



GFWC ROTONDA WEST WOMAN'S CLUB

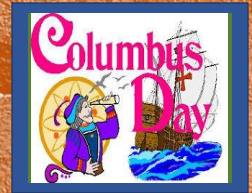
GFWC-FL DISTRICT 12

A Proud Member of the General Federation of Women's Clubs



CHATTER

October, 2023



**GFWC FLORIDA - DISTRICT 12
WHERE VOLUNTEER SERVICE
AND FRIENDSHIP MEET**



NOTES FROM THE PRESIDENT

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Hello –
September just flew by!

The first National Day of Service is done and a great success. There were clubs all over Florida and the country participating and I think our club, along with our sister clubs in Port Charlotte and Punta Gorda made an impact. From our two locations in Rotonda West and South Gulf Cove, we donated 912 lbs. of food and household products and \$500 to the three area food pantries. Thank you all for stepping up to help stamp out hunger. You did a remarkable job!



In collaboration with our sister clubs, Rotonda West presented \$250 checks to both the Back Pack Kidz and the Homeless Coalition.

The GFWC Florida Fall Board weekend in Orlando was a great chance to connect with members from all over the state and, also, with our District 12 sisters. If you haven't attended these meetings, it is an experience! The theme for the Saturday evening dinner was Aliens and Astronauts. Please consider attending in the future. And the District 12 meeting in November is also a great opportunity to hear what clubs are doing. Plus, first time attendees get special recognition!!





There's lots coming up in the next month! The Craft Bazaar is right around the corner! And it's exciting to see our name on the Englewood Chamber of Commerce electronic sign!

Looking forward to seeing you all at the next general meeting on Thursday, October 19th. Please wear PINK for Breast Cancer Awareness or wear PURPLE for Domestic Violence or Alzheimer's Awareness.

Keep busy, keep healthy and "Bee" all you can "Bee"!



Gwen



FIRST VICE PRESIDENT

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October is many things to many people. It is Breast Cancer Awareness Month, Dyslexia Awareness Month, American Cheese Month, Adopt a Shelter Dog Month, Cybersecurity Awareness Month, Depression and Mental Health Awareness Month, Domestic Violence Awareness Month, HIV/AIDS Awareness Month, Youth Sports Month, Health Literacy Month and probably more. Of all these worthy causes, one day in October stands out for special recognition – October 31 – Halloween.

Halloween has its roots in the ancient Celtic festival of Samhain (SAH-win), a pagan ritual to welcome the harvest at the end of summer, when people would light bonfires and wear costumes to ward off ghosts. Black represented "death" of summer while orange symbolized the autumn harvest season. Thus, black and orange remain the colors of Halloween. The most popular costume for decades has been a witch. I hope you enjoy your Halloween, stay safe and off the streets, and save a little candy for the trick and treaters.



Please take some time to look over our website – gfwcrotondawest.org. There is general information and big event flyers on the home page that should be of interest to all. It also contains our Yearbook, the club calendar of events, information on all our Community Service Programs (CSPs) and much more. If you have information that should be there, send it to me please.



SECOND VICE PRESIDENT

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MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN

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Welcome back to many of our members and prospective new members. We will be having an orientation on Wednesday, October 25, at 1pm, at RWA. This will include any guests from our September and October meetings as well as a few who visited in the late spring.

Please remember to invite your new neighbors and friends to join us for the October meeting. As always reserve a spot at your table for someone new as we welcome our guests.



ASSISTANT TREASURER

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Annual membership dues for 2024 will begin to be collected at our September meeting. You may pay the \$35 in cash, check or credit card.

Looking forward to seeing old friends and some new ones too!



GFWC FL DISTRICT 12 DIRECTOR

GFWC RWWC BOGGY CREEK PRESIDENT'S PROJECT CHAIRMAN

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GFWC FLORIDA - DISTRICT 12
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District 12 Director's Report

On Saturday, November 4th, GFWC FL President Linda O'Toole will attend our District 12 Annual District Meeting, held at the GFWC LaBelle Community Woman's Club. Please try to attend the Annual Meeting and meet President O'Toole as well as our sister members from the GFWC Clubs in our own District. Joyce Powell of GFWC Woman's Club of Port Charlotte is running unopposed for the position of Director. At that time, we will elect Joyce as the new District 12 Director for the 2024-2026 GFWC FL Administration. Joyce will officially be installed as Director at the Convention in Orlando in April. There are 14 Districts in Florida and the District Director position is a member of the GFWC Florida Board of Directors. Please join us in LaBelle. Registration is \$20. Morning snacks at social time will be available from 9:00 to 9:45 am. The meeting begins at 10:00. Lunch will be served and we will be finished up by 1:30 at the latest. Please see Assistant Treasurer Jean Howard to sign up at the General Meeting.

GFWC FL Fall Boards, Rosen Plaza, Orlando FL

Fall Board was the time to deliver our current Boggy Creek projects to GFWC FL President's Project Jena Staley. Thanks to Jackie Miller and everyone involved with the Curtain Project. They provided curtains for an entire Boggy Creek Cabin. Annemarie D'Abrosca's beautiful afghan made a gorgeous addition to the collection table. Each camper goes home with a Bear and an afghan. President Gwen was invited to present our check for \$2,500 to sponsor one child to President Linda O'Toole at the Saturday Evening Dinner.

If you would like to donate something different to Boggy Creek in the future, we have recently been told of a new project. As you can imagine, the bedding for the children at Boggy Creek is washed, sanitized and used over until it becomes quite worn. Those of us who don't sew, knit or crochet might like to become involved in

another project to gather brand-new Twin-Bed Sheets & Pillow Case Sets for the camper's beds. **Please, no white sheets.** Kid Friendly Prints in cotton or cotton blend will make their camping experience even more fun! Please contact me with any questions. Kathryn 610/952-1333



Photo of President's Project Table at Fall Board
Left to right: Joyce Powell (District 12 President's Project Chairman);
Anita Jenkins (GFWC FL Chaplain)



ARTS & CULTURE

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CREATIVE CRAFTERS

Well, we have only a few weeks before the CRAFT BAZAAR! If anyone has any craft items, please bring them to the crafters meeting Friday or the day of setup to be priced and tagged and added to the inventory list.

The creative crafters are finishing up our last items for sale. I can't believe the sale is right around the corner! Don't forget to bring plenty of money or a credit card. You will want to buy so many of our beautiful items.

All the ladies have worked all year, through the summer to make some really unique items you'll just want to have.

ARTS & CULTURE

Don't forget about a project for the January Art competition. The category/entry list is posted on the web site. We have over 50 categories including photos so don't hesitate to put in an entry. I will have a few copies at the October meeting if you have any questions about which category your project belongs.

Once the holidays are over we will be planning some day trips so keep watching for information to come.

Thank you

CRAFT BAZAAR

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CRAFT BAZAAR COUNT DOWN !!!

Saturday, October 21st, 2023
9:00 am – 1:30 pm

The devil is in the detail, or so it's said. We've been able to get a lot of attention from the Englewood Chamber in the last week. We've been published in their newsletter and now on their billboard, for this week and next. Thank you, Gwen, for this wonderful hookup! We'll continue to use Facebook, Instagram, and other media up until the Bazaar. If you have any other ideas, I'm all ears...

Here are a few reminders to all who are helping make this an awesome event ...

- Friday, October 20th – Setup time – 12:30 am until we're done.....
- Saturday, October 21st – Please arrive around 8 am to get things in place and finish last minute preparations. Doors open to customers at 9 am!
- Gift baskets and baked goods can be dropped off on Friday afternoon during setup or between 8 and 8:30 Saturday morning.
- All bake sale goods must be wrapped. Please label and indicate if it is gluten free or if it contains nuts. If dropping off Cookies By The Pound on Friday, please have them in a sealed container. Please put your name on the container so it can be returned to you if you'd like it back.
- Please provide a short list of items in the Gift Baskets on a card attached to the basket.
- Please wear a red or blue RWWC T-shirts or your name badge, if possible. I will have name badges available if you forget or have misplaced yours.
- The Café will be open at 11 am for lunch. Hot dogs, chips and beverage will be \$5.00, **CASH ONLY!!**
- We will be accepting major credit cards. There will be a \$10 minimum purchase and a \$2 service fee on all transactions. This is for merchandise only and excludes all food and raffle tickets. All cashiers will have instructions in their cash boxes. The treasurer will handle the credit card transactions.

Whew!!! I think that's about it for now. I hope everyone is getting as excited as I am about this wonderful event! I can't wait to go shopping! Members only presale is on Friday during setup..... wahoo!

Please feel free to text, call, or email me if you have any questions. I'm looking forward to working with you all!!

Linda Bermea, Bazaar Chair

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ROTONDA WEST WOMAN'S CLUB

GFWC Rotonda West Woman's Club is an all volunteer 501(c)(3) nonprofit service organization working to improve the community by volunteering time and financial resources to support numerous local and national charities and groups. We are "Living the Volunteer Spirit" with Love, Respect and Kindness for all.

CRAFT BAZAAR

ROTONDA WEST COMMUNITY CENTER
646 ROTONDA CIRCLE

Saturday October 21st

9 am til 1:30 pm

*Cookies by the Pound, Chinese Auction,
Decorations, Coastal Art and much, more!!
(Handcrafted by the Creative Crafters,
Sew 'n' Sews and the Knit 'n' Chat Groups)*

CIVIC ENGAGEMENT & OUTREACH

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Bev Dobbins, Co-chairman 317 373 4503

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Our committee had a very productive meeting in October. We identified a project for each of our main categories. Citizenship: Adopt a Precinct. Help work the polls for elections and donate the money earned to the Women's Club.

Crime, Prevention, Safety and Disaster Preparedness: Linda is working with Todd Dunn, Fire Department Public Relations, identifying how we can best assist.

Needy, Hungry and Homeless: Bev is heading up this category and plans to research Englewood Lutheran's Church Outreach program. Gloria is leading a program to collect Men's shoes. In February, we plan to fill donated gently used purses with some personal goodies and take to the women's shelter.

Military Personnel and Veterans: Our committee is so proud to have a speaker in November regarding the Honor Flights and how we may assist. These flights are very expensive to put together. I know we can help. The Fisher House is one of our fundraising projects too. Elaine is also looking into helping the Punta Gorda Veterans Village and Fisher House. We will share more information as we are closer to these wonderful projects.

Our National Day of Service was September 30th. We collected food donations at two locations, RWWC and the South Gulf Cove Clubhouse. Pictures below:





EDUCATION & LIBRARIES

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Folders, Paper towels, Wipes, Water, Snacks and more for a total of 480 items were collected for **The Literacy Center for Dyslexia** at our last General Meeting. WOW! Thank you, members, for your generous support. Their Director Tammy Tieu is very grateful and we are so pleased she could visit with us and explain the issues facing her students and their parents. We are very grateful she is providing instruction and valuable advice to these families. As she explained, one in five children has dyslexia, and most go un-identified. For insight she recommended reading Henry Winkler's children's series about his own experience and journey.

TLC gives families HOPE.

Tammy Tieu, Co-Founder & Director of TLC
Debra Sigismondo, Chairman; Kara Kelly, Chairman

Bring me your Wine!

Education is having a Trivia night in January. Betsy Bouchard will be running the wine pull as a fund raiser. Ladies, if you have any bottles of wine you can donate, please bring them to the October meeting. Lois LeVasseur will be collecting on Betsy's behalf, as she will be traveling in October.

Betsy Bouchard
Chairman, Wine Pull





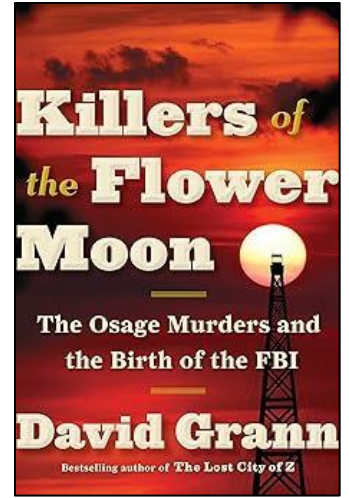
ESO – BOOK CLUBS

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At a meeting of the Book Club Leaders in September, it was decided that each month one of the Book Clubs would suggest a book that all Club members may enjoy.

For October, the “Brunch Buddies” book choice is: Killers of the Flower Moon – Author: David Grann. The Osage Murders and the Birth of the FBI. This well written tragic story of the Osage natives earning their rights to oil fields in Oklahoma is also the saga of the beginnings of the FBI. David Grann has created an engrossing but sad story of the unscrupulous guardians who marry the Osage women, who are quickly disappearing along with their nearest relatives. We look forward to seeing the feature film coming out this month based on this 2017 true crime drama.



Thank you to Debra Sigismondo, Brunch Buddies.

Happy reading,
Doris



ENVIRONMENT/FUNDRAISING COORDINATOR

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ENVIRONMENT     








Committee Update:

Unfortunately, due to a change in the parameters for the Nextrex bench project, we will not be able to participate. This information was sent to you in a previous email. If anyone has suggestions for another project we might be able to participate in, please contact either Rachele or Janet. Our next committee meeting will be Thursday, November 30th at 10:00 a.m. at the RWA community center.

On September 25, 7 RWWC members (& one husband) of the Environment CSP Committee had a road cleanup day. The group collected 60 lbs of litter, of which 93 cans & bottles were recycled at the RW Community Park. Thank you all for cleaning up our neighborhood!

Tip of the Month:

Support your local animal rescues     

Both of our local animal rescues, EARS and Suncoast Humane, have a Pet Pantry for people who need assistance with food for their pets. Donations of dry or wet cat and/or dog food are always gratefully accepted. You can drop them off to the EARS pet store at 500 N Indiana Ave, Englewood FL 34223 or Suncoast Humane Society



at 6781 San Casa Dr, Englewood, FL 34224. You can also help by supporting the South Gulf Cove Furry Scurry to be held February 3, 2024. It is a fun day, and we are proud to be a silver sponsor for the fourth year in a row.

If you are interested in joining our committee, please feel free to contact Rachele or Janet.

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 Environment CSP Co Chairs



Designer Bag Bingo
February 18, 2024

Tickets on sale soon!!
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 Linda: lindashall53@gmail.com

HOLIDAY TEA

Save the date for the Holiday Tea which will be held on Saturday, December 9th at the RWA Community Center. Tickets went on sale in September. They will be also available at the October meeting, or you may contact Joyce or Rachele. Tickets are limited and are going fast so please purchase them early so you won't miss this fun event.

Joyce Crumpton & Rachele Adler
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Scan the QR Code with your phone camera to sign up




4th Annual Saturday February 3rd, 2024

Sam Furry Scurry 5K start 8:40 am--1.5 Mile Mutt Strut
14859 Ingraham Blvd South Gulf Cove

For more information on event, sponsorship info or to volunteer for this event, please email: info@southgulfcovecct.org or scan the QR code to the right



Furry Scurry 5K	Mutt Strut 1.5 Mile walk	Virtual Event
\$25.00 before 8/31 \$30.00 before 11/30 \$35.00 before 12/1 \$40.00 after 1/8 This is a timed event	\$25.00 before 1/8 \$30.00 after 1/9 This is not a timed event	\$33.50 This event is done at your leisure. We will mail a finisher medal, and T-shirt

<https://runsignup.com/Race/FL/PortCharlotte/SouthGulfCoveCCTFurryScurry5K>

All Proceeds from this race will benefit the following: Englewood Animal Shelter (EARS), Suncoast Humane Society, The German Shepherd Rescue Punta Gorda, The Labrador Retriever of Florida Inc., Ruck9, Rescue Garage and Peace River K9 Search & Rescue



PENNY HARVEST COLLECTION

This year's Penny Harvest donations will again be going to Canine Companions for Independence (CCI). Please remember to keep saving those pennies or any change and turn them in to the blue and yellow dog house each month. Every little penny helps, thank you.

HEALTH & WELLNESS

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Hi ladies,

I had a great vacation in South Africa, I saw loads of elephants, giraffes, zebras as well as a few sightings of lions and a leopard! Cape Town, Table Mountain, Kruger National Park, and the Garden Route are beautiful areas to visit. If you're thinking about visiting South Africa, it's a long flight but it's worth it.

Thank you to everyone who donated food items and volunteered for the GFWC National Day of Service on September 30th, we had a good turnout.

Our very own Rita Bertler, founder of Dollars for Mammograms, will be the speaker for the October 19th meeting. She'll be selling tickets for the Dollars for Mammograms 22nd Annual Grocery Benefit during the social hour. Tickets are 7 for \$10 for a chance to win 3/\$350 Publix gift cards, sponsored by Key Agency. Please see the website for further details. <https://www.dollarsformammograms.org>

The Walk to End Alzheimer's will be held on Saturday Oct 28th 2023. Meet 8:30am onwards in Broadmoor Park for registration, please see the attached flyer for further details. Please join the Rotonda West or South Gulf Cove teams if you wish or/& come along to walk and support us!

TEAM NAME:
ROTONDA WEST
 The Rotonda West team consists of members of GFWC Rotonda West Woman's Club, Rotonda West community, friends and family!

REGISTRATION & DONATION
 We're registered under the Sarasota walk. Type in the website address or use the scan code.
act.alz.org/goto/rotondawest




THANK YOU!
 This is the world's largest event to raise awareness and funds for Alzheimer's care, support and research. Thanks for supporting us.

QUESTIONS
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PLEASE JOIN US!
 The GFWC Rotonda West Woman's Club invites you!
OCTOBER 28TH
SATURDAY
8.30AM
BROADMOOR PARK
646 ROTONDA CIRCLE
ROTONDA WEST, FL





“No Cost Mammograms for Women Who Can't Afford Them”



TICKETS SOLD HERE

22nd ANNUAL GROCERY BENEFIT

7 for \$10.00

THREE GRAND PRIZES
\$350.00 GROCERY GIFT CARDS
 DRAWING: DECEMBER 11, 2023
JUST COUNTERS & OTHER STUFF, INC.
NEED NOT BE PRESENT TO WIN

THANK YOU TO OUR WONDERFUL SPONSORS

Dollars for Mammograms, Inc. is a non-profit 501(c)(3) public foundation established solely for the purpose of providing no-cost mammograms to areas where they are uninsured or under insured and cannot afford the cost of a mammogram. Our Florida Solicitation License Number is CH28437. A COPY OF THIS OFFICIAL REGISTRATION AND FINANCIAL INFORMATION MAY BE OBTAINED FROM THE DIVISION OF CONSUMER SERVICES BY CALLING TOLL-FREE WITHIN THE STATE. REGISTRATION DOES NOT IMPLY ENDORSEMENT, APPROVAL, OR RECOMMENDATION BY THE STATE. Division of Consumer Services may be reached at 1-800-HELP-FLA or www.FloridaConsumerHelp.com.

While there is no fee to register for Walk, all participants are encouraged to raise critical funds that allow the Alzheimer's Association to provide 24/7 care and support and advance research toward methods of prevention, treatment and, ultimately, a cure.

After the October meeting, I'd like to hold a brief meeting for those ladies who are interested in Health & Wellness so we can plan activities for the next year, thanks in advance!



GFWC Rotonda West Woman's Club is hosting a **One Blood Drive on October 17, 9 am - 3 pm** at the marina across from The Hills Golf & Country Club, 100 Rotonda Circle.

Sign up on line at oneblood.com or call Ellen Lang, 917 579-7770.



CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

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INSPIRATIONAL MESSAGE AND BLESSING

"EVERYONE HAS INSIDE THEM A PIECE OF GOOD NEWS.

THE GOOD NEWS IS, YOU DON'T KNOW HOW GREAT YOU CAN BE!

HOW MUCH YOU CAN LOVE!

WHAT YOU CAN ACCOMPLISH!

AND WHAT YOUR POTENTIAL IS."

ANNE FRANK

Heavenly Father,

Give me your power to keep me strong

Grant me your presence all day long

Give me the faith that all may see

How very real you are to me

Give me wisdom to choose the best

Help me perform each task with zest

Give me vision to see your plan

Use me Lord wherever you can.

Amen



BEDTIME BAGS PROJECT

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October! Fall is in full swing; the Harvest Moon is beautiful; days are getting cooler (somewhere); and Halloween is just around the corner!

12 Bedtime Bags were donated to the Guardian ad Litem office in Punta Gorda a little later than usual due to Hurricane Idalia. It never ceases to amaze me to see how quickly the items so generously donated by the ladies in RWWC disappear from the shelves of the GAL Closet.

A big thank you goes out to all of you for helping to keep this project moving. As I am writing this, Jackie Miller and the Sew n Sews are working on totes for the next delivery due in November. They are also sewing sleep shorts for boys with sizes up to 14.

During the September meeting, donations of books, hygiene products, socks and the like were made in abundance. Thank you! Thank you!

Because of recent donations made on behalf of this project, it appears the next delivery set for the end of November is in very good shape. **The items most needed are t-shirts for boys with sizes 6x to 14 – mostly the larger ones.** Black, gray, white, red and navy please. Plain with no printing or pictures.

Because the delivery in November is so close to the Holiday Season, we are asking for **small fleece blankets** to include in the Bedtime Bags. These can be found at local discount stores like WalMart for about \$3.50-5.00. Fuzzy socks with non-skid soles are always welcome.

Your superpower is that you care!

From Jessica Stanfield, Executive Director,



“A.N.A.'s Friends, formerly known as the Guardian ad Litem Foundation - 20th Judicial Circuit, Inc., is excited to continue its vital work in serving **Abused, Neglected, and Abandoned** children in Southwest Florida. Our core purpose, to provide these vulnerable children with unwavering support, care, guidance, and resources, remains stronger than ever.

This change signifies a new chapter in our journey, but I want to assure you that ***our fundamental mission and commitment to the children we serve remain steadfast and unwavering***, just as it has for over 40 years.

Your unwavering belief in our mission and your steadfast partnership have been instrumental in our journey. Your support has not just been simply a donation, a grant or dollar amount; it has been a catalyst for change, a force that has reverberated in the lives of those who needed it the most. Your impact has been, and will continue to be, transformative for children facing their darkest moments.”

Thank you for all you do. Let's keep up the good work!!

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KNIT AND CHAT

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Be kind whenever possible. It is always possible." His Holiness Dalai Lama

October, and it “feels” like Fall – at least when I get my yarn out and start to think of sweaters and mittens and hats – oh, I forgot, I live in Florida!

However, that has not kept the ladies of the Knit n Chat group from knitting and crocheting all of the wonderful items you all can see at the upcoming Bazaar on October 21st.

Some of those items include Worry Worms which some of you may have seen on Facebook under the “Crochet Acts of Kindness” site. There will be a Children’s Corner this year as well as an area devoted to smaller, beautiful items created by our very talented women. Be sure to stop by to ooh and aah over everything!

The Knit n Chat group meets weekly on Tuesdays at the RWA from 9:30 am to 11:30 am or so. If you would like to see what the fuss is all about, stop by! We’d love to hear from you and have you join our group.

As always, yarn donations are gratefully accepted. Let’s keep the enthusiasm and creativity going!



RECEPTION

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Please wear your name tags. If you forget, we have temporary tags you can have.

Thank you, Diane



Sew n Sews

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Short and sweet. Our new schedule for Tuesdays from now on will be every first Tues and third Tues of the month. Our first meeting will be September 5th from 9 am to 12 pm. As always, please feel free to join us. Looking forward to seeing you.



SUNSHINE COMMITTEE

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Hello sister RWWC Club members.

Please call or send an email to me when a member needs some get well cheer, encouragement or condolences. An appropriate card will be sent to them right away to let them know their sister members are thinking about them.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me for a chat.



TONETTES

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The Tonettes have already been practicing holiday tunes to put into our playlist for retirement and rehab homes. Songs people know by heart.

Some of our audiences did not have a live performance in three years due to Covid and Hurricane Ian. One of our main goals is to not have this happen again. Can you imagine the joy of being able to sing carols or other known songs along with a fun loving group of gals? Good for the heart.....good for the soul.

Come on and join us---do you sing in the car, feel like you might holding that voice back around others? Would you like to sing like you are belting it out on stage in Nashville! Then, your stage is our stage!. You don't have to be a classically trained vocalist!! You don't have to know how to read music. All genres, all skill levels. For those who play other musical instruments, we can also use that talent, come join our group....the stage is open, open your door! Your voice will make a difference in people's lives.

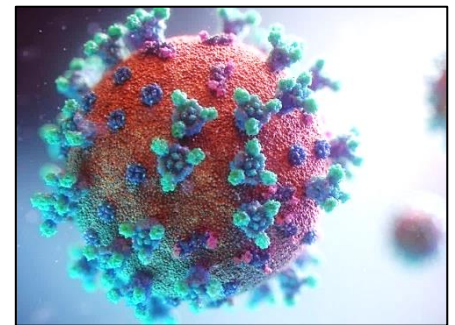
We meet on Tuesdays from 1-3 pm, at the Rotonda Community Center. All music is provided. Questions or concerns--feel free to contact me. 912-398-7047

COVID RESURGENCE

Information from my Doctor:

Symptoms:

1. Fever – call doctor if over 101
2. Cough Dry/productive that may be persistent
3. Fatigue tiredness/weakness – can be prolonged a month or more
4. Body aches
5. Headache
6. Shortness of breath especially on exertion
7. Sore throat
8. Loss of taste/smell
9. Congestion/runny nose
10. GI symptoms
11. Chills/shivering
12. Chest pain
13. Skin rashes



Treatment:

1. Isolation and Quarantine to help prevent spread
2. Symptom management OTC medicine –
Acetaminophen, Ibuprofen, Cough medication (antibiotics do not treat viral infections.)
3. Fluids and rest (this is the most important one) sit on the couch and watch TV. If you do too much, you can cause your symptoms to RETURN. Start back SLOW.
4. Oxygen and/or hospitalization in severe cases.

Doris Walker/Past President



Hungarian Parliament

My Summer of Travel!

By Rita Lopienski

July was an 18-day trip to Eastern Europe on Grand Circle Cruise Line. Our 14-day River Cruise on the Adagio had 100 passengers, traveling on the Black Sea & Danube. We enjoyed Romania (Bucharest & Constanta), Bulgaria (Ruse, Veliko Tarnovo, Arbanassi & Vidin), Serbia (Belgrade & Novi Sad), Croatia (Vukovar, Osijek & Aljmas), Hungary (Budapest), Slovakia (Bratislava) & the Czech Republic (Prague).

August was a 13-day tour of Namibia, southwest Africa. Giant red sand dunes, canyons, interesting tribes like the Himba, and Etosha National Park for game drives. Very dusty country!

September was an all-inclusive week in Negril, Jamaica. Hot & humid like Rotonda, very beautiful beaches, fine sand & cliffs. Too much food & drink!



Etosha National Park, Namibia



Namibia Craft Market Tribal Vendors



Namibia Sand Dune Climb



Negril Seven Mile Beach



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Thanks to everyone who submitted articles and photos – great job! Special thank you’s go to Doris Walker for the Covid update, and to Rita Lopienski for her vacation article and photos – I love, love, love the elephant – light and shadow in the perfect places!

I really appreciate it when members share important information, vacation photos, and items of interest. It means you care enough to share important information and your personal lives. Please continue to share articles of interest.

Thank you.



LOOKING AHEAD ??

October 17 – OneBlood Drive 9:00am – 3:00pm at Rotonda Hills Marina

October 16 – General Meeting 10:00am (9am Social Hour) at RWA Building

October 20 – Set up for Fall Bazaar at RWA Building

October 21 – Fall Bazaar at RWA Building

October 25 – New Member Orientation at RWA building

October 27-29 – GFWC Southern Region Annual Convention – Mississippi

October 28 – Walk to End Alzheimer’s at Broadmoor Park

November 3 – Board Meeting 1:00pm at RWA Building

November 4 – GFWCFL District 12 Annual Meeting at LaBelle

November 16 – General Meeting 10:00am (9am Social Hour) at RWA Building

November 25 – Rotonda West Gazebo Lighting at Rotonda Hills Marina

December 1 – Board Meeting 1:00pm at RWA Building

December 2 – Rotonda West Christmas Parade

December 8 – Holiday Tea Set-up at RWA Building

December 9 – Holiday Tea 11:30am – 3:00pm at RWA Building

December 21 – General Meeting 10:00am (9am Social Hour) at RWA Building

January 5 – Board Meeting 1:00pm at RWA Building

January 18 – General Meeting 10:00am (9am Social Hour) at RWA Building

January 25 – Trivia Night Fundraiser for Scholarships 6:00 – 9:00pm at RWA Building

February 3 – Furry Scurry 5K event 8:00am – 1.5 Mile Mutt Strutt 8:40am at South Gulf Cove

February 18 – Designer Bag Bingo



COMMITTEE SCHEDULED MEETINGS

RWWC Board Meeting – 1st Friday 1:00pm – except summer

Creative Crafters – Fridays 9am – watch for beginning date

Knit and Chat – Tuesdays 9:30-11:30am – RWA Building

Sew n Sews – 1st & 3rd Tuesday 9am-noon – RWA Building

Tonettes – Tuesdays 2-3pm – RWA Building

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Su Aune 9/7

Mary McCann 9/11

Ruthe Kuhn 9/14

Donna Rice 9/18

Sandy McKittrick 9/26

Jean Rotter 9/27

Sandra Rahwan 9/28

Mary Margaret Nuzzi 10/3

Lisa Shavers 10/5

Rosana Halprine 10/6

Kathleen Holloway 10/13

Chetta Horigan 10/14

Marcia Budday 10/16

Debra Sigismondo 10/16

Nanci Jankowski 10/17

Jackie Miller 10/21

Rachele Adler 10/22

Kay Morris 10/22

Becky Powell 10/23

Posey Bauer 10/24

Sally Stroughton 10/26

Sally Vanderburgh 10/28

Jane Tumanic 10/29

Linda Bloom 11/4

Pat Collins 11/4

Betsy Bouchard 11/10

Barbara Kelley 11/12

Joan Knight 11/13

Merrilee Warner 11/13

Nancy Van Tassell 11/15

Dinicola Diana 11/19

Judy Gatewood 11/19

Norma Wood 11/20

Patricia Moodie 11/23

Anne Vickery 11/28

Clair Angelow 11/30

Judy Laing 11/30

Last Summer Fling – Lunch at Boca Lupo

Twenty members and friends enjoyed a great time –
eating with friends – doesn't get much better!



MEMBER MEETING SEPTEMBER 21, 2023





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RWA Activity Building.

9:00 am Social Hour – 10:00 am General Meeting.

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