



Newsletter: April 2018

April Club Meeting

Our April meeting will be on Tuesday, **April 10th** when our speaker will be Dr. Angela Lindenmuth-Marick of the White Rose Family Chiropractic Center in York, PA, who will be speaking about ***Achieving Wellness During All Seasons of Life***. Our hostesses will be the **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**.

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.

A Message from Our Presidents: Barbara Humbert and Norma Jean Swam

We welcome the newly elected slate of officers and thank them for being willing to lead our club in 2018 – 2020. They are:

Co-Presidents – Clare Berent and Linda Kjeldgaard

Co-Vice Presidents – Judi Johnson and Linda Witter

Co-Recording Secretaries – Beverly Humbert and Fran Rock

Corresponding Secretary – Maryl Harshey

Treasurer – Barbara Gunther

They are committed to keeping the club vital and effective. Please think about how you can help them, as they will be calling to fill open positions and balance the CSPs. The interaction of members at Club on March 13 was positive and enjoyable. Thank you for the feedback and ideas.

It was encouraging to read the "Legislative Corner" of the "GFWC News and Notes" from March 8. The House passed a bill (H.R. 1865) to fight online sex trafficking. Our awareness of this problem was increased back in October at our "Domestic Violence Education and Prevention Forum". This bill will give prosecutors the tools to hold companies accountable and has pro-victim provisions. Action is expected from the Senate this month.

Having had a wintry March, we welcome Spring with open arms.

Barbara and Norma Jean

Member Volunteer Form

It is time again to choose the Committees and/or CSPs on which you would like to serve during the next club year. We suggest that you scroll through the Club Reports for Work Done in 2017 that were emailed to you on February 4th. This will give you an overview of the work done by each entity, so you can choose one that best suits your interest and time availability.



It is suggested that we periodically change the groups we work with to keep ourselves and the club fresh.

Attached is a Member Volunteer Form that needs to be filled in and returned to Nancy Porter as soon as possible. Please fill in all blanks and answer the question about being a chairperson. Please consider choosing a different CSP/Committee this time. The job descriptions have been updated, and you can read what is involved in being a chair of a different committee. You can bring this Form to the April meeting (give to Nancy), send to Nancy by email (nancporter@gmail.com) or mail it to Nancy at 4210 Apache Court, Westminster, MD 21157.

Spring Luncheon

The luncheon will be held on Tuesday, **May 8th** from **11:30am – 2pm** at the Kruger Chapel and Auditorium at Carroll Lutheran Village. The cost is **\$35** per person. The reservation form is attached to this newsletter. Please fill in with your entrée choice and bring to the April meeting with your check. Or you can mail your form and check to **Jan Ober** at 247 Bell Rd, Westminster, MD 21158. The speaker will be **Babs Condon**. Her topic is: *Sharing the Past of the GFWC Woman's Club of Westminster*.

The menu is as follows:

Pumpkin Bisque

Entrees (choose one)

Mixed Green salad with apple chicken salad, or

Mixed Green salad with shrimp salad, or

Vegetarian mixed salad

Multi grain rolls and butter

Multiple beverages

Dessert -- Carrot Cake

Maryland Annual Convention

The 119th Annual Convention of The GFWC Maryland Federation of Women's Clubs, Inc. will be held at the Sheraton Columbia Town Center Hotel, 10207 Wincopin Circle, Columbia, Md. from April 21-22, 2018. This will be the first ever convention of Generals and Juniors combined. The theme will be "Women Creating Positive Change ... Living the Volunteer Spirit" & "Broken Crayons Still Color." Please refer to the attached Official Call for more details. ALL members of The Federation are invited and encouraged to attend.

GFWC Annual Convention

The Annual Convention will be held in St. Louis, Missouri from June 22 – 26, 2018. The nearest airport is the St. Louis Lambert International Airport (STL) which is about 20-25 minutes from the St. Louis Union Station Hotel where the convention will be held.



GFWC's Group Rate of \$159/night opens on Thursday, March 1. The room block closes on Monday, May 28, at midnight. The best way to reserve a room is online at <http://group.curriocollection.com/GeneralFederationOfWomensClubs>. You may also call for reservations at 855-271-3620; press 1 to make a new reservation.

GFWC's user-friendly online registration system is quick, secure, and easy. Paper registration is available upon request. Registration closes on **June 1**. For assistance, contact Jennifer Simpson, Events Coordinator, directly at [202-628-2478](tel:202-628-2478) or via email at JSimpson@GFWC.org. The GFWC Room Block at the St. Louis Union Station Hotel is now open.

The Call to Convention will be in the March+April Issue of Clubwoman Magazine, which is scheduled for distribution the second week of March. It will contain detailed information regarding travel/accommodations, agenda, tours, projects, awards, and more. Online registration officially opens on March 1 and can be accessed using this link <http://www.cvent.com/d/ytqrfx>, but you may want to first read the Call for a complete understanding of Convention activities.

To help with flight and hotel booking, here is a quick summary of Convention highlights.

Thursday, June 21 – AM and PM tours – Basilica and Brews and Gateway Arch and Beautiful Blooms

Friday, June 22 – AM tours (Architecture of St. Louis, Basilica and Brews, and Gateway Arch and Beautiful Blooms), 2016-2018 Board of Directors meetings, LEADS, Mississippi Valley Region Hosts "Winter Wonderland" Welcome Banquet

Saturday, June 23 – Opening Ceremony, Partner Awards Luncheon, Junior Awards Banquet and "Speakeasy Soiree" Fun Night

Sunday, June 24 – Partner Workshops, GFWC Workshops, Region Banquets

Monday, June 25 – Elections, Service Project, Awards Lunch, GFWC Style Project Runway Conservation Challenge, "A Celebration of Volunteer Spirit" Gala Banquet

Tuesday, June 26 – Education and ESO Awards Brunch, Installation Banquet, Installation

Wednesday, June 27 – 2018-2020 Board of Directors Meeting

News and Notes

If you haven't yet subscribed to News & Notes, the best source for all things GFWC, what are you waiting for? Signing up is easy and gives you access to timely news items from around Headquarters, our partners, and our work on a national and local scale.



Simply provide your name, mailing address, email, and club name to GFWC Membership Services Manager Kate Garlick at kgarlick@gfwc.org and you're all set!

Westminster's 151st Memorial Day Parade

Mary Lou Poirier and Linda Payne remind members that Westminster's 151st Memorial Day Parade will be on **May 28, 2018**. It will begin at **10am** on Pennsylvania Avenue and end on Church Street at approximately **11am** with a memorial service and wreath-laying ceremony. To honor our past and current presidents we invite them to ride with us in this traditional hometown parade. Signup sheets will be available at the April and May meetings. Additional details will be provided as we get closer to the event.

We encourage you to take part on Memorial Day as a participant or by taking a chair down to Main Street to sit and watch the parade. It is a very special day to honor and remember our servicemen and women killed in active duty.

Arts CSP

Springtime brings warmer weather, blooming flowers and also CONCERT time. Arts CSP has information about some of the concerts around town.

Carroll County Jazz Ensemble will perform music of the 50's and 60's at their "Hit Parade" concert on **Sunday, April 29th at 3pm**. Tickets are **\$13.50** at the Carroll Arts Center. Expect a sell-out, so get your tickets early.

Carroll Singers will present a toe-tapping gospel concert, "I Sing Because I'm Happy" twice on **Saturday, May 5th, 7:30pm** and **Sunday, May 6th, 3pm** at Westminster High School. Tickets are **\$10** in advance at the Arts Council, Coffey Music or Barb Humbert or **\$12** at the door.

Masterworks of Carroll County will sing "Requiem" by Faure on **Sunday, May 6th at 3pm** in Big Baker Chapel. Tickets are **\$10** in advance at Carroll Arts Council or online and **\$12** at the door.

Book Browsers Committee

Gini Bosse reports that BOOK BROWERS will be on Monday, **April 16th at 10am**. Eva Coppersmith will lead our discussion of *Winter Solstice* by Rosamunde Pilcher. 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 CSP

Jackie says thanks to Barbara V., Nan, Lynda, Sue and Pat Harter for helping to fill the 12 Easter Literacy Buckets for Shepherd's Staff and 12 Spring Buckets for Taneytown Elementary School. The generosity of club members made it possible to select a variety of worthwhile items.



The last regular used book sale will be held at the April meeting. Please return the blue bags that were donated by the Spider Web shop. Those members who have been so graciously helping with this project are encouraged to sort the books and bring the more current titles in April. (A decision regarding the disposition of the other titles will be made later. Your suggestions would be appreciated). All club members are urged to make contributions (a post-it note with a comment is great) and help make this a fun-filled, profitable "prepare for summer reading" event.

Each of the General Mills Box-tops for Education is worth \$.05; continue to save them for Wm. Winchester Elementary School.

Pull tabs are collected for the Ronald McDonald House.

Fundraising Committee

Bev Humbert says: Take a chance on a lovely, large woman's tote bag filled with all kinds of "goodies". It will be on display at our spring luncheon. Purchase your chance to win when you come in the door. All proceeds benefit the Fundraising Committee.

Want dinner out! Look for your IHOP Dinner Out flyer at the Spring Luncheon. The first week in June we invite all members and their relatives to IHOP as a Fundraising event. As in the past, it should prove to be a fun and profitable event. Final date and times will be announced at the luncheon. See you there!

Home Life CSP

Mary and Jean report that the cooking lesson luncheon will be held Tuesday, **April 24th at 12pm.** **HOME LIFE** will be selling tickets to this fun event at the March and April meetings. The flyer is attached for completion with your food choice. Please consider supporting this important fundraiser!

Where: Café at the Carroll County Career and Technology Center
When: Tuesday, **April 24th at 12pm**
Presenters: The Culinary Arts Class *featuring* Chef Tim Norwood
Cost: **\$30** per person
Proceeds Support: GFWC Westminster and The Culinary Arts Program of CCCTC
(<http://www.carrollk12.org/ctc/programs/business/culinary/default.asp>)

Scholarship Committee

June and warm weather will hopefully be coming! With that time of the year, we think of brides and weddings. The scholarship committee is pleased to announce an elegant affair titled, "Brides of Yesteryear and Today". This event will include a light luncheon and a fashion show highlighting many members' beautiful wedding gowns from the 1930's to present day. It will be held in the Westminster Hall at Belle Grove Square at **St. Paul's United Church of Christ** at Bond and Green Streets in Westminster on Saturday, **June 16, 2018 at noon.** Price



is **\$35** and 84 seats will be available for sale. Reservations and money will be collected starting in April with checks made out to GFWC Woman's Club of Westminster. This is a whole club project to support scholarships for students at Carroll Community College and McDaniel College. We would appreciate having volunteers assist us with serving and other areas. Please come, have an enjoyable afternoon and support those students!

Member Birthdays this Month

Join us in celebrating the birthdays of these fine fellow club-women:

Pat Hyde	April 1
Lynn Walter	April 1
Cathy Hartman	April 2
Gini Bosse	April 5
Carol Graff	April 12
Nancy Heiberg	April 15
Nancy Groft	April 17
Linda Payne	April 18

Newsletter Deadline

- ✓ Our deadline for submitting items you'd like to have included in our **May** newsletter is **Monday, April 23rd**.
- ✓ Be sure to read our little ***Fine Print Box*** at the end of each Newsletter!

The Fine Print: About Our Newsletter

Our ***GFWC Westminster Newsletter*** current editor is Nancy Porter (final editing and formatting, email distribution). We publish the newsletter **ten times per year**, with a break during the summer months of June and July. We **distribute** the newsletters to our members on or about the **first Monday** of the month, or one week plus a day before each of our meetings. **Submit** information for an edition of our newsletter to **Nancy Porter** (nancporter@gmail.com) by the **23rd of the month** preceding publication.