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## Call to Convention

# 113th ANNUAL CONVENTION of the GFWC/Ohio Federation of Women's Clubs



*"Leading the Way through Reading"*

April 15-17, 2011  
Doubletree Columbus/Worthington  
Columbus, Ohio

*Evelyn Bachman, Presiding Officer  
2010-2012 GFWC/OFWC President*

## What's On the Agenda for Convention

### Special Guest



MARY ELLEN BROCK  
GFWC Recording Secretary

### Bookwoman

- Drawing of Bookwoman bring your bookmarks with your list of books
- Used books for the ESO book sale
- A book to share at the Saturday luncheon



What is the Ohio Federation's connection with Ohioana? Answer at the luncheon Saturday.



### KICK OFF YOUR SHOES at the JUNIOR FUN NIGHT

#### Also:

- Six Workshops
- Awards
- Presentation on Domestic Violence Awareness and Prevention
- "Watch" for information on the American Mural Project

# 2011 GFWC/OFWC CONVENTION

## Registration, Meal Reservation, and Credentials Form

**This form must be filled in and mailed, postmarked by March 30, 2011**

(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

Sharon Pervo  
OFWC Treasurer  
208 Cherry Lane  
Avon Lake OH 44012  
Phone 440/933-2201  
e-mail: pervo208@oh.rr.com

### Cancellation Deadline:

April 8, 2011

No refunds will be issued until  
after the close of convention.

Make checks payable to GFWC/OFWC  
2011 Annual Convention.  
Payment for all fees must be  
enclosed with this form.

### HOTEL RESERVATIONS

See page 16  
for Hotel Reservation Form.  
Mail hotel reservations  
directly to the hotel. The Hotel  
must receive your room  
reservation by March 25, 2011.

## Registration, Meal Reservation, and Credentials Form

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ DISTRICT \_\_\_\_\_

STREET ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY/STATE/ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF  
CLUB or CITY/COUNTY FEDERATION \_\_\_\_\_

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

**VOTING STATUS** Check one: DELEGATE\_\_\_ DELEGATE-AT-LARGE\_\_\_ NON-VOTING MEMBER\_\_\_

(Please read the article on page 4 to determine your voting status)

If you're a Delegate or Delegate-at-Large, list office or 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\_\_\_

Late Fee (if you register after 3/30/11) \$ 5.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### MEALS

Friday Banquet \$30.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Saturday Luncheon \$20.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Saturday Banquet \$30.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL REGISTRATION MEALS FEES** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Do you require a special meal? \_\_\_ Vegetarian\_\_\_ Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a first-time Convention attendee? \_\_\_\_\_

25-year member?\_\_\_ 50-year member?\_\_\_

Workshop details inside this issue.

TO HELP US PLAN FOR WORKSHOPS,  
check the workshops you plan to attend:

### SATURDAY

#### 11 a.m.

\_\_\_\_\_ The Secret Ingredients in Club Work

\_\_\_\_\_ Protocol

\_\_\_\_\_ Capturing a Winning Photograph

#### 4 p.m.

\_\_\_\_\_ Clubwomen on the Web: Meeting in  
the Virtual World of Second Life

\_\_\_\_\_ Hands-On Workshop: Books and  
Bears Project

\_\_\_\_\_ OFWC President's Coffee for All  
Current Club Presidents

# Informative workshops aim to help clubs

By **CORKY NOSEK**  
First Vice President

This year's GFWC/Ohio Convention will offer a variety of interesting workshops for Convention attendees! On Saturday, April 16, the following workshops have been scheduled:

## 11 a.m.

1. "The Secret Ingredients in Club Work" by Mary Ellen Brock, Recording Secretary, GFWC
2. "Protocol" by Marilyn Pahl, GFWC/Ohio Parliamentary Advisor, and Norma Adams, GFWC/Assistant Parliamentary Advisor
3. "Capturing a Winning Photograph" by Jim Nardone, Convention Photography Judge

## 4 p.m.

1. "Clubwomen on the Web: Meeting in the Virtual World of Second Life" by Tom Nosek, CWRU Associate Dean for Information Technology/Professor of Physiology and Biophysics
2. Hands-on Workshop: "Books and Bears Project"
3. "President's Coffee" for all current GFWC/Ohio Club Presidents

To help us to plan for the workshops, please use the sign-up section on the Registration Form (page 2) to indicate which workshops you are interested in attending.

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## "BOOKS AND BEARS" HANDS-ON WORKSHOP

In a recent memo, GFWC Signature Project Chairman Bev Lassiter wrote, "We Clubwomen bring blessings to many—women and children in particular—each and every day. The GFWC Signature Project, Domestic Awareness and Prevention, is one of those special ways we will leave our 'signature of blessings' on children."

Our Partner Organization for the Signature Project, Prevent Child Abuse America (PCAA), has received thousands of copies of a children's book entitled *Rosie's New Shoes*. The books were a donation from Kappa Delta Sorority and deal with bullying and young children. PCAA will be sending each GFWC State Federation President 300 books to distribute among organizations around our state. (And yes, our President, Evie Bachman, IS excited about the book connection!!) GFWC has suggested that we attach a small teddy bear to each book. We are asking clubs and club members to bring these small teddy bears (no larger than 6 inches high) to Convention. Collection containers for the bear donations will be located near the registration table. On Saturday afternoon, during the hands-on workshop, we will be attaching the bears to the books and readying them for distribution around Ohio.

April is Child Abuse Prevention Month, so this is a perfect time to undertake this very special project. Since we will have 300 books to distribute in Ohio, we need to collect 300 small bears! So please enlist your members to go on a "bear hunt" in your community!

—Corky Nosek



## Director to discuss OFWC connection

Linda R. Hengst, executive director of the Ohioana Library Association, will discuss the important role that the Ohio Federation of Women's Clubs played in the founding and life of the Ohioana Library, as well as its current programs including its newest program, the Ohioana Book Festival.



Linda has a Bachelor of Science degree in social and behavioral science from the Ohio State University. She says she "fell in love" with Ohioana when she dropped off her resume in 1988 and during the past 23 years her passion has not wavered. Through the years she has helped guide and focus Ohioana's growth and development. Linda's involvement with women's organizations includes the YWCA, Ohio Women Inc., and the Pilot

Club of Columbus, as well as Ohioana's relationship with the Ohio women's Hall of Fame have added to her appreciation of women's history and the importance women have and continue to play in creating a better world.

The Ohioana Library collects, preserves, and promotes the work of Ohio's writers, artists, and musicians. The Ohioana Library was established in 1929 under the direction of Martha Kinney Cooper, then First Lady of Ohio, who recruited other Ohioans to assist in gathering a collection of books written by Ohioans and about Ohioans and Ohio.

## GFWC Recording Secretary to be special guest at convention

Mary Ellen Brock is currently serving as the GFWC Recording Secretary and has previously held the positions of GFWC Treasurer, GFWC Women's Health Chairman, member of the GFWC Leadership Committee, Constitution and Bylaws Committee, and Membership Committee. She was literally born into the Federation, arriving one month after her mother completed her term as the President of the Bloomfield Juniors.

Mary Ellen served as President of the New Jersey State Federation of Women's Clubs of GFWC from 2000-2002. She served 7 years on the JM State Board and 11 years on the NJS-FWC State Board.

In 1994, Mary Ellen was named to the Emergency Medical Services for Children Advisory Council by Governor Whitman and is presently serving her fifth third-year term.

She spent twelve years as a Girl Scout Leader and all 13 of her scouts received the Girl Scout Gold Award – the largest troop to attain this award.

Once her husband Barry was asked about the moment when he will stand at the pearly gates with Mary Ellen. When St. Peter calls out her name, Barry will simply state "I'm with her!"



# 2011 OFWC CONVENTION

## Can I Vote? And Am I a Delegate or Delegate-at-Large?

Sometimes clubwomen attending the State Convention are required to vote on an issue, motion, slate of officers, etc. It is important that each person know whether she is a voting delegate when completing the registration form for Convention.

Listed below are those persons who are entitled to vote and their specific designation (i.e. delegate, delegate-at-large).

### **DELEGATES-AT-LARGE**

1. OFWC Board of Directors and Junior Board.
2. Those having served in elective offices at state or district level (i.e. state officers, district president, or district director of juniors).
3. Officers and chairmen of the General Federation of Women's Clubs residing in Ohio.
4. All current State Department and Division Chairmen and current District Chairmen.
5. All members of Standing and Special Committees.
6. Trustees of all funds and *The Buckeye Magazine* staff.

NOTE: Those members listed above are separate from the Delegates below. It is possible that several members of your club are eligible to vote if you have members who are in the Delegate-at-Large category plus your actual club delegate(s).

### **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 a 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 an additional delegate for every 20 additional member clubs.

The club membership numbers are the numbers of members a club paid dues for by December 31. If you are in doubt, contact your District President as she received the information from the OFWC Treasurer.

Any Delegate or Delegate-at-Large has only one vote even though she may report for more than one club, or be, for example, a district chairman as well as a club president.

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



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# Watch collection symbolizes "time" clubwomen give to volunteerism

## The American Mural Project



### ABOUT AMP

The American Mural Project, a 501(c)3 organization, has an unusual approach to arts education. It is involved in the creation of the largest indoor collaborative artwork in the world – a mural 120 feet long, five stories high, and up to 10 feet deep. A tribute to working Americans, this mural is the center of the organization's educational program.

More than 10,000 kids in diverse communities across the country have now worked with AMP on projects in their communities to create pieces of the mural. A multi-subject curriculum based on the mural is now in pilot programs in local schools; an online version is in development. Two former mill buildings will house the mural and an adjacent visitor's center, which will become a destination for field trips, guest lectures, and workshops as well as the onsite portion of AMP's curriculum.

### WEB SITE

[www.wallofamerica.org](http://www.wallofamerica.org)

### PARTNERSHIP WITH GFWC

The American Mural Project is now GFWC International's Partnership Program for Arts in the Community. AMP was unveiled at the Omaha Convention in July 2010. GFWC /CT was proud to introduce artist Ellen Griesedieck and AMP to clubwomen across the country. Ellen's speech "wowed" all attendees and "AMP'ed up" GFWC members!

Ellen's "Watch Project" is underway across the country. She will honor GFWC members' hours of volunteerism by collecting old non-working watches from each member. These thousands of watches will be encased in resin and intertwined together to form a huge watch link running throughout the three dimensional mural.

Ellen will be recording each individual's contribution to the mural, so members' names and information along with the watch are requested.

As a new Partnership Program, it is also our job to raise money for the project. Therefore members are asked to send a \$1 donation to accompany each watch. Club members may donate more than one watch to dedicate to a fellow clubwoman or past clubwoman who may not have a watch to contribute.

### BRING USED WATCHES TO CONVENTION

During the Convention, the GFWC/ Ohio Art Community Service Program will be taking the contributions of used watches that clubs have been collecting for the American Mural Project.



The watches may be placed in the container located in the Art Room at the Doubletree Hotel during the Convention. Please remember to bring the donations roster

sheet from your club as well. Jeannie Chaney and Esther White, GFWC/Ohio Art Community Service Program Chairmen, will forward the donated watches to the American Mural Project for inclusion in the Mural. The Artist has asked GFWC Clubwomen around the country to donate the watches, which are intended to symbolize the "time" that GFWC Clubwomen donate to volunteerism.

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It is estimated that the 140,000 GFWC clubwomen contributed 166,667 days of community service to 110,000 projects in the year 2010.

## Domestic violence awareness is topic of keynote speaker at opening session

Kathy Mull, Victims Services Program Coordinator for Behavioral Connections in Wood County, will address the convention assembly Friday afternoon. She is a licensed social worker and has been employed with Victims Services of Behavioral Connections since 2003. This organization provides advocacy services to domestic violence and sexual assault victims.



Mull also trains and supervises all of the volunteer victim advocates through the agency's program. She facilitates the domestic violence survivors support group, coordinates the Wood County Domestic Violence Fatality Review Team, and serves as an expert witness on domestic violence and sexual assault cases for the Wood County Prosecutor's Office.

She is a graduate of the University of Toledo with a bachelor's degree in social work.

Her talk will help OFWC members to better understand the work of those who try to raise awareness about domestic violence.

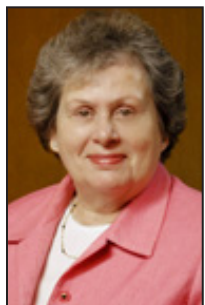
### Sunday Morning Inspirational Speaker Beth Rupert-Warren

The Sunday morning inspirational speaker will be Beth Rupert-Warren, a fairly new member of the Steubenville Club in the Southeast District. She is a cancer survivor and has a story to tell that will keep you spellbound. She has a lovely singing voice that she will share as she tells her story.

### STATE LEADERSHIP DAY

Saturday, July 23, 2011  
Enchanted Acres, Grove City,  
Ohio

# Time for convention & district legislation days



**EVELYN  
BACHMAN**  
*GFWC/OFWC  
President*

Dear Club Members,

Your Board of Directors and Second Vice President Linda Ross Convention chairman, have planned for you a terrific April convention that you will not want to miss. It has been several years since we have had a GFWC guest. This year we will welcome Mary Ellen Brock, GFWC Recording Secretary as our guest.

On Saturday and Sunday morning we will celebrate all the wonderful accomplishments of our clubs during 2010. You will want to be there to celebrate with your club members.

Here are some important things to bring to the convention.

1. **SMALL BEARS.** No larger than 6 inches for hands on workshop. GFWC will be sending us books to distribute to

Girls Scouts and Girls and Boys Clubs on bullying (see related article).

2. **USED WATCHES** (watches not working) for the American Mural Project.

Include \$1 per watch for OFWC mailing fees and other costs.

3. **ONE BOOK** to share for the Saturday luncheon. (Please sign in the book your name and why you did or did not enjoy the book.)

4. **USED BOOKS** for the ESO book sale

5. **GREEN SHEETS.** Club presidents, our convention will take place on April 15, so bring your green sheets for your district president and be sure to attend the coffee for you on Saturday afternoon.

6. **COMPLETED BOOKMARKS** for the drawing of Bookwoman on Saturday afternoon.

You will not want to miss the appearance of Bookwoman at the Saturday luncheon. It will be special. Saturday night banquet will hold a few surprises as you hear and meet our GFWC guest and some famous authors. You do not want to miss this convention.

Also you should be sure to attend your district Legislation Day. Your district presidents have shared their plans for Legislation Day and their plans are



sure to inform you on current topics.

Legislation Day will get you started on celebrating your club accomplishments. Please let me know if you have just become a 50-year club member and plan to attend the April convention.

As the first year of the administration of 2010-2012 draws near to a close, all I can say is thank you so much for embracing the GFWC Signature Project, "Domestic Violence Prevention Awareness" and the theme of "Give a book, share a book, help your libraries." You have helped your libraries by donating time, supporting library issues on the ballot, and donating many books to the library. You have certainly shared books with each other and with others in your communities.

Thank you and see you in Columbus, Ohio, April 15-17 so we can continue the celebration of another outstanding club year for Ohio.

## DISTRICT LEGISLATION DAYS

**Northeast District**  
March 19

**Northwest District**  
March 25

**Lake Erie District**  
March 26

**Southeast**  
March 26

**Southwest District**  
March 26

## Blue Book of Distinguished Women

You can honor a member of your club by recording her name in the Blue Book. 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, or a past president, or a 20-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. Send the name and a \$10 check to the Blue Book Chairman, Kathy Combs, 275 S Market St., West Union OH 45693.

## GFWC'S SEASONAL RECRUITMENT CAMPAIGN "A Time for GFWC Membership"

Summer: "Great Time to Warm Up  
with New Members"  
(June/July/August)

Fall: "Rake in New Members" (Sep-  
tember/October/November)

Winter: "Flurry of Members"  
(December/January/February)

Report to GFWC by March 1

Spring: "Growing Members"  
(March/April/May)

Report to GFWC by June 1

# Leading the way through opportunity & learning

LISA HEDRICK  
2010-2012 Director  
of Junior Clubs



Dear Members,

As I sit in the hospital waiting for my son's surgery, I again realize that our life isn't always what we planned. Things happen that make changes, detours, and even retreats on what we expected. Your club projects have been completed with all of these factors, too, but always with the underlying goal of helping someone else. I look forward to reading each and every report from the smallest project to the largest undertaking. Imagining the wonderful outcomes in your communities and believing that federation volunteers are leading others along the way, make me very proud to be part of GFWC/Ohio.

Now, I would like you to think about what you accomplished last year for YOU? Did you invite a new member? Attend a state meeting? Become the club treasurer? Co-chair a committee? Ask a question? These are all actions of a leader. In your daily lives these actions are visible. In your club these actions are taught. In your state these actions are needed. Don't let fear win. Keep things in perspective and master the courage to try something new. First you follow, then you lead and then you teach. Leadership is a process and not a destination. Members all over the state have contributed to the club projects and reports. Each of you fulfilled a leader's task by acting on the opportunity. Embrace your skills, appreciate the learning and celebrate the experience. And this is a great time to nominate that clubwoman for the "Leading The Way" Junior Award. Every Junior Club will have a member recognized at convention. Who deserves a pat on the back and a show of confidence? Nomination forms are in the Directory, so send it to me right away.



## 120th GFWC Annual International Convention

June 18-20, 2011  
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Information at [www.GFWC.org](http://www.GFWC.org)

We have planned a fun-filled convention, and I would like to invite everyone to the Junior Banquet and Fun Night. In Mardi Gras style we will "Unmask the Leader in You," with the colors of purple, green, and gold. Sweet jazz music will fill the air and the Junior and Juniores clubs will share the wealth of awards. New club leaders will be unmasked and celebrated. The Junior Fun Night will continue the N'awlins party with a "Shoe Contest" and buying and bartering at the Junior Street Fair. Check out the rules (printed in Buckeye) for the shoe contest . . . do you have the smelliest pair? the oldest pair? or the glitziest pair? And sign up for the street fair (it's free) and bring your club's fundraising items. Information will be sent to those signing up and space will be provided. If, while out bargain shopping, you find a pair of children's shoes on sale, we will take donations for a Domestic Violence Shelter during the evening. So use "Your Walking Shoes" and join us Friday Night for food, fun and Mardi Gras Madness.

In Federation Fun and Friendship,

*Lisa*

P.S. I can't leave you without something to contemplate: *A good leader inspires people to have confidence in the leader; a great leader inspires people to have confidence in themselves.*

## Junior Fun Night Don't Miss It!



New Orleans will host the Junior Fun Night, if you dare to attend. We want you to kick up your feet and leave "Your Walking Shoes" on the table for a shoe contest.

Discover the deals on Bourbon Street (Junior Street Fair), which will be open as a cash and carry street fair, so tuck your money where the pickpockets don't dare to touch.

All clubs are invited to sell their wares on Bourbon Street. Just let Debbie Shattuck ([debbieshattuck@gmail.com](mailto:debbieshattuck@gmail.com)) know you are coming so we have enough room.

Bring your shoes and pick a category in the contest! You might have the crowd's favorite:

*Highest Heel. Sporty. Tacky. Pointy Toe. Skinny Heel. Fat Heel. Largest Size. Smallest Size. Just Plain Ugly. Purple Power. Heavy Weight. Bling Bling. Patriotic. Bridal. Oldest (write about its history). Painful. Cartoon-Style. Miss America. Yucky Color. June Cleaver's Favorites.*

Shoes must be owned by an OFWC member.

For questions about the shoes activity, contact Mary Witkowski ([mwitkowski@zoominternet.net](mailto:mwitkowski@zoominternet.net)).

Donations of children's shoes will be accepted for a domestic violence shelter.

So, kick off your shoes and shop till you drop. Mardi Gras magic and madness will be up to you!!



# • RESOLUTIONS

## PROPOSED FOR AMENDMENT

*The following resolutions were reviewed by the Resolutions Committee and submitted to the Board of Directors which recommended that the following amendments (IN BOLD FACE TYPE) (deletions are strike throughs) be presented to the assembly at the Annual Convention.*

### **Resolution 3-03 MENTAL HEALTH PARITY (Reviewed 2007)**

WHEREAS, The American Psychological Association reports that approximately 44.3 million Americans suffer from a diagnosable mental health disorder which can be as serious and debilitating as having a heart attack; and  
WHEREAS, A report from the Surgeon General's Conference on Children's Mental Health 2001 states that fewer than 1 in 5 of the estimated 15 million children and adolescents who have a mental illness receive treatment; and  
WHEREAS, Mental illness such as schizophrenia, bi-polar disorder, major depression, obsessive-compulsive disorders and severe anxiety disorders are real illnesses of the brain; and  
WHEREAS, *The Nation's Voice on Mental Illness* reports that treatment efficacy rates for most severe mental illnesses exceed those for heart disease and diabetes and contends there is no scientific or medical justification for insurance coverage to be on different terms and conditions than other diseases; and  
WHEREAS, The American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry states that providing equal coverage for mental health is cost effective; the National Institute of Mental Health estimates that the annual cost of untreated mental illness is over \$300 billion in lost productivity, health care and societal costs; and  
WHEREAS, The Congressional Budget Office estimates that the cost to employers of implementing parity will be just 1% of annual premiums; and  
WHEREAS, Discriminatory insurance coverage of mental illness can bankrupt families and place a tremendous burden on taxpayers through suicide, homelessness and inappropriate "criminalization" of mental illness; and  
**WHEREAS, The American Psychological Association now recognizes the psychological needs of our troops, veterans and their families, that they, also, may encounter barriers due to lack of insurance; therefore**  
RESOLVED, That the GFWC/Ohio Federation of Women's Clubs urges its member clubs to contact legislators at all levels and encourage them to support passage of legislation implementing immediate mental health parity without limitations as to the illness; and further  
RESOLVED, That the GFWC/Ohio Federation of Women's Clubs urges its member clubs to educate their members and the public through informational programs to better understand the connection between mental health and physical health in an effort to remove the stigma associated with brain disorders.

### **Emergency Resolution 1-03 PROPOSED OHIO BUDGET CUTS THAT THREATEN OUR PUBLIC LIBRARIES (Reviewed 2007)**

WHEREAS, The GFWC/Ohio Federation of Women's Clubs, in partnership with the General Federation of Women's Clubs, has supported libraries for many years, including the founding of approximately 75 percent of this nation's public libraries and the raising of more than 13 million dollars in materials and property for the Libraries 2000 project; and  
WHEREAS, Ohio clubs and clubwomen have been involved in supporting libraries for more than 100 years, being the driving force behind many of the public libraries in the state of Ohio, funding construction, raising money for maintenance, and donating large quantities of books and materials, in addition to untold hours of volunteer work at the state's libraries; and  
WHEREAS, Proposed Ohio State Budget cuts threaten to eliminate or severely reduce the funding of the "Library and Local Government Support Fund," which provides most of the operating funds for many of Ohio's public libraries (176 libraries in Ohio are totally funded by this tax fund), thus forcing major limitations in availability of library services or even closure of many libraries; and  
WHEREAS, Funding from the Ohio State income tax for the "Library and Local Government Support Fund" was cut from 6.3 percent in 2001 to 5.7 percent in 2002, thereby already forcing cutbacks in library services; and the Legislature is proposing cuts to 5.2 percent and as low as 2.6 percent, which would threaten many libraries with closure; and  
**WHEREAS, In 2008, the Library and Local Government Support Fund, which was 5.7% of the State of Ohio's income tax collection, was replaced with the Public Library Fund (PLF); and**  
**WHEREAS, The PLF was initially set at 2.22% of total state tax revenue, but was reduced and currently funded at 1.97%; and**  
**WHEREAS, This reduction has resulted in an 18% loss in funding in one year—2009—for Ohio's 251 public libraries and a drop in revenue from State funding of more than 30% since 2000; and**  
**WHEREAS, This reduced level of funding has resulted in major reductions in hours of operation, purchase of new library materials, availability of services and even closure of many libraries across the entire State; therefore**  
RESOLVED, That the GFWC/Ohio Federation of Women's Clubs urges its member clubs and members to contact the Governor and all Ohio Legislators in the House and Senate to let them know that these cuts are not acceptable and to **demand strongly urge** that funding be **maintained returned to the 2008 levels** for all Public Libraries; and further  
RESOLVED, That the GFWC/Ohio Federation of Women's Clubs encourages its member clubs and members to communicate the seriousness of this situation to their local communities and urge others to make their voices heard as well in this matter.



# • RESOLUTIONS

## PROPOSED FOR AMENDMENT Continued

### Resolution 1-07 RAILROAD CROSSINGS

WHEREAS, There are over 253,000 railroad crossings in the United States and over 9,300 railroad crossings in Ohio; and  
 WHEREAS, Ohio ranks fifth in the nation in regard to states that have the most railroad crossings; and  
 WHEREAS, Ohio is the state with the densest population per square miles to railroad miles; and  
 WHEREAS, Ohio rail lines carry more traffic than those of 46 other states; ranking Ohio 4th in the nation; and  
 WHEREAS, Annually there ~~are were~~ over 3,200 accidents, 400 deaths and 1,100 injuries at railroad crossings in the United States, and over 140 accidents, 20 deaths and 40 injuries at railroad crossings annually in Ohio; and  
**WHEREAS, Because of improved Public Awareness Programs, better enforcement and new engineering improvements, in 2009 there were 1,916 accidents, 246 deaths and 720 injuries at railroad crossings in the United States, and 63 accidents, 9 deaths and 21 injuries at railroad crossings in Ohio; and**  
 WHEREAS, The majority of railroad crossings in the United States and in Ohio are not protected with automated gates accompanied by flashing lights; and  
 WHEREAS, The vast majority of railroad crossings have inadequate sight distances, such as trees and other vegetation, sharp turns in the roadway or steep roads leading to track crossings; and  
 WHEREAS, Railroad crossings are dangerous because they handle two conflicting streams of traffic (trains and motor vehicles) which have entirely different operating characteristics; and  
 WHEREAS, The physical structure of railroad crossings presents a severely higher risk to motor vehicles than to trains; and  
 WHEREAS, Railroad crossings require that motorists always yield the right-of-way to trains which cannot avoid hitting vehicles in their path; and  
 WHEREAS, Railroad crossing maintenance is shared by privately owned entities and public authorities; and  
 WHEREAS, The United States Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration, annually allocates monies to states for the installation of railroad-crossing protection devices and for the elimination of hazards at railroad crossings; therefore  
 RESOLVED, That the GFWC/Ohio Federation of Women's Clubs ~~urges and supports~~ **continues to urge and support** legislation in our State and National Legislatures which will protect motorists who must cross railroads as they drive Ohio's roads and roads throughout the United States; and further  
 RESOLVED, That the GFWC/Ohio Federation of Women's Clubs urges members to exercise their responsibility within

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### Resolution 2-07 REQUIRE DIABETES HEALTH CARE

WHEREAS, In the year of 2000: 40% (41 million) of adults age 40-74 had pre-diabetes and in the year 2002: ~~54~~ **57** million adults had pre-diabetes. Pre-diabetes is a condition where blood glucose levels are higher than normal but not high enough to be classified as diabetes. This condition raises the risk of developing Type 2 Diabetes, heart disease and stroke; and  
~~WHEREAS, Over 1 million people in Ohio have diabetes~~ **In 2008, more than 840,000 Ohio adults had diabetes** and almost 12,000 Ohioans die each year from diabetic complications and nearly 200,000 Ohioans are hospitalized due to diabetes-related causes; and  
~~WHEREAS, Despite recent evidence that diabetes has risen sharply, Ohio legislature has failed to act on legislation that would help ensure that Ohioans with diabetes have needed medication, supplies and training required to properly manage the disease and prevent its serious complications; and~~  
~~WHEREAS, Ohio is one of just four states—along with Alabama, Idaho and North Dakota—that has not passed legislation to require state-regulated health plans to provide comprehensive diabetes health coverage; and~~  
~~WHEREAS, Approximately 380,000 Ohioans with diabetes would benefit from legislation to include diabetes supplies, medication and training health coverage; therefore~~  
**WHEREAS, In 2009, H.B. 81 passed that required health care plans provide coverage for the expenses of medically necessary (1) equipment, supplies and medication for the treatment and management of diabetes (2) diabetes medical nutrition therapy, and (3) diabetes self-management education; and**  
**WHEREAS, In 2010, the Ohio Senate has not passed legislation to require health plans to provide comprehensive diabetes health coverage; and**  
**WHEREAS, With 90 to 95% of people, Type 2 Diabetes is directly linked to obesity; and**  
**WHEREAS, More than half of all Americans could have diabetes or pre-diabetes by the year 2020; therefore**  
 RESOLVED, That GFWC/Ohio Federation of Women's Clubs members learn about diabetes and its impact on those that have it; and further  
 RESOLVED, That GFWC/Ohio Federation of Women's Clubs help mobilize individuals, communities, businesses, health insurances and other organizations to address the rising rate of diabetes and its consequences; and further  
 RESOLVED, That GFWC/Ohio Federation of Women's Clubs seek to raise national and state awareness, facilitate and coordinate efforts and leverage resources for prevention, detection and treatment of diabetes; and further  
 RESOLVED, That GFWC/Ohio Federation of Women's Clubs encourage their state legislators to formulate a health care policy that would provide comprehensive diabetes health coverage.

# • RESOLUTIONS

## **Resolution 1-07 RAILROAD CROSSINGS continued**

their communities by taking note of dangerous railroad crossings and reporting those dangerous railroad crossings to their local county commissioner and/or state legislator and to the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio and to the Ohio Rail Development Commission and to the Angels on Track Foundation; and further

RESOLVED, That because the GFWC/Ohio Federation of Women's Clubs recognizes that automated gates provide the safest protection at railroad crossings, and are known to be at least 90% more effective than cross bucks in preventing accidents, we will work for the installation of railroad-crossing protection devices and for the elimination of hazards at railroad crossings in our communities; and further

RESOLVED, That the GFWC/Ohio Federation of Women's Clubs will help educate others about the unique dangers of railroad crossings by spreading the word – both orally and by distributing written information – to reverse public apathy toward railroad crossing safety.

## **NO NEW RESOLUTIONS WERE PRESENTED.**

### **RESOLUTIONS REVIEWED/NO ACTION NECESSARY**

The following resolutions were reviewed by the Committee and were found to need no action:

Resolution 1-81 TO PROMOTE SERVICES FOR THE  
GIFTED CHILD

Resolution 2-81 NEWS COVERAGE OF ELECTIONS

Resolution 3-81 SERIOUS, VIOLENT AND HABITUAL  
JUVENILE OFFENDERS

Resolution 5-83 PROHIBITION OF RIDERS ON BILLS

Resolution 1-85 PROMOTE LITERACY

Resolution 4-85 ECONOMIC EDUCATION GRADES 1-12

Resolution 6-85 REPORT, IDENTIFY AND TESTIFY

Resolution 3-86 ENGLISH OUR NATIONAL LANGUAGE

Emergency Resolution 1-99 STATEWIDE TRAUMA  
SYSTEM

REPORT presented by the Legislation, Public Policy and Resolutions Committee:

Carolyn Grimme, Chairman

Linda Hamilton, Penny Speyer

## **Proposed Amendments to the GFWC/Ohio Federation of Women's Clubs Bylaws**

### **ARTICLE II. OFFICERS AND DISTRICT OFFICERS**

#### **Section 11. Assistant Director of Junior Clubs**

##### **Current Bylaw:**

a. The Assistant Director of Junior Clubs shall assume all duties of the Director of Junior Clubs in her absence. She shall be the Junior Board Secretary and the Junior Membership Chairman.

##### **Proposed amendment:**

**Strike:** the Junior Membership Chairman

**Insert:** serve as Dean of the Community Service Programs for Junior Chairmen.

**Insert as last sentence:** She shall prepare Junior Awards and certificates of a design, approved by the Director of Junior Clubs, for presentation at District meetings and the Junior Banquet at Convention.

**To read if adopted:** The Assistant Director of Junior Clubs shall assume all duties of the Director in her absence. She shall be the Junior Board Secretary and shall serve as Dean of the Community Service Programs for Junior Chairmen. She shall prepare Junior Awards and certificates of a design, approved by the Director of Junior Clubs, for presentation at District meetings and the Junior Banquet at Convention.

### **ARTICLE XI. SCHOLARSHIPS**

#### **Section 2. Scholarship Trustees**

#### **A. GFWC/OHIO FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS SCHOLARSHIPS**

##### **Current Bylaw:**

2. The Board of Trustees shall be elected: one (1) from each district. Election of Trustees shall be held in three districts (in alphabetical order) Central Ohio River, East Ohio River, and Lake Erie Districts in the even numbered years; and in Northeast, Northwest, West Central and West Ohio River Districts in the odd numbered years.

##### **Insert new 2:**

2. The Board of Trustees shall be elected one (1) from each district. Election of Trustees shall be held in two districts—Lake Erie and Southeast—in even numbered years, and in Northeast, Northwest, and Southwest in odd numbered years.

NOTE: Copies of the Constitution and Bylaws  
and Resolutions may be found in the  
2010-2012 Directory (Ohio Federation).



## 2011 GFWC/OHIO CONVENTION PROGRAM (tentative schedule)

### THURSDAY, APRIL 14, 2011

7:00 – 9:00 p.m. OFWC Board of Directors Meeting  
 7:00 - 11:00 p.m. Art exhibits set up  
 Vendors/exhibits set up

### FRIDAY, APRIL 15, 2011

#### Pre-Convention Activities

7:30-10:30 a.m. Hospitality Room Open  
 8:30-1:30 p.m. Pre-registration and Registration  
 9:00-11:00 a.m. Art Exhibit Rooms open for entries  
 Vendors/exhibits set up  
 10:00-11:00 a.m. Workshop for

#### Board of Directors

11:00 a.m. Exhibit and Vendor Rooms open for visitors  
 11:00 a.m. Direct members meet to elect delegate  
 11:00 a.m. Endowment Fund Committee Meeting  
 11:30 a.m.-12:45 p.m. Pioneer Workers Luncheon (members only)

### OFFICIAL OPENING OF THE

### 113TH CONVENTION

#### of the GFWC/Ohio Federation of Women's Clubs

#### "Leading the Way Through Reading"

12:45 p.m. Musical interlude  
 1:00-5:00 p.m. BUSINESS SESSION  
 CALL TO ORDER  
 Presiding-Evelyn Bachman  
 2010-2012 GFWC/Ohio President  
 Inspiration  
 Presentation of the Colors – Introduced by Kathy Combs, GFWC/Ohio Convention Assistant  
 Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America  
 Singing of the National Anthem  
 Presentation and Introduction of those seated at the Head Table, District Officers, Aides, and Tellers  
 Welcome to the 113th Annual Convention  
 Hostess Southeast District President, Marjean Sizemore, and Southeast District Director of Junior Clubs, Deidra DeVore  
 Response: Carla Blinn, Northwest District President  
 Host District Chairmen Introductions: Linda Ross, GFWC Ohio Second Vice President, and Stephanie Rouse and Rose Logston SED General Arrangements Co-Chairmen  
 Registration Report  
 Linda Nolf, SED Registration Chairman

1:00-5:00 p.m.  
 continued

2:45 pm

5:00 pm

5:00-6:00 p.m.

Convention Rules  
 Pat Freeland, GFWC/Ohio Secretary  
 Convention Program- Linda Ross, GFWC/Ohio Second Vice President  
 Introduction of Keynote Speaker  
 Carolyn Adams, GFWC/Ohio Domestic Violence Awareness Chairman  
 KEYNOTE ADDRESS – Kathy Mull  
 Program Coordinator for Wood County Victims Services of Behavioral Connections.  
 Gift Presentation for Keynote Speaker  
**BREAK**  
 Introduction of GFWC Guest  
 Mary Ellen Brock, GFWC Recording Secretary  
 Approval of the 2010 GFWC/Ohio Convention Minutes – Pat Freeland, GFWC/Ohio Secretary  
 Endowment Fund Report-Sharon Pervo, LED, GFWC Ohio Treasurer  
 The Buckeye Magazine Report  
 Joan Gordon, Editor  
 GFWC Ohio Webmaster Report  
 Wendy Sturick, LED  
 Directory Editor – Lin Wilken  
 Loyal Jonquils Report – Mary Davis  
 Long Range Plan Report  
 Barbara Whitaker, GFWC Ohio Long Range Plan Chairman  
 Memorial Forest Shrine Report  
 Shirley Mitchell, GFWC Ohio Trustee Chairman  
 Commercial Break – Camille Harris, GFWC/Ohio Fundraising Chairman and Our Vendors  
 Bylaws/Resolutions  
 Norma Adams, GFWC/Ohio Bylaws Chairman,  
 Carolyn Grimme, GFWC/Ohio Resolutions Chairman  
 Leadership & Membership  
 Patrice Booze and Rose Logston  
 Introduction of Saturday morning workshops: Corky Nosek, GFWC/Ohio First Vice President/Dean of Community Service Programs  
 Announcements- Linda Ross, Second Vice President/Convention Chair  
**RECESS** Visit the Vendors and Exhibits  
 Registration Open



## 2011 GFWC/OHIO CONVENTION PROGRAM (tentative schedule)

5:00-5:15 p.m. State Chairmen Meet  
 5:15 p.m. GFWC/Ohio Scholarship Trustees Meet  
**FRIDAY, APRIL 15, 2011 continued**  
 6:00 p.m. Exhibits and registration close for the day  
 6:30 p.m. Reception with Cash Bar  
 7:00 p.m. Musical interlude, Donna Schmidt, pianist  
 7:10 p.m. Processional participants assemble  
 7:20 p.m. Processional  
 7:30 p.m. **JUNIOR BANQUET**  
 "Unmask the Leader in You"  
 Presiding- Lisa Hedrick, 2010-2012  
 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  
 JUNIOR FUN NIGHT  
 "Your Walking Shoes" Hosted by the GFWC/  
 Ohio Juniors – Everyone invited



### SATURDAY, APRIL 16, 2011

Breakfast on your own  
 8:00-9:00 a.m. Registration open  
 Hospitality Room Open  
 8:00-9:00 a.m. Exhibits and Vendors open  
 8:15-8:45 a.m. First Time Attendees & 50 year members  
 welcome coffee/tea  
 9:00-10:50 a.m. BUSINESS SESSION  
 9:00-9:15 a.m. Musical interlude  
 9:15-10:45 a.m. Presiding – Evelyn Bachman, GFWC/Ohio  
 President  
 Registration Report- Linda Nolf, SED  
 Registration Chairman  
 Inspiration  
 Recognition of First Time Attendees, Twenty-  
 Five and Fifty-Year Members, Federation  
 Members and LEADS Graduates -  
 Evelyn Bachman GFWC/Ohio President  
 GFWC/Ohio Awards - Corky Nosek,  
 GFWC/Ohio First Vice President /Dean of  
 Community Service Program and Lisa  
 Hedrick, GFWC/Ohio Director of Junior  
 Clubs and Junior Dean of Community  
 Service Programs  
 Announcement of the 2011 Ohio LEADS  
 Candidate  
 Evelyn Bachman, President, and Linda  
 Crish, 2010 LEADS Graduate, GFWC/  
 Ohio Assistant Junior Director  
 Bylaws/Resolutions – Norma Adams,  
 GFWC/Ohio Bylaws Chairman,

Carolyn Grimme, GFWC/Ohio Resolutions  
 Chairman  
 Introductions of Workshops and Presenters  
 Corky Nosek, GFWC/Ohio Dean of  
 Community Service Programs  
 Announcements- Linda Ross, GFWC/Ohio  
 Second Vice President  
 11:00 – 11:45 a.m. WORKSHOPS  
 1. "Secret Ingredients in Club Work"  
 2. "Photography Tips"  
 3. "Protocol"  
 11:45 a.m.-Noon **BREAK**  
 Noon Musical interlude  
 12:15 p.m. LUNCHEON "Celebrate Reading"  
 ESO-sponsored  
 Inspiration  
 Introductions – Evelyn Bachman,  
 GFWC/Ohio President  
 LUNCH  
 Introduction of Speaker  
 Barbara Whitaker  
 Speaker: Linda Hengst, Executive  
 Director, Ohioana Library Association  
 Awards  
 Drawing for Book-Related Gifts  
 Bookwoman  
 Drawing for Bookwoman 2011  
 Announcements- Linda Ross,  
 GFWC/Ohio Second Vice President  
 2:15- 2:30 p.m. BREAK  
 2:30 p.m. Reconvene  
 Scholarship Winners Announced  
 Nancy Lombardo, Scholarship  
 Committee Chairman  
 Bylaws/Resolutions  
 Norma Adams, Bylaws Chairman,  
 Carolyn Grimme, Resolutions  
 Chairman  
 Commercial Break- Camille Harris  
 & Pam Vines, Junior Fundraising  
 Introduction of Workshops  
 Corky Nosek, First Vice President/Dean of  
 Community Service Programs  
 Announcements: Linda Ross,  
 Convention Chairman  
 3:45 p.m. RECESS  
 4:00-4:45 p.m. WORKSHOPS  
 1. Clubwoman on the Web:  
 Meeting in the Virtual World –  
 Second Life  
 2. Hands-On Workshop–Books &  
 Bears  
 4:00-4:45 p.m. President's Coffee with  
 GFWC/Ohio President Evelyn Bachman







## 2011 GFWC/OHIO CONVENTION PROGRAM (tentative schedule)

### SATURDAY, APRIL 16, 2011 continued

4:15-6:00 p.m. All Current Club Presidents invited  
Registration Open  
LAST CHANCE TO VISIT  
EXHIBITS AND VENDORS

6:00 p.m. Exhibits and Registration desk close  
Registration desk will not open again unless needed  
All exhibits should be picked up immediately following the Banquet

6:00 p.m. General Reception with Cash bar

7:00 p.m. Musical interlude  
Processional participants assemble

7:15 p.m. Processional  
"MEET & GREET THE AUTHORS"  
BANQUET  
Welcome - Evelyn Bachman  
GFWC/Ohio President  
Inspiration  
Recognition of Special Guests & Introduction of Speaker  
Evelyn Bachman GFWC/Ohio President  
SPEAKER: MARY ELLEN BROCK,  
GFWC Recording Secretary,  
"The Power of One"  
Craft Auction Winners  
Closing Thoughts: Evelyn Bachman  
Announcements: Linda Ross, GFWC/Ohio  
Second Vice President  
Special Reception immediately following the Banquet – Everyone invited.



### SUNDAY, APRIL 17, 2011

Church of your choice  
Breakfast on your own

7:45-8:45 a.m. ESO Meeting

9:15 a.m. Musical interlude

9:30 a.m. BUSINESS SESSION  
Presiding, Evelyn Bachman, GFWC/Ohio President  
Inspiration  
Introduction of Inspirational Speaker  
Speaker: Beth Rupert-Warren  
Final report of the Credentials Committee  
Craft Auction Report  
SPECIAL AWARDS:  
Introductions  
Past Presidents Awards  
Top Twenty Honor Roll Clubs  
Jessie June Magee Junior Achievement Cup  
Jessie June Magee Achievement Cup  
Jean Browning Juniorette Memorial Bowl  
Ruth Miller Memorial Bowl

### SUNDAY, APRIL 17, 2011 continued

INVITATION to the 2012 GFWC/Ohio Federation of Women's Clubs Annual Convention  
April 13-15, 2012, at the Doubletree/Worthington/Columbus  
Carla Blinn, Northwest District President  
Parting Words – Mary Ellen Brock, GFWC Recording Secretary  
Closing Thoughts: Evelyn Bachman, GFWC/Ohio President  
Junior Pledge  
Club Collect  
Adjournment - Evelyn Bachman, GFWC/Ohio President, Lisa Hedrick, GFWC/Ohio Director of Junior Clubs

### POST CONVENTION ACTIVITIES

Immediately following adjournment, the GFWC/Ohio Membership Task Force will meet (includes former State Presidents, former State Directors of Junior Clubs, current District Presidents, and current State Officers (Second Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer). However, any member is welcome and encouraged to stay and pledge their support.

Approximately one hour after adjournment:

2:30 p.m. GFWC/Ohio Executive Committee Meeting  
3:30 p.m. GFWC/Ohio Board of Directors Meeting

### MONDAY, APRIL 18, 2011

GFWC/Ohio Board of Directors Meeting

## New & familiar vendors at convention

By LINDA ROSS

*OFWC Second Vice President/Convention Chairman*

Five new vendors have been invited to participate at our April convention. They are:

- Skincare and makeup consultant for Mary Kay Cosmetics, Patty Dengler
- L' Rice Designs (handmade jewelry) by Linda Rice
- Scentsy (scented candles and soaps), Jamie Gifford
- thirty-one (purses and bags) – Jennifer
- Take Time (handmade cards, invitations, tea cup gift items), Kirsten Rolph

Along with these five new vendors we have also invited our friends who have worked with us before:

Uncle Al's Pecans, The Olive Orchard, Tastefully Simple, Premier Designs Jewelry, Avon, Heart Gifts & Cards.

If your club is interested in reserving a table for a club fund raiser in the Vendor/Exhibit room, contact me right away at rosslinda@gmail.com. The cost to reserve a table is \$10.

# OFWC Clubs Making a Difference in Ohio



• **PLANNING COMMITTEE** members for Mingo Junction's 80th anniversary celebration are (from left) Stephanie Rouse, Joanne Gorney, Janet Petrella, Kathy Maguschak, Roetta Lewis, and Clara Sue Milewsky.

## Mingo Junction celebrates 80 years

The Woman's Club of Mingo celebrated its 80th anniversary with a tea whose theme was "Reflections." A proclamation from village council was presented to President Stephanie Rouse at a previous council meeting. The club was honored for all its many accomplishments, hard work, and dedication to the community over the many years. The proclamation was read at the tea by Janet Petrella.

Special guests were Evelyn Bachman, GFWC Ohio President; Marjean Sizemore, Southeast District President; Deidra Devore, Junior Director, Southeast District, and Pat Freeland, GFWC Ohio Secretary.

The theme for the evening was "Reflection." Each of the honorary life members attending gave memories of the club over their many years. They were Mary Cascioli, Mary Kay Hallock, Darlene Hoff, who traveled from Canton, Barbara Jackson, and Betty Ralston. Darlene Hoff was honored on being a 59-year member, having joined the club in 1951.

Master of Ceremonies was Roetta Lewis. Kathy Maguschak gave a history of the club, and Clara Sue Milewsky acknowledged past presidents. She also read a letter from Past President Joy Lewis, who now resides in Oregon.

Entertainment was provided by Beth Rupert-Warren. She sang several selections from her new inspirational CD called "Hold On." Proceeds from its sale benefit the Steubenville Area Relay for Life sponsored by the Jefferson County Unit of the American Cancer Society. Beth is a cancer survivor.

Evelyn Bachman presented congratulations from the GFWC International President for the club's 80th anniversary.

Each attendee was given a glass hospitality plate and cup which has been in the club for almost 50 years.

Officers of the club are: President, Stephanie Rouse; First Vice President, Shelly Bateman; Second Vice President, Sharon Cole-Isner; Recording Secretary, Cheri Carpico; Corresponding Secretary, Mary Jane Tiberio; Treasurer, Bernie Carpico; Press Reporter, Clara Sue Milewsky; Director-at-Large, Elizabeth Crothers, and Parliamentarian, Kathy Maguschak.



• **CANFIELD MEMBERS**, shown here at one of their meetings, supported a project for prevention of domestic violence at a Northeast District meeting. The Junior Women's League of Canfield collected \$65 in \$5 bills. It was HI5 for a domestic violence awareness campaign.



• **SPELL CHECK** — The Port Clinton Women's Club annually organizes school-wide spelling bees. At the Jefferson Elementary Spelling Bee, PC members (from left) Julie St. Leger, Liz Brand, and Kristina Aukerman volunteered as judges. A spelling bee was also sponsored at Port Clinton Middle School. Club members also assist the North Point Educational Service Center with the Ottawa County Spelling Bee.



## THE BUCKEYE

Deadline for the SUMMER Issue  
MAY 13, 2011

Send club news (articles and photos) to  
Joan Gordon, Editor, [jhgordon@dacor.net](mailto:jhgordon@dacor.net)



# OFWC Clubs Making a Difference in Ohio



• **BRAS DECORATE TREE** — Lake Erie District president Debi D'Apice and friends from the Eastlake Women's Club created a few themed trees from the bras donated by Victoria's Secret. Debi's home has many themed trees (over 50) but has never had a domestic violence awareness tree before. Helping to decorate the tree are (from left) Judy Daykin, Kathy Fink, Debi D'Apice, Patti Hall, and Linda Rogaliner. State Domestic Violence Chairman Carolyn Adams dispersed almost 26,000 bras throughout the state of Ohio. These also will be added and given to domestic violence shelters in Lake Erie District. NOTE: If other districts would like to share how they distributed the bras, please send information to The Buckeye.



• **VOLUNTEER PROJECT** — After a tour of Goodwill Industries in Youngstown recently, GFWC/Warren Junior Women's League Provisional members decided to volunteer their time to read for the Youngstown Read Reading Service for their new-member Provisional project. The Youngstown Read Reading Service has allowed blind and print-impaired children and adults to be in touch with their community through broadcasts of in-depth newspaper readings, retail and grocery store ads, and books of all types for all ages. At the Reading Radio office are (from left) Esther Gartland, WJWL first vice president; Michael Bosela, Radio Reading Service Coordinator, and Provisional members Jane Kraysets and Marilyn Spencer.



• **MAYFIELD VILLAGE MITTEN TREE** — Working in partnership with Mayfield Village, the Mayfield Women's Club collected new gloves, mittens, hats, and scarves at their November meeting for the Mitten Tree at the Mayfield Village Civic Center. Club members decorated the tree with the winter apparel which was donated to the Rosemary Center in Cleveland. Club members who helped with the project are (from left) Ellen Davis, Marcia Tarsitano, and Betty Jo Mooney.

## Youngstown fund raiser benefits scholarship fund

More than 200 Youngstown Federated club members and guests attended the Youngstown Federation of Women's Clubs annual scholarship fundraiser last fall. Amanda Beagle, vocalist, Miss Ohio and the winner of the Miss America talent competition in 2005 entertained with vocal selections.

Barbara Higgins, Ways & Means Committee chairman, and members of the committee planned and organized the event. A special fashion show was provided by the Boardman Talbotts Store. Cardinal Mooney High School provided student escorts for the runway fashion models. Local artist and Youngstown Federated Women's Club Member, Suzanne Brown, created an original design for the invitation and program cover.

The Federation's \$2500 scholarship is awarded to a Youngstown State University student.

Ohio Federation Web Site

[www.gfwcoho.org](http://www.gfwcoho.org)

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# 113th GFWC/OFWC CONVENTION

**"Leading the Way  
Through Reading"**

**April 15-17, 2011**



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FOR HOTEL RESERVATIONS  
MARCH 25, 2011**

**OFWC REGISTRATION/MEAL FEES  
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## ROOM RESERVATION REQUEST

Group: OHIO FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS  
Group code: OHF  
Date: April 15-17, 2011  
Rate: \$94 per night plus tax  
Rooms are available at this rate until March 25, 2011  
If you phone for a reservation, identify yourself as being with the Ohio Federation of Women's Clubs with the Group Code to get the special group rate.

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All reservations must be guaranteed by a credit card payment (or a personal check) for one night's lodging.  
The OFWC group rate may not be available for requests received after the deadline.