



A special thank you to the Civil Engagement & Outreach Committee for a wonderful program about the history of immigration in Pleasant Prairie. The members of this committee were Kathy E. (chair), Char C., Rosemary C. and Donna F. Fun raffles were held at the end of the meeting, one for attendance, and one for those who wore the flag colors of their descendants. Kate Bennett, the museum curator, provided us with some interesting history. If you are interested in becoming a docent for the history museum please contact Kate Bennett. Her email is kate@pleasantprairiehistoricalsociety.org and the museum's phone number is (262) 577-5115.

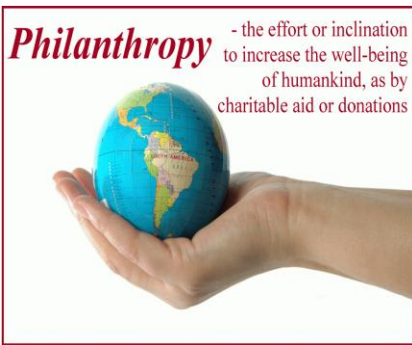
There is a training session that lasts for about one hour.

Julie Saether, president of the Southern Prairie's District, joined us for our meeting. She presented us with a poster of a black out poem by Steve Bellin-Oka, the Wisconsin's Own Library poet-in-residence at Ripon College from their open house in November.

Our April meeting will be held at the History Museum and the theme will be "How to Attract Bees and Pollinators" and will be hosted by the Environment Committee. As a reminder, only the committee members will be allowed to start setting up at 5:30pm. Members may come for refreshments and socialize from 6 – 6:30pm. Our meeting will start at 6:30pm.

As a reminder, our highway clean-up will be held on Saturday, April 23rd. Please meet at 9:00am at the Pleasant Prairie History Museum parking lot. Cheri S. will provide bags and safety vests for all volunteers. Please bring your own gardening or rubber gloves and a pick-up tool if you have one. A Dutch treat breakfast will follow for those interested.

It is my pleasure to extend a cheerful welcome to our March installed member: Mary B.



Thank you to everyone who submitted a nomination for this year's June E. Nelson Philanthropic Awards. There are many deserving organizations nominated and the Philanthropic Committee is eager to present their recommendations on whom to donate \$3,000 to in our community.



Pleasant Prairie Woman's Club will be offering 2 one thousand dollar scholarships to deserving High School Seniors that live in Pleasant Prairie. If you know a qualifying senior, please let them know. Information is available at their high school and on our website under the Scholarship tab.



SCHOOL BOARD CANDIDATE FORUM

A School Board Candidate Forum was organized by Sue L. and held on March 17th at The Village of Pleasant Prairie auditorium. It was very informative. Thank you Sue!



The nominating committee submits the following nominations:

President – Susan Lawler;
President-Elect – Nancy Deeter;
Treasurer - Connie Coshenet.
Recording Secretary – Char Carver;
Corresponding Secretary - Vickie Richardson
Past President – Fran Wielgos

We will be voting for the new executive Board in April, if you are unable to attend, please contact Kathy L., our current Recording Secretary, to cast your vote prior to the April meeting

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL *Annual Dues*

Annual dues are payable for each member on or before the May meeting unless other arrangements are made with our treasurer, Michelle R. prior to the May meeting.

Dues for general members are \$25 per year

Dues for sustaining members are \$50 per year.

In April we will be signing up for next year's committees. Every month a different committee hosts and prepares a program for the general meeting and each committee has a different theme. Below is a list of all 6 committees and a brief description of each, as provided by the General Federation of Woman's Club. A signup sheet will be passed around at the April meeting. Each committee will consist of 4 ladies (1 chairwoman and 3 committee members). If more than 4 people sign up for any committee the members beyond the first 4 will be assigned to another committee. It is a requirement that all general members sign up for 1 committee to remain in good standing.

Arts and Culture Committee (FKA Arts Committee) encourages members to promote and support art and cultural programs in their clubs and communities, and to expand understanding on every level, from local and regional to national and international. Our goal is to create projects that include crafts, dance, drama, food, music, and other manifestations of art and culture that develop skills, awareness, and appreciation. It is designed to inspire clubwomen and ignite within them a desire to make the world a more beautiful, thoughtful, and caring place.

Civic Engagement (AKA Public Policy) and Outreach (AKA International Outreach) were formerly Public Issue and International Outreach but when GFWC revamped the community service programs/committees these 2 committees were combined but due to ease of general meetings, we have kept these 2 committees separate

Civic Engagement (AKA Public Policy) Committee remind GFWC members that each of us is a part of a larger society and is responsible for undertaking actions that will create a better quality of life and foster a sense of community—locally, regionally, nationally, and globally.

Outreach (AKA International Outreach) Committee highlights and encourages citizenship; crime prevention, safety, and disaster preparedness; the needy, hungry, and homeless; and our military personnel and veterans.

Education and Libraries Committee (FKA Education Committee) promotes education in both children and adults and is designed to foster schools, as well as other educational institutions and opportunities, and to promote libraries, literacy, and the love of a good book. Through these efforts, we encourage the growth of individuals and communities at home and around the world.

Environment Committee (FKA Conservation Committee) encourages us to become stewards of the earth by working to preserve the world's resources, protect wildlife and domesticated animals, live sustainably, and beautify our communities and enjoy nature.

Health and Wellness Committee (Home Life Committee) the human body, mind, and spirit comprise our health and wellness. To improve our well being, we must address three key components: nutrition, disease prevention, and physical and emotional care. This committee aims to explore the various opportunities for awareness and advancement of each of these vital areas.



Save the date:

Pleasant Prairie Historical Society's Annual Fundraiser
"Tee Off to Summer"

A family friendly open house to support the Pleasant Prairie History Museum.

June 21, 2022
2:00 PM to 8 PM
Pineway Golf Co.
1621 116th Street
Pleasant, WI



**GFWC
Wisconsin**

Come join the Rivers and Lakes District as they host the 125th GFWC-WI Convention at the Blue Harbor Resort in Sheboygan May 12 to 15, 2022.

For more information click [here](#)



The Philanthropic Committee is looking for members for 2022-2024. Involvement in this committee is minimal. We meet once in March, when all the nominations forms have been turned in, and prepare the donation recommendation that will be voted on at the April meeting. For the May meeting we are the "Buddy" for the donation recipients. As a buddy we greet the recipients upon arrival, make them feel welcome and answer any questions they may have throughout the evening. Since the Philanthropic Committee is paired with the Education Committee for the May meeting, we take direction from the Education Committee Chair for what to bring, or do, for the May meeting. **PLEASE NOTE: Being a member of the Philanthropic Committee does not meet the club requirement of being on a monthly general meeting committee.

If you are interested please contact Vickie R (Vickie@fastmail.net)



Calling all artists, it is time again for the GFWC Southern Prairies District Member Art Contest AND the GFWC – Wisconsin Members Arts & Crafts Contest, Members Photography Contest and new this year, Members Coloring Contest.

All forms of art are eligible for these contests: quilting, photography, painting, jewelry making, sewing, paper crafts, scrapbooks, card making . . . everything!

The GFWC Southern Prairies District Contests will be held at the April 26th Convention. When more information is available about that event we will let you know.

The State Convention is May 12 – 15, 2022 in Sheboygan, WI. If you are unable to attend the 2022 State Convention in May please contact Vickie R. to make arrangements to get your art there.

All the rules and forms for the state contest can be found on the GFWC WI website under Community Service Projects tab or follow the links below.

Members Arts & Crafts Contest

<https://www.gfwc-wi.org/member-art>

Members Photography Contest:

<https://www.gfwc-wi.org/member-photography>

Members Coloring Contest:

<https://www.gfwc-wi.org/member-coloring-contest>

PLEASE NOTE: You do not have to enter both District and State contests, you can do the state or the district or both.

The Coloring contest is only available at the state level

The first place winners of the state Members Photography Contest will get sent to our international contest in Washington DC and those photographs will not be returned to the artist. All other entrees will be returned after the district and/or state contest ends.



These are the 3 coloring contest pictures you can choose from for the state members coloring contest. To print your copy, please use the link to the coloring contest above.

IMPORTANT dates to remember

- April 1 Deadline for **GFWC-WI** state health scholarship
- April 15 Registration deadline for **GFWC WI** state convention
- April 24 Federation Day! Celebrate with your club!
- April 26 GFWC-WI **Southern Prairies District** Spring Convention Location TBD
- May 12-15 GFWC-**WI** State Convention hosted by Rivers & Lakes District: Blue Harbor Resort, Sheboygan, WI
- June 25-28 GFWC **International** Convention in New Orleans
- Sept. 16-18 GFWC-**WI** Fall Workshop in Stevens Point
- Sept. 29-Oct. 2 **Great Lakes Region** Convention “Diamonds in Dairyland” in Brookfield, WI at the Brookfield Conference Center

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