SHIP'S LOG

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SPECIAL ELECTION INFORMATION ISSUE

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President's Message

This is a special edition of Ship's Log. As you know, the election process for the 2020-2022 Marina District Executive Board was interrupted. The Nominating Committee submitted its list of Candidates at the February 21st District Council Meeting. The nominations "from the floor" would have been scheduled for the March 21 District Council meeting,, Because the meeting was canceled the nominations were invited by e-mail. The time to submit them has expired and the nominations are now closed.

Because it is uncertain when we might meet in person again, with the blessing of CFWC, we will be conducting the rest of the election by e-mail. It can be done quickly and efficiently and allow for a transition to the new administration with Alycia McCord as president.

- The first step is to publish the complete list of all members who have been nominated for office. Their names appear on page 2 of this issue.
- Ballots and instructions to return them will be emailed to all members eligible to vote
- The results will be counted by a committee and announced in the next issue of Ship's Log

Each one of our candidates has much to offer the District and we thank them for their enthusiasm and willingness to be part of the Board.

I want to thank everyone for accepting these modifications. Despite the changes in location and the method of voting, I want to assure you that the election is governed by the terms of the Marina District Bylaws.

This Special Issue has given me an opportunity to share with you how some of our clubs are keeping in touch with each other and serving the community. Hard to keep good people down!

Please continue to take care of yourself and others. Jane

Have you cleaned out all your closets several times over? Tried out all the recipes you have always wanted to try? Here are some suggestions from GFWC News & Notes that you might want to try while you Stay at Home . . .

- Chances are your usual routine has been shaken up, making it more challenging to maintain healthy habits and prepare nutritious meals. Make the most of what you have in your pantry and share your heart-healthy recipes with your GFWC sisters by email, FaceTime, or another digital communication. Remember there is nothing stronger than the heart of a volunteer.

- Write a letter of gratitude and thanks to the local police department, hospital staff, or other first responders in your community.

- Host a "Lunch Doodle." For example, bestselling author and illustrator Mo Willems hosts a daily livestream at 1:00 p.m., EDT.

- Participate in virtual tours of museums, zoos, aquariums, or historical landmarks.
- Watch online Broadway plays and musicals–some are free and others may have a free trial, then a monthly membership fee.
- You may be stuck at home, but that doesn't mean you can't enjoy the beauty of the world. Tour the vast landscapes of a National Park virtually. Make future plans to design a garden and research all of the fruit tree, vegetable plants, and flower possibilities online. Research the animals and wildlife in your area. Keep a list and compare with friends for the number, differences, and unexpected—like alligators! Plant an indoor herb garden
- Encourage reading! Read and get others involved with reading. Form an online book club with other members of your club or family. Pledge to Epsilon Sigma Omicron (ESO) and begin an ESO group in your club! You can get free audio and e-books on various websites. Some examples are Librivox, Lit2go, and Project Gutenberg. Overdrive.com is an app for your smart phone. And finally, Open Culture, which contains more than audio and e-books, has lectures, online courses, movies, and textbooks.

CANDIDATES

2020-2022 MARINA DISTRICT EXECUTIVE BOARD

President-elect Alycia McCord

1st Vice President	Anita Dinicola, The Torrance Woman's Club
	Sheila Kutkus, The Woman's Club of Hermosa Beach
2nd Vice President	Maureen Kamph, GFWC Hollywood Woman's Club
	Angie Waller, Culver City Woman's Club
Recording Secretary	Carole Kanter, Culver City Woman's Club
Treasurer	Cassie Motto, GFWC South Bay Junior Woman's Club
Financial Secretary	(no candidate)
Auditor	Jane Thomey, Culver City Woman's Club

Editor's Note In the April Edition of Ship's Log the 1st place winners of the Large Size Club Newsletter Contest was a tie between the Woman's Club of Hermosa Beach and The Torrance Woman's Club. In the Clubwoman Writing Contest, the 3rd Place winner, Madeline Nella, is a member of the Woman's Club of Playa del Rey. Apologies for the omission and error.

MARINA DISTRICT CLUB NEWS

CULVER CITY WOMAN'S CLUB

Newsletter editor Bonnie Thomas, created a Boredom Buster Blog to brighten the day of Culver City Woman's Club members. As she said . . .

"I don't know about all of you, but I sure miss the good old days when we had traffic that crawled, bad air quality, crowded malls, high gasoline prices, etc. Now, all of that is gone, but we have to stay home. Gosh darn."

Members send cartoons, requests for items, jokes, interesting facts, photos and news about themselves during the Pandemic. A welcome way to lift spirits!

It's okay if you fall apart sometimes. Tacos fall apart and we still love them"

Brandy Martin, 1st Vice President of the **WOMAN'S CLUB OF PLAYA DEL REY** shares her club's activities during the Pandemic

- We are holding weekly coffee hangouts on Zoom each Monday at 10am. We just held our April association meeting on Zoom as well with our board and club members.
- We are delivering groceries, picking up prescriptions and delivering handmade masks to our older and compromised club members.
- The young girls club "Silicon Beach Social Club for Social Good" that we sponsor donated candles to doctors and nurses at a hospital.
- Club members are offering services to the community through dietician and healthful eating ideas as well as meditation exercises offered through our club Instagram.
- A few of us did a drive by parade for our club president over the weekend for an Easter surprise.
- Today we visited LA Fire Dept Station 5 and cheered them on in support of their front line efforts from our car.
- We are staying safe and still operating.

Congratulations WCPDR on exemplifying the Volunteer Spirit!

MARINA DISTRICT CLUB NEWS

The El Segundo Police Department posted this Thank You on Social Media to the **El Segundo Woman's** Club for donating the hand sewn masks . One more way the Club supports its community in time of need.

Kudos to **GFWC South Bay Junior Woman's Club**

SBJWC member, Lynn Lavessari who is reaching out to local businesses that were required to shut down during the Pandemic to purchase personal protective equipment which she donates to Torrance Memorial Medical Center.

The club is making a pointed effort to support local restaurants that support their club .

A meal train started with all the donated food.

The Torrance Woman's Club has united in its efforts to help protect the community during the Pandemic by sewing and donating hundreds of masks.

Pictured to the right are some of the them . To date the Club has provided 50 for volunteers of St. Peter's Catholic Church who distribute food to the homeless and 25 masks to the Torrance Volunteer Center for Food For Kids. The USO and Mercy Ship have received approximately 200. Many have been given to the Fisher House at the Long Beach VA . The Torrance Main Library received 20.

President Barbara Freeman has a personal interest in the mask distribution. Her son works for a non-profit that places handicapped and physically impaired clients in jobs. The employees and job seekers are also benefitting from the many

Woman's Club of Playa del Rey

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