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Happy New Year

DECEMBER TEA HONORS PAST PRESIDENTS



Pictured are: Nola Buck, Bev Trumley, Karen Elsesser, Cheryl Jackson, Lori Pray, Jo Gager, Marilyn Monroe Hart, Christine Waugh-Fleischmann, Sara Biskie, Mona Ellard, Jenny Lamb, Lee Falik, Carol Monroe, Donna W. Johnson, Sandy Maatsch, Linda Foster, Jeannette Sommer, Marian Johnson, Joyce Sparks

Remember to get your articles in by the 15th of each month for *The Club Communicator* to:

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KIM CAPPS PRESENTS MARGIE CARTER WITH “WOMAN OF ACHIEVEMENT AWARD”



This award recognizes a club member who has made outstanding contributions to the Club and community in a continuous way and is committed to personal growth. Margie has held several leadership roles in the Club and is currently Vice President. She is a Mobile Meals coordinator, volunteers at Hayes Green Beach Hospital, serves on the Board of the Eaton County Employee Credit Union, works on the election boards, takes internet classes and ushers at CPAC.

MEMBERSHIP MEMOS

Add email for Jessica Edel: jes_edel@yahoo.com to Pictorial Directory and Update.

Connie Bazaire new email: cbazaire39@yahoo.com

Remembrances . . .

LeAnn Green – gall bladder surgery

Eilene Christensen – surgery

Sonnie Cody - surgery

Mary Jean Baker – Bell’s Palsy

Barb Curtis – is back home!

THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE WOULD LIKE TO THANK EVERYONE WHO EXTENDED THEMSELVES TO INVITE A GUEST DURING THE 2009 FALL MEMBERSHIP DRIVE. THE GFWC NATIONAL INITIATIVE OF "ACT IN OCT'09" AND THE GFWC MICHIGAN EFFORT OF "FIVE MORE WOULD BE DIVINE IN'09" WERE ACHIEVED BY OUR CLUB DUE TO OUR GROUP EFFORT! ADDITIONALLY, THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE WISHES TO THANK THE BOARD FOR THEIR SUPPORT AND EVERY SPONSOR WHO DID NOT HESITATE TO DO "THE INITIAL ASK".

PLEASE JOIN US IN WELCOMING OUR 10 NEWEST MEMBERS WHENEVER YOU SEE THEM "OUT AND ABOUT" AND WHEN ATTENDING CLUB MEETINGS/EVENTS: CAROL ROSSIO, FRAN RUSH, JAN DAY, LORRAINE GREEN, KATIE DORNBOS, KIM FRIEBURGER, DANA PRAY, PEGGY NICHOLS, JESSICA EDEL AND AMY ZEMKE. WE CONCLUDED THE FALL MEMBERSHIP DRIVE AT THE ANNUAL CHRISTMAS TEA WITH EACH NEW MEMBER BEING ACKNOWLEDGED AND GIVEN A CERTIFICATE OF MEMBERSHIP INTO GFWC.

WELCOME TO GFWC-CHARLOTTE LADIES! WE LOOK FORWARD TO WHAT YOU WILL BRING TO OUR ORGANIZATION.

FUN FACT: SINCE 2007, GFWC-CHARLOTTE HAS RECRUITED 36 NEW MEMBERS

WELCOME NEW MEMBER: AMY ZEMKE

Sandy Maatsch is her sponsor.

Contact information and bio being emailed separately.



BIRTHDAYS

LATE JANUARY

- 19 Shelby Butler
- 19 Gloria Wilson
- 21 Lori King
- 26 Cheryl Jackson

EARLY FEBRUARY

- 02 Marian Johnson
- 03 Eva Crandall
- 03 Lola Wilson
- 04 Barb Fulton
- 05 Carol Idalski
- 05 Jackie Carr
- 09 Cynthia Siarny
- 15 Mona Ellard
- 16 Barb Curtis



ANNIVERSARIES

- 07 Bev & Dick Trumley
- 09 Betty & Jim Crandall

- 14 Carole & John Barnett-Stopper
- 16 Jo & Dan Vanderstelt

Dear Ladies of GFWC-Charlotte,

This is a very sad letter for me to compose. I am resigning from GFWC-Charlotte effective January 2, 2010. Membership has been such a wonderful experience for me. I have made such lasting friendships and hold many memories dear to my heart. I have learned much from all of you. Thank you for being so gracious and kind.

Each and every one of you has set a fine example for our youth. You have given your time and talents to strangers in need near and far. You help the teachers by advocating literacy and education for all developmental ages. You cultivate and share your talents.

It truly is a sad day for me, but I am proud to say I have been a member of such a great organization. My new address is: 157 Cromwell Lane, Crossville, TN 38558. Please keep in touch.

With Respect, Jenny Lamb



BOARD TALK – MARY REMENAK



Dear Members,

I have spent the day compiling the data from the report forms you submitted in December. Once again, I am pleasantly amazed. Congratulations! Our ability, as a club, to come together and affect the lives of our community is remarkable. Thank you to all who took the time to complete the forms and reports...you made this task much easier.

What a terrific second half of a club year we have to look forward to! Unlike previous years, February will not be our Annual meeting. (April 2-General Meeting and Installation of Officers) Instead, we will be treated to a fantastic program from author Robbyn Smith and illustrator, Nick VanFrankenhuyzen. The Legend of Sleeping Bear, from Sleeping Bear Press is an example of Mr. VanFrankenhuyzen's work that you may be familiar with. Books will be available for purchasing. However, keep in mind, they do not accept credit cards.

A Quilter's Trunk Show, Member's Talent Display, Guest Night-Cheese and Wine Making at Home, Brainstorming with dessert, and the 63rd Annual Senior Tea complete this year. Quilts, food and wine; I could not be happier!

"Let Us Forget Not to Be Kind-Conflict Resolution" is the featured talk that will be given at this year's Leadership Day, February 10 in Grand Ledge. If you are interested in joining us, please contact me ASAP. Cost is \$18.00.

I have been trying to concentrate on writing this article, while photos of Haiti are flashing on CNN. Difficult. The Red Cross is accepting donations.

See you February 5, 11.30 at the Charlotte Community Library, Spartan Room. Reservations deadline is January 30, 2010.

"When I get a little money, I buy books, and if any is left, I buy food and clothes."
Erasmus



Tea and Tomes: Please join us in January on Tuesday, the 26th, at the Charlotte Community Library's Spartan Room. We meet from 1:00 to 2:30 pm. Tea and refreshments are served, or you may bring your own beverage. This month's selection is *Year of Wonders* by Geraldine Brooks, one of 50 selections by *Newsweek* (July 13, 2009) which "...open a window on the times we live in, whether they deal directly with the issues of today or simply help us see ourselves in new and surprising ways." *Year of Wonders*, chronicles a year of the plague that arrives in a small 17th century village in England. Brooks historical novel makes "the swine flu seem like the sniffles" (*Newsweek*). Every character is flawed and the villagers teach the reader new ways of understanding. John Dryden referred to the year of the plague as *Annus Mirabilis*, the year of miracles. Why wasn't it called the year of horrors? Come and discuss it with us!

Sneak Peek: February 23, *Loving Frank*, by Nancy Horan (Mamah Borthwick Cheney's love affair with Frank Lloyd Wright)



Innisbrook Fundraiser

Thank you, fellow club members, for your support of the Innisbrook fundraiser. The profit this year was \$438.94, so we did very well!!

May you all have a wonderful new year!

Lee Falik



Fun & Games

The mysterious traveling gift - from Marilyn Monroe Hart to Linda Foster - to Margie Carter - back to Marilyn. Where will it show up next?



Mini Trips Update – Jo Vanderstelt

Chicago Bus Trip, March 19, 2010

Back by popular demand is a day trip to Chicago. This will be on Friday, March 19, 2010 and the cost is \$70. This trip is being planned in conjunction with Charlotte Community Education and ticket are available at their office.

Please let me know if you have any future trips you might be interested in.

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We are all signed up for Friday, April 16th – Sarah Ferguson and Elliot Engel are the featured speakers. Education Foundation Scholarship applications are available on our website www.gfwc-charlotte.com Questions? Contact Linda Foster 543-3041, ed@fosterdvm.com





**CHORUS SINGS AT GFWC-CHARLOTTE DECEMBER TEA
AND FOR ROTARY**



Sopranos: Jan Harms, Marlene Darin, Dorothy Leeser, Diane Hudson, Marilyn Monroe Hart, Peggy Nichols
Second Sopranos: Lori Pray, Barb Thiel, Joyce Sparks, Sandy Maatsch
Altos: Joan Hasselback, Stormi Stuler, Judy Whitkopf, Vivian Flower, Jo Vanderstelt, Linda Foster, Jeannette Sommer, Sally Jewel
Director: Carolyn Maier; Pianist: Nancy Hoskins

EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

NOVEMBER 18, 2009

RESOLUTION HONORING GENERAL FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS

Introduced by the Public Works and Planning Committee

Commissioner Luna moved the approval of the following resolution.
Seconded by Commissioner Baker.

WHEREAS, the General Federation of Women's Clubs-Charlotte have served the community for many years in various capacities; and

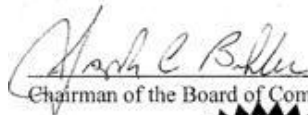
WHEREAS, the General Federation of Women's Clubs-Charlotte have dedicated themselves to community improvement by enhancing the lives of others through volunteer service; and

WHEREAS, the General Federation of Women's Clubs-Charlotte worked collaboratively with the Eaton County Department of Resource Recovery to create informational pieces on proper medication disposal for distribution throughout the area; and

WHEREAS, the Resource Recovery Department recovered more medications this year than in any previous years via Household Hazardous Waste recovery events.

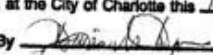
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Eaton County Board of Commissioners, by adoption of this resolution, expresses their sincere appreciation for the work, service and dedication that the General Federation of Women's Clubs-Charlotte put forward for the citizens of Eaton County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution bear the seal of Eaton County and the signatures of the Chairman of the Eaton County Board of Commissioners and the Eaton County Clerk and a copy of this Resolution be attached to the permanent records of the County. Carried.


Chairman of the Board of Commissioners


Clerk of the Board of Commissioners



COUNTY OF EATON)
STATE OF MICHIGAN) SS
I, M. Frances Fuller, Clerk of the Circuit Court for said County of Eaton, Do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a record now remaining in the office of the Clerk of said County and Court.
In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and affixed the seal of said Court and County, at the City of Charlotte this 17th day of December A.D. 2009
By  Dep. Clerk

The prescription /Over the Counter drug abuse committee members have enjoyed our collaboration with Lisa Lafferty of the Dept. of Resource Recovery. Our project has had an impact on the community. For the year 104 people disposed of 297lbs. of medication. This is a remarkable increase from the years past. We are working to increase this figure even more for the up and coming year.

Connie Fast

Michigan Friends

FRIENDS: Never ask for food.
MICHIGAN FRIENDS: Always bring the food.
FRIENDS: Will say 'hello'.
MICHIGAN FRIENDS: Will give you a big hug and a kiss.
FRIENDS: Call your parents Mr. and Mrs.
MICHIGAN FRIENDS: Call your parents Mom and Dad.
FRIENDS: Have never seen you cry.
MICHIGAN FRIENDS: Cry with you.
FRIENDS: Will eat at your dinner table and leave.
MICHIGAN FRIENDS: Will spend hours there, talking, laughing, playing dominoes or cards and just being together.
FRIENDS: Know a few things about you.
MICHIGAN FRIENDS: Could write a book with direct quotes from you.
FRIENDS: Will leave you behind if that's what the crowd is doing.
MICHIGAN FRIENDS: Will kick the whole crowds' back-ends that left you.
FRIENDS: Would knock on your door.
MICHIGAN FRIENDS: Walk right in and say, 'I'm home!'
FRIENDS: will visit you in the hospital when you're sick.
MICHIGAN FRIENDS: will cut your grass and clean your house then come spend the night with you in the hospital and cook for you when you come home...
FRIENDS: have you on speed di al.
MICHIGAN FRIENDS: have your number memorized.
FRIENDS: Are for a while.
MICHIGAN FRIENDS: Are for life.



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