

### Welcome back Ladies!

I hope everyone had an enjoyable and relaxing holiday season. Our December meeting was full of holiday cheer and games.

I hope everyone got to see the starter kits for Shalom to Home. Thank you Cindy B. for organizing it again this year and thank you to all members who donated items and money, this is going to help one lucky family get started in their new home.

Connie reported it was a banner year for our Annual Holiday Cookie Walk! Thank you to the Cookie Walk Committee - Connie (Chair), Carol C., Char C., Dolly, & Mary Steiner - for all of your hard work putting the Cookie Walk together and tirelessly working the entire event. I also would like to thank all the members who were able to bake their delicious cookies this year; we truly have some of the best bakers in our club.





# February Birthday's

4<sup>th</sup> – Jan Petrovic 16<sup>th</sup> – Fran Wielgos 24<sup>st</sup> – Kathy Edwards

Were you able to check out the Community Service Project at the Pleasant Prairie Post Office? Thank you Kim H. for organizing this project and for doing an amazing job decorating. Thank you also to Kim's little helpers, Kathy E. and Vickie. If you missed it, be sure to check out the video posted on our Facebook page.





The following items will be available for Auction at our February meeting.

3 quilted Table Toppers

3 Swarovski Bracelets

An Antique Linens Basket

Pearly Whites Basket with teeth cleaning certificate, toothpaste, tooth brush, floss etc







During the next couple of months, we will be hosting several drives for some great causes. Please note: Participation is voluntary. If you have any of the following, please considering bringing them to the general meeting listed below to help out a worthy cause. The drives that coming up are:

**February** – Book Drive for Frank School Book Store.

We are collecting **new or gently used books** for 4K to 5th Grade students that we will be donating March 5th at the Leaders are Readers program Chair: Vickie

**February/March** – MLK Glasses Drive.

We will be collecting **used eyeglasses** and would like to encourage members to donate their used eyeglasses. For more information, please contact our Chair: Kim H.

February/March – Nike Reuse A Shoe

Do you have old athletic shoes that you are no longer using or considering tossing? Why not donate them to our shoe drive. This is for athletic (or Tennis) shoes only and they can be in any condition, even completely used. Chairs: Bonnie N. & Diane W.

**March** – Bra Drive

International Outreach Committee will be collecting **new or gently** used bras in support of helping survivors of sex trafficking. Chair: Fran W.

**On Going** – Coupons for the Military

Do you not use the **coupons** that come in your Sunday paper? How about donating them to overseas Military bases to help our military families overseas. Chair: Vickie

As many of you have learned, Brookdale Pleasant Prairie has been sold. Our new contact, when confirming our monthly meetings, will be Ms. Lori Keltner. I was informed that this should not change anything for us but I thought it would be a good time to remind everyone of the guidelines they have requested from us since we began meeting there. Please remember we are guests in the resident's home and they have use of the dining room until 6:15 PM. It is very important that members do not arrive before that time. Special consideration has been made for the Hosstessing Committee members to arrive earlier to set up. When calling to confirm meeting dates, please call at least 2 weeks prior to the the meeting. If you have any special requests, please do so at that time



There may be snow on the grown but it is never too soon to start thinking about all the beautiful colors of spring. Our Flower Power Fundraiser has begun. In December, Cheri handed out this year's catalog that offers only the finest, best-quality bulbs and plants available from growers in Holland and the U.S. AND offers an unconditional, 100% replacement guarantee! Order forms and payment are due to Cheri by the April meeting. Also, if you were not at the December meeting or have any questions about this fundraiser, please contact Cheri.



The Clubs and members of the GFWC Wisconsin Southern Prairies District are enthusiastically working together to welcome all GFWC Wisconsin Clubs and members to the GFWC Wisconsin Annual State Convention at the Doubletree by Hilton at 11800 - 108 th St., Pleasant Prairie from May 2 - 4, 2019.

Since this year's convention is in our Village, I would like to encourage everyone to attend and meet other GFWC-WI members from across the state PLUS, if you are able to attend, our club will pay your registration fee.

## **Calling all Artists!**

The Member Art and Craft Contest is fast approaching. The contest will be held at this year's GFWC-WI Convention in May and I encourage all members to enter. For more information, please read the attached informational sheet. If you would like to enter the contest but will not be able to attend the convention in May please contact Vickie and she will make sure your entry makes it to the convention.

\*A GFWC-WI Arts entry form must be attached to the back of your work with your requested category specified. (Also Attached)





## Philanthropic Nominations are now open!

Do you know of a local charity that could use our help? Nominate them to receive a donation. When nominating, please remember that all charities must be local (Pleasant Prairie or Kenosha based). Each Charity will require a completed Nomination Form with complete contact information to be included on our ballot. Nomination forms are available on the website on the "Members Space" page under "Need a form" (and attached to this email).

Nomination Forms will be due at the March meeting and voted on in April. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Vickie.

# February Meeting

The Public Issues Committee is busily working on their program for us for the February meeting but I wanted to take a moment to make a few announcements regarding this meeting.

- 1. **New Date!** February's meeting has been rescheduled to **February 7<sup>th</sup>** so you can celebrate Valentine's Day with the ones you love.
- 2. Due to a price misunderstanding from the December dinner meeting (and to avoid an accounting nightmare) the fee for February's Pizza Party at Casa Capri (2129 Birch Rd, Kenosha) will be just \$5 this year.
- 3. February's Pizza Party:
  - a. 6 PM Cocktail Social
  - b. 6:30 PM Meeting



On March 5<sup>th</sup> several members will be participating in this year's Readers are Leaders event. By now you should have received a confirmation e-mail from Teri Gamble of United Way of Kenosha County with the details for the day. If you have not received this email, please contact Vickie.

Members who have signed up to participate will also get the opportunity to tour the Frank School Book Store after the event when we donate the books we collected at the February meeting.



Kim is busily preparing for our next Community Service Project. She has arranged with the Pleasant Prairie Post Office to update their display on local service men and women which hasn't been updated in years. Kim will speak more about this project at the February meeting but at this time she has asked if you or your loved ones have served in the Military please bring us a picture of your local service person, in uniform, to our next meeting to be included in the display. Any size pictures are appreciated and if it is a cherished photograph please make us a copy since pictures will not be returned.



Feb. 7<sup>th</sup> – General Meeting at Casa Capri

Feb. 15-16<sup>th</sup> – GFWC-WI Winter Board Meeting in Waupaca

May 2-4 – GFWC-WI Convention @ Double Tree in Pleasant Prairie

March 5<sup>th</sup> – Leaders are Readers March 14<sup>th</sup> – General Meeting at Brookdale

### **Our Contact Information**

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Casa Capri
February 7th
6 PM social 6:30 PM
Meeting