

GFWC IL Morris Woman's Club

October 7, 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

Minutes Accepted As Read (if corrections accepted as corrected)

7) Correspondence Report

8) Treasurer's Report

If there are no corrections, this report will be placed on file for review

9) Areas of Interest News (See Packet)

Business

In order to discuss a subject where there may be action taken, a motion and second should be made PRIOR to discussion (but not by President)

District 12--Conference info

Fund Raising

Membership

Touch a Truck

Jewelry Fundraiser

Educational Grant Applications

Dates to Remember

October 1-31: Paint the Town Pink Breast Cancer Awareness

Saturday, October 5--Weighted Comfort Sewing, 9am

Monday, Oct 7--General Meeting/Fall Banquet, 6pm
Maria's

Wed, Oct 9: Take Back the Night at the Courthouse, 5pm

Thursday, Oct 10: World Mental Health Day

Thursday, Oct 10: I&M Canal Cleanup at 5:15

Wed, Oct 16: Narvick House Art Night, 6:30PM

Wed, Oct 16: Book Club at Sherwood Oaks, 11:30am

Sat, Oct 19: Touch a Truck

Saturday, Oct 26: Make a Difference Day at Jewel, 9am to 2pm, collecting goods at the doors.

October social activity, date TBA: Morris Theater Guild Production

Collecting

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)

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
September 9, 2019

The meeting opened at 7pm with the Pledge to the Flag, the Club Collect and the Conservation Pledge led by President Elect, Kaileen Cummings. There were 16 members present and three guests.

The Thought for the Day was shared by Ann Polson.

The minutes were accepted as read. The Corresponding Secretary read Thank You's from the Mental Health Court, Operation Smile, and Andrea Barron, Speech Scholarship winner.

The Treasurer reported a balance of \$3,502.21, which will be filed for audit.

COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS

Home Life – Take Back the Night will be October 10 @ 4pm at the County Court House. October 19 will be the Touch-a-Truck activity; members of Cavalry Baptist Church are assisting. A Bingo Party is scheduled for November 13 at IVI.

International Outreach – will celebrate World Teacher Day @ MCHS with a cookie shower on October 8th.

OLD BUSINESS

- Paint the Pink for Breast Cancer will be celebrated during October with pink ribbons posted all downtown.
- Flower Power fundraiser will conclude October 1.
- The Bunco fundraiser on September 14th. Tables and refreshments needed.

NEW BUSINESS

- Julie and Deb from Prairie State Woman's Club visited and invited the club to their annual Witches Night Out on October 19 at the Coaler's Bar and Grill. Besides the witchy activities they also do a water marbling activity on silk scarfs.
- District 12 fall meeting will take place November 16 @ Morris.

PROGRAM

Andrea Crowther from the To Make a Difference 31 group spoke to the club. This nonprofit is a support group that fundraises one time a year on the last Saturday in April. They provide housing make overs to single families during times of distress such as cancer, death, etc.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15pm

Christine L Perry

Recording Secretary

Morris Women's Club Treasurer Report 10/7/19

BEGINNING BALANCE		3502.21- 9/9/19		
Cal's Printing	SuperHero save the date	-\$21.25		
Cal's Printing	SuperHero Registration	-\$159.38		
911 Address Sign	Cload PayPal	+\$33.68		
911 Address Sign	Friant PayPal	+\$33.68		
Midwest Signworks	vinyl #s for 911 sign	-\$24.00		
Dues	MaryLee Howard & Rose Grossi	+\$68.00		
Cailey Walker	Facebook ad Bunco Night	-\$14.54		
Dues	Donna Cockream	+\$34.00		
Membership Dev.	\$140.05			
5K Balance	\$1522.10			
Bridge Club Balance	\$41.00			
General Acct. Balance	\$1749.25			
ENDING BALANCE	\$3452.40			

FUND RAISING

The French Hens Jewelry fundraiser is a GO for this weekend, October 11th! If you can help sling/sell jewelry with Julie on Saturday during the market, please let hew know! We have some great stuff! Let's shoot for a goal of \$500! WE CAN DO IT!

The Bunco Tournament was SO FUN! We had about 20 players and a handful of guests join us. The weekend was super busy so we didn't quite get the turnout we were hoping for. I'd like to see us have another bunco event in January or February. We made \$420 from the event that will go directly to our educational fund. Join us next time!

The Flower Power fundraiser (did you get your flowers yet?), raised over \$600 for Penny and Brad Hexdall!! I'm waiting for the final figure from FP, but it sounds like the check will be cut this week. We also had a few donation checks come in for the Hexdalls and those are so greatly appreciated.

Fundraising is taking a short break for the holiday season--your money and time is going elsewhere! Any ideas for a spring fundraiser? If you have any great ideas, I'm all ears!

Respectfully submitted, Cailey Walker

ART

Narvick House Art night is scheduled for Wednesday, October 16 at 6:30p.m. There is a sign up sheet! 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!

Morris Theater Guild's current production is The Fall Of the House Of Usher. This play written by Jack Neary and Edgar Allan Poe runs again this coming weekend, Friday, October 11 and Saturday, October 12 at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, October 13 at 2:30 p.m. Tickets can be purchased through the website: www.MorrisTheatreGuild.org. The Guild's next production will be Yes, Virginia, There Is A Santa Claus by Andrew J. Fenady. We are fortunate to have this artistic outlet right here in our little town! Please consider supporting it!

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

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 9th @ 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

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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
10/7/19**

•Take Back the Night October 9th

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 Lunch's

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.

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