

Yorba Linda Woman's Club September 2023 Newsletter

Think Positive, Be Positive

Kaycee Stack - President

"Wherever you go, no matter what the weather, always bring your own sunshine." -Anthony D"Angelo

Happy Fall!

Another exciting year is ahead of us! Coming up we have the National Day of Service, Fall Craft Fair, projects galore, and social gatherings! I know that each one of you will be able to find a project that you feel passionate about.

I'd like all members to realize that our club is part of a much bigger organization. There is the Orange District (cfwcorangedistrict.com), CFWC (cfwc.org), Western Region, and GFWC (gfwc.org). You can also access them through Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter (X). Our projects align with the other sections of the GFWC organization. Take a look at their websites to see what other clubs are doing and if there's something that interests you. Bring your ideas to the Program Chairs – we are always looking for new inspiration!

If you are looking to be more involved in the club's Leadership, please let us know! There are opportunities and openings available.

Looking forward to seeing everyone at the September 21 General Meeting.

Kaycee Stack President

Dottie Jensen – 1st VP/Dean

I hope everyone has had a wonderful summer – full of fun, relaxation, and vacation.

We had fun at several events this summer, see below for pictures from some of them.

We went to the Taste of Yorba Linda, (picture of Cindy, Peggy, Pete, and Dottie). We went to Taste of Placentia (picture of Louise and Dottie) and Best of All, the 11-MEU Committee (a project under Civic Engagement and Outreach) sold snacks at the city sponsored Concert in the Park. We raised money for the committee as well as having a good time at the concert. We got to visit with many of you while at the park. DID YOU NOTICE A THEME OF FOOD?

Twelve members of YLWC went to the Orange District Woman's Club Summer Conference. (See picture) It was very educational. The guest speaker from Score taught us a lot. Linda Queen and Lucy Park both were speakers during the breakout sessions.

Now it is time to start our new year. We have several new projects to learn about and get involved in. Plus, the "old favorites". Come to our September 21st general meeting to learn about Smile Makers (holiday gifts for seniors in nursing homes) and about our new Domestic Violence project.

I am sad to report that Sue and Tim Garvey are leaving Yorba Linda and moving to Prescott, AZ. They will be greatly missed in the City of Yorba Linda. She will be very missed in YLWC. Thank you for your involvement in Civic Engagement and Outreach in club year 2022-23. You did a wonderful job.

I am looking for a chairperson to assume this role. If you are interested, please let me know.

See you soon Dottie Jensen 1st VP/Dean



11th MEU



Taste of Placentia



Orange District Summer Conference



Taste of Yorba Linda

Caroline Wahlstrom - 3rd VP/Ways & Means

Dear YLWC members,

Please mark your calendars! Our yearly Fall Craft Fair is scheduled for November 4th and 5th.

The planning and organizing of the Fall Craft Fair is well underway. We have over 150 vendors already signed up! We are very pleased with the response. Vendors are eager to be a part of our event. A huge thank you to **Robin Solomon** for being on top of our emails and many vendor questions.

All members are asked to give their time and support our largest fundraiser of the year. You will be asked to sign up for a shift (or two) when you come to the general meeting in September and in October. Check your calendars and make sure to sign up.

In addition, if you are willing to donate anything for our raffle baskets, we would appreciate it. We need gift cards to local restaurants or local businesses. Please contact **Nikki Ware** and her committee to let them know.

Back in March, **Linda Queen** made a plea at our general meeting. We are looking for new spots to hang our banners throughout the city. The current locations are mostly along Bastanchury Road... which is great, but we do need other locations. If you are aware of other locations, walls in a high traffic area for example, that we could have access to, please reach out to Linda Queen.

Advertising is mostly done by social media. We would like to encourage members who are on Instagram and Facebook to follow the Yorba Linda Woman's Club Craft Fair and "share" or "tag" our posts advertising the fair. We have also produced a flyer that can be printed as many times as you wish. We would like to encourage you to share the flyer. If you can get it featured in the newsletters of various local organizations, please share it with us. We want to see how often and where we are being talked about.

Finally, I want to give a big shout out to **Lorrie Fenell** regarding the planning and organizing of the kitchen. It is a huge job and the most labor-intensive job during the fair. We have made plans to change a few things to facilitate the flow of orders to the kitchen and we are deleting some items from the menu. It is going to be a very successful event.

Caroline Wahlstrom

3rd VP

PROJECTS

Cathy Aiken - Environment

Environment Committee:

Welcome to the new club year. I am Cathy Aiken, Chairperson of the Environment Committee. We are always on the lookout to bring the latest news and activities to keep our Earth healthy. This year we have planned for the club members to help tie dog blankets for Canine Companion. Additionally, Kind News is being sent to a lower socio-economic grade level in the Placentia Yorba Linda Unified School District. We would love for you to join us and bring some fresh ideas to our committee.

Reminder: Bring any dead batteries, whatever size, and place them in the green lidded bucket to be recycled. Thank you!

Aileen Baker - Sew Kind

THREADS OF LOVE AND SEW KIND

Where did the summer go? Is it really time to think about kids going back to school and getting back into the all the Club projects??? The Sew Kind gals did continue to work on some projects during the summer, we worked on the Adult Bibs and also some Aprons. The aprons were requested by Crittenton Services for Children and Families, they use them in the cooking classes, and they distribute them to their clients who are transitioning into independent living. We donated 23 aprons to them this summer and will continue making them from time to time. The group will be working on other items in the coming months.

Threads of Love took a couple months break this summer from their workshops. But they will be back in September providing many of the area hospitals with the Lovey Dolls, Isolette Covers, etc, etc, that they sew; they give thousands of these items to the hospital's neonatal units for the preemie babies.

Both groups will be back in September for the workshops, we welcome you all to come by and see what you can do to help, maybe in just some small way- no sewing experience needed!! The next workshops are:

Sew Kind, September 7, 2023 1:00-3:00 in the Clubroom Threads of Love, September 14, 2023 1:00-3:00 in the Clubroom

Aileen Baker & Andrea Hagen – Sew Kind Co-Chairmen Jackie McPheeters – Threads of Love Chairman

Louise Hernandez - Health & Wellness



A sign-up sheet will be available at the September 21st General Meeting for the General Federation of Women's Clubs (GFWC) National Day of Service (NDS). This is a day in which all of GFWC comes together in service to highlight an area of need, take action to address the need, and raise public awareness about its importance. This year's NDS issue of focus is <u>food insecurity</u>. State federations and clubs are encouraged to join in and organize community service programs (CSPs) in their communities, as part of the NDS.

Save the Date:

- Saturday, September 30th
- 9-10:30 a.m.
- Partnering with the Yorba Linda Food for Families Pantry
- Pantry is located on the 1st floor of the white, education building belonging to the Yorba Linda Baptist Church at 4848 Main Street

Louise Hernandez, Health & Wellness Chair