

Orange Blossom Gazette

GFWC LA VERNE-SAN DIMAS WOMAN'S CLUB NEWSLETTER

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May the Spirit of Nature Fulfill Your Spirit of Volunteering. & Every Moment Counts.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE: Tami Miller

It was wonderful to see all the smiling faces at the last meeting. I think you enjoyed being together again as much as I did. And what a great start of the LVSD term. Two new members joined at the meeting.

Our Social Chairmen are planning a lot of events. Be sure to take advantage of some of the social time to enjoy each other while just having fun.

September and October are such beautiful months as we watch the fall colors change. The heat has been extreme this summer and has lasted longer than usual. I'm looking forward to cooler times so I can get back to walking again. I hope the 100 and 90 degrees are behind us.

At the October meeting we will be forming a committee to plan the Holiday Dinner. Look for the sign-up sheet. This is a fun event to close out the year with little business. This is when you find out who your Secret Sister is. The Sisters have been very busy. There is a basket of gifts at each meeting. Everyone will be getting in the Holiday spirit.

It's time to nominate our Club Kindness Angel. She will be announced at our Holiday

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE 2022 - 2024

President: Tami Miller Co-First VP/Dean of Chairmen: Susan Minnihan & Linda Roache Co-Second VP/Membership: Marlene Carney & Gloria Schaaf Third VP/Ways & Means: Gayle Garcia Recording Secretary: Barbara Randolph Treasurer: Kathy Castle-Kuhn Corresponding Secretary: Jennifer Nummelin Parliamentarian: Pat Borchard

Dinner. Be sure to read the 2nd VP message for more information.

October is Breast Cancer month and Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Check the Chairmen Chats for more information.

Some of you already know that my email has been hacked, so please make note of my new email address: <u>Club1270Deventer@yahoo.com</u>.

Hope to see you all at the October meeting on the 20th.

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15 LV Heritage Festival - 10 am - 3 pm 20 LVSD General Meeting
16 Dinner at Legends, Glendora - 6 pm 21 Bunco at Sue's - 6 pm - 9 pm
22 SD Trunk or Treat - 5 pm - 9 pm
26 Gab Session, Railway Cafe - 10 am
28 Haunted Pasadena Walking Tour -6:30 pm
31 Halloween

PRESIDENT'S AIDE/AMENITIES: Jennifer Nummelin

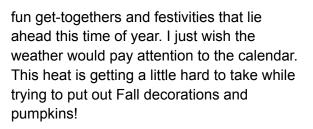
A big thank you to all who stepped up to help out (with so many of our responsibilities) this past month or so, as several of us experienced family drama, health issues, last minute travel, etc. Our Club only functions when we work together to get things done, and though we are a volunteer group, it's important that things are timely. "If you want to go fast, go alone. If you want to go farther, go together".... We won Best Philanthropic Club for that very reason!

Also, for those who forgot to pick up their Yearbooks, please do so at our next mtg!

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<u>CO-FIRST VP/DEAN OF CHAIRMEN:</u> Susan Minnihan & Linda Roache

I can't believe it's Fall! It's coming up to the start of all my favorite holidays. starting with Halloween! I'm looking forward to all of the



Besides all of the above, we are in the start of our most active time of year (I feel). Hopefully, we all had a nice summer break from our routines. A lot of our commitments started back up in September and our club endeavors are back up to full speed as well. At our September meeting introductions were made of each of our Chairmen and their projects. Most of our Chairmen made announcements as to what is going on and what they are working on. Look for further announcements in this Newsletter, too! Please know that they are in charge of those projects, but it is up to all of our members to help where they can and to participate. Please consider signing up to help. If there's something that interests you, or if there's something you think would be of interest for our Club to participate in, contact them (or us if unsure who to contact).

It was announced that we will now have two Project Books out at our meetings. This will make it easier for members to access the books when trying to record hours or donations. Remember, this is a way for us to keep accurate records of our time for year-end reporting. Since our 1st V.P. position is a shared position, we have decided to divide up the Project Books. Please still send anything to do with Chairmen's questions, etc., to both Susan and Linda so everyone is "in the loop." But the responsibility of answering those questions, etc., will be from just one of us. Susan will be taking care of the Projects in the Project I book (A through E) and Linda will be taking the Project II book (E through W).



Also, a reminder, when making Motions, please give the 1st V.P. copy to Linda since she will be maintaining the Motion Book.

Looking forward to seeing you all at the October meeting.

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<u>CO-SECOND VP/MEMBERSHIP:</u> <u>Marlene Carney & Gloria Schaaf</u>

October has arrived. Cooler weather (sort of), holidays, time change, sports, and a flurry of activity are a part of the Fall season. The La Verne-San Dimas Woman's Club is in full swing as we embark on a very active year of philanthropic projects and social activities. The club is the recipient of the 2022 Best of La Verne Service Club and we are living up to that wonderful designation. Please take the time to review the club's project list. There are many opportunities to give back to the community and be an active part of all that we do. All members are encouraged to volunteer where they can. We are a flexible group given your schedules and other commitments.

As you all know, membership recruitment is ongoing as we continue to grow the membership which allows us to have an even larger impact on the various nonprofits and communities we serve. I invite all of our members to spread the word about the club and all we do. Let's take a moment to extend a warm welcome to our two newest members, Tamara Drake and Jody Mentzer who joined the club during the October meeting. Tamara Drake lives in La Verne. She is a flight attendant, is married and has four children and six grandchildren. Her hobbies include quilting, embroidery, and travel. She joined the club to become more involved with the community.

Jody Mentzer lives in La Verne and is a retired teacher. Her hobbies include gardening, reading, dining out, and theater. She joined the club as she was looking for an opportunity to give back to the community.

We will be having an orientation for new members and prospects on Thursday, October 13, at 10 a.m. at the home of Tami Miller. We invite current and new members to attend. We also encourage you to invite any prospective members to this event. A flyer will be sent to the membership.

Kindness Angel of the Year

Selection of the club's Kindness Angel of the Year is coming up and members are invited to nominate a member for this special award. Thank you to Pat Borchard who has agreed to chair this project. It began as an observance of National Random Acts of Kindness Week. Each Club is asked to nominate a member who has committed a "Random Act of Kindness." For many years, San Gabriel Valley District has honored a member from their club that has demonstrated a random act of kindness for its members and/or their community. To be selected as a nominee... *You must have been a member of a

SGVD Woman's Club from January 1, 2022, through December 31, 2022. *Only one nominee per club will be considered.

Club's nominee will receive special recognition at the San Gabriel Valley



District Fashion Show and Luncheon on February 4, 2023.

If you would like to nominate someone for Kindness Angel, please fill out the form sent along with this newsletter and bring it to the November 17, 2022 meeting. The committee members are those members who were selected as Kindness Angel, Citizen of the Year, and Club Member of the Year last year. Therefore, the committee is: Kindness Angel (Marina Salcido), Citizen of the Year (Gayle Garcia), and Club Member of the Year (Sue Herrera). Our Kindness Angel will be announced at our December Holiday Dinner and will then be our guest for lunch at the District Fashion Show. Nomination forms and criteria will also be emailed to members and copies will be available at the November 17 club meeting. Complete nomination forms can be emailed to Pat Borchard peb1956@verizon.net. A mailing address is available on the nomination form.

And here is a final thought to ponder. "Volunteers are the only human beings on the face of the earth who reflect this nation's compassion, unselfish caring, patience, and just plain loving one another." ~ Erma Bombeck

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CORRESPONDING SECRETARY: Jennifer Nummelin

As an FYI, we received several thank you cards over the summer for prior projects, and I keep them all. If you ever wonder if what we do is actually helping anyone/anywhere, we have an impact, we really do.

Representative Susan Rubio has offered to speak to our Club, and we look forward to scheduling her visit for an upcoming mtg.

Currently, I check for Club mail at our La Verne Post Office Box every week. If someone is expecting timely correspondence, let me know, and I'll check the P.O. Box more often. I want to ensure you/we have timely communication.

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PARLIAMENTARIAN: Pat Borchard

It was really wonderful to see all of you at our September General meeting. So nice to be able to get back together after our nice summer break.

One of my responsibilities as Club Parliamentarian is to provide guidance to the elected officers and members. Within your Club Yearbook are our club's bylaws and standing rules. I would suggest that you take a moment to review them. These bylaws and standing rules explain how and why we do some of the things we do at meetings. I would like to share one of our standing rules that assists our Recording Secretary, in particular, to record the business at our general meeting.

Standing Rule~25(e): Officer's and Chairmen Reports: Oral reports of each officer and chairman shall be no longer than 3 minutes, except for the Club President, 1st Vice President, and Treasurer. The original report shall be provided to the Recording Secretary for the Official Minute Book; a copy shall be provided to the President, and a copy shall be retained in the Officer's or Chairman's File. Reports may also be submitted in advance by electronic mail. Committee Chairmen not reporting when called upon shall not be



entitled to read her report to the assembly. If a report requires the making of a motion, completion of a motion form in advance of reporting is requested.

Following this standing rule will assist the Recording Secretary in recording the business from our general meeting and also will prepare you should you need to make a report at one of our San Gabriel Valley District meetings. When one makes a report there, three copies of the report are required~one to the President, Dean, and Recording Secretary.

President Tami also shared it is important to get any report to the Co-Deans, Linda and Susan, as well as to Tami the Sunday before the Executive Committee Meeting. It is that meeting, the Executive Committee Meeting, for the most part, that creates the agenda for the General meeting. If you have an upcoming motion that requires a monetary donation or monetary expenses, this needs to be discussed at the Executive Committee meeting prior to being placed on the agenda.

Looking forward to seeing all of you at our October meeting.

Pat peb1956@verizon.net



>> Chairmen Chats <<

ADVOCATES FOR CHILDREN: Chairman Sue Herrera

Hi Ladies:

Well, September flew by! It's now my favorite season of the year; the weather starts cooling down (haha!), pumpkins, falling leaves, football, sweaters, casseroles, warm apple cider, turkey, baking pies, fun holiday movies, decorating our homes. Yay!

This month we'll (hopefully) be at the La Verne Heritage Festival on Saturday, October 15, from 10:00 a.m to 3:00 p.m. selling our "All That Glitters" as a club fundraiser. I'm waiting to hear from Gayle Garcia to make sure we have a spot to set up. I do not have any volunteers to help me, so if two or three ladies are available, please let me know.

We've got a Halloween Bunco Costume Party at my home. I've got room for two more players if anyone is interested. If you don't know how to play, it's easy to catch on! The cost is \$10 and you'll have a chance to win that money back at the end of the night. We will have food, drinks (fun and funner), prizes and lots of laughs. Friday, October 21, from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m.

On Saturday, October 22, from 5:00 to 9:00 p.m. we will represent the club at San Dimas' Halloween Spooktacular Trunk or Treat event; last year was great fun seeing all the kiddos dressed up while handing out candy and treats to them. I'd appreciate it if each member could donate a bag of treats or candy by dropping off at my house or bringing it to the October 20 meeting. Please attach a note to the bag with your



name, the dollar amount spent and the amount of time you spent shopping. Thank you so much! I've got two helpers for that night to dress in costume, help me decorate my truck, and give out candy. I'd love another lady to join us!! Please let me know if you're available.

Happy fall and Happy Halloween to all my fellow friends and club members!

Sue sue.bosek@cvspm.com

I will be collecting homemade (knitted, crocheted, sewn) beanies, scarves, & pillow cases to be donated to the Foster Family Agencies in our area. This is an ongoing project. Please bring whatever you're donating to each meeting & I'll get them where they need to go. (And please keep

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track of money & time spent.) Thank you!

<u>CIVIC ENGAGEMENT & OUTREACH:</u> <u>Chairmen Jennifer Nummelin &</u> <u>Candy Miller</u>

Projects improve, grow, change, and occasionally fizzle out. That's the nature of things. Our 'Letters Against Isolation' greeting card project - which has been so amazing for two + years - has slowed down, both in member participation, and in need. (Covid is slowing down, so those institutionalized elderly/disabled now experience less isolation.) Therefore, I wonder if we want to continue to send cards only for specific holidays, INSTEAD of year-round? Please let me know if you identify that continuing year-round ongoing card project sounds important, OR if you would only be interested in sending cards for certain holidays.

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DOMESTIC VIOLENCE & SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS & PREVENTION: Kathy Diaz

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month! Domestic Violence Awareness Month was launched nationwide in October 1987 as a way to connect and unite individuals and organizations working on domestic violence issues while raising awareness for those issues. You can also wear purple in support of domestic violence awareness month.

Olivia Perez oliviaperez@gmail.com

HEALTH & WELLNESS: Chairman Olivia Durbin

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month, an annual campaign to raise awareness about the impact of breast cancer! Please remember to wear pink to our next meeting in support of breast cancer awareness month. Your name will be entered into a raffle if you wear pink in support of breast cancer awareness!

Olivia oliviaperez1977@gmail.com

Shot@Life's "Mobilize to Immunize Summit" will be hold virtually on Thursday, October 6, and will kick off the organization's six-week fall vaccine advocacy push. You can apply at Shot@Life to join the event. (Please text me if you participate and I will keep track of your time.)



"Get a Shot - Give a Shot" partnership with Walgreens can help provide a life-saving vaccine to a child in need. The shot you get can be a flu shot, COVID-19, or other vaccine - be sure to let me know if you participate.

Of course Shot@Life also accepts cash donations. (Our Club is donating to the organization too.) You can send donations in directly or give me a check and I'll see that they get it. Your gift of \$25 can protect one child against measles, polio, diarrheal disease, and pneumonia for life!

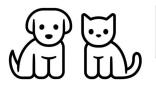
Barbara Randolph 909 762-4776



Coats & jackets needed! I am collecting gently used coats & jackets - kids & adults sizes - throughout the year, & I deliver them to Burlington Coat Factory. They clean & repair them,

then redistribute to the homeless, college students, Veterans, & shelters in the area. This is an *ongoing project* & donations may be given to me at any meeting, or text me (626 201-7375) & I'll pick them up at your home.

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I am collecting used blankets & towels for the Humane Society. This is an *ongoing project* & donations may be given to me at any meeting, or text me (626 201-7375) & I'll pick them up at your home.

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<u>SOCIAL COMMITTEE:</u> Chairmen Jennifer Nummelin & Gayle Garcia

Upcoming Event Info.:

Happy Fall, y'all! We have a few outings in October.

Monday 17th - 'Legends' restaurant @ 1155 E. Rt 66 in Glendora, @ 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday 26th - We replace Kuhns Park this month with The Railside Cafe @ 322 S. San Dimas Ave, in San Dimas, @10:00 a.m. (Same hour or so meet-up to gab, just trying every other month inside, and every other month outside.) Friday 28th - Haunted Pasadena walking

tour @ 6:30 *TIX ARE SOLD OUT* I will email those on my list of ticket-holders as to where to meet.

Friday 21st - Sue Herrera's Bunco party! She'll send out an email soon, with the details.

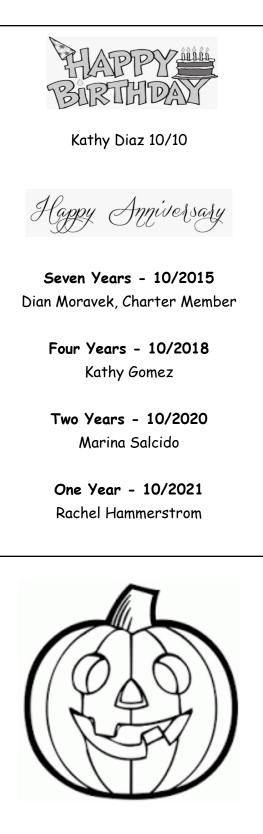
If anyone is interested in hosting an event of any type in their home, let us know, we'll advertise it.

We need a Holiday Party planning committee! Please consider giving your talents!!

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