## OCWC Newsletter

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## GFWC Oregon Federation of Women's Clubs



## Connie's Corner

It's hard to believe that summer is almost officially over! I hope all of you got to spend some time doing what you enjoy We had a great summer even though I was a bit hectic at times.

And now I am very excited to start our new Club year. As most of you read in your email from Gail recently, we are again having our first Board Meeting at Rivercrest Park next Thursday. The best news is that we're holding our second "Healthy Food" Canned Food Drive at the same time!! Last year was a huge success with community members adding to our foods collected. The HOPE food pantry at the First Evangelical Presbyterian Church will be the recipient of items donated. During the year we will collect food for the other two churches that are still providing HOPE food pantries. We'd love to see lots of your smiling faces if even just to drop off your donations. You are, of course, welcome to stay for the meeting or just to visit and catch up with one another.

It was a disappointing show of members for the Menchie's fundraiser earlier this month. Vickie, we want to thank you for the very generous donation you gave to the Club and to say we are sorry no more families showed up.

Our General Meetings will again be at the Tumwater Room at MOOT. Heather talked with Darrel and he will be offering lunch buffet style beginning in September. Our box lunches were very generous in size and I know he will provide more delicious meals this coming year.

The greatness of a community is most accurately measured by the compassionate actions of its members.

Coretta Scott King

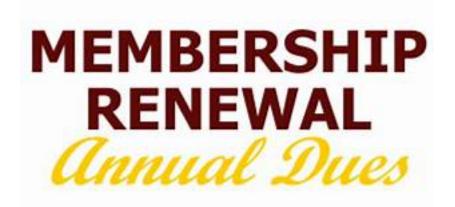
Stop being so afraid to be confident!

Anyone who does anything to help a child in his life is a hero to me.

Fred Rogers

The Oregon City Library is not opening their conference rooms until further notice so we needed to find a new home for our Board Meetings. The Pioneer Senior Center is generously letting us use their Fireside Room for our Board Meetings. Over the years, since they have been the recipient of donations for several of their programs, we will not be charged for the use of the room. (rate is \$20/hr) We want everyone to feel comfortable at our meetings so when indoors, unless you are eating/drinking or speaking, please observe the governor's request to wear a mask. Hopefully this will be just for a short time...it was so nice to not have to wear one!!

See you in September!



A true hero isn't measured by the size of his strength but by the strength of his heart.

Please remember that it is time to renew your yearly dues! It can be paid at the Board Meeting this Thursday, at the General Meeting on the 9th of September or you can mail it to the Post Office Box.



Working hard for something we don't care about is called stress.

Working hard for something we love is called passion!



9/14 Eileen Dale

9/14 Nancy Ide

9/17 Gail Aldridge

9/17 Kelli Zook

9/18 Dominique Gomes

9/19 Margie Tosi

9/30 Shelly Beckers

Your life is as good as your mindset!



Written in 1904 as a prayer for the day by Mary Stewart, a high school principal in Longmont, Colorado, and a member of women's clubs of town and country. "I called it a 'Collect for Club Women', because I felt that women working together, with wide interests in large ends, which was a new thing under the sun and that, perhaps they had need for a special petition and meditation of their own" ~Mary Stewart, April, 1904

"A Collect for Clubwomen" by Mary Stewart

Keep us, oh God, from pettiness; Let us be large in thought, in word, in deed.

Let us be done with fault-finding
And leave off self-seeking.
May we put away all pretense
And meet each other face to face,
Without self-pity and without prejudice.

May we never be hasty in judgment
And always generous.
Let us take time for all things;
Make us to grow calm, serene, gentle.
Teach us to put into action our better impulses,
Straightforward and unafraid.

Grant that we may realize it is The little things that create differences, That in the big things of life we are at one.

And may we strive to touch and to know

The great, common human heart of us all.

And, oh Lord God, let us forget not To be kind!