

One Hundred Thirty Annual Announcement

General Federation of Women's Clubs-Charlotte



**2017-2018
Yearbook**

Collect

Keep us, Oh God, from pettiness: let us be large in thought, in word, in deed;

Let us be done with fault-finding and leave off self-seeking;

May we put away all pretense and meet each other face to face, without self-pity and without prejudice;

May we never be hasty in judgment and always generous;

Let us take time for all things; make us grow calm, serene, gentle;

Teach us to put into action our better impulses, straight-forward and unafraid;

Grant that we may realize it is the little things that create differences; that in the big things of life we are at one.

And may we strive to touch and to know the great common human heart of us all;

And, O Lord God, let us forget not to be kind.

Written 1904 - Adopted April 1941

Mary Stewart - Colorado

Federation Officers 2016-2018

International President Sheila E. Shea

State President Donna Brown

Southwestern District President Gretchen Andersen

GFWC on the Internet

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GFWC MI Web Page Address

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GFWC-Charlotte Web Page Address

www.gfwc-charlotte.com

GFWC-Charlotte Database

www.imembersdb.com

GFWC-Charlotte Facebook

www.facebook.com/GFWC-Charlotte

GFWC-Charlotte Mobile App

<http://m.imembersdb.com>

GFWC-Charlotte Organized1887

State Federation1895

County Federation1902

Southwestern District1915

MEMBERS HOLDING DISTRICT AND STATE LEVEL POSITIONS

***Mrs. George Perry**

1900-1902 State Federation President

***Mrs. Fred C. Curtis**

1941-1942 Southwestern District President

Ieva Inglis

1984-1986 GFWC MI Chair of Legislation Day Committee

1985 Convention Aide to GFWC International President

1988 GFWC International Convention Amenities Chair

Donna W. Johnson

1988 International Convention Registration Kits Chair

1989 Great Lakes Regional Convention Chair

1994-1998 Southwestern District spiritual Enrichment Chair

1996-1998 GFWC MI Literature and Performing Arts Chair

Linda Foster

1986 GFWC MI State Convention Chair

1989 Great Lakes Regional Convention Co-Chair

1992-1994 Southwestern District 2nd Vice President

1994-1996 Southwestern District 1st Vice President

1996-1998 Southwestern District President and GFWC MI Board

1998-2000 Southwestern District State Nominating Chair

2000-2008 Southwestern District Education Foundation Representative

2004-2006 GFWC MI Community Improvement Contest Chair

2006-2008 GFWC MI State Protocol Chair

2008-2010 GFWC MI Long Range Planning Chair

2008-2018 Southwestern District Secretary

2010-2014 GFWC MI Jennie Award Chair

2014-2018 GFWC MI Secretary

Mona Ellard

1995-1996 Southwestern District Education Foundation Representative

Alice Hayes

1998-2000 GFWC MI Representative to State HOBY Board

Shirley Rann

2000-2002 Southwestern District Conservation Department Chair

Toni Small

2004-1006 Southwestern District Arts & Crafts Co-Chair

Karen Elsesser

2004-1007 GFWC MI Woman of Achievement Chair

Marilyn Monroe-Hart

2006-2016 Southwestern District Parliamentarian

2008-2010 GFWC MI Board of Directors

2008-2010 GFWC MI Parliamentarian

2010-2016 GFWC MI Resolutions Committee Chair

2013-2016 Southwestern District Guiding Harbor/Girlstown Representative

2016-2018 GFWC MI Bylaws Chair

Nola Buck

2008-2010 GFWC MI Beautification Chair

Mary Remenak

2010-2012 Southwestern District Home Life Partnership Chair

2010-2012 GFWC MI Home Life Partnership Chair

Margie Carter

2012-2014 Southwestern District International Chair

2014-2016 GFWC MI Memorial Service Chair

MEMBERS HOLDING DISTRICT AND STATE LEVEL POSITIONS (continued)

Brynda Filkins
2016-2017 Southwestern District Education Foundation Representative
Julie Dartt
2016-2018 GFWC MI MyLead Representative

*deceased

GFWC– CHARLOTTE AWARD RECIPIENTS

Woman of Achievement Award

<i>Name</i>	<i>Club Year</i>
Linda Foster	1994-1995
Donna W. Johnson	1995-1996
Connie Bazaire	1996-1997
Marian Johnson	1997-1998
Shirley Rann	1998-1999
Lori Pray & Lee Falik	1999-2000
Cheryl Jackson	2000-2001
Sandy Maatsch	2001-2002
Chris Fleischmann & Joyce Sparks	2002-2003
Nola Buck	2003-2004
Linda Foster*	2004-2005
Karen Elsesser*	2005-2006
Jeannette Sommer*	2005-2006
Sara Biskie*	2006-2007
Marilyn Monroe Hart*	2007-2008
Jenny Lamb*	2008-2009
Margie Carter*	2009-2010
Lola Wilson*	2011-2012
Sue Pruden*	2013-2014
Carol Rossio*	2015-2016

*Also recognized by GFWC MI as Women of Achievement

“Ms. Federation” Award

Connie Bazaire, Lee Falik, Linda Foster, Donna W. Johnson, Marian Johnson and Shirley Rann Cheryl Jackson Deb Mohre Karen Wirt Karen Elsesser Sara Biskie Mona Ellard and Lori Pray Nola Buck and Marilyn Monroe Hart Mary Remenak Margie Carter Dianna Rabey	1998-1999 1999-2000 2001-2002 2003-2004 2004-2005 2005-2006 2007-2008 2008-2009 2010-2011 2012-2013 2016-2017
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PAST PRESIDENTS

*Mrs. P.T. VanZile *Mrs. George Huggett *Mrs. Orr Schurtz *Mrs. R. M. Buck *Mrs. F. A. Hooker *Mrs. W. P. Wyman *Dr. Mary Green *Mrs. A. M. Barber *Mrs. Bessie D. Paine *Mrs. J. J. Curtis *Mrs. B. J. Grier *Mrs. W. P. Engle *Mrs. M. S. Philips *Mrs. C. S. Brown *Mrs. F. A. Weaver *Mrs. John Thomas *Mrs. W. (Evans) Wisner *Miss Beatrice Hunt *Mrs. Belle M. Perry *Miss Maria DeGraff *Mrs. Roy Sylvester *Mrs. H. H. VanAuken *Mrs. Barbara Dewey *Mrs. P. T. Turo *Mrs. Abbie Thomas	*Mrs. Fred Youngblood *Mrs. Leon E. Garlinghouse *Mrs. Frank Davis *Mrs. M. H. DeFoe *Mrs. Lottie Mitchell *Mrs. Reuben Smith *Mrs. Rollo Marple *Miss Caroline Strother *Mrs. J. M. Yates *Mrs. Albert Murray *Mrs. Fred E. Bohn *Mrs. George Zederbaum *Mrs. D. J. Wright *Mrs. Fred C. Curtiss *Mrs. Guy C. Longcor *Mrs. James B. Church *Mrs. J. N. Herbst *Mrs. Paul Bond *Mrs. Claude Behrens
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*Mrs. Darrel Johnson	1936-1937
*Mrs. Gertrude B. Prindle	1937-1938
*Mrs. Chester Wilcox	1938-1939
*Mrs. Charles A. Snyder	1939-1940
*Mrs. William A. Vance	1940-1941
*Mrs. Richard Shaull	1941-1942
*Mrs. Ward Hynes	1942-1943
*Mrs. Emerson Boyles	1943-1944
*Mrs. E. J. Covell	1944-1945
*Mrs. Allan R. Murray	1945-1946
*Mrs. Earl V. Mead	1946-1947
*Mrs. Virgil Wooley	1947-1948
*Mrs. Hilding Krusell	1948-1949
*Mrs. Cash R. Beechler	1949-1950
*Mrs. Homer Bauer	1950-1951
*Mrs Clifford Smith	1951-1952
*Mrs. Roy Yund	1952-1953
*Mrs. Jud Richardson, Jr.	1953-1954
*Mrs. Paul Packard	1954-1955
*Mrs. John Lipsey	1955-1956
*Mrs. H. B. Loomis	1956-1957
*Mrs. Bart Rypstra	1957-1958
*Mrs. P. R. Glotfelty, Jr.	1958-1959
*Mrs. Carl Gearhart, Sr.	1959-1960
*Mrs. Vance Baker	1960-1961
*Mrs. Ralph Baird	1961-1962
*Mrs. John Colizzi	1962-1963
*Mrs. G. A. Hansen	1963-1964
*Mrs. Huey M. Stall	1964-1965
*Mrs. Thomas Rutherford	1965-1966
*Mrs. Jack Morgan	1966-1967
*Mrs. Roy McLean	1967-1968
Mrs. Roger Nelson	1968-1969
Mrs. Richard D. Johnson	1969-1970
Mrs. Edward (Linda) Foster	1970-1971
Mrs. James (Sandy) Maatsch	1971-1972
Mrs. Robert W. Johnson	1972-1973
*Mrs. Raymond Gager	1973-1974
*Mrs. Norman VanSoest	1974-1975
Mrs. Roderick Yates	1975-1976
*Mrs. Robert Ballard	1976-1977
*Mrs. Robert Carpenter	1977-1978
Mrs. Kenneth Sparks	1978-1979
Mrs. Thomas Aiken	1979-1980

PAST PRESIDENTS (continued)

Mrs. John Curtis	1980-1981
Mrs. Gary Janousek	1981-1982
Mrs. Douglas Inglis	1982-1983
Mrs. Richard Trumley	1983-1984
*Mrs. Edman Grier	1984-1985
Mrs. Gloria Criss	1985-1986
Mrs. Leon Monroe	1986-1987
Mrs. Edward (Linda) Foster	1987-1988
Mrs. Donald S. Falik	1988-1989
Mrs. Joseph E. Pray	1989-1990
*Mrs. Charles E. Wiles	1990-1991
Mrs. Keith Bazaire	1991-1992
Mrs. Deborah Sugden	1992-1993
Ms. Jeannette Sommer	1993-1994
Mrs. Mona Ellard	1994-1995
Mrs. Jenny Lamb	1995-1996
Mrs. Mary Myers	1996-1997
Mrs. Shirley Rann	1997-1998
Mrs. Cheryl Jackson	1998-1999
Mrs. Carolyn Casler	1999-2000
Mrs. Deborah Mohre	2000-2001
Mrs. Christine Waugh-Fleischmann	2001-2002
Mrs. Edward (Linda) Foster & Mrs. James (Sandy) Maatsch	2002-2003
Mrs. Karen Elsesser	2003-2004
Mrs. Karen Wirt	2004-2005
Mrs. Sara Biskie	2005-2006
Mrs. Marilyn Monroe-Hart	2006-2007
Mrs. Nola Buck	2007-2008
Mrs. Mary Remenak	2008-2010
Ms. Marge Carter	2010-2012
Mrs. Sylvia Colles	2012-2014
Mrs. Dianna Rabey	2014-2016

*deceased

GFWC-Charlotte Officers 2017-2018

- President..... Fran Fuller
- Vice President Jeana Rohrs
- Recording Secretary Julie Dartt
- Corresponding Secretary Carol Rossio
- Treasurer Barb VanderMolen
- Assistant to the Treasurer..... Pam Rinckey
- Historian..... Pat Campion
- Memory Book (2016-2017)..... Mary Remenak and Marianne Struckmeyer
- Parliamentarian..... Linda Foster
- Immediate Past President Dianna Rabey
- Director (1st year of 2-year term)..... Chris Reist
- Director (2nd year of 2-year term) Sherry Myers
- Director (2nd year of 2-year term) Sandy Maatsch

Members are always welcome and encouraged to attend Board Meetings. They start at 9:00 am at the Congregational Church Annex.

THE DATES ARE: August 16, September 13 (1 week early), October 18, November 15, **NO** December meeting, January 17, February 21, March 21, April 18 (last meeting).



- Club Colors:..... Green and White
- Club Flower: Yellow Jonquil
- Club Theme: **KINDNESS** "O Lord God, let us forget not to be kind." Mary Stewart



GFWC-Charlotte Mailing Address: PO Box #464
Charlotte, MI 48813



2017-2018 Dues

- Active Member **\$40.00**
- Associate Member **\$50.00**

GFWC-Charlotte 2017-2018 Committees

By-Law Revisions

Chair: Linda Foster

Committee: Marilyn Monroe-Hart, Dianna Rabey, and Diana Bosworth

EARS-Electronic Activities Reporting Specialist

Finance

Chair: Barb VanderMolen

Committee: Fran Fuller, President

Dianna Rabey, Immediate Past President

Jeana Rohrs, Vice President

Marlene Darin, Past Treasurer

Financial Review

Kim Capps

Fundraising

Terry Lynn Inc. (Nut & Candy): Co-Chairs: Judy Whitkopf and
Peggy Nichols

SIREN Holiday Tea: Chairperson: Linda Lord

GFWC-Charlotte Newsletter-*Club Communicator* and Database

Chairperson: Linda Foster

GFWC-Charlotte Website

Co-Chairs: Linda Foster and Charamy Cleary

GFWC-Charlotte Facebook

Charamy Cleary

GFWC-Charlotte 2017-2018 Committees (continued)

GFWC-Charlotte Ms. Federation and Woman of Achievement Award

Chairperson: Jeanne Tomasek

Committee: Sue Berger, Fran Fuller, Beth Fry and Shirley Hirt

Hand-to-Hand

Chairs: Lorraine Green

Meeting Notification

Chair: Sherry Myers (517-749-6762)

Members will receive email notice of meetings with a link to use for registering through our membership database (www.imembersdb.com). If you do not receive email, the calling committee will contact you with the meeting information. If you prefer not to be called or will be gone for an extended period during our club year, please relate this to Sherry when she makes her initial contact to you in September.

Membership

Chair: Kim Capps

Committee: Becky Dolman, Lorraine Green, Martha Limauro, Sherry Myers, and Mary Remenak

Memory Book (2016-2017)

Co-Chairs: Mary Remenak and Marianne Struckmeyer

Name Tag Box

Chair: Mary Heightchew

Nominating Committee

Chair: Lori Pray

Committee: Joan Hasselback and Pam Jarvi

Program Committee

Chair: Jeana Rohrs

Committee: Jessica Sommer, Dana Pray, and Elizabeth Siler

Publicity

Chair: Pat Champion

Remembrances

Co-Chairs: Sandy Maatsch and Charlene Sutherland

Community Service Programs

ARTS

Arts in the Community

Arts & Nursing Scholarship: Nancy Gensel

GFWC-Charlotte Chorus: Patty Greene

Creative Arts Program

Arts and Crafts: Joni Risner

CONSERVATION

Beautification

City Beautification: Sherry Pabst

Resource Conservation

Recycling: Sue Pruden

“Kind News” (publication for school children): Carol Rossio

EDUCATION

Education in the Community

GFWC MI Education Foundation: Nancy Gensel

Kaleidoscope: Linda Foster

Mini Trips: Jo Vanderstelt and Jan Day

MyLead: Julie Dartt

Senior Scholarship: Yvonne Ridge

Tea and Tomes Book Club: Elizabeth Siler

Epsilon Sigma Omicron ESO: Brynda Filkins

Focus on Literacy

Youth Literacy

Listen To Me: Jane Fortino

RIF-Reading is Fundamental: Diane Ruswick

Read to Me: Peggy Nichols

Community Service Programs (continued)

HOME LIFE

Helping Hands in the Community Program

Bay Cliff Health Camp: Amy Krizek

Christmas Kiddies: Fran Fuller

Guiding Harbor (Girlstown): Carolyn Maier

Mobile Meals, Inc. of Charlotte

President

Linda Foster

Vice President

Sherry Myers

Secretary

Lee Falik

Treasurer

Lori Pray

Director

Sue Farlin

Director

Lorraine Green

GFWC-Charlotte President

Fran Fuller

SIREN/Eaton Shelter:

Eaton Clothing and Furniture Center: Carol Monroe

Focus on Health

HGB Memorial Hospital Gift Basket: Marian Johnson

Women's Health: Barbara Fulton

Women on the Move: Linda Yeager

INTERNATIONAL OUTREACH

Reaching Out Internationally

Heifer International: Julie Dartt

Operation Smile: Carol Little

PUBLIC ISSUES

Citizenship in Action

GFWC-Charlotte Club Archives: Pat Campion

Registering High School Seniors to Vote: Diana Bosworth

**Community Improvement Project – Improvements to U.S. Veterans
Memorial Park** located at Bennett Park.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2017-2018

September

Friday, September 15, 2017

Opening Luncheon

Eaton Area Senior Center, 804 S. Cochran
Social Time 11:30 a.m. – Luncheon 12:00 noon
Cost: \$10.00

Program Representative..... Fran Fuller
Co-Chairs.....Charlene Sutherland, Lola Wilson
Committee.....Sharon Kennedy, Kim Capps, Sharon Kubica, Sylvia Colles
Program..... **Information Fair**

October

Friday, October 6, 2017

The House of Promise – Shari Montgomery

Eaton Area Senior Center, 804 S. Cochran
Social Time 11:30 a.m. – Luncheon 12:00 noon
Cost: \$10.00

Program RepresentativeJeana Rohrs
Co-Chairs Dianna Rabey, Lisa Jackson
CommitteeCheryl Jackson, Sue Farlin, Sue Pruden, Sara Biskie
Program**Shari Montgomery**
Music..... **GFWC-Charlotte Chorus under the direction of Patty Green**

November

Friday, November 3, 2017 Husband/Guest Night

Maple Brook Golf Course, 681 Lansing St.

Social Time 5:30 p.m. – Dinner 6:30 p.m.

Cost: TBA

Program RepresentativeDana Pray
Co-Chairs Sherry Pabst, Pam Jarvi
Committee.....Linda Yeager, Nancy Gensel, Jeana Rohrs
Program..... Trivia Game Night

November

Thursday November 16, 2017

New Member Orientation Meeting

Charlotte Community Library, Spartan Room, 226 S. Bostwick Ave.

12:00 -1:30 p.m.

Membership Committee will host this working luncheon.

NO cost.

Reservations will be made through the database

November

Sunday November 12, 2017

Siren Holiday Tea

ST. Mary's Parish Hall

11:30 – 1:00 Table Set-up

11:30 – 2:30 Silent Auction and Table Preview

2:45 Silent Auction closes and Program begins

December

Friday, December 1, 2017

Annual Christmas Tea

Honoring Past Presidents and New Members

First Congregational Church, 106 S. Bostwick

Social Time 12:30 p.m. – Meeting 1:00 p.m.

No reservations required. No cost.

Program RepresentativeJessica Sommer
 Co-Chairs.....Chris Reist, Sherry Myers
 Committee..... Hope Dixon, Brynda Filkins
Elizabeth Siler, Marian Johnson, Peg Cameron
 Program Keeping Thyme, Christmas Folk Music
 Music.....**GFWC-Charlotte Chorus under the direction of Patty Green**

January

NO GENERAL MEETING

February

Friday, February 2, 2018

“Love Reaches Out”

Eaton Area Senior Center, 804 S. Cochran

Social Time 11:30 a.m. – Luncheon 12:00 noon

Cost: \$10.00

Program RepresentativeElizabeth Siler
 Co-Chairs:Carol Little, Jane Fortino
 Committee.....Lee Falik, Barb Fulton
 Program.....**Guest from Charlotte Rising, House of Ruth,**
**Eaton Community Palliative Care**

March

Friday, March 2, 2018

History and Genealogy of Charlotte

Eaton Area Senior Center, 804 S. Cochran
Social Time 11:30 a.m. – Luncheon 12:00 noon
Cost: \$10.00

Program RepresentativeElizabeth Siler
Co-Chairs:Sharon Adams, Mary Remenak
Committee:Peggy Nichols, Marianna Struckmeyer
Program.....Leila Klaiss

April

Friday, April 6, 2018

Annual Business Meeting & Installation of Officers
Healthy Cooking

Eaton Area Senior Center, 804 S. Cochran
Social Time 11.30 a.m. – Lunch 12 noon
Cost: \$10.00

Program RepresentativeDana Pray
Co-Chairs..... Lori Pray, Julie Dartt
Committee: Patty Greene, Cindy Miller, Amy Krizek
Program.....Healthy Cooking

May

Friday, May 4, 2018

Brainstorming

Eaton Area Senior Center, 804 S. Cochran
Social Time 11:30 a.m. – Luncheon 12:00 noon

Brainstorming during lunch

Program Representative.....Jeana Rohrs
Co-Chairs.....Dyna Lehman, Pam Rinckey
Committee.....Jo Vanderstelt, Nola Buck, Barb VanderMolen
Program.....**Brainstorming**

May

Wednesday May 23, 2018

71st Annual Tea Honoring CHS Graduating Seniors

Charlotte Performing Arts Center
1:00 p.m.

No reservations required. No cost. All members are requested to attend.

Program RepresentativeJeana Rohrs
Co-Chairs.....
Committee.....Fran Rush, Patty Retzer
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Program.....**Latrell Levanduski**
..... **Graduate of CHS and Motivational Speaker**
Music.....**GFWC-Charlotte Chorus under the direction of Patty Greene**

A note from the Program Committee:

The 2017- 2018 programs were chosen based on the results of the brainstorming meeting and the survey completed by members. Thank you for sharing your ideas.