



CALIFORNIA FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS
CLUB AWARD ENTRY COVER SHEET
Annual Reporting January 1- December 31, 2025

Chairman: Deborah Whiteford	Club: Placentia Round Table Women's Club	
# of Club Members 116 (as recorded in 2025-26 CFWC Yearbook):	District:	Area:
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Reporter's Club Position: Chair Festival of Trees		
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<u>Fundraising</u> GFWC Special Program, Community Service Program, Advancement Plan, ESO		

The Placentia Round Table was founded in 1902. It is a member of Women's Club International and is in the city of Placentia, in Orange County, California. Placentia has a population of over 50,000 citizens. The club's focus is dedicated to raising money to support local and surrounding area schools, charities, our military, and citizens alike. Our membership is comprised of 116 women who live in and around Placentia, including the cities of Fullerton, Yorba Linda and Brea. The Placentia Round Table (PRT) strives to meet both the social and charitable giving aspects of membership, as well as maintenance of our beautiful clubhouse. We are one of the few remaining clubs who own and operate a physical clubhouse and grounds. We continue through social media, websites, and advertising to reach out to our community by offering our clubhouse for rent to prospective brides for weddings, mothers for baby showers and memorials for loved ones.

Project Title: FESTIVAL OF TREES **Hours** 5.200 **Donated \$** 19,719 **In Kind** \$ 3,640

Our 39th Festival of Trees was held on November 15, 2025, at the Embassy Suites Anaheim South. The guest entered the ballroom to see it full of 43 beautifully decorated, custom-themed Christmas trees created by our very own members to be raffled off during the event, along with gift baskets containing over \$3,000 in donations through gift cards and gift certificates all part of the raffle which raised \$11,225. Lovely centerpieces were available to bid on and there were many door prizes given away.

The guests were entertained by Todd Emrick playing the bagpipes in true Scottish attire and Miss Canyon Hills singing a solo, Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas. The titleholders were also very helpful in selling raffle tickets for our Grand Prize – a full-size Santa, 2 – 1-night stays at the Embassy Suites which included an evening cocktail reception, and a complimentary breakfast and free parking, \$300 gift certificate with hairstylist Peggy McCabe at the Phenix Salon plus many other items.

Each year, members are encouraged to contribute to the success of this event by volunteering hours for setting up, decorating or sponsoring (monetarily) a tree, gathering items for baskets and/or purchasing a luncheon ticket. We are grateful to one particular member, Rachel Drayer and her husband, who covered the cost of the U-Haul truck to pick up and deliver the Christmas trees to the Embassy Suites Hotel.

In summary, the Festival of Trees has become a holiday tradition for our members and their families and friends. We are very fortunate to have many of our members donate trees, ornaments, Christmas items and gift cards or certificates to help underwrite this event. Of special mention, first time sponsor Doug Chaffee, Orange County Supervisor, from whom we received \$1,000 and Republic Services of Placentia, California, from whom we received a \$600 donation. The net profit this year was \$19,719.

The proceeds realized this year will be lovingly donated back to our local community in various ways – from the elderly to young mothers. Such non-profit organizations will include Meals on Wheels, Charity on Wheels, Veterans, Casa Teresa, a home for unwed mothers, domestic violence victims, and Home Intervention Services of OC.

Project Title: FRIENDSHIP SOUP **Hours** 1,600 **Donated \$** **In Kind**

Our Friendship Soup Project has been going on for over 30 years. What could be better? Great friendships being built by making a delicious soup mix, for sale in the community, to raise funds to donate back to the community.

This year we were able to participate in 3 Craft Fairs. The soup committee was able to bring together, 88 members, together with 4 members of their family, 39 students, together with their families, all while earning service hours, over a 5-day period, to package and decorate 2,785 bags of our Friendship Soup. Some members came multiple days. We logged in over 1,600 hours by, shopping for supplies, having multiple workshops, selling our soup to members, at local Craft Fairs, mailing them to customers out of state, and delivering them to local customers. Thanks to our members, past customers, through our website, and at Craft Fairs, we were able to sell out of our soup again this year. We had a net profit of \$22,800.00.

This project definitely helps support the local community.

Project Title: CLUBHOUSE RENTAL **Hours** **Donated \$** **In Kind** \$17,500

Since 1967 Round Table has owned a beautiful Clubhouse located on Bradford Avenue in Placentia. Our Clubhouse is rented out for community and private functions. Round Table strives to meet both the social and charitable aspects of its membership plus maintain clubhouse ownership through rentals of a beautiful banquet room, large patio and garden area. We are proud to be an integral part of our community.

Rental income has increased dramatically over the last year. Our dedicated team works diligently to make every event unforgettable and every customer satisfied.

Year	Events	Income	Expenses	Profit
2024	294	\$211,010	\$105,277	\$106,733
2025	341	\$230,408	\$ 65,240	\$165,188 (JAN-OCT)

During 2025 we averaged \$ 23,040 per month.

Rental profits have allowed us to maintain our Clubhouse and substantially increase our donation commitments to area charities, school programs, military, veterans, \$60,000 in scholarships, and the local community. We have also taken the opportunity to rent out 2 storage trailers on our property to 2 of our on-going clients.

In addition to renting out our Clubhouse we also provide our Clubhouse to many local functions and organizations for free or at a minimal cost:

- Annual City of Placentia Prayer Breakfast
- Weekly practice for the Placentia Community Choir Local Quilters Guild
- Placentia Chamber of Commerce events
- Placentia Rotary Club
- Kherut Fundraiser
- Local churches

Value of donations: \$17,500