

GFWC Woman's Club

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Vote on Officer Annual Term

Program

"Genealogy: We All Come from Somewhere"

Nancy Mattson--Grundy/Will Genealogy Society

Dates to Remember

Sexual Assault Awareness Month

Sundy, April 8--Blue Ribbon Fashion Show (PCA)

Tuesday, April 10--MCHS Reality Store @ 11:30 am

Saturday, April 14--Superhero FunD Run

April 15--Deadline for State Convention

Monday, April 16 at 6 pm--By-Law Meeting

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Saturday, April 21--Easter Seals Telethon

Saturday, April 21--Sewing Day @ 9 am

May 4--Federated Art School Deadline

Sat., May 5--Rescheduled Dist 12 Mtg @ 8:30 am

Saturday, May 5--Catherine L. Hatcher Memorial art
program at the Morris Public Library @ 1 pm

May 17-19--State Convention

June 2--Officer Training in Bloomington

Thank You's

Narvick House Volunteers

Superhero FunD Run Committee

Adjournment

Genealogy Websites

www.familysearch.org

free site; operated by Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints; probably need to register; very good

www.ancestry.com

subscription, operated by Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints; available free at the library or at the Family History Center of DuPont; very good

www.cyndislist.com

List of many websites, some free, some subscription

DNA Testing

www.familytreedna.com

www.23andme.com

www.ancestrydna.com

Sites provide information and ordering

**WILL/GRUNDY COUNTIES (IL)
GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

Name: _____

Additional family member name if
this is a family membership: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____

Zip + 4: _____

Telephone: () _____

E-Mail: _____

Indicate type of membership:

Individual - \$20.00

Family - \$25.00

Individual Life - \$250.00

Family Life - \$300.00

PUBLICATIONS

Cemeteries of Will County, IL

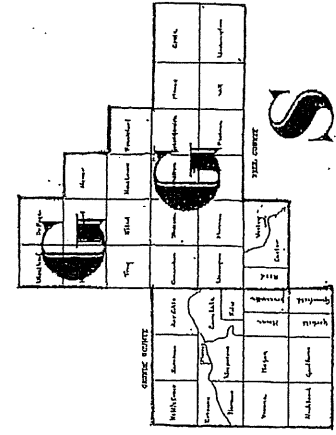
1. Oakwood, Wilmington
2. Old Catholic, Wilmington
3. Bohemian National, Braidwood
4. Barnet, Homer Township
5. Lockport, Lockport
6. The Arsenal Cemeteries
7. St. Dennis & Calvary, Lockport
8. DuPage Township: Alexander, Barbers Corners (Hillcrest) & Boardman
9. Oakwood, Joliet 2 vols.

A Coal Field Collection

Mine related articles, including the Diamond Mine disaster.

A complete list of publications is available at the WGS website along with prices and an order blank.

**Will/Grundy
Counties (IL)
Genealogical
Society**



WGS
P.O. Box 24
Wilmington, IL 60481-0024

The Will/Grundy Genealogical Society is a not-for-profit educational corporation organized in 1982 to collect, promote, preserve, and disseminate knowledge and information with reference to genealogical and related historical and biographical data, to promote interest in researching these fields, to stimulate and provide instruction in the use of sources available for accurate gathering of materials, to foster careful documentation, and to issue publications of genealogical interest.

MEMBERSHIP

Dues are \$20.00 for an individual and \$25.00 for a family. Life memberships are available for \$250.00 for an individual and \$300.00 for a family. WGGS memberships run from August 1 to July 31.

MEETINGS

Membership meetings are held at 10:00 a.m. on the second Saturday of each month at the Coal City Public Library. There is no meeting in December. Program topics are listed on the WGGS website.

Library Collection

The WGGS Library collection is housed at the Coal City Public Library in the reference department and does not circulate. A list of the WGGS collection is available on the WGGS website.

Coal City Public Library
85 N. Garfield
Coal City, IL 60416
(815) 634-4552
www.ccpld.org

WEBSITE & E-MAIL

www.wggs.org

wllgrundygenealogy@ydhoo.com

Research Policy

Volunteers provide research as time permits. There is a research fee of \$10.00 per hour plus the cost of postage and copying. The minimum charge is \$10.00. Send written requests to WGGS, P.O. Box 24, Wilmington, IL 60481-0024. A request form is available on the WGGS website.

WILL/GRUNDY COUNTIES (IL) GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Make checks payable to:
Will/Grundy Genealogical Society.
(WGGS)

Mail application to:
Membership Chairman
WGGS
P. O. Box 24
Wilmington, IL 60481-0024

Membership includes a digital subscription to the WGGS Quarterly publications.

Surnames being researched in Will or Grundy County:

(These names will be listed in the WGGS surname directory)

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Minutes of Executive Board Meeting

March 5, 2018

Caroline Cummings, President, called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m.

The treasurer reported a balance of \$4268.75.

Julie Erickson proposed we order bees from Heifer due to the scarcity of bees currently and since our year began with a bees theme.

Julie is working on getting together committees for the Spring District Convention.

Caroline reported that the Girls' Health event may have more money coming in due to the cancellation of some participants as a result of the winter storm.

Click for Babies has resulted in several little hats being donated. The patterns are on our website.

Our club is now listed o "All for Good". It is similar to Craigs' List, but it lists opportunities for people to volunteer.

Caroline has requested Vickie Sajnaj to chair the Human Trafficking event.

Our website has been entered in the Illinois contest.

A 25 year pin has been ordered for Lynn Shearin. Mary Ann Sanford's name has been sent to headquarters for the Memorial recognition at convention.

Mary Lee Howard reported that we need to provide headquarters with the minutes where we changed the name of the club and a copy of the by-laws. She will send the information. She reported that GFWC Illinois will be asking for a dues increase at convention and provided information regarding a scholarship provided by Royal Neighbors for women pursuing a career in insurance or finances.

Caroline noted that she has been putting all of our documents on Google. She suggested a card shower for Lynn Shearin who has begun treatment for cancer.

We will propose changing the club year to run January to December at the general meeting.

We now have the costs involved in offering 911 signs for purchase. The blanks and letters will be purchased through Midwest Signworks for \$12 when 50 are purchased at one time. They will be sold for \$25 for a 1 sided sign ad \$30 for double-sided. This is a service to the community as well as a fund raiser. It will be brought to the members for a vote.

Michelle Mitchell noted that IVI Bingo is March 28 at 1 p.m. Mobile Meals will be in May. She will ask for help for the day of the Super Hero Run at the meeting.

Mary Lee would like to ask for help with getting the toilet paper rolls ready for painting and ask for any partially used cans of spray paint .

The meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Lee Howard, Secretary pro tem

GFWC Illinois Morris Woman's Club
Meeting Minutes
March 5, 2018

Caroline Cummings, President, called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.
The minutes were read and accepted as read.

Club members gave the pledge of allegiance and recited the collect and conservation pledge.

Annie Barrins introduced her guest, Courtney Gretencord,

The treasurer reported a balance of \$4268.75.

It was noted that there was a sign up sheet for Narvick House for craft night on March 21. Donna Cockream will be leading the crafts.

Michelle Mitchell announced that IVI Bingo is March 28th. We will need help for the day of the run, April 14th.

Mary Lee Howard requested donations of partially used spray paint for the craft for the Liberty Days children's event.

Julie Erickson moved to change the club year to January through December to coincide with the reporting year. Penny Hexdall seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The by-laws committee will meet April 16th. Currently Penny, Vivi, Caroline and Cindy are meeting, but others are welcome to meet with them.

Julie reported that she has actually met with the evening TOPS. Since others in the club were interested, she encouraged them to join with them. They meet on Thursday at 4:45 for weigh in and 5:30 - 6 for their meeting. Annie Barrins reported on the work out benefits at the Y and encouraged members to participate there as well.

Caroline showed a diagram of the 911 signs. Midwest Signworks will purchase the blanks and make the numbers. Members will assemble the signs. Chief Tracy

Steffes of the Morris Fire Department stated that they receive calls regularly requesting the signs. This would be a community service as well as a fund raiser since the signs would cost us \$12 and we would sell them for \$25. A double sided sign would sell for \$35. A motion was made by Mary Lee Howard to move forward with making and selling the signs. Vivi Sargent seconded. Motion carried. Information will appear on our facebook page and website. Chief Steffes will post the information on theirs as well.

The meeting adjourned.

Caroline introduced the speakers for the evening:
Susie Galloway and Amber Boeschells. They work at the Mental Health Court in Grundy County and shared information about the funding, treatment for the clients and the benefits of the program

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Lee Howard, Secretary pro tem

Morris Women's Club Treasurer Report 3/28/18

BEGINNING BALANCE		\$4268.75 - 3/2/2018		
Super Hero Run	Shriners Check From last Year Cashed	-\$300.00		
Race Roster	3/8 \$350.00, 3/14 \$150.00 3/22 \$255.00, 3/28 \$325.00	+\$1080.00		
Super Hero Run	Medals for Race	-\$1026.15		
Suzanne Day	Speaker	-\$45.00		
Membership Dues	Barb Hoffman	+\$31.00		
T-Shirt Sale		+\$20.00		
911 Signs	Caroline Cummings	+\$420.00		
Midwest Signworks	Sign Panels for 911 Signs	-\$400.00		
Caroline Cummings	Raffle Permit	-\$5.00		
Caroline Cummings	Previous Check #2072 Volded for Raffle Permit	+\$5.00		
911 Signs	Caroline Cummings	+\$35.00		
Girls Health Retreat		+\$30.00		
Helping Hands		-\$300.00		
Julie Erickson	Convention Receipts (canceled)	-\$69.44		
Membership Dev.	\$130.64			
5K Balance	\$2113.87			
Bridge Club Balance	\$254.00			
Regency Care Balance	\$116.92			
General Acct. Balance	\$1128.73			
ENDING BALANCE	\$3744.16			

ART:

Art Night at the Narvick House is Wednesday, 4/18 at 6:30pm. We are going to be making cute grass planters in honor of Earth Day. PLEASE JOIN US! We need volunteers and someone to bring the snack and water. We always have a fun night and we're usually out of there by 7:45 (so it doesn't take up your entire evening).

Calling all quilters, artists and crafters! Members can submit any art project (photography, knit, crochet, drawing, painting, scrapbook, junk craft (I think) for display/judging at the state convention in May. Please let me know if you're interested and I'll get more information to you!

Don't forget to save your "Pennies for Art!"

Also, we're still collecting toilet paper rolls for our craft at the Liberty Art Festival. Please save and give to Mary Lee Howard.

EDUCATION:

Scholarship letters will be going out this week for MWC scholarships as well as the Federation Art scholarship. We are collecting pennies for this scholarship.

MCHS requested assistance on Monday, April 10 from 11:30 am-2 pm for the reality store they are putting on for freshman and sophomores.

INTERNATIONAL:

We have collected \$160 for Days for Girls (WOO HOO) and Ziploc bags for the organization. If you would like to contribute (Ziplocs, hotel size soaps, washcloths, money, quilting grade flannel in florals and geometric patterns, please let me know! I'll come and get it from you!

If you have any interest in sewing for Days for Girls, please let me know and I'll get you in touch with Pam. She's happy to sit with you and teach you the kit pattern. You will need a sewing machine and serger.

PUBLIC ISSUES:

So far we have sold about ten 911 number signs. The form has been placed on Facebook and is on the web page. A copy was also sent to the fire department and police and sheriff departments.

APRIL 2018 CONSERVATION UPDATE

Chapin Park and Firehouse: A few Spring decorations have been added to the gardens.

Stamps: Please keep saving the U.S. Postal Stamps (not flags), Stamps.Com and the higher value USPS stamps that are usually found on bigger envelopes. Don't forget about picture postcards you have received from family/friends.

Recycling: Yard waste pick-up has begun and will continue through November. Also, an e-waste recycling event will be held on April 21st, 8AM-NOON at 1349 East St.

Earth Day: April 22, 2018. This year's campaign is World without Plastic Pollution-End Plastic Pollution. Use cloth shopping bags, use thermos type mugs for drinking water and don't forget to recycle your plastic items.

Reminders: save plastic lids; fronts of greeting cards (no personal messages on back of the fronts please); prescription bottles (labels and sticky residue removed), please keep recycling to save our environment.

3/31/18

HOME LIFE OVERVIEW OF MARCH 2018

- Birthday cards were sent to Park Pointe, The Gardens of Park Pointe, Regency Healthcare Centers and Club Members. Thank you Vivi Sargent and Donna Weaver for keeping up with this project.
- Weighted Comfort for Kids Sewing Party was a success. The next date is tba. Thank you Mary Lee for leading this.
- IVI bingo party went well. Thank you to everyone that helped at the party or donated prizes or snack.

May 1-25 is mobil meals. Sign up is out.

SUPERHERO RUN

The run is progressing nicely but a little slower than last year. The committee is working hard and staying on schedule with getting everything lined up. As of April 1 we have 12 sponsors and 100 runners. Last year's final totals were 159 runners and 25 sponsors. **Sign up is out for day of help at registration and traffic control.**

Upcoming Events

- ❖ April 14th - Superhero Run
- ❖ May 1st - 15th MOBIL MEALS
- ❖ GREETING CARD TO NURSING HOMES AND CLUB MEMBERS

Blessings,
Michelle Mitchell
815-341-8640
Mitchells1998@yahoo.com

MWC 911 House Number Sign Order Form

Morris Woman's Club

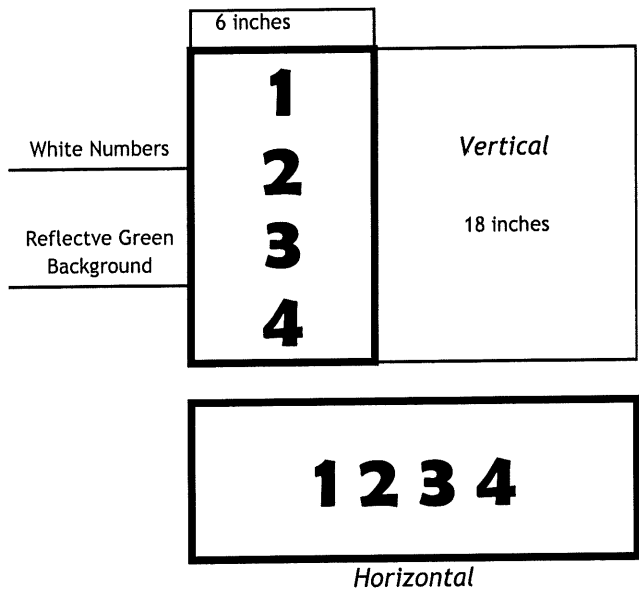
PO Box 334
Morris, IL 60450
815-546-5246 Lisa
815-603-0292 Caroline
morriswomansclub@gmail.com
morriswomansclub.org

DATE _____
Name _____
Address _____
City _____
Zipcode _____
Phone _____

Cash or check

Name	Phone	Numbers	DUE DATE

CHK #	ADDRESS	UNIT PRICE	LINE TOTAL
	Single Side	\$ 25.00	
	Double Side	35.00	
Total			



GFWC ILLINOIS

FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS
Spring 2018

PROPOSED BYLAWS AMENDMENT
123RD ANNUAL CONVENTION
MAY 17, 2018

ARTICLE IV DUES AND FINANCE Section 2. ANNUAL DUES Page 31

B. Strike "of five dollars (\$5.00)" insert "Dues shall increase \$1.00 each year for the next five years, beginning with the 2018 – 2019 club year." Strike "2000" and insert "2024"

To Read:

- A. GFWC Illinois annual dues shall be paid in advance for the ensuing fiscal year.
- B. Each member of a club shall pay annual GFWC Illinois dues, which will include a subscription to the GFWC ILLINOIS CLUBWOMAN MAGAZINE, and GFWC dues as set by the GFWC. Dues shall increase \$1.00 each year for the next five years, beginning with the 2018-2019 club year. The GFWC Illinois dues structure shall be reviewed every four years beginning with the year 2024.

RATIONALE: To better achieve fiscal responsibility

HISTORY OF GFWC ILLINOIS DUES

The last proposed dues increase took place during Norma Chesney's Presidency, 1994-1996. The successful Bylaw Amendment increased our annual dues from \$2.00 to \$5.00 effective with the 1996-1997 club year. Twenty-two years ago . . .

PRICES IN 1994

Gallon of Gas - \$1.23
Postage Stamp - 32¢
Gallon of Milk - 99¢
Seedless Green Grapes -59¢ lb.
Coke - 99¢ / 6 pak of 12 oz. cans
Ground Chuck – \$1.82 lb.
Potatoes - 31¢ lb.
Pack of Cigarettes - \$1.69 - \$2.49

PRICES TODAY

\$2.39 average
49¢
\$2.99 - \$3.29
\$1.59 lb.
\$1.75 / 11.2 oz. bottle
\$3.99 lb. and up
\$1.13 lb.
\$6.75 up to \$9.40 Pack

GFWC Illinois Annual Fixed Expenses

This does not reflect all expenses of GFWC Illinois, only the largest

✓ Headquarters (<i>rent, utilities, RE taxes</i>)	\$9,707
✓ Annual Audit	\$6,800
✓ Accounting Services	\$6,000
✓ Equipment & Repairs	\$4,500
✓ Insurance (<i>liability, property, Work Comp</i>)	\$2,850
✓ Payroll (25 hours week)	\$20,625
✓ Office Supplies, Postage, Communication	\$6,275
✓ Website & Yearly Improvements	\$500
✓ GFWC Illinois Scholarships	\$7,300 - \$8,800
✓ GFWC Illinois Yearbook	\$1,600
✓ Clubwoman Magazine (3 issues mailed)	\$18,000
✓ *Annual Convention	\$1,000 - \$4,000
✓ *Board Meetings, Seminars, Orientation	\$ 2,000 - \$3,000

*Expense to the organization over and above funds collected. We work hard to break-even on all state meetings, including convention but it's getting harder to do with hotels service fees, taxes, A/V fees

GFWC Illinois Annual Income

✓ Dues 4,750 members x \$5.00	\$23,750
✓ Investment Earnings / Dividends	\$8,500 (average)
✓ Fund Raising (net profit)	\$5,000

The deficit in the annual budget is taken from our Investments managed by Edward D. Jones. Average amount we transfer annually from our investment funds: \$60,000.00

ANNUAL DUES OF OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

Rotary of Darien	\$99
Rotary of Pontiac	\$560*
VFW	\$45
Darien Lions Club	\$120
Fairbury Lions Club	\$80
Calusa Garden Club	\$65
University of IL Alumnae	\$150
Nat'l. Parliamentarians	\$125
Society Human Resources	\$209
Junior League of Chicago	\$300
Kiwanis Club of Pontiac	\$500*
Toastmasters Int'l	\$16

*Includes monthly meal

GFWC ILLINOIS INVESTMENTS

RESTRICTED FUNDS NOTED **

Comparison from 2009-2018

June 2009 February 2018

Working Cash Fund

\$343,021.91 \$122,191.33

Isabella Candee Foundation **

\$102,430.84 \$230,094.18

GFWC Illinois 1922 Fund **

\$102,295.88 \$119,872.37

GFWC Illinois Scholarships

\$185,437.85 \$353,424.09

Englewood Memorial Fund

\$78,168.87 \$75,306.76

PORTFOLIO SUMMARY

TOTAL ASSETS: \$912,949.76

Thanks to the foresight of our past Leadership, these Funds and investments keep GFWC Illinois alive and functioning. As mentioned on the first page we withdraw an average of \$60,000 each year. If, or when, the Stock Market hits another recession our investments will diminish rapidly. Without interest and dividends we will **deplete these reserves in 15 years or less.**

GFWC ILLINOIS HISTORICAL MEMBERSHIP NUMBERS

Source: GFWC Illinois Strategic Plan 2016 – 2020

Updated: March 2018

Total Membership	Year	Annual % Change
21,665	1996	
20,054	1997	7%
18,254	1998	9%
16,836	1999	8%
14,399	2000	14%
13,366	2001	7%
11,868	2002	11%
10,980	2003	7%
10,110	2004	8%
9,646	2005	5%
8,871	2006	8%
	2007	
7,583	2008	15%
	2009	
6,874	2010	9%
6,236	2010/2011	9%
5,863	2011/2012	6%
5,670	2012/2013	3%
5,439	2013/2014	4%
5,138	2014/2015	6%
4,795	2016	7%
4,571	2017	5%
4,371	2/24/2018	4%

1996 – 2003 [7 Years]
Membership Loss of 50%

2004 – 2014 [10 Years]
Membership Loss of 50%

MEMBERSHIP REALITY OF THE PAST 22 YEARS
AVERAGE ANNUAL DECLINE 1996 – 2018 = 8%
OVERALL DECLINE 1996 – 2018 = 80%

OTHER STATE'S ANNUAL DUES	
<u>Have a State Headquarters</u>	<u>No Headquarters</u>
Florida - \$8.00	Kansas - \$10.00 Ohio - \$12.00
Mississippi - \$15.00	Tennessee - \$3.00 Vermont - \$2.00
South Carolina - \$12.00	Michigan - \$5.00
Kentucky - \$5.00	Indiana - \$15.00
Pennsylvania - \$13.00	Louisiana - \$5.00
Arizona - \$8.00 (voting for \$10.00)	West Virginia - \$6.50
Iowa - \$17.00 (raised last year)	Montana - \$22.00
	Wyoming - \$7.00
	New Mexico - \$7.00

GFWC Illinois 123rd Annual Convention ~ 2018 Peoria

Service Project & Workshops

SERVICE PROJECT -- USO OF ILLINOIS

GOODIE BAGS / CARE AND COMFORT PACKS

The USO of Illinois Centers are the heart and soul of the USO by offering a 'Home Away from Home' to Active Duty, Guard and Reserves across the state of Illinois. The USO of Illinois has five centers: one at the Great Lakes Naval Station, one at Midway Airport, two at O'Hare Airport and one on the Rock Island Arsenal in Moline. In a year's time they serve more than **243,000** military service members and their dependents through these centers; approximately **167,000** at the three airport centers. Every Friday 200-500 Navy Sailor graduates get shuttled to the airports for travel to their next location and may remain in the airport and in the USO Center for an entire weekend!

If you wish to participate please select from the items below and bring them to Convention in a Gallon Size Zip-Lock Bag **THE USO OF ILLINOIS CANNOT ACCEPT ANYTHING HOMEMADE - PACKAGED GOODS ONLY**

REMEMBER: The Service members will be sitting in an airport so all TSA restrictions apply

- Travel size toothpaste
- Toothbrush
- Travel size shaving cream
- Disposable Razors
- Travel size deodorant (unisex)
- Hand Sanitizer
- Gum
- Candy
- Adult Color Books with Colored Pencils
- Packaged Rice Krispy Treats
- Handy Snacks
- Granola Bars
- Protein Bars
- Pringles – snack size
- Healthy Snacks --
- Activity Books and Mechanical Pencils
- Crossword, Word Search, SUDUKO
- Travel Games or Small Books



WORKSHOP HUMAN AND SEX TRAFFICKING PANEL THURSDAY AFTERNOON

1) **Cyndi Fulco:** GFWC Illinois Junior Public Issues Chairman serves as a member of the Will County States Attorney Coalition: developing and implementing a collaborative county-wide child sexual exploitation coalition to increase community awareness of Child Exploitation, Sex Trafficking and Child Pornography.

2) **Megan Brooks:** Investigator for Will County High Technology Crimes Unit works directly with the Task Force. Megan is also the handler for Will County Investigative dog 'Cache' who is trained to find electronic devices which are frequently hidden when searching a suspects home. Technology used in perpetrating child pornography and other crimes.

3) **The Center for the Prevention of Abuse - Peoria** ... complete details are still pending at this time but we are hoping the Director can join us in May to speak on what their agency is doing to help rescued victims of Human / Sex Trafficking

WORKSHOP HOW TO REACH OUT FRIDAY AFTERNOON

Is it difficult to ask members to take on a leadership role in your club or in your District? Are you having a hard time getting new members interested in what your clubs does in the community? How do you approach women? How should you explain GFWC? How do you catch their Interest . . . Before you collect their dues!

Join Region Vice Presidents: Alice Betlach and Carol Jablonski for an informational / sharing workshop.

HUMAN TRAFFICKING

Definition

Human trafficking is modern-day slavery and involves the use of force, fraud, or coercion to exploit human beings for the purposes of forced labor or commercial sex. Many people assume human trafficking has to be across a border or from one country into another, but it can happen at the local level.

Types of Abuse

Sex Trafficking

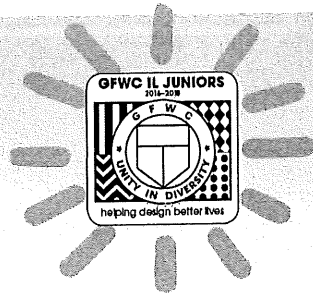
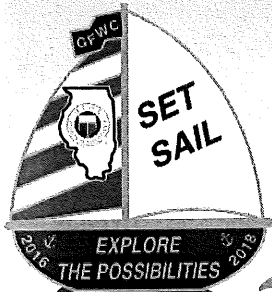
Sex trafficking includes exploitation through commercial sex, including prostitution, pornography, and sexual performance done in exchange for any item of value, such as money, drugs, shelter, food, or clothes.

Labor Trafficking

Labor trafficking includes situations of debt bondage, forced labor, and involuntary child labor.

Indicators of Human Trafficking

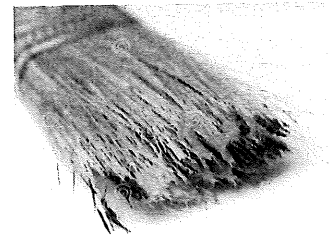
- Being forced to work against your will
- Incurred a debt by using threats or forcing you to work to pay the debt
- Forced to work by using threats to harm you and/or your family
- Forced or pressured you into prostitution or to do other sexual acts
- Minor engaged in commercial sex regardless of force, fraud, or coercion
- Confiscated your passport, birth certification, or identification card to intimidate and control your movements



Key Notes

GFWC Illinois Art School

The 70th Annual GFWC Illinois Summer Art Camp at Eastern Illinois University will be held July 15 – 21, 2018. Registration fee is \$490.00. Information and registration forms will be mailed to the clubs. GFWC Illinois Chairman, Dee Lenzi will be holding the very popular “We’re Fur Arts Raffle” at the 123rd Annual Convention, featuring several Faux Fur Coats, a Fur Teddy Bear and other luxurious items.



GFWC Illinois Art School 70th Anniversary Challenge

If 70 clubs, members or districts donate \$70.00 = (10) students sponsored

\$70.00 Art School Challenge: Checks payable to GFWC Illinois

Donations can be sent to Dee Lenzi, Chairman: 811 Lakeshore Drive, Tuscola, IL 61953

Please note on the check’s memo line: 70th Annual Art School

If you have questions or need additional information, please contact Dee Lenzi Cell: (217) 621-8167

MARCH
goes in like a **LION**
& out like a **LAMB**



Fashion Show News

For over 20 years, GFWC Illinois has been a supporter of Prevent Child Abuse (PCA) Illinois. For our 21st fashion show benefitting PCA, we're going to see the incredible designs and gowns of Elda De La Rosa Couture. Naperville shops Karisma and Bri'Zan will also entertain us with their fashion statements for the spring. We welcome Maryanne's Shoppe will be back, a GFWC Illinois favorite.

Besides a great lunch, you will have the opportunity to purchase tickets for a chance to win one or maybe even more of the raffle baskets, and if you try your luck, you may walk out the door with one of the Street of Dreams packages.

To continue to make this fashion show another success, we need your help with:

- * **RAFFLE BASKETS:** Once again, we request that each club donate a themed basket worth a minimum of \$50.00. It can be worth more, but it would help greatly if it were at least \$50.00 in value. If your club cannot support this request, we would like to ask the clubs to please make a monetary donation (made payable to GFWC ILLINOIS) and the committee will use toward building baskets. If you or your club or district will be donating a basket, please contact Raffle Chairman Gerri Eck right away. Contact Gerri at 1608 Campbell St., Unit C, Joliet, IL 60435, gerriECK@gmail.com, 815-641-1285.
- * **STREET OF DREAM ITEMS:** Lastly, if you can assist the committee in obtaining unique items (trips, jewelry, and tickets for concerts/events, restaurants, etc...) that can be used in our Street of Dreams Raffle Baskets, please let us know ASAP! Or, if you'd like to just send a monetary donation and have us create a basket on your club's behalf, please let LeeAnn know. LeeAnn Conlon can be reached at leeann.conlon@aol.com.

PCA Illinois depends on our annual support through the funds raised at our Blue Ribbon Fashion Show and we want to continue to help assist them in their commitment to the prevention of child abuse.

Thank you for all of your efforts and the efforts of your club members over these past 20 years! Without you, this event would not be a success.

TICKETS: bring yourself, your fellow clubwomen, your friends, your neighbors, your family for a very enjoyable afternoon of fun and fundraising for Prevent Child Abuse Illinois. Kindly complete the form on the opposite page soon so we can reserve a place for you and your fashionistas.

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Have You Visited Our Updated Website?

It's the same web address, www.gfwcillinois.org, but when you arrive, you will see an updated website. The members center requires a password, and that password is gfwc-member.



GFWC Illinois Federation of Women's Clubs
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Proudly Presents the 21st Annual

*The GFWC IL 21st Annual
Blue Ribbon Fashion Show
Sunday, April 8th, 2018
Featuring famed
Chicago designer*

GFWC IL Blue Ribbon Fashion Show: Project Catwalk

Sunday, April 8, 2018

Bolingbrook Golf Club

2001 Rodeo Drive, Bolingbrook, IL

\$40.00 Adult/\$18.00 Child 12 years or younger

Doors Open	11:00am
Luncheon	12:00pm
Fashion Show	1:00pm

Elda de la Rosa



Club Name: _____

District _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Please Reserve _____ Tickets at \$45.00 per adult \$ _____

Please Reserve _____ Tickets at \$20.00 per child under 12 \$ _____

I am not able to attend; please accept this monetary donation \$ _____

Please make checks payable to GFWC Illinois

Complete and mail by March 24, 2017 to: Amy Vicioso, 3402 Wells Way, Joliet, IL 60431



Don't Let These Deadlines Escape

MARCH

SATURDAY, MARCH 17TH – DONATIONS FOR THE BLUE RIBBON RAFFLE ITEMS TO GERRI ECK OR LEEANN CONLON

SATURDAY, MARCH 24TH – RESERVATIONS DEADLINE FOR BLUE RIBBON LUNCHEON & FASHION SHOW

APRIL

SUNDAY, APRIL 8TH – 21ST ANNUAL BLUE RIBBON LUNCHEON & FASHION SHOW AT THE BOLINGBROOK GOLF CLUB

SATURDAY APRIL 14TH - EASTERSEALS 'CELEBRATION OF GIVING' TELETHON – GFWC ILLINOIS PHONE TEAM

MAY

SUNDAY, APRIL 15TH – ALL RESERVATIONS DUE FOR THE 123RD ANNUAL GFWC ILLINOIS CONVENTION (MEALS/HOTEL)

WEDNESDAY, MAY 16TH – GFWC ILLINOIS LEADS WORKSHOP

THURSDAY – SATURDAY – GFWC ILLINOIS 123RD ANNUAL CONVENTION, PEORIA MARRIOTT PERE MARQUETTE, PEORIA



Mt. Carmel Woman's Club, District 23, created this float for their town's Christmas parade.



Featuring Club News

Does your club have news to share with GFWC Illinois? Email your photo with a few lines describing your news to Carol Jablonski at carolajablonski@att.net.



