

Oregon City Woman's Club Newsletter

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A Note From Bev...

Convention has come and gone. Pam Briggs, OFWC President asked me to present a thankful thought at Friday night's dinner. I pondered this for quite awhile and decided on this.

Be thankful that you don't already have everything you desire.

if you did, what would there be to look forward to?

Be thankful when you don't know something

For it gives you the opportunity to learn.

Be thankful for the difficult times.

During those times you grow.

Be thankful for your limitations

Because they give you opportunities for improvement

Be thankful for each new challenge

Because it will build your strength and character.

Be thankful for your mistakes

They will teach you valuable lessons.

Be thankful when you're tired and weary

Because it means you've made a difference.

It is easy to be thankful for good things.

A life of rich fulfillment comes to those who are also thankful for setbacks.

GRATITUDE can turn a negative into a positive.

Find a way to be thankful for your troubles

and they can become your blessings.

Author Unknown

My plan is to read this daily. I hope you find it as uplifting as I do.

I think I can speak for the six of us who attended convention in Hood River. We had FUN!

We passed bylaw changes, renewed and added resolutions. Pam and our GFWC guest,

Trisha Schafer (Director of Junior Clubs) presented history bytes throughout the meeting.

Awards were handed out. I'll report on those at our next meeting. We learned more about mental health awareness and domestic violence. Our keynote speaker, Mary Lou Sanilli, author, columnist, and master dance instructor, spoke on women and friendship.

Next year, our convention will be in Astoria, May 15 & 16 at the Holiday Inn Express Suites. Start saving your pennies and plan to join us!

The History of the General Federation of Woman's Club continues...1991 - 2012

When the laughter is light and the memories are many but the time is too short... you know you're with a friend

- **1991** - The United States Secretary of the Interior designates GFWC Headquarters a National Historic Landmark.
- **1994** - Jane Cunningham Croly is inducted into the National Women's Hall of Fame in Seneca Falls, N.Y. Croly is noted for her pioneering work as a woman journalist and for mobilizing the "previously untapped an unorganized sisterhood of capable American women that would reshape American society".

- **1997** - GFWC begins libraries 2000, raising more than 13.5 million in donations and materials to public libraries and public school libraries by 2002.
- **2004** - GFWC members contribute \$180,000 to purchase a fully-equipped ambulance for the New York City Fire Department, replacing equipment lost during the terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001.
- **2006** - GFWC members are recognized on the floor of the United States Senate as “a gem in our midst” by then - Senator Joseph Biden (Del) for efforts in raising awareness of domestic violence and providing assistance to domestic violence survivors.
- **2008** - GFWC advocates for the bipartisan pay equality bill based on the discrimination case of clubwoman Lilly Ledbetter (Ala) President Barack Obama signs the Lilly Ledbetter Pay Act in January 2009.
- **2010** - Between 2010 and 2011, the GFWC Haiti Disaster Relief Fund raised and donated more than \$55,000 toward the rebuilding efforts following the devastating earthquake in Haiti.
- **2011** - On September 15, 2011, GFWC held a grave site rededication ceremony for the recently refurbished Jane Cunningham Croly grave site in Lakewood, N.J.
- **2012** - GFWC establishes the Success for Survivors Scholarship, an effort to highlight the importance of rebuilding one’s life after experiencing violence. The scholarships help intimate partner survivors obtain a post-secondary education and reshape their future by securing employment and gaining personal independence.

*Friendship is a smiley kind
of feeling*

Oregon City Woman’s Club Save the Dates for **Summer FUN-** **draising!**

Please mark your calendars and plan to attend these events. Invite your friends, family, coworkers, neighbors,

etc.! All you need to do is invite, show up, and have fun!

Abby's Legendary Pizza - 19011 S. Beavercreek Rd.

Oregon City

June 19th, Wednesday - 5pm - 8pm

25% of food purchases from OCWC guests. Celebrating Dad's & Grad's! Must bring copy or show flyer on your phone. Or, make sure to tell them you are there with the OC Woman's Club! Flyers will be available at the June meeting and will be posted on Facebook.

Menchie's Hilltop - 1408 Molalla Ave. Oregon City

July 18th, Thursday - 5pm - 8pm

20% of sales will be donated to Oregon City Woman's Club. Flyer to follow.

Oregon City Brewing Co. - 1401 Washington St. Oregon

City

August 13th Tuesday - 5pm - 10pm

\$1 from every pint, cider, soda, growler and crowlers. Flyer to follow

Oregon State Fair Volunteers

Fall Save the Dates:

Healing Hearts Walk - Sept. 8th Sunday - 8am

OCWC Annual Auction - October 20th Sunday - Elks

Lodge - 3rd floor Ballroom 1pm-4pm



Attending the 104th OFWC Convention in Hood River

With GFWC guest, Trisha Schafer, Director of Junior Clubs.



Tail Gate Party!



Next Meeting....

Hostesses - Sherry Highland & Barbara Renken

Program - Club Picnic

Club Project - Shampoo, deodorant, sunscreen, toothpaste, feminine hygiene for LOVE, Inc.





**Photos from Memorial Day
2018 at Mountain View
Cemetery**

The City of Oregon City invites you to attend the Cities annual Memorial Day Commemoration Service on Monday, May 27, 2019, held at the Mountain View Cemetery at 10 a.m.

We invite the community to join in this tribute to veterans and other public servants who have died while serving our nation.

This year's event will feature guest speaker Retired Naval Commander JJ Morell, a 21-gun salute and other military honors and floral tributes, Oregon City High School Junior ROTC, with music provided by Gardiner Middle School and a very special fly-over by the Oregon Air National Guard.

“Buddy” Poppy “In Flanders Fields the Poppies Blow”

These are the opening words of Col. John McCrae’s immortal poem dedicated to the memory of the men and women who served, fought and died in France during World War I, the Poppies of which he wrote have become the true symbol of all those who have given their lives in our nations’s wars. The Poppy has become recognized as the memorial flower in countries throughout the world. It is distributed by veterans organizations throughout the world. It is distributed by veterans organizations in Europe, North America and in most of the countries of the British Commonwealth. Since 1922, the veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States has conducted an annual distribution of “Buddy” Poppies to raise funds for its charitable programs on behalf of the needy and disabled veterans, and the surviving family members of deceased veterans.

In Flanders Fields

*In Flanders fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place; and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarce
Heard amid the guns below.*

*We are the dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved, and were loved, and now we lie
In Flanders fields.*

*Take up our quarrel with the foe:
To you from failing hands we
Throw The Torch; be yours to hold it
High.*

*If you break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders field.*

Col. John McCrae

