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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Yee Haw and Happy St. Patrick's Day!!!

May the luck of the Irish be upon us, and our Dental Clinic for a successful Casino Night on March 6th. I can't believe our Casino Night is almost here! There is still so much work to be done! I appreciate everyone's hard work, sending out your donation letters and collecting auction items. But soon we will be turning our clubhouse into a western saloon! We need everyone's cooperation now more than ever! Everyone must be on a committee and you will be very busy these next 2 weeks. If you haven't picked your committee yet, call Charo Bolanos 305-206-8404 and she will put you where we need the most help. We need you to sell lots of tickets, still get some auction items and start making those great desserts!

This is such a fun event! We've got some great auction items! As a matter of fact we're going to pull aside a few items for a "live" Auction. We've got a **7 day Caribbean cruise** from Royal Caribbean for example, so let everyone know! We will also have a **costume contest**, so let all your friends know to dress up in their best western duds! We've hired a **great DJ**, he will get everyone excited and involved. We're going to have a **Texas Holdem Tournament**, lots of good food, fun games and great prizes!

Now some interesting facts about March:

- Did you know that March 3rd is called Florida Day? We became the 27th state in 1845!
- March 17th is St. Patrick's Day— Our Coral Gables Woman's Club members will be working a "Street Party" for John Martin's Irish Pub serving beer and food to the patrons. Our Dental Clinic will receive all the tip money from this event, so....work it girls!
- March 21st is the first day of Spring.
- March 31st -Daylight savings went into effect (1918).

Facts about St. Patrick's Day:

- Did you know that 34 million Americans have Irish ancestry, according to the 2003 US Census? That's almost nine times the population of Ireland, which has 4.1 million people.
- Facts about clovers—According to the Guinness Book of World Records, the highest number of leaves found on a clover is 14!
- One estimate suggests that there are about 10,000 regular three-leaf clovers for every lucky four-leaf clover.
- This is the one I like best ---Legend says that each leaf of the clover means something: The first is for HOPE, the second for FAITH, the third for LOVE and the fourth for LUCK!

A special THANK YOU to Mayra Dominguez for getting the new slate of officers for the next two years! YEE HAW!!!

Pam

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Nancy Desmangles
Treasurer
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TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer's report for the month of January 2010:

Young, Stovall Money Market has a balance of \$31,992.92.
Amtrust Operating Account has \$22,838.73.
Amtrust Money Market has \$5,867.33.



See you all at our Casino Night event !

Nancy Desmangles
Treasurer



Dr. Iris Torres-Rivera
Dental Clinic Director
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DENTAL CLINIC REPORT

Dental Clinic Report— January 2010

Patients Seen-----45
New Patients-----2
Dollar Value of Dental Services----\$12,086.00.



Iris Torres-Rivera
Dental Clinic Director

THIRD DIRECTOR REPORT

Welcome to the Ides of March! Get ready for Casino Night. It's going to be a blast!
We'll make lots of jewels for our dental clinic!

I'd like to share a leadership tip with all our members because every member is a leader, and you ARE IMPORTANT! When you say, I am part of the Coral Gables Woman's Club you are not only leading us in the present but also in the future.

Ethics is the intention and action of individual members to protect the purposes of the club, the rights of the members, and ensure the **PRESERVATION** and **BETTERMENT** of the organization. It does not govern the cultural morals of others.

God Bless you and keep those records of all your doings.

Claire Frances Whitehurst
Third Director



Claire Frances Whitehurst
Third Director/Chaplain
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Wit and Wisdom:

Doing nothing is very hard to do...you never know when you're finished.
- Leslie Nielsen

ELECTIONS REPORT

2010-2012 EXECUTIVE BOARD OFFICERS ELECTIONS!



According to our by-laws (which are in the yearbooks), we need to list the candidates for the open positions in the Newsletter and post 30 days in the Clubhouse before the election.

We will hold our elections at the April 7th meeting.

Even though it looks like there is no opposition for any of the positions, there can be nominations taken that night from the floor. So if ANYONE IS INTERESTED in running for **any** of the positions

below, we welcome you to do so!!!

Being on the board is a privilege and a wonderful, rewarding and enlightening opportunity to learn the ins and outs of running the club and the dental clinic.

Remember, even though you are elected for a position, it does not mean that you will be all alone. WE WILL ALL BE HERE FOR EACH ONE OF YOU. As your club members, we are committed to helping each officer succeed in whatever position they may hold.

How the voting works:

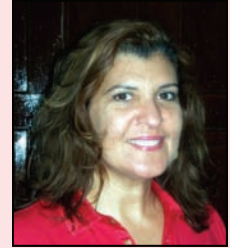
1. The election will be held on April 7-Wednesday.
2. Members **MUST** be present to vote .
3. Nominations will be taken from the floor, no speeches.
4. If there is only 1 nominee, election will be made by voice .
5. If there are more than 1 nominee, category by ballot-with Majority vote electing-if there is a tie there will be a run-off .
6. Each officer shall be elected separately.

Thank you to all that answered my calls and emails. I truly appreciate it.

So far the candidates for office are:

President	Linda Hartwell
1 st Vice President	Mireya Kilmon
2 nd Vice President	Barbara Lapsley
Treasurer	Nancy Desmangles
	Charo Bolanos
Dental Clinic Director	Iris Torres Rivera
Recording Secretary	Mayra Dominguez
Corresponding Secretary	OPEN POSITION
1st Director	(Only Non-Elected Position)
	Pam Schaefer, Immediate Past President
2 nd Director	Claire Frances Whitehurst
3 rd Director	OPEN POSITION

Mayra Dominguez
Nominating Committee Chair Woman



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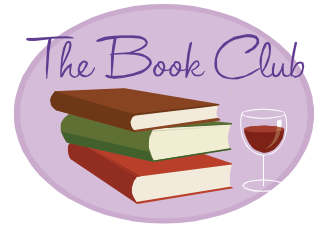


Barbara Lapsley
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BOOK CLUB NOTE

Our next book is "The Hunger Game" by Suzanne Collins.

The date is March 1, at Michele Collier's home...
Get the book and start reading.

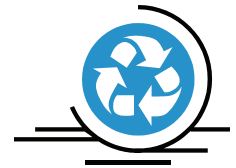


Barbara J. Lapsley
Second Director



Ana Lam
Conservation Chairwoman
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CONSERVATION REPORT



Hi lovely Ladies,

I hope everyone has been enjoying our lovely weather. I know some of you are anxiously looking forward to Spring. I know, I am and with Spring what comes to mind besides a sense of renewal is spring cleaning! Here are a few green suggestions to "green" your spring cleaning:

- Glass Cleaner: ¼ cup white vinegar or 1 TBS lemon juice; 2 cups water
- Scouring Powder: Baking soda and salt, or Baking soda with lemon juice
Or vinegar
- Disinfectant Spray: ½ cup eucalyptus or Peppermint oil; 1 gallon water
- Furniture Polish: ½ cup white vinegar; 1 TBS olive oil
- Laundry softener: ¼ cup baking soda; 2 cups hot water

For fresh air inside your home, try simmering a pot of water on your stovetop with dried cloves, cinnamon sticks, and orange rind. Essential oils such as orange, peppermint and lemon can diffuse a nice scent into the air at your home.

Please check out these 2 websites to research products and use only those with natural and safe ingredients: www.cosmeticsdatabase.com or www.safecosmetics.org.

Happy spring and let's go green!

Ana Lam
Conservation Chairwoman



Claire Frances Whitehurst
Crimewatch Chairwoman
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PRIMEWATCH REPORT

Congratulations to our Coral Gables Crimewatch. We are 30 years old this year! We are recognized as one of the top notch Crimewatch organizations in the United States. We reach all the citizens, not only in Coral Gables, but in every city.

Claire Frances Whitehurst
Crimewatch

INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS REPORT

Hello beautiful ladies,

March is a busy month for International Affairs. Please remember that **March 21-27** is **TAP PROJECT WEEK**. Just donate a dollar for your glass of water at any participating restaurant-or by yourself, and you will provide a child with clean drinking water for 40 days for every dollar raised. This is a UNICEF project that started in New York City and this is the second year in Miami.

I will keep you updated as we recruit restaurants to participate.

If you know of any restaurants that would like to receive free publicity and help the less fortunate, please let me know so I can contact them. The participating restaurants may be featured in Zagat, Opentable.com and/or through a press release. To find out more about this important project you may visit their website at www.taproject.org. AND of course, you can volunteer to recruit and train restaurants.



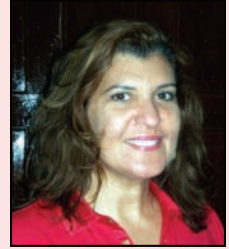
A few dates to remember in March:

- March 8 International Woman Day
- March 21-27 Tap Project

Please remember that Haiti's relief efforts are still going on. There are over 30 agencies listed in the Miami Herald, among them UNICEF, American Red Cross and the Salvation Army (clothes, food, water). Please visit the following link for information about the agencies: <http://www.miamiherald.com/news/more-info/story/1421696.html>.

Mayra Dominguez

International Affairs Chairwoman



Mayra Dominguez

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HOME LIFE REPORT

Hello girls,

The Florida Breast Health Initiative's 2009 Spring Outreach Campaign is upon us. Their Saturday only schedule includes: February 6th, 13th, and 20th, March 6th, 13th, and 20th, and April 10th, 17th, and 24th. In February they will be meeting in the Hialeah area, March they are meeting in the Miami Gardens area, and in April we will be in Broward County. Please try to sign up for at least one of these dates so we can represent our club and help get the word out on getting free mammograms and preventative breast health information.

Relay for Life is right around the corner, so get prepared ladies! This event will take place at the beginning of May and I hope to have a great turnout from the club.

Happy St. Patty's Day! Let's get a good crowd for St. Patrick's Day at John Martins.

Sabrina Perez-King

Home Life Chairwoman



Sabrina Perez-King

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Gloria Burns
Publicity Chairwoman
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PUBLICITY REPORT

Happy March! This should be a busy month and I encourage you to keep your eyes open for news on our Club's activities for our 2010 reports. As I complete the 2009 publicity book we are sending to the Florida Federation, one realizes the extent of our Club's outreach. I am in awe of all your efforts.

Please be sure to send me photos and information on your activities. I cannot be everywhere and truly appreciate your help in promoting our club and helping us recruit even more new members.

I look forward to seeing you all at Casino Night, March 6, and then again on St. Patrick's Day, March 17, as we raise funds for our Dental Clinic.

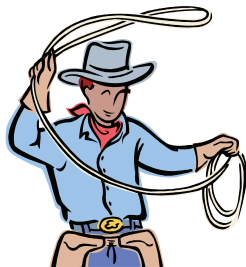
Thanks again for your many good works.

Love,
Gloria Burns
Publicity Chairwoman



Mireya Kilmon
Casino Night Co-Chair
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CASINO NIGHT REPORT



Hi Ladies,

Casino night will be arriving soon so as you take out your cowboy boots and hats please remember the real mission for this event is to raise funds so that we may keep our Dental Clinic open. As your co-chair for Casino Night, I want to give you some tips. Follow up! Follow up! Follow up!

Life is too hectic for everyone in our society so people often forget to open letters - or to write checks that they honestly meant to write or even to put them in the mail (who uses snail mail anymore??). Please call your friends, the businesses you know and family you love. Offer to pick up checks or auction items or call me at 786-295-9323 and I will be happy to pick them up .

Good luck and lets make this event a success!

Mireya Kilmon
Casino Night Co-Chairwoman



MARK FOUR CALENDARS

March

National Month For: Nutrition-Healthy Eating-Healthy You, Multiple Sclerosis Education and Awareness, Save Your Vision, Kidney, Eye Donor, and American Red Cross Month

- March 1st Monday** Book Club Meeting "The Hunger Game" by Suzanne Collins
Hosted by: Michele Collier
- March 3rd Wednesday** 6:30 pm Social Time "PIZZA/PASTA" We will divide the costs.
7:00 pm General Meeting, Casino Night Set-up
- March 6th Saturday** **Casino Night "Gables Gold Rush"**
- March 17th Wednesday** St. Patrick's Day, John Martin's Street Festival
Chairman, Pam Schaefer
- March 24th Wednesday** 6:00 pm Board Meeting (hostesses to be announced)

April

National Month For: Kites, Youth Sports Safety, Alcohol Awareness, Cancer Control, Child Abuse Prevention, Sexual Assault Awareness, BSA Youth Protection Month, Donate Life (Organ and Tissue Donor Awareness)

- April 7th Wednesday** 6:30 pm Social Time (Hostesses Ana Lam & TBA)
7:00 pm General Meeting/Conservation Program
Ana Lam, Chairman
- April 9th - 12th Friday-Monday** FFWC Spring Convention
- April 21st Wednesday** 6:30 pm Social Time (Hostesses Debi Wilborn & TBA)
7:00 pm Membership Recognition Party
- April 28th Wednesday** 6:00 pm Board Meeting

UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED:

For General Meetings Please RSVP to Debi Wilborn, debiCGWC@aol.com, 305-338-0778
If you **will or will not** be attending Social and/or the Meeting by the Monday before the meeting.

For the Board Meeting Please RSVP to Pam Schaefer, hapygoddes@aol.com, 305-667-1722
If you **will or will not** be attending and if you need to be on the agenda by the Tuesday before the meeting.



Linda Hartwell
First Vice President
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Birthday Wishes

In Our Thoughts and Prayers

March Birthdays

- 1- Carmen Corral**
- 18 - Lisa L'Esperance**
- 25 - MaryScull Brown**

Please remember to wish these members a happy birthday!



Our thoughts are with you and are wishing you encouragement!

- Molly Adams**
- Cathy Blanton**
- Claire Frances Whitehurst**

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

Visit the State Website:
www.gfwcflorida.org
GFWC website
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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.