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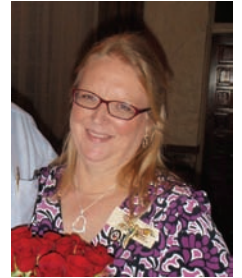
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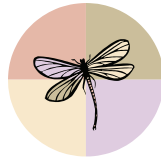
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

What a wonderful Installation was held on May 5th! **Charo Bolanos**, Past 1st Director did a wonderful job and I thank her. I was honored to have **Charlyne Carruth**, Past President of the GFWC Florida Federation of Woman's Clubs, install the board and what a wonderful job she did. **Sabrina Perez-King** received the "Barbara Lapsley New Member Award" and **Charo Bolanos** was awarded the "Barbara Rosenthal/Sherry Wheeler Leadership Award". Both were well deserving of each award. Now let me share with you my thoughts and goals for the upcoming two years.



"Lucky Little Dragonflies Rising to Better the World"



We, the Coral Gables Woman's Club members are lucky that we have the opportunity to help others here and around the world. Starting with the Dental Clinic, when I first became a member in 2000 I didn't even know we had a Dental Clinic and most of the people outside of this club don't either. We need to get members to learn more about it. It is our most worthwhile cause. Before I joined the club, the members used to volunteer time in the clinic which gave them a connection to the Dental Clinic and the children, but due to OSHA that is no longer possible. We need to find another way to create that connection and let the community know what we do. This needs to be our #1 priority.

Over the last 3 years we have gone through much transformation including the merging of the Juniors and Woman's clubs making us a much more unified group and getting us back to basics with programs that Women's Clubs are known to support.

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Membership is a goal that both the GFWC Florida Federation of Women's Clubs and I share in common. In order to improve the world we need members willing to help. I look forward to working with our new 2nd Vice President **Barbara Lapsley** whose main job is revitalizing our membership. She has some wonderful ideas to accomplish this.

The future is here and Going Green is part of it. We will continue to use e-mails as our main form of communication. Anyone that is not computer savvy will receive a phone call or mail for upcoming events, the newsletter etc.

We hold two meetings per month - one for business (1st Wednesday of the month) and another as a fun activity night (3rd Wednesday of the month). Our 1st Vice President, **Mireya Kilmon** is in charge of programs and the calendar and I have all the confidence in her that she will do a wonderful job. May's fun meeting was a "Bingo Night" hosted by the International Issues Department, **Mayra Dominguez & Mitzzy Jenner**, the new Co-Chairman, and **Nancy Desmangles**, committee member. I want to express my gratitude to the members of the **GFWC Coral Gables Woman's Club** for having the trust in me to lead you. Your love and support will guide me and the club to better this wonderful world we live in. In Peace, Love and Unity,

Linda



Mireya Kilmon
First Vice President/
FFWC Volunteer of the Year
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FIRST VICE PRESIDENT

As we start our new year with officers and chairmen, I am very excited to be your 1st Vice President. This is my first time in this position although I have had several Board positions through out my last 18 years of membership.

One of my duties is to plan and schedule the Club calendar. I hope to have this available soon. Always keep an eye out for the Mark Your Calendar section as this includes the most updated information regarding meetings and program details and/or changes.

Please contact me and/or the department chair regarding any ideas for speakers and programs. I welcome ALL IDEAS but please remember there is limited scheduling time and I need to accommodate all departments for the year. Please also contact me to schedule our FUN night so I can include in this section.

Looking forward to a Productive and Successful Year!

Mireya Kilmon
First Vice President

SECOND VICE PRESIDENT

Welcome... Welcome members to our new club year for 2010-2011. Our first meeting is June 2nd (Wednesday) 6:30 P.M. social time and 7:00 P.M. meeting. Please come and support our New President, Linda Hartwell, and see what the new year will bring to our outstanding club. I will have new member application forms for you all to pass out to your friends. In order to be an outstanding club, we need the help of all members to promote our cause, the May Van Sickle Children's Dental Clinic.

Barbara Lapsley New Member Award for 2009-2010

It gives me great pleasure to present the Barbara Lapsley New Member Award for 2009-2010, which is given in recognition of this member's hard work and her willingness to serve our community. This year's recipient of the new member award is Sabrina Perez-King. Sabrina, the Coral Gables Woman's Club thanks you for the exuberance and passion you demonstrate in helping to make our club so outstanding in our community. You took on the chairmanship of the Home Life Department, and under that department, you chaired Breast Cancer Awareness, Relay for Life, One Sight Foundation and the Florida Breast Health Initiative. At Spring Convention in Orlando, our club won First Place for Home Life "Focus on Health." Besides chairing your department so effectively, you have attended every meeting, making the long drive from Homestead. When we had to cut back on our hours at the clinic, due to the economy, you and your husband, Martin, offered to donate to the clinic 10% of the money spent by members at your business, Premium Cleaners. This demonstrates true dedication to our cause, and we applaud your efforts. Sabrina, the Coral Gables Woman's Club appreciates all your hard work this year, and we hope you have enjoyed being a part of this close knit little family.

Barbara Lapsley
Second Vice President



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TREASURER'S REPORT



Our new club year has begun, and many members have not yet paid their dues. Please mail your checks to my home address which you will find below or pay by credit card. Make checks payable to CGWC or Coral Gables Woman's Club.

Dues are:

- \$75.00 for active members
- \$45.00 for Tenured Members (can vote, run for office, serve on the board, fulfill all requirements as stated in standing rules)
- \$45.00 for Past/Service/Associates (for past members of 5 years or more, shall have a voice but, cannot vote or hold office, participate on committees as stated in standing rules)
- \$30.00 for Student members (ages 17-24 - must be actively pursuing education, can vote, run for office, serve on the board, fulfill all requirements as stated in standing rules)
- \$1,000.00 for Life Member (1 time donation, shall have a voice, vote or hold office, may attend meetings, serve on committees, fulfill all requirements as stated in standing rules)
- \$20.00 for Past Presidents

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HOME LIFE REPORT



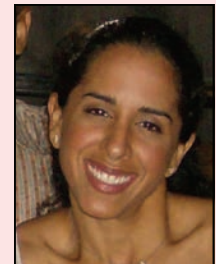
Hello Ladies,

Welcome to the summertime! The weather has gotten much hotter and the outdoor activities have begun. With that said, I donated \$50 to the Relay for Life that took place at the Homestead Hospital on May 14-15 on behalf of the club in lieu of attending in person.

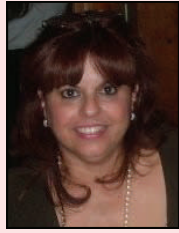
Many of you will be traveling for the summer and I wish you well. I do look forward to putting together a fitness and nutrition seminar for the members and guests of the club in late summer early fall, so get ready to shape it up!

Have a great summer and I will be looking forward to seeing all of you soon.

Sabrina Perez-King
Home Life Chairwoman
2009-2010 Recipient of the Barbara Lapsley New Member Award



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ARTS REPORT

Congratulations to our new President, Linda Hartwell! Based on her “crafty” track record, I have no doubt this will be a very creative two year term!

Since summer is right around the corner, and the majority of us are not real outdoorsy due to the heat, I’d like to take advantage of the “art” of movie making and catch some summer blockbusters. We can have a movie club, just like we have our book club. So let’s get ready for some fun and hopefully plenty of tear jerking “chick flicks” while supporting our local theaters.

Diana De Armas
Arts Chairwoman

**“In the depth of winter, I finally learned that within me
there lay an invincible summer.”**

Albert Camus

SECOND DIRECTOR REPORT



Claire Frances Whitehurst
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President Linda Hartwell selected the theme, Lucky Little Dragonflies Rising to Better the World. It is a wonderful opportunity for each of us to rise to fulfill the mission of our Coral Gables Woman’s Club. The 87th Annual Installation was absolutely beautiful! Charlyne Carruth installed us with loving elegance. We thank her for the beautiful translucent dragonfly pins. What a beautiful dragonfly pin that Linda presented us with. Indeed, the dragonfly is an amazing insect and it’s meaning has been brought to life for all of us. Congratulations to our 2010-2012 officers, board of directors, and those who have volunteered to serve as chairwomen. My daughter, Claire Angel Harris, from Colorado loved seeing so many friends and sharing this special evening.

Members, are you keeping a log of all your hours, and donations credited to the CGWC? It’s easier to keep your records month by month so that at the end of the year in December all the club reports may be completed and sent to State. In June, we celebrate Father’s Day and Flag Day. We hope you will fly your flag with pride.

SAFETY— Car jackings are on the rise. The strangers that come to our county from other parts of the US are already involved in many thefts and purse snatching. Please be aware and be careful. Safety is #1 for you and your family.

CHAPLAIN— I would like to share this thought with you as we begin the month of June. Let us be grateful to people who make us happy; they are the charming gardeners who make our souls blossom. May you have a safe and productive month!

Claire Frances Whitehurst
Second Director

INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS REPORT

May your days be full of blessings!

To all who made it possible to get our International Award last year, THANK YOU. On another note, THIS was a great start to a wonderful year! The International Affairs Department had its first fundraiser and the Club had its first BINGO night on May 19. Mitzy and I are grateful to everyone who supported our night and especially Nancy, Linda and Pam who were such a great help during and after the event.

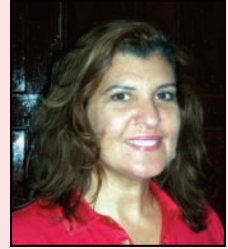
It was such a great night with wonderful friends, food and a lot of fun. We collected \$303.00 to benefit UNICEF. THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!

On another note. This is a short list of important International dates.

- May 23 - World Turtle Day
- May 29 - International Day of United Nations Peacekeepers, recognized by the UN
- International Children's Day
- June 4 - International Day of Innocent Children Victims of Aggression, recognized by UN
- June 5 - World Environment Day, recognized by the UN
- June 8 - World Ocean Day
- June 18 - International Picnic Day
- June 20 - World Refugee Day, recognized by the UN
- June 21 - World Music Day
- June 26 - International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking, recognized by UN
- June 26 - International Day in Support of Victims of Torture, recognized by the UN

Thank you again for continuing to help those in need outside our borders.

Mayra Dominguez and Mitzy Jenner
International Affairs



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PUBLIC ISSUES REPORT

Ladies, if there is anything we can ever count on it is change so "Public Affairs" is now "Public Issues" and I am your new Chairwoman. Aminta Konowicz is my co-chair and I'd like to welcome her to this position. I look forward to a great year and of course Claire Frances Whitehurst will still be our Crime watch Chair.

Our state chairman have informed me that our focus will continue to be the following: Domestic Violence, Sew More Comfort, Women in the Military for America Foundation Memorial (WISMA), Safety, and Veterans Issues.

Please contact me if you would like to work in our committee. I am trying to secure a speaker regarding " Safety" for our first meeting since June is National Safety Month. Since it is also the start of Hurricane season, I will have some handouts on Hurricane and Insurance issues.

Mireya Kilmon
Public Issues Chairwoman



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PUBLICITY REPORT

As we begin a new club year, I want to remind Chairs to keep me posted on upcoming events well ahead of their dates so that we can discuss how to promote or cover your activities.

Look for write ups on the Installation Dinner in the South Miami News and the Coral Gables News the week of May 18 as well as on the Miami Herald web page under Community News. Congratulations to the energetic Sabrina Perez King on her New Member Award and to Charo Bolanos on her well deserved Leadership Award. Charo is also to be congratulated for organizing a truly special Installation for the incoming and outgoing officers and board. I am sure that receiving our most prestigious leadership award was not even on her mind and, thus, even more surprising and appreciated.

As you all know, we won first place for our Publicity Book at FFWC Convention and I hope we can do that again. To do that, I need your help. Save any promotional pieces you use for your committees and keep track of any on air PSA's or television appearances in connection with our projects or dental clinic. I will bring the Publicity book to the meetings if any of you would like to review it for ideas.

Thank you again for all your efforts to improve our community and reach out to those less fortunate. You make doing PR a full time job and I love it.

Gloria Burns
Publicity Chairwoman

Tasty Notes from Vicki McGroarty

Lemon Bars



Vicki McGroarty

Ingredients:

Crust:

- 2 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 cup confectioners' sugar, plus more for dusting
- pinch of salt
- 2 sticks butter, at room temperature, plus more for greasing

Filling:

- 4 eggs
- 2 cups granulated sugar
- 6 tablespoons all-purpose flour
- 6 tablespoons fresh lemon juice

Directions:

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees. Lightly grease 9x13x2-inch pan. Make the crust by combining flour, confectioners' sugar, and salt in a large bowl. Cut in the butter to make a crumbly mixture. Press the mixture into the prepared pan. You may need to dip your fingers into a little flour or confectioners' sugar to keep the dough from sticking to your fingers. Bake for 15-20 minutes. Meanwhile, to make the filling, mix the eggs, granulated sugar, flour, and lemon juice. Pour this over the baked crust and bake for 25 minutes longer. Sprinkle with confectioners' sugar, if desired, when the bars are done. (Recipe courtesy of Paula Deen)



Vicki McGroarty

MARK FOUR CALENDARS

June

National Month For:

Safety, Children's Awareness, Fireworks Safety (through July 4th)

June 2nd, Wednesday 6:30 pm Social Time (Hostesses TBA)

7:00 pm General Meeting

June 12-15th, Saturday-Tuesday 119th GFWC Annual International Convention

Omaha, Nebraska

June 16th, Wednesday 6:30 pm Social Time (TBA)

7:00 pm FUN NIGHT Activity

June 23rd, Wednesday 6:00 pm Board Meeting



July

National Month For: National Recreation and Parks

July 4th Independence Day

July 7th, Wednesday 6:30 pm Social Time (Hostesses TBA)

7:00 pm General Meeting

July 21st, Wednesday 6:30 pm Social Time (TBA)

7:00 pm FUN NIGHT Activity TBA

July 28th, Wednesday 6:00 pm Board Meeting

UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED:

For General Meetings Please

RSVP to Mireya Kilmon, tessie13@aol.com 786-295-9323

If you **will or will not** be attending Social and/or the Meeting by the Monday before the meeting.

For the Board Meeting Please

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If you **will or will not** be attending and if you need to be on the agenda by the Tuesday before the meeting.

2010 Installation Highlights



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Birthday Wishes

In Our Thoughts and Prayers



June Birthdays

**June 2 - Claire Frances
Whitehurst**

June 5- Sandra Rodriguez

June 24 - Dorothy Thomson

**Please remember to wish these
members a happy birthday!**

Our thoughts are with you!

Molly Adams

Pat Clarke

Claire Frances Whitehurst

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Brown, Cathy Blanton,
Dorothy Thomson, Claire
Frances Whitehurst, Charo
Bolanos, and Pam Schaefer.

**ABOUT GFWC CORAL GABLES WOMAN'S CLUB
(DISTRICT 11)**

The Coral Gables Woman's Club is a social and community service organization that represents a wide spectrum of women of all ages. In existence since 1923, the Club is comprised of professionals and homemakers from Coral Gables, South Miami and other neighboring communities. Our common bond is a commitment to making Miami a better place to live through helping other organizations with community projects. In 1939, the Club founded the May Van Sickle Children's Dental Clinic for underprivileged children. It is located in our clubhouse and is the primary beneficiary of our fund-raising efforts.