The Scoop

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hi My Lovely Sisters of GFWC. I am so looking forward to the upcoming months ahead of us. We will be spending more time working with community programs this year. The days are growing shorter, which

means for us Floridians, the days and nights will cool down, and we can indulge in the many Pumpkin Spice products coming our way! I want to remind all of you how important it is to read the Newsletter! It contains so much



useful information. I was sad to learn that many members do not spend the time to find out what is going on in the Club and Leesburg . Please consider the members who are working hard to gather information for you each month! We conduct a survey each year to determine how we are doing. Each year we strive to improve our skills with communication. There will be a message in the Newsletter each month to entice you to read our monthly Newsletter. There is something in store for one of you members! Happy Reading!

......Rose Martens.....

OCTOBER MEETING

<u>SPEAKER</u>: Rick Goupil. Rick is a representative from United Healthcare He will be discussing changes to healthcare that should be of interest to all of us.

HOSTESSES: Barb Howell and Pat Silverstein

<u>LUNCH MENU</u>: Chicken salad and egg salad on a bed of lettuce served with sliced tomato, and croissant followed by chocolate cake.

Sara Hamilton will be collecting for the Leesburg Food Bank. Please remember to bring non-perishable items for Sara.

NOVEMBER MEETING LOCATION UPDATE: The November 11 meeting will be at Ellen's Café on Main Street (712 W. Main St. Leesburg)

MEMBERSHIP....Perri Cook

I was very excited with the turnout at our Mote Morris membership event. I would like to thank my committee for that success. I'm still looking for some focused and creative ladies to join the Membership Committee.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETINGS

All future Board meetings will be held at Ellen's on Main. The Board expresses their sincere thanks to Karyn Lambert who has generously hosted

Upcoming Events

September 28 GFWC National Day of Service

September 27-29 GFWC Fall Board Meeting Orlando, FL

October 5 Scarecrow Build 9:00am – 12:00pm Downtown Leesburg

October 7
Board of Directors' Meeting
10:00am – 12:00pm
Ellen's Cafe on Main

October 12 Quarter Auction Legacy of Leesburg Social Hall 2700 Legacy Blvd 11:00am – 2:00pm

October 14
General Meeting & Luncheon
10:30am – 1:00pm
Rogers Park Building

October 17 A Day in the Park

October 19 GFWC Annual District Meeting Clermont, FL

November 4 Board of Directors' Meeting 10:00am – 12:00pm Ellen's Cafe on Main

November 11 General Meeting & Luncheon 10:30am – 1:00pm Ellen's on Main 712 W. Main St.

December 2
Board of Directors' Meeting
10:00am – 12:00pm
Ellen's Cafe on Main

December 9
General Meeting & Luncheon
10:30am – 1:00pm
Rogers Park Building

Board meetings over the last year at The Colored Easel. Board meetings are open to all members.

FUNDRAISING REPORT

The Quarter Auction is less than a month away. For additional information, contact Lucille DiSanto @ 585-409-1237 or disantoLucille55@gmail.com

Belk Days are coming soon. More information will be provided later.

Forever Stamps - \$10 for a book of stamps... See Barb Howell.

ARTS AND CULTURE



GFWC is continuing their tradition of building a scarecrow in downtown Leesburg. We welcome being a part of the community in making Halloween special for all. Join us in the building of our beautiful Mother Nature Harvest on October 5, 2024 from 9am to noon.

CIVIC ENGAGEMENT AND OUTREACH

Exciting things are happening. Our club is one of the many clubs across the United States supporting the **GFWC National Day of Service**. This year's campaign focuses on food insecurity and hunger. According to the U.S.

Department of Agriculture, 34 million people in the United States suffer from food insecurity, 100 percent of U.S. counties are impacted, and 9 million children do not know when they'll eat next. Please promote this event in each of your communities. Consider designating a drop off location to help those in your community who want to donate food. In October, we are participating in the



Leesburg Police Department National Night Out held at Ski Beach on October 1 and the Walk for Freedom '24, which is a day of global awareness and local action in the fight against human trafficking sponsored by The Father's House Church Sisterhood Ministry. The walk is done at Lake Sumter State College on October 19th at 8 a.m. And in December, our club will once again be part of the Salvation Army brigade of bell ringers.

If you haven't sign up for the October community outreach events, contact Arlene Golden today.....352-899-2035 or gfwcgolden1@gmail.com

Birthdays

16 - Becky Fadik

28 - Rose Martens

November

21 – Lisa Marie Provo

24 - Miriam Retzke

8 – Concetta Germain

9 – Perri Cook

13- Lucille DiSanto

INTERESTING TIDBITS AND INFORMATION....

Rose Martens will be part of the "Christian Voices Unite" concert on November 12 at the United Methodist Church (300 College Ave, Fruitland Park). Performances are at 3:00PM and 6:30PM. Tickets are \$15. See Rose for tickets.

Any Cruisers.... Ready for a pre-holiday girls' getaway. Several club members are part of a group going on cruise from December 12 to 16. The Carnival Freedom leaves out of Port Canaveral and sails to the Bahamas. Princess Cavs. with a day at sea before returning to Port. Please visit



www.carnival.com for more details. If you are interested, please contact Rose Martens at 352-446-6296 or

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GFWC NEWS AND NOTES

For the latest updates on GFWC International, National, and Florida news and happenings or to learn more about the organization, visit the website: www.gfwc.org.

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