from fundraisers (September Zinger's Café Dinner and Duffy's Dinner) and our Day Meeting 50/50 will go towards this project. Are you a friend of the park? You can make a personal tax deductible donation at our meetings or send a check to Melissa Armstrong, 910 E. Hillsboro Blvd. 33441, write "Eagle" in the memo of your check. Debbie Rollo, Art Department Chair

Thanks for all you do! Friends in Federation Marti



DBWC

**President's** 

**Adopt an Eagle** 

Project

Dinner

#### **Fundraisers**

9/26, from 5:00pm



and





 The "GFWC Florida Everglades Eagles" Conservation Project !

 Image: Conservation Project !

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The Florida Everglades have been battered by many serious storms and hurricanes over the last few years. There is signage throughout the park to educate visitors on their surroundings from the river of grass, to the vast wildlife of birds and gators, to the parks remarkable history that dates back to **the Florida Federation of Women's Clubs Conservation** *initiatives over 100 years ago1* That signage is now damaged or missing, and many are outdated.

This is OUR opportunity to step forward and once again help the Florida Everglades! Knowledge is power, and the more we understand about this unique environment the more we will recognize its importance and the need to *continue to preserve it - forever*. The signage is located throughout the park, with one even dedicated to the Florida Federation of Women's Clubs history with photos of our former **Royal Palm Lodge** (below) and more.

#### How can YOU and Your Club help?

Eagle Permanent Adoption:

Above you can see a beautiful bald eagle statue made of durable resin. <u>50 Eagles</u> will be made available for 'Sponsorship' by individuals, Clubs, or groups throughout Florida. They are to beautifully painted by your artist of choice, then returned to GFWC Florida Fall Boards. They will put up for 'Adoption' to the Community all over Florida!

onsorship Responsibilities – Available NOW at Spring Convention visit our table in the atrium:

- Sponsor an Eagle for \$175. Can be done by Clubs, individuals, or groups.
  Find a local Artist to design and paint your Eagle 24"H x 18"W x12"D & 13 lbs.
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  Return the Eagle to Fall GFWC Florida Convention. You are done!
  - \*Certificates and recognition of our Sponsors will be available at Fall Boards!



These beautifully painted Eagles will be up for adoption for \$500 to the community!
 Adoption will include your Bald Eagle of choice, a Certificate of thanks, recognition in our Spring Convention
 Program & GFWC FI. News, and invitation to the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony Fall 2020!

#### Please spread the word to local individuals, businesses and civic groups about our "GFWC Florida Everglades Eagles"! Together we can make this happen! Thank you for your support!

Why is Royal Palm State Park, the nucleus of the Florida Everglades, so important to our Woman's Clubs history? Royal Palm State Park's History as posted on the National Park Service website: The land was revered for its botanical diversity and spectacular harmock amongst the glades. During this time Henry Flagler owned much of the land and was building his railroad throughout eastern Florida. Scientists began calling for Paradise Key to be set aside as a state park to avoid it being thrust into Flagler's development area. The Florida Federation of Wömen's Club, and particularly the Preservation Committee Chairwoman May Mann Jennings, took a deep interest in the issue and began campaigning for the designation of Paradise Key as a state park. To their success, the state declared 960 acres for Royal Palm State Park in 1916 to the FFWC. This acreage was also matched by Mrs. Flagler. Ingraham highway, a road from Florida City to Paradise Key, had also been recently completed and was dedicated along with Royal Palm State Park, on November 23, 1916. By 1921, 2,080 more acres had been donated by the state, making Royal Palm a 4,000 acre state park!

For more information contact Conservation Chair Elizabeth Fisher 305 434-2003 or gfwcelizfisher@gmail.com



Judí Staních Deerfield Beach Chamber of Commerce Cítízen of the Year!



Citizen of the Year Judi Stanich

**Citizen of the Year**: Presented to an individual who demonstrates outstanding volunteerism and commitment to our community. This honoree exemplifies the meaning of giving.

We are so proud of our amazing Deerfield Beach resident and DBWC member, Judi, who is not only dedicated, warm, and kind, she gives back to our community 24/7! We have all been personally touched by her actions at sometime or place.

Judí is a true humanitarian, and leads a wonderful example for the members of our club. We are truly blessed to have her in our lives!

#### Homeless Female Veterans Need Your Help!

The Deerfield Beach American Legion Auxiliary unit 162 needs several items to help homeless female veterans.

Items can be dropped off at the Legion Hall at 810 SE 8 Ave, Deerfield Beach, Fl 33441, & our club house.

This service project will be completed for our club October 25.

Tampons, Maxie Pads, Shampoo, Disposable Razors, Shaving Cream Female Deodorant, Body Wash, Bar Soap, Female underwear, socks, t-shirts, shoes.

#### Please make sure that they are unopened, trial size.





City & Rotary Club of Deerfield Beach Come Together to Send Aid to the Bahamas!

While we were fortunate to be spared, our friends in Abaco and Grand Bahama received a devastating blow. Please consider donating the following items:

#### **Cleaning Supplies Including:**

Towels/towelettes Gloves Wet Wipes Large Trash Bags Bleach Chlorine Tablets

#### **Groceries Including:**

Water/Water Containers Canned Goods MREs (meals ready to eat) Non-perishable Dry Goods Baby Juice Baby Formula Cereal

Home/Outdoor Including: Blankets Air Mattresses Pillows Sheet Sets

For more information, please call Rotary Club member Avis at 954-360-5247. Thank you to Pam Militello for getting the ball rolling and to the many club members who all stepped up to help make and donate 100 fleece blankets and 95 splints. They were shipped to Operation Smile in July. Thanks to our members who hand made the blankets and splints at our Saturday gatherings and in their homes. Thanks to Royal Chemical, of Macedonia, Ohio for donating the cost of shipping three boxes filled with our blankets and splints to Operation Smile in Virginia Beach. What a wonderful way to help Operation Smile and celebrate our clubs 100 year anniversary.

If any members are aware of an organization who could benefit from a group project like this, please let us know!

# Operation Smile

"Navigator of the Seas" GFWC Florida Cruise for Operation Smile, September 6-8. Bon Voyage , Katy Freitag and Kitty Cole! Have lots of fun!





Paws for Cause fundraiser at Baja Café, Deerfield Beach, Sunday, October 27th, 4-8pm. Please contact Katy Freitag, at 954-804-5474 for more info!

### SEPTEMBER

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	Habbar Habbar Day					
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
		WC Day Meeting 1pm		Volunteer- ing HS Special Needs Class 10am		
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
			WC Evening- Meeting 7 pm		GFWC/FL Conven- tion 9/20-22	Honor's Flight Wel- come Home 6pm Spirit Airline
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
		WC Ex. Board Meeting 7 pm		Zinger's Grill Dinner Boca Fund- raiser		
29	30					

## OCTOBER

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
		WC Day Meeting 1pm				Give a Hoot Lunch Tropical Acres, 11 am
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
			WC Even- ing Meet- ing 7 pm			
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
		WC Ex. Board Meeting 7 pm				
27	28	29	30	31		
Paws for a Cause Baja Café 4-8 pm		Duffy's Dinner Fundraiser	Fall Tour at Volun- teer Park 12050 W Sunrise Blvd, 9am			