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Call to Convention **116th ANNUAL CONVENTION** of the **GFWC Ohio Federation of Women's Clubs**

April 25 - April 27, 2014



Columbus/Worthington
Columbus, Ohio

***"Unity in Diversity - Our Songs to Sing,
Our Promises to Keep"***

Corky Nosek, Presiding Officer
2012-2014 GFWC Ohio President

Special Guests



**Mary Ellen
Brock**
GFWC Second Vice



GFWC Partner



Kim Sutton



GFWC
Partner
HOBY

Donna Sizemore

STATE LEGISLATION DAYS 2014

- **Lake Erie District**
March 22, Solon
Solon Women's Club
- **Northeast District**
March 29, Louisville
Louisville Women's League
- **Northwest District**
March 28, Wapakoneta
NWD Clubs
- **Southwest District**
March 22, Hamilton
Woman's Club of Oxford
- **Southeast District**
March 22 - Mingo Junction
GFWC Woman's Club of Mingo Jct.

2014 GFWC OHIO CONVENTION ~ APRIL 25-27, 2014

Registration, Meal Reservation and Credentials

This form must be filled in and mailed, postmarked by April 10, 2014.

(Make a copy of this completed form for your records and bring it with you to the Registration Desk to receive your credentials.)

SEND FORM AND FEES TO

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CANCELLATION DEADLINES:

April 15, 2014
 No refunds will be issued until after the close of convention.
 Make checks payable to:
 GFWC/OFWC 2014 Annual Convention.
 Payment for all fees must be enclosed with this form

HOTEL RESERVATIONS

See page 24
 For Hotel Reservation Form
Mail hotel reservations directly to the hotel.
 The Hotel must receive your room reservation by:
 April 3, 2014.

Registration, Meal Reservation, and Credentials Form

NAME _____ DISTRICT _____

STREET ADDRESS _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP _____

PHONE _____ E-MAIL _____

NAME OF CLUB or CITY/COUNTY FEDERATION _____

Check one: GENERAL JUNIOR JUNIORETTE CITY/COUNTY FEDERATION DIRECT MEMBER

VOTING STATUS Check one – not sure, use Page 4 to determine your voting status: NON-VOTING MEMBER _____

DELEGATE _____ Club Office _____

DELEGATE-AT-LARGE _____ Office/Chairmanship. _____

REGISTRATION FEE

Fee for All Three Days \$40.00 \$ _____

Fee for One Day Only \$20.00 \$ _____

• If one day, check which day:

Friday _____ Saturday _____ Sunday _____

Juniorette Fee for All Three Days \$10.00 \$ _____

Late Fee (if you register after 4/10/14) \$ 15.00 \$ _____

MEALS

Friday Banquet \$30.00 \$ _____

Saturday Luncheon \$20.00 \$ _____

Saturday Banquet \$30.00 \$ _____

TOTAL REGISTRATION MEALS FEES \$ _____

Special Meals: _____ Vegetarian _____ Food Allergy _____

Specify Only Food Allergies _____

Do you need the use of a wheel chair? _____

Are you a first-time Convention attendee? _____ 25-year member? _____ 50-year member? _____

Workshop details are inside this issue.

SATURDAY 11:00 am

_____ Club Minutes/History

_____ Focus on Fundraising

_____ Hands On Domestic Violence

4:00 pm

_____ Planning a Successful Event

_____ Hands On Dress for Success

Hands On workshops have limited space

Register early – so you are not shut out!

4:00 pm _____ check here if you will

attend the OFWC President's Chat Room

for Current and Incoming Club Presidents

GFWC Ohio Shot@ Life Carnival

**Proceeds from the evening
go to Shot @ Life**

Hosted by the Ohio Juniors



Everyone is invited to attend the Shot @ Life Carnival after the Junior Banquet Friday evening, April 25th. An evening of fun, games and prizes with all of the proceeds going to Shot @ Life. Tickets will be sold throughout the day to participate in the games. Please join us (wear your hospital scrubs, if you like) and support this very important GFWC Partner.

OFWC CLUBS SUPPORTING THEIR COMMUNITIES

PILLOWCASES RAISE AWARENESS

Every member of The Proctorville Woman’s Club, Inc. participated in our “Pillowcase Project”, which made it lots of fun.

Moved by the “Pillowcase Project” presented at Fall Conference, we incorporated it into one of our own projects and set our goal of making pillowcases, donating pajamas and games to the domestic violence center in Lawrence County. This was done to increase awareness of how children are affected by the situation and to ease the transition period.

The quilting club, “Piecemakers” of Huntington, WV helped with our project as well as donating material.



Piecemakers Quilt Club (L-R) Toni K. Paige, Sandra Clements, Penny Morton and Ruth Paige



Pictured left to right: Mary Stephens, Sharon Jack, Ruby Bell and Helen Galligan.

They also make pillowcases for the pediatric unit of our local hospital. Together we made 65 lovely stitched pillowcases.

The club members each donated two pair of pajamas, one girl’s pair and one boy’s pair, and an age appropriate new game for a total of 40 pair of pajamas.

Also collected were personal hygiene products and beanie babies (30). Two local dentists assisted in our collection.

With this one project we raised awareness in our community, our neighboring communities and membership.

2014 OFWC CONVENTION Can I Vote? Am I a Delegate Or Delegate-at-Large?

Clubwomen attending the State Convention are participating in the annual business meeting of the GFWC/Ohio Federation of Women's Clubs. Each club has at least one vote on the issues that are presented before the assembly. Know if you are a delegate or a delegate-at-large and may vote.

DELEGATES

1. Each per capita club of 25 members or less is entitled to ONE delegate (or her alternate).
2. Each per capita club of 26-50 members is entitled to TWO delegates (or their alternates).
3. Each per capita club of 51-75 members is entitled to THREE delegates (or their alternates).
4. Clubs with more than 75 members are entitled to ONE delegate for each additional 50 members up to a membership of 1,200.
5. Direct members may meet at each Convention and elect ONE delegate who is also a Direct Member to represent them.
6. Each City-County Federation of 10 clubs or less is entitled to TWO delegates and ONE additional delegate for every 20 additional member clubs.

DELEGATES-AT-LARGE

1. OFWC Board of Directors and Junior Board.
2. Those members having served in ELECTIVE offices at state or district level.
3. Officers and chairmen of GFWC residing in Ohio.
4. ALL CURRENT State and District Community Service Program chairmen.
5. ALL members of Standing and Special Committees.
6. Trustees of all funds and The Buckeye staff.

NOTE: It is possible that members are in both categories, but only one vote per member is allowed. Have clubs decide before registering who will be the club delegate and vote the club's wishes.

*If you are not a delegate or delegate-at-large, you will check the "Non-Voting Member" line on the registration form.



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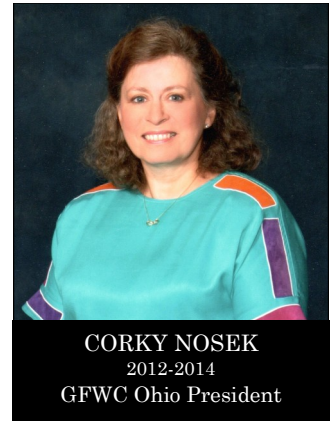
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Message from the President

It's Just Around the Corner.....



CORKY NOSEK
2012-2014
GFWC Ohio President

Dear GFWC Ohio Club Members,

District Legislation Days are just around the corner. Three Districts will be holding their meetings on March 22, 2014 and they are:

Lake Erie District- held in Solon, hostess club is the Solon Women's Club

Southeast District- held in Mingo, hostess club is Women's Club of Mingo Junction

Southwest District- held in Hamilton, hostess club is the Woman's Club of Oxford

March 28 will find the Northwest District gathering in Wapakoneta with all of the District clubs lending a hand with the hosting duties.

On March 29, Northeast District will meet in Louisville, hosted by the Louisville Women's League.

Please plan to attend your District Legislation Days! They are filled with fun, friends and fellowship!

A meeting also filled with fun, friends and fellowship will be the **116th Annual GFWC Ohio Convention** in Columbus, April 25-27. The theme for this Convention is **"Unity In Diversity...Our Songs to Sing, Our Promises to Keep."** Convention Chairman, Lisa Hedrick, NED District Convention General Arrangements Chairman Nina Lowery and the Board have planned a Convention that promises to be exciting, entertaining and inspiring as we look toward the future and install the officers of the 2014-2016 Administration.

We have responded to your many requests and have invited Keynote speakers from some of our GFWC Partnership organizations this year. We will hear from HOBY (Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership), the United Nations Shot @ Life Partnership and also from our special GFWC guest and installing officer, Mary Ellen Brock, GFWC Second Vice President. We have plenty of great activities planned, like the "Shot @ Life Carnival on Friday night and two "Hands-On" workshops, along with the other great workshops on Saturday morning and afternoon. And don't forget our wonderful vendors!

In keeping with my "Do One Thing" commitment to be more environmentally aware by reusing, reducing and recycling, I will again be "shopping my closet" for my weekend's wardrobe, and I invite you all to do the same. We are **not** going "vintage" this year, so just choose some of your favorite things that make you feel comfortable, pretty and festive!

We will be having a Memorial service for clubwomen we have lost since our last service was held several years ago. Please contact Stephanie Furano for further information. In keeping with tradition, please wear something purple or a purple ribbon or accessory for the Saturday Luncheon in support of our Signature Project, Domestic Violence Prevention and Awareness. And, as always, Sunday is GFWC, GF Ohio or Club Logo day!

Current and incoming Club Presidents are invited to join me on Saturday afternoon at 4:00 in the President's Chat Room. We'll have refreshments and time for conversation. Since this is my final message in the *Buckeye*, I would like to thank each of you for your support over these past two years. The years have flown by....but the memories will be there always.

In Federation Friendship,

Corky



Sentimental Journey

**Gonna take a Sentimental Journey,
Gonna set my heart at ease,
Gonna make a Sentimental Journey
To renew old memories.
Got my bag, I got my reservation,
Spent each dime I could afford
Like a child in wild anticipation,
Long to hear that "All aboard".**



LINDA CRISH
2012-2014
Director of Junior Clubs

Dear GFWC Ohio Juniors and Juniorettes,

Our theme for the Junior Banquet this year is "**Sentimental Journey**" as we share and celebrate our accomplishments and **renew old memories**. It is hard to believe that two years have come and gone and the 2012-2014 administration is coming to an end. What an honor it has been to represent you and serve the Ohio Juniors.

I have enjoyed meeting many members as I traveled to Junior clubs over the last two years and it is so interesting to me the way that each club goes about their tasks but we all have the same outcome, success! The Ohio Junior Board and the Ohio Board members have been amazing to work with and they represent all of the membership with your best interest at heart. I have loved representing Ohio as your Junior Director and you have left me with many memories that I will never forget.

I have received all of your reports, and I appreciate all of the time that each club has put into their programs and projects. Now all that is left is celebrating our accomplishments. I hope that you are all planning on attending our 116th Annual Convention. One of our keynote speakers on Friday afternoon will be from our GFWC Partner, Shot @ Life and our GFWC Ohio Shot @ Life Carnival fundraiser sponsored by the Ohio Juniors.

At the Winter Junior Board meeting, we did a lot of brainstorming and have come up with an evening of fun, games and prizes with all of our proceeds going to Shot @ Life. Please join us (wear your hospital scrubs if you like) and support this very important partner. Please remind your Juniette's that we would love to see them at convention. Registration is discounted for the girl's Junior clubs; encourage these young women to join us, they are our future.

So, I've **got my bag, I got my reservation, like a child in wild anticipation, Long to hear the "All aboard"**. Join me...if you have never been to an OFWC Convention, what are you waiting for! Your Federation sisters will be there, we can't do it without you!

Keep A Song In Your Heart,

Linda

Sow a thought, and you reap an act;
Sow an act, and you reap a habit;
Sow a habit, and you reap a character;
Sow a character, and you reap a destiny.

Charles Reade, English Novelist



**MARY ELLEN BROCK,
GFWC Second Vice President**



A clubwoman for 40 years, Mary Ellen is currently serving as GFWC Second Vice-President; NJSFWC/GFWC Past State President's Club Vice-President; and North Jersey Women's Club Treasurer. She has previously

served GFWC as Treasurer, Women's Health Program Chairman, Leadership Committee member, Membership Committee member, and Constitution and Bylaws Committee member. She was the charter president of GFWC Shelby's Stars. She served GFWC Middle Atlantic Region as Parliamentarian, Finance Chairman and Conference Chairman.

A founding member of the North Jersey Women's Club, she was president for eight terms. She served seven years on the Junior State Board. Mary Ellen served 19 years on the NJSFWC/GFWC State Board as Special Project Chairman, Parliamentarian, Elections Chairman, Resolutions Chairman, Financial Secretary, Recording Secretary, Third Vice-President, Second Vice-President, First Vice-President, and State President.

A member of the National Association of Parliamentarians, she has served as a church youth leader for eight years. A Girl Scout leader for 16 years, Mary Ellen and her troop were honored by the Governor, when all 14 Scouts received the Gold Award.

Mary Ellen has been appointed by three governors to the Emergency Medical Services for Children Advisory Council the Interpersonal Youth Violence Prevention Committee and the Drug/Alcohol Prevention Council. She has been recognized by the N.J. Legislature as a *New Jersey Woman of Achievement*.

Mary Ellen is a marketing research analyst. She and her husband, Barry, have four children.

**Guest Speaker, KIM SUTTON
from Shot@Life**



Kim Sutton is an Advocacy Manager at the United Nations Foundation. She joined the Foundation, in June 2011 as Senior Associate for the Shot @ Life Campaign.

Currently, Kim focuses on cultivating and managing relationships with key players in the US government, including Congress and the Administration, to ensure that global health remains a priority in the US governments foreign relations portfolio.

Prior to joining the Foundation, Kim worked as a Policy Manager for the Global Health Council where she was responsible for managing a broad global health policy and advocacy portfolio, including maternal health, children's health and infectious diseases, among other areas.

Originally from Seattle, WA, Kim received a Bachelor of Science from the University of Washington.

Prior to moving to Washington, DC, Kim spent time working in Durban, South Africa on various public health issues. Kim holds a Master of Public Health in Global Health Policy from the George Washington University.



DONNA SIZEMORE



Donna M. Sizemore has served HOBY of Southwest Ohio and Ohio North in a number of capacities. As the Leadership Seminar Chair and the Director of Development, Donna has given countless volunteer hours to the HOBY organization in Ohio.

In 1958, with the encouragement of Dr. Albert Schweitzer, TV actor Hugh O'Brian created a prototype seminar for young future leaders. These seminars for high school sophomores initially began in California and have now grown to include national and international participants in an annual eight-day global leadership meeting, the World Leadership Congress (WLC). Each U.S. state also sponsors 3-4 day Leadership Seminars open to high school sophomores who are nominated to attend by their schools. In 2012, the organization O'Brian founded in 1958, joined with GFWC and created a formal Partnership which recognized our long-standing supportive history. The vision statement of HOBY is to "motivate and empower individuals to make a positive difference within our global society, through understanding and action, based on effective and compassionate leadership." The HOBY mission is to "inspire and develop our global community of youth and volunteers to a life dedicated to leadership, service and innovation."

Joining Donna on the podium will be HOBY alumni Sara Whitestone and Austin Pearson who both went through the HOBY program as high school sophomores and have continued their volunteer service ever since.

**Blue Book of
Distinguished Women**

You can honor a member of your club by recording her name in the Blue Book of Distinguished Women. The Blue Book was established in 1964 to honor those women in Ohio who have made significant contributions to their clubs, communities and state. Maybe you would like to recognize your club president, a past president or a twenty year member.

The book is on display throughout the OFWC Convention and newly added names are recognized at the Pioneer Workers Luncheon. A name to be recorded in the book may be sponsored by an individual or a club. A name may be recorded more than once; however, a \$10 donation must be enclosed each time.

Please make check payable to "The Pioneer Workers" and mail to the address below:

Kathy Combs, Blue Book Chairman
255 S. Market Street
West Union, OH 45693
danlcombs@yahoo.com

GFWC OHIO CONGRATULATES OUR 2014-2016 LEADERS



PRESIDENT ELECT:
Linda Ross,

Ripley Women's Club,
West Union Women's Club



DIRECTOR ELECT OF
JR. CLUBS:
Yvonne Ford,

Boardman Poland Jr.
Women's League

Passing..... Our Sincere Sympathies

Lynn McCoy, of Circleville, passed away December. 8, 2013. She is the sister of Lisa Hedrick who is GFWC Ohio 2nd Vice President and member of the Circleville Junior Women's Club. Our sympathies to Lisa and her family.

Patricia Lambright, of Elyria, passed away November 6, 2013. Pat has served as President of Midview Women's Club for many years and she will greatly missed. Our sympathies to Pat's family and Midview Women's Club.

Member's Memorial Service and Tribute Book

To honor fellow clubwomen who are no longer with us, the GFWC/Ohio Federation of Women's Clubs will recognize those women in a special Memorial Service during the GFWC/OFWC Convention in 2014. They will also be honored in the Tribute Book.

The names of any clubwomen who have passed away, either recently or in years past may be submitted for recognition in the Tribute. If your club would like to have these special members honored during the Memorial Service, please send the following information to Stephanie Furano, via email: mermaid157@aol.com.

Information about the clubwoman should include:

- Club member's name
- GFWC/OFWC club affiliation
(ex: club president, state chairman, district chairman)
- Club activities and contributions
- Community involvement
- Obituary information
- Picture should be of just the club member

The requested information may be submitted at any time, but no later than March 1, 2014. If your club member was honored during the last Memorial Service, it is not necessary to re-submit any information.



CANDIDATES FOR 2014-2016 GFWC OHIO OFFICE



ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF JUNIOR CLUBS: Deidra Devore, East Springfield Junior Women's Club

Deidra has been a member of East Springfield Junior Women's Club for over 15 years and is currently serving as club President, a position she has held since 2005. She has served as un-official club secretary for several years prior to becoming club President. She also was a former East Ohio River District Chairman, Deidra has also served as Southeast Director of Juniors Clubs for the past four years, 2010-2012 and 2012-2014 terms.



FIRST VICE PRESIDENT: Lisa Hedrick, Circleville Junior Women's Club

Lisa Hedrick has been an active member of the Circleville Junior Women's Club since 1987 where she has served in every club office and chairmanship. She has served at the district level as chairman, Junior Director and President for two districts. For the OFWC Lisa has served as State Home Life Chairman, Convention Assistant, GFWC Hostess, Pioneer Worker's President, Director of Junior Clubs, Junior Newsletter Editor, and currently serves as the Second Vice President. Lisa's other civic activities include La Leche League Leader, Child Conservation League, 4-H Leader and PC Council on Youth Leadership. She has been married for 39 years to John and they have 4 children and 2 grandchildren. Lisa is employed by the local newspaper as the Business Manager, loves her hometown Pumpkin Show and is a Ohio State Buckeye supporter.



SECOND VICE PRESIDENT: Linda Crish, ISPs, Boardman Poland Jr. Women's League

Linda Crish has been a GFWC club member since 2001. She is a member of the Internet Service Providers, has served in many offices and chairmanships at the local level. She has served as the 2006-2008 Northeast District Jr. Director, 2008-2010 District President and 2010-2012 OFWC Assistant Director of Jr. Clubs. Linda is currently the OFWC Director of Junior Clubs and will serve as the GFWC Juniorette Chairman for 2014-2016, she also is active in her community. Linda is employed at Raymond James Financial Services as a Client Services Manager.



SECRETARY: Marjean Sizemore, Women's Club of Wintersville

Marjean Sizemore has been a member of the GFWC Wintersville Woman's Club since 2005; has served as 1st Vice President, President and has been editor of the monthly newsletter for several years. She is also a member of GFWC Internet Service Providers. She has served on several committees on the club, district and state level. She has been Southeast District President since 2010 and continues to serve as a member of the GFWC Ohio Board as SED President. Marjean is a Registered Nurse, and is retired from Trinity Medical Center.



TREASURER: Carolyn Adams, GFWC Southwest Ohio Valley Woman's Club

Carolyn became involved in the GFWC in the mid 1970's when she joined the Reading Junior Women's Club, part of the West Ohio River District (WORD), now known as the Southwest District. She served on many committees of the club, was club president and was a district chairman for International Affairs. The club folded in the late 1980's. In 2004, Carolyn was approached by one of the members of the GFWC Southwest Ohio Valley Women's Club, (formerly GFWC Sharonville Women's Club) and the rest as they say is history. She became active in the club and served as CSP Arts chairman, Membership, Leadership and Scholarship Chairman. Carolyn has served two terms as club president; doing the club yearbook since 2007 and chairman of the club's annual Style Show going on nine years. Carolyn has served as district chairman for Arts and DVA. Carolyn also served GFWC Ohio Federation as Conservation CSP Chairman; chaired GFWC President's Special Project, Domestic Violence Awareness and Prevention, 2010-2012; Carolyn served as the Southwest District President, 2012-2014 and is a LEADS Graduate of 2008. She is very dedicated to the GFWC, GFWC Ohio, GFWC Southwest District and her local club.

2014 GFWC OHIO CONVENTION SCHEDULE

Thursday, April 24, 2014

7:00 - 11:00 pm Art Exhibits set up and Vendors set up
 7:00 - 9:00 pm GFWC Ohio Board of Directors Meeting

Friday, April 25, 2014 Pre-Convention Activities

8:30 - 11:00 am Leadership Training for Incoming District Presidents & Junior Directors
 8:30 - 1:30 pm Registration Opens
 9:00 - 11:00 am Art Exhibit Rooms Open for entries & Vendor set up
 11:00 am Exhibit and Vendor Rooms open for visitors
 11:00 am Direct-members meet to elect delegate
 11:00 am Endowment Fund Committee Meeting
 11:15 am-1:00 pm Pioneer Worker's Luncheon (members only)

VISIT THE VENDORS

OFFICIAL OPENING OF THE 116TH CONVENTION OF THE GFWC/OHIO FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS "UNITY IN DIVERSITY- OUR SONGS TO SING, OUR PROMISES TO KEEP"

1:15 pm Musical interlude

1:30 - 5:00 pm **BUSINESS SESSION "THIS ONE'S FOR THE GIRLS"**

CALL TO ORDER

Presiding - Corky Nosek, 2012-2014 GFWC Ohio President

Inspiration

Presentation of the Colors – Introduced by Scarlett Ebenhack, GFWC Ohio Convention Assistant

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America

Singing of the National Anthem

Appointment of Tellers

Welcome to the 116th Annual Convention by Hostess Northeast District President, Stephanie Furano and Esther Gartland, Northeast District Junior Director

Response –Lake Erie District President, Theresa Utt and Cheryl Kuonen, Lake Erie Junior Director

Host District Chairmen Introductions- Lisa Hedrick, GFWC Ohio Second Vice President and Nina Lowery, NED General Arrangements Chairman

Pre-registration Report

Convention Rules- Julie Vugrinovich, GFWC Ohio Secretary

Convention Program- Lisa Hedrick, GFWC Ohio Second Vice President

Presentation and Introduction of those at the Head Table,

District Officers, Aides and Tellers, Corky Nosek, GFWC Ohio President

Introduction of Keynote Speaker – Linda Ross, GFWC Ohio President Elect

KEYNOTE ADDRESS – MARY ELLEN BROCK, GFWC Second Vice President

BREAK

Approval of the 2013 GFWC Ohio Convention Minutes – Julie Vugrinovich, GFWC Ohio Secretary

Endowment Fund Report- Norma Adams, LED, GFWC Ohio Treasurer

Nominating Committee Report – Harriett Groh, Nominating Committee Chairman

The Buckeye Magazine Report- Sharon Cole-Isner, Editor

Website Report – Wendy Sturick, Website Administrator

Directory Editor – Stephanie Furano

Facebook Report – Katie Liekowski

Loyal Jonquils Report – Linda Nolf, SED

Long Range Plan Report- Patrice Booze, LRP Chairman

Memorial Forest Shrine Report- Stephanie Rouse, GFWC Ohio Trustee Chairman

Commercial Break – Dorothy Sideropolis and Pam Vines, GFWC Ohio Fundraising Chairman and Junior Chairman and our Vendors

2:45 PM



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Bylaws and/or Resolutions- Nancy Lombardo, GFWC Ohio Bylaws Chairman,
Penny Speyer, GFWC Ohio Resolutions Chairman

GFWC Partner Shot @ Life Guest Speaker – Kim Sutton

Presentation of 3 Outstanding Club Programs/Projects

Workshop Introductions – Linda Ross, GFWC Ohio President-Elect/Dean of
Community Service Programs

Announcements- Lisa Hedrick, GFWC Ohio Second Vice President

5:00 pm

RECESS- VISIT THE VENDORS AND EXHIBITS

5:00 - 6:00 pm

Registration Open

5:00 - 5:15 pm

State Chairmen Meeting

5:15 pm

GFWC/Ohio Scholarship Trustees Meeting

6:00 pm

Exhibits and Registration close for the day

6:15 pm

Reception with Cash Bar

7:00 pm

Musical interlude

Processional Participants assemble

7:20 pm

Processional

GFWC OHIO JUNIOR BANQUET “SENTIMENTAL JOURNEY”

Presiding- Linda Crish, 2012 -2014 GFWC Ohio Director of Junior Clubs

Recognition of First Time Attendees

Opening Thought and Inspiration

GFWC Ohio Junior Awards Presentation

GFWC Ohio Juniorette Awards

Closing Thoughts

“ Shot @ Life Fundraising Carnival”

Funds being raised will be donated to Partner Project Shot @ Life

Hosted by the GFWC Ohio Juniors – Everyone’s invited



SATURDAY APRIL 26, 2014

Breakfast on your own

8:00 - 9:00 am

Registration open

8:00 – 9:00 am

Exhibits and Vendors open

8:15 – 8:45 am

First Time Attendees, 25 and 50 year members, Direct members and City County Federation
members coffee/tea Reception with GFWC Ohio President Corky Nosek and GFWC Ohio Di-
rector of Junior Clubs, Linda Crish

9:00 - 10:50 AM

BUSINESS SESSION “WE ARE FAMILY”

9:00 - 9:15 am

Musical interlude

9:15 – 10:45 am

Presiding – Corky Nosek, GFWC Ohio President

Registration Report

Inspiration

Recognition of First Time Attendees, 25 & 50 Year Members, Direct members, City County
Federation members

Recognition of Club Anniversaries

Recognition of GFWC Ohio LEADS Graduates

2014 LEADS Candidate announced by Corky Nosek, GFWC Ohio President and

2013 LEADS Graduate Sharon Cole Isner

Club Awards – Linda Ross, GFWC Ohio President-Elect/Dean of Community Service Pro-
grams, Linda Crish, GFWC Ohio Director of Junior Clubs and Yvonne Ford, GFWC Ohio Di-
rector-Elect of Junior Clubs and Junior Dean of Community Service Programs

Introductions of morning workshops and presenters

Linda Ross, GFWC Ohio President-Elect/Dean of Community Service Programs

Announcements- Lisa Hedrick, GFWC Ohio Second Vice President

2014 GFWC OHIO CONVENTION SCHEDULE

11:00am – noon	Vendors & Exhibit Rooms open
11:00 – 11:45 AM	WORKSHOPS 1. Club Minutes, 2. Focus on Fundraising 3. Hands On Domestic Violence Awareness and Prevention
11:45- NOON	BREAK
12:00 noon	Musical interlude
12:15 PM	THE BEAUTIFUL OHIO LUNCHEON <i>WEAR PURPLE FOR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS AND PREVENTION</i> Inspiration Introductions – Corky Nosek, GFWC Ohio President
	LUNCH Introduction of Speaker GFWC Partner HOBY Guest Speaker – Donna Sizemore Announcements- Lisa Hedrick, GFWC Ohio Second Vice President
2:15 PM	RECESS
2:15- 2:30 PM	BREAK
2:30 pm	Reconvene Election of 2014-2016 Officers Scholarship Winners Announced Sharon Pervo, Scholarship Committee Chairman Bylaws/Resolutions- Nancy Lombardo, GFWC/Ohio Bylaws Chairman and /or Penny Speyer, Resolutions Chairman ESO Awards Art Awards, Jeannie Chaney & Esther White, Chairmen Commercial Break- Dorothy Sideropolis & Pam Vines, GFWC Ohio Fundraising and Junior Fundraising Chairmen Introduction of afternoon workshops – Linda Ross, GFWC Ohio President-Elect /Dean of Community Service Programs Announcements- Lisa Hedrick, GFWC Ohio Second Vice President
3:45 PM	RECESS
	LAST CHANCE TO VISIT VENDORS & EXHIBIT ROOMS
4:00 – 4:45 PM	WORKSHOPS 1. Planning a Successful Event 2. Hands On – “Dress for Success”
4:00 - 4:45 pm	“THE PRESIDENT’S CHAT ROOM” Current and incoming Club Presidents are invited to meet with GFWC Ohio President Corky Nosek
4:15 - 5:00 pm	Registration Open if needed
5:00 pm	ESO Meeting - prospective members invited
5:00 pm	Exhibits, Vendors and Registration closes Registration desk will not open again unless needed All exhibits/craft items should be picked up immediately following the Banquet
6:00 pm	General Reception with Cash bar
6:45 pm	Musical interlude Processional participants assemble
7:05 pm	Processional Announced by Debi D’Apice BANQUET “WHAT A WONDERFUL WORLD” Welcome –Corky Nosek, GFWC Ohio President Inspiration ~DINNER~ Craft Auction Winners

2014 GFWC OHIO CONVENTION SCHEDULE

Raffle Winners announced
 Installation – Mary Ellen Brock, GFWC Second Vice President
 Installation Address – Yvonne Ford, GFWC Ohio Director of Junior Clubs
 Installation Address – Linda Ross, GFWC Ohio President
 Announcements- Lisa Hedrick, GFWC Ohio Second Vice President
 Closing Thoughts – Corky Nosek, GFWC Ohio Federation of Women’s Clubs President
 RECEPTION

**SUNDAY,
 APRIL 27, 2014**

Church of your choice, breakfast on your own

8:00 – 9:00 am LEADS Graduates Breakfast Meeting (members only)

PLEASE WEAR GFWC OHIO OR CLUB APPAREL

9:15 am

Musical interlude

9:30 AM

BUSINESS SESSION “THAT’S WHAT FRIENDS ARE FOR”

Presiding- Corky Nosek, GFWC Ohio President

Inspiration

Memorial Tribute to Deceased Members - Stephanie Furano

Final report of the Credentials Committee

Craft Auction Report



SPECIAL AWARDS:

Introductions

Past Presidents Awards for past 10 years

Top Twenty Honor Roll Clubs

Jessie June Magee Junior Achievement Cup

Jessie June Magee Achievement Cup

Ruth Miller Memorial Bowl

GFWC Ohio Special Project Silver Tray Award

Recognition of Jennie Award Recipients

INVITATION to the 2015 GFWC/Ohio Federation of Women’s Clubs Annual Meeting/
 Convention, April 24-26, 2015, at the Ramada Plaza Hotel & Convention Center, Columbus,
 Theresa Utt, Lake Erie District President and Cheryl Kuonen, Lake Erie Junior Director

Parting Words – Mary Ellen Brock, GFWC Second Vice President

Closing Thoughts-Corky Nosek, GFWC Ohio President

Junior Pledge

Club Collect

Announcements – Lisa Hedrick, GFWC Ohio Second Vice President

Adjournment – Corky Nosek , GFWC Ohio President joined by

Linda Crish, GFWC Ohio Director of Junior Clubs, Linda Ross, GFWC Ohio President-
 Elect and Yvonne Ford, GFWC Ohio Director- Elect of Junior Clubs

POST CONVENTION ACTIVITIES

Immediately following adjournment:

2014-2016 State Chairmen’s Meeting

- 1:00-2:00 2014-2016 Junior Board Meeting
- 3:00 pm GFWC Ohio Executive Committee Meeting
- 2014 – 2016 District Presidents Meeting
- 4:00 pm GFWC Ohio Board of Directors Meeting

Monday, April 28, 2014 GFWC Ohio Board of Directors Meeting



RESOLUTIONS

The following report was presented to the OFWC Board of Directors in January. There were 12 resolutions that needed to be reviewed.

Six resolutions were reviewed and found to need no changes.

2-78 Reclaiming Decent Values in Family Television

3-95 Disaster Preparedness

2-99 Habitual Sexual Offenders and Sexual Predators

1-00 Fiscal Responsibility of GFWC

1-03 Long Term Care

2-03 Promoting the Study of the History of the United States of America

Three resolutions were found to have met their accomplishments and are recommended to be rescinded.

Resolution 1-02 SAFER SKIES/DOMESTIC AIRLINE TRAVEL

(Reviewed 2006; Amended 2010)

WHEREAS, The United States of America is no longer safe from attacks by terrorists and saboteurs, and

WHEREAS, Airports are currently installing new scanning technology not only for baggage and cargo but also for passengers. These new scanners which range from full body scans, pat down searches, iris scans, three dimensional photos, microchip embedded passports, machines that blow a puff of smoke to see if you are carrying explosives, and

WHEREAS, All checked and carryon luggage are now scanned and/or hand searched, and

WHEREAS, The government is now establishing a safer and more efficient air traffic system, improvements to the New Air Navigation System and improved airports in order to provide safe airline travel; therefore

RESOLVED, That the GFWC/Ohio Federation of Women's Clubs asks its member clubs to urge their legislators to make it compulsory that all baggage are checked on all domestic and foreign flights and that the screening of passengers be thorough.

RATIONAL: Because of Homeland Security, there are laws and restrictions that provide safe air travel

Resolution 2-02 OHIO WATERWAYS PURIFICATION

(Reviewed 2006, 2010)

WHEREAS, The Ohio Environmental Protection Agency acknowledges that 881 lakes and streams in Ohio are contaminated by mercury from air pollution, and made dirty by agricultural runoff, factory discharges, construction-site debris, trash dumping and mine run-off; therefore

RESOLVED, That the GFWC/Ohio Federation of Women's Clubs urges its member clubs to support legislation allocation enough money to develop and implement a plan allowing the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency to purify Ohio's polluted waterways.

RATIONAL: The Ohio EPA Division of Surface Water is responsible for restoring and maintaining the quality of rivers, streams and lakes through the Federal Clean Water Act of 1972 which is funded by federal, state and discharge fees.

Resolution 1-10 DRIVING AND TEXTING

WHEREAS, Driver distraction was fatal to 6,000 persons and injured a half million more last year, and

WHEREAS, Texting has been shown to be the worst distraction because of the danger when texters (those who are texting) are looking down and not devoting attention to driving, and

WHEREAS, Text messages rose from 10 billion in 2005 to 110 billion in 2008, and

WHEREAS, One in four people admitted to texting while driving and 46 percent of teenagers say they text while driving, and

WHEREAS, 18 states have passed laws making texting while driving illegal, and

WHEREAS, Some Ohio counties and cities like Summit county and Cleveland have bans against reading or sending texts while driving, and

WHEREAS, Bills have been introduced in the Ohio House of Representatives (HB 270) and the Ohio Senate (SB 160) to ban texting while driving statewide, therefore

RESOLVED, That members of the GFWC/Ohio Federation of Women's Clubs contact their state legislators to advocate for the passage of these bills for statewide coverage, and further

RESOLVED, That GFWC/Ohio Federation of Women's Clubs members educate other community members and increase their awareness of the dangers of driving while texting and encourage them to contact their legislators to urge passage of the bills.

RATIONAL: Ohio passed a law against driving and texting effective August 31, 2012

The following are the Resolutions that need to be revised and the proposed amendments. Items to be deleted are strikethrough and the proposed changes are in bold print.

Resolution 1-95 PROSTATE CANCER SCREENING

(Reviewed 2003, 2007; Amended 1999, 2010)

WHEREAS, One (1) in six (6) men has prostate cancer

in some form by the age of fifty, but only one (1) ~~in thirty-five (35)~~ **thirty six (36)** will die from it, and **238,500 men will be diagnosed this year** and

WHEREAS, while thirty-five (35) percent of those curable were detected by DRE (~~direct~~ **digital** rectal exam), the cure rate increases to eighty (80) percent by the concurrent use of PSA (prostate specific antigen) blood testing; therefore

RESOLVED, That the GFWC/Ohio Federation of Women's Clubs urges members to encourage their male friends and relatives to obtain annual DRE and PSA testing beginning at age fifty (50) or as recommended by their physician, encourage proactive measures by continuing to monitor PSA for signs of trouble; and further

RESOLVED, That the GFWC/Ohio Federation of Women's Clubs urge member clubs to become involved in community education (formally or informally) about the importance of DRE and PSA testing. Members are encouraged to form a coalition with hospitals and the cancer society to present programs, promote testing opportunities and form support groups for prostate cancer patients and for their relatives and friends.

RATIONAL: New data published by American Cancer Society and the National Cancer Institute

HOUSEKEEPING: Change DRE to read (digital rectal exams)

Resolution 2-95 BREAST CANCER SCREENING
(Reaffirmed 1999; Amended 2003, 2007, 2010)

WHEREAS, ~~2.4~~ **2.8** million women in the United States have been diagnosed with breast cancer and breast cancer is the most common cancer among U.S. women and accounts for one (1) out of every four (4) women diagnosed. And ~~192,370~~ **232,240** more women will be diagnosed this year and an estimated 1 million women are unaware that they have the disease, and

WHEREAS, Breast cancer is the 2nd leading cause of cancer death for women in the United States between the ages of 20 and 59, a woman in the United States has a one (1) in eight (8) chance for developing invasive breast cancer during her lifetime; and the chance that breast cancer will be responsible is now 13%. Death rates from breast cancer are declining significantly with the largest decrease in young women; this is attributed to early detection, ~~and more effective~~ **improved** treatment, **and possibly decrease incidence as a result of declining use of menopausal therapy**, and

WHEREAS, About 77% of breast cancers occur in women ages 50 and over and although less than 5% of all breast cancer occurs in women under the age of 40, younger women who develop breast cancer have a lower survival rate, and

WHEREAS, Mammogram screening does not prevent

or cure breast cancer; however, it may detect the disease before symptoms occur because breast cancer can exist six (6) to ten (10) years before the growth can be detected; therefore

RESOLVED, That the GFWC/Ohio Federation of Women's Clubs urge each member to learn and practice monthly self-breast examinations and to have clinical breast examinations every three (3) years for women 20 – 39 and every year for women 40 years or older or upon recommendation of their physicians; and further

RESOLVED, That the GFWC/Ohio Federation of Women's Clubs encourages its members and other women to continue self-breast examinations as a way to reduce risk factors and to follow medical community guidelines for finding cancer early since it is non-invasive, does not cost anything and has been effective in some instances.

Rational: New data published by the American Cancer Society and the National Cancer Institute

Resolution 1-99 ORGAN DONATION
(Amended 2002, 2007, 2010)

WHEREAS, According to Lifeline of Ohio ® a nonprofit organization which promotes organ donation, there were ~~100,000~~ **120,000** individuals on the national waiting list for an organ transplant as of ~~December 2009,~~ **October, 2013** and

WHEREAS, On the average 18 individuals (men, women, children) on the national waiting list die each day while awaiting a transplant, and

WHEREAS, One donor can save or improve the lives of ~~seven (7)~~ **eight (8)** individuals awaiting organ transplants ~~and 35 to 50 awaiting tissue transplants,~~ **and one tissue donor can enhance the lives of more than 50 people** and

WHEREAS, ~~90%~~ **80%** of Americans say they support organ donation but only ~~30%~~ **52%** sign up to do this; therefore

RESOLVED, That the GFWC/Ohio Federation of Women's Clubs urges its member clubs to present programs to educate members and the public on the benefits of organ donation, answer questions concerning donations and to learn how to become a donor.

RATIONAL: New data published by Life Line of Ohio and LifeBanc of Cleveland

HOUSEKEEPING:

Resolution 2-03 PROMOTING THE STUDY OF THE HISTORY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

(Reviewed 2007, 2010)

WHEREAS, The United States of America has always led the way with cultural change, human enrichment

and worldwide enlightenment, and the influence the United States of America has in the world is unequalled in history; and

WHEREAS, Children and young adults in particular and people in general in this country are woefully ignorant of the history of the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, The schools of this country generally have pushed history education to the background of their curricula in favor of more “marketable” courses such as math, science, business and vocational education; and

WHEREAS, President George Bush ~~has~~ called for a renewed emphasis on learning the history and place of the United States of America in the world; therefore

RESOLVED, That the GFWC/Ohio Federation of Women’s Clubs and its member clubs and members shall encourage their local school systems to place more emphasis on the study of the history of the United States of America in their curricula; and further

RESOLVED, That the GFWC/Ohio Federation of Women’s Clubs members and member clubs shall assist the schools in informing the students about the need for their participation in government and the awareness of their unique place in history, thus increasing their pride in their common heritage and in the diversity encompassed by the United States of America; and further

RESOLVED, That the GFWC/Ohio Federation of Women’s Clubs members shall undertake to provide programs and projects that promote knowledge and awareness of the history of the United States of America both for their clubs and their communities; and further

RESOLVED, That the GFWC/Ohio Federation of Women’s Clubs members shall show their pride in their country by voting, serving in public office and/or the military, participating in public discussions, honoring the Flag of the United States of American and observing patriotic occasions with special focus on the history that led to the observance and the importance each one holds in the developing history of the United States of America.

RATIONAL: Bring it to the proper tense

NEW RESOLUTION

1-14 SHOP LOCALLY

WHEREAS, According to the latest U. S. Census findings, about three quarters of all U.S. business firms have no payroll, most are self-employed persons operating unincorporated businesses, and may or may not be the owner's principal source of income; and one quarter of all U. S. business firms have under 10 employees; and

WHEREAS, The Small Business Administration Office of Advocacy funded data and research shows that

small, independently owned businesses represent 99.7 percent of all firms, create more than half of the private non-farm gross domestic product, and 60 to 80 percent of the net new jobs; and

WHEREAS, The “Local Works!” study found that for every \$100 spent in locally owned independent businesses \$68 returns to the community through taxes, payroll, donations to local charities and other means and only \$43 stays in the community from national chains and nothing stays in the community for online purchases; and

WHEREAS, the study also showed that shopping locally reduces urban sprawl, congestion, habitat loss and pollution; a more efficient use of public services, and that skilled workers are more likely to invest and settle in communities that preserve their one-of-a-kind businesses and distinctive character, and

WHEREAS, The New Economics Foundation found that by shopping locally owned businesses consumers keep their communities from becoming areas devoid of shops, maintains local store diversity and character, circulates money more quickly throughout the community; therefore

RESOLVED, that the GFWC/Ohio Federation of Women’s Clubs members support independently owned local businesses by consciously shopping local first; and further

RESOLVED, that the GFWC/Ohio Federation of Women’s Club support “shop local” programs and legislation to support small businesses.

Submitted by the GFWC/ Internet Service Providers

Sources of Information for Shop Locally Resolution

- <http://www.census.gov/econ/smallbus.html>
- www.civiceconomics.com/.../GR+Local+Works+Summary.pdf
- <http://archive.sba.gov/advo/research/rs359tot.pdf>
- <http://www.neweconomics.org/press/entry/markets-create-twice-as-many-jobs-as-supermarkets-and-food-is-half-the-price>
- <http://sustainableconnections.org/thinklocal/why/>

Report presented by the Legislation Public Policy and Resolution

Committee

Penny Speyer, Chairman

Linda Hamilton and Anita Zupich



Strategic (Long Range) Plan

The Long Range Plan is a working document that guides and strengthens the activities of our organization. The Long Range Plan Committee has the task of reviewing and updating the Plan as needed. With the approval of the GFWC Ohio Board of Directors, the Committee recommends the following proposed amendments be presented to the assembly at the Annual Convention.

Chairman Patrice Booze, Vice Chairman Linda Ross, Members Norma Adams, Linda Crish, Kathy Combs, and Jo Holder

MEMBERSHIP

Club Retention

Goal Retain the current per capita clubs through the ~~2012-2014~~ “2014-2016” Administration

Under Membership, Club Retention, Goal delete the years “2012-2014” after the word “the” and before the word “Administration” and add the years “2014-2016” to read if adopted

MEMBERSHIP

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Goal Retain the current per capita clubs through the 2014-2016 Administration

Member Retention

Goal Retain the current members through the ~~2012-2014~~ “2014-2016” Administration

Under Membership, Member Retention, Goal delete the years “2012-2014” after the word “the” and before the word “Administration” and add the years “2014-2016” to read if adopted

Member Retention

Goal Retain the current members through the 2014-2016 Administration

LEADERSHIP

Goal Continue to develop and share leadership materials through the ~~2012-2014~~ “2014-2016” Administration

Under Leadership, Goal delete the years “2012-2014” after the word “the” and before the word “Administration” and add the years “2014-2016” to read if adopted

LEADERSHIP

Goal Continue to develop and share leadership materials through the 2014-2016 Administration

Under Leadership add a new goal to read if adopted

Goal Continue to participate in the GFWC Leadership, Education, and Development Seminar Program (LEADS) and develop a GFWC Ohio LEADS Program before the end of the 2014-2016 Administration

Responsibility: Executive Committee, Board of Directors, and Junior Board, with the assistance of the State, Junior, District, and Club Leadership Chairmen.

Publicize the GFWC LEADS Program statewide and include the application and the funding that is available for the GFWC Ohio Candidate to attend.

Investigate costs and find funding to develop a GFWC Ohio LEADS Program.

Develop the criteria for participants.

Utilize the GFWC Leadership Team and GFWC LEADS Graduates to develop the format and curriculum for the program.

The Executive Committee and members of the Board of Directors will decide on the scheduling of the GFWC Ohio LEADS Program.

Goal ~~Develop~~ “Continue with the” Ohio Leadership Training Programs ~~before the 2014-2016~~

Administration

Under Leadership, Goal delete the word “Develop” before the word “Ohio” and add the words “Continue with the” and delete the words “before the 2014-2016 Administration” after the word “Programs” to read if adopted

Goal Continue with the Ohio Leadership Training Programs

COMMUNICATION

Goal Communicate ~~regularly~~ with all members of the GFWC/Ohio Federation of Women’s Clubs before the “end of the” 2014-2016 Administration

Under Communication, Goal delete the word “regularly” after the word “Communicate” and before the word “with” and add the words “end of the” after the word “the” and before the years “2014-2016” to read if adopted

COMMUNICATION

Goal Communicate with all members of the GFWC/Ohio Federation of Women’s Clubs before the end of the 2014-2016 Administration

PUBLIC RELATIONS

Under Public Relations add a new task to the **Action Plan** to read if adopted

Encourage GFWC Ohio Officers and Public Relations/Media/Publications Committee to research and share with clubs inexpensive methods to build and maintain websites.

We voted on the Strategic (Long Range) Plan last April—THEN WHAT HAPPENED?
Chairman Patrice Booze, Vice Chairman Linda Ross, Members Norma Adams, Linda Crish, Kathy Combs, and Jo Holder

The Strategic (Long Range) Plan is a working document that guides and strengthens the activities of our GFWC Ohio organization. This Strategic Plan identifies major issues facing the GFWC Ohio State Federation: membership, leadership, communication, public relations, and finances. The Plan outlines short and long-term goals that the committee deems most important at this point in time. It is organized with clear goals, a specific action plan for achieving each goal, and timelines for charting the progress.

The Strategic (Long Range) Plan committee members believe our members will be happy to know that this Plan is not just a section of the convention that takes time to read and vote on and never sees the light of day until the next convention. Each major issue includes who is responsible for the implementation and which Executive Committee member is serving as liaison to the GFWC Ohio Board of Directors. We are sharing with you the work that has been accomplished since last April.

Membership Update

By Lisa Hedrick GFWC Ohio Second Vice President and liaison to the Board of Directors

Membership issues have been at the forefront of the GFWC Ohio Board. Personal club visits by the officers have continued as well as offering a virtual visit from the President. Monday is for Membership and Membership Matters messages have been sent across the state to district chairmen and club presidents.

The GFWC Ohio Board researched and approved a computer program to help develop the member database.

A new Ohio program was offered to reward the members and the clubs, who recruited new members, with cash. Star Recruitment Awards, the GFWC Season Recruitment Campaign, membership grant deadlines and program samples were shared at workshops, dis-

trict meetings, in print to help the clubs with ideas and encouragement. We are excited to announce that we have surpassed our goal of recruiting 125 members by 56 for a total of **181 NEW MEMBERS**. We are proud to share that we have had a **NET increase** in our membership for the first time in many years. **We went from 1245 to 1273 GFWC Ohio members.** We are also thrilled to share that **TWO new clubs** were formed.

Leadership Update

By Linda Ross GFWC Ohio President-Elect serving as the Dean of the Community Service Programs and liaison to the Board of Directors

GFWC Ohio will continue to develop and share leadership materials through the 2014-2016 Administration. The goals were met for 2012-2014 by continuing with GFWC Ohio’s State Federation Leadership Day and our Leadership Training Workshop for the incoming

District Presidents and District Junior Directors for the 2014-2016 Administration. Five of our GFWC LEADS Graduates led their own mini workshops at State Leadership Day.

Leadership materials have been available to the members of GFWC Ohio through our State Directory, Website, and by District Officers and Chairmen sharing these materials at District Meetings.

Leadership Training Programs are being developed for the incoming 2014-2016 Administration and will be conducted at a pre-Convention workshop in April, 2014.

Communication & Public Relations Update

By Julie Vugrinovich GFWC Ohio Secretary serving as the Dean of the Public Relations/Media/Publications Committee and Liaison to the Board of Directors.

Communications

GFWC Ohio Clubs continue to thrive and communicate through popular types of media and communications. "Skyping" has been the popular media concept for the 2012-2014 Administration and many Clubs have had the honor of "sharing Skyping" with the GFWC Ohio President for the very first time. All attendees at the 2013 GFWC Ohio Convention were able to participate in a Group Skype. The GFWC/Ohio Federation of Women's Clubs has an active and up to date Facebook Page that promotes great exposure and advertising across the country and with multiple GFWC clubs on current programs, projects and events that have been successful and a lot of fun!

The Buckeye Magazine is a great Federation communication tool and continues to reach out to GFWC Ohio clubs and members with articles focusing on Leadership, Membership, and Communications four times per year, along with wonderful programs, projects, and events.

A computer program has been approved and put into place by the GFWC Ohio Board to refine and utilize a Membership Database. There is still the need to develop an additional database of at least one member in every club to be the electronic liaison. The GFWC Ohio Board approved the procedures and criteria developed by a committee chaired by the Second Vice President, for the use of electronic E-Blasts when appropriate. An E-Blast Chairman will be appointed for the upcoming administration to facilitate the E-blast distribution. This project will ensure more outreach and sharing of information to all members

The unveiling of the GFWC Great Lakes Region Newsletter, "The Tattletaler" has kept larger numbers of clubs and members "in the Federation Loop," and is a great example of an electronic communiqué. The

GFWC Great Lakes Region Newsletter can be found on our GFWC Ohio website.

The GFWC/Ohio Federation of Women's Clubs Website has and continues to be a great resource for members to download forms, scholarships and a bevy of useful information. Our top notch Website Administrator keeps it updated and easy to use.

Public Relations

The GFWC/Ohio Federation of Women's Clubs "Action Plan" continues promoting public awareness of our premier statewide volunteer organization. Different facets of the multi-media public relations campaign have unfolded including encouraging and showing GFWC Ohio Clubs how to develop and maintain a website, as well as linking club websites to both GFWC and GFWC Ohio websites to create and promote more awareness for Federation Fun, programs and projects. More planning would be wonderful to continue to educate more members and clubs on how to develop a website and/or a GFWC Ohio Club Facebook Page through Convention workshops, Fall Conferences and Leadership Day activities including a "hands on" training session for one on one club learning.

Another area of raising awareness could be the State Federation investing in a Public Relations Campaign to promote GFWC Ohio with ads in statewide magazines, informational displays and printed brochures. Materials could be delivered to all GFWC Ohio Clubs to be used in recruiting and retaining members.

The media outlets of the GFWC Website, the GFWC Facebook Page, and the GFWC News and Notes Publication, are popular amongst our Federation members and are always shared. This helps to spread the awareness of more "hands on" involvement with Community Service Programs/Projects and GFWC Partnerships. All members and clubs are encouraged to subscribe to the *GFWC Clubwomen Magazine* and the GFWC News and Notes so information can be shared with Ohio districts, club presidents and club members.

GFWC Ohio clubs and members are Federation proud and always convey an image of pride, friendship and volunteerism in our communities. Many clubs have "jumped on the bandwagon" by using GFWC in their club name, events, media, advertising, meetings, exhibits and local newspapers. Members have made it a point to use the proper and updated GFWC logo for branding usage and identity purposes. GFWC, GFWC Ohio and club logo wear is encouraged for all Officers, Chairmen and Clubwomen to wear at meetings, events and functions. At the GFWC/Ohio Federation of Women's Clubs Annual Convention, club logo wear is proudly worn on the closing day to show Federation Pride! GFWC Ohio Fundraising items are always for sale and available to purchase during Convention, Dis-

strict meetings and through individual clubs across the state. Our GFWC Ohio Fundraising and Junior Fundraising Chairmen are very proactive in getting these items out there and sold. Ohio Clubwomen continue to display their GFWC Banners and Flags, as well as Emblems very proudly and passionately.

Financial Stability

By Norma Adams GFWC Ohio Treasurer acting as the liaison to the Board of Directors

To ensure that current member benefits and the needs of the Federation are met, GFWC/Ohio Federation of Women's Clubs continued to cut costs and raise non dues generated revenue including selling vendor space at the Annual State Convention and applying for grants. In May and then June, 2013, GFWC/Ohio Federation of Women's Clubs was the beneficiary of \$32,000 (total) in grant funds from the Columbia Pipeline Group to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources. The funds were designated for the capital improvements and restoration needs of the building and grounds of the GFWC Ohio Memorial Forest Shrine.

(Continued from Page 21—"What Do You Do With New Members)

club meeting—come as the club's guest. The theme... try us for free!

- Give some form of appreciation to those who get involved.
- Every time a person gets involved in your association someone needs to say, "Thank you!"
- Recognition for involvement is an important factor in getting people to come back year after year and be involved again.
- Personally acknowledging individuals during a club meeting is a great way to show appreciation, as is including their names in the club newsletter or website. (Not all seek public recognition, but everyone likes to at least be thanked for their efforts.)

Don't wait until the end of the year to give awards and thanks to those who were involved.

Reason for joining? Try to identify as clearly as you can why people are joining. Keep track! Be sure to understand what benefits members want as they are joining and reinforce those benefits early in their first year of membership.

Develop an effective renewal process.

- Prior to renewal, send a cover letter, an annual message from the president, or a list of recent accomplishments because it reminds members how their money has been spent during the previous year and suggest that the association can do this for members again next year if they renew.

Renew Old Friendships! Make New Friends!
Come to Convention & Share the Friendship!

OFWC CLUBS SUPPORTING THEIR COMMUNITIES

ASSISTING AT ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOUP KITCHEN



Picture in front row from Left To Right - Maria Dellimuti, Ashley Wolanzyk, and Julianna Scoville. Pictured in second row from Left to Right - Dana Dellimuti, Angela Toro, Natalie Toro, Julie Vugrinovich, Breanna Bucco, Alexa Goffos, Sydney Olejnik, Isabella Merlo, and Emily Lazor.

The GFWC Ohio Warren Juniorettes Volunteer Organization assisted with The St. Vincent De Paul Soup Kitchen on Saturday, December 21st along with The Blessed Sacrament Family Group. They helped to serve food, drinks and desserts to the homeless and less fortunate, as well as donating coats, toys and miscellaneous items for the holidays. The girls made Candy Cane Reindeer favors to be passed out to all; sorted tons of clothes and games for giveaways and visited with all that stopped in at the dining hall that day.

Gold Star Mothers' Pilgrimage at the Memorial Shrine Sunday, September 28, 2014



The Shrine is located on Route 3, just outside of Loudonville, in Mohican State Park.

For the first time in as many years as our records and GFWC records allow us to see GFWC Ohio had a net gain in their membership numbers! According to records received by our treasurer we had a net gain of forty-four new per capita paying members – wonderful! Hopefully the GFWC Ohio Membership Initiative inspired a few to recruit and if it did remember in order to get money for your wallet you received last year you must complete the STAR recruiting form and send to the GFWC Ohio Membership Chairman, Rose Logston, as soon as possible!!

Since we do have some new members (two hundred and fourteen) now what do we do with them to get them engaged and then keep them engaged? Here are some ideas (taken from a GFWC resource – benefits of belonging) that might help you in that endeavor and remember your membership team is always available.

What Do We Do With New Members? By Rose Logston, GFWC Ohio Membership Chairman

Studies indicate that first- and second-year members are the most likely to drop out of membership organizations. Studies also show that new members are very enthusiastic soon after joining and their decision to remain with an association is typically made during this time. What does this tell us? **Get members involved early!**

Below are tips and ideas to consider that will assist you in new member retention and engagement within your club.

Focus on new members. Your club needs to let new members know that they are special and that their membership is appreciated.

- Welcome each new member personally. This can be done by a phone call from a designated club member, mentor, or new member coordinator. It's also useful if the caller can tell the new member what a good investment membership has been for them and congratulate the new member on making a great decision to join. This helps the new person feel more welcome and it validates membership.

- Special recognition in club newsletter or website (everyone likes to see their name in print).

Present a membership certificate to hang up so people know they've joined. Provides a sense of belonging and recognition.

Contacting new members. Contact new members frequently, but without inundating them with too much information. Tell them from the start that they are special members and that over the next few months they will be receiving information. If they have any questions, provide them with a contact person to get answers. An example of what could be performed in addition to regular communication throughout the year includes:

- Initial contact within the first 30 days of joining.

- Contact them personally twice (why twice? Once is nice, but twice is impressive) within the first two months.

Send a mini-survey to members six months after they join to see how they rate your club's service (i.e. six month report card). Questions could include: Is club meeting start time convenient? Is meeting frequency appropriate for our club? How can we improve our club? Club meetings?

Mentors and New Member Coordinators. To assist in contacting and welcoming new members to your club, consider establishing a mentor program. You may even wish to create a new position within your club that's specifically aimed for new members, and this could be referred to a "New Member Coordinator." Mentors and New Member Coordinators are very important since they'll probably have the first contact with new and potential members. As presumed, both need to know the club well and like interacting with people.

- New member orientation. Don't assume new members will automatically have the skills and experience necessary to fully participate in club meetings or serve on the board. All new members—both young and old—should have the option to receive training or an orientation.

- Utilize mentors or New Member Coordinators (if any).

- Provide new members with a membership kit or brochure highlighting club information, opportunities for involvement and activities.

- Provide new members with the history of the club, previous issues, past actions taken, and other useful information.

- Orient new members to lingo that may be used at club meetings or by the board. New members may also not have previous experience with business meeting etiquette or procedures.

Be patient! New members may have a steep learning curve and will need time to adjust.

New member involvement. Research tells us two things: 1) people like to be asked to volunteer and be involved, so personally ask them, and 2) when individuals get involved in the activities of your organization, it is less likely that they will drop out because they view their involvement as an additional way to get a return on their dues investment. Be careful not to equate involvement with leadership. It is unlikely that all your members will be involved at that level, therefore think of involvement as participation in activities, as well as leadership in the club.

Invitation to meetings; encourage attendance. Just as with involvement, members like to be asked to attend meetings, particularly early in their membership. New members may need a bit of encouragement to attend a meeting or function since they're not yet familiar with the club or its membership. Note: This may also be an effective recruitment tool. Extend to non-members or prospective members a special invitation to the next

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Exciting Workshops at Convention 2014!

By Linda Ross

In addition to the two hands-on Workshops ~ one on Domestic Violence and one on Dress for Success, you may choose from one of the following workshops:

- 11:00 – 11:45 am **“Focus on Fundraising”** which is where members of our OFWC Clubs get together and share their clubs most successful Fund Raising Projects. This is like a Club Highlights but with the focus this year strictly on successful Fundraising. We are offering a workshop led by GFWC 2nd Vice President, Mary Ellen Brock on **“Keeping and Writing Club Minutes – how & why”** and also touching on how to preserve your club histories for the WHRC.
- “Domestic Violence Awareness & Prevention”** hands-on workshop led by Evelyn Bachman and Lisa Waitkus. There will be 3 workstations (see Page 19 for more details).
- 4:00 – 4:45 pm **“Event Planning”** will be an exciting workshop led by several Ladies from GFWC The Woman’s Club of Oxford. In this workshop, you will be given a step by step lesson on the process of planning a successful club event.
- “Dress for Success”** hands-on workshop” which will be led by Kathy Combs from The West Union Women’s Club. In this workshop members will be sorting clothes according to size etc. and putting them in garment bags to be delivered to the Dress for Success organization in Columbus, OH (see Page 19 for more details).

The **“President’s Chat Room”** will also take place once again in the same time-frame as the two afternoon workshops. This is for current and incoming Club Presidents where you will get together with Madam President Corky Nosek to become better acquainted and “CHAT”.

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HANDS ON WORKSHOPS TO BE HELD

“Dress for Success”

By Linda Ross

Dress for Success Columbus is a women’s organization that is continually seeking innovative ways to provide excellent, free-of-charge programs supporting social changes in our communities.

We are asking everyone to dig deep into your closets, storage areas etc. for nice, gently used, professional looking clothing that you are willing to donate and bring with you to Convention.

The organization is asking for:

- Spring/Summer Professional Apparel
- Plus Sizes Professional Apparel
- Accessories (Belts, Scarves, Jewelry)
- Handbags
- Footwear
- Hosiery (new only)
- Personal Care/Cosmetics (new only)
- Workforce readiness tools (flash drives, resume paper, portfolios)

Dress for Success CANNOT ACCEPT:

- casual attire, such as t-shirts, shorts and cropped pants
- Sneakers and flip flops
- Used cosmetics and personal care products
- Opened/used hosiery and undergarments
- Men’s & children’s clothing
- Items delivered in trash bags

Please be sure whatever you bring is clean and in good condition. There will be hangers and bags available at Convention but extra hangers are always welcome. If you don’t have anything to donate in the way of clothing, shoes, etc. you may give a cash donation of any amount that you can manage. All contributions are tax-deductible.

Thank you ladies for your constant and continued support of GFWC Ohio and all of the community outreach programs in which we participate.

Signature Project – Domestic Violence

By Linda Ross

Our State Chairmen, Evie Bachman and Lisa Waitkus will be leading this workshop.

Three different work stations set up:

- Showing and having club women make bracelets for teenage dating abuse
- Making comfort blankets for either the local shelter or residents in nursing homes (elder abuse)
- Putting together birthday bags for children in shelters.

We are asking members to bring any or all of the following items:

- A yard and ½ of fleece fabric (any color) for the comfort blankets
- Theme or different color plates, cups, napkins, tablecloths
- Theme or different color party hats
- Cake mixes, frosting, sprinkles or cake decorations
- Candles, small present (puzzle, cards, small stuffed animal)

At the end of the workshop, a drawing will be held for club members who attended to take home some of these items for their own communities.

Please show your support for the GFWC Signature Project – Domestic Violence Awareness & Prevention.

DON'T WAIT! ACT NOW!!

MAIL your hotel reservations by April 3rd to receive the discounted rate.

MAIL your registration/meals form by April 10.



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These are just a few of the vendors this year.



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Thank you all on jobs well done.

OFWC CLUBS SUPPORTING THEIR COMMUNITIES

Strifler House Clothes Closet Recipient

The GFWC Madeira Woman's Club wanted to give back to the community of Madeira. Madeira has been generous in many ways to the club and the club has been responding back to this kindness with various projects.

The Madeira Woman's Club Clothes Closet co-chairmen decided to reach out to some of their Madeira neighbors. They chose the Strifler House in Madeira for an outreach project.

Each resident of the house was given an opportunity to shop at the Clothes Closet for some winter outfits, no charge. Purses were popular choices as well as warm tops. "It was fun finding outfits for these ladies, but the smiles and hugs we received from them was the best part!" stated Mary Jo Morgan, co-chairman of the Clothes Closet.



WJWL Arts Committee members seated (L-R): Dodie Baritell and Diane Taylor. Standing (L-R): Christinia Gargas, Mary Lou Jarrett, Becky Bucco, Jonnah Hetzel and Kitty Neilson

North Elementary Classroom Adopted

GFWC Ohio Warren Junior Women's League ARTS committee adopted a classroom at North Elementary School in Warren, Ohio. With the help of fifth grade teacher, Diane Taylor and art teacher, Mrs. Kelley Barnes, side profile (silhouette) were created for 22 students. WJWL Club members then cut out the silhouettes and mounted the profile on white paper. The students were able to present their silhouette as a Christmas present for their parents.



Pictured from left to right: Pat Mischalshi, Veterans Home Activities Director, Druann Kendrick, President Ripley Women's Club, Linda Ross, President Elect GFWC Ohio and member of Ripley Women's Club and Jane Zachman, Ripley Women's Club member.

Centerpieces for the Veterans Home

The Ripley Women's Club members have been very busy making centerpieces for their local Veterans Home. Two workdays and a lot of fun, friendship and sharing went into the makings of these beautiful table decorations. Members delivered these decorations to the Veterans Home and placed them on the tables in the cafeteria. Some of the veterans were in the room when the decorations arrived and were very appreciative.

All of the community outreach that happens with GFWC Clubs begins at the grass roots club level and expands from there into the amazing accomplishments from all of the General Federation of Women's Clubs nationwide.



Shot @ Life educates, connects and empowers Americans to champion vaccines as one of the most cost-effective ways to save the lives of children in developing countries.

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OFWC CLUBS SUPPORTING THEIR COMMUNITIES



Pictured Left to Right: Scarlett Ebenhack and Lisa Hedrick

Valentine's Day Treats for Patients at Berger Hospice

The Circleville Junior Women's Club pitched in to brighten Valentine's Day for patients and their families in the care of Berger Hospice. The group assembled more than two dozen of the special holiday treats that were delivered to the Hospice patients. Club members decorated

the boxes which were recycled from the 2013 OFWC Convention's luncheon. Homemade breads, cookies, snack mix and hot chocolate were included with lotions, teas, candy and items that could bring a little extra comfort. Sister Monica Justinger, Hospice Director, called them "beautiful treasure chests for the patients to go through" and this project showed what two organizations coming together can do in the community.

100 Years Young

Mary Coleman, a lifelong resident of Steubenville and a retired teacher has been a member of the Wintersville Woman's Club since 1993.



She started teaching in the late 1930's as a single woman, and had to resign in 1940 when she married because she would be taking a job from a man. World War II came; men left for war and Mary returned to teaching. She retired in 1984 at the age of seventy.

Mary and her late husband of 62 years traveled extensively, and they visited every continent except Antarctica. Mary will celebrate her 100th birthday on April 25, 2014. She is still an active club woman, and attends meetings regularly as well as going to exercise classes at the senior center. She is also involved in church activities, and as recently as October 2013, was driving her red convertible preferably with the top down.



GFWC Ohio State President, Corky Nosek inducts new members for GFWC Women's Club of Bowling Green.

GROWING MEMBERS PAYS

GFWC Women's Club of Bowling Green last June knew that they needed to increase their membership, so each board member suggested a name of a prospective member. Membership chairmen, Sharon Franklin and Becky Bhaer made the list and started contacting prospective members and then followed-up after the first meeting. The president wrote a letter which was mailed inviting these prospective members to the September pot-luck, Mexican fiesta. A new club brochure was prepared for the event. All of this cost money, so the club applied for a GFWC Membership grant of \$50.00. The grant applications had to tell GFWC what the club would do with the money and what the membership plan was plus the results. Each guest was assigned a club member hostess. Because of all their efforts, the club gained 10 new members. It was special to have the State President induct them..



PAJAMA PARTY HELD AT INDIAN CREEK MIDDLE SCHOOL

Indian Creek Middle School Principal Toni Dondzilla, center, with the GFWC Woman's Club of Mingo Junction program committee members Cheri Carpico, left and Janet Petrella.

Members of GFWC Woman's Club of Mingo Junction, wore pajamas to the meeting and brought donations of new pajamas for women and children to be given to the local domestic abuse center, the A.L.I.V.E. Shelter. Members toured Indian Creek Middle School, a \$17 million building made possible on a 27-year bond issue and a half-mill improvement levy. The school is "a LEED silver rated green building,". LEED is an acronym for Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design.

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share252@aol.com by **May 13, 2014**. Thank you.

We are excited to welcome back Donna Schmidt, from the Women's Club of Bowling Green, who will be our interlude pianist and accompanist for the Convention. Thank you, Donna. We are looking forward to hearing your beautiful music.

Convention Corner

Convention news, evaluation comments, important information

- *Come one, come all Convention is here! April 25 - 27, 2014*
- Silent Auction Items Needed – Please consider donating a basket or an item.
- All Workshop ideas came from the member’s suggestions. Yes we do listen!
- Mary Davis was chosen as one of the Great Lakes Region’s Jennie June Award winners. Come to convention to meet her and ask questions. She remembers it all!
- Two hands-on workshops are offered. **Reserve your spot before they fill up!!**
- Need more partner information – Join us at the Shot @ Life Carnival on Friday
- Club Presidents – Email the Buckeye Registration Form to all of your members
- Come meet GFWC International Guest – Mary Ellen Brock, 2nd Vice President

EACH one – BRING one Share the fun, information and fellowship.

**DO YOU HAVE SUGGESTIONS FOR CONVENTION OR VENDORS?
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