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• OHIO'S OWN DIVA! — She not only "wows" 'em, but she gets them movin' and rockin'! It's Harriett Groh, who entertained at the Great Lakes Region Conference in October.



• FLAG TRADITION — Each state is asked to present its flag at GFWC region and international conventions/conferences. At the Great Lakes Region Conference, Lisa Hedrick, Ohio Director of Junior Cubs, carries in the Ohio flag, accompanied by Evelyn Bachman, Ohio president.

GFWC/OHIO REPORTING What's New, What's Old, What's In, What's Out

By CORKY NOSEK First Vice President, Dean of Community Service Programs

As we all know, at the onset of each new GFWC and GFWC/Ohio administration, changes are made that affect our reporting procedures. The following is a list of changes that clubs need to be mindful of as they prepare reports for the February deadline.

1. DEFINITIONS

Community Service Programs: The 2010-2012 GFWC Administration name for the former GFWC "Departments." The six GFWC Community Service Programs are now referred

FUND-RAISING OPPORTUNITY FOR OHIO CLUBS

Is your club interested in reserving a table in the Vendor/Exhibit Room for a club fund raiser at the 2011 GFWC/Ohio Convention?

If so, contact Linda Ross, GFWC/Ohio Second Vice President, Meetings and Convention Chairman, at 937/392-4024 or 513/375-0596 before the end of February 2011.

The convention is April 15-16 at the Doubletree Marriott Columbus/Worthington. The cost to reserve a table is \$10. This is a great opportunity to sell your club's fund-raising items!

President's message

It's all about thanks...and books...and visits...



EVELYN BACHMAN GFWC/OFWC President

Dear Club members,

For this winter issue, there are so many of our clubwomen I want to thank for all their efforts this fall.

• To the district presidents and club presidents for great fall conference meetings and to the members who attended. Every meeting was truly special and attendance was up this fall.

• To Rose Logston, chairman for the Great Lakes Region Conference; Patrice Booze for registration; Wendy Sturick, who was in charge of volunteers; Scarlett Ebenhack and Lisa Hedrick for table decorations; Carolyn Adams and Lisa Waitkus as aides; Carol Stivers, amenities, and to all Ohio clubwomen who helped and attended the Great Lakes Conference. Your help was outstanding and greatly appreciated.

• To the members of the Dayton Federation of Women's Clubs for opening their clubhouse for the Friday tour luncheon.

• To all the clubwomen for the used books used as gifts to the clubwomen who attended Great Lakes.

• To Bookwoman, Linda Ross, for her special appearances and to Harriett Groh for the special song for Bookwoman. The song is terrific.

• To Carolyn Adams for going to Columbus on October 25 to accept the many bras donated by Victoria's Secret to our Ohio shelters.

Your state officers are now making plans to make club meeting visits, to present the "Good News Message" and to meet the club members. I began by visiting The Woman's Club of Oxford in November. Second Vice President Linda Ross visited the Montgomery Woman's



• CHECKING OUT THE BOOKS! — Carolyn Adams, her daughter Lisa Waitkus (both OFWC members from Southeast District), and Evelyn Bachman, are eager to see what the books are like, which were brought to the Great Lakes Region Conference to be used as "door prizes." It appears this particular book gets a good rating!!



• BOOKWOMAN Linda Ross appeared at the Great Lakes Conference, complete with red boots! She's helping President Bachman promote books, libraries, and reading!

Club, Inc. also in November. The goal is for a state officer to make a club visit to every club in the next two years. Also your officers are now preparing for the State Convention to be held April 15-17 at the Doubletree in Columbus. -EB



Celebrating achievements through reporting

LISA HEDRICK 2010-2012 Director of Junior Clubs



2010 HAS FLOWN BY with Federation activities every month. A successful Fall Conference Tour with 10 new Juniors participating and then attending the Great Lakes Region conference, which was hosted by the magnificent Ohio clubwomen. Each gathering had its own unique flavor with wonderful hospitality, worthwhile information, familiar faces, and warm welcomes. I came home very tired, but with pride and enthusiasm for Ohio Juniors.

By the time you read this, you should be working on the VERY IMPORTANT CLUB REPORT. Look over the reporting pages and get all members familiar with the needed information. Call or e-mail for help now, if you have questions. Plan a writing day for all members. Include good food, fun, and share the information so that everyone is involved. It is also a good time to reflect on projects after the reports are finished. Did it meet a community need? Did it accomplish a club goal? Did you identify GFWC and your club when you performed your service? Whether you have 5 members or 85 members, the world needs to know that we are a productive organization. Too Tired? Too Busy? Too Scared?

Juniors don't make excuses for not doing something. We try, we work hard, and we achieve. We need a report from EACH and EVERY club. Every Junior club's goal for January is the Club Report. It is our life, it is our history, and it will give us our future. 100% of our Juniorette clubs are reporting. Twelve of our sixteen Junior clubs reported the last two years – that's barely a passing grade of 75%.

Our history needs reported but it also needs to be complete – so Circleville will be reporting this year. How about the other three? We want to know what you do for your community, your club, and your members. We want to see you at our meetings, we want to know about your families, we want your recipes, and we want your leadership, but most of all we want you in our sisterhood. Report one project to us and let Ohio celebrate your accomplishments, too.

THE JUNIOR SPECIAL AWARD nominations will be due right after the club reports (Feb. 15). To live happy

and contributing lives in our society, people need to be able to help themselves (and others) to achieve their goals. The skills needed to take responsibility for personal actions and to work with others are skills developed from learning experiences. Clubwomen need to expose themselves to opportunities to learn, practice, develop, and

apply leadership skills. We need to recognize

build confidence. Each Junior club will have

the potential of new leaders and help them

a recipient recognized at the Junior banquet, so don't be left out. Who has the potential to "lead the way" in your club? Have everyone write a paragraph on their vision for the club, check the member's participation, write a recommendation, and you could have many candidates for the award. Check the requirements in the Directory and let's start patting the members on the back.

I would like to share with you the gifts of the heart by D.L. Riepl. From me to you . . .

Trust. . .that whatever happens, there is someone who will understand.
Honesty. . .the feeling that you never need to hold back.
Peace...in being accepted for who you really are.
Beauty...in outlook more than appearance.
Freedom...to be yourself, to change, and to grow.
Jov...in every day, in every memory, and in your

hopes for the future.

Love...to last a lifetime, and perhaps beyond. In Federation Friendship,

Lisa

THE "DISAPPEARING" BASKET

Districts have been asking what happened to the Ohio basket at Great Lakes. The bottom line was that there was a change at the last minute and we did not have to bring a basket to the Great Lakes Conference. We are to provide a basket next fall. We were given the same season that we chose for this year (winter). Since we provided a number of other things for this Conference and there were many things to bid on, we kept our basket for next year. This means our districts will not have to contribute anything for next fall. Pat Freeland has gotten together a wonderful basket for the winter season. To all the districts, thank you for your money donations. We are set for next year. - Evelyn Bachman, President

THE BUCKEYE

Deadline for the SPRING Issue JANUARY 17, 2011

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

Let's Work on Retention

By ROSE LOGSTON GFWC/Ohio Membership Chairman

As I am writing this, we are currently working on "raking in the new members" and have already had some very successful campaigns in our clubs (congratulations to GFWC Ripley Woman's Club—they held another successful tea and signed up seven new members and have the possibility of another five—we all need to find out what kind of tea they are serving to generate all that enthusiasm, or could it be their members?)

When the snow flies, we will start the "flurry of members" campaign but by the time you read this we will all be looking forward to spring and "growing members." When you start your "growing" season, you may want to consider growing the enthusiasm and dedication your current members have for your club and our organization. Therefore, why not consider developing an effective "renewal of dues" process for your club. With the economy in the state it is, we are ever more mindful and appreciative of our members choosing to share their "dimea-day" with us so prior to renewal perhaps your club could: 1. Send a letter to each member of the club telling her how much you appreciate her support of the club's projects and programs. This could be done by the president or membership chairman

2. If you have a newsletter, put a note in there from the president with an annual message

3. Include a list of club accomplishments (this will remind members how their money was spent during the previous year and all the people who were helped through the club's activities).

4. Ask members input in things they would like to see done in the coming year so they feel they have a say in the way their money is allocated

5. If the club is considering new programs or projects this may be the time to get them excited

You have all heard the quote "If it is to be, it is up to me." Well, let's start our new year with that very saying and take responsibility for the maintenance, growth, and excitement of our own club.

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" (September/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





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• TAKING A PHOTO OF A PHOTOGRAPHER TAKING A PHOTO—Ohio members attending the Great Lakes Conference in October gathered for a group photo by International Convention Photography, Florida. This photo was taken by The Buckeye's "staff" photographer, Jim Gordon, Bowling Green, Ohio. Forty-one OFWC members posed with GFWC International Officers Carlene Garner, Mary Ellen Laister and Region President Debbie Bach from Illinois.

What Belonging Is All About

By ROSE LOGSTON GFWC/Ohio GLR Conference Chairman

Talk about enthusiasm, appreciation, and volunteerism — it was ever present at the GFWC Great Lakes Region Conference held at the Dayton Marriott. Ohio members were 41 strong, and they met every need of the GFWC Great Lakes Region members and guests and did it with smiles. We received so many compliments on our members and their willingness to help. I most sincerely thank you all.

I would like to list each and every member who helped but may forget one so I will just say special thanks to: Wendy Sturick, for being everywhere and helping with everything; Patrice Booze (and Michael) for the incredible job with registration. Having the assigned seating was so much more work but it really helped all concerned including the wait staff at the hotel. Carolyn Adams and

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• WELCOME TO OHIO — Sue Coppley and Ann Sexton, members of the Montgomery Woman's Club, Inc., Southeast District, check in two conference attendees.

Lisa Waitkus for the great job they did with the tour; it was so well received. Scarlett Ebenhack, who once again shared her creative talents with us, the decorations were absolutely wonderful!

Friday night everyone was so excited and entertained by the sounds of Motown from our talented Harriett Groh. She even wrote a song for "Bookwoman." Thanks, Harriett.

To all the Ohio members who were THE BUCKEYE Magazine • Winter 2010-2011

there and just did whatever needed doing— from being in the registration booth, collecting and putting labels in books, putting together decorations late at night or early in the morning, helping members find their seats, taking tickets, (our members were so good at this the hotel accepted our ticket counts for every meal — great job), cleaning up and for just being there and being so helpful.

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Reporting: Old, New, Out, In By Corky Nosek

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to as Art, Conservation, Education, Home Life, International Outreach, and Public Issues. Each GFWC Community Service Program has two areas: Partnership and Collaborative.

Partnership: Formal GFWC Alliances with listed GFWC Partner Organizations. All club work done with/for a listed GFWC Partner Organization will be reported as "Partnership" on all reporting forms. (Lists appear below and on GFWC and GFWC Ohio websites)

Collaborative: All other club work, activities, club programs and projects done in any area for which there is no listed GFWC Partnership. This club work will be reported as "Collaborative" on all reporting forms.

2. MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES:

Membership categories remain the same as last year. The categories are Membership 1-15, Membership 16-30, Membership 31-45, Membership 45 and up.

Per capita General and Junior clubs will compete with each other, all Juniorette clubs will compete with each other, and all City/County Federations will compete with each other.

REPORTING REMINDERS AND FYI:

1. Membership totals on the Narrative and Report Form. The total number of members participating in your total of programs and/or projects cannot exceed the total number of your club members. If necessary, check with your District President to confirm your club's total number of members on record for the 2010 reporting year.

2. Narratives. Use one piece of paper front and back or two single sheets on one side for Narratives. When reporting, num-

ber your projects/programs on the Narrative page(s). This facilitates judging and will match the totals of programs/projects that you have reported on R-2 and R-3. Please remember that in order to be considered as a District winner, the club must write a Narrative.

3. GFWC Reporting Cover Form. We are again using the GFWC Reporting Form (R-1, R-2, and R-3) as the Ohio Reporting cover pages. Remember to take the points for the number of projects/programs on page R-3, multiply the total times 50, and carry over those points to the top of page R-4. Follow the mailing instructions on page R-8.

4. Fundraising Narrative. List all fundraising projects done by your club, not just the sales of GFWC and GFWC/Ohio fundraising items. Remember to number the fundraising projects on the Narrative form.

5. 7th Grade Essay Contest. The title for the 7th Grade Essay is "Reading Opens a Whole New World."

6. Clubwoman Essay Contest. Send entries in the Clubwoman Essay Contest, "Leading the Way," to GFWC Ohio Leadership Co-Chairman Barbara Savarin, 9626 Sommerville St., Louis-ville OH 44641.

7. Scholarship Forms. Review the new scholarship forms and instructions in the Directory. There is now a separate scholarship form for each scholarship offered.

8. Questions? Call 440-243-3885 or e-mail Corky Nosek at corkynosek@aol.com.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Clubs may wish to save this information as most of it will be used in 2012 for 2011 reports

GFWC Community Service Program and Special Projects Partners

SIGNATURE PROJECT: DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS AND PREVENTION Prevent Child Abuse America

JUNIORS' SPECIAL PROJECT: ADVOCATES FOR CHILDREN

Emergency Medical Services for Children Girls on the Run International National Foster Parent Association Special Olympics

> ARTS American Mural Project VSA Arts

CONSERVATION

Keep America Beautiful The Humane Society of the United States

EDUCATION American Library Association Mentoring USA Reading Rockets/WETA Public Television HOME LIFE

Alzheimer's Association Canine Companions for Independence Easter Seals Habitat for Humanity International March of Dimes Birth Foundation National Heart Lung and Blood Institute National Osteoporosis Foundation Women's Institute for a Secure Retirement

INTERNATIONAL OUTREACH

CARE INMED Partnerships for Children Operation Smile Plan USA UNICEF United Nations Association of the United States of America

PUBLIC ISSUES

Coalition Against Bigger Trucks National Disaster Search Dog Foundation National Safety Council Safe Kids USA Sew Much Comfort Women in Military Service for America Memorial Foundation

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OFWC Clubs Making a Difference in Ohio 🛴



• JUNIORS HELPING — The Circleville Junior Women's Club filled stockings for Boatsie's Boxes at their November meeting. Holiday notes and pumpkin caramel corn were included.



• HONORED FOR VOLUNTEERISM — Mary Ann Jung, past president of the Springfield City Federation of Women's Clubs, was presented the Clementine Berry Buchwalter Award at the Federation's meeting in September. Mary Ann Nave presented the award, which is given to former presidents who have performed outstanding and continued volunteer service to the organization. Officers for 2010-2012 celebrating the award recipient are (left to right) Linda Howell, second vice president; Dianne Jordan, treasurer; Kim Williamson, president, and Geraldine Stafford, first vice president

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• HELPING AT THE PINK RIBBON WALK — Members of GFWC/Warren Junior Women's League assisted the Trumbull Memorial Hospital Foundation with its 5th Annual Pink Ribbon Walk/Run, featuring a 5K and 1 mile run/walk. GFWC/WJWL members participated by sorting, folding, and packaging T-shirts for the runners and walkers. GFWC/WJWL members also served as course guides throughout the walk. Proceeds benefit University Hospitals Ireland Cancer Center located at Trumbull Memorial Hospital. WJWL members helping were Esther Gartland, Vicki Koss, Mary Lou Jarrett, Ireland Center Operation Manager Debbie Anastasiadis, Carol Batchelder, and Shelby McElravy.

Woman's Tourist Club gives Empowered Woman award

At the annual dinner meeting of the Woman's Tourist Club of Mechanicsburg last May, Ellen Spinner was honored with the Empowered Woman of the Year award. Ellen is well known in Mechanicsburg and the surrounding area for her involvement in women's health.

As a nurse practitioner specializing in women's health, she provided wellness visits, pap smears, family planning, sports physicals, and help with other female issues. Ellen opened the Gentle Care Health Center in Mechanicsburg in 2008 making it easier for women to obtain health care closer to home and in a friendly setting. She is active in the community, participating in programs at Mechanicsburg Public Library, migrant health clinics in Urbana, and teaching aerobics at the local YWCA. She is involved in her church as a youth choir leader and is currently serving as president of the Parish Council at St. Michaels.

Also present was last year's honoree, Jean Rutan.

New officers for the Woman's Tourist Club were installed. Marian Eberhard and Barbara Gray were recognized with a 25-year pin as members of the Woman's Tourist Club. Marian and Barbara join Thelma Violet, a 50-year member, with the most years of service to the community through the works of the Woman's Tourist Club.

OFWC Clubs Making a Difference in Ohio



• GFWC INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT Carlene Garner addresses Great Lakes members at the region conference in October in Ohio. She explained how the 140,000 members have given so much time each year (166,667 days to 110,000 projects) with \$40 million spent in community service. She noted we're doing business as usual because that's what we do.



• TARGET PRACTICE IN THE GOOD OLD DAYS? — Wendy Sturick is always ready to hit her target, shown here on tour at Carillon Park in Dayton during the Great Lakes Region Conference. Photo by Linda Ross

Thanks from Ohío chairman continued from page 5

Thank you — you are so appreciated. We can do all the planning in the world but without you to execute the plans, it could not have been done.

Thanks too to Evie Bachman and Lisa Hedrick for their leadership. The "door prize" books were a great idea — the ladies liked the idea of not having all the little door prizes and having to find a way to distribute them. With the help of "Bookwoman" and all of the Ohio ladies present Sunday morning, it was done with great flair and fun.

Belpre helps local shelter, views movie on voting rights

Members of the GFWC Belpre Woman's Club celebrated Make A Difference Day in October by joining in on the GFWC Pajama Party. Members brought new or gently used pajamas or gowns to be donated to the local Domestic Violence Shelter EVE to Rose Logston's home, where they watched the movie about the battle for the women's right to vote called "Iron Jawed Angels." Rose said, "The movie makes you realize the hard fought privilege we have of voting and it encourages all to Make a Difference by voting. We were proud knowing several of the ladies portrayed in the movie were members of GFWC."

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• SUPPORT FOR EACH OTHER—It was a special occasion at the Hillcrest Women's Club/GFWC Annual Craft Auction in November. What made it (and this photo!) so special is that it shows all of the GFWC/Ohio club members in attendance. Members from Hillcrest, Chagrin Valley Woman's Club, Mayfield Women's Club, and Solon Women's Club-GFWC were there, and just about all were in the bidding and shopping mood! Along with many visitors from the community, Lake Erie District (LED) club members helped Hillcrest Women's Club raise money for its annual scholarship. This event is regularly attended by other LED clubs as a way to show solidarity and provide support for a sister club – something that LED does well and is very proud of!



• *ME TIME!* — That was the thought of the members of the Solon Woman's Club *GFWC* as they carried out their program theme for November — "Getting Me Time." Here member Alison Bashian gets a facial from Jen Rowles, a BeautiControl presenter. They figured that "we all do so much for everyone else, that some "Me Time" was long overdue.

Steubenville highlights libraries, reading, books

Libraries and books were highlighted at the opening meeting of The Woman's Club of Steubenville. Alan Hall, director of the Library of Steubenville and Jefferson County, and Evelyn Bachman, GFWC/Ohio President, were guest speakers. Hall discussed the library levy on the ballot and Evelyn talked about her emphasis, "Give a book, share a book, help your libraries."

At the November meeting, members donated books for children, which were donated to the A.L.I.V.E. shelter with other book packets purchased by the club for holiday gifts to children of abused victims.

Madeira dedicates plaque

Last October, the Madeira Woman's Club dedicated a plaque in honor of deceased club members. The dedication of the plaque took place at the Madeira Historical Society in Madeira.

Scholarships

Deadline for all scholarship applications is March 1, 2011. Requirements for the five scholarships vary. Qualifications and application details are in the GFWC/ Ohio Directory. Applications postmarked later than March 1 will be disqualified.

Scholarship include OFWC Clubwoman Scholarship, Ethel G. Swanbeck Allied Health Scholarship, Elaine Weinman Memorial Scholarship, OFWC Art Scholarship, and Annette Phelps Lincoln Scholarship.

Be sure your schools and individuals have all the information needed to apply.

Nancy Lombardo chairs the Scholarship Board of Trustees.

STATE LEADERSHIP DAY

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



• AT THE PILGRIMAGE — GFWC/Ohio Federation members gathered at the Memorial Forest Shrine for the annual Gold Star Mothers Pilgrimage September 26. Speakers included Shirley Mitchell, chairman of Ohio Federation's Memorial Shrine Trustees. Members attending: (first row, from left) Marion Metz, Mary Etta Hemmerly, Lisa Hedrick, Corky Nosek, Shirley Mitchell, Evelyn Bachman, Pat Freeland. (second row, from left) Marilyn Pahl, Stephanie Rouse, Jonnah Hetzel, Mary Lou Jarrett, Dorothy Sideropolis, Carol Buch, Janet Petrella. (third row, from left) Ann Case, Renee Maiorca, Camille Harris, Lin Wilken, Jean Lanning, Carolyn Adams, Shelly Bateman, Joan Doan. (fourth row, from left) Clara Sue Milensky, Pam Vines, Carol Batchelder, Vicki Koss, Donna Harrington, Lisa Waitkus, Lori Adams.

Ohio Mohican Memorial Shrine

By SHIRLEY MITCHELL, Chairman, Memorial Shrine Trustees, GFWC/Ohio (Excerpts from her report at the Shrine)

The Memorial Walkway has been completed to the Shrine's parking area. The purchase and donation of 10,000 blank pavers from the Federation allowed the walkway to be completed. About 300 feet of the Friends' Walkway to the Deceased Presidents' Grove has been put in. Annually as the pavers are sold, the blank pavers will be taken up and replaced with engraved ones. Benches along the walkways are being planned along with a new roof for the latrine.

Another project we are working on the preservation of the Great Books and how to prevent further damages from hand oils, tape, and plastic. The Shrine itself is very hot and humid in the summer and very cold in the winter. The combination is not good for the storage of the books. We have talked to an expert from Bowling Green State University to get his recommendation. We will discuss this and decide what we should recommend to the board.

Tim Humphrey, forest manager, has asked for money in the State budget for repair and replacement of the sandstone walks and steps, replace display cabinets in the Shrine, purchase and install hardware, software and obtain an internet provider for a web-base for veterans' names and dates, and replace lights on the flag pole which have been vandalized.

The ODNR's commitment to the Shrine remains a high priority and with the help of the Ohio Federation of Women's Clubs, we will keep the Shrine as one of the finest memorials in the nation.

I have updated the books in several places—the remains of several MIAs were found and returned to the United States.

Last year at the Pilgrimage, I reported 187 names listed in our books from this current conflict. In April at the OFWC convention, I reported 206 names were listed. Today I am sorry to report there are 217 names in the book.

Nominations for Jennie due in June

By SUE COPPLEY, Chairman, Jennie June

The Jennie was first awarded in the 2004-2006 GFWC administration. During these last three administrations, Ohio has won two consecutive national awards. Elaine Krick, GFWC/Southwest Ohio Valley Woman's Club (formerly GFWC Sharonville Federated Woman's Club) won in 2006-2008, and Joan Gordon, Woman's Club of Bowling Green, won in 2008-2010. I see no reason why it should not continue.

Ohio clubwomen have overwhelmingly demonstrated personal excellence in their community and outstanding commitment to both local clubs and Federation.

Now is the time to start thinking about who in your club would best represent the local club and Ohio Federation. Nominations must be postmarked by June 15, 2011, for state judging. Judging ends at the national level, and winners will be honored at the International Convention in North Carolina in June 2012.

Refer to the GFWC/Ohio 2010-2012 Directory for complete information.

Update on driving & texting (distracted driving)

In 2010 GFWC/Ohio Federation approved a resolution which encourages legislators to pass laws banning texting while driving and to educate our communities about the dangers of such driving.

Although more attention is being paid to distracted driving (new term to encompass all sorts of behaviors), there still is not a lot of change in the habits of the driving public.

Latest research finds that nearly 6,000 people died last year in crashes involving a distracted or inattentive driver, and more than half a million were injured. On any given day last year, more than 800,000 vehicles were driven by someone using a handheld cell phone.

This year, more than 200 distracted driving bills have been introduced in 46 state legislatures. So far, 21 states and the District of Columbia ban cell phones for novice drivers. And 6 states and D.C. ban cell phone use by all drivers. 30 states, the District of Columbia, and Guam ban text messaging for all drivers. 8 states, the District of Columbia, and the Virgin Islands prohibit all drivers from using handheld cell phones while driving.

Ohio is not one of the states listed above for any type of ban.

Loyal Jonquíls

The Loyal Jonquils Operating Expense Fund was established to provide additional financial support for the operation of the Federation. Members and/or clubs donating \$100 are called Capital Members, honored as Loyal Jonquils, and receive special recognition at the annual convention. Donations to the Loyal Jonquils Fund receive Honor Roll points on the club's annual report

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• DEBBIE McCULLOUGH Springfield presents Empowered Women Award

The Springfield City Federation of Women's Clubs presented its second annual "Empowering Women – One by One" to Debbie McCullough, a woman who provides an opportunity for youth to learn cooking, gardening, taking care of farm animals, and how to experience personal success in their lives. Debbie received a cobalt blue glass engraved award at the Federation meeting last spring.

She was selected for her farm-based non-profit program called On The Rise that works with 4-H members as well as troubled youth.

The Springfield City Federation presents the award annually to an outstanding woman of the Clark County community who is nominated and chosen as an Empowering Woman among her peers.

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• MAYFIELD PROJECT — Members of the Mayfield Women's Club worked on their welfare project, making writing journals for the fifth graders at Louisa Mae Alcott School in the Cleveland Public School System. Working last fall on the project were (in the foreground, moving from the left around the semicircle) Joyce Jacob, Marty Nagy (welfare co-chairman), Carolyn Anthony, and Linda Schrager.



• YOU WON! — Donna Schmidt (left), chairman of vendors, announces the winners of raffle prizes at the Holiday Home Tour and Boutique sponsored by the Woman's Club of Bowling Green December 4. More than 20 vendors displayed and sold their crafts and other items during the day. Sharon Franklin, chairman of the raffle, drew the names of winners. The Home Tour and Boutique, in its seventh year, is the largest fund raiser for the BG Club. Four homes were on the tour this year, including The University House, where the BGSU President resides. Carla Blinn (Northwest District President) and Norma Strickler co-chaired the event.



• TALENTED DESIGNER — Scarlett Ebenhack, Circleville Junior Women's Club, who planned all the decorations for the Great Lakes Region Conference, works with Lisa Hedrick, GFWC/Ohio Director of Junior Clubs, to put decorations together on the head table.

OHIO CLUBWOMAN'S CALENDAR

FEBRUARY AND MARCH Reports due to appropriate officers and chairmen MARCH District Legislation Days APRIL 15-17 GFWC/Ohio Annual Convention Columbus JUNE 17-20 GFWC International Convention Milwaukee, Wisconsin JULY 23 State Leadership Day Grove City, Ohio



• BG FOUR — Before Bowling Green's Home Tour and Boutique (described above), four BG members were involved in the Great Lakes Region Conference— OFWC President Evelyn Bachman, Marilyn Pahl, OFWC Parliamentary Adviser; Joan Gordon, Past OFWC President and Editor, The Buckeye Magazine, and Camille Harris, OFWC Fund Raising Chairman. And having hosted both the International and Region conventions, it's on to the state convention for GFWC/ Ohio members.