



Pine Castle Woman's Club

"The Heart of the Community since 1940"

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March - May 2022

Mission Statement: To bring individuals together to serve the philanthropic needs of the community.

Goals and Objectives:

- To provide a forum in which members can develop their individual talents and leadership skills.
- To collect and preserve the history of the greater Pine Castle area.
- To maintain the clubhouse for use by future generations.
- To provide a reasonable venue for community gatherings so that it continues to serve as "the heart of the community."
- To follow the tenets of the GFWC and GFWC FL, supporting them whenever possible.

Mission Support: The Russell Home for Atypical Children, Servant's Heart Ministry, The Foundation for Life Ministries and other local charities.

Events and Projects:

- Corner Rose Tea Room (ongoing)
- Engraved Brick Sales (ongoing)
- Neighborhood Fun and Games (monthly)
- Members Arts and Craft Day (January)
- Black History Month Event (April)
- Fifth Grade Essay Contest (April)

Meetings: Meetings are held at the Pine Castle Woman's Club on the 2nd Wednesday, September through May. Visitors are welcome.

Board of Directors – 2021-2022:

President – Sandy Chandler
 Second Vice President (House) – Igdalia Zayas-Oliver
 Third Vice President (Membership) – Arlene Gimondo
 Recording Secretary – Maggi Ventura
 Treasurer – Margaretta Douglas
 Director – Veronica Bryant
 Director – Ruthie Harrell
 Director - Lee Ann Hill

A Message from the President



As the saying goes, "time flies when you're having fun", and it's hard to believe that the 2021-2022 Pine Castle Woman's Club year will soon be over. It was another challenging year, but I am very proud of all of you who hung in there with us. Thank you!

Members continued to focus on **Chandler's five C's** this year as we moved the Club forward which includes:

• Commitment

John C. Maxwell said: *"Ordinary people with commitment can make an extraordinary impact on their world."*

• Continued Education

Ronald E. Osborn said: *"Unless you try to do something beyond what you have already mastered, you will never grow."*

• Communication

In today's world, everything revolves around not good, but GREAT communication. And, even the best communicators continually seek to improve their skills.

• Creativity

George Bernard Shaw said: *"Life isn't about finding yourself. Life is about creating yourself."*

• Connectivity

Connectivity is everyone's responsibility – yours and mine. It takes ALL of us working together to achieve that vital link in the Pine Castle community.

WELCOME! New Members

We extend a welcome to our new members:

Joan Bowers - attended the "Painting with a Purpose" event that we partnered with Servant's Heart Ministry.

Sheila Gibson - attended a tea with the Pine Castle Baptist Church seniors group and immediately joined and volunteered to assist with the CRTR teas.



2021 - 2022 Standing Committee Chairs

Black History Month – Margaretta Douglas

Brick Sales – Joyce Broughman

Bylaws – Gail Padgett

Community Events – Veronica Bryant

Corner Rose Tea Room – Ruthie Harrell and Cathy Lindberg

Fifth Grade Essay Contest – Laura Houston

Game Day – Cindy Lance and Minnette Mullings

GFWC Liaison – Lynne Marshall

Hospitality – Linda DiPietro

Neighborhood Fun and Games – Margaretta Douglas and Minnette Mullings

Pine Castle Historical Society – Veronica Bryant

Scrapbook/Photographs - Lynne Marshall

Fourth Annual Black History Celebration

"The African American American Experience"

The program on April 3, 2022, was dedicated to the memory of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. (1/15/29-4/4/68). "I believe that unarmed truth and unconditional love will have the final word in reality. This is why right, temporarily defeated, is stronger than evil triumphant."

Featured speakers were: Dr. Portia K. Maulsby, Three Star Admiral David L. Brewer, III (retired) and the Honorable Judge Belvin Perry, Jr., Esp. (retired).



Mildred Teague Evans

July 16, 1930 - March 1, 2022

Life Is a Journey

Birth is a beginning
and death a destination
And life is a journey
From childhood to maturity
and youth to age;
From innocence to awareness
and ignorance to knowing;
From foolishness to desecration
and then perhaps to wisdom.
From weakness to strength
or from strength to weakness
and often back again;
From health to sickness
and we pray to health again.
From offense to forgiveness
from loneliness to love
from joy to gratitude
from pain to compassion
from grief to understanding
from fear to faith.
From defeat to defeat
until looking backwards
or ahead
We see that victory lies not
at some high point
along the way
But in having made the journey
step by step
a sacred pilgrimage.
Birth is a beginning
and death a destination
And life is a journey;
A second journey
to life everlasting.

-Author Unknown

March 9th Meeting

Joy Dickinson, Florida Flashback writer for the Orlando Sentinel and an honorary member was our keynote speaker.

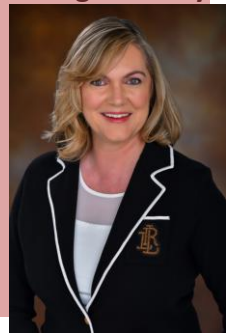
Joy's captivating presentation was full of wisdom, history, literary quotes, anecdotes of local lore, and delightful humor making it an inspiring Women's History Month meeting!

Thank you,
Joy!



April 13th Meeting

Guest Speaker: **Linda Kobert, District 3, Orange County School Board**



Topic: **Pandemic
Impact on School
Board Members**

Fifth Grade Essay Contest Winners:

1st Place Winner: Lucas Starr - Blankner Elementary

2nd Place Winner: Jorge Jimenez - Winegard Elementary

3rd Place Winner Starnaelle Pozan - Pine Castle Christian Academy

Merit Award Winner: Emily Masucci - Pershing Elementary

Merit Award Winner: Lyneli Rosa Santiago - Cornerstone Charter Academy

Essay Contest Judges

Laura Houston, Chair
Jane Barry
Sandy Chandler
Cindy Lance
Linda Winter

Subject:
**"How Can I Be a
Better Citizen"**

Birthdays

March Birthdays

2 Cathie Clarke
4 Gail Padgett
7 Dali Zayas-Oliver

April Birthdays

2 Joyce Broughman
6 Graeme Lockwood
7 Joy Dickinson
8 Pete Clarke
12 Ann Bennett
22 Christie Woods
26 Ginny Glor
29 Joan Bowers

May Birthdays

13 Roxanne Noles
23 Margaretta Douglas
25 Lynn Armstrong
26 Jackie Davenport
26 Donna Cox

June Birthdays

1 June Schuman
5 Z Bookhardt
6 Ruthie Harrell
21 Linda DiPietro
26 Eileen Bergin



May 11th Meeting

2022-2023 Installation of Board of Directors

Linda Chapin, Honorary Member and the 2017 Florence Bumby Fishback Award for Exceptional Community Service.



GFWC FL DC RAIL TRIP



ALL ABOARD THE GFWC FLORIDA BLUE UMBRELLA TRAIN

WASHINGTON, DC RAIL TRIP

Hosted by GFWC Florida President Dianne Foerster
March 30-April 4, 2022



General Federation of Women's Clubs (GFWC) is made up of nearly 80,000 members who are committed to making a difference through volunteer work and community service projects. These clubwomen join local clubs in U.S. State Federations and International Affiliates, which forms GFWC's membership as a whole.

GFWC Southern Region

Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Mississippi, and SC.

State Level

GFWC has members in each of the 50 states. State Federations host individual conferences each spring. County and district levels are contained within the state level. These two Federation categories vary from state to state; some states choose not to have county and district levels, whereas other states contain multiple counties and districts.

Local Level

GFWC is comprised of nearly 3,000 local clubs. Each club elects officers and works independently on various projects in their community.



Sandy with Marian St Clair, GFWC International President, and Dianne Foerster, GFWC FL President



Sandy and Daughter Kelly at group dinner.



Thank you, Diania Pimenta, Abora Travel, for coordinating this awesome DC trip.

GFWC Federation HQ Building

