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## GFWC GREAT LAKES REGION 41st ANNUAL CONFERENCE



Pictured front row L to R: Babs Condon, GFWC International President; Tric Heepe, GLR President; Linda Ross, GFWC Ohio State President; Yvonne Ford, GFWC Ohio Director of Junior Clubs; Lin Wilken, GLR Secretary; Marion Metz. Behind them are the GFWC Ohio members that attended the conference in Frankenmuth, Michigan.

### Gold Star Mother's Pilgrimage held at Memorial Forest & Shrine

The annual pilgrimage was held on Sunday, September 28, 2014. More than 43 members of the GFWC Ohio Federation of Women's Clubs traveled to Mohican Forest to honor our fallen Ohio military personnel.

This year GFWC Ohio dedicated three benches.





**ONCE UPON A TIME**

Barbara Whitaker, Assistant Historian

**“FILLERS”**

From time to time, editors of our state magazine found it necessary to add “fillers” due to lack of submitted articles, articles that didn’t quite fill out a column or spilled over into another but didn’t leave room for another, or it was just something that the women had heard at another conference and thought it worthy of sharing. It could be a snappy saying, a poem, a recipe or food for thought. I found the following in the September, 1953 Issue of *The Buckeye Magazine* and thought it worth a repeat.

**“There’s a saying—**

A lot of Clubwomen are like wheelbarrows – not good unless pushed.

Some are like canoes – they need to be paddled.

Some are like kites – if you don’t keep a string on them, they fly away.

Some are like footballs – you can’t tell which way they will bounce next.

Some are like balloons – full of wind and ready to blow up.

Some are like trailers – they have to be pulled.

Some are like a good watch – open face, pure gold, quietly busy and full of good works.

From the *Slovak Courier* – sent by Mrs. Kermit E. Grose”

From the December, 1942-January, 1943 issue:

“If we could only stretch our dollars as far as rayon hose stretch we would be alright.”

“They say that waste fat is needed for nitroglycerin. Nitroglycerin goes into bombs. If the women could contribute all the fat they would like to get rid of, the war wouldn’t last long.”

Did you know that the Annual Club Officers form, most affectionately known to many as the Green Sheet, was once known as the Blue Slip? Several issues of the magazine had little spacers that said “Remember your Blue Slip”. I wondered if this was some kind of fashion statement or for a skit at convention and then found an explanation of what a Blue Slip was. Someday I wonder if future clubwomen and historians will wonder why we had to collect green sheets. Was it for the homeless, or our troops, or maybe for animal shelters that lacked green grass.

And finally, from August-September, 1938: “Drudgery is as necessary to call out the treasures of the mind as harrowing and planting those of the earth.” – Margaret Fuller.

“In 1861 William Penn signed an ordinance which required that, in clearing land, one acre in five should be left in trees.”

“The tree that moves some to tears of joy is in the eyes of others only a green thing that stands in the way. Some see Nature all ridicule and deformity, and some scarce see Nature at all. But to the eyes of a man of imagination Nature is Imagination itself.” – William Blake.

**PLAN AHEAD!**

**Gold Star Mother’s Pilgrimage will be  
Sunday, September 27, 2015; 2 p.m.**



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## Message from the President

“To affect the quality of the day, that is the highest of arts.”  
– Henry David Thoreau



LINDA ROSS  
2014-2016  
GFWC Ohio President

### “Once Upon a Time . . . . .

Please be patient with me during this President’s Message as I go down a sentimental path.

The Great Lakes Region Conference was very well attended by Ohio club women in mid October. Of course, Frankenmuth, Michigan was pretty nice in itself. The beautiful fall leaves were falling, the sun was shining, and the Christmas store was the biggest store of its kind I have ever seen. Which brings me to this thought: “as we go about our business of preparing for club meetings, attending region conferences and trying to keep our lives in order let us not forget to take time for ourselves”. Even though the Great Lakes Conference was packed full of fun, information and camaraderie, we took some time together to shop, eat, talk and laugh. Laughter can get you through anything!

Sometimes it does seem like a miracle that we do all that we do in the short amount of time we have. And the older we get, the faster time passes. The Holiday Season is upon us and who is ever ready for the hustle and bustle to begin? I always promise myself each December that I will have my shopping finished next year much earlier but that is one promise I can’t seem to keep.

Once upon a time when we were mere children, time seemed to drag by so slowly. There was a time when I couldn’t wait to get older. Now that I’m there I look back and say “when did this happen”? Was I not paying close enough attention? Please pay close attention to taking care of yourselves and your loved ones. Spend as much time with those you love as you possibly can. AND make that precious time quality time.

Soon clubs will be busy writing their “Award Entries” (club reports) and mailing them by February 1, 2015 – see what I mean about time? It is now 2015! Remember the great advice given to us at our Fall Conference meetings by First Vice President Lisa Hedrick. Write your Narrative pages first – then fill in the rest of the pages based on what you have written on your narratives. It’s the easiest and most efficient way to write a club Award Entry. Have each chairman write her own narrative for her area – this report is not the President’s report, it is the club report. Have a party and invite club members who are willing to help. Creative writing is important when doing these narrative pages. Many members whose heads are full of ideas are more productive than just one person. Besides that one person who is writing these narratives might forget some small detail that will lead to a dynamic narrative page. Ask others to help!

Thanksgiving is a week away from the writing of this message. I am thankful for so many things. I am thankful for my family, my friends, my home, my neighbors, my well being and my GFWC sisters. I could go on and on. I ask each of you during this time to look around and appreciate all those who have entered into your lives for whatever reason. They may not be there as long as you would like but they are there now. so appreciate them and the time you have to be with them. The other side of this is you may have entered into someone else’s life for a reason that you are not aware of. Be kind, be gentle, be true and of course be funny. I am thankful for each and every one of you who is reading this message!

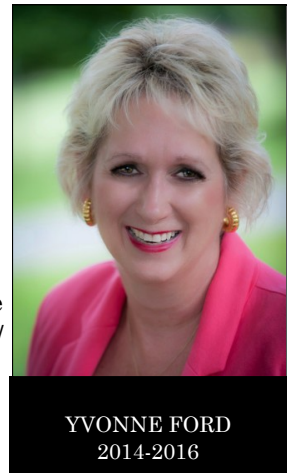
Love to all,

Linda



## Giving Thanks

“Not what we say about our Blessings, but how we use them, is the true measure of our Thanksgiving. “  
WT Purkiser



I cannot thank you enough for all of the hospitality from each of you at the Fall Conference Meetings. Each Hostess Club, District President, District Director of Juniors and GFWC/OFWC member who attended did a wonderful job! Although each of your clubs are different each of us are truly “as one”. The food was delicious and the enthusiasm and dedication to GFWC and OFWC was very motivating. I love working with all of you and seeing what an impact you have made in your communities. Thank you for your commitment to Federation.

Encourage new members to attend your District meetings; it is a great way to learn about Federation and motivate new leaders.

Thank you to all of the clubs who have sent me their program books and also the newsletters. It is so much fun to read these and to see how hard all of you are working in your communities.

In late September, I had the honor of attending the Gold Star Mothers Pilgrimage; always a very moving ceremony. The Gold Star Mothers have suffered the supreme sacrifice of motherhood and this ceremony is a renewal of patriotism and love of our great country. If you have never attended this event, mark your calendars for next year. It is held on the last Sunday in September.

The Great Lakes Region Conference held in Frankenmuth, Michigan, October 10-11, was the 91<sup>st</sup> annual Conference. It was a wonderful weekend with sunshine and shopping in a beautiful city full of flowers and warm friendly people. We had reports from region officers and GFWC Chairmen. Linda Ross and I reported on what our clubs are doing across Ohio. We also got to process in with the Ohio Flag. Linda Crish and Corky Nosek dressed as Bees spoke on membership. The presentation was really cute; you can get a copy of it from them and use it in your club. GFWC President Babs Condon was the keynote speaker on Saturday night. Also attending were GFWC Officers Sheila Shea President-elect, Deb Strahanoski GFWC Secretary, and Sue Ellen Brazil GFWC Treasurer. Great Lakes Region President Tric Heepe did a wonderful job leading the Conference and Lin Wilkin Great Lakes Region Vice –President had everyone organized. Great job Ladies!

Next year Ohio will host the Great Lakes Region Conference in Toledo October 9-11, 2015, so please consider attending. This is another great chance to learn more about Federation and make new Federation Friends!

So as you can see Fall has been a very busy time. Hard to believe that soon we will be working on our club report (Award Entries). This is a great time to get all of your members involved. Have a report (Award Entries) party at one of your homes or hand out the narrative pages at a meeting. Have each Chairman write down a small summary of what they did for the club, how many attended, what you did at this event, how much time and money was involved and who or what profited from this event. It will make compiling the report so much easier. This is the time for your club to shine and share with the rest of us all of your great projects and programs you have been working so hard on. This is your club history, so be proud of it. One hundred percent participation is our goal!

I can't wait to see the beautiful pictures and reports on the Junior Special Project “The Circle of Life” award. If your club didn't participate in this project this year now is the time to start planning for Spring! I can't think of anything better on a cold snowy night than looking thru gardening catalogs and dreaming about the beautiful gardens you can plant.

Thank you for your generosity to the Junior Voluntary Fund and the Juniorette Donation Fund.

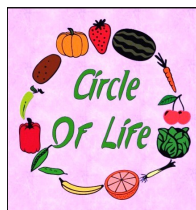
May the Peace and Blessings of Christmas be yours and may the coming year be filled with happiness. I am grateful for all of you and all that you do.

In Federation Friendship and Love,

Yvonne



## BELPRE CIVITAN PARK FITNESS TRACK



## GFWC Ohio Director of Junior Clubs Special Emphasis "Circle of Life"

Chairman Stephanie Furano

Early in 2014, GFWC Belpre Woman's Club Ways & Means Committee met for the first time to begin looking at projects to raise money and make improvements to existing projects.

In 1982, GFWC Belpre Woman's Club provided the means for the construction of a community .8 mile walking track at our Civitan Park, located next to the beautiful Ohio River. One of the most-used features of the community park, the walking track, needed to be repaired and re-surfaced. We accepted bids to see what exactly was ahead of us and just how we would cover the expense.

We contacted the local Kraton Performance Polymers to see if they could help us in some way. Much to our surprise they stepped forward, considered the bids with us, and told us to move forward with the project and they would cover the cost on behalf of the community.

Our Community Improvement Committee wanted to replace the original GFWC Belpre Woman's Club sign acknowledging the Club's part in constructing the walking track for Civitan Park. Kraton also funded replacement of the sign. It is now called the 'Fitness Track' and carries both the GFWC logo and the Kraton logo.

The Club acknowledged our appreciation for Kraton's support and presented them with a Certificate of Appreciation and framed photograph of the completed project at our annual Belpre Homecoming.

We are one thankful organization!

The OFWC Director of Junior Clubs Special Emphasis Award for 2014-2016 is the **Circle of Life Award**. This award will be presented to an OFWC Junior Club or Clubs that has done the most outstanding project based on the most creative Community Improvement, Conservation or Teaching Experience.

Junior Clubs focus for 2014-2016 is on *Conservation, Gardening and improving our Communities*.

Gardening enhances our quality of life in numerous ways: providing fresh food, exercise, health benefits and life-long learning. It creates pleasing landscapes improves the environment and brings people together. Garden-based learning programs result in increased nutrition and environmental awareness. It gives young people the chance to develop a wide range of academic and social skills. Garden experiences enhance an awareness of the link between plants in the landscape and our clothing, food, shelter and well-being. They also provide children and youth with the time and space to explore the natural world.

**How Junior Clubs can make A Thyme to Plant – A Time to Grow** happen in their communities:

### Initiate, Educate, Cultivate and Appreciate

- Initiate a successful community gardening projects with kids
- Plant an indoor Garden in a Nursing home or for a shut in
- Start and Sustain a School Garden
- Start a Community garden and Raise vegetables to be donated
- Plant a Cutting Garden
- Plant a Butterfly Garden
- Plant a Garden of Hope for Cancer Survivors
- Volunteer to host an event or donate to help plant a tree in your community for *Neighborhoods Tree* month in October

### Photo Diary Display

Please share club photos of your *Circle of Life* gardening project on a scrapbook page 12 "x12". The pages will be on display during the Junior Banquet at the 2015 and 2016 Conventions. This will not be judged; it will only be to share your gardening efforts with fellow club members. (Do not send your page; bring your page to share to the 2015 and 2016 OFWC Conventions)

## 4th of July Wreaths Made



The Circleville Junior Women's Club member Kelly Pruitt helped children make 4<sup>th</sup> of July wreaths at the Farmer's Market on the Red, White and Blue Day. Families were entertained by the activities shared each week as they shopped for fresh local products. The club members provided educational and fun projects each Saturday during the summer months.

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 Sharon Cole-Isner, share252@aol.com



## The GFWC Woman's Club of Mingo Junction sponsored the Little Princess Aracoma and Little Chief Logan Pageant

The pageant was held during Mingo Community Days, August 8 & 9, 2014.

The 15 participants were each given a certificate of participation and a bag with assorted gifts. The children also were part of the parade. The boy and girl with the odd-colored feather were named Little Princess Aracoma and Little Chief Logan and were given a trophy and a crown/headdress.



On hand were, front row from left to right: Little Miss Aracoma, Layla Stevey; Little Chief Logan, David Edwards and Diana Taylor, pageant co-chairman. Back row, left to right: Roetta Lewis, Woman's Club of Mingo Junction co-president; Sharon Cole-Isner, pageant co-chairman and Joanne Gorney, club co-president.

### “Kiss” the Cook

Circleville Junior Women’s Club came out on top at the Toys for Tots Chili Cook-off. Club members served their “Kiss the Cook” specialty chili with 14 other organizations during the fundraising evening. Chocolate kisses were the secret ingredient in their winning chili which helped raise over \$6000.



Members pictured L to R: Amanda Roth, Scarlett Ebenhack, Kelly Pruitt, Carrie Carver, Sara Hammond, Martina Tomlinson and Lisa Hedrick.

## Junior Women's Club of Barnesville work at Storybook Park

The Barnesville Hutton Memorial Library held its Storybook Park on October 4, 2014.

Club members volunteered their time in helping the children who attend with craft projects and also gave a donation for purchase of books. Each of the 500+ children who attended took home a free book. Participants at this years



Storybook Park had the opportunity to hear four exciting stories including, "I Know a Librarian Who Chewed on a Word," "Jungle Run," Llama Llama Red Pajama", and "Suppose You Meet a Dinosaur". The sing-along was "The Itsy, Bitsy Spider" and they enjoyed a life size Candyland Game. This years special feature was Wild World of Animals to coincide with the "Jungle Run" story. The wildlife company presented a variety of animals.

Pictured Above: Club President Lou Ann Swallie with the Llama Llama Red Pajama.

Pictured to the right: Club members Sherrie McClellan and Cindy Ferguson assist Sophia Ferguson in making a Llama Llama Red Pajama puppet.



### Loyal Jonquil/Operating Expense Fund

The Loyal Jonquil/Operating Expense Fund was established to provide financial support for the operation of the Ohio Federation. Members and/or clubs donating \$101 or more are called Capital Members and are honored as Loyal Jonquils at the Annual Convention.

This administration there is a new challenge for all clubs and club women. You will receive the Budding Jonquil award if 25% of your members donate \$20 or more to the fund. You will receive the Full Bloom award if 50% of your members donate \$20 or more to the fund and if 100% of your members donate \$20 or more to the fund you will receive the Jonquil Bouquet award. Look for the donation page in the directory.

Donations must be postmarked before December 31, 2014. If you have questions you can contact Barb Savarin, Loyal Jonquil Chairman.



**2014-2016  
CLUBWOMAN  
ESSAY  
CONTEST**

The 2014-2016 Clubwoman Essay Contest is titled “A Woman Who Has Inspired Me”. Clubwoman across the great state of Ohio are asked to “Take Time to Tell their Story” about a woman who has inspired them. Below are the essay guidelines:

- Open to ALL GFWC Ohio Federation per capita members.
- Limited to (1) entry per year/per member.
- Must be written during the contest year (1/1/14-12/31/14)
- Essay winner from previous year is not eligible to win the award, but may submit an essay.
- Contestants may not re-submit the same essay the second year of the contest and the topic of the second year must be from a different aspect of the theme.
- No less than 300 words and no more than 600 words.
- Must be typed or word-processed double-spaced.
- Printed on one side 8 ½ x 11 paper with a cover page.
- If computer generated, use Times New Roman, size 12 font (or pica if typewritten).
- All essays must be postmarked no later than February 1, 2015.
- Essays will be judged at the state level by a panel of two or more people. The decision of the judges will be final.
- Judging Criteria:
 

Content	60%
Composition	20%
Following Instructions	20%

If you have any questions or need additional information please contact Harriett Groh, State WHRC Chairman, (937) 377-3080 or harriettgroh@yahoo.com..

**The Wounded Veterans Initiative**

The total collected so far for the “Quarters for Canines” project to benefit the Wounded Veterans Initiative through Canine Companions for Independence is \$1,500.03.

Please take every opportunity to collect quarters for this project and send them to Carolyn Adams.

All Club or individual donations MUST be sent to the GFWC Ohio Treasurer, Carolyn Adams in order to get credit for your donations.

Thank you for your participation.

Kathy Combs

If you are not receiving your copy of The Buckeye, either in the mail or electronically, please notify both Marjean Sizemore and Sharon Cole-Isner at sizemore172@comcast.net and share252@aol.com.

**Montgomery Woman’s Club Honored  
with Proclamation**



L to R: Laura Harmon, Jackie Lang (president), Arlene Wojcieszak, Sue Copley (State Chrmn of the GFWC Signature Project: Domestic Violence Awareness and Prevention), Todd Steinbrink (mayor), Roz Novak, Nancy Jones and Ann Sexton.

No need for retirement or a rocking chair for the Montgomery Woman’s Club (MWC) as we celebrate the start of our 62<sup>nd</sup> year! Retirement doesn’t describe the hours of service to our community, even in the off-season. But on a more serious note, the club is engaged in providing service and education to the community on the critical topic of *Domestic Violence Awareness*.

In September, Mayor Todd Steinbrink (Montgomery, OH) proclaimed October as ‘Domestic Violence Awareness Month’ on behalf of the efforts of the MWC in raising community awareness. As part of Domestic Violence Awareness month, members made Awareness Bracelets for teens to remind them to “Expect Respect”. Members hosted a ‘shower’ in October for New Beginnings. New Beginnings is part of the Assistance League of Greater Cincinnati and provides household kits for use by women leaving shelters to begin their lives free of abuse. At our local farmer’s market, we sold over 100 bracelets while the shower received gifts of dinnerware sets, cookware, crock pots, bedding and bath towels for New Beginnings.

**Judging Christmas Displays and Lights**

The Madeira Woman’s Club once again volunteered to judge the best Christmas display of Madeira homes, in several categories. The club has enjoyed doing the drive-by judging for many years. The first week of December was allotted for setting up displays and members will volunteered to drive through the neighborhoods December 8–12.

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**117th Annual Convention**

**April 24-26, 2015**

**Crowne Plaza**

**Columbus - Downtown**



## 2014 Empowering Women One by One Award



Pictured from L to R: Marianne L. Nave, Patty Gentry Young and Kim Williamson.

**Patricia Gentry Young** received the Springfield City Federation of Women’s Clubs 2014 *Empowering Women—One by One Award* for her work in empowering women of the Clark County area in the cancer and health field and for encouraging all women to participate in early detection and education to help prevent cancer deaths among women.

The Federation’s cobalt blue glass and certificate awards, plus a Proclamation from the Clark County Commissioners, were presented to Patty on June 14th by Award Chairman, Marianne L. Nave and Kim Williamson, President of the Springfield City Federation of Women’s Clubs.

Patty has achieved much recognition as a leading beautician and local humanitarian. Ms. Young has gained a reputation for her many talents, including designing human hair wigs. She has worked closely with the American Cancer Society, assisted women going through cancer and founder of “Sisters United for Prevention”.

She is an active member of her church, National Council of Negro Women, board member of Jobs & More and board member the Springfield Foundation’s African—American Fund.

## MEMBERSHIP RODEO ROUND UP HELD

YEE HAW! The Jr. Women's Club of Barnesville hosted a rodeo round up on October 16, 2014. The club invited women from the community to join them for the evening, for food, fun and to learn more about the club. Guests were welcomed to the watering hole and bar complete with tumbleweed meatballs, pigs in a blanket, nachos with salsa and chicken enchilada dip and for dessert, haystacks and hay bales. Following refreshments, members and guests were treated to Dancing for a Cause, a group of ladies who feature line dancing. After a few demonstrations the group had the members and guest up on their feet dancing. The program continued with Diedra Devore, Assistant Director of Junior Clubs, who spoke about GFWC/OFWC Federation and installed 2 new members, Tammy VanHorn and Brenda Howell. New members were presented candles and a red rose with a blue bandana bow. Club President Lou Ann Swallie spoke about the club programs and projects. Each member and guest left with a bag of trail mix with "Happy Trails to You" and the Club Collect attached, in hopes it will lead them back!



The Ready to Round Up Members - Club Officers, Pat Ketzell, Assistant Treas.: Nancy Detling, Treas.' Wilma Truax, Corresponding Sec.; Lou Ann Swallie, President; Michele Lemunyon, Sec.; Diedra DeVore, Assist Director Of Junior Clubs: Cindy Ferguson, Vice-President

## READING 4 FUN

Reading 4 Fun is a partnership between United Way of Trumbull County, the GFWC Ohio Warren Junior Women's League and the Mahoning Valley Scappers. “GFWC Ohio Warren Junior Women's League has had a long standing relationship with the Jefferson PK – 8 building”, according to Renee’ Maiorca, President of the GFWC Ohio Warren Junior Women's League. “The new partnership with the United Way and the Scappers gives WJWL additional resources to serve more students in a more meaningful way.” WJWL club members were in every second grade classroom at Jefferson PK-8 School, they read 'Scaredy Squirrel' to the second grade students, shared a snack and did a craft. Each child received a backpack filled with books, crafts, crayons, glue and a snack.

Pictured right is GFWC Ohio Warren Junior Women's League Education chairman Sue Smith and President Renee Maiorca reading to the children as they work on the craft associated with the story 'Scaredy Squirrel' .





## 45th Annual Champagne Luncheon and Style Show

W.D. Packard Music Hall in Warren, Ohio was the setting for the kick off to the holiday season attended by over 400 area women and GFWC Ohio Board members, President Linda Ross; Director of Juniors Yvonne Ford; 2nd Vice President Linda Crish and Northeast District President Esther Gartland. The 45th Annual GFWC Ohio Warren Junior Women's League Champagne Luncheon and Style Show, 'We're Dreaming of a White Christmas' featured 'Star Models' from the Children's Rehabilitation Center in Howland. Fashions were from Dillard's, New York and Company, Buckle, Ski Chalet, and Furs from Lingenfelter Brill. The proceeds go to the CRC Scholarship Fund, so no child will be turned away because of an inability to pay for physical, developmental or speech therapy. The children were visited by a special guest from the North Pole, Mrs. E. Carol Claus who brought greeting from Santa..



Pictured in the front row are "The Star Models" of the Champagne Luncheon, along with (back row) Director of Junior Clubs Yvonne Ford; Warren Junior Women's League President Renee Maiorca; 'Star Model', Melanie Cann Luncheon Chairman; GFWC Ohio President Linda Ross; Linda Crish GFWC Ohio 2nd Vice President and GFWC Ohio Northeast District President Esther Gartland

## "Let's Give a Cheer"



Wintersville Women's Club members prepare to do a rousing cheer for Linda Ross, GFWC Ohio President (left corner) at their September luncheon meeting. Pictured L to R: Linda Ross, GFWC Ohio President (watching), Barb Thermes, Club President; Robbie Young, Natalie Doty, Donna Phillips, Carolyn Barrett, Marjean Sizemore, GFWC Ohio Secretary; Linda Nolf and Joyce Palmer.

## Fall Conference for NWD

The Northwest District met on September 12 for the Fall Conference in Wapakoneta. We had representatives from four General clubs and one Federation club. OFWC President Linda Ross addressed the group with updates from her administration and emphasis on Canine Companions for Independence - Wounded Veterans Initiative. First Vice President Lisa Hedrick led an interesting discussion on completion of the club reports and narratives. Everyone had plenty of information to take back to their clubs. The group also shared some of their club activities. In celebration of the 120<sup>th</sup> year for OFWC, Northwest District is working on the history of our district. Clubs are also encouraged to update or start their own club's history. Club members enjoyed a 50 cent raffle with many of the "prizes" coming from the *Dollar Store* and a 50/50 raffle.

## Two Clubs in One Day



Linda Ross, GFWC Ohio President, is addressing the Adena's Woman's Club the same evening she had attended another SED Woman's club meeting. Traveling with her that day (not pictured) were Marjean Sizemore, GFWC State Secretary and Sharon Cole-Isner, SED President. Linda is admiring the quilts that were shown that are for Veterans. Quilt kits were available to purchase and make yourself.



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**Kim Williamson**

Add District Chairman

## “Expect Respect” & “New Beginnings”

As part of Domestic Violence Awareness month, members of the Montgomery Woman’s Club are making Awareness Bracelets for teens to remind them to “Expect Respect”. Members are also collecting household items to New Beginnings-part of the Assistance League that provides household items to families of domestic violence when they move into new homes/apartments.



Members making bracelets: Bev Verket, Janet Livingston, Ann Sexton, Joyce Yock, Claire Houchell, Arlene Wojcieszak, Sue Copley, Nancy Rolfert, Phyllis Robertson and Jackie Lang.



Supplies for 'New Beginnings'. Jackie Lang, Arlene Wojcieszak and Sue Copley

## Ready for Opening Ceremony at Great Lakes Region Conference in Frankenmuth, Michigan

Yvonne Ford, GFWC Ohio Director of Junior Clubs (left) and Linda Ross, GFWC Ohio President, (right) take time to pose with the Ohio state flag before the opening ceremonies.



## Home Life Community Service Program

Margaret Resar - State Chairman

Program ideas are endless. Consider projects that address issues such as women’s health, theft prevention, service dog programs, people with disabilities, healthy lifestyles and childcare, increase awareness, prevention, research and treatment of disease, target personal development, address the issues of hunger, inadequate housing, and homelessness and/or prevent or correct financial difficulties.

### PARTNERSHIPS

#### Canine Companions for Independence

- Promote puppy raising. Volunteers are needed to raise puppies from eight weeks to 1-1/2 years old including attending dog obedience classes and socializing the puppy in public settings. Participate in the Canine Companions Signature Event - Dogfest Walk 'n Roll. For more information visit [www.cci.org/dogfest](http://www.cci.org/dogfest).
- Have members sew vests for the dogs or stuffed puppies.

Raise funds to help place a dog with a veteran.

#### Easter Seals

- Participate in "Celebrate Spring...Make Me Smile Day" on the first day of Spring. Working with your local Easter Seals affiliate, you can bring a smile to the face of children and adults served by Easter Seals by hosting an event, such as an ice-cream social, tea party, carnival, or senior prom.
- Support CAMP HOPE, a fundraising initiative that provides camping opportunities for children of military families.
- Support "Walk with Me," where you have the opportunity to walk with an Easter Seals client in your town. Contact Easter Seals for information about sewing occupational therapy vests for children.

#### National Heart, Lung and Blood's The Heart Truth

- Plan health fairs that have risk factor screenings and offer educational materials on women's heart disease and risk factor management and reduction.
- Hold a fun walk/run to promote *The Heart Truth* and its key messages.
- Participate in National Wear Red Day celebrations (first Friday in February each year).
- Hold a Heart Truth educational session for women, using the Heart Truth Speaker's Kit.

#### Inside Knowledge: Get the Facts About Gynecologic Cancer Campaign

- Order free Inside Knowledge materials directly through the campaign's online publication ordering system ([www.CDC.gov/pubs/dcpcl.aspx](http://www.CDC.gov/pubs/dcpcl.aspx)) and distribute them among fellow members of your club and community.
- Host a presentation or seminar on gynecologic cancers using Inside Knowledge information and resources, including educational print materials as well as print, television and radio informational public service announcements.





## Annual Gold Star Mother's Pilgrimage at Mohican Memorial Forest Shrine

September 28, 2014

Southwest District Members attend the Gold Star Mother's Pilgrimage and bench dedication.



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Pictured R to L: Rebecca Frank, Dept. of Ohio President for American Gold Star Mothers, Linda Ross, GFWC Ohio President and Dorothy Locker, Past President of American Gold Star Mothers

## Children's Rehab Center

GFWC Ohio President Linda Ross (right), toured the Children's Rehabilitation Center in Howland, along with GFWC Northeast District President, Esther Gartland (left) and Warren Junior Women's League President Renee Maiorca.



## GFWC Ohio Scholarships

Sharon Pervo

Support for education is a long-standing tradition and a core value of the GFWC/Ohio Federation of Women's Clubs. Each per capita club in Ohio is encouraged to sponsor 5 students for GFWC Ohio Scholarships, one per scholarship. Four of the scholarships are to be awarded to graduating high school seniors who will attend an accredited OHIO college: The Annette Phelps Lincoln Scholarship is designed for those interested in majoring in teaching or library science; students interested in studying in the field of applied health sciences can apply for the Ethel G. Swanbeck Scholarship; the Art Scholarship is appropriately intended for students interested in an Art major and those students who wish to study Communications may apply for the Elaine Weinman Memorial Scholarship. The fifth scholarship, the Clubwoman Scholarship, is to be awarded to a per capita club MEMBER who wishes to study or train at an accredited OHIO school in order to return to the workplace or enter the work force in order to better provide for herself and/or her family. The previous brief description does not include all the qualifications for the scholarships – see your GFWC Ohio Directory for ALL the important details.

Your club should appoint a Scholarship Chairman whose job is to communicate and coordinate with the student being sponsored and the high school guidance counselor (or similar school personnel) who works with students seeking scholarship aid. Your Scholarship Chairman will study the scholarship descriptions and requirements as outlined in the GFWC Ohio Directory and will work with the high school and student to make sure all steps are followed to ensure a successful application. Any questions should be directed to Sharon Pervo, Chairman of the Scholarship Trustees. IMPORTANT! a checklist is provided in the Directory – if the Scholarship Chairman uses that checklist then it is unlikely that your sponsored student will be disqualified due to missing information or qualifications. Your club should also designate a member, preferably the President, Scholarship Chairman or a member who knows the student, to write a letter of endorsement for her/him.

March 1 is the deadline for all scholarship applications and accompanying supplementary materials to be postmarked and sent to Sharon Pervo. All pertinent information is then studied by the Scholarship Trustees before they award the scholarships at the Annual Convention in April. The dollar amount to be awarded for each scholarship is determined in the Spring and is based on club donations, interest earned by the Scholarship accounts and other factors determined by the GFWC Ohio Board of Directors. If there are any questions at any point in the process, please contact Sharon Pervo, Chairman of the Scholarship Trustees. Find her phone number, email and home address in the Directory.

Encourage and support a student's dreams – nominate her/him for a GFWC Ohio Scholarship!

## SNEAK PEEK AT HOTEL FOR THE 2015 STATE CONVENTION

### Welcome General Federation of Women's Clubs

#### CROWNE PLAZA COLUMBUS DOWNTOWN HOTEL INFORMATION

##### HOTEL SHUTTLE:

A complimentary Hotel Shuttle is available on a "first-come-first-serve" basis within a 3-mile radius of the Hotel. Please see the Valet Desk for all Shuttle inquiries.

##### BUSINESS CENTER

Available 24 hours a day with internet access and printers. Located conveniently in the lobby of the hotel.

##### INTERNET:

For your convenience, the wireless internet connection is complimentary all guests. Access is available in all areas of the hotel.

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Drop-off laundry & dry cleaning services are also available. Monday-Saturday

##### FOOD & BEVERAGE OUTLETS:

###### BLVD BAR:

Monday – Saturday: Opens at 4pm  
Sunday: Opens at 9pm  
Opens at 4pm Monday – Saturday  
Opens at 9pm on Sunday

###### BLVD CAFÉ:

AM:  
Monday – Friday: 6:30am – 12:30pm  
Sat & Sun: 6:30am – 12:00pm  
PM:  
Monday – Saturday: 7:00pm – 1:00am  
Sun: 9:00pm – 1:00am

###### MAX & ERMA'S RESTAURANT:

Monday – Thursday: 6:30am – 10:00pm  
Friday: 6:30am – 12:00am  
Saturday: 7:00am – 12:00am  
Sunday: 7:00am – 10:00pm

##### LOCAL AREA:

The Short North provides a haven for all things art and food! Stop in one of our many specialty shops and restaurants to experience amazing local cuisine and talent!



##### THINGS TO DO:

**North Market**  
30 local vendors of foods, produce, and specialty items is one of the best spots of Columbus!  
**COSI – Center of Science and Industry.**  
A hands on museum fun and informative for all ages

**Easton Town Center**  
A Shoppers dream! This indoor/outdoor mall is home to over 200 retailers and restaurants.

##### FITNESS FACILITIES:

The 24-hour Hotel Fitness Center is located on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor and can be accessed using either of your Hotel key cards.

The Hotel pool is located in the Lower Level, accessed with either of your Hotel key cards in elevator #4. The pool hours are Monday-Sunday, 7am-11pm.

The Arena District Athletic Club is available to you on a \$10 Day Pass rate Available through the front desk

The Arena District Athletic Club  
325 John H McConnell Blvd  
Suite #150  
(614) 461-7785  
www.arenaathletic.com

Please see the Front Desk for directions to the Arena District Athletic Club

##### MISCELLANEOUS:

Ice Machines & Soda Vending Machines are located on each floor of the Hotel.

The Hotel is a smoke-free facility.

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\*\*\*\*\***GFWC CREATIVE WRITING CONTEST**

I am asking all club members to be bold and fearless in writing their short story and/or poetry entries.

Ladies you might think you have nothing to say but I guarantee you do. Just think of your childhood and all those life experiences you have encountered during your journey through life. Your poem and/or short story can be anything you want it to be. Each of you have so much talent so be optimistic and express yourself through writing. I am looking forward to hearing from all of you.

Please do not forget about our Youth Poetry and Short Story Contest. I am sure you all have been to your schools by now and the students are writing creatively with their thinking caps on.

\* Club Members – Authors must be dues-paying members of an active GFWC club.

Entries must be typed, double-spaced, printed on one side, with 1” margins on all four sides, on 8.5 x 11-inch paper.

Entries must be written during the contest year (January 1 – December 31).

Authors must be amateurs; earnings from writing not to exceed \$500 annually.

Entries may not have been published prior to the competition and must be original works by the author.

\* A signed GFWC Creative Arts Waiver must be included with each submission.

\* Short stories are limited to 2,000 words.

\* Poetry entries can be any style, with a minimum of eight lines and a maximum of 50 lines.

\* (Student) One entry per person per category.

(Club Member) One entry per member per category.

\* Entries must have the following on the top right hand corner of each page:

Author's name, email address, mailing address and phone number

Club Member – Name of author's GFWC club and state federation

Student – Name of the GFWC club and state federation submitting author's work

Category

Title of work

Student - Grade Level Category

Category 1. Grades K, 1, and 2

Category 2. Grades 3, 4, and 5

Category 3. Grades 6, 7, and 8

Category 4. Grades 9, 10, 11, and 12

Creative Writing Contest Submissions

**DEADLINE:** February 1, 2015

Mail entries to: Rita Hall, 121 Pine Lane, Barnesville,

**DO B-E-E-E KIND**



Linda Crish (left) and Corky Nosek (right) remind us of a few things to do with emphasis on being kind.

They were all “a-buzz” as they made their way to the speaker’s stand.

- Do be...on time
- Do be...prepared
- Do be...courteous
- Do be...helpful
- Do be...kind

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Free Distribution by Mail	none	none
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