



Claire's Corner

February, 2020

Dear Members,

February is the month for love and heart. I pray this for all of you for this month and always. We have had some great volunteering events. Thank you to all who prepared, walked and rode in the M.L.KING Day parade, it was a beautiful day to celebrate such an important person in our history. Please read the calendar so you don't miss anything, as this month is very busy. In lieu of our evening meeting, we will hold our Pioneer Days Club Fundraising event. It will take place on Wednesday, February 19th, at 6:30pm (flyer to follow) and will be catered by our very own, Toula, at a cost of \$25 per person. Entertainment will be provided by the great Tommy Rotondo, who delighted us all as we celebrated our 100th Anniversary! Thank you Bobbi Jo Bernstein, our board Secretary for getting Tommy again for our entertainment. A 50/50 raffle will be held with the proceeds donated to The Operation Smile Project. Please come join the fun. Family and friends are invited for this event. The Pioneer Day dates are Friday, February 14th—Sunday, February 16th. On Saturday, February 15th, there will be a parade, and we have been asked to be judges. We will also be represented during the weekend at during Pioneer Days, which will be a charge for booth \$ 150.00. We use our own tent. Please let me know immediately if you wish to volunteer (flyer to follow). We all love to see our yellow shirts and appreciate it very much, so thank you in advance for your assistance. The Evening Division has suggested several projects for up coming months. On February 19th, please bring your kind donations to help local foster children. We are collecting luggage, new children's pajamas, books, and toys, as well as toiletries. Thank you for helping this very needy cause. We look forward to seeing you at our club fundraiser. Please RSVP to Phyllis, Marie, or me. A special thank you to Marti for making sure our air conditioning job was completed. Now we're on to the tree removal and flat roof. Healthy, Happy Valentine's Day to you all, as we are all our sweet Valentine's to each other as a great club, love you all and blessings.

Your President,

Claire Riccardi



Your Clubhouse News

Dear Members,

YES, the AC system has been completed and inspected! Working Great!

A date is pending for the **tree removal** that has been Board approved. Safety concern with high power wires running through especially with high winds and impending hurricanes. Roots are also starting to lift black-top on parking lot. This tree is not a protected species.

Inspection for new insurance policy with Great Florida Insurance of Davie has been completed.

Thanks to our 3rd V.P. Ellie Mills for helping to put this policy together for our club, great coverage!

Friends in Federation,

Marti McGeary, 2nd V.P. Building Chair/Rentals

HELP WOMEN LOOK THE PART!

Clothes suitable for a **Job Interview** are needed.

CLEAR OUT THOSE CLOSETS!

Share those great clothes you will never wear again.

You can help!

Just put together an outfit, put on a hanger, label the size, and slip into a plastic dry cleaner bag.

Suggestions: Dresses, Skirts or Slacks, Sweaters or Jackets, and Blouses.

Bring to our next club meeting and these will be donated to **Women in Distress**. This is a great way to help women land that job they desperately need.

If each of our members donates one outfit that's over one hundred! **Together we can make a difference!**

Marti Mc Geary



WOMEN IN DISTRESS
OF BROWARD COUNTY, INC.

ESTABLISHING S•A•F•E
STOP ABUSE FOR EVERYONE

Dear Members:

You are needed! Come Saturday, February 1, 2020, 8-10 am to **help spruce up our club house**. Learn to help with showing club house and opening for rental events. Garden Gals help needed as well for weeding and trimming. Please contact me directly to let me know you're available! Thanks to Pam & Ellyce for helping to take down the decorations last month!

Marti

Clubhouse Building Chair



Volunteer Opportunities



Help us celebrate our roots by volunteering at this 3-day festival. Visitors will enjoy a carnival, arts & crafts, food vendors, live entertainment, and fireworks! 2/14 5pm-10pm, 2/15 10am-10pm & 2/16 10am-6pm. We are looking for volunteers, please call Claire directly!



We are still collecting donations of personal hygiene items for homeless women veterans & tissues hand sanitizer for Christina Fink's students.

Thank
You

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES!

The George Snow Scholarships now available. Please visit their website at <https://scholarship.org/> for more information. There are a variety of scholarships, each with their own requirements for eligibility. However, the most common scholarships are offered to high school seniors attending school in Palm Beach County, or select Broward County schools (Blanche Ely High School, Pompano Beach High School, & Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School

Welcome
To
Our
Newest
&
Most
Adorable
Member!

GFWC Success for Survivors Scholarship. Apply October 2019- February 2020. Go Forward with Confidence. Those seeking degrees in nursing, social work, practical theology, and education. \$2,500 scholarships. Go to www.gfwc.org/success-survivors Recipients express a desire to use their careers to advocate for other survivors, fight for the voiceless, and help others heal.

Ellie Mills
3rd VP & Scholarship Chair

Fostering a Fabulous February

In the hope of making the first night a less traumatic one.

We are requesting donations for the following items:

Children's Pajamas (new)

Children's Books (new)

Small (carry-on sized) luggage (new or gently used)

Please bring any items to the February meetings, or contact Katy Freitag for a pick up!

A Service Program initiated by the DBWC Evening Division in connection with Community Gateway Outreach.

GFWC WOMAN'S CLUB OF DEERFIELD BEACH

VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR 2019



Amie Kay Tanner is the GFWC Woman's Club of Deerfield Beach Volunteer of the Year 2019. She has a long and profound history of dedicated service to the City of Deerfield Beach and 2019 is no exception. The Spirit of Volunteerism which is the heart of GFWC members is present from the moment you meet Amie-Kay.

Amie Kay Tanner is Florida Native-Born, spending her life as a resident of Deerfield Beach. She graduated from Pompano Beach High School, since there was no Deerfield Beach High School. She went on to earned a Bachelor of Science of Fine Arts in Theater and a Master in Education from FAU. She and her husband, Frank Novak, of forty-four years, reside on Odis Tanner Way, named in honor of her father's contributions as a "Pioneer" of Deerfield Beach. Their adopted daughter, Tatjana, completed the family of three and are now blessed with two special grandchildren.

Amie Kay has and continues as a role model for all, providing leadership skills, historical and firsthand knowledge of our city and club, and an uncanny ability to relate to the needs of others in a steady, unfaltering manner. Her quiet, reserved personality depicts strength and conviction of purpose championing the needs of her beloved city and its people. These character traits, coupled with a continued and unparalleled, commitment to GFWC Principles of Volunteerism, qualifies her as a prime candidate to receive the Honor of Volunteer of the Year, 2019.

2019 culminated in the Celebration of the 100 Year Anniversary of the GFWC Woman's Club of Deerfield Beach. Much preparation for this was needed and Amie Kay, like the true historian she is, co-chaired as our Club Historian spending countless hours and making personal donations to bring this event to fruition. The committee met weekly to organize and preserve the historical records and scrapbook from 1919 to present.

Amie Kay met with Sally Ling, Writer and Historian, to provide background for an article about our Club's legacy published in the March 2019 issue of the *Deerfield Beach Magazine*.

This year Amie Kay took on the responsibility of having the original architectural drawing of the club house restored and preserved. She takes great pride in our clubhouse since her father was the contractor who helped build and complete it for dedication in 1957. Amie Kay met with Erin Purdy, Historian of the Broward County Library, to find and include other historical materials of interest to our Club. She helped plan and carry out the formal club Centennial Luncheon held at the Royal Fiesta Event Venue. She worked with other committee members to make and frame historical photos of Deerfield Beach displayed on the tables. She helped in completing the Club Scrapbook.

Amie Kay continues to promote membership in our club. She never misses an opportunity to hand out a flyer or tell about the contributions the club has made and continues to make.. Her sincerity and warm personality are evident from the first time anyone meets her. You will find her at almost all our club meetings, activities and engaged in the club projects.

Amie Kay is "Person with a Purpose" immersing herself in other historical and educational activities. She serves on the Executive Board of the DFB Historical Society and spearheads "History at High Noon" monthly programs held at City Hall. She conducts monthly tours for school children and other visitors of the Butler House (home to one of our club's founding members and now on the Florida Historical Registry). You will see her at all the many community events this organization promotes.

Amie Kay hardly misses an opportunity to become involved in Community and City Sponsored events and to wear her yellow shirt with the Club Logo. She volunteered at The Annual Beach Clean Up, The Longest Human Underwater Chain (Guinness Book of World Records, Pioneer Days City Events, Breakfast with Santa, The Art Festival and is a fierce advocate for the Music/Art Middle School Program.

Amie Kay attended the Women's History Hall of Fame Luncheon, and the Center for Active Aging Cuisine of the Region and Fashion Show. She is an appointed member of the Public Arts Committee of Deerfield Beach, and an active member of the Friends of Deerfield Island Park, and Kiwanis of Deerfield Beach, Inc.

Leadership and Public Issues in 2019 makes Amie Kay a regular in attendance at our Commission Meetings and other city sponsored improvement meetings. She speaks out on quality of life issues in our community and various projects regarding development, recycling, parks, open space, and preservation of wildlife and habitats.

2019 is a year to be proud of the accomplishments and charitable involvement of our club and to realize how much Amie Kay Tanner has contributed through her passion, love and devotion to GFWC, our club, and community. The GFWC Woman's Club of Deerfield Beach pays tribute to her and recognizes how lucky it is to have her as a member.



Angel Grasso 2/2

Carolyn McNamara 2/3

Debbie Rollo 2/6

Connie Kroupa 2/8

Kay Hurley 2/9

Barbara Gardner 2/10

Fay Swalley 2/15

Sally Levitt 2/19

Louise O’Gorman 2/23

Welcome to our New Members

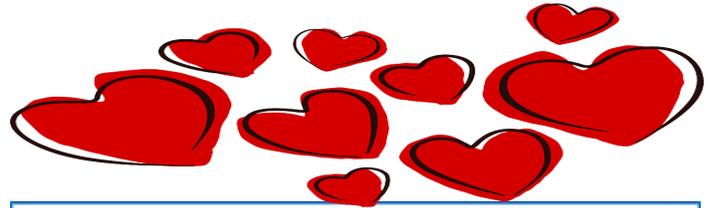
Kathleen 'Kay' Fitzgerald

Mae Gerrish

Beverly Pereira

Dianne Suomela

Linda White




Hello, neighbor!

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MARK THIS on YOUR CALENDAR

Club Meetings

at the Club House

2nd Tuesday of every month Sept. - May 1 p.m.
3rd Wednesday of the month, All Year, 7 p.m.

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



FEBRUARY 2020

Every Saturday in February • 10am-2pm

“Florida Highwaymen” Art Exhibit

Meet and Greet R.A. McClendon – An original Highwaymen artist

Artwork available for sale

Historic Old School House & Museum, 232 NE 2nd Street

Donation: DFB Historical Society Members \$5 General Public \$7.00

Saturday, February 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 • 10am – 2pm

Historic Butler House Guided Tour

“Alice B at Pioneer Grove” Gift Shop Open

Butler House, 380 E Hillsboro Blvd Fee: Donation

Thursday, February 6, 13, 20, 27 • 5:15 – 7:15pm

Student Art & Music class

In cooperation with the DFB Cultural Committee

Open to all local school students

Historic Old School House & Museum, 232 NE 2nd Street

Free to participate, all painting materials supplied for students

Taught by artists Gabriela Gamperi and Debbie Rollo

Friday-Sunday, February 14-16

Pioneer Days Celebration

Saturday– Parade 10am & Fireworks 9pm

Music, food, vendor displays at Main Beach, 21st Ave

Wednesday, February 19 • Noon – 1pm

History at High Noon

Artist R.A. McClendon, Presenter

**An original “Florida Highwaymen” artist
“Florida Highwaymen” Exhibit open to public following
presentation**

DFB Commission Chambers, 150 NE 2nd Ave Fee: Donation

Club Happenings!

UNITY PARADE ~ January 20, 2020



Five Fabulous Friends decorated two cars, dressed in our shirts, and smiled a lot as we drove in the Deerfield Beach Annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Parade. Our club motto: **Unity in Diversity** goes right along with the parade theme. We gave out club brochures and waved flags! It is important that our club show our support and participate in city events.

Don't miss the fun by participating in the Pioneer Day Parade in February. We would like to have at least 20 members participate. Sign up to volunteer by notifying President, Claire Riccardi.

Photo Left to Right: Phyllis Mavrikis, Marti McGeary, Rita Masi, Marie Ettlinger and Claire Riccardi.

Volunteer of the Year!

On January 28th, the Executive Board chose from all 6 candidates for Volunteer of the Year, selecting our lovely Amie Kay Tanner. Congratulations, Amie, who is a very hard dedicated volunteer for many, many causes and a true historian for our City, County and Florida. Always willing to give her precious time and many talents for many years. The six candidates were, Amie Kay Tanner, Claire Riccardi, Eleanor De Boo, Kathy Freitag, Marti McGeary, and Melissa Armstrong. Congratulations to all candidates, it is truly an honor for us all to have been nominated from our members.



Congratulations!

FEBRUARY

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Sarasota & Punta Gorda Overnight Trip
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11 WC Day Meeting	12	13	14 Pioneer Days 	15 Pioneer Days Parade
16 Pioneer Days	17 	18	19 Club Fundraiser Dinner \$25 (No Evening Mtng)	20	21	22
23 	24	25 WC Exec Board Meeting	26	27	28	29

MARCH

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10 WC Day Meeting 1pm	11	12	13	14
15	16	17 	18 WC Evening Meeting 7 pm	19	20 Overnight trip to Orlando,	21 Mount Dora & Winter Park
22	23	24 WC Exec Board Meeting 7 pm	25	26	27	28
29 	30	31				

APPROVED VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

You may report any hours or donations you contribute to the following:

CITY EVENTS:

Festival of the Arts, Fall Festival, Halloween Hoedown, Arbor Day Tree Giveaway, Arboretum Clean Up, Boots on the Beach, Ocean Blues & Brews, July 4 City Celebration, Sip & Stroll, Movies in the Park, Dive-In Movies, Ocean Way Holiday, Jr. Anglers Day, Coastal Clean-up, Beach Cleanups, Surfers for Autism, Flashlight Egg Hunt, Egg-Extravaganza, Easter Egg Hunt & Run, Pioneer Days, MLKing Weekend

BROWARD COUNTY LIBRARY

BRANCHES: FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

Century Plaza/Leon Statin, Percy White Northwest, Pompano Beach & Cultural Center

ALL CENTER for ACTIVE AGING

FUNCTIONS:

Health & Wellness Fair, Cuisine of the Region, Fashion Show
Saturday & Sunday Events, Breakfast with Santa, Cocktails with Santa, Annual Charity Dinner, Museum Day, History At High Noon.

BROWARD COUNTY SCHOOL

FUNCTIONS:

Classroom Volunteering (reading, mentoring), School Supply Collections, Art & Music Programs, First Day of School Participation.

OTHER: Honor Flight Activities, GFWC Everglades Restoration Project, Relay for Life/Luminaries, Club/GFWC Meetings, Trip Participation for Membership, History, the Arts, etc. , Non-paid Poll Volunteers.

Any questions please ask at Club Meetings or contact Claire.

VOLUNTEER

