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President's Message



I hope your holiday season was wonderful. The Coral Gables Woman's Club ended the year with our Annual Christmas Party which was spectacular. Pam Schaefer did an incredible job with decorations including her wonderful Santa Collection. She took on the job at the last minute from organizing, executing and cleaning with help from friends and family. Thank you so much Pam! As always our Dental Clinic doctors and staff were in attendance and Iris introduced them all to us. The gifts for our dental clinic patients were collected that night to be distributed during clinic hours. What a sight to see all those presents under the tree. Thank you all so much for your generosity and for making their Christmas a special one. We said good-bye to a dear friend Mary Scull Brown. She will be moving to Tampa to be closer to her son. She has been a member since 1958. Dorothy Thomson gave a wonderful speech about Mary and we gave her a beautiful cut-out CZ circle which sits against a circle charm and is engraved "CGWC Circle of Friends 2011" along with it came a Filigree Keepsake Box engraved "CGWC Member Since 1958".

The board also celebrated with the annual Christmas Board Meeting/Dinner. Our 1st Director, Pam Schaefer graciously opened her home to the board. We had a delicious meal prepared by Pam's daughter, Sandy with the help of her boyfriend, Danny. We had a Chinese gift exchange where we all pick numbers and select a gift and the next person can steal any of the open gifts or go for the unknown. What a fun way to exchange gifts. A special thank you to the Schaefer family for making this a fun filled evening.

2011 has ended but 2012 is just beginning and as always we have much to accomplish. Our 1st meeting of the New Year is January 11th our kick-off to Casino Night. I look forward to seeing you all. We have a busy year ahead. Casino Night is fast approaching (March 3rd). I hope you will all be in attendance and have been working hard to get donations and auction items. This is our major fundraiser which supports our dental clinic. February also is time for our annual Arts & Crafts Fair on the 15th. Patty Hendon, our Arts Chairman is planning a fun evening for us. I hope you all have something to enter. I look forward to seeing all the wonderful items you made in 2011.

Let's make 2012 the best year yet for the Coral Gables Woman's Club by getting involved and staying involved

In Peace, Love & Unity, Linda

Treasurer's Report



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On November 16, 2011 there was a payout for the United Way of Miami-Dade Campaign of \$172.08 into the Amtrust Checking account, thanks to Carmen Suarez, our friend and member of our club and co-worker from her office. Thank you Carmen! We love you!

Amtrust Accounts: interest for the month of November was \$13.28 checking account and \$13.38 for the Money Market account.

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Arts

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Happy New Year Ladies!

Start out the New Year by taking part in the Art world! The weather is beautiful with so many outdoor art festivals coming to town in January!

Beaux Arts Festival of Art- January 7th-8th, Barnacle Under the Moonlight concerts every 2nd Friday of the month in Coconut Grove! Art Deco Weekend January 13-15. Please don't forget to keep working on your Arts & Crafts Projects for our

"Remember to bring in your Arts & Crafts projects for our CGWC Art Festival on February 15!"

Dental Clinic Director



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Dental Clinic Report November 2011

Patient seen-----57 Procedures-----187

Dollar amount of services rendered-----\$22,359

I would like to thank our members, associates, my office staff, my patients and dental clinic staff for the 132 gifts collected for our Dental Clinic children. A special thank you to Martha Black who donated 8 boxes of can goods to our Dental Clinic. We were able give a bag of food to the parents of children seen during the month of December.



Casino Night Chairman

Barbara Lapsley - Barblaps@bellsouth.net



CASINO NIGHT KICKOFF

JANUARY 11, 2012

HIGH ROLLERS TO HOLLYWOOD CASINO NIGHT

I hope you all had a wonderful Holiday!

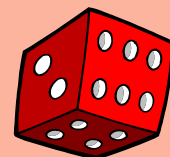
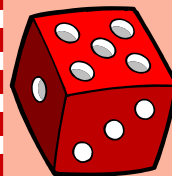
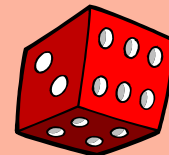
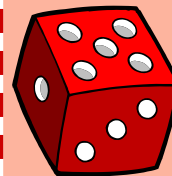
Now, it's time to start thinking about the coming year for our club. Yes, that means Casino Night, March 3rd.

Our first meeting, on January 11th, will be our "Casino Night Kick Off." Please make every effort to attend this meeting.

For the next two months, all our efforts will be focused on preparing for our annual fundraiser in support of our dental clinic.

Remember, each active member must raise \$250.00, and each new member \$100.00. These are our requirements as members of the Coral Gables Woman's Club.

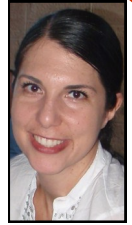
Now, speaking of members.... Our membership is down from last year. We now have 22 active members, 2 new members, and 16 associate members. This means that each of us must work that much harder to raise money for the clinic. Fortunately, the members we do have are highly motivated and highly competent. I have no doubt that we will meet our goals.





Education

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Felice Anno Nuovo, Bonne Annee, Amashite Omedett Goaimasu, Feliz Ano Novo, L'Shannah Tovah, Naye Varsha Ki Shub-hkamanyen, and Pee Mai are some ways of saying Happy New Year from around the world. Life is full of new experiences and the New Year is a time to set your goals and achieving them no matter what!

This month we celebrate Lifelong Literacy in America Month and National Mentoring Month. As described by the GFWC, Mentoring USA partners with public schools nonprofit organizations, foster care agencies, housing facilities, and community centers to provide supervised site-based, one-to-one mentoring, matching youth between ages of seven to 21 with caring, trained adult mentors. Let's encourage one another to support Mentoring USA's core component areas—financial literacy, literacy, healthy lifestyles/self-esteem, going green, career development, and diversity/tolerance as we celebrate National Mentoring Month this January. Hope your world is full of the creation of happy memories and new friendships! From my heart...Happy New Year!

Home Life

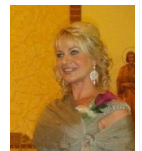
Sabrina Perez-King - Sabrina@premiumcleaners.com



Happy New Year everyone! Now is the time to write down and state your resolutions for the New Year. Remember the **Federation Fitness Challenge** deadline is in April at Spring Convention. It is extremely important to start making changes to any daily routine. Please make every effort to stay conscious of your food choices and to incorporate additional physical exercise whenever possible. If anyone is interested we can have a workout session at one of our meetings to learn the correct way to exercise.

International Outreach

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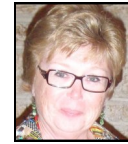


Happy Holidays to all and a Happy New Year. Looking forward to an exciting year and helping to make a difference internationally this coming year. Thank you for all of your support I know together we can make a difference and help others who are less fortunate. Thank you for everything u do!!!!!!

Conservation

Maryann Etkin - maryann.etkin@gmail.com

Visiting our Recycling Plant



Starting the new year, we all have good intentions – we will lose those pounds, stop that bad habit, be nice to the boss- Ok, maybe that is not on the list, but you get the idea. Well, we have the opportunity to see recycling in action, and that just might inspire us to take recycling to heart for the New Year and years to come.

We are planning a trip to the Waste Management Reuter Recycling Facility on January 9, 2012 leaving the Women's club at 9:00 am returning approx. 2:00. We have a 2 hour tour and after the tour will go for a wonderful lunch of our choosing. We will car pool – I have a mini van that seats 7 and others might wish to share a ride. There are suggestions on attire below.*

The Presentation will provide information about recycling, waste reduction, and how recyclables move through the facility. Participants will be able to view the tipping floor, the sorting process and material baling.

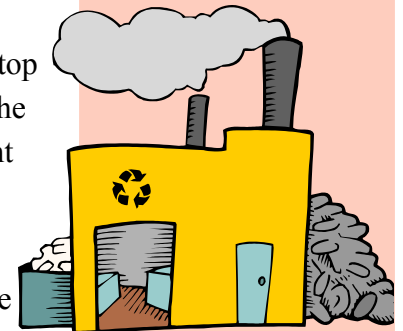
Please RSVP Maryann Etkin @ maryann.etkin@gmail.com or phone 305-392-1782 and leave a message I will get to you. We have a max. number of people (15) so sign up early- you wouldn't want to miss out!

Location Reuter Recycling MRF

20701 Pembroke Rd.

Pembroke Pines, Fl 33029

**Please ensure all visitors wear proper attire. No shorts (jeans preferable) No sleeveless shirts No high heels No open-toed shoes – only thick-soled shoes – preferably boots or sneakers. All Personal Protection Equipment will be provided. The tour will require walking, climbing up and down stairs and standing on a raised platform two stories high.*



**“FIELD TRIP
JANUARY 9
9AM-2PM
ONLY 15
ALLOWED”**

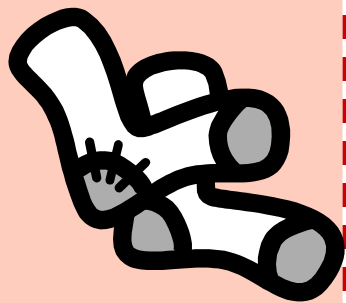
Need your Help please!



Boca Raton Elementary is taking their 4th and 5th graders on a Field Trip to Washington D.C. The majority of the children can not afford to purchase caps and gloves to stay warm. If anyone knits or can purchase these items (like we did last year), it would greatly be appreciated. Please get them to me by January 11.

Pam Schaefer - Hapygoddess@gmail.com





Public Issues

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Ladies - I want to wish you all the best during the Holidays and a great New year .

Please email me directly if any of you have participated in any of our Public Issues project for reporting purposes - I want to make sure I include everything we have done this year including your individual participation.

As we prepare for 2012 I want to do a new Project that GFWC is working on it is called - " The Sock Project " - I will be coordinating this project with " The Lodge" our local Dade county domestic Abuse Center .

Also please continue to print and give out the Thank you cars to our service men - If you need to print more please email me and I will send you the Template Step Away from Abuse GFWC Sock Project.

Help domestic violence survivors "Step Away From Abuse" by working with domestic violence shelters in your local community by participating in the GFWC Sock Project. Place a pair of new socks in a quart-size, clear plastic baggie. Affix a personalized label with a message of support and encouragement from your club, that reads:

"As you begin your new life and Step Away from Abuse, we hope you will find comfort and warmth as you walk into your newly found freedom."

Goodbye MaryScull Brown



Small of stature but a giant for so many reasons. MaryScull Brown has lived in the Miami area and Coral Gables for over 60 years. She has been a member of the CGWC since 1958 and has served as president also. Her husband-Willard Brown, a prominent attorney died in 1983. They raised 3 children (twin boys and one girl) they now live in Tampa, Colorado and North Florida. Mary is moving to Tampa to be near her son. She will live on her own in a 6th floor apartment overlooking the water.

Mary is known for her parliamentary expertise-a registered parliamentarian extraordinaire who keeps her accreditation current.

We honor this remarkable lady for her 95 years of life, for her endless contributions, and with our most fervent wish that she will indeed celebrate her 100th birthday on May 25, 2016. We will miss you Mary!



Public Relations

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Happy New Year to all. Our Club had a busy end of the year and you will find lots of press in Miami's Community Newspapers Biscayne Bay, Coral Gables, Doral and South Miami newspapers as well as in the Herald Neighbors. It continues to be my pleasure to share all of the wonderful things our Club does to improve and enhance the lives of those living and working in South Florida.

A big thank you to Ralph Rivera (representing the Men's Auxiliary) who helped me distribute more than 80 free turkeys to our dental clinic families the weekend most of our club members were volunteering for SMARTRIDE. Seeing the smiling faces of the children who came with their parents to pick up the turkey made our day. In fact Ralph was going to come for a few hours and ended up spending the whole day. What a guy! Of course, another big shout out to the Luigi Boria Foundation who donated more than 1250 turkeys to needy families for Thanksgiving.

I am very grateful to Community Newspapers for their support in giving not just our club and many other GFWC clubs in the area an opportunity to share their good works. When you see our club mentioned in the Miami Herald Neighbors, please save that for me as I do not get that edition of the paper and we need those clippings for reports.

May you all have blessed and happy New Year.

Knitting Caps for Newborns

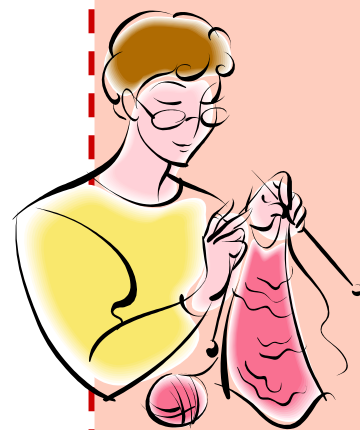
For those of you who like to knit, I've called this project Knitting for K (newborns). JMH mother/baby would love any donations for infant hats to keep those cute little heads nice and warm.

Finally we got the pattern. I hope this link helps!

<http://www.allfreeknitting.com/Baby-Knit-Hats/4-easy-newborn-hats/ct/1>

Thanks,

Lisa





***Our Thoughts & Prayers
Are Always with You!***

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Molly Adams
Claire Frances Whitehurst

District 11 Members

Charlyne Carruth

In Memoriam

Sophie Quay



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