

## GFWC IL Morris Woman's Club

April 1, 2019

### Agenda

- 1) Pledge to the Flag
- 2) Collect/Conservation Pledge
- 3) Thought for the Day - Dee Delloro
- 4) Introduction of guests and speaker
- 5) Secretary's Report
- 6) Correspondence Report
- 7) Treasurer's Report
- 8) Areas of Interest News (See Packet)

### Business

District 12--Conference info

Fund Raising

Membership

Other

### Program

Laurie Stone, Three Wells Acupuncture Clinic,  
Essential Oils

### Dates to Remember

Saturday, April 6--GFWC IL Blue Ribbon Fashion  
Show

Saturday, April 13--Superhero FunD Run

Monday, April 15, 6pm--Nettle Creek Lavender

Farm Wreath Workshop@Exhibit Gallery

Wednesday, April 17--Narvick House, 6:30pm

Wednesday, April 17--Book Club, 11:30am at

Sherwood Oaks "The Girl With No Name," by Diney

Costeloe

Monday, April 22--Earth Day

April 24--Federation Day

April 21-27 Volunteer in Action Week

April 23-27--World Immunization Week

May 1-5--Mobile Meals delivery

Saturday, May 4--Weighted Comfort Sewing, 9am

Monday, May 6--Spring Banquet at Maria's, Drinks

@6pm, dinner @6:30pm

### Collecting

White Oak POPS Program

Education Labels

Stamps and postcards

Pop can tabs

### Smile Bag Items

\$1.25 for Shawnee National Forest

Gently used purses, jewelry and scarves

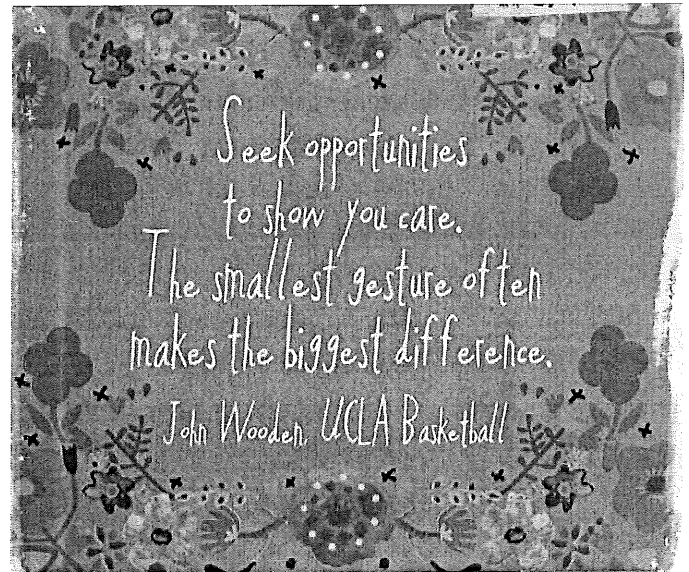
Magazines (18 mo old or newer)

### Thank You's

Narvick House Volunteers

Weighted Comfort Volunteers

### Adjournment



Thank you to

Ann Polson (Arts)

Nilsa Sochan (Conservation)

Adrienne McKerrow (Education)

Michelle Mitchell (Home Life & Superhero Fund)

Mary Lee Howard (International Outreach)

Penny Hexdall (Public Issues)

Cailey Walker (Fund-Raising)

Angelique Minnet (Social Media)

Kaileen Cummings (Membership)

and all committee members

## **GFWC-IL Morris Woman's Club Minutes**

**March 3, 2019**

President Julie Erickson opened the meeting at 7 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance, the Cub Collect and the Conservation Pledge. There were 24 in attendance including eight guests: Sue Schafer, Leann Newland, Adrienne Breen, Rachel Breen, Wendy Arnold, Beth Granston, Lyndsy Hill and Maggie Smith.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. A thank you was read from PADS for the donations made for our Sock Project.

The Treasurer reported a balance of \$5,599.87, which will be filed for audit. Six 911 signs have been sold.

President Elect, Kaileen Cummings, told the group that there were 12 members/friends at the Wine & Pine workshop and had fun. Upcoming Membership events are the Succulent Planter Party at Exhibit (Thursday, March 21 @ 6 pm), sign up two weeks in advance; the cost will be \$15. Bring your own planters. Also, April 15 a lavender workshop will be held at Exhibit @ 6 pm. Register by the April meeting and pay \$20 fee.

### **Community Service Projects**

Art—Check your newsletters for listings of events and remember to save for Pennies for Arts. Check out the Morris Art Guild's website for other local events. There will be a "Renovate a chair" activity on April 14 @ Happy Daisy. "The Sound of Music" will be presented @ JJC, May 22 @ 7:30 pm. The Club has also been contacted by the Liberty Days Art Show to again operate a table at the Creator's Village and receive \$50 reimbursement for supplies. The Club is exploring a "Chalk the Walk" activity on another date this summer.

Conservation—Reminded members that treats for cats/dogs and toys are welcome at animal rescue facilities.

Education—Scholarships for art are available through state GFWC and through our Morris club.

Home Life—Bingo dates were shared: March 6 @ IVI and March 20 at Park Pointe. Ten members attend the Freezer Meals workshop where they prepared eight meals to serve two. Also, new members were invited to join the group working on an ongoing project, Weighted Comfort Blankets.

International Outreach—March 8<sup>th</sup> is International Woman's Day! Medicine bottles continue to be collected. GFWC International Chairwoman Kristi Sandy Stephanelli is fundraising for work/trip with Heifer International in Kenya. Also, March is Child Life Professional's month.

### **Old Business**

A new members/Bunco Night has been scheduled for September 14 @ (5:30 pm members/6pm guests) at PMI, the cost will be \$20 per person. We have 1 Gumball Machine left for fundraising, who should be our raffle recipient?

### **New Business**

There will be a GFWC 12<sup>th</sup> District meeting Saturday, March 9 @ 9 am, Coal City.

May 2 – LEADS workshop preceding state convention.

May 3 & 4 – GFWC-IL Convention, Rock Island, IL

The program for the evening was Maggie Smith owner of the Nettle Creek Lavender Farm, Morris. The evening concluded at 9:14 pm.

Christine L. Perry  
Recording Secretary

## Morris Women's Club Treasurer Report 3/29/19

<b>BEGINNING BALANCE</b>		<b>\$5599.87 - 03/04/19</b>	
<b>Magggie Smith</b>	March Speaker	-\$45.00	
<b>Superhero Run</b>	race roster deposit	+\$255.00	
<b>Paypal</b>	Cailey Walker 14.26 Succulent & 19.42 Wreath	+\$33.68	
<b>Paypal</b>	Rachel Breen +19.12 Wreath	+\$19.12	
<b>Paypal</b>	Michael Breen +19.12 Wreath	+\$19.12	
<b>Paypal</b>	Sue Elsworth +14.26 succulent	+\$14.26	
<b>911 Address Sign</b>	Michael Scrobilus	+\$35.00	
<b>Machetto Roth</b>	Super hero sponsor	+\$100.00	
<b>Midwest Signworks</b>	vinyl 911 address #s	-\$6.00	
<b>Cailey Walker</b>	imprint bags for run reimbursement	-\$196.13	
<b>Cal's Printing</b>	superhero run posters	-\$40.35	
<b>Superhero Run</b>	Black & Black \$100, Fruitland \$100, Financial Plus \$100, FNB Fam Fair \$250.00	+\$550.00	
<b>Paypal</b>	Julie Erickson Wreath	+\$19.12	
<b>Paypal</b>	Joelyn Christenson wreath	+\$19.12	
<b>Paypal</b>	Maria Pogfiano succulent	+\$14.26	
<b>Paypal</b>	Beth Cranston wreath	+\$19.12	
<b>Super Hero Run</b>	Deposit Race Roster	+\$355.00	
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<b>Midwest Signworks</b>	vinyl 911 address #s	-\$10.00	
<b>Ortiz Hearing and Eye</b>	Super hero sponsor	+\$100.00	
<b>911 Address Sign</b>	Caroline Cummings	+\$35.00	
<b>Dot Wolverton</b>	succulents	+\$15.00	
<b>Cal's Printing</b>	30 Agenda/30 minutes	-\$41.75	
<b>Midwest Signworks</b>	Superhero signs	-\$715.00	
<b>Paypal</b>	Lv Ann Frandskovich wreath	+\$19.12	
<b>Paypal</b>	Julie Erickson succulent	+\$14.26	
<b>Michelle Mitchell</b>	reimbursement for Crown Awards Superhero Run	-\$596.73	

## Morris Women's Club Treasurer Report 3/29/19

<b>BEGINNING BALANCE</b>		<b>\$5599.87 - 03/04/19</b>	
<b>Superhero Run</b>	race roster deposit	<b>+\$385.00</b>	
<b>Kaileen Cummings</b>	reimbursement for supplies for succulents	<b>-\$68.51</b>	
<b>Membership Dev.</b>		<b>\$140.05</b>	
<b>5K Balance</b>		<b>\$3394.03</b>	
<b>Bridge Club Balance</b>		<b>\$214.00</b>	
<b>General Acct. Balance</b>		<b>\$638.50</b>	
<b>Literacy Fund</b>		<b>\$2050.00</b>	
<b>ENDING BALANCE</b>		<b>\$6436.58</b>	

GFWC Woman's Club  
Art Committee News  
April 2019

Open Mic Night at the EXhibit Fine Art Gallery this Friday from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. Come share your talents or enjoy an evening listening to others share theirs. Bring your own drinks and treats. The last few events have been standing room only! Don't be late.

August Rush at Paramount Theater in Aurora starts April 24 and runs through June 2. Get your tickets now by calling 630-896-6666. Now is also a great time to purchase a subscription for next year's season. The price is so reasonable and ends up being a 'Buy Two and Get Four tickets' bargain.

Art Night at Narvick House will be Wednesday, April 17 beginning at 6:30 p.m. Thanks to Donna and Lynn for leading this great event. Additional volunteers are needed and always welcome. Last month they made adorable little bunnies hiding in the grass.

We continue to collect Pennies for Art. Add your collection to the bowl. Use of these funds will be discussed as the amount grows.

I am continuing to look for the perfect art related field trip for our group. I would like to find something that would be interesting to all and reasonable in cost. I welcome all ideas. Call me at 815-685-9290 or email me at [amp1122@comcast.net](mailto:amp1122@comcast.net)

A few ideas include:

That's Amore! The Dean Martin Story at White Fence Farm

Classic Crooners Christmas also at White Fence Farm

Sound of Music at Rialto on May 22

Tour of Sanfilippo Mansion in Barrington Hills

Tour and hands on making of an art glass item at Starved Rock Hot Glass  
in Ottawa, Il

Visit to an Arts of Life event called How We Make It 2019. The event runs from April 26 to May 31 at the Circle Contemporary Gallery in Chicago features the artistic talents of adults with special needs. This could also be a fundraising event.

## APRIL 2019 CONSERVATION UPDATE

**Chapin Park and Firehouse:** Spring and Easter Decorations were added to the gardens.

**Humane Society:** A BIG Thank-YOU to all who donated to the shelters. They were very grateful for the items.

**Stamps:** Please remember no flag stamps. Don't forget larger value stamps and picture postcards are also appreciated.

*Taken from GFWC Illinois 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration handout:*

“CELEBRATING OUR LONGTIME PARTNER  
SHAWNEE NATIONAL FOREST

Shawnee National Forest has been a service project of GFWC Illinois since April 1934, when the first 20 acres were planted as a ‘memorial forest’. Clubwomen then and now have found this an ideal method of honoring or remembering members, past presidents, friends and relatives.

The goal is to donate a significant sized tree near the acreage dedicated to GFWC Illinois, add a new marker commemorating our 125 Years of Volunteer Service, and donating at least one bench to the park, made out of recycled plastic.

WE ARE ASKING EACH MEMBER TO DONATE ..... \$1.25

There will be separate donation form available in the Treasurer’s Packet, on the website or by contacting GFWC Illinois Headquarters: (815) 724 - 0195

The \$1.25 donation tally can be viewed on the “Shawnee Tree” which will be found on the GFWC Illinois website later this year:  
[www.gfwcillinois.org](http://www.gfwcillinois.org)

Leaves will be added to the tree as donations are received. We hope to have a tree ‘full of leaves’ by June 2019. The goal is to have the commemorative tree, marker and bench in place by our official anniversary dates in October 2019.

*I hope everyone can donate!”*

## Education

The school application form has been created and looking for feedback before finalizing and sharing with schools. This will allow group organizations to request assistance from us while utilizing a formal process.

Mary Lee shared some information on starting a Juniors Club at Morris Community High School. We are hoping to have club ready to start for next school year.

3/28/19

## Home Life

- 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 and for Nilsa for always being there to help. Anyone that would like to help with snack see Mary Lee.
- IVI Bingo and Park Point Bingo both successes and appreciated by the clients and residents.

## 2019 EVENTS

APRIL 13TH SUPERHERO RUN

MAY 1-15 MOBILE MEALS

MAY 30th. ST VINCENT'S TABLE

OCT TAKE BACK THE NIGHT

NOVEMBER 13TH @ 1PM IVI BINGO

### **SUPERHERO RUN**

The run is almost here! The date is April 13, 2019. Please clear your calendars and sign up to help a few hours that day. It takes a lot of people to make it successful.

## International

### **April 2 – World Autism Day**

World Autism Awareness Day is an internationally recognized day on 2 April every year, encouraging Member States of the United Nations to take measures to raise awareness about people with Autism Spectrum Disorder throughout the world. It was designated by the United Nations General Assembly resolution "62/139. Light it up blue is a method to draw attention to people living with autism. Autism-friendly events and educational activities take place all month to **increase understanding and acceptance** and foster worldwide support.

Autism spectrum disorder (ASD), more commonly referred to as autism, is a disorder with a variety of conditions that challenge the individual's social skills, verbal and written communication, and repetitive behaviors. *The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)* estimates one out of every sixty-eight

children within the United States is autistic. However, autism is more common in boys than in girls, affecting one out of every forty-two boys, and one out of every one hundred eighty-nine girls. The signs and symptoms of autism become most evident between the ages of two and three, but some cases have seen patients diagnosed as early as eighteen months old.

If you wish to help call attention to Autism and the need to understand and help people cope with autism, add blue lighting to your home or business during the month of April. There is also Autism Speaks merchandise you can purchase on line.

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\*\*I would like to do a service project for Operation Smile, one of our International Partnerships. Operation Smile repairs cleft palates and cleft lips at a cost of \$240 per surgery. They operate around the world. From April - June, I would like to ask the club to help make and put together 6 - 12 Smile Bags. I will have directions for making the bags at the meeting.

### **Smile Bags**

After receiving surgery, each child receives a Smile Bag, the perfect gift to cheer up a healing child. Smile Bags are filled with small personal care items as well as toys, stickers and a mirror to see their new smile. We need community volunteers to collect the personal care items and sew cloth Smile Bags.

Operation Smile is in need of the following items to include in a patient's Smile Bag:

Smile Bags are 14"H by 12"W, made of sturdy cotton fabric and are closed by a drawstring at the top. The bag is sized to hold a thin, 8.5" x 11" coloring book. Each bag should include the following:

- Small shampoo (.85 to 1.4 oz size, screw-on top only)
- Small comb (no rat tails)
- New wash cloth
- Bar of soap (small hotel size)
- Travel-sized toothpaste (at least 6 months from expiration date)
- Child-sized toothbrush (single package)
- Small stuffed animal (Beanie Baby® size)
- 8-pack box of non-toxic crayons
- Thin 8.5" x 11" coloring book
- Small square mirror (approximate size 3"x 3")

Please do not send personal hygiene items such as dental floss, body lotion, and baby oil. Additionally, we will not accept large personal hygiene items considering the volume of items we will need to ship to a medical mission site. We will not accept any type of food product, like candy and gum; shipping regulations prohibit sending food items across international borders.

### **Public Issues**



One is the Backpack emergency card form. I thought this would be awesome to print out on card stock paper (heavier than regular paper) and give to members to give to family and friends. Maybe do this in August before school starts.

Also, 2nd document is information on the IL Emergency contact Database, it includes the link for members to register. It's real easy.

I've also talked with new public information person with Morris Fire Protection about getting File for Life items to put in the Super Hero Fun Run bags and hand out at the fun run. She is going to get back to me Monday 4/1 on how many they can donate.

### **Membership**

- The spring banquet is Monday May 6 at Marias. Cocktails start at 6 PM.
- May MWC Social Event is Wine Tasting at Montage on Thursday, May 16th at 7 PM. The Cost of the event will be \$20 and will include 3 wines to taste, a glass of wine, and cheese/crackers. Please feel free to invite guests.

## Emergency Contact Database Driver Services

<http://www.cyberdriveillinois.com/departments/drivers/ECD/home.html>

If you are an Illinois resident and hold an Illinois driver's license, instruction permit and/or identification card, you are eligible to register your emergency contact information.

The Emergency Contact Database allows you to voluntarily enter one or two individuals to serve as your emergency contacts in the event you are involved in a traffic crash or have a medical emergency where you cannot communicate directly with law enforcement or emergency responders. The Emergency Contact Database also allows you to enter basic medical information such as disabilities, medical conditions or special needs (i.e., drug allergies or taking certain prescription medication).

Your emergency contacts do not have to be Illinois residents.

In the event of an emergency situation, only law enforcement will have access to this information and can reach out to your emergency contacts on your behalf.

The Emergency Contact Database also allows you to modify your contact information. You can change the name, address, phone numbers or delete contacts at your convenience.

Once you have submitted your emergency contact information, we encourage you to print a copy of the information and keep it in a safe location with your other important documents such as your passport and credit card information. You are also encouraged to share copies with the individual(s) you name as your emergency contacts so they will know you have listed them.

It is the user's responsibility to enter accurate data into the required fields, as well as to update contact data if necessary. The Secretary of State's office assumes no responsibility for the accuracy of the data entered by the holder of a driver's license (including commercial driver's license), instruction permit, temporary visitor's driver's license and/or identification card and disclaims any liability for damages, costs, and/or expenses, including, without limitation, consequential damages, arising or resulting from any inaccurate data or failure to update contact data.

# BACKPACK EMERGENCY CARD

It is important to have your emergency contact information with you in case of an emergency. Complete the cards below and keep one in your wallet and one in your child's backpack.

Cut Here

Fold Here

## BACKPACK EMERGENCY CARD

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
 School Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 School Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Special needs, medical conditions, allergies, Important Information:  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
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DIAL 911 FOR EMERGENCIES

## Parent/Guardian/Caregiver

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Text Okay: Yes  No  Employer: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Name: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Text Okay: Yes  No  Employer: \_\_\_\_\_  
**Out of Town Contact**  
 Name: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_  
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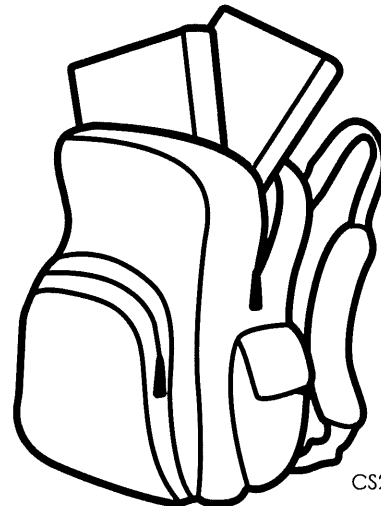


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DIAL 911 FOR EMERGENCIES



U.S. Department of  
 Health and Human Services  
 Centers for Disease  
 Control and Prevention

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# SOLES4SOULS BRAND BOOK

Soles4Souls' brand book was built to help our donors, partners, supporters and advocates accurately represent our organization and mission. Any communications or designs you create on our behalf should align with the brand standards that follow. Thank you!

## **Mission**

Soles4Souls creates sustainable jobs and provides relief through the distribution of shoes and clothing around the world.

## **Vision**

Disrupting the cycle of poverty.

## **Values**

Transparent, entrepreneurial, accountable and meaningful.

## **Drivers**

Serve those in need, create opportunities and protect the environment.

## **Soles4Souls Boilerplate:**

### **About Soles4Souls:**

Soles4Souls disrupts the cycle of poverty by creating sustainable jobs and providing relief through the distribution of shoes and clothing around the world. Headquartered in Nashville, Tennessee, the organization repurposes product to supply its micro-enterprise, disaster relief and direct assistance programs. Since 2006, it has distributed more than 30 million pairs of shoes in 127 countries. A nonprofit social enterprise, Soles4Souls earns more than 70% of its income and commits 100% of donations to programs. Visit [soles4souls.org](http://soles4souls.org) for more information.