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GFWC's highest honor awarded to Wisconsin's very own Pat Mueller!

The Jenny June award is the highest GFWC national award presented to a member for her accomplishments. This year the prestigious award was presented to **Pat Mueller**.

Pictured here on June 27, 2022 at GFWC Convention in New Orleans, LA: **Patricia Heitman** (2020-2022 Great Lakes Region President), **Marion Simmons – St. Clair** (2020-2022 GFWC International President), **Pat Mueller** (Jenny June recipient), **Kristina Higbee** (2020-2022 GFWC International Director of Junior Clubs).



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Message from our GFWC-WI State President, Nancy Dickman

It is truly an honor to serve as GFWC-Wisconsin's 2022-2024 State President. We had an exhilarating and joyful Installation night at the 2022 State Convention. That energy and support continues to encourage me and all the officers and board members. Late June brought the opportunity to celebrate GFWC at the International Convention in New Orleans. The New Orleans convention and installation continued to buoy us and, in many cases, provided the inspiration for the 2022 Fall Workshop and other upcoming meeting plans.

The official Call to the GFWC-WI 2022 Fall Workshop, hotel information, and tentative agenda for Friday and Saturday, September 16 and 17 can be found on pages 8—11. We have created a meeting that is authentically A WORKSHOP for our members with topic menus and multiple sessions to attend. We heard the feedback – “please don't make us sit so long,” “let us share some ideas,” “what can you tell us that we can take to our club?” “can we keep the costs under control?” I believe we have addressed those issues with this meeting.

We will be at a venue that will allow abundant spacing as we continue to grapple with viruses from colds, to flu, to COVID in its newest variant. We have held the cost below \$90, if you register early, and the room rate is terrific. I am so pleased to say that in working with the Leadership Committee, we will provide mini LEADS 101 within the time frame of the workshop as a benefit of membership!



The creative collaboration in planning the Fall Workshop is a terrific example of the 2022-2024 theme in action, “Be the Light!” We are off to a marvelous start in finding the next bright kernel of creativity and change that allows us to stay delighted and fulfilled in our volunteerism. The President's Emphasis will bring out even more of our uplifting creativity as we support performing arts in our communities through Arts LIVE! Be sure to read about the program at page 28.

More changes are planned to enhance our membership experience as we officers keep listening. I promised a survey to members at the May post-convention board meeting. We now have a short and easy to complete survey related to state meeting content. We know many conventioners have wanted to see changes. This is the time to share your thoughts. **It is critical we get as many responses as possible to this survey link: <https://svy.q-oasis.com/FTZUBAA2> by August 20.**

Thank you for your dedication to GFWC-WI. We do amazing things for our communities. Your light is brilliant.



Nancy Dickman
GFWC - WI
President
2022—2024

Message from GFWC - WI Director of Junior Clubs, Suzanne Hooser

I have just held my 1st Junior board meeting and am excited to be working with such a wonderful team of women! We discussed many things and I have a good feeling about how we will be proceeding as a team. I am not only counting on my board to help with my visions and goals, but I am counting on all our members to continue the hard work of GFWC and to continue with all your community service, fundraising, volunteerism and advocating for children. I ask that you keep our youth in mind when planning your events and service projects for the next two years.

Turning stones is committing an act to create a difference with the emphasis on empowering our youth. Empowerment to become strong, confident, self-reliant adults. Empowering them one stone at a time. In the words of Franklin D. Roosevelt, "WE CANNOT ALWAYS BUILD A FUTURE FOR OUR YOUTH, BUT WE CAN BUILD OUR YOUTH FOR THE FUTURE." Let us take time to pass on our knowledge, talents, and passions to the youth in our communities.

Education creates empowerment. It opens doors to the job market, combats inequality, and improves self-health. Why not teach a youth your love of something, it just might give them the same enthusiasm! I look forward to all your clubs' ideas on how to pursue empowering your youth communities. Heifer International shares this philosophy by not only feeding and clothing families but giving them the tools to be self-sustainable families. Education is the greatest tool for ending poverty and that is why one of my goals is "send a girl to school" through the Heifer International program. Please check out our affiliate, Heifer International website.

Our plan is to keep our Junior Facebook page and social media platforms current and interesting. Please send me pictures of your clubs in action. I will be asking for updates on what your clubs' events are and highlighting our members. We appreciate our members, let's show them!

I look forward to working with all of you and please invite me to your events and club meetings.

I alone cannot change the world, but I can cast stones across the water to create many ripples! Join me in casting those empowering stones and we may just create a wave!



Suz Hooser
GFWC - WI
Director of Junior Clubs
2022—2024



Officer Report: GFWC - WI First Vice President

by: Linda Brown



Linda Brown
GFWC - WI
First Vice President
2022—2024

**A new title, new responsibilities,
new adventures -
a new SOAP BOX!**



Yes, ladies, you read correctly. My new soap box will be used for the next two years to show that we need to express our enthusiasm for membership. I will be speaking constantly on this subject and the importance of growth in this state.

We need to increase our club level membership, District, and State and this responsibility lies in every member, every club.

I do know that you all have heard this all before and know what to do but the numbers are alarmingly low and we need to ACT on this now.

Have a membership drive. Advertising your club and recruiting is vital to get to our total membership increased. Please ACT now!

If there is anything I can help with this important task, please contact me.

Dean of District Presidents — we already had a Zoom meeting and it was exciting to meet them all. Talked about membership and problems that some clubs are facing. Getting them ready for the in person September 2022 meeting. Such wonderful women and look forward to working with them.

Went off to New Orleans and was it HOT. Did a tour on Friday which was fun but did not leave the hotel and enjoyed my friends and made several new ones.

The highlight of the convention was hearing that the State of Wisconsin won many awards and I cheered, cried and beamed with pride. Abby and Tammy each received honors for their leadership last term. Two clubs won Stick Your Neck Out awards and a member won awards for her beautiful photos. We are so proud that Wisconsin won the awards for Leadership and Membership. This is thanks to the hard work and dedication of all our members. Job well done, ladies.

It was certainly an honor to be the Second Vice President 2020-2022 and I am ready to continue the work as First Vice President. I thank you for this opportunity to serve you and promise, I will give it my all.

Officer Report: GFWC - WI Second Vice President

By: Erin Epping

This officer has been busy this summer! Since our State Convention in May, I have been planning for two presentations that will be given at the Fall Workshop. One presentation will be for clubs who will be reporting their 2022 accomplishments and one will be for State Chairwomen who will be evaluating all the wonderful club reports! I look forward to sharing this information with you in Stevens Point. The GFWC-WI Reporting page on our state website has been updated with the reporting information for 2022 reporting due in January 2023. If you want to get an early start on reporting, check out the website!

In June, I was able to attend the GFWC-International Convention with about 20 other women from Wisconsin. What a wonderful event. I had never been to an installation convention before, so that was a new experience. I want to thank the clubwomen of the Lakeshore District who so kindly supported my attendance. I prepared a detailed report and shared it with the Lakeshore District.

In July, I met with Kathy Novack and Marianne Potter about ideas for the hosting schedule for the State Convention. This information will be shared with the Executive Committee in September. At some point it will be presented to the Board of Directors.

Thank you for your support as I learn my role. I am proud to be an officer of this wonderful state organization!



Erin Epping
GFWC - WI
Second Vice President
2022—2024

Jenny June Award [more details from front page](#)

Pat Mueller, recipient of the GFWC International Jenny June Award is a member of two Lakeshore District clubs, **GFWC Shorewood Woman's Club** and **GFWC Past District Officers Federated Woman's Club**.

Every year, each of the eight GFWC regions presents two nominees for the Jenny June Award. GFWC reads the nominations of all these remarkable clubwomen and selects the eight recipients. There is no higher membership honor with GFWC.

GFWC-WI celebrates the many accomplishments and outstanding contributions of Pat Mueller. The recognition is richly deserved.

Come celebrate with her at the Great Lakes Region Conference September 29 – October 2 in Brookfield, Wisconsin. Congratulations to you, Pat!

Officer Report: GFWC - WI Recording Secretary

By: Shelly Isely



Shelly Isely
GFWC - WI
Recording Secretary
2022—2024

Happy Summer Everyone!

My installation as the new GFWC-WI Recording Secretary occurred at the State Convention May 14th 2022 in Sheboygan, WI. It was wonderful to see everyone that attended. I'm very excited to take on this new position. I am also currently a past president and current director of the Monroe Woman's Club.

The Executive Committee met on May 15th at State Convention and again on July 23rd in Wauwatosa. The minutes of the May 15th meeting have been approved and placed on file. I have just completed the minutes of the July 23rd meeting and those are currently being reviewed. The Executive Committee will be meeting again at the Fall Workshop, September 16-17 in Steven's Point and minutes will be taken at that time.

I look forward to seeing you all at future meetings, workshops and conventions and am honored to serve as a GFWC -WI officer during the 2022-2024 administration.

We are working to enhance your membership experience.

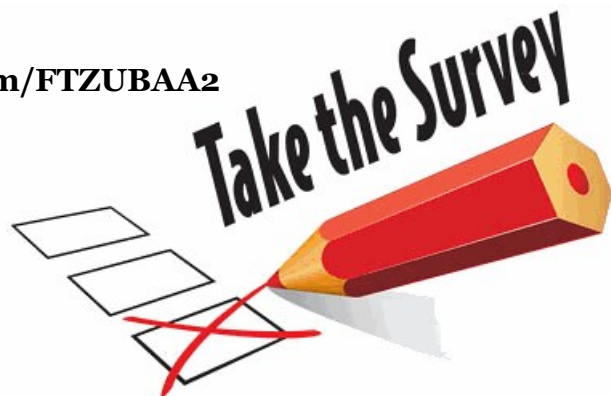
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AUGUST 20TH
DEADLINE



From the desk of your GFWC - WI Treasurer

By: Michelle Munoz

Members, Club Presidents and Treasurers GFWC-WI -

Annual club membership dues AND club rosters for GFWC and GFWC-WI are accepted between July 1 and October 31 of each year.

THE 2022-2024 CLUB YEAR DUES ARE **\$22.00** PER MEMBER:

\$15 will be sent to GFWC headquarters by the GFWC-WI Treasurer

\$7 will go towards administrative expenses of GFWC-WI

MAIL CHECKS PAYABLE TO: GFWC-WI by NOVEMBER 1

The full amount must be paid for EVERY member on the club roster. If the club has special members due to longevity or special circumstance, dues concessions need to be handled within the club. If amounts are not remitted for those special members (for example, honorary or associate members), those members cannot be included in the list of members sent to GFWC International until the full dues are received for them by the GFWC-WI Treasurer.

Please NOTE the following:

DISTRICT PAYMENTS SHOULD BE SENT TO YOUR DISTRICT TREASURER. Each District assesses a different amount for dues or participation in District programs. Club treasurers should get instructions from the District regarding remittance of District dues or payments to District level programs. PLEASE DO NOT REMIT ANY DISTRICT PAYMENTS TO GFWC-WI.

I will be sending Electronic Copies of your club's rosters to each Club President and Treasurer for you to update and return to me for our records and for GFWC records. We DO NOT sell or share member information. Excel files are the easiest way to keep track of club rosters. There are too many errors that can occur by handwritten rosters.

For future correspondence to me, I ask you to use the following email address:

gfwcwi.treasurer@gmail.com

A full copy of "Club Payments to GFWC-WI" relating to dues and other payments will be included in the 2022-2024 State Handbook.

I look forward to continuing to be your State Treasurer for this new administration.

Thank you for your vote of confidence.



Michelle Munoz
GFWC - WI
Treasurer

JUNIOR CLUBS: Send the GFWC-WI dues, rosters, and district payments as instructed elsewhere in this memo. In addition, send \$1.00 per member for GFWC-WI Junior membership to the GFWC-WI Junior Treasurer by November 1.

GFWC-WI Junior Treasurer contact information:

Checks Payable to **GFWC-WI Juniors**

Tammy Welter

1960 Boulder Lane, Beloit, WI 53511

Phone: 630-209-8198

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GFWC-WI FALL WORKSHOP

Friday, September 16 & Saturday, September 17, 2022

Holiday Inn Hotel & Convention Center – Stevens Point, 1001 Amber Avenue, Stevens Point, WI 54482

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ (Required to reach you) Email _____

Name of Club _____	Please check highest office currently held	
	<input type="checkbox"/> GFWC-WI Officer	<input type="checkbox"/> GFWC-WI Junior Board Member
District _____	<input type="checkbox"/> District President	<input type="checkbox"/> Member
	<input type="checkbox"/> GFWC-WI Board Member	<input type="checkbox"/> Guest
	<input type="checkbox"/> Club President	

Registration via mail or online	Postmarked on or before September 1, 2022	\$35.00	_____
Early Bird Discount of \$5.00	Postmarked on or before August 16, 2022		
CASH refunded at the workshop			
Late Registration	Postmarked after September 1, 2022	\$55.00	_____
Mail in Registration Deadline	September 2, 2022		
Online Registration Deadline	September 9, 2022		

NO Refunds after September 9, 2022

Friday Dinner – Choice of Plated Entrée that includes Salad, Rolls, Coffee/Tea, and Dutch Apple Pie with Caramel Sauce and Whipped Cream	Cajun Seared Salmon, Garlic Mashed Potatoes, Fresh Vegetable	\$35.00	_____
	Beef Pot Roast, Garlic Mashed Potatoes, Fresh Vegetable	\$35.00	_____
Saturday Lunch – Choice of Plated Entrée that includes Homemade Potato Chips, Coffee/Tea, and Homemade Cookies	California Turkey Sandwich with Tomato, Provolone, Baby Greens on Wheat Bread	\$22.00	_____
	Marinated Portabella Sandwich with Melted Provolone, Roasted Red Pepper Aioli on Warm Ciabatta	\$22.00	_____

Dietary Restrictions: _____

Please indicate your interest (no extra charge!) for the following so we can plan adequate copies:

Mini LEADS 101 - Introductory topics	Meets for 3 hours _____
80-minute Breakout – How to Write an Award-Winning Club Report	AM _____ or PM _____
80-minute Breakout – Membership Challenges & Resources	AM _____ or PM _____
80-minute Breakout – Hands-on tech demo for GFWC resources	AM _____ or PM _____

Make Checks Payable to:	GFWC-WI	Phone 630-209-8198
Mail To:	Tammy Welter	Email ILMOMof3@gmail.com
	1960 Boulder Lane	
	Beloit, WI 53511	

For Office Use PD\$ _____ Date _____ CK# _____ NP\$ _____

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS: Rooms are blocked for GFWC-WI at the Holiday Inn Hotel & Conference Center – Stevens Point on Friday September 16, 2022.

Holiday Inn Hotel & Convention Center

Call for Reservations: 715-344-0200

1001 Amber Avenue, Stevens Point, WI 54482

Rate: \$114.99 plus taxes per night

Ask for the “GFWC-WI room block” to receive the negotiated rate.

Rooms include two standard queen beds, free Wi-Fi, flat panel HD TV, refrigerator, Keurig coffee maker, hair dryer, iron, fitness center, and indoor heated pool with whirlpool.

Book your room by August 23, 2022 as our room block rate is not guaranteed after that.

TENTATIVE AGENDA: 2022 Fall Workshop

Friday, September 16: All meetings will occur at Holiday Inn Hotel and Conference Center, Stevens Point, WI. Casual or GFWC attire recommended.

12:00 pm: Amendments and Policies Committee Meeting

1:00 pm: Communications and Public Relations Committee Meeting

1:00 pm: Resolutions Committee Meeting

2:00 pm: Joint District Presidents and Membership Committee Meeting

3:00 pm: Registration opens at Holiday Inn Convention Center until 5:00 pm

3:00 pm: Leadership Committee Meeting

3:15 pm: Executive Committee

4:30 pm: Adjournment of all meetings

5:00 pm: Social Hour with Cash Bar

5:30 pm: Dinner (Registration and Pre-Paid Meal Ticket Required)

6:30 pm: GFWC-WI Board of Directors Meeting

7:00 pm: Speaker Katie Theisen, District Silviculturist on the Eagle River-Florence Ranger District of the Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest.

“Pennies for Pines” The history of the George Washington Memorial Forest from its beginning, the current state, and plans for the future.

8:00 pm: Juniors Rock and Roll Bingo Fundraising and Social Time (time to make a joyful noise!)

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Fall Workshop Schedule - Saturday, September 17 *continued*

All meetings and meals will be at the Holiday Inn. Casual or GFWC attire.

Breakfast on your own

7:45 am: Registration opens until 8:30 am

8:30 am: Call to Order Welcome, Business, The format for the day

Pick a workshop AM:

#1 How to Write an Award-winning Club Report

#2 Membership challenges and resources

#3 Hands-on tech demo to access Legislative Action Center and Member Portal, finding key documents:

⇒Club Manual

⇒Membership kit/grant applications

⇒Leadership toolkit that includes 100's of resources

10:00 am: Working topic sessions:

Mini LEADS 101 that meets for 3 hours split between morning and afternoon
OR

Board and Chairs Training Session (required for Chairs that report to GFWC)

OR

Open discussion Q&A club issues, forming a club, duties of officers at different levels in GFWC-WI

11:45 am: Lunch (Registration and Pre-Paid Meal Ticket Required)

12:30 pm: Mini LEADS 101 attendees reconvene to complete the session

Pick a workshop PM:

#1 How to Write an Award-winning Club Report

#2 Membership challenges and resources

#3 Hands-on tech demo to access Legislative Action Center and Member Portal, finding key documents:

⇒Club Manual

⇒Membership kit/grant applications

⇒Leadership toolkit that includes 100's of resources

1:30 pm: Comfort break, Reconvene large group, Mini LEADS 101 graduation acknowledgement

2:00 pm: President's Emphasis – Arts LIVE!

Speaker Victoria "Tori" Schultz, president, director, and producer at The Playhouse Theater Group. Her motto "every child deserves a standing ovation!"

Junior Special Project and Club Initiative Challenge Projects presented by the area Chairs

Meeting wrap up and evaluation

4:00 pm: Adjourn

4:00 pm: Junior Board Meeting

Come to Fall Workshop and get ready to learn! Can't wait to see you there!

By: Nancy Dickman, GFWC-WI State President

The Fall 2022 Workshop is filled with informative sessions!

Starting with dinner on Friday evening, forester **Katie Theisen**, District Silviculturist on the Eagle River-Florence Ranger District of the Chequamegon – Nicolet National Forest will tell us about “Pennies for Pines.” It is general information about the history of and vision for George Washington Memorial Forest in the state’s Northwoods.

We look forward to offering our popular **Mini LEADS 101 – Introductory Topics Training** as a part of the menu of workshops being offered at GFWC Wisconsin’s Fall Workshop in Stevens Point on September 17. This is not a ‘before’ or ‘after’ the main workshop but during it and there is NO additional charge! It is a benefit of YOUR membership in GFWC Wisconsin. Those new to a club officer role or those interested in future leadership roles at the club, district, or state level are encouraged to sign up for the Mini LEADS 101 Introductory Topics Training on the **registration form (page 8 of this Club-woman) for Fall Workshop or online at www.gfwc-wi.org/forms**.

Mini LEADS 101 Introductory Topics Training includes:

- **Leading an Effective Meeting, Etiquette and Protocol**
- **Who is Robert - Why and How do we follow his Rules**
- **GFWC History, Structure, and Accomplishments**
- **Personality Inventory**
- **When Conflict Happens**
- **Public Speaking**
- **Putting It All Together**
- **Your WHY**
- **Graduation Ceremony complete with pin and certificate**

There are other breakout topics, too! This promises to be a weekend where you will have valuable information to share with your clubs. Saturday includes a quick description of initiatives for this term in the many GFWC service and advancement areas.

The day is topped off with a delightful presentation by **Torie Schultz** from Playhouse Theatre Group of Stevens Point. Her motto is the celebratory, “Every child deserves a standing ovation.”

Travel with a few friends so you can divide and conquer all the great programming that is being offered – from Mini LEADS 101 to a hands-on resources demo. Can't wait to see you there!



Katie Theisen
Eagle River-Florence
Ranger District of the
Chequamegon – Nicolet
National Forest



Torie Schultz
Playhouse Theatre Group
Stevens Point

GFWC Wisconsin 125th State Convention

May 12-15, 2022

Blue Harbor Resort & Convention Center

Sheboygan, WI

Soaring with Kindness



Special
thank you to
the Rivers &
Lakes District
for hosting this
year's State
Convention.





GFWC Wisconsin 125th State Convention

More photographs



GFWC Wisconsin 125th State Convention—Helen Farnsworth Mears Art Contest

Submitted by Shirley Brabender Mattox

A Year to Celebrate Anniversaries!

This is the 95th anniversary of the GFWC-WI Helen Farnsworth Mears Art Contest, the vision of Mrs. John F. Conant of Green Bay, GFWC-Arts Department Chair, 1926-1928. This memorial art contest has been an important part of many clubs and the schools in their community. Many years later students still proudly cherish the artwork that won a prize and can recall where they received the award.

This is the 150th anniversary of the birth of Helen Farnsworth Mears. To honor this occasion, the Oshkosh Public Museum has assembled an exhibit about the artist and a collection of some of her sculptures which will be open until August 14. On the same floor, near the exhibit, are the artworks of the 2022 state winners of the GFWC –WI Helen Farnsworth Mears Art Contest.

Judges: Cheri DiRenzo and Erin La Bonte

Class A 2-D Painting and Drawing

- 1st Ava Dwelley Nature Hill Intermediate School – *Oconomowoc, Jr. Woman's Club*
- 2nd Jaelin Kumhala Oconto Middle School – *Oconto Woman's Club*
- 3rd Aubryn Lehman Valley Christian School – *Oshkosh Women's Arts Club*

Class A 3-D Sculpture

- 1st Emma Krahn Brillion Middle School – *Brillion Woman's Club*
- 2nd Alexis Maldonado Valley Christian School – *Oshkosh Women's Arts Club*
- 3rd Taylor Rodig Merrill Middle School – *Oshkosh Women's Arts Club*

Class A Digital Art

- 1st Natalie Trudeau James Williams School – *Rhinelanders Woman's Club*
- 2nd Elsie Wilson James Williams School – *Rhinelanders Woman's Club*
- 3rd Brandon Ostopowicz Nature Hill Intermediate – *Oconomowoc Jr Woman's Club*

Class B 2-D Painting and Drawing

- 1st Ezra Streblow St. John the Baptist Catholic School – *Plymouth Woman's Club*
- 2nd Clara Scanlan St. Robert Catholic School (*Class A) – *Shorewood Woman's Club*
- 3rd Zachary Ernzen St. Joseph's Catholic School – *Dodgeville Federated Woman's Club*

Class B 3-D Sculpture

- 1st Katherine Gentine St. John the Baptist Catholic School – *Plymouth Woman's Club*
- 2nd Samantha Winkels St. Paul's Lutheran School – *Oconomowoc Jr. Woman's Club*
- 3rd Madelynn Brewer St. Paul's Lutheran School – *Oconomowoc, Jr. Woman's Club*

Class B Digital Art

- 1st Emma Willems Trinity Lutheran School – *Brillion Woman's Club*
- 2nd Elleson Gipp Trinity Lutheran School – *Brillion Woman's Club*
- 3rd Annie Oakley Trinity Lutheran School – *Brillion Woman's Club*

“Blessed are they who see beautiful things in humble places
where other people see nothing.” -Camille Pissarro

Helen Farnsworth Mears Art Contest *continued*



Exhibit of 2022 State Winners at Oshkosh Public Museum - Facebook photo

Honorable Mention Class A

- 2-D Sklar Gaetz James Williams Middle School – *Rhinelanders Woman's Club*
- 2-D Ally Haase Valley Christian School – *Oshkosh Woman's Arts Club*
- 2-D Vivian Lamers James Williams Middle School – *Rhinelanders Woman's Club*
- 2-D Layla Meyer Thomas Jefferson Middle School – *Port Washington Woman's Club*
- 2-D Scarlett Pfaff St. Robert Catholic School – *Shorewood Woman's Club*
- 2-D Madilyn Voight Elk Mound Middle School – *Menomonie Woman's Club*
- 3-D Chayse Hirsch Pecatonica Middle School – *Blanchardville Woman's Club*
- 3-D Faith Pearson Dodgeville Middle School – *Dodgeville Federated Woman's Club*
- 3-D Massimo Robinson Dodgeville Middle School – *Dodgeville Area Woman's Club*

Honorable Mention Class B

- 2-D Izzy Potterton St. Joseph's Catholic School – *Dodgeville Federated Woman's Club*

Club members who work with the Helen Farnsworth Mears Art Contest see first hand how the arts impact students using their potential, talent, and creativity to produce marvelous artwork. It is my goal to increase the number of clubs that reach out to the art teachers in their community schools and give students the opportunity to nurture their creative potential by participating in the Helen Farnsworth Mears Art Contest. By encouraging our student artists, we are reaching out, connecting, and putting art at the heart of our community.

Any club that is interested in participating in the GFWC-WI art contest, whether you've never done this before or if you're restarting after a pause, please feel free to contact me. I will gladly meet with you and help you get started. May this be a lively year for the arts. Shirley Brabender Mattox, Helen Farnsworth Mears Art Contest, chairman, shirleybrabendermattox@gmail.com

State Convention—Members' Arts & Crafts Contest

Submitted by Vickie Richardson

Category (Total entries)	1 st Place	2 nd Place	3 rd Place
Card Making (2)	Carol Smet Southern Prairies Pleasant Prairie Woman's Club	Susan Atherton Rolling Hills Woman's Club of Pewaukee	
Fad Art (1)	Ruth Ann Mugerawer Northern Lights Amery Woman's Club		
Jewelry (6)	Marjorie Kugler Northern Lights Amery Woman's Club	Carole Brinkman Rolling Hills Woman's Club of Pewaukee	
Member Art (7)	Ruth Ann Mugerawer Northern Lights Amery Woman's Club	Kathleen Novalk Rolling Hills Woman's Club of Pewaukee	Ruth Ann Mugerawer Northern Lights Amery Woman's Club
Miscellaneous (5)	Kathy Majka Amery Woman's Club Northern Lights District	Melisa Schmidt Zettle Southern Prairies Monroe Woman's Club	
Natural Art (2)	Juli Garton Rolling Hills Woman's Club of Pewaukee		
Paper Graphics or Computer (2)	Carol Smet Southern Prairies Pleasant Prairie Woman's Club		
Paint On (1)	Pamela Winchell Northwoods Rhinelanders Woman's Club		
Toys & Dolls (1)	Connie Muckelberg Northwoods Rhinelanders Woman's Club		
Appliqué (2)	Donna Fabyon Rolling Hills Woman's Club of Pewaukee and Judith Kingsbury Northwoods Rhinelanders Woman's Club		
Crochet/Tatting (2)	Nancy Dickman Rolling Hills Muskego Woman's Club and Carol Anderson Northwoods Oconomowoc Woman's Club		
Cross Stitch (1)	Loretta Caron Southern Prairies Kenosha Jr Woman's Club		
Felting (1)	Juli Garton Rolling Hills Woman's Club of Pewaukee		

**Congratulations to all of our
ribbon winners at the
2022 GFWC Wisconsin Convention
in Sheboygan!**



Members' Arts & Crafts Contest *continued*

Category (Total entries)	1 st Place	2 nd Place	3 rd Place
Knitting – Hand (1)	Carla Hartwig Southern Prairies Monroe Woman's Club		
Quilting – Hand (1)	Christine Day Lakeshore Woman's Club of Greenfield		
Quilting – Machine (5)	Donna Fabyon Rolling Hills Woman's Club of Pewaukee	Edie Hertel Southern Prairies Monroe Woman's Club	
Sewing – Machine (3)	Melissa Anderson Rolling Hills Oconomowoc Woman's Club		

GFWC Wisconsin Members Photography Contest

World In Pictures Our World Up Close (7)	Jeannine Guttormsson Lakeshore Woman's Club of West Allis	Jennifer Sletznier River & Lakes Princeton Woman's Club	Renee Cybul River & Lakes Princeton Woman's Club
World In Pictures Natural Wonders (6)	Jeannine Guttormsson Lakeshore Woman's Club of West Allis	Gloria Lansin Northern Lights Amery Woman's Club	Renee Cybul River & Lakes Princeton Woman's Club
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GFWC Wisconsin Members Special Contest—Coloring Contest

Coloring Contest (6)	Janice Curtiss Rivers & Lakes Plymouth Woman's Club	Tiffany Anderson Rolling Hills Oconomowoc Junior Woman's Club	Deb Klock Rivers & Lakes Plymouth Woman's Club
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Photography Contest *continued*

A special CONGRATULATIONS goes out to Jeannine Guttormsson of the GFWC Woman's Club of West Allis who won not only first place in all three state members' photography contests, she also won two awards at the International Convention for her photographs. Jeannine won second place in Reflection for "Seeing Double" and first place in Our World Up Close for "Dependency".

GENERAL FEDERATION
of WOMEN'S CLUBS



We will be having another special contest at next year's convention that I'm hoping every club will participate in. More details will be available at the Fall Workshop in September.

Vickie Richardson

GFWC Pleasant Prairie Woman's Club

GFWC-WI Member's Arts & Crafts/Photography Chairwoman

⇒ **LOST AT STATE CONVENTION IN SHEBOYGAN, WI**

Dear ladies, I seem to have had a small black and white pouch slip out of my laptop. It held a precious picture of my mother-in-law and a bracelet that my husband had given me a couple years ago. Please, if anyone has found one, contact me. I would be happy to identify it. I have a few pictures as well, but I don't want to bother you, if it doesn't turn up. I have contacted the Sheboygan Police and the Blue Harbor Resort. I will offer a reward, if that helps as well. The pouch was made from material of my mother-in-law's dress, so it is irreplaceable.

Thanks so much for the wonderful convention! My cell is 608-558-3839 and I am from the GFWC Monroe Woman's Club.
Patricia Brandenburg

pattio98@hotmail.com

**LOST &
FOUND**

GFWC WI Health Scholarship Winners

Submitted by Shelly Isely, Chairwoman

The GFWC-WI Health Scholarship Committee was pleased to select four Wisconsin students to receive the GFWC-WI \$1,000 scholarships. The recipients were announced at the GFWC-WI State Convention May 14th at the Blue Harbor Resort in Sheboygan, Wisconsin.

2022 Health Scholarship winners are:



Alexa Post

New Auburn, WI

Accepted at Minnesota State University

Goal: Physician Assistant majoring in Biology/Biomedical Sciences and to complete a Physician Assistant Master's Program.

Sponsor: Bloomer Woman's Club – Shari Berg, President

GFWC-WI District: Northern Lights

Rachel Meier

Monroe, WI

Accepted at Carroll University

Goal: Public Health Education, Programming or special projects in the health industry.

Sponsor: Monroe Woman's Club – Shelly Isely, President

GFWC-WI District: Southern Prairies



Sydney Wolf

Muskego, WI

Accepted at University of Wisconsin, Madison

Goal: Study Biology on a pre-med track. After receiving undergraduate degree in biology, attend medical school.

Sponsor: Muskego Woman's Club – Carla Regini, President

GFWC-WI District: Rolling Hills

Brooklyn Rasmussen

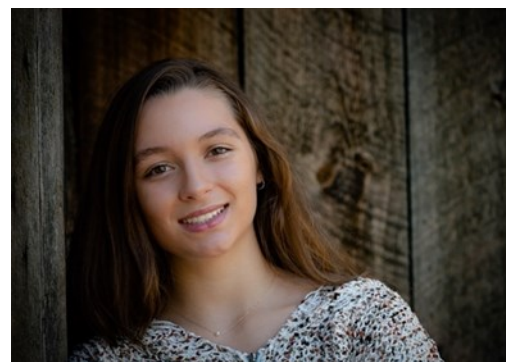
Abrams, WI

Accepted at Carroll University

Goal: Pursing a degree in Physical therapy and ultimately achieve a doctorate degree.

Sponsor: Oconto Woman's Club – Polly Exferd, President

GFWC-WI District: Northwoods



Health Scholarship winners gather at State Convention

The committee was thrilled to have applicants from all six districts with a total of 37 applicants from around the state. Each applicant was extremely impressive, and all were great examples of future leaders.

Three of the recipients attended State Convention to receive their certificates in person and one certificate was mailed. It was a very difficult task to select only four recipients.



Health Scholarship winner **Alexa Post** with her mother and **Julie Riemenschneider** representing **GFWC Bloomer Woman's Club**



Health Scholarship winner **Rachel Meier** with her mother and members of the **GFWC Monroe Woman's Club**



Health Scholarship winner **Sydney Wolf** with her mother, club woman **Jamie Wolf**, and other members of the **GFWC Muskego Woman's Club**



The Health Scholarship winner **Brooklyn Rasmussen** could not attend Convention. Pictured here are **Polly Exferd**, president of the **GFWC Oconto Woman's Club**; **Wendy Carriker**, GFWC International Second Vice President and members of the **GFWC - WI Executive Committee**.

GFWC SIGNATURE PROGRAM: DOMESTIC AND SEXUAL VIOLENCE AWARENESS AND PREVENTION

submitted by Michelle Munoz, chairwoman



Hello GFWC-WI club members

I am Michelle Munoz, your GFWC-WI 2022-2024 Signature Program chairwoman.

I am proud to hold this position in honor of my mother, Sylvia, who was also an advocate against domestic violence in her career as a bilingual social worker in IL, CA and NV.

I will not recreate any wheels; I am here to share with you words from GFWC Club Manual about the ***Signature Program – Domestic and Sexual Violence Awareness AND Prevention.***

“The goal of the GFWC Signature Program is to increase awareness of and help prevent the widespread occurrence of domestic abuse in communities across the nation by working with national domestic violence networks, supporting existing activities, working with various established programs, and initiating educational opportunities for club members and local citizens. GFWC aims to be a powerful voice for those who have no voice.”

The Signature Program Chairman from GFWC is Trisha Schafer, her email contact is Trishamae2520@gmail.com

The GFWC Signature Program reference materials will be available to you on our GFWC-WI.org website under the Special Programs tab.

I encourage you to check it out and feel free to contact me with any questions.

In Federation,

Michelle Munoz

GFWC-WI Signature Program Chairwoman



COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM

HEALTH & WELLNESS

submitted by Joyce Schaefer, chairwoman



Summer Wellness Tips:

It is summer and we love it, right? We have endured our Wisconsin winter, so it is time to get outside and enjoy the outdoors! Spending time outside though does bring with it a few summer wellness tips that we need to remember.



So, here are a few:

Protect your Skin:

- ⇒ Use natural methods if possible; meaning wear a hat; cover up your neck, shoulders and arms.
- ⇒ Did you know that most summer fabric has a SPF ranging between 4-7?
- ⇒ Use Sunscreen if you are not able to cover up. The CDC recommends a broad spectrum sunscreen with at least SPF15. The Skin Cancer Foundation recommends reapplying every two hours!

Insect Repellent:

- ⇒ Make sure not to forget insect repellent. The CDC recommends using an EPA (Environmental Protection Agency) registered insect repellent.
- ⇒ Tip: Apply sunscreen first and then insect repellent.

Stay Hydrated:

- ⇒ We should all be drinking at least 8 glasses of water a day. However, we need to add 12 ounces of water for every 30 minutes we are spending in the heat or sweating!

What types of summer activities is your club planning? Hopefully, there will be some activities where these wellness tips will come in handy. Maybe your club will be doing a highway clean-up project where all three of the above tips could be helpful. Maybe your club will be doing an outside garden tour; again if it is a sunny day, you too can find these tips helpful!

Enjoy your summer!

Advancement Area: Communications & Public Relations

Submitted by: Loretta Caron, chairwoman

We often say GFWC is the best kept secret, but we need to get the word out. This administration we are going to work on branding, branding and more branding.

You will see how communication and public relations can help you get new members, fund-raise or get the word out for other club activities. But first, your club needs to start to get noticed, so I'm giving you a challenge to get the word out.

Does your club have a Facebook page?

No? Then, start one.

Don't know how to start one? Send me an email and I'll get you started.

If yes? Look to see how many likes your club page has.

I'm challenging you to: Have your page grow by 10% in the next year.

- Post your meeting dates on the Facebook page so others in your community know.
- Post something at least once a week, if not more often.

You can do it. Yes, you can!

Finally, do you follow the GFWC Wisconsin Facebook page? If not, why not? If yes, invite your fellow clubwomen!



Advancement Area: Leadership

Submitted by: Deb Brossard, chairwoman

Those of us in attendance at the GFWC International Convention in New Orleans were so proud when GFWC Wisconsin won the Leadership Award for Category 2. Competing against Texas, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, West Virginia and Georgia, our 2020-2022 Leadership Chairman, Mary Meek, really tooted our horn regarding Wisconsin's Leadership Committee's efforts to improve our programming. This in turn, appeared to have a great effect on what local clubs were providing as well. Catching the attention of GFWC Leadership Chairman, Shannon Bailey, was the number of impressive and well-rounded leadership activities our state and clubs engaged in during 2021.

The fact we recognized that while our collaborative programming begun in 2018 was successful and engaged a number of our LEADS graduates since its inception in 2002, we needed to assess and adapt. Of particular interest to her was the formation of our four-person Leadership Task Force that met seven times over two months to evaluate six aspects of our programming. Among those recommendations favorably adopted by the entire committee was a better definition of the Leadership Committee's structure and function. This provides the 2022-2024 team with a template by which we will continue to improve and strive to provide top-quality leadership training at the state level.

Stay tuned as we begin this new administration with some new and exciting twists and turns in our Leadership Song and Dance...a nod to President Nancy's Arts LIVE theme.

Keep Calm but Lead On!

Wisconsin's Own Library

Submitted by: Abby Lorenz, chairwoman

Do you know about Wisconsin's Own Library's (WOL) rich history? As the new WOL Chair, I wanted to become more educated about its legacy. Below is some background found on the Lane Library page on the Ripon College website about our "little gem" of a library collection:

The Wisconsin's Own Library was created by Mary Rennebohm, wife of Wisconsin's 32nd Governor, Oscar Rennebohm in 1948. It was initially housed at the Executive Mansion in Madison, and known as "Wisconsin's Own Authors Collection."



Lane Library at Ripon College, Ripon, WI ~ the home of Wisconsin's Own Library

When the collection needed more space the Wisconsin Federation of Women's Clubs began its oversight at the bequest of Mrs. Rennebohm. Since its founding, the collection has been held at the UW-Madison Memorial Library, the State Historical Library, UW-Milwaukee and Beloit College.

In 2007, the collection was moved to its current home at Lane Library. The Wisconsin Federation of Women's Clubs has now been renamed the General Federation of Women's Clubs of Wisconsin and maintains ownership of the collection.

The collection includes over 5,000 volumes of books, focusing on the history and literature of the state. Since 2017, the focus of the collection has turned to poetry. The GFWC-WI and the Lane Library staff endeavor to create the largest collection of Wisconsin poetry.

We all can be proud of the rich heritage of WOL. I encourage you to visit our one-of-kind collection with your GFWC sisters.



What's the buzz in Kenosha—a new Juniorette club?

Submitted by: Suz Hooser

Newly formed, **Kenosha Lakeside Juniorette Club**, which is comprised of four middle schoolers, held their first fundraiser on July 16th. The fundraiser was held at the Children's Theater Academy in Kenosha. Posters and social media posts were distributed encouraging 5 to 10 year-olds to come learn the fundamentals of theater.

Our juniorettes gave a tour of the theater to start them out and then the 15 participants were divided into three groups, with each group learning a song, dance and stage cues all taught by the Lakeside Juniorettes and theater volunteers. Thirty to 45 minutes were spent on each and then the groups switched. A final performance was given to the parents.

The goal for this fundraiser was to give three one-hundred dollar scholarships to the Children's Theater Academy so those who would otherwise not be able to afford the cost to participate in a production may apply for a scholarship at no cost to the family.

The Lakeside Juniorettes surpassed their goal and successfully handled all aspects of this fundraiser. We are hoping we attracted a few more members to join the Lakeside Juniorettes with this success and to soon charter and federate these amazing young ladies.

Michelle Munoz, Loretta Caron, Kim Bruns, and I could not be prouder to see this club off to a spectacular start!



Website update

Submitted by: Erin Epping

Over the summer, the website has been updated with the new administration officers, chairwomen, and program changes. Also, the REPORTING page has been updated for the 2022 reporting cycle. Feel free to download the reporting information now and get a head start! Check out the website at gfwc-wi.org.

On the UPCOMING EVENTS page, the Great Lakes Region Conference in Brookfield and the Fall Workshop in Stevens Point online registrations have been posted. The information for both events is also available for download if you prefer to mail in your registration.

Check out the new 2022-2024 Club Manual at gfwc.org. You will need to login to the Member Portal. The manual is in the "My Digital Library". A workshop about how to access everything GFWC International will be presented at the Fall Workshop in Stevens Point. Consider attending!

Finally, I have been the Webmaster for the past three state administrations and am helping with this administration for the time being. It would be wonderful if a clubwoman would step forward to take on this role and provide some fresh perspectives! If you have any interest in learning what I do, I would be happy to have a conversation with you. If you have an interest, please feel free to reach out to me via email at eepping728@gmail.com and we can set up a time to chat.

Yes, GFWC-WI needs your help!

Submitted by: Nancy Dickman

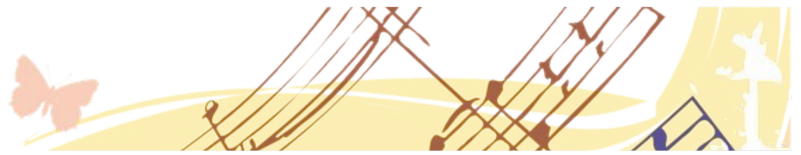
GFWC-WI desperately needs women with confident to strong technical skills to shed the shyness and help with the following roles: WI Clubwoman Editor and GFWC-WI Webmaster.

The editor assembles the writing of the officers and chairwomen into a beautiful quarterly newsletter for the entire state members. Sue Bessert, the current editor, has served in this position for two terms and now serves on the board in a new role. She has a fantastic process and she is delighted to transition to the next editor. The job will be easier to master if the volunteer has confident to strong skills as a writer and with Microsoft Publisher and Word.

The webmaster is a combination of technology meets art. The webpage is on the Squarespace platform and has all sorts of potential (the art side of life). Erin Epping, the current webmaster, has served in this position for eight years. She has a superb process for mass emails, updating schedules, online purchases for meetings, and content inventory. The environment allows creating beta pages for review before publication.

Both of these positions are highly valued GFWC-WI board positions and are essential communication roles for GFWC-WI members and prospective members. Sue and Erin would be very happy to provide any transition period wanted by the next shining stars. GFWC-WI has remarkably gifted and talented members. Please share your talent with all of GFWC-WI.





President's Emphasis 2022-2024

We've named it – Arts LIVE!

Arts LIVE is performing arts. Anything from youth choirs, youth symphonies, high school drama, marching bands, solo ensembles, band trips, community band, dance troupes, swing choir, summer theater camps, forensics, Odyssey of the Mind teams, Destination Imagination and more. If it has to do with non-professionals and artistic performances - it's **Arts LIVE!** Let's make it **STRONG!**

HERE'S HOW: President Nancy says, "We're gonna light 'em up! GFWC – Wisconsin will be taking \$5,000 out of reserves and pumping it back into our club communities."

Clubs that donate \$500 to support performing arts in their communities will receive \$100 back.

WHEN CAN CLUBS GET STARTED: Now and complete by State Convention, May 2024.

WHERE: In our local club communities across the State of Wisconsin

WHY: The arts are a direct contributor to quality of life within a community. The arts are essential for full cognitive development and deployment. Let's elevate the creativity of our communities. As Nancy says, "I want to support the efforts of school bands, orchestras, STEAM programs (that is STEM with the arts like Odyssey of the Mind, Destination Imagination, or forensics), dance competitions, choral events and comedy and drama performances. Individual clubs know who and what in their communities could use a little boost - from kindergarten to senior centers. The plan is to reimburse clubs \$100 for every \$500 they contribute to performing arts efforts."

HOW TO GET REIMBURSED: Complete the form on the website and attach a copy of your club's \$500 donation check(s). Mail or email all to Sue Bessert, 7356 Freedom Trail, Wabeno, WI 54566 or bbessert@centurytel.net One \$100 reimbursement per club, until we get more funding. Forms and more details will be shared at the Fall Workshop.

QUESTIONS: Reach out to Sue Bessert/ 715-889-2342.

GFWC-WI Fundraising

Submitted by: Carolyn Mitchell, chairwoman

I am the Fundraising Chairwoman for the 2022-2024 administration. I will be bringing back some of the favorites and trying some new things. At the Fall Workshop in September we will bring back the 50/25/25 drawing. We will also continue with the wearables.

You can check those out on the GFWC-WI website under the Marketplace. I also still have window clings and wrist lanyards that will be available for sale at all the meetings.

Wisconsin is hosting Great Lakes Region Conference pages 29-38

Submitted by: Nancy Niedziela, GFWC-WI Great Lakes Conference Chairwoman

Did you know that Wisconsin is hosting the Great Lakes Region Conference?

This is a unique experience to meet GFWC International President Deb Strahanoski, (home state Illinois) as well as our sisters in GLR from Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, and Ohio without having to travel to the International Convention. The committee has arranged a great venue, great food, and fun activities. Take a great tour of a brewery, Harley Davidson Museum, enjoy lunch at Mader's. Play trivia with your sisters!



Learn about the Great Lakes Region, take part in making decisions, enjoy learning at workshops and shopping from vendors. You will find the official call in this Clubwoman on the next page. The official Call is also available at the gfwc-wi.org website for mailing. You can also register online for Great Lakes through our PayPal account or with a QR code by paying a small fee.

How can you help? Please have your club take \$15-\$20 out of its budget and donate small snacks or items for our guests and attendees to be able to pick up from a “free” table at the conference. Below are some ideas. We will collect these items at the 2022-2024 Fall Workshop in Stevens Point the weekend of September 15-17, 2022.

IDEAS:

- A bag or two of small candy bars – think Halloween treat size or a bit larger; a bag or two of small packages of candy like M&M's – again think Halloween treats; a box of granola bars, or Keto bars – salty, crunchy, yummy and maybe even healthy; a box of small bags of popcorn, chips, nuts, cheese-its, cheddar cheese fish etc.; packages of individual sandwich crackers – cheese, peanut butter, etc.
- Packages of individual cookie packages – like Oreos, chocolate chips, etc.; little packages of pretzel dippers with cheese or breadstick dippers;
- Fruit snacks or rolls; purse-size hand sanitizers; tiny tubes of hand lotion; small packs of facial tissue; pens, post its or small pads of paper or spiral pads; lip gloss, Chapstick, Bee Balm; emery boards. What would you like to get in a conference “goodie” bag?

Sorry, but we cannot accept any homemade cookies, candies, or other treats unless they were made in a commercial kitchen and have ingredients labeled.

If every club in Wisconsin would donate a small number of items for our guests, we would have a great selection for our sisters from Indiana, Michigan, Illinois, and Ohio. These items would help make their weekend in Wisconsin special.

I hope to see women from every district in the state present to welcome our guests to the new Brookfield Conference Center from September 29 to October 2. We have a great Wisconsin State Night – **Diamonds in Dairyland** – planned for Friday evening.



**OFFICIAL CALL TO THE 2022 ANNUAL CONFERENCE
OF THE GFWC GREAT LAKES REGION
September 29 - October 2, 2022
DANA JONES, GFWC GLR President**

"A Candle Loses None of its Light by Lighting Another"

You are invited to attend the 2022 GFWC Great Lakes Region Conference September 29 – October 2, 2022, at **Brookfield Conference Center and Hilton Garden Inn – Brookfield, WI**. Conference Chairman Nancy Niedziela and the members of GFWC Wisconsin have arranged a wonderful weekend for us. Please come early and visit this great city with a lot of history. We'll kick the weekend off with a social time on Thursday evening and then take off on a fun tour on Friday – we'll be joined by GFWC President (GLRs own) Deb Strahanoski and President-elect Suellen Brazil as we Dream Big, Sparkle More & Shine Bright for GFWC!

Registration:

Thursday, September 29: 3—5PM

Friday, September 30 12:00PM—5PM

Saturday, October 1 8AM -12:00PM

President's Project: We will be collecting items for the **Wisconsin Children's Hospital**. Suggested items for donation are: Infant bottles • Baby thermometers • Nasal aspirators • Infant nail clippers • Diapers (birth to toddler sizes) • Diaper creams • Sensitive skin baby products (soap, shampoo, lotions) • New clothing, swaddle blankets, etc. (birth to toddler sizes)

Thursday evening- We will meet at 7:00 PM for Trivia and Treats Night at the Hotel. Depending on the weather, we may be in the outdoor garden or the Garden Room. See **Conference Highlights** for more details.

Friday morning 9:15 AM The bus will leave the hotel at 9:15 for the **Bikes, Brats and Beer** Tour. Lunch is included in this fantastic outing. There's a ton of details in the **Conference Highlights**. We will return to the hotel in time for the Board Meeting.

Friday afternoon 3:00 PM The GFWC Great Lakes Region Board of Directors will meet from 3:00-4:00PM. Officers and Chairmen who are being asked to give reports at the Board Meeting and/or during the Conference are asked to bring the Secretary's copy to this meeting.

Friday evening 5:30 PM The Social Hour begins at 5:30 PM with a cash bar and an opportunity to catch up with long-time friends and make new Federation friends. GFWC International President Deb Strahanoski and President-elect Suellen Brazil will be joining us for this informal get together. Then enjoy State Night starting at 6:30 PM **Diamonds in Dairyland Dinner and Entertainment** as GFWC Wisconsin members welcome us to their state. Wear your Cocktail Attire, with emphasis on those diamonds! And, of course, your dancing shoes!

Saturday 9:00 AM The opening ceremonies of the **2022 Great Lakes Region Conference** will begin at 9:00am. The Business Session will include reports from the GFWC Chairmen within the Region. Workshops, dynamic speakers and information on our Signature Project/Domestic Violence Awareness and Prevention and Juniors' Special Program: Advocates for Children will fill the day. Remember to bring your notebooks (paper or electronic) so you can jot down the many ideas you get from the presenters and your fellow Convention attendees. Please bring items to be donated for the **Children's Wisconsin Hospital** at this time as we will hear from them about their advocacy efforts.

Saturday evening 5:30 PM –Saturday evening will feature Deb Strahanoski, GFWC International President, as the keynote speaker. So, let's celebrate with Denim and lot of Diamonds (real or not!) We'll also have some fun(raising) with BINGO – so bring your dauber and get ready to win!

Sunday morning 9:00 AM- Join us at this closing session where we will recognize members we've lost this last year; we'll hear the exciting reports from the GLR Great Eight and the Region Officers. We will enjoy a buffet breakfast hear some closing words from our GFWC Officers and the invitation to the **2023 Conference in Indiana**, before we adjourn the **2022 GFWC Great Lakes Region Conference**.

DRESS FOR THE WEEKEND

When traveling, remember to wear your GFWC logo gear and membership pin.

Friday – Comfortable clothes & walking shoes –Wear your GFWC Apparel. **We want Milwaukee to know we are there!**

Friday Board of Directors Meeting- GFWC Tour Wear

Friday Evening –Diamonds in Dairyland – cocktail attire with sparkle!

Saturday – Business Casual

Saturday Evening – Denim and Diamonds (no jeans please)

Sunday Morning- Travel Wear

OTHER HELPFUL INFORMATION

GFWC Great Lakes Region Fundraising – we will have some fundraising at various times for the weekend. There will be a Split the Pot on Saturday – drawn at lunch or later if there are chances still available. Then Saturday evening after dinner we will have a live and interactive BINGO party. Bring your favorite dauber, purchase your BINGO cards and get ready for some laughs!

On the last page of this CALL you will see the information for some pullovers that are a Pre-Sale item that you can purchase ahead of time and pick up at the Conference to wear before we take off on our tour. Please note that the order is separate from your registration and should be sent to Ashley Wilhelm

State Presidents & Directors of Junior Clubs – Please be prepared to present a four-minute report. GLR Vice President Rose Logston will contact you with more detailed information. Please remember to bring your state flag, pole, and stand for Saturday morning opening ceremonies. The flag bearer is to wear white gloves.

Deadlines – **Please adhere to the GLR and Hotel deadlines as listed on the Registration Form. The hotel has an unusually early deadline for the meal counts so please register as soon as you decide you can attend.**

Please share this Call with all the members in your state and club. Invite them to ride along for a fun-filled and very worthwhile weekend. We look forward to seeing you in Milwaukee!

Great Lakes Region Conference *continued*

Thursday, September 29, 2022

Dinner on your own. Hilton Garden Bar and Grille is open from 5:00 PM to 10:00 PM in the hotel. Room service is also available. Dinner choices within and without the Brookfield Square Mall across the parking lot from the hotel include, but are not limited to, the following: Red Robin Gourmet Burgers, Bravo! Italian Kitchen, Wasabi Sushi Lounge, Cooper's Hawk Winery, Uncle Julio's Upscale Tex Mex, Outback Steak House, Mitchell's Fish Market, Fleming's Prime Steakhouse, and many more.

Trivia and Treats Night 7:00 PM – 9:30 PM

DRESS: Casual Attire

Outdoor Garden or Garden Room, weather dependent.

After dinner, join your friends for assorted cookies, bars, sweet and salty snacks. There will be a cash bar available. And you will receive ONE drink ticket good for a glass of beer – import, craft or domestic, or one glass of wine, or soda, juices, or bottled water. GFWC Trivia, prizes and much more will make for a spectacular evening. Fun for all. Start planning your trivia team now! Meet and greet your friends from the Great Lakes Region. Come to play or come to watch! **\$25**

Friday, September 30, 2022

Breakfast on your own. Hilton Garden Grille and Bar is open from 6:30 AM to 10:00 AM
Room service is also available.

Bikes, Brats and Beer 9:15 AM

DRESS: Comfortable GFWC wear and good shoes. Let the public know who we are!

Travel on a coach bus with a *private* tour guide driving through the Menomonee Valley, Miller Valley and down "Sauerkraut Boulevard," where all the German beer makers once lived. Then on to the world-famous Harley Davidson Museum for a 45-minute exclusive tour with time on your own to visit and shop. Then on to Mader's, the best ethnic restaurant in Milwaukee, for a light German Bavarian Bratwurst Platter lunch, stained glass windows, and famous beer stein collection, then on to Sprecher Brewery for a craft beer and soda tasting. Beer for dessert; how Wisconsin is that? Back to the hotel midafternoon. Price includes all gratuities, lunch, tour guide and entrance fees. Back in time for the afternoon board of directors meeting. A vegetarian option will be available. Please note on registration form any dietary needs. **\$82**

Shopping on Your Own

DRESS: Comfortable GFWC wear and good shoes. Practice that elevator speech for when the other shoppers ask about the GFWC logo.

The conference center is located across the parking lot from Brookfield Square Shopping Indoor Mall (opens 11 AM), featuring many shops and restaurants like Coopers Hawk Winery, Bravo Italian Kitchen, and Red Robin Burgers and anchored by J.C. Penny. In the Mall parking area are more restaurants from Flemings Steak House to Chick-fil-A. Just 5-minute drive from the conference center is Corners of

Brookfield Outdoor Shopping Mall (opens 11 AM) with many unique boutiques ranging from Anthropologie to the spectacular Von Maur Luxury Department Store. Itching for a burger? The famous Wahlburgers is located at The Corners. Don't want to leave the premises? Shopping at Divine Consign (open 9 AM) will be in the ballroom next door to our meeting and dining rooms on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. Saturday and Sunday are one-half off sales. The event is free to attend. Fitting rooms will be available. Cash and all major credit cards will be accepted. Women of all ages and sizes who love great deals on beautiful, gently used, unique, fashionable items are invited to shop this one-of-a-kind treasure hunt. Shop over 40,000 clothing and accessory items at this super organized, pop-up boutique-style shopping event. Enjoy shopping all your favorite brands and styles for fall (up to 90% off retail) including warm jackets, cozy sweaters, great layering pieces, business attire, boutique items, athletic wear, vintage treasures, dresses, teen favorites, maternity, scarves, handbags, sunglasses, jewelry and much more.

Hang Around the Hotel

Catch up on work or social contacts with free Wi-Fi in your room. Use the small, indoor swimming pool to exercise or relax. Use the accessible business center, hang out in the lobby lounge, or catch some rays on the patio terrace. Get your exercise for the day at the fitness center.

Great Lakes Region Board Meeting: 3:00 PM

Board Room

GLR Executive Committee, State Presidents, State Director of Junior Clubs, all chairmen

Cash Bar Cocktail Reception 5:30 PM – 6:30 PM

Celebration Atrium

DRESS: Cocktail Attire, with emphasis on those diamonds! How much bling can you put on?

State Group Pictures will be taken during this time. Pictures will be posted online for easy access. No charge to download. Assigned times for state groupings will be given at registration.

Dinner – 6:30 PM

Wisconsin State Night – Diamonds in Dairyland Dinner and Entertainment

Collaborate Ballrooms A and B

DRESS: Cocktail Attire, with emphasis on those diamonds! And, of course, your dancing shoes! Let Deb and Dana see your gems!

Farm Greens Salad - with spinach, arugula, kale, strawberries, toasted walnuts, and crumbled Feta cheese, with ranch and strawberry dressing. **7 oz. Grilled Filet** – roasted shallot and mushroom demi-glace, chef's choice of vegetable and starch; **House-made Apple Crisp** – Fresh Gala apples baked and topped with crispy cinnamon streusel; fresh-baked bread rolls and butter, coffee, and tea. Eric Diamond will entertain us with the classic sounds of **Neil Diamond** – dancing and singing will be encouraged. Plan to sparkle in the night! **\$50**

Saturday, October 1, 2022

Breakfast on your own. Hilton Garden Grille and Bar is open from 7:00 AM to 10:30 AM Room service is also available.

Lunch:

Wisconsin Cobb Salad:

Hearts of Romaine and Spring Mix topped with roasted chicken, chopped bacon, tomatoes, hard-boiled egg, summer sausage, cheese curds, croutons, assorted dressings and crackers, fresh-baked rolls and butter, chef's choice dessert, coffee, hot and iced tea. You must have a ticket for lunch. No off-premises food is allowed into the dining/meeting areas. **\$32**

Reception:

Cash Bar 5:30 PM to 6:30 PM

Celebration Atrium

DRESS: Diamonds and Denim

Dinner 6:30 PM

Collaborate Ballrooms A and B

Diamonds and Denim

Mixed Greens Salad with cucumbers, tomatoes, red onions, croutons and goat cheese, choice of dressings. **Roasted Chicken Breast**, basil cream, sun-dried tomatoes, and olive oil drizzle

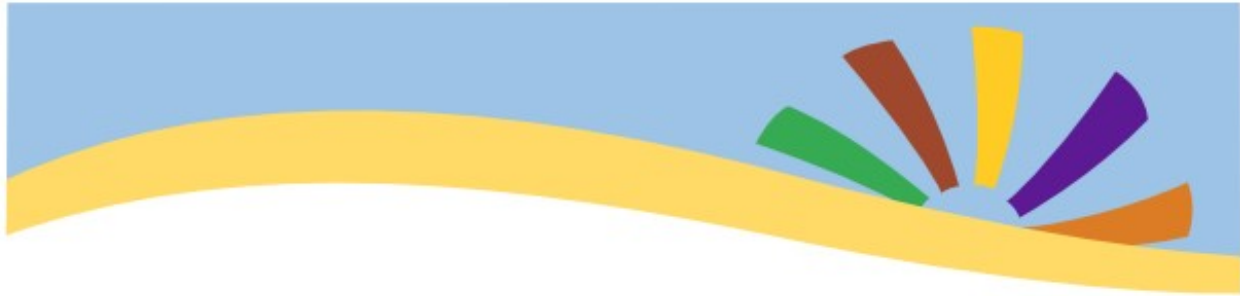
Golden Carrot Torte: Old fashioned spiced carrot cake layered with walnuts and orange scented cream topped with cream cheese frosting and a Marzipan carrot. Fresh baked rolls and butter, coffee, hot and iced tea. **\$45**

Sunday, October 2, 2022

"The Badger" Brunch Buffet

Farm fresh scrambled eggs with herbs and cheese, skillet-fried redskin potatoes, applewood smoked bacon, sausage links. Chilled orange and apple juices, Danish, muffins, breakfast breads with fruit preserves, honey and butter and seasonal whole fruit; coffee and hot tea. **\$28**

Please note that per conference rules, this buffet will be held in the middle of the business session. Purchase of the breakfast buffet is **strongly** encouraged. If you do not have a ticket for the meal, you will be asked to sit in a special designated area reserved for those not dining during the meeting. Those dining and those not dining will **not** be sitting together. You may not bring in food or beverage from other purveyors or from your home. There will not be a lunch on Sunday. Tables will be set for breakfast before the beginning of the meeting. If you are not dining, you may not sit at a preset table for the meeting.



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 September 29 - October 2nd, 2022
 Brookfield Conference Center and Hilton Garden Inn
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Thursday – Trivia and Treats Night 7:00 PM – 9:30 PM \$25.00 _____
Sweet treats and cash bar

Friday – Bikes, Brats and Beer 9:15 AM \$82.00 _____
Brew City tour, Harley Davidson Museum tour, Lunch at Mader's, Sprecher Brewery Tour (includes transportation, all fees, lunch & gratuities)

Friday – Wisconsin State Night - Diamonds in Dairyland Dinner \$50.00 _____
Salad/7oz. Grilled Filet / Apple Crisp

Saturday – Lunch \$32.00 _____
Wisconsin Cobb Salad /Dessert

Saturday – Diamonds and Denim \$45.00 _____
Salad/Roasted Chicken Breast/Carrot Torte

Sunday – Badger Breakfast Buffet \$28.00 _____
Full Hot Breakfast Buffet

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Total Enclosed _____

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District Reports *pages 39-41*

SOUTHERN PRAIRIES: *Beloit Juniors * Blanchardville * Burlington * Edgerton * Kenosha Juniors * Monroe * Pleasant Prairie * East Troy * Kenosha*

Submitted by Deb Strecker, District President

Greetings from Southern Prairies District's President,

I hope all our GFWC WI sisters and families are keeping cool and healthy. The weather has been a challenge but at least we don't have to shovel it. The Southern Prairies District (SPD) members continue to be beacons of light in each of their communities.

Some of our clubs have met during the summer, like the Kenosha Juniors who raised funds through a 50/50 at the Kenosha Kingfish baseball game. Pleasant Prairies Woman's Club helped the Pleasant Prairie Historic Museum raise funds by volunteering at their golf outing. The Woman's Club of Kenosha Juniorettes are planning a road trip visiting important GFWC historic sites such as Theodora Youmans' home, along with a visit to Wisconsin's Own Library! Each of the SPD Clubs have been busy planning for a successful and membership driven year!

We look forward to seeing many of you at the GFWC WI Fall Workshop and at the Great Lakes Region Conference "Diamonds in Dairyland." It is going to be a great year!

With a Grateful Heart

In Federation and Friendship

Deb



Deb Strecker
GFWC – WI District President
Southern Prairies
2022-2024

NORTHERN LIGHTS: *Amery * Ashland * Bloomer * Colfax * Menomonie * Spooner*

Submitted by Shari Berg, District President

The **Northern Lights District** spring meeting in Ashland was very well attended and productive.

New officers were installed for the next administration, State Officer Linda Brown energized us with her presentation, and a delightful acappella choir from Shell Lake High School entertained us. Policies were amended; one was increasing member annual dues to \$5 effective this year on November 1.

Clubs were encouraged to continue to recruit new members, to support each other and continue to encourage volunteerism in their communities.

The Fall District meeting will be Saturday, October 15 at the Viking Bowl in Colfax starting at 10:00 am.

NORTHWOODS: Amherst Junction * Antigo Juniors * Lakeland Area * Oconto * Rhinelander * Stevens Point * Stevens Point Juniors Submitted by Mary Meek, District President

It is truly an honor to serve as the **Northwoods District** President for a second term. I look forward to the continued collaborative efforts to support and build community among the district clubs. Since the last article, we had a wonderful gathering for our Spring meeting graciously hosted by the GFWC Stevens Point Woman’s Club and the district was well represented at State Convention with five of our seven clubs in attendance. We continue to place an emphasis on membership and leadership development and the district has provided support to three clubs for summer membership events. It is very exciting to see clubwomen from across the district helping sister clubs to plan and host successful events. This truly puts meaning to the words, “We Are GFWC!”



**Mary Meek
GFWC – WI District President
Northwoods
2022-2024**

WHY we do what we do really makes a difference and I applaud our clubs for all that they do in their communities and beyond. I look forward to a time of recognition, celebration and fellowship when clubwomen of the district gather for our fall meeting to be held on October 8th, hosted by the GFWC Amherst Junction Woman’s Club.

Remember YOUR WHY and Be creative...Be passionate...Be confident!

LAKESHORE: Brown Deer Juniors * North Shore Juniors * Past District Officers * Port Washington * Shorewood * Greenfield * West Allis Submitted by Linda Taylor, District President



**Linda Taylor
GFWC – WI District President
Lakeshore
2022-2024**

Greetings from the Lakeshore District!

I am Linda Taylor and the new president of **Lakeshore District**. I am hoping to meet many of you in my district at our October 24th Fall Conference. I am going to continue on with Erin's focus on membership.

The West Allis club has lost quite a few members this year and we will work hard to get our numbers back up. I also want to concentrate on meeting attendance. Meetings are so important to get to know other members and also hear some interesting speakers.

Thanks goes to Nancy Dickman for installing our new officers at the April conference. I am looking forward to the Great Lakes Region Conference which will be held in the Lakeshore District in Brookfield this fall. Let's all work for a great turnout.

Looking forward to the next two years of club activities! Remember: attend meetings and sign up new members

ROLLING HILLS: Dodgeville * Hartford Juniors * Hillsboro * Muskego * Oconomowoc Juniors* Oconomowoc * Hartland * Pewaukee

Submitted by Kathy Novack, District President

Our spring meeting was a great success! The key note speaker was Donna Christiansen. Her presentation was titled: "Keeping your Clubwoman Sparkle".

Next, local club presidents, or their designees, updated the group on their activities over the past year, and their plans going forward. Everyone got a lot of great ideas. A traditional part of our spring meeting, this is a very popular topic and always well received.

Of course, we also had the installation of our new board. Abby Lorenz, GFWC-WI State President, did the honors.

We have a tremendous group of women going forward. But we also had to say our good-byes and thanks to an equally talented and dedicated group of women leaving the board. A special thank you was given to Sue Schwarten for her contribution to our District during her term as president.

The New Board:

- President Kathy Novack (Woman's Club of Pewaukee)
- 1st Vice President Carol Wolfenden (Hillsboro Woman's Civic Club)
- 2nd Vice President Renee Rasmussen (Woman's Club of Hartland)
- Secretary Carol Anderson (Oconomowoc Woman's Club)
- Treasurer Lora Platt McPhillips (Oconomowoc Juniors woman's Club)



Kathy Novack at her induction ceremony; Abby Lorenz presiding GFWC – WI District President Rolling Hills 2022-2024



L to R: Nancy Niedziela, Lora McPhillips, Carol Anderson, Nancy Dickman (GFWC-WI President), Renee Rasmussen, Terri Hudziak, Kathy Novack, Sue Schwarten, Pat Stemper, Lynn Mickelson and Missy Kimball.



Susan Goldstone (Woman's Club of Pewaukee) was enthusiastically thanked for her many years as the District's Arts & Culture chairwoman.

On July 20, 2022, the new **Rollings Hills District** Board of Director's held their first meeting. Past Board members attended to facilitate the transition. Additionally, several committee chairwomen and co-chairwomen participated. Immediately after the meeting, everyone stayed for some sandwiches and cake to celebrate Sue Schwarten's term as District President.

CLUB CORNER

GFWC Woman's Club of West Allis

Our **Scholarship Salad Luncheon** in April was our first since 2019 and had 224 happy attendees enjoying an abundance of delicious salads made by members. Besides a gently-used purses and jewelry boutique and a 50-50 raffle, the event also included over 70 raffle baskets of all shapes and sizes! The proceeds provided funds for five \$750 scholarships for local HS seniors, and two sponsorships each for Badger Girls State and the Wisconsin Leadership Seminar which were both held in person in June.

May was a busy month! The Scholarship winners were honored with a Star Bucks gift card, a candy bar, and congratulatory certificate at our "Fresh Fruit & Taco Buffet" luncheon and meeting. It was rewarding to hear their appreciation and future plans. The students were joined by their parents and some guidance counselors, as well as our School District's Superintendent.

The **Domestic Violence Awareness and Prevention Committee** provided a Mother's Day appetizer party for the Woman's Support Group WISH and each attendee received a small gift bag, with gas cards available as needed in the future.

Operation Smile was sent 39 gowns and bags, plus items for the bags. And, six club members attended the GFWC-WI Convention in Sheboygan in May, plus two members did the Mini Leads Session via Zoom in June. All felt their time was well spent and much was learned.

With the COVID-19 pandemic waning, the City of West Allis held its "**A La Carte**" **street celebration** in June. In addition to representatives from all City departments and our wonderful West Allis Public Library being on hand to answer questions and offer information handouts, a mix of local businesses, restaurants, churches, and various public-spirited groups were there as well with tents lining both sides of the main



L to R: **Suzi Metzenheim, Lily Engel, Lea Alboyd, David Alejandro Loeza, Alexis Haas, and Jody Rymaszewski.** Another member of our Scholarship Committee, **Jeannine Guttormsson, and Ashley Moreno** were unable to attend.

street in our downtown district. Our club had two booths, and a dedicated group of members sold gently-used jewelry and home-baked sweet treats. The weather was perfect, and over \$1400 was earned which will help fund club and charity activities and donations.

Parade-goers were out in force for the City's **Independence Day Parade** on July 1st. We were so very fortunate that our four club members' big smiles and waves could promote the GFWC-Woman's Club of West Allis on a beautiful summer evening.

The members who rode are: **Marge Weber, Linda Crossman, Sandy Schaff, and Cindy Lulloff.**

CLUB CORNER

GFWC Rhinelander Woman's Club

The GFWC Rhinelander Woman's Club helped procure Carnegie funds for the city's first library and purchased 300 books so many years ago. The mission continues 124 years later! We are hosting "Brats 4 Books" sales at the local grocery store in its outdoor booth over the summer.

Proceeds will purchase children's books for various projects this coming year. Pictured here is First Vice President **Dee Jacobs** and a fabulous customer!



"Run into Reading" was a success!

Check out our logo on the t-shirts! It was recognized that students were falling behind in reading so a new community event was organized. We participated in a big way—from serving food at the finish line, donating books, and stuffing bags to financially sponsoring the whole event.

Thank you to our schools, parent teacher groups, community organizations, and parents for supporting reading and loving our children.

It takes a Village.



Recording Secretary **Stephanie Dalka**, Treasurer **Heather Sturtevant** and President **Christy Schneider** proudly represent our club in the 2022 Fourth of July parade in downtown Rhinelander. We lined up in front of the Rhinelander High School marching band. There were lots of cheers as the band approached and a couple of handshakes to say, thanks for sponsoring our band students.



CLUB CORNER

GFWC Princeton Woman's Club



“Groovy Gardeners”

The "Groovy Gardeners" committee picked out beautiful flowers to plant around the City of Princeton. The flowers will bring visual joy to all residents and those who pass through Princeton. The Groovy Gardeners maintain the flowers to keep the city looking beautiful.

L to R: President **Rose Wick**, **Mary Hatfield**, Vice President **Terry Beck**, **Vicky Evans**, and Treasurer **Jenny Stelzner**

“Kind Kids”

The **Princeton Woman's Club** received an invitation to attend the “Kind Kids” Summer School class at Princeton School and speak to the children about what our club does to help the community. The kids ranged in age from 7 to 10 years old. Some of their projects the Kind Kids are involved in are making cards for the residents of Martha's Residence Home in Princeton, the Princeton Fire Dept. and other service workers. They also do projects for veterans and churches.



“Kind Kids” and Club members (back row): **Mary Lou Neubauer**, President **Rose Wick**, and **Sue Bednarek**

In June, at the Princeton Public School, President Rose Wick, Mary Lou Neubauer and Sue Bednarek did a presentation to the “Kind Kids” class to speak about what it takes to plan an event and included information about the number of volunteers that are needed to make an event successful. President Rose Wick invited the “Kind Kids” to participate in some of our future endeavors and welcomed any ideas they had for the Woman's Club. It was delightful to see how conscientious these kids were, and how they truly enjoyed helping others. They seemed to be a mini version of our Woman's Club because, like our club members, they always thinking of ways to give back to the community.



New Officers for 2022-2024

Our club is proud to announce our new officers for 2022-2024:

L to R: President **Rose Wick**, Vice President **Terry Beck**, Secretary **Renee Cybul**, and Treasurer **Jenny Stelzner**

GFWC Kenosha Junior Woman’s Club

The Kenosha Junior Woman’s Club participated in a fundraiser at the Kenosha Kingfish Simmon’s Field,

Members along with their family and friends joined together to watch a baseball game and participate in a chance draw pull. It was a beautiful summer evening at the ballpark.

Pictured here L to R: **Suz Hooser, Michelle Munoz and Kim Bruns,**



GFWC Hartford Junior Woman’s Club

The **GFWC Hartford Junior Woman’s Club** celebrated the end of its club year in June. Officers for the 2022-2024 term were installed, and two members were welcomed.

Top photo pictures two new members: **Angie Hose** (center) and **Heather Leffler** (right). Installation by **Barbara Pontow** (left).



Bottom photo pictures the club’s new officers L to R: Corresponding Secretary **Deb Holtan**, Vice-President **Linda Hauser**, Treasurer **Sue Edquist**, Past President **Barbara Pontow**, President **Nancy O’Rourke** and Recording Secretary **Angie Hose**.

CLUB CORNER

Hillsboro Woman's Civic Club

Presenting the 2022-2024 **Woman's Civic Club of Hillsboro** officers L to R:

Wendy Manser - Treasurer

Mary Sterba - Corresponding Secretary

Marty Magalsky - Recording Secretary

Karen Stanek - Second Vice President

Jean Traeder - First Vice President

Lori Stanek - President

Officers were installed at the Blue Highway Lodge/Resort, owned by new member **Karri Bartlett**, at the May meeting. The results of the April fundraisers were reported. The Good Friday "Whole Pie Drive-by Sale" (profit approx.\$600) sold 34 pies in less than an hour! The "Granny's Attic" rummage sale profit was approx.\$650. All profits support community efforts.



GFWC Brown Deer Junior Woman's Club

SUCCESSFUL RUMMAGE SALE

April brought our Early Bird Rummage Sale. Even with being limited to not selling furniture and other large items, we raised \$2,500 towards our annual contributions.

GIVING BACK May brings our Contributions for the club year. This year we were able to donate in excess of \$7,000 back into the community and to other organizations.

AWARDS CEREMONY At our May meeting, our Continuing Education Scholarship was awarded to Rhandi Roberson Willson. She received \$1,000 towards her pursuing a Masters in nursing at Chamberlain University. The Scholarship is awarded annually in May.

We participated in the Helen Farnsworth Mears Art Contest and had winners at both the local and district levels who, with their teacher and families, were honored at our Awards Ceremony.

SUCCESSFUL BUNCO FUNDRAISER May also brought back our Bunco Bash Fundraiser. Even with a change in location and date, we raised approximately \$1,000 and everyone enjoyed a fun-filled evening.



GFWC Woman's Club of Pewaukee

The **GFWC Woman's Club of Pewaukee** held a Baby Shower for four phenomenal organizations that offer resources and support to women during an unplanned pregnancy and after the baby is born.

The four organizations included: Milwaukee Birthright Inc, Care Net Pregnancy Center of Milwaukee, Women's Support Center and Hope Center in Waukesha Wisconsin. They all serve a diverse population in both age and ethnicity. The club hosted two speakers, Rachel Schepp, Executive Director at Care Net and AL Luzi, Director at the Hope Center who talked about their Centers and devotion to women and children in need.



The women of the club under the leadership of president **Alexandra Lerch-Gaggl** were extremely generous in their baby shower gifts which included a cradle, Pak 'n Play, over 25 boxes of diapers and four tables of baby items including clothing and accessories.

It was an incredible year! First, we welcomed 21 new members and became the biggest club in the district. We also raised \$20,400 that was donated to local community organizations, the most money we have been able to share with the Pewaukee community since the club's inception in 1904.

One new project received a \$2500 donation – a community-wide undertaking to provide an all-inclusive playground and splash pad at the Pewaukee Sports Complex for all area residents. Many do not understand what these play areas are all about. The entire purpose is to remove barriers so everyone can feel welcome. The Woman's Club of Pewaukee is proud to be a part of this worthwhile endeavor.



The Club was especially proud and honored to have received 18 awards at the 2022 GFWC-WI State Convention in Sheboygan. This is the most they have ever received in a single season.

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- 14 Last day - **Helen Farnsworth Mears exhibition**, Oshkosh Public Museum
- 16 **Fall Workshop** early bird, on or before
- 20 **Member survey deadline** - use this link: <https://svy.q-oasis.com/FTZUBAA2>
- 23 **Book hotel** on or before, Fall Workshop, Stevens Point
- 29 **Book hotel** on or before, GFR Conference, Brookfield, WI
- 29 **Pre-order GLR gear** on or before

SEPTEMBER

- 1 On or before - **Registration Fall Workshop**; late after 9/1
- 1 On or before - **GLR Conference**; late after 9/1
- 12 **GLR Conference** registration deadline
- 16-17 GFWC-WI Fall Workshop, Stevens Point, Wisconsin
- 29-Oct 2 **GLR Conference**, Brookfield, Wisconsin

OCTOBER

Domestic violence awareness month

- 8 **Northwoods District fall meeting**, Amherst Junction, Wisconsin
- 15 **Northern Lights District fall meeting**, Colfax, Wisconsin, 10am
- 15 Tentative - **Southern Prairies District fall meeting**, Kenosha, Wisconsin
- 22 **Rolling Hills District fall meeting**, Delafield, Wisconsin
- 23-29 **Advocates for Children week**
- 24 **Lakeshore District fall meeting**, Wauwautosa, Wisconsin
- 26 **Rivers & Lakes District fall meeting**, Plymouth, Wisconsin

NOVEMBER

- 1 **Club membership dues DUE**



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