COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAMS

JANUARY HAPPENING! MLK DAY OF SERVICE PROJECT

We always owe a debt of gratitude to our First Responders and this year more than ever. In January, we will repeat the project we did last year when we joined the Juniors to assemble and distribute “Thank You” Baskets to various law enforcement agencies and fire stations in the area. This year we hope to expand it to the hospital workers.

How to Participate

On Tuesday, January 5, 2021, from 10:30 to 11:30, (rain date: January 6th) Norma Jean and Clare will be at the Nonprofit Center’s parking lot (the section closest to...
Clifton Road) to do a hands-free collection of your donations. Just put items in the back seat or trunk of your car and they will get them out.

**What to contribute**

Factory wrapped single-serve packs of snacks, (ex.: candy, candy bars, chips, pretzels, trail mix, energy bars, fruit rolls, jerky sticks, cheese, and crackers),

Toaster pop-ups and toaster strudels  --  Specialty coffees and teas

If you would rather give money, send a check to Barbara Gunther (933 Hughes Shop Road, Westminster, 21158-2928) made out to GFWC Woman’s Club of Westminster and on the memo line put MLK Project. We will use the money to buy needed items or gift cards to various grocery stores and restaurants in the area.

**CIVIC ENGAGEMENT AND OUTREACH** wish to continue food and personal items collections for a local food bank and the AWCPP in February. As always these items are appreciated by our overseas armed forces and our local food banks for those who we know are in need during the pandemic. As we will meet via Zoom in January, please hold on to your donations until we notify you how the collection will take place in February.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

A big thanks to everyone for your generous contributions to our Non-Holiday luncheon fundraiser these past two months. The amount raised was $1,790.00. Your kind and thoughtful giving is greatly appreciated.

**Membership:** The Membership Committee plans to continue contacting members during January in order to stay in touch during this unusual time for us all. Thirty-three members were initially contacted in the Fall. Another group will be contacted by phone, email or card.
HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Linda Witter, January 4
Babs Condon, January 6
Virginia Falcone, January 20
Jo Harp, January 21
Mary Upman, January 21
Debbie Schaeffer, January 30

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

Tuesday, January 5, 2021 Drop Off at Non Profit Center 10:30-11:30 am.
Tuesday, January 12, Business Meeting via Zoom 12 Noon.
Tuesday, January 19, Newsletter articles due.

TIME TO SEND IN REPORTS

Please conclude gathering information for reports that are due January 8. Each member should compile hours (time spent), monetary donations and in-kind donations (items donated) related to any CSP, committee or special project. Remember that the time frame for these contributions is the calendar year (January 2020 to December 2020). This information should be sent to the appropriate chairperson. Previous and current chairs should collaborate to be sure that everything has been included. The first attachment provides information on the correct way to fill in your reports. They are helpful samples.

START TRACKING YOUR 2021 HOURS NOW.

Besides the newsletter please find a second attached a copy of a convenient form that allows you the opportunity and place to record your volunteer hours for this coming year. Please take the time to print it out and keep it with your GFWC materials. Remember when totaling your numbers for this year’s reports, the number used for total membership in 2020 is 83.
A favorite of your newsletter chair to be remembered as the cold months approach.

**Stopping by Woods on a Snowy Evening**

*Robert Frost* - 1874-1963

Whose woods these are I think I know. 
His house is in the village though;  
He will not see me stopping here  
To watch his woods fill up with snow.

My little horse must think it queer  
To stop without a farmhouse near  
Between the woods and frozen lake  
The darkest evening of the year.

He gives his harness bells a shake  
To ask if there is some mistake.  
The only other sound's the sweep  
Of easy wind and downy flake.

The woods are lovely, dark and deep.  
But I have promises to keep,  
And miles to go before I sleep,  
And miles to go before I sleep.