

# De Anza Trails



JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2010

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### Theme

*Dare to dream, then take it over the  
rainbow with Federation*

### Symbol

*A rainbow*

### President's Project

*Heifer International - WILD  
(Women in Livestock Development)*

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Women's Clubs International

## MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT PAULA

Dear De Anza Members,

Here we go – already 2010 -- that's a whole decade into this century. This year was ushered in with sunshine and beauty. Although most of us had a rough year in 2009, this is an opportunity to show excitement and enthusiasm for great things happening next. Hope all had a wonderful holiday season.

De Anza hosted a Leadership Workshop in Hemet December 5. A lively attendance was a match for State Leadership Chairman Patricia Munson's active presentation, which was so timely and useful; all of us learned something new to take back to our clubs and to apply in our on-going quest to become better at what we do. Many thanks to Patricia, to all who attended, and to Barbara McRae and Helen McNair for arranging for the workshop to be held at the great Colonial Country Club's facility. (Please say "thank you to them also.

Our first District Conference of 2010 will be in Holtville January 18. The Barbara Worth Resort is closed, so plan to stay at the Best Western. The gracious Holtville club welcomes as many of your as can come to be there to share the day. Let Lola or Judy know if you are coming.

Everyone is probably working on REPORTS – what FUN to be able to brag about what your club has done, and to leave a history trail behind. I'm looking forward to many great reports and awards. Hope you all had a very successful "Act in Oct" membership recruitment, and that you have sent in your report and dues to Financial Secretary Barbara McRae. Keep on carrying applications, and just ask prospective members to join – sometimes that's all it takes!

Looking forward to seeing many of you in Holtville.

Much love in Federation, Paula Ruscigno.



## DISTRICT NEWS

### IT'S REPORT TIME

It is time to tell us about the wonderful work your clubs have been doing for the whole year of 2009. **WE WANT TO KNOW!!!!**

### **DEADLINES FOR SUBMITTING REPORTS:**

Postmark by:

**DECEMBER 31**.....CLUB CHAIRMEN TO CLUB DEANS.

**JANUARY 15**.....CLUB DEAN TO DISTRICT CHAIRMAN

**FEBRUARY 1**.....DISTRICT CHAIRMEN TO DISTRICT DEAN (HAVE JUDGED BEFORE SENDING TO DEAN)

**FEBRUARY 15**.....DISTRICT DEAN TO STATE CHAIRMAN

If you have any questions, please call me.

Jacki Antee, District Dean  
951-654-5820

### REPORTS INFORMATION CHANGE

We have a new Chairman for "**CRAFTS**". Please send your report to MARILYN WINDHAM, PO Box 460, San Jacinto, 92581, 951-927-3295; email-cswstmps@willapabay.org.

We do not have a chairman for "**HELPING HANDS**" at this time. Please send your reports to me, JACKI ANTEE, 1270 Avenida Rosa Mundi, San Jacinto, CA. 92583, 951-654-5820

**IF THERE IS ANYONE INTERESTED IN TAKING THE "HELPING HANDS" CHAIRMANSHIP FOR THE REST OF THIS YEAR, PLEASE CONTACT PAULA OR JACKI.**

### INTERESTED IN SERVING ON THE DE ANZA BOARD?

Please consider running for a District office. Article X, Nominations and Elections, of the District Bylaws, found on pages 38-39 of the 2009-10 District yearbook, lists the necessary qualifications.

Applications are due to the Nominating Committee by January 15 so if you are interested, contact your Club president for an application and club endorsement immediately. You also need one other club to endorse your candidacy. The second club to sponsor the nominee needs to write a letter of approval signed by the Club President. Send or deliver a copy of the application and the letter of endorsement to each member of the Nominating Committee no later than January 15, 2010.

Members of the Nominating Committee are:  
Lola Avery, 834 W. Monterey Rd, Corona 92882  
Sandra Lucas, 29603 Rossiter Rd, Murrieta 92563

Helen McNair, 601 N. Kirby, #528, Hemet 92545  
Sonya Matthies, 20345 Grand Ave, Wildomar 92595

Linda Steffer, 622 Roadrunner Way, Perris 92571  
Sonya Matthies, Parliamentarian

### ACT IN OCT

Congratulations to the clubs that met the ACT in OCT goal of 5 new Federation members.

Beaumont Woman's Club  
GFWC The Woman's Club of Indio  
Perris Valley Woman's Club  
Sun City Woman's Club  
Temecula Valley Woman's Club  
Woman's Improvement Club of Corona

Reggie Mattox, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President/Membership

### DE ANZA CONVENTION

Where will you be April 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>? We hope you will be at the Doral Princess Resort in

Cathedral City attending a fun-filled, educational De Anza Convention. Plus this year we have the added attraction of the installation of Jacki Antee and the 2010-2012 Board.

Room rates are: Single/double - \$169.01  
Triple - \$186.11  
Quad - \$203.21

These prices include taxes and Resort Fee – so this is the total price!

Rooms have one king bed or two queens. A roll-away bed may be added in king room for \$20.

Reservations must be made by March 9, 2010. Please call 888-386-4877 or 760-322-6801 and use Code De Anza District 23.

Meals are:

Friday Luncheon – Doral Deli Plate - \$28.00  
Smoked turkey breast, Black Forest ham, roast beef & salami, potato salad, cheeses, tomatoes, red onion, bread, Pound Cake w/fruit, coffee, tea

Friday Banquet – Tri Tip Steak **OR** Chicken in Fine Herbs - \$43.00  
Minestrone soup, California Banquet Salad, chocolate mousse w/whipped cream & chocolate shavings, coffee, tea

There will also be opportunity drawings, workshops, craft items, art and photography to view, great food as well as warm and friendly women to get to know. This is truly an event you do not want to miss.

## PAULA'S PURSE

How would you like to receive \$250 worth of gift cards, plus a beautiful purse for only \$5.00? Sound too good to be true? Well, it isn't!

The purse contains \$25 gift cards from:

Barnes & Noble  
Bath & Beauty Works  
Marie Callendar's Restaurant  
]Mimi's Restaurant  
Nordstrom's

Pottery Barn  
See's Candies  
Starbucks  
Stater Bros  
Trader Joe's

Tickets are available at the January 18 Conference in Holtville or by calling Helen Bedford, (951) 928-0036. There are only a few left of the 300 tickets available for sell.

Why are we having this fundraiser? When reviewing the budget, the Board realized monies were needed to cover administrative costs necessary to keep the District running smoothly and orderly. Board members decided to donate gift cards to provide this money.

Drawing will be held April 10, 2010, and the winner need not be present.

Helen Bedford, District Fundraiser

## DISTRICT CALENDAR OF EVENTS

January 11 – De Anza Board Meeting, Hemet  
18 – De Anza Conference, 219 E. 6<sup>th</sup> St, Holtville  
26 – Sun City Reciprocity Tea, 11:30 am, Civic Hall  
February 2 – Beaumont Reciprocity Tea, 11 am, 306 E. Sixth St  
5 & 6 – CFWC State Board, Mission Inn, Riverside  
9 – WIC of Corona, 1 pm, 1101 S. Main St  
14 - Menifee Valley WC presents ASLFREDO ROLANDO ORTIZ, Paraguayan harpist, \$20, 2-4 pm, Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 26800 Newport  
27 - Perris Valley's Crazy Auction, \$5, 11:30 am, Camper's Resort of America, 375 E. Ramona Expwy

## **2010 CONVENTIONS**

April 9 & 10 – De Anza Convention, Cathedral City
May 12-15 – CFWC Convention, San Francisco
June 12-15- GFWC Convention, Omaha, Neb

## CHAIRMAN NEWS

### CITIZENSHIP IN ACTION

Dear Club Chairman;  
I am looking forward to receiving your reports. I am willing to accept them at the District Conference in Holtville on January 18, 2010 if you choose not to mail them to me..

I hope that you have been actively promoting Citizenship within your club this past year and plan to continue doing so. I am listing some areas which you may not have considered during your term so far, but it is not too late to include them in your reporting. They are:

1-Flag salute at meetings and patriotic song if you sing one. Compute the minutes used and multiply by number of members present.

2-Anything to do with our American Indians which your club has done.

3-Our armed forces which also includes our coupon project.

4-Voting, poll work, the ballot tab drawing, local politics...

5-California history and landmarks.

6-Flag etiquette...demonstrations... proper flag folding, color guard presentations, proper displaying of flag...

7-Jury duty

8-Patriotic celebrations

9-Status on Women's Rights

I am certain there are many more but this is just to help you see that it is not just about one thing.

Thank you so much for all you have done this past year and let's keep up the good works.

Ellie Pledger, "Citizenship In Action" chairman

### INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

I will be in Holtville January 18 and will accept any club reports at that time

Pat Kelley, International Affairs Chair

## CLUB NEWS

### MENIFEE VALLEY WC

The Menifee Valley Woman's Club is excited to present ASLFREDO ROLANDO ORTIZ who is a world renowned Paraguayan harpist in an encore performance on Sunday, February 14, 2010, from 2-4 pm at the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Menifee. He will be assisting our club with our scholarship fundraising and is being brought back by popular demand. He has performed in Europe and with major symphonies throughout the Americas.

At last year's performance, his fans from San Diego and Orange Counties and our local communities attended and thoroughly enjoyed his concert. He provided an extraordinary musical experience while describing the differences in the rhythms and cultural nuances of the music.

For a \$20 donation, you can enjoy a delightful afternoon with family and friends while supporting a worthy cause.

For additional information and to purchase tickets, please call Marilyn Ploeckelmann at 951-679-4024 or Jackie Mabry at 951-246-4213. Thank you for your support.

### PERRIS VALLEY WC

It's that time of the year when the members of Perris Valley Woman's Club invite you to spend a Saturday afternoon having a warm and fuzzy lunch and a lot of laughs at our CRAZY AUCTION.

Date: Saturday, February 27

Time: 11:30 am

Place: Camper's Resort of America, 375 E. Ramona Expressway, Perris

Donation: \$5.00 includes lunch & auction number

Tickets, which are limited to 75, will be available at the January 18 De Anza Conference.

## GET A DISNEY DAY

Disney Corporation is starting "Give a Day. Get a Disney Day." in January 2010.

Whether it's helping out with animals or environmental programs, mentoring a child, supporting the arts, befriending a senior, feeding the hungry or building a home for someone who doesn't have one, start thinking about all the kinds of volunteering you'd do. Our clubs do all of the above and then some.

You must sign up at DisneyParks.com immediately and they will send you a confirmation. When the time comes to commit to a volunteer activity...they'll let you know!

You then:

- Complete your volunteer service.
- Once your service is verified, you will receive a certificate to print and bring, along with valid photo ID, to a Walt Disney World® or Disneyland® Theme Park in 2010 and enjoy! (Or you can donate your day to a designated organization.)

It may be too good to be true, but what do we have to lose?

Pat Kelley, Editor

## **GFWC NEWS**

### PLEDGE 24 in 2010!

GFWC is partnering with We TV to Give a Day. Change a Lot. Simply pledge 24 hours of volunteer service for 2010 at [www.WeTV.com](http://www.WeTV.com). Individuals who sign We TV's online pledge between December 17, 2009, and January 31, 2010, will be automatically entered in the Chic in the City sweepstakes to win a weekend trip to New York City. The trip includes a red-carpet movie premiere and after party, plus two nights in a boutique hotel; dinner at a trendy restaurant; and a \$200 shopping spree at Saks Fifth Avenue.

Be sure to reference GFWC when you make your pledge. The organization that receives the most pledges from individuals who "PLEDGE 24" will receive a publicity package.

## GFWC CONVENTION 2010

GFWC is looking for 2010 Annual International Convention presenters. Submit a workshop proposal today. The 2010 Convention will take place June 12-15, in Omaha, Neb.

GFWC's Community Improvement Contest is the organization's oldest, continually running, and most beloved. Held biennially, \$13,750 in total monetary awards are presented to the top five state entries, best Juniorette entry, and best international entry. 2010 awards will be presented at GFWC's 2010 Annual International Convention in Omaha, Neb.

## IMPORTANT COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT CONTEST DATES:

January 15, 2010: State judge's contact information is due to Joann Wheeler

([jwii@msn.com](mailto:jwii@msn.com)), GFWC Community Improvement Contest Chairman.

March 1 – Club entries are due to State GFWC/CFWC Community Improvement Contest chairman.

March 5-15 - State judging

April 1 - States' first place entries due to GFWC Headquarters.

## THE GREAT STATES UPDATE!

In an effort to update GFWC Headquarters, each state federation is holding a photo contest, and the winning photos from each state will be displayed at GFWC Headquarters.

All rules and requirements can be found in the 2008-2010 Club Manual. There is a change, however, since the Club Manual was printed: Framed photos should be brought to the 2010 Annual International Convention in Omaha, Neb., and NOT sent to Headquarters. The photos will be transported to Headquarters courtesy of Creative Arts Chairman Kay Basham after convention.

If you have any questions please contact Kari O'Donnell, GFWC Program Associate, at [kodonnell@GFWC.org](mailto:kodonnell@GFWC.org).