



GFWC – Charlotte

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## Ms. Federation Award Goes to . . . Mona Ellard and Lori Pray

This award honors club members who have done exceptional club work. It goes on record at the GFWC MI level and can only be received once. Mona and Lori will be honored at the upcoming State Convention in Bay City in April.



## 2008-09 BOARD ELECTED & INSTALLED

February 1, 2008



Margie Carter, board; Lori King, historian; Ana Basterra-Sundquist, board; Mary Jean Baker, corresponding secretary; Marlene Darin, treasurer; Sharon Kubica, recording secretary; Linda Foster, parliamentarian; Eva Crandall, board; Carole Barnett-Stopper, vice president; Mary Remenak, president; Nola Buck, immediate past president; not pictured: Fran Fuller, assistant to the treasurer.

## Members Shared Their Talents and Interests at the February Meeting . . .



## Kaleidoscope 2008 - A Day for Women



**Kaleidoscope A Day for Women**  
**Friday, April 25, 2008**  
**Kellogg Center**

**Keynote Speaker**  
**CLINTON KELLY**  
**CO-HOST, of TLC's "WHAT NOT TO WEAR"**

**Kick-off Speaker**  
**FLORINE MARK**  
**President & CEO of Weight Watchers**





## BOARD TALK – NOLA BUCK



It never ceases to amaze me that we have such great talent in our club. The participants in the February GFWC-Charlotte Spotlight displayed a very diverse array of talent. It was great getting better acquainted with our club's talents. Thank you to everyone who brought items to share and to Lee Falik who organized the display. If you are interested in having your items displayed at the GFWC MI Convention in April, please talk to me. And wasn't the brunch tasty? Thanks to the cooks, Mary Remenak, Sandy Maatsch, Kim Byrens, Cynthia Siarny and Sue Farlin. We had a good turn out considering the weather. Cheryl Jackson introduced new member Barb Fulton. Welcome, Barb. I would like to thank Mona Ellard for the installation of new officers who begin their reign in June. Remember to use the "yes" word when asked to participate in committees for next year. GFWC-Charlotte is what you make it. Mona Ellard and Lori Pray were recognized with the Ms. Federation Award for their continued support of the GFWC programs.

The annual report to GFWC MI was completed and mailed before February 1. I am grateful to everyone who turned in reports and also to the board for proofreading the report for me.

Mobile Meals is looking for drivers for the third Sunday, May-August. If you are interested in helping this very worthy program, contact Linda Foster. The Christine Wonch Creative Writing program is looking for people to sort essays and attach ribbons. Help is needed February 23, March 22, March 29, and April 26. If able to help, call Judy Wonch at 543-7332.

GFWC International President Jackie Pierce has designated Domestic Violence Awareness as her special Project. GFWC kicked off the Million Voices Campaign [www.NDVH.org/Million](http://www.NDVH.org/Million) in October, 2007. This is a virtual membership program free to all who join, designed to document that one million people in America are adding their voices to help end domestic violence. Visit the web site to sign up. Be sure to check GFWC when signing up.

The next GFWC-Charlotte Board meeting is February 28 at 11:45 a.m. at the Cochran Centre.

GFWC MI is planning a bus trip to Washington, D C, including a stop at the GFWC International Headquarters, April 2-6. Linda Foster is going and if you are interested, please contact her. The GFWC MI convention is April 25 – 27 in Bay City. I hope to bring all kinds of good information back to you.

Plan to attend the March meeting on March 7 at the Senior Center with social time at 11:30 and lunch at noon. The cost is \$10 which should be turned in to Wildern's or the Linen Chest by March 1. The program is, "Yoga for all Ages, Maja." We are told that we will not be asked to do anything that we are unable to do standing up.



## HOW TO CALL THE POLICE WHEN YOU'RE OLD AND DON'T MOVE FAST ANY MORE

George Phillips of Meridian, Mississippi was going up to bed when his wife told him that he'd left the light on in the garden shed which she could see from the bedroom window. George opened the back door to go turn off the light but saw that there were people in the shed stealing things.

He phoned the police, who asked "Is someone in your house?" and he said "No." Then they said that all patrols were busy, and that he should simply lock his door and an officer would be along when available. George said, "Okay," hung up, counted to 30, and phoned the police again.

"Hello, I just called you a few seconds ago because there were people stealing things from my shed. Well, you don't have to worry about them now because I've just shot them." Then he hung up.

Within five minutes three police cars, an Armed Response Unit and an ambulance showed up at the Phillips' residence and caught the burglars red-handed.

One of the Policemen said to George: "I thought you said that you'd shot them!" George said, "I thought you said there was nobody available!"

(True Story) I LOVE IT - Don't mess with old people!!



## Membership Memos

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### Remembrances:

Congratulations to Laurie Newland – new Community Education Director for CPS!  
Congratulations to Fran Fuller – elected Director from the 4<sup>th</sup> District of the Michigan Association of County Clerks.

Condolences to the family of former member, Esther “Dolly” Wildern who died 2/4/08 (Beth’s mother-in-law.)

## Birthdays and Anniversaries

### LATE FEBRUARY

21 Linda Foster  
26 Dorothy Leeser

25 Barb Fulton/Richard Butman

### EARLY MARCH

08 Dyna Lehman  
08 Sue Pruden  
10 Charlene Sutherland  
12 Fran Fuller  
12 Darlene Freeman  
17 Toni Small

06 Ieva & Doug Inglis  
09 Shirley & Dick Rann  
18 Sue & Gary Pruden



husband/guest information \$30 – Shirley Rann – Cornwell's



**TEAS AND TOMES BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP ENJOYS SPECIAL REFRESHMENTS RELATING TO ERNEST HEMMINGWAY'S NICK ADAMS SHORT STORIES**

**THE DISCUSSION WAS LED BY MARILYN MONROE HART.**

**BRYNDA FILKINS CHAIRS THIS GROUP.**



“We had a good discussion at the January meeting regarding the Nick Adams Short Stories. It seems that whether we like a book or not, it serves as a launching point into discussion and dialogue.” Brynda



**TEA AND TOMES** will be meeting on Tuesday, February 26, at 1:00-2:30 to discuss *The Memory Keeper's Daughter* by Kim Edwards. We meet at the Charlotte Community Library's Spartan Room and new members are always welcome. This month's book details the lives of two families who share biological twin children. On a snowy night, a doctor delivers his wife's child at his clinic because they cannot get to the hospital. The son is delivered safely, but there is, unexpectedly, a daughter as well, who has Down's Syndrome. The doctor's decision to tell his wife that the baby girl died begins a web of deceit and anger in one family, and healing and love to another. Please join us for a lively discussion. Tea and goodies will be served.

SNEAK PEEK: *A Thousand Splendid Suns* by Khaled Hosseini on March 25.



## RECYCLE OLD CELL PHONES FOR SIREN/EATON SHELTER

The SIREN/Eaton Shelter would like old cell phones. These phones are sent to be recycled to an organization called Shelter Alliance. SIREN receives money for each phone they send to them. They can get anywhere from \$.50 up to \$25.00 depending on the condition and age of the phone. All information is removed. The money is used for general needs of SIREN. If phones are needed for cases of Domestic Violence, a cell phone company donates pre-paid phones.

If you have any old cell phones to donate, you can bring them to the monthly meetings and I will take them to SIREN. Thanks for your help.

Sue Pruden



# *Husband & Guest Night*

## *"Don't Dress For Dinner"*

Cornwell's Turkeyville Dinner/Theatre  
Friday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2008

Be sure to sign-up for a one-of-a-kind "dinnertainment" evening. Take advantage of our club's group rate of \$30 per person (a savings of \$6.50/ticket vs the new single ticket rate of \$36.50).

### **Bring your husband; bring a friend!**

**5:30 p.m.:** **Happy Hour.** First, your server will arrive at your table to take your drink orders. Coffee, hot tea and iced tea are included (cash bar for alcoholic drinks, sodas, etc.). Enjoy the complimentary cheese and crackers that will go perfectly with their newly-updated selection of wines.

**6:30ish:** **The next course** features piping hot turkey soup served at your table. After your soup, the hostess will invite your table to step up to a delicious buffet of a home-cooked traditional turkey dinner with all the trimmings, while your server delivers freshly-baked rolls and their famous cranberry sauce to your table. All this is followed by one of three choices from the dessert menu.

After dinner there will be **plenty of time to go to the powder room** and browse the gift shop before curtain call.

**8:00 p.m.:** Curtain Call for *Don't Dress For Dinner* -an Adult comedy. Here's the scenario: Bernard is planning a romantic weekend with his chic, French mistress in a French country farmhouse. He's hired a cordon bleu chef, packed his wife Jacqueline off to her mother's and his best friend Robert will provide an alibi . . . . what could possibly go wrong?

Please join your fellow GFWC-Charlotte members, their spouses and friends, for dinner and this fast-paced, hilarious comedy that was the toast of Paris and London!

To make a reservation, mail your check for \$30/person to Shirley Rann at 540 W. Stoddard St., Charlotte MI 48813. **Reservation deadline will be Friday, April 18<sup>th</sup>.** **Make your check out to GFWC-Charlotte.** Turkeyville has a cancellation policy. **No money will be refunded after Tuesday, April 1<sup>st</sup>.** Call Shirley at 543-0882 or Mary Remenak at 541-0382 for directions and/or questions.



**MOBILE MEALS ANNUAL GENERAL AND BOARD MEETING FEBRUARY 4, 2008**

**Back: Linda Foster, President; Barb Curtis, Coordinator; Alice Hayes, Secretary; Nola Buck, GFWC-Charlotte President; Bev Lipsey, Coordinator and Board**  
**Front: Margie Carter, Coordinator; Dorothy Leeser, Coordinator; Julee Emenhiser, Board & Qualifier; Lori Pray, Treasurer. Missing: Marian Johnson, Vice President**



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