### WHO WE ARE...

We are women of all ages and levels of experience residing in the Ojai Valley. We are a community-based volunteer women's organization dedicated to community service. We are women united in the sisterhood of federation.

### **OUR PURPOSE**

To promote:

- Community Involvement
- Civic Consciousness
- Education
- Communication
- Self-Improvement
- Volunteer Service
- Mutual Aid
- Leadership

### **HOW WE WORK**

We have more flexibility than most single focus groups because we are able to categorize our service projects within the following areas:

- The Arts
- Conservation
- Education
- Home Life
- International Affairs
- Public Affairs

## ADVANTAGES OF MEMBERSHIP

- Affiliation with an international volunteer organization
- Personal development and leadership in a friendly environment
- Group support for accomplishing personal objectives
- Voice in forming policy through study of resolutions and bylaw changes
- Expansion of our circle of friends through out the Ojai Valley
- A lot of knowledge a lot of fun!

## **MEETINGS**

We meet the first Thursday of each month at 2:00 p.m. from September through June (unless otherwise noted) at our Clubhouse located at 441 East Ojai Avenue, in downtown Ojai, California. Our clubhouse was built in 1911 and has been designated as Ojai's Historic Landmark #8. The club also holds special events throughout the year as well as bookclub, walking, bridge, quilting and other groups for interested members. We participate in "Adopt A Poll" in election years.

# HISTORY OF THE GENERAL FEDERA-TION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS (GFWC)

For over 100 years the GFWC has worked to address the most pressing needs of our communities, and of our nation. This includes promoting education, preserving national resources, stressing good citizenship and good health, supporting participation in the arts.

Established 75% of American's public libraries

- Supported equal pay for equal work
- Worked for the passage of the Pure Food and Drugs Act
- Opened the GFWC Women's History and Resource Center in Washington, D.C.
- Provided over \$4M in books and materials to schools and public libraries.

## HISTORY OF THE CALIFORNIA FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS

The CFWC has accomplished the following to name only a very few:

- Brought about the California Youth Authority and Juvenile Justice System
- Purchased California Mission Bells which were installed on the El Camino Real
- Established a CFWC Women's History Library at UC Santa Cruz

### **DUES**

The annual dues are payable April 1st & include: General Federation of Women's Clubs California Federation \$ 4 \$ 4 Tierra Adorada District Ojai Valley Woman's Club \$12 Annual Dues \$35

Sustaining Memberships are available to those that want to be part of our organization and support our projects and community service, but cannot be active in the club. Sustaining Membership Annual dues are \$55.

## APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Email
Day

# Please forward membership check to:

Ojai Valley Woman's Club PO Box 442, Ojai, CA 93024

For more information contact: Joanne Caldwell - 805-798-1883 Maelyn Ebert - 805-701-1427

## HISTORY OF THE CLUB

The Ojai Valley Woman's Club was incorporated on January 16, 1915, by a group of women interested in philanthropic, community and service activities. The Women of Ojai own the historic clubhouse.

The Ojai Valley Woman's Club of Ventura
County is a member of Tierra
Adorada District 14 (TAD) that includes clubs
from the counties of Ventura, Santa Barbara
and San Luis Obispo. This district is one of 22
districts that are members of the California
Federation of Women's Clubs, and the national
organization of the General Federation of
Women's Clubs. Members of OVWC
participate in five TAD meetings each year
held in Goleta, the District convention in
April and some also attend State and National
meetings annually.

We are still today, as when we were founded, a group of women who take time from busy schedules to raise money and support various projects aiding the Ojai Valley and surrounding areas. Philanthropies of our Club include education and leadership scholarships, libraries, Pennies for Pines, Ojai Valley Fourth of July events, Community Works Program, Memorial Day observances, Stand Down, Teen Challenge, and many other projects and organizations. We support the Ojai Civic Council and other local civic organizations. When and where there is a need in the Ojai Valley, we are there!

Club Colors: Gold, White and Green Club Flower: Matilija Poppy



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More than A Century of Service and Friendship

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California Federation of Women's Clubs www.cfwc.org

Tierra Adorada District (TAD) "Unity in Diversity"

