

# WCDB WHISPERINGS

GFWC WOMAN'S CLUB OF DEERFIELD BEACH

**FEBRUARY 2017**

## *KITTY SAYS*

Another beautiful day in Sunny Florida — Make the most of it and make it meaningful. How fortunate we are to have Marti keeping our building in good condition and seeing that we have refreshments each meeting, Mickey keeping a close eye on our treasury, Phyllis on membership, Denise putting together our Whisperings newsletter and Brenda beautifying our grounds. Thanks to all the dedicated members.

Let us support our Woman's Club in all its endeavors and "you all" come celebrate our birthday this month.



February -

Angela Grasso - 2/2

Carolyn McNamara - 2/3 Debbie Rollo -2/6 Connie Kroupa - 2/8 Barbara Gardner - 2/10 Fay Swalley - 2/15 Susan Mustafa - 2/25

It is time to **VOLUNTEER** to serve our Club as an **Officer, Committee Member, or Department Member.**



The nominating committee - Mary McKenna, Chairperson, Katy Freitag, Ellyce Plotkin, Phyllis Mavrikis, Carol McNamara. Attached is a summary of the positions that need to be filled – and information on the duties and responsibilities. Both daytime and evening members are encouraged to help in some way. Please let a committee member know you are interested – voting by the General Membership will take place at the March meetings (both day and evening groups).

Committees that really need your help are:

Building Committee – to oversee landscaping, cleaning and maintenance of the club house.  
Publicity – to send information about our Club and meetings to the local newspapers and submit photos and information about our events to GFWC.  
Membership – Welcome guests to meetings and to follow up on women who show an interest in our Club.

Keep track of the hours members volunteer for all of the committees and departments. This needs to be done monthly so that they can be reported at the end of the calendar year to GFWC. Evening



The Bylaws Committee (Eleanor DeBoo, Mary McKenna, Marti McGeary, Katy Freitag, Denise

Bogner) have updated the GFWC

Woman's Club of Deerfield Beach. The Executive Committee approved the changes at their January 26<sup>th</sup> meeting. A copy is attached to this newsletter. The General Membership will need to approve the changes. Daytime members will vote at their February meeting and Denise will send out an email to evening members to vote via this method since they will not be having a meeting this month. The changes made reflect how our club is run but still within the guidelines of the General Federation of Woman's Clubs. The Director of the Evening Division will now be a member of the Executive Committee and will have a vote on items coming before them.

Division: President, Vice President to schedule programs, Secretary, and treasurer.



**FEBRUARY HOSTESSES DAY TIME GROUP** Please note Hostess assignment changes. Trying to keep ABC order ....

**FEBRUARY 14 Happy Birthday to our Club. Birthday Cake purchased by the club**  
Myra Wells: qt. of Half & Half

Irene Wesstrom: Birthday Luncheon

Plates/napkins for 40

BobbiJo Bernstein, 8 yellow tablecloths

Susan Casanover, Cookies,

Jackie Castro: table snacks & candies

Sally Chase, veggie tray

Mary Ann Chicosky: fruit

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#### January Day Time Hostesses



**Our club has SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE!  
MARK YOUR CALENDARS SO YOU DON'T MISS OUT.**

- **Pasta Night for Pioneer Days** Wed. Feb 15 limited seating 100 , last year we sold out, proceeds to our Building Fund
- **Pioneer Day Parade and Booth**, Saturday Feb. 18
- **West Side Story Sunday Feb. 19** for those who purchased tickets; dinner (optional) after at the Flash Back Diner in Boca Raton, Federal Hwy. If you didn't purchase tickets, come to dinner anyway and share time with friends. Guests welcome.
- **Pause for a Cause – Sunday Feb. 26 2-6 pm.** At the Baja Café Fundraiser; some vendors, raffle baskets (items needed to make these up. Gift certificates, new items you may not need or want, cash donations, contact [katyfreitag@yahoo.com](mailto:katyfreitag@yahoo.com) or 954 804 5474)

Come have lunch, dinner, a drink or two for a fun day to benefit those wonderful Canine Companion for

Independence (CCI) service dogs. Donations are tax deductible.

- **Our Birthday Party and Club Art Competition** Day Meeting Feb. 14
- **Dist. 13 Art Competition, Sat. March 3.** Great to attend even if you don't have anything to enter. 12 noon Dieke Auditorium , Plantation WC. Light refreshments
- **Hacienda Girls' Ranch Free Will Guitar Concert Fundraiser** March 11 (evening time to be announced) Donations are tax deductible.
- **March meetings** Vote for Officers 2015, slate to be presented,
- **Officer Installation at the Evening Division Meeting** April 19, 7 pm.  
Marti McGeary

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**SULLIVAN PARK OPEN HOUSE**  
**FRIDAY, FEB 24<sup>TH</sup> 2:00 pm – 6:00 pm**  
Stop by and see the fabulous job Mary McKenna and other Woman Club Members did in helping make the mosaic masterpiece.

**ART FESTIVAL** Members had a great day Saturday, Jan 28<sup>th</sup> at the booth on the beach (unfortunately we were rained out on Sunday). Members had a chance to tell people about our club, renting our club house and the Italian Night and Paws for a Cause at Baja Café events coming up. Marti's brother-in-law, Dennis McGeary, donated a fabulous photograph of the pier area and we raised \$95.00 when people purchased a raffle ticket to try to win it. **Our THANKS to Marti and her son for this great idea!!!**



MEMBERS AT THE VIP FUNCTION



ElycePlotkin and Phyllis Mavrikis were recognized by the Deerfield Commissioners on Tuesday, Jan 17<sup>th</sup> for the great work they have been doing to clean up the beach and get businesses and residents involved in keeping our city great.



Here's a photo of this past year's Woman's Club scholarship recipient, Maxwell Hvabovsky, Florida A&M student with his parents, Pauline & Mike, at the Florida A&M game in Orlando against BethuneCookman University on Nov. 19th. Maxwell plays the trombone in the renowned marching band. Submitted by Phyllis Mavrikis



Our Florida Follie - Vivian Jeffers



SOMETHING TO BE PROUD OF:



**KaBOOM! / JM Family Enterprises, Inc. / Deerfield Beach Parks and Rec. / The**

**McDougle Family Foundation are building a playground!**

Play is central to a child's ability to grow into a productive adult. Together, we can ensure kids get the balance of play they need to thrive! Please join us and show that play matters to you.

The park is in the newly constructed Hillsboro Technology Center. If you go north on Fairway Drive (just east of I-95) from Hillsboro Boulevard, follow the curve and make two rights, you will arrive at your destination (as navigation would say). It is just behind the alternative medicine spa.

**Contact Bett Willet if you are able to help.**

**Build Day – [Saturday, March 11<sup>th</sup>]**

7:45 am: Volunteers arrive and register

8:30 am: Kick-off ceremony

11:30 am – 1:30 pm: Lunch in shifts

2:30 pm: Ribbon cutting ceremony



2017 MLK PARADE



May Mann Jennings of Federated Women's Clubs began campaign for Paradise Key (Royal Palm Park) to be made a State Park. It was dedicated on November 23, 1916. The park was maintained by the Florida Federation from 1916 to 1947 with the formation of Everglades National Park. GFWC Florida State President, Mary Powell, Key Note speaker at the event.



Marti McGearry attended and was impressed with the area – take a trip and visit !!!!



**DEEFIELD ELECTIONS FOR: MAYOR**  
**DISTRIC 3 COMMISSONER**  
**DISTRCT 4 COMMISSIONER**

**MEET THE CANDIDATES FOR  
MAYOR OF DFB**

Meet the mayoral candidates of Deerfield Beach in an event presented by the Deerfield Beach Chamber of Commerce and the Kiwanis Club of Deerfield Beach at Royal Fiesta Event Center in the Cove Shopping Center on Thursday, February 9th between 7:00pm and 9:00pm.

This is a free event, open to the public, first come first served. Seating is limited so come early.

Be an informed voter...don't miss this opportunity to familiarize yourself with the candidates for Mayor of Deerfield Beach.

**Woman's Club Members – track your hours if you volunteer on the day of the election and report them with your other hours.**

Friday, Feb 17 –  
Saturday, Feb 18 –  
Sunday, Feb 19.



We will be in the parade and have a booth at the beach. We will sponsor a dinner event on Tuesday, Feb 15<sup>th</sup> at the Club House.



CELEBRATES



You are cordially invited to a LASAGNA DINNER



Woman's Club of Deerfield Beach Fund Raiser

Wednesday, February 15<sup>th</sup>

Serving from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Woman's Club of Deerfield Beach, 910 E. Hillsboro Blvd.

Caesar Salad,

Meat or Veggie Lasagna Dinner,

Tiramisu,

Soft Drinks, Coffee (BYOB)

Music, 50/50, Raffles, Fun

\$25 Donation

Reservations Required - call 954 421-4700

Leave a message with your name and the number of people who will be attending

### Consider the following questions before signing a membership:

- Is the gym registered with the department? Have any complaints been filed? Search the "Business/Complaint Lookup" at [FreshFromFlorida.com](http://FreshFromFlorida.com) or call 1-800-HELPPFLA (435-7352) to check for complaints and how they were resolved.
- Is the gym you're considering the right fit for you? Don't join the first time you visit. Use the gym first and make sure it will meet your

## Paws for a Cause

**Sunday** 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.  
Feb. 26<sup>th</sup>  CANINE COMPANIONS FOR INDEPENDENCE

## BAJA CAFÉ

1310 S Federal Hwy, Deerfield Beach (954) 596-1304

*SPECIAL EVENT BENEFITING  
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## Joining A Gym

Following the holiday season and at the start of a new year, many consumers want to sign a membership with a gym, or health studio as referred to by Florida law.

The Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services regulates health studios in Florida.

## Help Us Rent Our Clubhouse



Help Support Our Club; tell all your friends what a great place it is to have an event for up to 100 people at our club house.

Contact Marti McGeary at 954-421-4700

needs, then take the contract home and read it thoroughly before signing. Be sure to ask for clarification if you don't understand something. ○ Does the gym require a long-term commitment? It's a good rule of thumb to avoid long contracts. Shop around and ask questions to make sure you know what's included in the membership.


○ Does the gym charge an up-front fee? Service fees, such as registration fees, membership fees, processing or start-up fees, may be required. However, it must be considered a

○ "reasonable and fair service fee," percent of the contract price. ○ Use a credit card, debit card or Setting up an automatic withdrawal may result in problems if there is

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meaning no more than 10  
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ever

a dispute. Is there a cancellation fee? The contract ○  
should include a provision for penalty-free cancellation in writing within three days,  
exclusive of holidays and weekends, of signing a contract.

Under Florida's Health Studio Act, health studios are required to register with the department and to provide a bond or other financial security to protect consumers' funds if the gym closes or moves unexpectedly. *For additional information, to verify a health studio's*

*registration status or to file a complaint, contact the department at 1-800-HELP-FLA (435-7352) or 1-800-FL-AYUDA (352-9832) en Español or visit [FreshFromFlorida.com](http://FreshFromFlorida.com).*

Submitted by Marti McGeary



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