



MARCH 2022



Dear Members, **DO NOT MISS THE MARCH MEETING !** It is going to be a really fun time for all. Be prepared to admire and definitely laugh at your club sisters as you try to guess who they are. We are each requested to attend the meeting dressed like our favorite woman in history. Just decide who you want to be and dream up a costume. We will all try to guess who you are supposed to be. Please do your best to participate so we can all have a good time. If there is a reason you can not do this, come anyway to root for your friends. We will be awarding some prizes. In recognition of our President's project to spread kindness and goodwill. Some of our members decided to bake cookies and cupcakes and deliver them to the fire department next door to our clubhouse and to the Sheriff's Department in Deerfield Beach. **I would like to thank our bakers: Julianna Wagner, Claire Riccardi, Arlene Grassi, Thea Harding & yours's truly.**



Watch for news about our pasta dinner to be held in April!

Bobbi Jo Bernstein, President

****Election of Officers; March 5, 2022** When only one nominee for each office, the Recording Secretary is empowered, , to **cast the unanimous ballot.** This will be done on Saturday 3/5 in the AM. Marti Mc Geary, Nominating Committee Chair



By Denise Bogner,
Evening Meeting Director



Women's History Month is an annual declared month that highlights the contributions of women to events in history and contemporary society

Why Do We Celebrate Women's History Month? Women's History Month is a **dedicated month to reflect on the often-overlooked contributions of women to United States history. March is Women's History Month** which is a celebration of women's contributions to history, culture and society and has been observed annually in United States since 1987. commemorating and encouraging the study, observance and celebration of the vital role of women in American history. **At both the day and evening meetings,** I will have books for members to read information aloud that celebrate extraordinary women, from Nefer-titi to Beyonce, Rosaline Franklin to J.K. Rowling. Queens and activists, ballerinas and lawyers, pirates and computer scientists, astronauts and inventors. **National Women's History Alliance** designates a yearly theme for Women's History Month. The 2022 theme is **"Women Providing Healing, Promoting Hope."** This theme is "both a tribute to the ceaseless work of caregivers and frontline workers during this ongoing pandemic and also a recognition of the thousands of ways that women of all cultures have provided both healing and hope throughout history."

What can 11 members do? Plenty! \$121.00 in donations collected for our roof replacement. Club obtained information for 28 people who showed in interest in joining our GREAT CLUB. In all a great two days! We also thank Marti's husband for his help.



WOMEN'S HISTORY HALL OF FAME BRUNCH "DENIM, DIAMONDS AND PEARLS"

Celebrate the influential women of Deerfield Beach who have served as role models, demonstrated a commitment to the City, invested time, talent, and resources to make a difference. Saturday, March 26, Oveta McKeithen Recreation Complex, 445 SW 2nd St.

1 PM Admission \$10 Come out for a delicious brunch buffet and entertainment as we honor these most deserving individuals! Tickets may be purchased at the Johnnie Tigner, Sr. Community Center at the Oveta McKeithen Recreational Complex.

2022 Inductees: Sylvia Smaldon, Judy Wilson, Mary Joyce Philmont-Morris,
Emily Lilly, Joanie Gould



Contact: Eleanore De Boo
Membership Chair 253 NW 42nd
Way Deerfield Beach, FL 33442

Welcome to our new member

Thea Harding

How do we succeed in the future? **RECRUIT, RECRUIT, RECRUIT MEMBERS!** EVERY WOMAN YOU TALK TO IS A POTENTIAL MEMBER! They have skills, talents, and may be are looking to make new friends and help volunteering for community projects.

Tell them our website link www.dbwc.org and the club telephone number 954-421-4700

Membership Dues Membership dues of **\$60** for the 2022 - 2023 fiscal year are payable by April 30. Checks should be payable to GFWC Woman's Club - Deerfield Beach. You can bring your check to the March or April meetings or you can mail your check to me.

Also please note that if you would like to receive the Newsletter by regular mail, **please include an additional \$12 for the printing and mailing of the newsletter.**

**MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS CAN BE DOWNLOADED FROM THE WEBSITE
www.dbwc.org**



Mary McKenna - 03/04, Ellyce Miller-Plotkin - 03/06, Kay Fitzgerald - 03/12,
Patricia Pollotta - 03/18, Rita Baldoni - 03/24

INFORMATION & TO VOLUNTEER FOR THE FOLLOWING DEPARTMENTS
Education & Literacy Abbie Bargloski, 3rd V.P.

Many thanks to the evening meeting ladies of the Deerfield Beach Woman's Club who contributed in so many ways to assemble and distribute over 140 donated books to four area laundromats, Sawgrass Laundry on Military Trail, Deerfield Coin Laundry on Hillsboro Blvd, The Wash House on SE 2nd Ave, and the Cove Coin Laundry. Each business received a basket of assorted books for children of all ages to enjoy while at the laundromat with family our service project is a way to encourage reading for the children of Deerfield Beach! Baskets will be refilled by our volunteer ambassadors about every two weeks.

The owners of the laundromats are very excited to help share something such as reading a book with children in our neighborhoods.

Health & Welfare Program—Claire Riccardi, Chair Past President

Tuesday, March 8, 1 PM Day Meeting: Speaker, Sandy Verna, International Fitness Competitor and Certified Physical Fitness Trainer

Katy Freitag 2nd V.P. - Rentals and Clubhouse

The club relies on rental meetings and events to pay our bills, support our scholarship fund and other club fundraising projects. YOUR HELP IS NEEDED! Promote our club to those you do business with, your friends and family. Fundraising Projects are in the works and you shall be called on to VOLUNTEER! The club is a long way from the estimated \$20,000 needed for the new roof .

Go Fund Me page on Facebook: posted by Carolyn Mc Namara,
Share with friends and business associates to raise funds for our much needed roof! <https://gofund.me/770403da>



Art Competition



1st Place Winners will compete in Dist. 13 Competition

Kitty Cole,
Susan Hines,
Debbie Rollo,
Mary Unterbrink

Kitty's Quilts





FUNDRAISING! Katy Freitag, Chair, 2nd V.P.



Installation “Pasta Perfecto” Dinner, Plan to attend our Officer Installation with Live Music, Raffle and 50/50, and More!

Good food and good times!

Date: Wednesday, April 20th at 6:30 PM

Cost: \$25/pp includes Menu: Pasta, Salad, Bread and Dessert Cash Bar

For Reservations and Payments, contact Katy Freitag 954-804-5474

Please let Katy know if you would like to help with the dinner!



Helping those in need is a strategic part of our Club Mission and General Federated Women’s Clubs worldwide! Keep track of the hours you spend in participating in our club’s sponsored volunteer projects and report them in writing to our President, Bobbi Jo. We sponsor our own projects and partner with other organizations. Please participate in at least one volunteer opportunity and one event annually. Do you have an idea for a project? Let our President know about it.



DISTRICT 13 NEWS & VIEWS

Thank you to all who reported hours and projects for GFWC Reports, sent by Feb. 1, 2022.

Marti Mc Geary, District 13 Director



GFWC President’s Project/Day of Service - President’s Day of Service: VALENTINE’S DAY of Love- Homebaked cookies, lots of goodies delivered to our Firefighters and Sheriff’s Department

Dear Members: Up coming in May, GFWC Convention “Choose Joy!” MAY 20— 23. Details to follow.

We will be honoring our outgoing GFWC Executive Board and welcoming our GFWC 2022-2024 incoming Executive Officers. The 2022-24 District Directors will be inducted at the Saturday Evening Dinner.

PRAY FOR WORLD PEACE!



As we continue our celebration of Women's History Month, today we honor and celebrate another Woman with Wisdom, Vivian Jeffers, from GFWC Woman's Club of Deerfield Beach.

At the age of 98, Vivian has seen a lot in her lifetime. Born in south Philadelphia, she was raised in the City of Brotherly Love. She remembers scripture, poetry and the Pledge of Allegiance in her public school as a child. She moved to Tarrytown, NY where she and her husband of 55 years raised their six children. A person of strong faith, Vivian is grateful that she could focus on being a full-time mother while her husband worked as an entrepreneur. When he retired, they relocated to Florida, and Vivian found GFWC.

A neighbor invited Vivian to attend a woman's club meeting, and she was impressed with everything the club was involved in. Vivian has also enjoyed community activism, where she has helped to shape and preserve the Deerfield Beach community as a desirable place to live.

"Save the Beach" involved obtaining 5,000 signatures on a petition to block a high-rise hotel, and after the Woman's Club gifted the clubhouse to the city, "Save the Clubhouse" helped restore ownership of the clubhouse to the club and ensure it would not be sold or torn down. Successful in both endeavors, Vivian continued to attend meetings at City Hall for many years to ensure things didn't get out of control again.

Vivian is a lifelong dancer, and at the age of 98, she is going strong! Dancing is her passion. As a child, when her weekly allowance was fifteen cents, she would save up for two weeks to pay for one twenty five cent tap dancing class. Tiny and tough, she was dancing as a teenager when WWII broke out and she went to work running a turret lathe building military machinery. Of course she met her husband on the dance floor, and at the age of twenty, she married him before he went overseas. During her full and busy life she never stopped dancing, and performed in many events with her children.

After moving to Florida, Vivian joined the Florida Follies, a not-for-profit organization that raises funds to support children's charities. She and 35 other Follies dancers put on seven Broadway-style shows each year. Their cast includes former professional dancers including several Radio City Music Hall Rockettes. Vivian is proud to be the oldest of the Follies girls, who range in age from 55-98. Proceeds from their ticket sales go to help children in need. Vivian enjoys performing, and she appreciates how the women all inspire each other. As Vivian likes to say, **"We don't stop dancing because we grow old, we grow old because we stop dancing."**

Vivian has been blessed with nine great-grandchildren and one great-great grandchild. She describes her woman's club as a lovely group of ladies who are there for each other, no matter what. Her advice for all of us is to find your niche, build your group of like-minded friends, and be there to support each other in all of the ups and downs of life.

Vivian, thank you for sharing your story with us, and for your wit, wisdom, and passion for life. We are grateful that you are #LivingTheVolunteerSpirit with GFWC!

Interview with Laura Connelly, GFWC Communications

FEBRUARY 2022 VOLUNTEERS IN ACTION

PRAY FOR WORLD PEACE

HONORING AND THANKING OUR FIRE FIGHTERS, 1ST RESPONDERS,
and CITY OF DEERFIELD BEACH B.S.O.

Delivered Homemade Cookies and other donated goodies and
A Thank You Card from our Club Members.



PARADE "SAILING IN THE FUTURE"

WON BEST THEME FLOAT

THANKS EVERYONE WHO VOLUNTEERED AT THE BOOTH



LAUNDROMAT LENDING LIBRARIES "Book Nooks: Education/Literacy
GFWC President's Project: 140 Donated Books from Club Members





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Renewals are due September 1st. Please provide your digital artwork (non-pdf) to

Katy Freitag , Katyfreitag@yahoo.com



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- March 5- District 13 Art Competition (no attendees)
- March 5 -Election of Executive Board (no ballots cast)
- March 8- Day Meeting 1 pm
- March 16 - Evening Meeting 7 pm
- March 17- ST. Patrick's Day
- March 22- Ex. BD 7 pm

- April 12- Day Meeting 1 pm
- April 17 - Easter
- April 20– Installation/Pasta Dinner 6:30 pm \$25/pp
- April 26- EX. BD. 7 pm



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.*

WE NEED A VOLUNTEER! Our Newsletter is a very important to keep our members up to date on all our club activities and meetings. **HELP IS NEEDED!** If you have Publisher or Word on your computer, it is easy to do a newsletter like this. You will get lots of help from me and other members to get you started. Other officers and members will send you information and photos to use. Think, a couple of you can form a committee to work together. Any hours spent on this newsletter are reported as Volunteer Hours. Please contact me, Marti Mc Geary, martimcgeary@outlook.com

The New Forums Follies
Presents
2022 - CURTAIN UP!
All CDC and Theater
Class 18 attendees
will be allowed.
See ticket website
for details.

Countess de Hoernle Theatre
at Spanish River Community High School
5100 Jog Rd., Palm Beach, FL 33466

DAY	DATE	TIME
Sunday	January 23	2:00 PM
Sunday	January 30	2:00 PM
Sunday	March 20	2:00 PM
Sunday	March 27	2:00 PM

Tickets for Spanish River and Olympic Heights:
<https://newforumsfollies.yapsody.com/> | (305) 596-7394

Olympic Heights Performing Arts Theater
at Olympic Heights Community High School
2001 Lyons Rd., Boca Raton, FL 33431

DAY	DATE	TIME
Saturday	February 19	2:00 PM
Saturday	February 26	2:00 PM

Tickets for Spanish River and Olympic Heights:
<https://newforumsfollies.yapsody.com/> | (305) 596-7394

Lillian S. Wells Hall at The Parker
The Performing Arts Center (Playhouse)
707 NW 8th St., Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33304

DAY	DATE	TIME
Sunday	March 13	2:00 PM

Tickets: www.parkertplayhouse.com | (954) 462-0222

Tickets \$35 each. Proceeds go to local children's charities.

**Supporting Disadvantaged
Children Through the Art of Dance &
Song!**

**Contact Vivian Jeffers for dates and
locations.**

954 - 426- 4838

