



GFWC Contemporary Women of North County

May 13, 2019 ♦ Meeting Minutes
Senior Center, San Marcos, CA

President Marianne F. called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm, and led in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. Twenty-six members and one guest were in attendance.

President Marianne F. introduced guest speaker Susan Nowicke, founder and executive director of EcoVivarium, "a non-profit museum dedicated to reptiles, amphibians and anthropods with hands-on encounters". Susan's organization provides these rescued animals in a therapy program for at-risk children.

MEETING MINUTES & TREASURER'S REPORT: Marianne F. reminded the members that last month's meeting minutes and treasurer's report are posted on the Meeting and Membership Information page on the CWONC website.

SERVICE PROJECTS:

Ronald McDonald House lunch: Joy S. reported that there were 13 volunteers helping to prepare and serve lunch to relatives of young patients at the Rady Children's Hospital. More kitchen staff helped make the task easier this time.

Eggstravaganza: Jean S. said the Easter celebration was a huge success.

Family Day: Jean S. also reported that on May 18th, there will be a firing demonstration for the military families, with a lunch provided. Jean said the organizers would like CWONC to provide the cookies again. The affair will start at 12 P.M. and last until 3 or 3:30 P.M.

Fisher House Dinner: On June 20th, the Fisher House will be serving dinner to current military personnel in residence, food provided and served by CWONC members. Jean said the cost of the food is coming out of her Fisher House budget.

Twisted Stitches: Madeline C. explained the activities to new members. She will provide yarn and instructions to those who would like to learn to knit or crochet, and yard to those who are skilled and wish to contribute to on-going CWONC projects.

Mothers' Day Tea Recap: Pam I. reported on the May 17th style show put on at the San Marcos Senior Center. CWONC members modeling for the event were Butter B., Claudia G., Jean S., Judy J., Kathy S., Katie D., Sandy R. and Sandy Y.

Solutions for Change Dinner: Rebecca B. said the dinner will be served on June 5th. Enough members have signed up to assist. The next dinner will be in September.

Relay for Life, American Cancer Society: Marianne F. reported, in Kathy M.'s absence, that the next event is June 22 - 23. Members who wish to participate can sign up on-line. The website is noted in Marianne's e-mail that announces the coming events.

SERVICE PROJECTS (continued):

Sew-In: Marianne F. thanked members who came early to the meeting to cut out bears shapes from material that will be used at the next sew-in on June 29th. Members will be making stuffed teddy bears for the Vista Community Clinic.

Project Reporting: Claudia G. and Madeline C. explained the new method for recording volunteer hours. Volunteer hours will be reported by the chairperson via e-mail to Madeline within two weeks of the activity. The totaled hours will then be reported to GFWC at the end of the year.

FUNDRAISING:

San Diego County Fair: Marianne F. said sufficient numbers of members had signed up for the up-coming events, i.e. Student Showcase and Creative Youth. Members are to create carpools. Marianne stated more volunteers are needed for the International Beer Festival in June.

Bags N' Brews: Barbara D. gave a recap of the successful San Marcos fund raising event held on May 4th. Eleven members and one husband participated. The club earned about \$320.

PALOMAR DISTRICT: Marianne F. and Debby W. attended the District Convention. CWONC was awarded a Certificate for Home Life.

FUN STUFF:

Bunco Night: Pam I. reported that Kathleen K. will be holding the event. Kathleen then said ten participating members will be playing Bingo, instead of Bunco.

Upcoming Events: Connie K. first reported that the tour of the Carlsbad Gemological Institute was very informative and enjoyed by all attending. Barbara D. mentioned that she would like to plan a trip for members to a museum, but will wait until our fundraising season is over.

MEMBERSHIP:

Kathleen K. announced the anniversaries of the following:

Barbara D. - 5 years
Debby W. - 10 years
Jean S. - 5 years
Kathy S. - 5 years
Linda B. - 5 years

Madeline C. - 5 years
Marianne V. - 5 years
Rebecca B. - 5 years

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Due to time constraints, any current announcements will be read at next month's meeting.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 7:57 pm.