



GFWC/KY

**May 2018
Thirteenth Edition**

**Editor
Joyce Bell**

“WALKING WITH CONFIDENCE”



Susette D. Redwine

GFWC Kentucky

President

Preshus Howard

GFWC Kentucky

Director of Jr. Clubs

From the President

MAY! I can't believe April is over and it is May!!! Lots to do and programs and projects to finish as we look forward to a few weeks this summer to enjoy the lazy days of summer.

It's not too late to get registered for our State Convention on May 18-19. I am looking forward to seeing many of you.

I want to take this opportunity to thank you for your support of all my crazy ideas during this administration. Yes, we did accomplish many goals I had and then there are a few that are still in the back of my head. I will be sure to share with others who might be just as crazy as me. Thank you for your kind words, actions and hugs. And shoes!!!! Oh my gosh, I love them.

This has been an experience that I will treasure. I appreciate the confidence you placed in me and I hope I did not disappoint you.

Always walk with confidence and in a cute pair of shoes,

Susette

LEGISLATIVE DAY

Legislative Day was held in Frankfort on April 5. A small number attended but an arousing discussion took place as we discussed this session. Many of our members had made visits to the Capital during the session and we applaud you as you voiced your opinion to those in office.

Thanks so Sara Bell, our Legislative Chairman, for the coordinator of our two programs.

FEDERATION DAY

What an exciting day those who participated in our Federation Day of Service Project. Thanks go out to Teresa and Tony Schmidt for planning our afternoon. The Raptor Rehabilitation Center in Louisville is so educational and interesting. Members cleaned out flower beds and met the residence of the facility. Thanks to all who attended, even with the light rain we had a good day.





CONVENTION WORKSHOPS ANNOUNCED:

When the call was sent out, our Convention workshops were not finalized. Here is the list as we know it. The Convention program will have the finalized list of breakout sessions.

Saturday, May 19

9:00 am LEADS Workshop

Incoming and Outgoing Club Presidents

Social Media for Dummies

True Colors, What's your Personality

10:00 am LEADS Workshop

Using Resolutions

Incoming Governors, Vice Governors and Jr. Directors Meeting

It's up to me. GFWC involvement and exercise; how they link together

11:00 am LEADS Workshop

Junior Board Meeting

Time Management

Round Tables: Generations; Fundraising; Protocol



Spring Has Sprung in St. Matthews

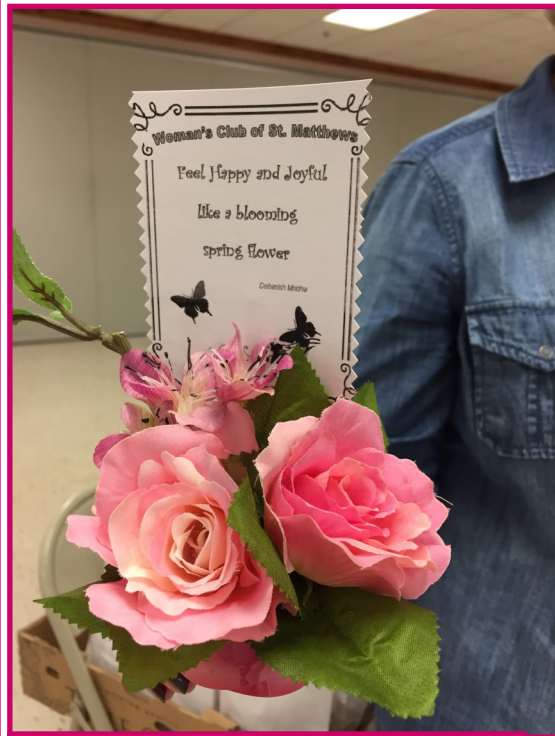
The members of Woman's Club of St. Matthews continue to look for ways to serve our community, use our creative talents, and enjoy each other's company. When we find a project where we can do all three at the same time, it's a sure fire winner.

Our clubwomen meet together a few times a year for a workshop to create tiny floral arrangements relative to the season. Recently we created 125 Spring Florals using colorful recycled tops as the base container, along with a bit of Styrofoam, and each creation topped off with a decorative message pick. Every floral was individually packaged in white bags complete with a 'Thinking of You' sticker.

The completed packages were then donated to a local senior service provider. This provider then includes one tiny floral arrangement, on a random day of the providers choosing, with a daily meal home delivered to the provider's clients.

The purpose of this project is to bring a smile and an uplifted spirit to a home-bound citizen, and to emphasize that others throughout the community have not forgotten them.

Pssst.... It also uplifted our clubwomen's spirits too.



Mary Jo Nay, President
WC of St. Matthews
502-425-0903 home
502-338-0700 cell

GFWC KENTUCKY 2018

FALL CONFERENCES

BY DISTRICT

1st District: October 20;

2nd District: September 15;

3rd District: September 8;

4th District: October 6;

5/6 District: September 29;

7th District: September 22;

8th District: October 13;

9th District: October 27

VENUES TBA

Happy Earth Day my fellow earthlings!

Last newsletter we thought spring was “unfolding” but I think it’s still trying to unfold even as we are in April! Yesterday we had snow flurries here in Corbin. Hope you escaped the cold and wind. But spring has sprung and warm weather is coming. Promise.

Earth Day this year is April 22. The theme at the Earth Day Network is ending plastic pollution. One time use plastic is ending up everywhere it shouldn’t be. I think most of our clubs should be commended because of their continuing commitment to recycling. Keep up the good work. There is a lot to be done to educate others in how we can be kind to our planet and keep it in good shape for our children and grandchildren. Go out there on April 22nd and do something for your corner of our Earth and remember to report it for next year’s Club Reports!

Also in April, Arbor Day is the last Friday in April. Then, coming up in May is Be Kind to Animals month and Keep America Beautiful month.

I have enjoyed being your conservation “cheerleader” these last two years and wish you all the best and leave you with a hope that you make every day earth day in some little way!!

Happy Conserving,

Gay Nell

Hello! I am the new president of BJWC,
Paige Server
Paigecurrier@aol.com
859-333-3634

Note from the Editor, Joyce Bell

It has been a pleasure and honor to serve as Newsletter Chairman for Susette—she has been a terrific President.



Hello GFWC Kentucky!!

I hope everyone is staying safe and warm across the Bluegrass! As we are gearing up for State Convention, I want to give everyone some information about upcoming events and information about our Junior Special Projects Partnerships.

March for Babies Walks:

April 28th in Somerset and Elizabethtown

May 5th in Maysville

May 19th in Bowling Green

May 20th in Lexington

September 22nd Pikeville

Become a monthly donor with St. Jude and receive this great t-shirt to show our support of

St. Jude or shop online. Get involved and do a workplace fundraiser, Fitness for St. Jude or run a race as a St. Jude Hero. There are many more ways to get involved, check out www.stjude.org for more information.

As for my Junior Special Project: JDRF, please keep donating and spreading the word to help raise awareness for a future without T1D. Check out these JDRF One Walks: May 5th in Knoxville and June 2nd in Kings Island. You can also purchase one of the JDRF shoes from many vendors to show your support.

As an early reminder, we will be collecting new baby sleepers, onesies, gowns, blankets, and beanies in preemie, newborn or 0-3 months during the State Convention to distribute to NICUs across the state.

Keep an eye out for information on the GFWC Kentucky website about any information on the Junior Special Projects. If you have any questions or would like more information, please don't hesitate to email me at preshus.howard@yahoo.com.

Preshus Howard
GFWC Kentucky Director of Junior Clubs

2018 GFWC Annual Convention

Conservation Challenge

GFWC Style Project Runway!



Have you heard the news? Each GFWC State is invited to participate in this challenge.

Who will GFWC Kentucky send to represent us in this challenge????

We will have our own Project Runway during the GFWC Kentucky State Convention to select our best dressed.

Here's the challenge: To create a complete outfit using reusable TOTE BAGS. NOT plastic grocery bags but reusable bags that you can get almost anywhere. Bags used must already be owned by Club Members – so no buying new cute ones!!!!

Bring your outfit and model to the State Convention and voting will take place during the convention on our outfit.

Rules: Your fashion entry must be a complete outfit; i.e. dress, top and skirt, top and pants, jumpsuit.

Either fabric reusable or plastic reusable bags can be used; no plastic grocery bags.

Entry must be made of at least 80% tote bags; other fabric and some clothing may be used, but the entire outfit must be at least 80% tote bags.

Entry does not have to be sewn; any way you keep it together is acceptable. However, be aware of wardrobe malfunctions!!

Hello GFWC Kentucky!!

As we are gearing up for State Convention, I want to give everyone some information about upcoming events and information about our Junior Special Projects Partnerships.

We will have two projects going on for Junior Specials during State Convention this year and I would love if everyone could participate in one or the other or both if you want to. We will be collecting new baby sleepers, onesies, gowns, and beanies in preemie, newborn or 0-3 months to distribute to NICUs across the Commonwealth. We will also be collecting baby blankets for Blankets for Babies for March of Dimes and I will have purple ribbon and tags for everyone to sign. There is no specific size or materials that need to be used, club members can decide how they want to make the blankets. It can be new, sewn, no-sew, knitted, crocheted, etc. The Blankets for Babies project was introduced at the GFWC Region meetings this year and are listed on the GFWC website as well:

<http://www.gfwc.org/gfwc-resources/> Click on "M" and you'll find resources for the March of Dimes Blankets for Babies project. You can also visit <https://www.marchforbabies.org/Registration/Events?steps=0> to look for a March for Babies Walk near you or sign up on our GFWC Kentucky Team as a member.

The GFWC Kentucky Juniors will also be selling chances to win this beautiful quilt/wall hanging that was generously made and donated by Jane Pfarner. We appreciate this so much and look forward to selling a lot of chances for this great item.



GFWC Kentucky once again has a St. Jude Walk/Run/Virtual Team for the September 15th event in Louisville. Don't hesitate and join our team today!! Become a monthly donor with St. Jude and receive a great t-shirt to show your support of St. Jude or shop online. Get involved and do a workplace fundraiser, Fitness for St. Jude or run a race as a St. Jude Hero. There are many more ways to get involved, check out www.stjude.org for more information.

If you have any questions or would like more information, please don't hesitate to email me at preshus.howard@yahoo.com.

Preshus Howard
GFWC Kentucky Director of Junior Clubs