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GENERAL FEDERATION of WOMEN'S CLUBS GREAT LAKES REGION 39TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE





GFWC Ohio Delegation from L to R front row seated: GLR Secretary Lin Wilken, Linda Crish, GFWC Director of Junior Clubs Becky Weber, Great Lakes President Linda Clark, GFWC International President Mary Ellen Laister, Corky Nosek, GFWC President-elect Babs Condon, GFWC Treasurer Debbie Strahanoski, L to R Back row standing: Harriett Groh, Lisa Hedrick, Evelyn Bachman, Barbara Whitaker, Judy Hibbard, Norma Adams, Nina Lowery, Patrice Booze, Yvonne Ford.



MEMORIAL FOREST & SHRINE PILGRIMAGE

The annual pilgrimage was held on Sunday, September 30, 2012. More than 45 members of the Ohio Federation of Women's Club traveled to Mohican Forest to honor our fallen Ohio military personnel. In the spring we were notified by the Ohio Department of Veterans Service with 4 more names to add to our list of Ohio' war dead. Since March of 2003, 257 of our service members from Ohio gave the Supreme sacrifice in Operation Iraqi Freedom.

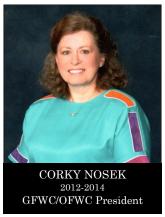


Message from the President

"It's been a Busy Fall"

Fall has been a busy time for GFWC/Ohio members.

Besides "Lacing Up Our Shoes" for Membership, there has been a flurry of activity over the past few months! The "Traveling Officers" had a wonderful time visiting with all of the club members that attended their Fall District Conferences in each of the Districts. I love the enthusiasm of the District meetings, and want to thank District Presidents Carolyn Adams and the SWD hostess club, Madeira Women's Club, Marjean Sizemore, SED



District President and hostesses, the Junior Women's Club of Barnesville for our first weekend of meetings. Thanks also to District President Mary Mackzum and the Women's Club of Bowling Green, hostesses from NWD, Theresa Utt and the Midview Women's Club from LED, and NED District President Stephanie Furano and the hostesses from the Austintown Junior Women's League. We thank you for all of the courtesies that were shown to us! The Goldstar Mother's Pilgrimage was held on a beautiful Sunday afternoon with a "standing room only" crowd of easily over 150 people. It was a very moving afternoon, punctuated by the attendance of eight new Goldstar Mothers. We honored these women and the ultimate sacrifice made by their sons and daughters in the service of our country. We also placed a beautiful wreath at the entrance to the Shrine in honor of Shirley Mitchell, GFWC Ohio Memorial Forest and Shrine Trustee Chairman who passed away in July. A special thank you to Carolyn Adams for designing the wreath.

I have also had the opportunity to attend special Fall functions hosted by the Youngstown Federation of Women's Clubs, the Women's Club of Oxford and the Warren Junior Women's League. Thanks to all of the members for their kind hospitality!

Twelve GFWC Ohio members traveled to Chicago for the Great Lakes Region Conference in October. It was a wonderful weekend and Linda Crish and I were proud to represent GFWC Ohio in the "procession of states" and also in giving talks about GFWC Ohio activities. GFWC International President Mary Ellen Laister and GFWC Director of Junior Clubs, Becky Weber were the special guests for the weekend. They shared much information and many ideas with the attendees from the five Great Lakes states. Linda Crish and I will be off to Washington, DC at the end of November to attend the GFWC Board of Directors Meeting.

Have you noticed that Wendy Sturick is doing a wonderful job updating our website? I have had a number of positive comments about the new and improved site! Thanks to Wendy for her time and talents!

Please remember that the deadline for Loyal Jonquils donations and the contributions to the Loyal Jonquils challenge is December 22 and the GFWC Ohio dues deadline for awards eligibility is December 31(postmarked). Both should be mailed to Treasurer Norma Adams. The GFWC/ GFWC Ohio LEADS application deadline is January 8 and the applications, found in the GFWC Ohio Directory, should be mailed to me. Let's have every club nominate a candidate for consideration in the LEADS selection process!

I'm wishing each of you Happy Holidays and A Happy New Year!...and don't forget to Just Do One Thing! (make it your New Year's Resolution!!!!)

In Federation Friendship,

Corky



From Your Junior Director

"As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words, but to live by them."

John Fitzgerald Kennedy

Dear Dedicated Clubwomen,

While I am gazing out of my window and watch a few snow flurries fly by I can't believe that our Fall Conferences are now a memory. As all of you know, I was only able to travel on the first leg of our conference tour because of my mother's illness and her passing. Please know how much my family and I appreciated all of your prayers, thoughts and concerns during this difficult time. The sisterhood of Federation was a blessing that I will never forget.



In 2012, we have accomplished so much as clubwomen. Think of all the lives that you have touched within your communities and for that, we should all be thankful. We have worked at food pantry's helping to fill backpacks with weekend food so that children have something to eat and prepared food and served at our local soup kitchens. We have donated school supplies to children who may have started their school year with nothing. We filled shoe boxes with Christmas toys and goodies for Operation Shoe Box, sent Christmas cards to our servicemen who protect our country. Our new pinwheel projects were seen by people all over the country, who wanted to know more about Pinwheels for Prevention, the list goes on and on. Your wonderful projects will soon be showcased in your club reports and you will be rewarded for all of your hard work! One last 2012 project was just e-mailed to me from our partnership with Easter Seals that some of our clubs may be interested in. As we rapidly approach the holiday season, two promotions that just kicked off for Easter Seals with LookLoveSend LLC and Pro-Flowers.

LookLoveSend LLC, provides web based customized printing and products, including seasonal greeting cards. You can go online and personalize, add photos, and then order for delivery to your office or home. They also have wedding, baby, party, and stationery items-personalized items that you can use all year long. Starting immediately, LookLoveSend LLC will contribute 30 percent of all sales of personalized holiday cards and more on their site to Easter Seals for every order purchased through www.looklovesend.com/easterseals. Funds raised through this promotion will help Easter Seals to provide exceptional services, education, outreach and advocacy for children and adults living with autism and other disabilities — and those who care for them nationwide. Since this is the season when we're sending holiday cards to family and friends, maybe you will consider ordering your cards through Look-LoveSend to benefit Easter Seals. In addition, ProFlowers has also partnered with Easter Seals and when you send holiday flowers from www.easterseals.com/flowers, ProFlowers will donate \$10 to Easter Seals.

Ohio Juniors will be receiving information on a new project for 2013. It will take all clubs and perhaps partnering with other local organizations to fill all of Ohio's EMS's (Emergency Medical Service) with Pediatric bags. We would like this project to combine the strengths of the General and Junior clubs to accomplish one remarkable project-the EMS pediatric bags for ambulances project. Clubs will work together, funding specialized bags that put critical pediatric emergency equipment and supplies in one place for Ohio's ambulances. These "ped bags" will enable EMS to respond to pediatric calls with organized, easily accessible, and properly sized equipment.

Please remember our Jr. Special Project and foster a child's love for the arts. It truly can make a difference in a child's life. Some important deadlines by December 31st are the Junior Voluntary Fund donations and Juniorette donations.

I hope that all of you have a Blessed Holiday Season and a very happy, healthy and prosperous New Year. What a difference you all make!

Remember to keep a song in your heart,

Linda

PRESIDENT'S REMINDER!

GFWC/Ohio Federation of Women's Clubs believes strongly in supporting the GFWC LEADS PROGRAM.

The application is due to the State President by January 8, 2013 along with your letter(s) of recommendation. The board of directors will then select the candidate at the Winter Board meeting.

Send application to Corky Nosek, 25 Adams Street, Berea, OH 44017 (440) 243-3885 email: corkynosek@aol.com



GFWC/OFWC Eastlake Women's Club brought the fun scarecrows for everyone to enjoy at the OFWC Great Lakes Region Conference held in Oak Brook, IL, Oct. 12-14, 2012. These scarecrows are for the Eastlake Senior Center.

Make plans now to join us next year in Indianapolis, IL, Oct. 11-13, 2013.

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2012 GREAT LAKES REGIONAL CONFERENCE



GFWC Ohio President Corky Nosek (L) and GFWC Ohio Director of Junior Clubs Linda Crish (R) prepare for the Great Lakes Region Banquet Parade of States.



GFWC Ohio Leadership Chairman Harriet Groh and GFWC Ohio Junior Leadership Chairman Nina Lowery attend the Great Lakes Regional Conference.

Membership—The SOLE of the Federation

By: Carolyn Adams GFWC Southwest Ohio Valley Women's Club Membership Chairman

GFWC Southwest Ohio Valley Women's Club celebrated "Lace up your Shoes" this fall by adding three new members in November. In September two ladies were invited to our club dinner and meeting by current members. They were given informational packets and were so impressed with the meeting, programs and projects they joined in October. One of the new members asked if she could bring a friend to the meeting in November. As you probably know we do not turn down prospective members. Well in November she brought her friend and she was so impressed she joined that night paying her dues right after the meeting. First time we ever had a new member bring in a new member so quickly.

They are all excited and eager to participate and learn all they can about GFWC. These ladies were inducted into the club at a candle ceremony and each given a red rose, the symbol of GFWC, their GFWC membership pin, the club yearbook, and a permanent club name tag.

We always have a membership orientation at the home of the membership chairman where the GFWC DVD is shown and information about our club and its programs and projects is shared. GFWC and GFWC Ohio are explained briefly. We go into more depth over a period of time so as not to overload them with too much at one time. Each member is assigned a mentor to help them through the first year.

The addition of the three ladies this fall we had a "Flurry of Members" in the winter giving our club a total of seven new members in 2012. This is a record for us and we are so very proud to have these new ladies. The four new members that joined earlier in the year are already serving on committees and one is the chairman of our scholarship committee and another is our telephone/electronic chairman. We have turned in the names of our outstanding recruiters to our state membership chairman for the Stars and Circles Recruitment Awards.

We WELCOME Cathy Burke, Karen Kessen, Theresa Kleintank, Rainy Morrison, Gretchen Osner, Jennifer Pierce, and Connie Ryan Seiter!!



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WARREN JUNIOR WOMEN'S LEAGUE CHAMPAGNE LUNCHEON



GFWC Ohio Warren Junior Women's League held it's 43rd annual Champagne Luncheon, 'An Officer and a Gentlemen Christmas', on November 16, 2012 at the W.D. Packard Music Hall in Warren, Ohio. Chairwoman for the event, Julie Vugrinovich greeted over 500 women to the kick off for the holiday season fashion show. Proceeds from the luncheon will benefit the Children's Rehabilitation Center Scholarship Fund. The purpose is to make sure no child will be turned

away because of his or her inability to pay for needed physical developmental and speech therapy. Pictured with the children who attend CRC and modeled were from left to right NED President Stephanie Furano, Assistant Director of Junior Clubs Yvonne Ford, President of Warren Junior Women's League Karen Margala, Luncheon Chairwoman Julie Vugrinovich, GFWC Ohio President Corky Nosek, and GFWC Ohio Director of Junior Clubs Linda Crish.



WJWL'S TWO HANDSOME GREETERS WITH OFWC PRESIDENT

Pictured are two sons of Warren Junior League members. They were greeters at the 43rd Champagne Luncheon. Their names are Justin Kotouc son of Patti Padovani and Rocky Maiorca son of Renee Maiorca. They handed out candy canes and a smile to the ladies as they came in. (pictured Corky, Justin, and Rocky).

GFWC/Ohio Federation of Women's Clubs

114th Annual Convention

April 26-28, 2013

Holiday Inn

Columbus/Worthington



Passing.....Our sympathies and condolences go out to our friends during this difficult time.

Debbie Weaver on the loss of her mother, Laura Avalyn Lind Linda Crish on the loss of her mother, Barbara Price Patrice Booze of the loss of her Aunt Ann Linda Ross on the loss of her husband, Robert Lee Ross (Bob)

FALL CONFERENCES ACROSS OHIO



Members of the Madeira Woman's Club recently hosted the Ohio Southwest District Fall Conference at Reflections in Loveland. Participating members in the photo are:(seated) Shirley Kallmeyer, Nancy Silvers, Carolyn Gauthier and (standing) Jane Bavely, Betty Morgan, Carol Borcher, Norma Simon, Jean Orloff, Bev Rufener, Mary Jo Morgan, Bev, Cloran, Joan Puterbaugh, Ruth Ann Kinney, Dee Hopping, and Elaine Tipton.



Northeast District making bracelets with Linda Ross and ?? for Signature project.



GFWC Ohio Juniors celebrate their 90th Anniversary at the Southeast District Conference. Linda Crish and Diedra Devore.



FLAG FOLDING CEREMONY



The Flag Folding Ceremony described by the Uniformed Services is a dramatic and uplifting way to honor the flag on special days, like Memorial Day or Veterans Day, and is sometimes used at retirement ceremonies. This is from the US Air Force Academy.

(Begin reading as Honor Guard or Flag Detail is coming forward).

The flag folding ceremony represents the same religious principles on which our country was originally founded. The portion of the flag denoting honor is the canton of blue containing the stars representing the states our veterans served in uniform. The canton field of blue dresses from left to right and is inverted when draped as a pall on a casket of a veteran who has served our country in uniform.

In the Armed Forces of the United States, at the ceremony of retreat the flag is lowered, folded in a triangle fold and kept under watch throughout the night as a tribute to our nation's honored dead. The next morning it is brought out and, at the ceremony of reveille, run aloft as a symbol of our belief in the resurrection of the body.

(Wait for the Honor Guard or Flag Detail to unravel and fold the flag into a quarter fold--resume reading when Honor Guard is standing ready.)

The first fold of our flag is a symbol of life.

The second fold is a symbol of our belief in the eternal life.

The third fold is made in honor and remembrance of the veteran departing our ranks who gave a portion of life for the defense of our country to attain a peace throughout the world.

The fourth fold represents our weaker nature, for as American citizens trusting in God, it is to Him we turn in times of peace as well as in times of war for His divine guidance.

The fifth fold is a tribute to our country, for in the words of Stephen Decatur, "Our country, in dealing with other countries, may she always be right; but it is still our country, right or wrong."

The sixth fold is for where our hearts lie. It is with our heart that we pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, and to the republic for which it stands, one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

The seventh fold is a tribute to our Armed Forces, for it is through the Armed Forces that we protect our country and our flag against all her enemies, whether they be found within or without the boundaries of our republic.

The eighth fold is a tribute to the one who entered in to the valley of the shadow of death, that we might see the light of day, and to honor mother, for whom it flies on mother's day.

The ninth fold is a tribute to womanhood; for it has been through their faith, love, loyalty and devotion that the character of the men and women who have made this country great have been molded.

The tenth fold is a tribute to father, for he, too, has given his sons and daughters for the defense of our country since they were first born.

The eleventh fold, in the eyes of a Hebrew citizen, represents the lower portion of the seal of King David and King Solomon, and glorifies, in their eyes, the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.

The twelfth fold, in the eyes of a Christian citizen, represents an emblem of eternity and glorifies, in their eyes, God the Father, the Son, and Holy Ghost.

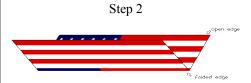
When the flag is completely folded, the stars are uppermost, reminding us of our national motto, "In God we Trust."

(Wait for the Honor Guard or Flag Detail to inspect the flag--after the inspection, resume reading.)

After the flag is completely folded and tucked in, it takes on the appearance of a cocked hat, ever reminding us of the soldiers who served under General George Washington and the sailors and marines who served under Captain John Paul Jones who were followed by their comrades and shipmates in the Armed Forces of the United States, preserving for us the rights, privileges, and freedoms we enjoy today.



To properly fold the Flag, begin by holding it waist-high with another person so that its surface is parallel to the ground.



Fold the lower half of the stripe section lengthwise **over** the field of stars, holding the bottom and top edges securely.



Fold the flag **again** lengthwise with the blue field on the **outside**.



Make a triangular fold by bringing the striped corner of the folded edge to meet the open (top) edge of the flag.



Turn the outer (end) point inward, parallel to the open edge, to form a second triangle.

Step 6



The triangular folding is continued until the entire length of the flag is folded in this manner.



When the flag is completely folded, only a triangular blue field of stars should be visible.

Convention Corner

<u>Convention news, evaluation comments, important information</u>

- Cut costs (Rooms at 2013 convention will be \$79 plus tax)
- The Junior Fun Night was the most fun I've had since we line danced.
- Liked how quickly we got through the Awards.
- The club highlight workshops were excellent. (More to come!)
- Encourage clubs to subsidize the member's registration to convention.
- Control the photographers at the installation they blocked the view.
- 7:30pm is too late for dinner.
- The flag folding program was impressive.
- Loved fun and games. Nice to have an entertaining workshop.
- Candy "bar" was a sweet idea and great fun.
- Need more music. (Need a pianist any takers?) April 26-28, 2013, put it on your calendar **NOW**

DO YOU HAVE SUGGESTIONS FOR VENDORS? SEND INFORMATION TO JRVAL@FRONTIER.COM

Lisa Hedrick, 2rd Vice President and Convention Chairman

The Madeira Woman's Club once again delivered batteries to the Shriners Hospital of Cincinnati. Every year for the last 20 years the Shriners hospital has been the recipient of this battery drive.



The batteries are used throughout the year for battery operated toys that children use during their stay at the hospital. Making the delivery are Madeira Woman's Club members Myrna Wilson, Norma Simon, Shirley Kallmeyer to Vanessa Mosley, Director of Development at Shriners.

OFWC 2012 ART SCHOLARSHIP WINNER



Pictured from left to right are Penny Speyer, Club Scholarship Chairman; Ms. Curry, Art Teacher; Heather Brindza, scholarship winner and her painting.

Heather graduated from Brush High School and is attending Ohio University .

BELPRE WOMEN'S CLUB DECORATE "ROOMS THAT ROCK 4 CHEMO"



The GFWC Belpre Woman's Club had the privilege of being one of the local MOV organizations that took part in 'Rooms That Rock 4 Chemo' at Camden Clark Memorial Hospital, Parkersburg WV. Nine chemo therapy treatment rooms, two exam rooms, conference room, and doctor's offices were completely renovated.

The initial work was completed by CCM Hospital maintenance staff, replacing flooring and preparing the walls for paint.

The GFWC Belpre women painted their assigned room, added finished touches of

glamour with a stenciled birch tree on one wall with red birds, and beautiful Colorado scenery prints by Sarah Hines Fitzgerald of Denver Colorado, formerly of Belpre.

The purpose of this project is to create "positive, healing, lovely and uplifting



spaces that spiritually, emotionally, and physically support those dealing with challenges to their health."

Those participating in painting and decorating the room (seen in top left picture): Jane Snider, Bea Corra, Sherry Ryan, Rose Logston, Sandy Fuller, Judy Drake, and Barbara Reynolds.

Please remember your pictures and stories are always welcome. We enjoy reading what each others clubs are doing successfully. Sharing this information allows others to borrow your ideas and helping them to succeed in their area. Thank you all on jobs well done.

Junior Women's League of Canfield Sponsor 43rd Annual Fall Market on the Green

With the ideal fall weather working in their favor, the Junior Women's League of Canfield sponsored its 43rd Annual Fall Market on the Green on Sept. 15 with 135 vendors offering a variety of items for sale, including crafts, antiques, fine arts, food, jewelry, clothing, baked goods and collectibles.

The event has been quite successful, attracting both new patrons and vendors.

"Our vendor numbers have been increasing each year," said Cari Gulas, Fall Market on the Green chairperson. The Junior Women's League of Canfield also offered a children's area with pumpkin decorating for children of all ages. Volunteers from the Junior Women's League of Canfield Juniorettes and the Boardman/Poland Juniorettes, the next generation of the Junior Women's





League, helped more than 75 children decorate pumpkins with paint, glitter, stencils and foam pieces.

The Junior Women's League of Canfield is a service organization which holds monthly meetings. They participate in yearly special projects, such as the Fall Market, a Wine and Cheese Taste, Fourth of July, First Night Canfield, Juniorettes and Relay for Life.

The Fall Market on the Green is the main fundraiser of the year for the organization. The organization also offered a 50/50 raffle, which will benefit the Jarvis family, and sold Junior Women's League cookbooks.

Proceeds from the Fall Market are donated to charities and also fund three scholarships given to high school seniors each spring. Looking forward to seeing you there next year.

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IT'S "THE MAD HATTER" FASHION SHOW

GFWC The Woman's Club of Oxford, had style show on Nov. 10, 2012. The theme was "The Mad Hatter" from Alice in Wonderland. The members selling raffle tickets wore rabbit ears. Baskets were worth over \$500. We had 16 baskets. There was a framed and signed poster print of Johnny Bench, a \$300 Jewelery Armoire by Louis Philippe donated by Furniture Fair, a local furniture store. There was a sit down dinner served. We earned over \$7,000 to pay for scholarships, Hoby Youth Organization/headed by Hugh O'Brien, and many other causes. There was a good time had by all. We had over 250 attending. In attendance was the GFWC/OFWC State President, Corky Nosek, GFWC/OFWC SW District President, Carolyn Adams, GFWC/OFWC Past President, Harriett Groh. Harriett performed for us also. There were other officers there in attendance also. We look forward to hosting the Style Show again next November of 2013. Look forward to seeing you all there.

