



# NEWSLETTER—JANUARY 2019

## JANUARY CLUB MEETING

Our January meeting will be on Tuesday, **January 8th** when our half-note speakers will be Sandy Sidlovsky and Nancy Porter, who will be speaking about **Polishing Your Computer Skills**. Our hostesses

will be the **EDUCATION CSP**.

As usual, we'll meet at the Non-Profit Building on Clifton Boulevard in Westminster. Refreshments and mingling start at 12:15pm and our meeting starts at 1:00pm

Don't forget to wear your name tag and to carpool if you can.

## OUTSTANDING MARYLAND CLUBWOMAN

Please start thinking about which club member you would like to nominate as our Club's representative in the contest for Outstanding Maryland Clubwoman. Members who are ineligible are: current Executive Committee of the Federation, honorary GFWC-MD presidents, and former recipients of the award.

A narrative of up to 500 words will need to be written about the nominee once one is chosen at the January meeting. The deadline is March 1, 2019. The nominee is expected to attend the State convention in April where the decision will be made as to the winner. Emphasis is placed on club-sponsored activities accomplished and can also include

district and state involvement.

## LEADS CANDIDATE

Please consider applying to be a **LEADS** (Leadership, Education, and Development Seminar) candidate. Applications for candidates are due by **February 1, 2019** and must include two letters of recognition.

The candidate **should exhibit:**

- leadership capabilities
- commitment to the Federation
- understanding of community service
- interest in pursuing higher leadership positions in GFWC

The candidate may not have:

- held an elected position at or beyond the state level
- previously attended a LEADS program

Let Clare or Linda know if you want to apply.



## YEAR-END REPORTS DUE IN JANUARY

**Linda Witter** asks that each Community Service and Committee Chair submit her year-end report to her by Thursday, **January 10th**. Please send them to her electronically at **campmh@verizon.net**. These reports should be sent to Linda as soon as possible. The reports run from January – December 2018. Please con-

tact the previous chair to get the information for January – June. If you need a copy of last year's report, please contact Linda Witter. The reports are due to the State by January 31<sup>st</sup> and they take a lot of time to compile, so please be mindful of the January 10<sup>th</sup> deadline.

### Why the Year-End Reports are Important

Our Vice Presidents will

make copies of the reports for our President and also include them in our official files for March at the Historical Society. They will then send the reports to the District, State, and International Headquarters. The reports will further be used at our State Convention in April 2019 to determine which of the various Clubs in Maryland should be recognized for their performance during the prior year.

## ARTS CSP

**ARTS CSP** is assembling our next Art Show at the Nonprofit Center that we're calling "A Brush with Color".

You will see the new exhibit at our February club meeting. This show runs from January 11th to May 10th, 2019.

## BOOK BROWSERS COMMITTEE

**Gini Bosse** reports that Book Browsers will be on Monday, **January 21<sup>st</sup>** at **10am**.

Jo Harp will lead our discussion of *Before We Were Yours* by Lisa Wingate. Join us at the home of **Jo Harp** – all are welcome to join us!

If you are a regular attendee but won't be coming, or if you are coming for the first time, please call our hostess Jo at 410-259-0958.

## EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Signup sheets will be circulated at the January board and general meetings for members help bagging and delivering books and reading for Dr. Seuss' birthday celebration in March. Bring your calendars and volun-

teer spirits. The available dates as of now are: January 9, 16, 17, 18, 22 and 24. We plan to start at 10 am. Please let Jackie AND Nancy know what dates you can help. We also need volunteers to deliver the books after contacting

the school to see when they can come to bring the books. If the schools can't take the books now, then the person delivering could hold the books and deliver later when the schools are ready for them.



## FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

What a fun time we had at the silent auction and luncheon. Many thanks to everyone who helped make it such a success.

I am pleased to report that the silent auction fundraiser took in **\$1483**. Congratulations to everyone!

The Woman's Club Cookbook for fall 2019 sales is in the works. We are in serious need of

recipes from our members. It would be greatly appreciated if each member could send at least two recipes by email to [Lindak@kjeldgaard.com](mailto:Lindak@kjeldgaard.com) or bring them to the next two general meetings. We will have a box set up at the rear of the meeting room where they will be collected. You may include family recipes that will be included under their names. Duplicate recipes will be given credit to all authors.

We are entering the recipes into the computer form provided by the publishing company to save on the publishing costs. Our deadline to get the recipes entered will be the middle to end of March. This will give us time to make sure they are edited correctly and a committee can choose the fonts, free page descriptions of our club and decide on other options.

## PUBLICITY COMMITTEE

**Nan Sanders** reports that she will be finalizing the scrapbook for 2018 in **January**. If there are any awards, letters, pictures, or correspondence that

you would like to include in the scrapbook, please give them to her as soon as possible. Thanks.

## CONSERVATION CSP

At the January 8 meeting please see **Dianna Davis** or **Nancy Heiberg** if you know someone who would like to receive a bouquet of flowers to let them know they are special, and to brighten their day. The ladies are designing the arrangements on Friday, **January 18** at Carolyn Seabolt's house from **10 – 12**.

As winter settles in think about having a heated bird-bath to keep the birds and small animals hydrated. Enjoy reading the various catalogues that arrive. Sit and plan some new garden additions with a cup of tea and a few leftover cookies.

Start off 2019 by doing something kind for another – plan a trip to Bowman's with a friend, visit Longwood Gardens or read a new gardening book.

Shoes for the Grand Initiatives will be collected in the Fall instead of February as originally stated.



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## MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY OF SERVICE

**Clare** has written the following message:

We are offering an opportunity to fulfill several of our goals: (1) To be a Club participating in one of the 7 Grand Initiatives of GFWC International which is to have 1,000 Clubs perform an act of service on January 21st, (2) To brighten the day for the residents of the Westminster Healthcare Center, a nursing home on Washington Avenue, (3) To affirm our commitment to issues concerning the elderly, (4) In response to requests made in our Membership Survey conducted last March, to offer an opportunity

to perform a hands-on project, and (5) to provide an opportunity to meet in an unstructured social setting to get to know each other better. The project is to construct 130 little decorations that will be filled with candy and given to the residents at the Westminster Healthcare Center on Valentine's Day. We will meet from **10:30 am to 12:30 pm** at the Nonprofit Center on **January 21<sup>st</sup>**. Coffee, Tea, Water and pastry snacks will be provided. Please plan to

drop in to help with the project or add to the camaraderie. If you have friends, neighbors or a child over the age of 10 who will be off school that day (the project will be easy enough for them to do), bring them along. Save the day and we hope to see many of you there to join in the fun and let those in the nursing home that we are thinking of them.

Merry Christmas Maryland Clubwomen,

As we all prepare for the wonderful Christmas time with family and friends, I wish you good tidings and a wonderful season for you and your loved ones. We are thankful for all your time and effort as you have shared your sparkle with your communities to improve the lives of others. One of the greatest gifts you can give to your family is to spend your Christmas days with your loved ones and renew the spirit of hope and happiness for that is the magic of the season.

Merry Christmas,  
Dottie Gregg, President  
GFWC Maryland





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# January 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3 Board mtg. 9:30	4 Linda Witter	5
6 Babs Condon	7	8 Club mtg. 1:00	9	10	11	12
13	14	15 Evening mtg. 7:00	16	17	18	19
20 Ginger Falcone	21 Jo Harp, Mary Upman 10:30-12:30 MLK Service Project, Book Browsers	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30 Debbie Schaeffer	31		

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