# Oregon City Woman's Club Newsletter





There is no charm equal to tenderness of heart.

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# A Note From Bev....

Today as I prepare another message for our newsletter, I am deeply aware that it is Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. What am I doing today to make this a better world? Nothing physical. Nothing dirty. What I am doing is planning our next meeting, our next service project, and communicating with you, my fellow club members who day in and day out work to make our world a better place. The mere fact that we gather on February 14 to hand out our Civic Improvement checks to seventeen worthy causes is a tribute to each of you who help keep our club active and relevant. I am proud to know each of you and your collective kind hearts! TOGETHER...we make a difference!

# Happy Birthday Ladies!

2/5 Robin May 2/21 Lesley Krueger 2/28 Trish Elmer

# Oregon President Recap

The Oregon City Women's Club members gave significant time over the holiday season helping those in need. The end of November, several members decorated a room at the historical Stevens-Crawford house in Oregon City. This year's theme, All Creatures Big and Small, had us adding to our yearly decorations with assorted outdoor animals. That same day, we sorted food for

# February is the border between winter and spring!

our monthly back-pack buddies program. Several members with scissors in hands volunteered at the OC Snuggle event the first of They helped make 200 No-Sew Fleece Blankets for December. homeless children in the Oregon City area. Christmas 911 was also the recipient of club volunteers as they helped children to shop with a cop. The largest project we worked on was helping Angels In The Outfield to support survivors of domestic violence at their holiday store. The store provides gifts, pj's and coats to children of domestic violence. We donated items along with many members working at the store to help mothers pick out items for their children. Over 400 children and 168 families were And, at our monthly meeting this month, we collected served. laundry items (laundry soap, etc.), socks and children's undies for Clackamas County Clothes Closet; 38 books for our little library; and 72 gift cards for Pioneer Pantry. Our hearts are full.

# February OCWC Meeting

- + February 14, 2019
- \* Hostesses Heather Chaney, Robin May & Chris Wadsworth
- + Program: Daughters of the American Revolution Phyllis Hines
- + Project: Chunky soups for HOPE
- \* **NOTE**: Please be courteous when parking your vehicle in the Elks parking lot. Make sure you are within the lines when parking. The spaces are tight and cars that are over the line prevent someone from parking in the space next to you.

## Upcoming Dates!

- February 15 Club Reports due to State Chairmen
- March 2 Western District, location TBD
- % March 16 Valley District, Redmond
- ※ April 13 Fine Arts Scholarship Contest Portland
- ₩ May 17 & 18 OFWC State Convention, Hood River
- # June 28 July 1 GFWC International Convention, Austin, Tx

In February there is everything to hope for and nothing to regret.

# The History of the General Federation of Woman's Club

### continues....1942 - 1955

**1942** - GFWC converts the formal dining and drawing rooms at Headquarters into war service offices. During the war, GFWC members, including First day Eleanor Roosevelt, donate wedding gowns to British service women and GFWC's "Buy a Bomber" caping generated funds to purchase 431 planes.

**1945** - US Secretary of State Edward R. Stettinius invites GFWC t participate as a consultant to the Us delegation at the United Nations Conference on International Organization; one of only five women's organizations so honored. GFWC representatives witness the signing of the UN Charter in San Francisco on June 26.

**1950** - GFWC begins a partnership with the Cooperative for American Reef Everywhere (CARE) jointly distributing relief shipments to Korea in support of local families.

**1952** - GFWC members undertake a fundraising and education campaign to promote American history, culmination in 1954, with the donation of more than \$200,000 to the National Park Service for restoration of Independence Hall in Philadelphia.

**1955** - GFWC establishes the Community Achievement Program, later called the Community Improvement Contest and Community Improvement Program Award, which encourages and rewards clubs for completing improvement projects that meet the unique needs of there communities.

Count your blessings, not your problems!



### Little Library at Rivercrest Park

We currently have a nice supply of books for the Little Library, no need to bring more as Jennifer is out of storage space. We will post in the newsletter or notify at the monthly meeting when more books are needed.

Friendship is not a big thing.... It's a million little things! The smallest things take up the most room in your beart, said

#### Volunteers Needed

The Oregon GFWC Fine Arts Scholarship contest will be held on Saturday, April13th in Portland. Some of us volunteered for this last year and thoroughly enjoyed listening to and meeting the contestants. Bev is in need of a couple more volunteers. If you would like to carpool and volunteer please call Bev at 503-989-9116.

### February Meeting Guests

Pm Briggs, President of the Salem Woman's Service Club & State President of General Federation of Woman's Club will be in attendance. Also please remember that at 1:00 PM we will be distributing the Civic Improvement checks.

# Newsletter Contributions

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**Amethyst** is a stone of **spiritual** protection and purification, cleansing one's energy field of negative influences and attachments, and creating a resonant shield of **spiritual** Light around the body. It acts as a barrier against lower energies, psychic attack, geopathic stress and unhealthy environments.

The color's name is derived from the violet flower. ... Amethyst is a notable violet crystal, its colour arising from iron and other trace elements in quartz. In history, violet and purple have long been associated with royalty and majesty. The emperors of Rome wore purple togas, as did the Byzantine



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February is Heart Awareness Month so please remember to wear "Red" to the meeting!

