



GFWC – Charlotte CLUB COMMUNICATOR

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**VINCENT BRADY,
PHOTOGRAPHER AT THE
WINDWALKER UNDERGROUND
GALLERY WAS THE SPEAKER AT OUR
MARCH 1ST MEETING**



**SUE AINSLIE WAS INTRODUCED
AS A NEW MEMBER.**



**ASHLEY FRIAR, OUR 2018 MYLEAD STUDENT
told of her life-changing experience from
attending the conference and hopes to serve
as a counselor in the future.**





Membership Memos

Remembrances . . .

Penny Irish – knee surgery

**Congratulations to Dana Pray & her family on the birth of
Alden Douglass Pray, 2-18-19, 9# 4 oz, 21.5"**

Kim Bruce – health issues

**Lori Pray – grandma to Alden and also Kinley
McKenna Pray, 3/6, 6:17 p.m., 6# 3 oz., 19"**



Birthdays

Anniversaries

Late March

**19 Susie Sevitts
28 Sara Biskie
28 Joan Hasselback
29 Carolyn Maier
31 Joni Risner**

18 Sue & Gary Pruden

April

**01 Jeana Rohrs
06 Sherry Myers
09 Kathleen Rathbun
11 Joyce Sparks
15 Sharon Kennedy
18 Amy Krizek
18 Mary Heightchew
22 Peggy Nichols**

05 Sara & Fred Biskie

30 Patty & Richard Greene

WELCOME NEW MEMBER: SUE AINSLIE

More information will be sent via email.





Bay Cliff Support – Amy Krizek, Chair



GFWC is a supporter of Bay Cliff Health Camp since 1998...where children and adults with physical disabilities learn to believe in themselves, strive for fuller lives, and realize their dreams. Founded in 1938 and located in Big Bay, MI north of Marquette in the UP, one camper writes: "The experiences at Bay Cliff change the lives of the children, and the children end up changing the lives of those who guide them. A mentor and role model of mine at camp often tells the U.P. All-Stars when they come to visit: "A person never stands so tall as when they reach down to help a child." These words are not just for those football players and their coaches, but for all to live by. All who belong to Bay Cliff learn that you can always live a fuller life by helping fill the lives of others."

While GFWC makes a monetary donation to this camp, we often provide "extra" supplies.

Listed as **High Priority:**

Bed pillows (regular)

- COTTON twin sheets sets (regular and deep cut)
- Girls elastic-waist shorts (sizes 6 & 8)
- Hair ties/barrettes
- Safety pins (2 inch)
- Wash cloths (not white)
- LED light bulbs (all types)

Listed as **Always Appreciated:**

- White tube socks
- Children's underwear (sizes 4-10)
- Office supplies
- Balloons
- Sidewalk chalk

A box will be provided at our April meeting for any extra supplies you might want to donate to this worthwhile project. These will be taken to Michigan GFWC Annual Meeting May 2-5 in Detroit. If you are interested in sponsoring a camper or more information on Bay Cliff, their web site is: <http://www.baycliff.org/site/home.html>

Amy K

Mini Trips



Williamston – Fireworks Glass Studios

Thursday, March 21

Carpool from Alive at 10:00 a.m.

cost – shopping, lunch, & money for drivers gas.

Have you ever seen glass artists at work? Here's your chance. We will be going to the Fireworks Glass Studios <https://fireworks-glass.com/> in Williamston where you can see one of a kind creations being created. We will also be enjoying a nice lunch & checking out the local shops and antiques.

Trips carpool from Alive – park near the pavilion · All trips can accommodate only a limited number of participants, spaces will be filled first come first serve · Non members are always welcome to join us on our mini trips

Any ideas for future trips let us know –

Jo Vanderstelt 517-281-1301 www.jovanderstelt@yahoo.com or Sharon Kennedy

608-322-0626 sharonakennedy65@gmail.com



Former member and choir member, **Vivian Flower**, died on Saturday, March 9. A memorial service will be held on Saturday, March 23 @ 2:00 p.m. at the Lawrence Avenue United Methodist church. Visitation from 1:00-2:00 p.m. at the church.





Board Talk – Julie Dartt



The calendar may say that spring will be here soon, but the weather seems to have made other plans. We know in our hearts that as the days grow brighter, warmer weather just can't be too much further behind. We hope!

It was so nice to see so many lovely faces at our March meeting at the Windwalker Underground Gallery. We were wowed by Vincent Brady's stunning photography presentation. In April, we will be at the Eaton Area Senior Center (ESAC) for our Annual Meeting and a Spring Fashion Show featuring YOU! When Chris calls on you to be a model, please say YES!!!

We are working on our Memory Books but have discovered that we are in need more book covers, pages, and page protectors. If you are a scrapbooker and have parts to share, please bring them to a meeting. If you were maybe once thinking about being a scrapbooker and have a bunch of supplies that you don't know what to do with now, again, please bring them to a meeting, or contact Donna Leahy. We are especially in need of the 12X12 size materials but are open to other sizes also.

Reminders for this month are that we are collecting Dr. Seuss books to donate to SIREN. Bring to the April Meeting. Of course, you may donate your books elsewhere. Please keep track of the number of books and the dollar amount for reporting later this year. We have completed two days of service of blanket making for the ambulance services of Eaton County. We will be presenting the blankets later this month. Hopefully on March 20th at 1 PM. Donations for Bay Cliff will also be collected at the April Meeting.

GFWC MI awards scholarships for a deserving student of Nursing and of the Arts. This year, both scholarships were awarded to GFWC - Charlotte recommended students! Lauryn Moubray will receive the Nursing Scholarship and Sam Sommer will receive the Arts Scholarship. Congratulations Lauryn and Sam! Did you know you are also eligible to apply for a scholarship to learn something new? The GFWC Education Foundation offers scholarships to members of at least one year. Please contact Nancy Gensel if you would like to learn more about this opportunity.

If you are a creative and crafty person, you may wish to submit an entry into the GFWC Arts and Crafts competition. Since I haven't been able to locate more information to add a link here, I'll keep working on it and let you know at our meeting in April.

We have some space available to help with the Eaton County Home & Business Expo being held on April 13 & 14. Please call, text, or email me for times that are still available.

Wishing you a Happy Spring! See you in April!



Remember to get your articles in by the 15th of each month for *The Club Communicator* to:

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Tea and Tomes - Our February gathering was a whirlwind of discussion about two wonderful works of fiction, *The Atomic City Girls* by Janet Beard and *Before We Were Yours* by Lisa Wingate. Our ladies enjoyed a lively discussion about both books, sharing their insights about the works as well as the historical relevance of each. We also shared other books written by Janey Beard and what we are currently reading. Tea and Tomes is a group that loves literature and sharing the love of reading with one another. If you are interested in joining us, please stop in at our next discussion on March 19th at the Charlotte Community Library in the Spartan Room. We sip tea, enjoy a sweet treat and have an energetic chat about books.

On March 19, the 3rd Tuesday of the month, at 12:45 we will gather to discuss *Orbiting Jupiter* by Gary D. Schmidt. Mr. Schmidt is a professor at Calvin College in Michigan. He has written a number of young adult works. *Orbiting Jupiter* is the story of love and loss. Finding people who demonstrate the capacity to love and having it taken by those who do not understand the meaning of the word love.

Sneak Peak: On April 30th, Tea and Tomes will discuss *Mrs. Lincoln's Dressmaker* by Jennifer Chiaverini. This piece of historical fiction, tells the story of Elizabeth Keckley. A woman born into to slavery, who is free as the Civil War breaks out and she becomes the person who dresses Mary Todd Lincoln. A wonderful story of the power of women, and the importance of the relationships between them.



If you know of a club member who could use some help, contact:

Contact Lorraine Green, Chair, 543-5048,
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GFWC-Charlotte April 5th Program

Annual Meeting and Spring Fashion Show

The General Federation of Women's Club-Charlotte will hold its annual business meeting and installation of a director on Friday, April 5, 2019 at the Eaton Area Senior Center, 804 S. Cochran. Lilypepper, Belle Grande and Peebles are sponsoring the Fashion Show.

The deadline for luncheon reservations is **12:00 noon, Saturday, March 30, 2019**. Please register on-line by that day. If you need assistance please call Linda Foster and she will help you. The luncheon cost is \$10.00. We ask that you have the exact payment amount at the door. 'No Shows' are committed for payment. Social time begins at 11:30 a.m. with lunch and meeting following at 12:00 noon.

If you are interested in knowing more about GFWC-Charlotte you can go to our webpage at www.gfwc-charlotte.com or **LIKE** us on Facebook. Our Membership Chair is Sherry Myers and she can be reached at 517-749-6762.

If you have any questions, please contact Chris Reist, 543-7734..



**DAY OF SERVICE PROJECT 2/20/19
BLANKETS FOR EATON COUNTY
EMERGENCY SERVICES**

KIND NEWS ORDER FORM

To adopt a classroom for the **2019-20** school year, please complete this form and return by **May 15, 2019** to Carol Rossio, 2233 S. Cochran Rd., Charlotte, along with a **\$25.00** check made out to **GFWC-Charlotte**.

Your Name: _____

Is there a specific teacher/classroom you'd like to sponsor? If so, please complete the information below:

Teacher Name: _____ Grade

Level _____

School: _____ Address(if not in

Charlotte): _____

Questions? Contact Carol Rossio at 543-4172 or cjrossio@hotmail.com.



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