GFWC IL Morris Woman's Club

September 9, 2019 *Agenda*

1) Pledge to the Flag

2) Collect

Keep us, O 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 judgement and always be 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 in life that create differences, that in the big things in life we are at one.

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

and, O Lord god, let us us forget not to be kind.

3) Conservation Pledge

I give my pledge as an American to save and faithfully defend from waste the natural resources of my country--its air, soil, minerals, forest, waters and wildlife.

- 4) Thought for the Day Vickie Sajnaj
- 5) Introduction of guests and speaker
 - 6) Secretary's Report
 - 7) Correspondence Report
 - 8) Treasurer's Report
- 9) Areas of Interest News (See Packet)

Business

District 12--Conference info
Fund Raising
Membership
Paint the Town Pink
Other

Program

Team Make a Difference

Dates to Remember

Saturday, Sept 7--Weighted Comfort Sewing, 9am
Monday, Sept 9--International Literacy Day
Monday, Sept 9--General Meeting: Team Make a
Difference @7pm, First Pres Church
Tuesday, Sept 10--World Suicide Prevention Day
September 9-15--National Suicide Prevention Week
Thursday, Sept 12--I&M Canal Clean up

Saturday, Sept 14--Bunco Tourney, 6pm @PMI
Wednesday, Sept 18--Narvick House Art Night @6:30pm
Wed, Sept 18--Book Club @11:30, Sherwood Oaks
Sat, Sept 28--National Women's Health & Fitness Day
Sept date TBA--Bray Grove Autumn Farm Day

Collecting

White Oak POPS Program
Education Labels
Stamps and postcards
Pop can tabs
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)
Adrianne 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 August 5, 2019

President Julie Erickson opened the meeting at 6:30pm with 16 members present for an International Potluck at The Exibit. The Pledge to the American flag, the Club Collect and the Conservation Pledge were made.

The minutes and the treasurers were reports were accepted as read by members.

<u>Art</u> – reminded about JJC arts programs. Also, CoGo glass activity had five members participating.

<u>Education</u> – Books collected for "Little Free Libraries." Plans going forward for a Juniorette Club. Food pantries checked for food, please continue to fill.

<u>Home Life</u> – Mary Lee made a motion to collect hats/mittens to be distributed to schools for children in need, additionally, the club will have a craft day to make gators to distribute as well. There is a Resident Greeter Program being introduced @ the Grundy Chamber of Commerce, M-F, 9am-4:30pm. The Touch-a-Truck activity will be October 19, 10am-2pm at the Courthouse. The club will sell 50/50 raffle tickets to benefit Criminal Justice. PCA-IL will be our run donor for 2019, and the club has invited GFWC- IL Prairie State Woman's Club to co-sponsor.

<u>International Outreach</u> – In addition to this meal, October will be "World Teachers Day" celebration. It was suggested to leave TY cookies at teachers' doors.

<u>Public Issues</u> – Wendy Easson is going to help Penny with this committee.

NEW BUSINESS

A Flower Power Fundraiser was presented to benefit member Penny Hexdall. Pamphlets and order forms were passed out. Orders can be made until October 1. Also, check the website to place orders.

Do we want to run a table at the Welter Kids Safety Fair on August 17th, 9am-12pm at Saratoga School?

The meeting concluded at 8:00pm.

Christine L Perry

Recording Secretary

Morris Women's Club Treasurer Report 09/09/19

BEGINNING BALANCE	\$4595.68 - 8/5/19				
Green Tree Plastics		-\$1070.00			
Cailey Walker	Post Facebook Ad Bunco Night	-\$23.47			
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Membership Dev.	\$140.05				
5K Balance	\$1702.73				
Bridge Club Balance	\$41.00				
Literacy Fund	\$895.33				
General Acct. Balance	\$723.10				
ENDING BALANCE	\$3502.21				

September 2019 Art Committee News

Narvick House Art night was cancelled in August due to conflicts. There is a sign up sheet for Wednesday, September 21 at 6:30 p.m. It is very important to have a new infusion of volunteers to come along side the faithful to keep this great service available to the residents and clients of Narvick House. Please consider committing to this program. Your life will be brightened right along side the lives of the residents!

Please continue to collect Pennies for Art. Notice the bowl on the table! Details for this are still in the works.

Newsies is playing at Paramount Theater in Aurora running through October 20. I have heard it is AMAZING! Get your tickets by calling 630-896-6666. This is a great theater opportunity with tasty food at nearby restaurants without the hassle of a trip to the big city! Take advantage!

Creator's Village went well during the Liberty Arts Festival here in Morris. It was a very hot day, which may have caused the lower than expected attendance, but all that did participated seemed to enjoy making straw rockets. Thanks to all the volunteers!

Don't miss out! Go to <u>www.smalltowntheatrics.org</u> for details and ticket information about the upcoming events.

Education Committee News

The Education Grant Program was shared with administration from all Morris Schools last week. Adrianne is still working with past Juniorette Club starters in gathering information.

The Morris Public Library has a new Kids Book Club that meets on Saturdays. Please see the website http://morrislibrary.com/events-featured for more information.

Fund-Raising Committee News

Flower Power is open until October 1. So far we have raised over \$500 toward our goal of \$1500. Remember anybody can order--they do not have to be a club member. http://gfwcilmorriswomansclub.shopfpf.com/

BUNKO--Sell it ladies. Males and females can come, and it's a great game for any age. Members show up at 5:30 pm to help. Need card tables and don't forget a dish to pass. Our goal is at least 40 people, which will net us \$700-800 for our education fund. Let's get the dice rolling!

International Outreach

September 8 – International Literacy Day –International Literacy Day (ILD), celebrated annually on September 8, shines a spotlight on global literacy needs, which goes hand in hand with International Literacy Association's mission: literacy for everyone, everywhere. On ILD (and every day), ILA advocates for a literate world by empowering educators, inspiring students, and encouraging leaders with the resources they need to make literacy accessible for all.

ILA supports International Literacy Day and the countless activities that take place worldwide. I encourage you to visit the <u>UNESCO website</u> to learn more about the organization's theme for 2019.

2019-2020 HOME LIFE/DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

This year we'll be continuing our community service projects we have done in the past and hoping to add a few more. They are as follows.

HOME LIFE

IVI Bingo Fall & Spring
Park Point Healthcare Bingo
Weighted Comfort Blankets
Brightening the Day with a Card(cards to nursing house residents)
Grundy Area PADS
Pop Tabs for Ronald McDonald House.
Salvation Army Bell Ringing
Mobil Meals
St Vincent Table
*Touch A Truck
*Get Fit Club

*Scarf, hat, mittens drive
*Regency Bingo

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

Take Back the Night
Groundwork Client Luncheon

2019

OCTOBER 10TH @ 5PM TAKE BACK THE NIGHT
OCTOBER 19TH @ 10AM-1PM TOUCH A TRUCK
NOVEMBER 13TH @ 1PM IVI BINGO
DECEMBER 9TH @ 4PM - 8PM SALVATION ARMY BELL RINGING

2020

JANUARY 29TH @ 2PM PARK POINT BINGO
FEBRUARY 13 GROUNDWORK LADIES VALENTINE'S ME DAY
MARCH 5TH ST. VINCENT TABLE
APRIL 18TH SUPERHERO RUN
MAY 1-15 MOBIL MEALS
MAY 20TH @ 1PM IVI BINGO
JUNE 3rd @ 2PM REGENCY CARE BINGO
OCTOBER 8TH ST. VINCENT TABLE
OCT TAKE BACK THE NIGHT
NOVEMBER 13TH @ 1PM IVI BINGO
DECEMBER SALVATION ARMY BELL RINGING - TBA

SUPERHERO RUN

The run preparation is well on the way. The date will be April 18, 2020. Please clear your calendars and sign up to help a few hours that day. It takes a lot of people to make it successful.

Thank you Michelle Mitchell 815-341-8640

What's Happening In Home Life & Superhero Run 9/6/19

•Take Back the Night October October 10th I am looking for bakers and a few helper at the event.

• Touch A Truck is October 19, 2019.

This is a free family event that will be on the courthouse lawn from 10-1. We will have a kids craft, games, bounce house, face painting, trucks, concessions and 50/50 raffle. I am looking for people to sell tickets before the event and help work at the event. The beneficiary of the raffle is a GAVC Criminal Justice scholarship. I would love for everyone sell 20-25 tickets.

Tickets are 1 for \$5 or 5 for \$20

Habitat Lunches

These are meals for the volunteer construction workers during the building of their 5th house on the old paper mill property on North Street. I am looking for some volunteers to make and take food on Saturdays.

• IVI Fall Bingo November 13th

I am looking for volunteers to help at bingo and with snack.

Sewing Party October 5th @ 9-1 Weighted Comfort For Kids

Thank you to Mary Lee for leading this and to Nilsa and Vivi for always being there to help.

Anyone that would like to help with snack see Mary Lee.

· Brightening the Day with a Card

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.

<u>2019</u>

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MWC 911 House Number Sign Order Form

Morris '	Woman's	Club	Date:	Date:				
PO Box 334 Morris, IL 60450 815-900-7757 morriswomansclub@gmail.com morriswomansclub.org			Name: Address: City: Zip:					
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	VERTICAL SIGN Please put one number in each square. If a square does not have a number, please put an X in that square.		All signs are a reflective green background with numbers. Vertical signs are 6 inches wide. Horizontal signs are 6 inches tall. Signs may be ordered single sided or double sided. SINGLE SIDE \$25.00 DOUBLE SIDED \$35.00					
	VERTICAL/ HORIZONTAL	SINGLE/ DOUBLE	ADDRESS	UNIT PRICE	LINE TOTAL			
				TOTAL				

MWC Secret Pal Sign Up

Name:

Mailing address:

Birth date:



These are a few of my favorite things:

- Color
- Food
- Drink
- Candy/Snacks
- Flower
- Hobby/collection
- Candle/lotion scent
- Type of music
- Restaurant
- If I'm at the dollar store something I always look for is:
- Something you don't like or don't want to receive

Hints for a happy pal: Please reach out to your pal at least ONCE A MONTH. A gift is not required each month, a card in the mail is also nice... any mail that is not a bill is appreciated! Gifts can be small or large. Your secret pal identity will be revealed at the spring MWC banquet with a larger gift.

A fun extra: provide a clue each month to your identity and see if your pal can guess who you are before the reveal! This is not required, just an idea.