



The De Anza District Roadrunner

Proud Members of CFWC and GFWC

Donna Allosada, Editor



A Message From De Anza District President, Mickie Reed



De Anza District Sisters and Brothers,

We enjoyed a wonderful September Conference. I am so thankful for all the work that our host, Hemet Woman's Club, put in to make the event successful. The venue was so cheery and bright, the food delicious and the skit was delightful. I am hoping that some of our members respond to the Hemet Libraries' Literacy Program's call for volunteers and that the Hemet teachers enjoy their survival kits and feel loved and appreciated.

Now, it is time to gear up for our November Conference in beautiful, sunny Indio. Our focus will be on Health and Wellness and we will do a project to benefit new mothers and hear a speaker who will tell us how to take care of ourselves.

Some of our clubs are very motivated by the District Club Participation Project and are working hard to get points. GFWC HOPE received the points for getting the highest percentage of new members and Perris Valley Woman's Club had the highest percentage of members attend the September Conference. Beaumont, Indio and Riverside are on the board for having their members attend other club's events.

The CFWC Membership Team has offered another incentive. For clubs that get 5 new members before December 1st, they will receive a certificate, and if they get 10 new members, they get a certificate and entered to win \$100 gift card. If clubs get 25 new members, they will receive a party hosted by the Membership Team. If Districts grow by 10%, they will get a party. We need 62 members district-wide to get a party and WE WANT TO PARTY!

Let's keep Connecting the Dots and I will see you soon.

Peace, Love, Happiness and Health,

Mickie Reed

CFWC De Anza District President

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GFWC Woman's Club of Indio to Host November District Conference!

Be sure to get your club's registration in on time so you don't miss out on attending the November 18, 2024, De Anza District Conference hosted by the Woman's Club of Indio. You will be brought current on all things pertinent in the coming year for club activities.

We will enjoy a fun Health & Wellness Project in a Day, Dr. Eric Davenport will teach us to have better balance and prevent falls, and a Bank of America representative will talk about Zelle. Then we'll have a scrumptious lunch!

The deadline to get your registration in is NO LATER THAN November 6, 2024. Come to sunny Indio at our beautiful venue, Heritage Palms, and let's have some fun together Connecting the Dots!

Woman's History Mickie Reed, a Biography

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Mickie Reed, a Biography
Peg Boortz, Chair

As the De Anza District Woman's History Chair, I am responsible for writing essays about accomplished women who have contributed to our quality of life. I could write about women who lived long ago, but I decided to write about members of the District who are leading remarkable lives now. I want Woman's History to be our history, and after all, the speech I gave at the conference is now history.

I chose Mickie Reed to be the De Anza District's first Woman of Distinction, and rightfully so. You will be surprised at all that Mickie has done. Did you know she wanted to be a farmer or that she was a nightclub singer at the tender age of eighteen? There's so much more to her story, so click here to find out why we admire her.

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Contact: Info.DeAnzaDistrict@gmail.com

2024-2026 District & CFWC Calendar

2024

11/18/24: Indio (Health & Wellness)

2025

1/20/25: Holtville (Civic Engagement)
2/1/25: De Anza District Fundraiser
2/6/25: Winter Board Meeting/LEADS
3/17/25: Temecula (Arts & Culture)
April '25: Area D Convention - Beaumont
5/15/25: Convention – San Jose
9/15/25: Elsinore (Advocates for Children)
10/18/25: Area D Convention
11/17/25: Riverside (Environment)

2026

1/19/26: Corona (Legislation & Pub. Rel.)
3/16/26: Beaumont (Domestic Violence)
April '26: Area D Convention - Temecula

Connecting the Dots with The Roadrunner!

We hope you enjoy the new name and format for *The De Anza District Roadrunner* newsletter. We ask that all articles submitted to the newsletter be informative for all District members. Submit articles to Donna Allosada at beesum1@sbcglobal.net. If you know a member in your club who is not receiving a copy of this newsletter by email, please contact info@deanzadistrict.org so that can be corrected.

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Newsletter published: 8/15/24

DECEMBER 2024: Articles due: 11/25/24
Newsletter published: 12/13/24

OCTOBER 2024: Articles due: 9/23/24
Newsletter published: 10/15/24

FEBRUARY 2025: Articles due: 1/20/25
Newsletter published: 2/13/25

JUNE 2025: Articles due: 5/30/25
Newsletter published: 6/15/25

**Membership
PARTY**

**GFWC CALIFORNIA FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS
2ND V.P./MEMBERSHIP CINDY SANDERS'
CLUB MEMBERSHIP INCENTIVE:**

**GET 25 NEW MEMBERS BY DECEMBER 1, 2024
AND CFWC'S MEMBERSHIP TEAM WILL PERSONALLY COME TO
YOUR CLUB AND THROW A PARTY!**



ESO

October is National Book Month

A message from De Anza District
ESO Chair, Marlon Carrier

De Anza District Members:

As mentioned in the August edition of *The Roadrunner*, the Woman's Club of Riverside is hosting a luncheon series with local authors. Following are the details thus far:

Wednesday, November 13 at 12 noon: Riverside Woman's Club is hosting a Meet the Author luncheon with Susan Straight, Riverside author & UCR Professor. Lunch will be served at noon at a charge of \$7.50 for RWC non-Members and \$5.00 for RWC Members. **RSVP** by November 7th to riversidewomansclub2@gmail.com OR call Teri at 951-312-5862.

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Women's History Resource Center

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Woman's History is a broader subject than just reviewing women's accomplishments of long ago that are important to us today. Women living now are making history and deserve to be recognized, too. Women in the De Anza District are definitely included in that category, and we need to keep permanent records of the Who and What in our club archives. What better way to inspire future members than to know what we accomplish daily?

I urge every club to start collecting every willing member's autobiography, short or long, and print them on acid-free paper or make oral recordings. Form a committee to compile a list of suggested topics, offer to help members write their autobiographies, or interview the more reluctant ones.

Bios could include everything from where a person was born to the present—and don't be bashful about education, membership in other clubs, awards, family, and occupations. Add anecdotes, reasons for joining a Woman's Club and its benefits, positions held, plans, and, by all means, every success.

Let's make Woman's History our history!

GFWC / CFWC 2024 Competition Rules, Forms, & Deadlines

Laureen Pedroza,
De Anza District Arts & Culture Chair

De Anza District Members,

Please follow the attached links to the 2024 competition rules, forms, and deadlines. I included links to the forms for each of the competitions. Hopefully this will make it easy for anyone who is interested in any competition to find information. Please contact the contest chairperson or me, if we can be of any assistance.

Laureen Pedroza

The California Federation of Women's Clubs has listed 5 contests for 2024. Below is a general overview of each.

GFWC Writing Contest

Send your club winners by mail or email to: Kay Masonbrink, De Anza District Writing Chairman, 7746 Dutra Drive, Hemet, CA 92545 or kmasonbrink@roadrunner.com, no later than Friday, February 14, 2025.

Entries due to California Federation of Women's Clubs by Monday, March 3, 2025. While CFWC will not be judging this category at the state level, CFWC will submit District first place student writing entries to GFWC. Get De Anza forms here: www.cfwcdeanzadistrict.org/newsletter

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CFWC Photography Contest

Entries are due by Tuesday, April 15, 2025, for judging at the CFWC level. Entries are due to GFWC for judging at the national level by May 15, 2025.

Young Musicians Competition

Applicants may send a CD, cassette, or other digital format (video recommended) of their performance to Carol Spiker, Chairman, 6240 Summerset Lane, Citrus Heights CA 95621 ph: 926-723-2314 / email: carolnpaul@comcast.net, prior to April 1, 2025. They do not have to be club or district winners.

CFWC Website Competition Club level contest, no 2024 update.

GFWC 2024-2026 Jennie Award

This award is the only national honor bestowed by GFWC that recognizes individual members for personal excellence. Club members are nominated by their clubs to compete at state, regional, and national levels for the Federation's highest honor. Each club should be looking for candidates to nominate for this prestigious award.

Note: Clubs must complete and submit the required forms by June 1, 2025, the GFWC Jennie Award Nomination.

Other Important Notes

There is no information about the Newsletter Contest on the CFWC website.

CFWC no longer has an Arts and Craft competition. That said, I have been advised that we will still have a CFWC competition at the March 2025 District Conference. More information will be provided as we sort this out.

If you have any questions or if I can assist you in any way, please reach out to me via email or call me.

Club News & Events from Around the District

The Riverside Woman's Club Named in Best Non-Profit Category!

The Riverside Woman's Club was featured in the August issue of Stroll Alessandro Heights magazine and has been named as one of the three top non-profit organizations in the Inland Empire. The article features an appreciation event hosted by the Riverside Women's Club at their own Fire Station 2.

Congratulations Riverside Woman's Club! You're fantastic!



IN THE COMMUNITY

The Riverside Women's Club

An afternoon of appreciation for our heroes at Fire Station 2.

For those residents who have been able to meet me personally, you know that one thing I love just as much as connecting with our Alessandro Heights residents is when there is an opportunity to give back to the community. With the world moving at lightning speed and occasional grumblings of pessimism, it's great to be reminded that there is also so much good all around us. One such group that has been at the forefront of service and charity in our community is the Riverside Women's Club. In fact, they are Riverside's longest-standing community service club, being founded in January of 1896. That is just over 128 years of service. They started with a humble eleven members and have grown ever since. The group has played an important role in the

creation of well-known establishments throughout Riverside, including the Riverside Carnegie Library, Riverside Community Hospital, and Riverside Community Players, amongst many others. Numerous Alessandro Heights residents are members of this amazing group. Cyndi Nolasco, Janet Morgan, and Barb Federigast, just to name a few.

These amazing ladies reached out to me recently to participate in a great way to give back to some of our local heroes. On a bright sunny Saturday, the Riverside Women's Club came together at Riverside's Fire Station 2 on Arlington to make and serve dinner to the great group of individuals who help protect our city and citizens every day.

Station 2 is unique in that it does more than your average fire station.

They have over five different rigs on-site for multitudes of uses and emergencies. One of which is an amazing ladder truck that runs the full length of the garage, and another is the Haz-Mat team. This station is equipped with not only the tools but also the personnel to help in so many ways.

As food was being prepped, the gentlemen of Station 2 took turns guiding us around the firehouse. The first stop was heading through where the emergency vehicles were housed. I instantly transformed from a middle-aged man back into a little kid. My eyes widened as I walked up to the bright red and chrome firetruck. We walked our way past each vehicle as our guides explained what each rig was used for and some of the specialized equipment

and tools that were found onboard. I could have stood there looking at the trucks all day, but we did move on to workout area, and the living quarters. As the tours wrapped up dinner was set to begin. Alongside the galley is a beautiful large table with the fire station logo emblazoned on it. This was a place for our local heroes to congregate around and enjoy a meal when not in action around our city. The firehouse set a special radio call through the communication system, welcoming the ladies of the Riverside Women's Club. It was great to witness the joint appreciation between these two phenomenal groups.

As dinner was about to be served, the Riverside Women's Club presented a certificate of appreciation to the firehouse. A prayer was made, blessing the food and guests, and fun times commenced.

The spread for the night was Italian-focused. Two different lasagnas, ravioli, Italian sausage, garlic bread, salads, a Caprese salad, and multiple different pasta options. The aroma

flowed firehouse as covers came off and plates were filled. The delicious with conversation and lots of laughter. I think the Riverside Women's Club ladies got a kick out of chatting with the firefighters as much as the firefighters did in return.

As everyone wrapped up their meals, the firemen had a final surprise for the Club. They offered to take them on ride-alongs in the big ladder truck. Four at a time the ladies took turns jumping in the cab, getting their safety belts on, and donning some headsets. One group after another came back with smiles on their faces. The firemen asked if there was anyone else who wanted to jump in the rig for a ride before we wrapped up the afternoon. As our publisher, I was there as a guest needed, so I resisted as best I could to jump at the opportunity. Then a small chorus of Club members began telling me I absolutely had to go on the truck. I resisted ever so briefly, and then quickly gave in. 10-year-old Joshua was back and I practically skipped my

way to the firetruck. It was great to ride along in the giant ladder truck and communicate with both the front and tall drivers as they gave us some fun information on different rigs, training, and their roles on calls.

It was a great opportunity to celebrate some of our local heroes with the group of passionate individuals who make up the Riverside Women's Club. Their hearts for supporting the community and finding ways of giving back are what this world can always use more of. I look forward to supporting this group anytime there is an opportunity to do so.

If you'd like more information on how you can support the Riverside Women's Club, or if you'd like to become a member, reach out to your Alessandro Heights neighbors who are in the (951)212-0250. Not only do they give us in so many important ways, but they also have fun get-togethers for Brunch, Wine & Paint Hours, Game Nights, and Ladies Who Lunch/Dine.

Are you a part of an organization that loves to give back? We'd love to hear about it and be a part of it.

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- BEST NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION**
- 1. ARLINGTON BUSINESS PARTNERSHIP (ABP)**
9800 Indiana Ave., No. 2, Riverside
951-509-1100, riversideabp.com
 - 2. FOSTER ARMY ANIMAL RESCUE & PET RESCUE THRIFT STORE**
6520 Magnolia Ave., Riverside
951-222-2104, fosterarmy.org
 - 3. RIVERSIDE WOMAN'S CLUB**
4092 Tenth St., Riverside
951-686-2278, riversidewomansclub.com

LEADS - LEADERSHIP, EDUCATION, AND DEVELOPMENT SEMINAR

Do you want to learn more about leadership? All De Anza District club members are eligible to apply and the deadline to apply with your local club is fast approaching!

Act Now!

The LEADS program is designed to identify and develop future Federation leaders, for the Club, District, State, and GFWC National level. Each Club is encouraged to send a LEADS candidate to District for the selection process. One candidate each year will be chosen to represent the District at the CFWC State Convention. At CFWC LEADS, one District Representative will be selected to go to GFWC LEADS to be a LEADS graduate. If your club candidate is not selected at District this year, they may try again. The selected District Representative will be expected to come back to District and lead a District seminar to share their knowledge with the other candidates.

The representative chosen by District to go to CFWC, may not apply for LEADS a second time, even if they are not chosen to represent the State at GFWC. However, most of the LEADS training comes at the State level. The Representatives learn about Federation, protocol, public speaking, club finance requirements, club ethics, and conflict resolution. Most representatives come back from LEADS training enthused and committed to moving up in Leadership. Many representatives find that LEADS is their most meaningful experience in Federation.

To apply for LEADS, candidates should submit the following items to De Anza District Leadership Chair Jan Emde at cfmd8@verizon.net by January 1, 2025. Late submissions will not be accepted.

1. CFWC LEADS application (also on the De Anza District website)
2. 5x7 photo of the candidate
3. Candidate's one-page resume

If selected, the representative will be required to attend the CFWC LEADS program. If the District LEADS representative is selected at CFWC to represent the state, the representative will be required to attend GFWC's LEADS program, as follows:

- CFWC LEADS, CFWC Winter Board Meeting, February 6-8th, 2025 at Glendale, CA
- GFWC LEADS, GFWC Convention, June 4-June 9, 2025, Atlanta, GA

The financial commitments required, such as travel, lodging and food, is costly. The De Anza District will provide our LEADS representative shared lodging and \$200 to assist with costs at CFWC LEADS. The representative's Club may also assist with costs. GFWC provides the state representative a stipend of \$325 and lunch during the LEADS program. Even with these contributions, there will be costs that are solely the responsibility of the representative. The participants are responsible for making their own travel and lodging arrangements.

Temecula Valley Woman's Club Books for Lunch



This is our "Books for Lunch" group which meets monthly to discuss a book we have read. The group selects 10 books each year to read and then discuss. Afterward, we have lunch. It's a great membership project too; especially for new members. It's also part of the Education/Libraries committee and ESO.

Jan Emde

Fundraiser, Fundraiser, Fundraiser!



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