



GFWC WOMAN'S CLUB OF PANAMA CITY

MARCH 2020 NEWSLETTER



TIME FOR SPRING CLEANING & FOR THE WAYS & MEANS' GARAGE SALE! SATURDAY & SUNDAY, MARCH 21-22

Unload all your unwanted but serviceable furniture, kitchen appliances, housewares, linens, tools, games, books, sporting goods, ANYTHING BUT CLOTHES to benefit the rebuilding of our Clubhouse! Please price and label your items to sell and bring them to the clubhouse on Thursday, March 19th or Friday, March 20th, 9am-3pm. Volunteers needed to help set up the day before and to run the event. ALL HANDS ARE NEEDED!
Please say YES!

SATURDAY 8AM-3PM
SUNDAY NOON-3PM

RSVP TODAY for the
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP LUNCHEON
Thursday, March 5th,
at 12 noon
Hosted by the Conservation CSP



Our Program:
Derek Fussell
with
Camo Dreams, Inc.
*a non-profit providing outdoor/
hunting experiences to children with
disabilities or terminal illness.*

Make your luncheon reservations and \$10 to-go orders with your CSP Secretary or Sally Mathis with the Conservation CSP by Monday, March 2nd

Public Issues CSP will be selling BUNCO tickets. A \$15 tickets buys dinner, the games, chances for door prizes and a whole lot of laughs! Spring is a great time to invite a friend to our monthly Luncheon. Plus, your name will be added to the Membership Recruitment Prize Pot. What better way to recruit someone than by joining us for lunch...and for you to be eligible for \$100 GIFT CERTIFICATE to be awarded in May!

From our President Stephanie Cantrell

Well, we certainly 'Leaped' right over February! March is the time of year here in the South where we try to plant for spring and pray there are no more frosty mornings. Even though we don't know what the future holds, we 'leap' into action anyway. It is the same with our Club's new, incoming Board. These ladies don't know what the future holds but they have stepped up to embrace what is to come.

There are many positions to be filled for the GFWC Woman's Club of Panama City for 2020 to 2022, and not just elected positions. You are all intelligent, capable ladies and I would love to see you all take the 'leap' into leadership. It will be a most rewarding experience and with the mentorship you get, you will wonder why you hadn't done it before! If leadership isn't for you, please support your club and its leaders at every opportunity. We can't have a beautiful garden if some of the flowers are missing. Have a blessed day, *Stephanie*

ARTS CSP

Meets 4th Thursday at 9:30 AM

Contact: Lois Nuber



Having fun at the Arts CSP's BOARD & BRUSH Fundraiser in January

Plans came together for the annual District 2 Arts and Crafts Competition that our Club hosted on Saturday, Feb. 29th. Theme was "Mardi Gras". Three Judges were chosen to judge all 1st place winners within District 2. First place winners will then advance to State Competition. Many members from all CSP's helped us decorate on Friday, the 28th. Thank you, everyone, for pitching in! / We had plans to meet with the children from Anchorage Children's Home for another fun Arts Day in February. Unfortunately our project coordinator, Gloria Lovers, fell and broke her pelvis. She is at home recuperating nicely. Plans are on hold until Gloria gets back on her feet again. We'll also let everyone know about a list of personal items badly needed for the Home. / The next meeting of the Arts CSP will be held at 9:30 AM on Thursday, March 26th, at the Clubhouse. We invited Noel West from "Happy Silk" to show us how to make silk scarves.

CONSERVATION CSP

New Meeting date and time: 4th Tuesday at 10:00 AM

Contact: Nancy Wyatt or Peggy McLane

At our February meeting, we finalized our plans to host the March General Membership Luncheon. Sally Mathis will be our point of contact for reservations. We chose spring as our theme and hope the weather will cooperate. We were happy to report that we sold all of our Wells Fargo shopping bags. What a good way to help encourage reusable bag use and boost Wells Fargo's image in our community at the same time! / Our turtle rehabilitation sponsorship has been very educational. Since our first turtle was released back into the wild, we have adopted another one. / We agreed to change our meeting time to 10:00 AM on the 4th Tuesday of the month. Our next meeting will be March 24th.



EDUCATION CSP

Meets 3rd Thursday at 11:30 AM

Contact: Allison Mizell



Read Across America Day, aka Dr. Seuss Day, is a yearly observance inaugurated by the NEA in 1997 to encourage children to read more books and to promote excitement about being readers. An estimated 45 million educators, parents and students across the US will participate in Read Across America events. Education CSP members will visit Mrs. Walsingham's kindergarten classroom at Lynn Haven Elementary on March 2, The students will enjoy two books chosen from a list of 36 recommended for this year's RAA program and purchased by Education. They are Lovely Beasts: The Surprising Truth by Kate Gardner and The Book Tree by Paul Czajak. These will be donated to Mrs. Walsingham's classroom library.

Since this day is also recognizing a beloved children's author, the students will receive treats from Education in honor of Dr. Seuss' birthday! They will receive a Cat in the Hat goodie bag with a Dr. Seuss notepad, pencil, bookmark and a custom-made Dr. Seuss cookie, as well as a bag of one fish, two fish, red fish, blue fish. While they enjoy their treats, an Education member will read Dr. Seuss' One Fish, Two Fish, Red Fish, Blue Fish. This book will be donated as well to the classroom library. Education will meet at the Olive Garden, at 11:30 AM, on March 24th. Please mark your calendars!

HOME LIFE CSP Meets 4th Wednesday at 10:00 AM

Contact: Deborah Black or Verna Payne

At our February meeting, we caught up our projects for the rest of the Club year, and got the word out about the upcoming garage sale in March 21-22.



HAVE YOU EVER THOUGHT ABOUT JOINING OUR CLUB LEADERSHIP? Our Board needs a President Elect and a Recording Secretary for 2020-2022. Plus there are several open Committee and Special Project seats yet to be filled. Put your time and talents to excellent use. Plenty of mentorship and friendship comes with the office. Ask Caroline Windham or Merle Johnson for details!

INTERNATIONAL OUTREACH CSP Meets 4th Thursday at 9:30 AM

Contact: *Dianne Hodges*

We did not have a January meeting. Instead, we encouraged our members to attend the Arts CSP meeting for the Audubon Society briefing. At our February meeting, we focused on several options for charitable giving: Operation Smile, UNICEF, and the Heifer Project, the United Nations Foundations and Shot@Life. This month we will formalize our plans to host the April General Membership Luncheon. We are fortunate that Jane Groom has offered to help us plan and prepare for "Federation Celebration", a special event in our Club year. Everyone is welcomed to lend a hand!



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PUBLIC ISSUES CSP Meets 2nd Wednesday at 11:30 AM Contact: *Catherine Thrasher*



On Friday, February 7, we honored sixteen World War II and Korean War veterans and their guests at our annual Valentine's Luncheon at the American Legion Hall downtown. We served a delicious fried chicken dinner with mashed potatoes, gravy and green beans. They especially enjoyed the chocolate pie and red velvet cake for dessert! Our guests were greeted by Club President Stephanie Cantrell and entertained by Neysa Semmler. Our guest speaker was Alex Semmler, a retired Navy veteran. All in all, it was a great success. / To help pay for this and other projects, we will have a Bunco fundraiser on Tuesday, April 21. Tickets for dinner and the games are \$15. We will sell tickets at the March and April General Membership Luncheons. It is really one of the most

fun fundraisers we do! / Our next meeting will be Wednesday, March 11th, at the Clubhouse.

YOUTH CSP Meeting on Thursday, March 12 this month at 6:00 PM

Contact: *Kathy Mills or Jane Rigby*

We did not have a February meeting since we hosted the General Membership Luncheon last month. So many thanks to our short-handed department. Sandy Wing did another outstanding job with our Roaring Twenties theme. Everything went well and we all looked cute in our faux-flapper wear! / We will meet in March on the 12th, a week earlier than usual, due to Spring Break and travel plans. Still 6pm at the Clubhouse. Kathy, Jane or Ann will let everyone know about dinner specifics. Our speaker will be Kay Daniels, a social worker for Bay District Schools. She will talk about homeless and misplaced children in Bay County.



Boeing, Boeing was a smashing success!



A great cast delivered lots of laughs and brought so many people into our Club. We may get some rentals out of the exposure. Best of all, we will get half of the profits, plus the profits we made from beverage sales!

THANKS ARE DUE TO ALL OF YOU WHO HELPED IN SO MANY WAYS!



**GFWC Woman's
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Panama City**
*Living the
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MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR GFWC WOMAN'S CLUB EVENTS! <i>All departments meet at the Clubhouse unless otherwise specified.</i>		
EVERY TUESDAY	1:30 PM	SUNSHINE SINGERS Practice
THURS, MARCH 5	12:00 PM	MARCH GENERAL MEMBERSHIP LUNCHEON, hosted by Conservation CSP - RSVP Now
WED, MARCH 11	11:30 AM	PUBLIC ISSUES CSP <i>See page 3</i>
THURS, MARCH 12	10:00 AM	KNITTERS, HOOKERS & BOOKIES
	6:00 PM	YOUTH CSP — DATE CHANGED <i>See page 3</i>
THURS, MARCH 19	9:30 AM	BOARD MEETING
TUES, MARCH 24	10:00 AM	CONSERVATION CSP — NEW DATE & TIME <i>See page 2</i>
	11:30 AM	EDUCATION CSP LUNCH MEETING at Olive Garden, 23rd Street <i>See page 2</i>
WED, MARCH 25	10:00 AM	HOME LIFE CSP <i>See page 2</i>
THURS, MARCH 26	9:30 AM	ARTS CSP <i>See page 2</i>
	9:30 AM	INTERNATIONAL OUTREACH <i>See page 3</i>
SAT, MARCH 21	8:00 AM - 3:00PM	OUR CLUB'S SPRING FUNDRAISER YARD SALE —bring all items to the Clubhouse already marked priced to sell on Thursday and Friday, MARCH 19-20 after 9:00 AM. NO CLOTHES, PLEASE - <i>See page 1 for details</i>
SUN, MARCH 22	12:00 - 3:00 PM	

