

GFWC-Pleasant Prairie Woman's Club

March 2019 Newsletter

Welcome back Ladies!

The Executive Board and I would like to thank everyone for their understanding regarding February's meeting. Heavy rains and the temperature drop would have made for bad driving conditions to the meeting and even worse conditions driving home. Even though we all love our club and want to attend every meeting, the health and safety of our members and guests should take priority.

The March meeting is fast approaching and Fran W., Mary S., Carol S., Jane F., Bonnie N., and Diane W. of the International Outreach Committee are busy putting a program together. Detective Laura Hoffman from the Pleasant Prairie Police Department will be speaking to us about Human Trafficking. Please note, this will **NOT** be a pot luck dinner meeting, instead the committee decided to provide desserts and beverages.



March Birthday's

4th – Cheryl Schmidt



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.



In an effort to raise awareness against domestic violence, GFWC-Wisconsin has requested all clubs to assemble a new or gently used purse filled with toiletries, jewelry, money and other items found in a ladies purse to the upcoming convention in May. The bag will then be on display at the May convention for all to see then they will be donated to a domestic violence shelter. We already have the bag and we need to fill it. Please bring your item(s) to the March meeting.





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

- 3 quilted Table Toppers
- 3 Swarovski Bracelets
- An Antique Linens Basket
- Pearly Whites Basket with teeth cleaning certificate, toothpaste, tooth brush, floss etc

DECLUTTER

for a Cause



During the next couple of months, we will be doing several drives for some great causes. Please note: **Participation is strictly 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 coming up are:

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.

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 Hostess Committee members to arrive earlier to set up. When calling to confirm meeting dates, please call at least 2 weeks prior to the meeting. If you have any special requests, please do so at that time



There may be snow on the ground 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.

Save
the
Date

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.

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)





On March 5th 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.



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 March 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.

Upcoming EVENTS

February 28th – Dayton Dance

March 5th – Leaders are Readers

March 14th – General Meeting at Brookdale

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

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March 14th

Brookdale

6:15 PM arrival

6:30 PM Meeting