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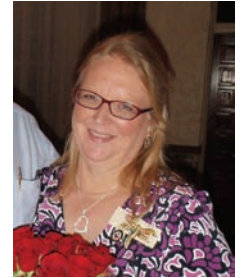
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As summer ends and with everyone back from vacation, school starting, and everyone getting back into their regular routines I would like you all to make the CGWC part of that ROUTINE. As members of this club you all know that you committed to helping us, help others. I look forward to seeing you all at our meetings—both the General and the Fun Nights. Please remember the General Meetings are important to attend as this is where you will get information about upcoming events, general information about the club and a short program. Fun Nights are just what it says **FUN!!!!** Please remember without all of you there would be no **GFWC Coral Gables Woman's Club**.



This past month at our general meeting I talked about LEADERSHIP and its role within all of us. We all are leaders in our own way. Some of the functions a leader performs are to shape visions and goals, help a group make decisions and reach goals, resolve conflicts, motivate others, attract, support, and defend the work of a group, collaborate with other groups, delegate tasks and responsibilities. We have all done this many times in our lives and will continue to in our daily lives and as members of the **CGWC**. Just remember this:

- L**istening to the viewpoints and opinions of others
- E**mpowering people to "be their best"
- A**chieving consensus through lively debate
- D**elegating tasks and facilitating work
- E**mploying the unique skills of each member of the group
- R**eacting constructively to adversity
- S**tretching imaginations and bolstering self-esteem
- H**elping others to accomplish goals.
- I**nitiating change through vision and hard work
- P**racticing fair and ethical decision-making policies

Our **Education FUN NIGHT** was a big success. Hosted by our Education Chairman, **Christy Hernandez-Saxon** along with **Patricia Hendon** they transformed our clubhouse into a classroom with Language Arts, Social Studies, Math and Art. A cafeteria-style meal was provided with the help of **Claire Frances Whitehurst** including lunch trays! We played word games, Social Studies Jeopardy, had a math test and made dragonflies. Great job girls you have set a standard for our upcoming FUN NIGHTS!!!

Our Chairwomen are all working hard at coming up with wonderful ideas for their fun nights. Check the "Mark Your Calendar" section for the times and dates. I would like to welcome our newest members, **Alicia Andino, Jessenia Francisco, Lisa Merheb, Vanessa Rodriquez and Marjorie Sherman**. I look forward to talking to each of you.

In Peace, Love and Unity,

Linda

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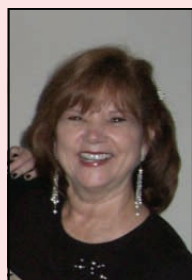


Mireya Kilmon
First Vice President

FIRST VICE PRESIDENT

Ladies,
I have emailed the yearly calendar to everyone. Please print and bring with you at every meeting so you can write new items and events as they come up. Hope you enjoy the pictures. Sorry to be so brief this month but I am off to the Miss Universe Pageant. More importantly, the National Arthritis Foundation Convention in Vegas will take place all week.

Mireya Kilmon
First Vice President



Barbara Lapsley
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SECOND VICE PRESIDENT

Dear members,
Our summer is almost over and I'm happy to announce that we have five new members, so far. Marjorie (Marji) Sherman and Alicia (Ali) Andino attended the District 11 summer planning workshop on August 7th to hear about the upcoming events for our District from our very own District 11 Director, Pam Schaefer. Now, that is really something, having brand new members attend. We need more members to pitch in and help support our district. Please mark your calendars for our meeting September 1st. You should RSVP to Mireya Kilmon to let her know if you are coming. You, also, will be getting a call from our telephone committee.



From left to right---- Vanessa Rodriquez, Lisa Merheb, Barbara Lapsley, Marjorie Sherman, Alicia Andino, Jessenia Francisco

See you all in September,
Barbara J. Lapsley
Second Vice President



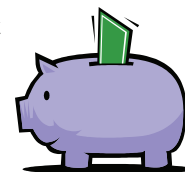
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TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer's Report dated July 2010:

- In the Amtrust Operating account we have a total of \$93,885.76 and interest for the month is \$49.18.
- In the Amtrust Gold Money Market, we have a total of \$34,902.68 with a monthly interest of \$22.04.
- As of today we earned \$349.33 in interest for the Operating account and \$32.79 for the Money Market.

Nancy Desmangles
Treasurer



SECOND DIRECTOR REPORT

You have four months to gather and record in your log all of your donations and activities, that in any way relate to your activities as a member of the Club. A group of us attended the charity breakfast at the Westin for "Give the Kids the World". This organization is wonderful and is supported by the owners of the Westin Colonnade. This charity has been supported for many years by the Davidson family who owns the Westin chain. A group of us will be attending the GFWC fall board meeting in Orlando. We look forward to sharing all the information we receive with you.

VIP - Remember again to keep those hours, monies, travel, and everything you do logged so we may once again be honored with many awards.

Congratulations Christy for a great, fun time supporting education. Everyone loved going back to school.

Claire Frances Whitehurst
Second Director



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Chaplain/
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CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE

To each member, special blessings as we begin the new month of September may all your decisions be made with God's help and guidance. Keep your chin up. Whatever difficulties may come your way always know that this too will pass. Bless your friends that are near and dear to you. They are a great blessing.

Claire Frances Whitehurst
Chaplain

CONSERVATION REPORT

At the first meeting in September, I will ask members for suggestions for what our club can do to promote conservation efforts. It could be hosting an event or supporting a neighborhood organization. Put your thinking caps on and bring your ideas.



Claire Frances Whitehurst
Conservation



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Crimewatch
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PRIME WATCH REPORT

Very simply, be careful of the size of purse you carry! Law enforcement urges ladies to use a smaller purse as large purses are very inviting to thefts. Our Crime Watch general meeting will begin this month after a summer hiatus.

Claire Frances Whitehurst
Crime Watch



Mireya Kilmon
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PUBLIC ISSUES REPORT

Gynecology Cancer Awareness Month - Have you had your annual pap smear / mammogram and bone density exam done?

It is also National Childhood Injury Prevention Month.

A very important service day is September 11 - Go to www.911dayofservice.org for more information .

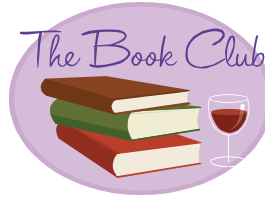
Mireya Kilmon
Public Issues Chairwoman



"An informed citizenry is the bulwark of a democracy."

--Thomas Jefferson

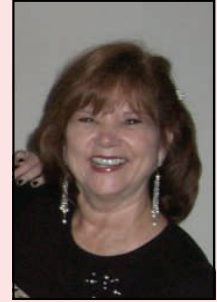
BOOK CLUB NOTE



Our book for this month is the second series of the "Hunger Games" by Suzanne Collins. "Catching Fire" book number three is coming August 23rd "Mockingjay"

The book club will meet at Barbara Lapsley's home on Monday September 27th at 6:30PM.

Barbara J. Lapsley
Second Director



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EDUCATION REPORT

Ladies, you are so smart AND so much fun! Thanks to all who came out for Education's Fun Night on August 18th...it was a blast having you in class! We raised a pretty penny which will be donated to "Books for Babies", a community-based literacy program focusing on the importance of reading to newborns.

We also collected a generous amount of back-to-school supplies that I dropped off for the kids at the Community Partnership Homeless Shelter this weekend, just in time for school on Monday :) Thanks to all who donated supplies, uniforms, and money with which I was able to buy more book bags to fill with supplies and deliver.

I hope to see you all at our next general meeting, September 1st, where we'll learn more about Autism. Many of us know someone, have a friend, or a loved one with an autistic child. At this meeting, I hope to shed light on the spectrum of issues facing the fastest-growing developmental disorder affecting millions worldwide.

Finally, September is Library Card Sign-Up Month and to celebrate we'll have library card forms available to achieve 100% enrollment within our club!

Christy Saxon-Hernandez
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PUBLICITY REPORT



Our Club continues to give me plenty of opportunities to promote GFWC Coral Gables Woman's Club and District 11 with Pam Schaefer at the helm of our District and Linda Hartwell leading our Club. Look for a photo and write up our recent meeting featuring our 2nd Vice President Barbara Lapsley with a great group of young new prospective members in various papers including the *Coral Gables News*, *Herald Neighbors* and *South Miami News*. The Club will also get press on the \$30,000 grant received from The Dr. John T. Macdonald Foundation which has been an ongoing major donor to our Club's May Van Sickle Children's Dental Clinic.

If you have not yet done so, please subscribe to *Community Newspapers* by going online to www.communitynewspapers.com and click on Subscribe. We are mentioned several times a month in their publications and they continue to feature our clubhouse rental ad at no charge on their web site. By subscribing to their newsletter, we can help them help us promote the club.

As I mentioned at the last meeting, *Community Newspapers* is a sponsor of the Miami - Dade County Heart Walk and they have invited us to join their team. This is a huge event attracting 8,000 or more participants. The event will be held at FIU campus, the Saturday morning of October 30 and will feature a tent, food, drinks, etc. I will be there to take photos of our Club members participating and get us some press. Please sign up by going to www.miamidadeheartwalk.org and click on the Community Newspapers team. Call me with any questions at 305 968-3090. If you have problems, I can sign you up.



Committee Chairs, please send me info on your events so that I don't have to rely on Sandy's great newsletter. I have many events to cover and the squeaky wheel gets the grease.

Many thanks to all for your prompt answer to questions and for helping me show the community and the world the great works of the GFWC, the FFWC and, of course, the CGWC.

Have a Happy Labor Day!

Gloria Burns
Publicity Chairwoman

MARK YOUR CALENDARS



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 First Vice President/
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September 2010

			General Meeting Autism Program Christy Education	1	2	3	4
	Labor Day						
5	6	7		8	9	10	11
			Fun Night			Fall Convention Orlando	Fall Convention Orlando
12	13	14		15	16	17	18
Fall Convention Orlando			Board Meeting				
19	20	21		22	23	24	25
Christy's Baby Shower							
26	27	28		29	30		

Birthday Wishes

In Our Thoughts and Prayers

Birthdays

August 16: Arlyne Tobin

September 2: Frances Baboun

September 12: Michele Collier

September 27: Gloria Burns

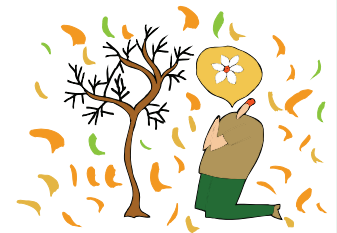
Please remember to wish these members a happy birthday!



Our thoughts are with you!

Molly Adams

Pat Clarke



To learn more about GFWC Florida or the GFWC Federation...

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Past Presidents CGWC:
Barbara Lapsley, MaryScull 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.