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From the President

Good day ladies.

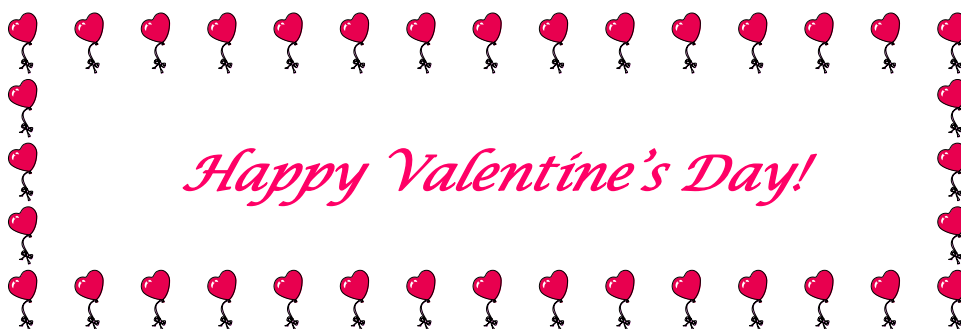
It was a pleasure to see everyone and to start out a new year 2015. I hope we can all look forward to a happy one. We have several activities coming, and I will be seeking lots of

participation so that we may be recognized within the community as an active and concerned group.

See you all soon.



Priscilla



February Meeting

Ms. Barb Shepherd, publisher of the West Volusia Beacon, will be the speaker at the February 5th meeting of the VIA Orange City Woman's Club. Her topic will be

"How the Beacon can enrich your Life".

My hostesses are Barbara Kinzly, Bette Fox, and Therese Callahan.

Social time is 12:30 pm.

Come, enjoy and bring a friend!

Marion Raymer

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Love and Hugs

Hello Everyone,

I am always happy to see a new year roll in. It gives me a clean slate and that is always a comfort.

So here it is 15 days into the new year and

everything is running smoothly. Isn't that great?

January birthdays:

4 - Dorrie Larson
5 - Margaret Childress
22 - Laura Wendorf
23 - Kathleen Hilbrandt

February birthdays:
7 - Kathleen Brooke
9 - Pat Sims

To our members who are ill, recuperating or just need a cheery hello—God Bless.

Genie

Notes from the First Vice President

Greetings Everyone,

I have been busy working on our web presence in cyberspace. I have added a video listing page to our website, and we have our first YouTube Video ready for you to view on it! This first installment is an interview of Kathleen Hilbrandt. She is interviewed about her life's story. The Video page link is listed on the top navigation bar of the website. We will be creating an update to this video with my brand new digital camera so watch for that next!

Our Facebook page

now has 40 likes! Thanks to all of you who have liked the page or had a relative like us. We still need 60 more but we will get there :) Remember, if you know of a sale, or event, or maybe you have a favorite recipe you would like to share, please share it with us on our Facebook page! A link to our Facebook page is available on the website or search for VIA Orange City Woman's Club using the Facebook Search tool.

I will be bringing my laptop to all meetings and will be there during social time so if you are

having trouble getting the newsletters from either of the GFWC websites, please let me know at the time you arrive. I can also help you find our website or our Facebook page using your smart phone or tablet/laptop. I will help one or two members per session during social time on a first come, first serve basis.

As always, a parting quote: "Life is short, and it's up to you to make it sweet" – Sara Louise Delany

Laura

New Year's Resolutions

How about making a resolution to bring any (or all) of the following items to our VIA meetings?

To Each Meeting:

Guests who may be potential members!

Tab tops from soda cans, fruit cans, etc.

Education labels from General Mills box tops and Kleenex boxes

Campbell Soup labels for education

Magazines to share and/or suitable for nursing homes, the magazines should *not* be over a year old (except National Geographic) and *not* Reader's Digest *regular* print (large print is okay).

Product coupons for Majestic Oaks

Eye glasses for Ethiopia

Leftover or old medications (One of our members will take them to the City disposal bin.)

Bringing items to our meetings is one resolution I'm sure we can keep!

Joan

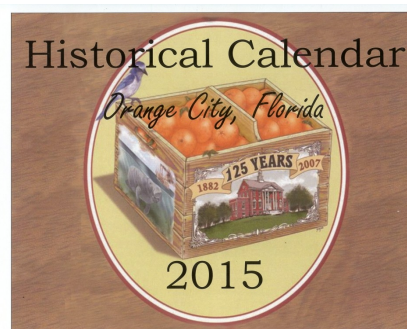


Check out our website — gfwcorangecity.org

Historical Calendars

We still have calendars. Now, they are only \$5.00 each! Remember—**this was our only fund raiser for 2014.** So please support your club by buying calendars.

Joan



Who's Job Is It?

This is a story about four people named Everybody, Somebody, Anybody and Nobody.

There was an important job to be done, and Everybody was sure Somebody would do it. Anybody could have done it, but Nobody did it. Somebody got angry about that because it was Everybody's job. Everybody thought Anybody could do it but Nobody realized that Everybody wouldn't do it. It ended up that Everybody blamed Somebody when Nobody did what Anybody could have done.

Does this remind any of you which one of these four people you may be most like? The VIA needs Everybody to pitch in and Somebody do Anybody's Job so Nobody can blame Everybody.

Wisdom

"To laugh often and much; to win the respect of intelligent people and the affection of children; to earn the appreciation of honest critics and endure the betrayal of false friends; to appreciate beauty; to find the best in others; to leave the world a bit better whether by healthy child, a garden patch, or a redeemed social condition; to know even one life has breathed easier because you have lived. This is to have succeeded."

Ralph Waldo Emerson

and

Humor

A woman walks into a post office and notices a middle-aged, well-dressed man standing at the counter methodically placing "Love" stamps on bright pink envelopes with hearts all over them. As he seals each envelop he sprays it with a puff of perfume.

The woman's curiosity gets the better of her, so she goes up to the man and asks what he is doing. The man replies, "I'm sending out 1,000 Valentine cards signed, 'Guess who?'"

"But why?" she asks.

"Because I'm a divorce lawyer," the man replies.

125 Years and Counting!

Wow. GFWC Crescent City is 125 years old! Isn't that wonderful?

They held an anniversary celebration January 17th, and Pat Sims, Ginny MacDonald and I attended. It was a wonderful party with delicious finger foods, fun skits, singing, and a pianist playing for our enjoyment.

One of the Club's ongoing projects is the Little Blue House Heritage Museum and Art Center, which we Or-

ange City ladies got to tour. It's a charming circa 1871 cottage that the Club has filled with period furnishings and memorabilia. It also holds local artists' works.

Even the trip up and back was fun. It was a lovely day, and it was great fun to travel through the countryside—cow and horse pastures, ferneries—lovely.

The Crescent City ladies were warm and welcoming, and we

three had a wonderful time!

Joan



President-Elect Mary Powell, Crescent City President, Carol Horner, Green Cove Springs' Clara Freeman and Orange City's Joan LaFleur

Manatee Festival

Saturday morning dawned cold and rainy on the first day of the 30th Manatee Festival. That didn't stop the hale and hearty members of our club who set up a booth to let everyone know that the VIA Orange City Woman's Club is alive and well.

As visitors passed our booth we introduced them to our organiza-

tion and to many of the projects in which we are involved.

Sunday was clear and cold, but still more visitors came out to enjoy the manatees, food, crafts and other festivities. We even sold a few calendars and pin-wheels.

Louise



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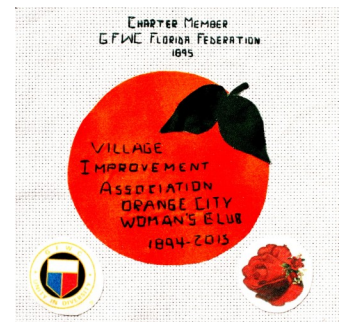


Unity in Diversity

GFWC Florida Special Recognition

In observance of the GFWC Florida Federation's 120th Anniversary, a commemorative quilt is being made with a square from each of the 160 local woman's clubs. Ours, shown in the photo, is on its way to Randi Canfield who is in charge of the project. As one of the five charter member clubs, it is important that we participate in this project. Thanks to Dorrie Larson, we are!

Joan



Event Calendar

February

- 5 - Board Meeting, 9:00 am, Albertus Cottage
- 5 - General Meeting, 1:00 pm, Social time 12:30 pm
- 14 - Valentine's Day
- 16 - President's Day
- 27 & 28 - African American Heritage Festival