

# **One Hundred Twenty-fourth Annual Announcement**

## **General Federation of Women's Clubs-Charlotte**



**2011-2012  
Yearbook**

## *Collect*

*Keep us, Oh 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 judgment and always 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 that create differences; that in the big things of life we are at one.*

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

*And, O Lord God, let us forget not to be kind.*

*April 1941*

*Mary Stewart, Colorado*

# Federation Officers 2011-2012

**International President ..... Carlene Garner**

**State President ..... Chris Burns**

**Southwestern District President ..... Donna Brown**

## **GFWC on the Internet**

**National GFWC Web Page Address**

[www.gfwc.org](http://www.gfwc.org)

**National GFWC E-mail address**

[gfwc@gfwc.org](mailto:gfwc@gfwc.org)

**GFWC MI Web Page Address**

[www.gfwcmi.org](http://www.gfwcmi.org)

**GFWC-Charlotte Web Page Address**

[www.gfwc-charlotte.com](http://www.gfwc-charlotte.com)

**Organized ..... 1887**

**State Federation..... 1895**

**County Federation ..... 1902**

**Southwestern District ..... 1915**

## MEMBERS HOLDING DISTRICT AND STATE LEVEL APPOINTMENTS

|   |   |
|---|---|
| <b>*Mrs. George Perry</b><br>1900-1902  | State Federation President  |
| <b>*Mrs. Fred C. Curtis</b><br>1941-1942  | Southwestern District President   |
| <b>Ieva Inglis</b><br>1984-1986<br>1985<br>1988   | GFWC MI Chair of Legislation Day Committee<br>Convention Aide to GFWC International President<br>GFWC International Convention Amenities Chair  |
| <b>Donna W. Johnson</b><br>1988<br>1989<br>1994-1998<br>1996-1998   | International Convention Registration Kits Chair<br>Great Lakes Regional Convention Chair<br>Southwestern District spiritual Enrichment Chair<br>GFWC MI Literature and Performing Arts Chair   |
| <b>Linda Foster</b><br>1986<br>1989<br>1992-1994<br>1994-1996<br>1996-1998<br>1998-2000<br>2000-2008<br>2004-2006<br>2006-2008<br>2008-2010<br>2008-2012<br>2010-2012 | GFWC MI State Convention Chair<br>Great Lakes Regional Convention Co-Chair<br>Southwestern District 2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President<br>Southwestern District 1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President<br>Southwestern District President and GFWC MI Board<br>Southwestern District State Nominating Chair<br>Southwestern District Education Foundation Representative<br>GFWC MI Community Improvement Contest Chair<br>GFWC MI State Protocol Chair<br>GFWC MI Long Range Planning Chair<br>Southwestern District Secretary<br>GFWC MI Jennie Award Chair |
| <b>Mona Ellard</b><br>1995-1996   | Southwestern District Education Foundation Representative   |
| <b>Alice Hayes</b><br>1998-2000   | GFWC MI Representative to State HOBY Board  |
| <b>Shirley Rann</b><br>2000-2002  | Southwestern District Conservation Department Chair   |
| <b>Toni Small</b><br>2004-1006  | Southwestern District Arts & Crafts Co-Chair  |
| <b>Karen Elsesser</b><br>2004-2006  | GFWC MI Woman of Achievement Chair  |
| <b>Marilyn Monroe-Hart</b><br>2006-2012<br>2008-2010<br>2008-2010<br>2010-2012  | Southwestern District Parliamentarian<br>GFWC MI Board of Directors<br>GFWC MI Parliamentarian<br>GFWC MI Resolution Committee Chair  |
| <b>Nola Buck</b><br>2008-2010   | GFWC-MI Beautification Chair  |
| <b>Mary Remenak</b><br>2010-2012<br>2010-2012   | Southwestern District Home Life Partnership Chair<br>GFWC Michigan Home Life Partnership Chair  |

\*deceased

# **GFWC– CHARLOTTE AWARD RECIPIENTS**

## **Woman of Achievement Award**

| <i>Name</i>                      | <i>Club Year</i> |
|----------------------------------|------------------|
| Linda Foster                     | 1994-1995        |
| Donna W. Johnson                 | 1995-1996        |
| Connie Bazaire                   | 1996-1997        |
| Marian Johnson                   | 1997-1998        |
| Shirley Rann                     | 1998-1999        |
| Lori Pray & Lee Falik            | 1999-2000        |
| Cheryl Jackson                   | 2000-2001        |
| Sandy Maatsch                    | 2001-2002        |
| Chris Fleischmann & Joyce Sparks | 2002-2003        |
| Nola Buck                        | 2003-2004        |
| Karen Elsesser                   | 2004-2005        |
| Jeannette Sommer                 | 2005-2006        |
| Sara Biskie                      | 2006-2007        |
| Marilyn Monroe Hart              | 2007-2008        |
| Jenny Lamb                       | 2008-2009        |
| Margie Carter                    | 2009-2010        |

## **“Ms. Federation” Award**

|   |           |
|---|-----------|
| Connie Bazaire, Lee Falik, Linda Foster,<br>Donna W. Johnson, Marian Johnson and Shirley Rann | 1998-1999 |
| Cheryl Jackson  | 1999-2000 |
| Deb Mohre   | 2001-2002 |
| Karen Wirt  | 2003-2004 |
| Karen Elsesser  | 2004-2005 |
| Sara Biskie   | 2005-2006 |
| Mona Ellard and Lori Pray   | 2007-2008 |
| Nola Buck and Marilyn Monroe Hart   | 2008-2009 |
| Mary Remenak  | 2010-2011 |

## **“GFWC MI Woman of Achievement” Award**

|                                    |           |
|------------------------------------|-----------|
| Linda Foster                       | 2004-2005 |
| Karen Elsesser and Jeanette Sommer | 2005-2006 |

# GFWC-Charlotte Officers 2011-2012

**President**..... Margie Carter  
**Vice President** ..... Sylvia Colles  
**Recording Secretary** ..... Sharon Kubica  
**Corresponding Secretary** ..... Sally Jewell  
**Treasurer** ..... Marlene Darin  
**Assistant to the Treasurer** ..... Kathy Tomlanovich  
**Historian**..... Suzanne Hayes  
**Parliamentarian**..... Linda Foster  
**Immediate Past President** ..... Mary Remenak  
**Director (2nd year of 2-year term)** ..... Dianna Rabey  
**Director (1st year of 2-year term)** ..... Kim Capps  
**Director (2nd year of 2-year term)** ..... Jeannette Sommer

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**Club Colors:** ..... Green and White  
**Club Flower:** ..... Yellow Chrysanthemum  
**Club Motto:** Let us look behind us with understanding, before us with faith, and around us with love.

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**GFWC-Charlotte Mailing Address:** PO Box #464  
Charlotte, MI 48813

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## 2011-2012 Dues

**Active Member** ..... \$40.00  
**Associate Member** ..... \$50.00

## PAST PRESIDENTS

|                            |                            |           |
|----------------------------|----------------------------|-----------|
| *Mrs. P.T. VanZile         | *Mrs. Darrel Johnson       | 1936-1937 |
| *Mrs. George Huggett       | *Mrs. Gertrude B. Prindle  | 1937-1938 |
| *Mrs. Orr Schurtz          | *Mrs. Chester Wilcox       | 1938-1939 |
| *Mrs. R. M. Buck           | *Mrs. Charles A. Snyder    | 1939-1940 |
| *Mrs. F. A. Hooker         | *Mrs. William A. Vance     | 1940-1941 |
| *Mrs. W. P. Wyman          | *Mrs. Richard Shaull       | 1941-1942 |
| *Dr. Mary Green            | *Mrs. Ward Hynes           | 1942-1943 |
| *Mrs. A. M. Barber         | *Mrs. Emerson Boyles       | 1943-1944 |
| *Mrs. Bessie D. Paine      | *Mrs. E. J. Covell         | 1944-1945 |
| *Mrs. J. J. Curtis         | *Mrs. Allan R. Murray      | 1945-1946 |
| *Mrs. B. J. Grier          | *Mrs. Earl V. Mead         | 1946-1947 |
| *Mrs. W. P. Engle          | *Mrs. Virgil Wooley        | 1947-1948 |
| *Mrs. M. S. Philips        | *Mrs. Hilding Krusell      | 1948-1949 |
| *Mrs. C. S. Brown          | *Mrs. Cash R. Beechler     | 1949-1950 |
| *Mrs. F. A. Weaver         | *Mrs. Homer Bauer          | 1950-1951 |
| *Mrs. John Thomas          | *Mrs Clifford Smith        | 1951-1952 |
| *Mrs. W. (Evans) Wisner    | *Mrs. Roy Yund             | 1952-1953 |
| *Miss Beatrice Hunt        | *Mrs. Jud Richardson, Jr.  | 1953-1954 |
| *Mrs. Belle M. Perry       | *Mrs. Paul Packard         | 1954-1955 |
| *Miss Maria DeGraff        | *Mrs. John Lipsey          | 1955-1956 |
| *Mrs. Roy Sylvester        | *Mrs. H. B. Loomis         | 1956-1957 |
| *Mrs. H. H. VanAuken       | *Mrs. Bart Rypstra         | 1957-1958 |
| *Mrs. Barbara Dewey        | *Mrs. P. R. Glotfelty, Jr. | 1958-1959 |
| *Mrs. P. T. Turo           | *Mrs. Carl Gearhart, Sr.   | 1959-1960 |
| *Mrs. Abbie Thomas         | *Mrs. Vance Baker          | 1960-1961 |
| *Mrs. Fred Youngblood      | *Mrs. Ralph Baird          | 1961-1962 |
| *Mrs. Leon E. Garlinghouse | *Mrs. John Colizzi         | 1962-1963 |
| *Mrs. Frank Davis          | *Mrs. G. A. Hansen         | 1963-1964 |
| *Mrs. M. H. DeFoe          | *Mrs. Huey M. Stall        | 1964-1965 |
| *Mrs. Lottie Mitchell      | *Mrs. Thomas Rutherford    | 1965-1966 |
| *Mrs. Reuben Smith         | *Mrs. Jack Morgan          | 1966-1967 |
| *Mrs. Rollo Marple         | *Mrs. Roy McLean           | 1967-1968 |
| *Miss Caroline Strother    | Mrs. Roger Nelson          | 1968-1969 |
| *Mrs. J. M. Yates          | Mrs. Richard D. Johnson    | 1969-1970 |
| *Mrs. Albert Murray        | Mrs. Edward (Linda) Foster | 1970-1971 |
| *Mrs. Fred E. Bohn         | Mrs. James Maatsch         | 1971-1972 |
| *Mrs. George Zederbaum     | Mrs. Robert W. Johnson     | 1972-1973 |
| *Mrs. D. J. Wright         | Mrs. Raymond Gager         | 1973-1974 |
| *Mrs. Fred C. Curtiss      | *Mrs. Norman VanSoest      | 1974-1975 |
| *Mrs. Guy C. Longcor       | Mrs. Roderick Yates        | 1975-1976 |
| *Mrs. James B. Church      | Mrs. Robert Ballard        | 1976-1977 |
| *Mrs. J. N. Herbst         | Mrs. Robert Carpenter      | 1977-1978 |
| *Mrs. Paul Bond            | Mrs. Kenneth Sparks        | 1978-1979 |
| *Mrs. Claude Behrens       | Mrs. Thomas Aiken          | 1979-1980 |

## PAST PRESIDENTS (continued)

|                            |           |                                  |           |
|----------------------------|-----------|----------------------------------|-----------|
| Mrs. John Curtis           | 1980-1981 | Mrs. Mary Myers                  | 1996-1997 |
| Mrs. Gary Janousek         | 1981-1982 | Mrs. Shirley Rann                | 1997-1998 |
| Mrs. Douglas Inglis        | 1982-1983 | Mrs. Cheryl Jackson              | 1998-1999 |
| Mrs. Richard Trumley       | 1983-1984 | Mrs. Carolyn Casler              | 1999-2000 |
| *Mrs. Edman Grier          | 1984-1985 | Mrs. Deborah Mohre               | 2000-2001 |
| Mrs. Gloria Criss          | 1985-1986 | Mrs. Christine Waugh-Fleischmann | 2001-2002 |
| Mrs. Leon Monroe           | 1986-1987 | Mrs. Edward (Linda) Foster       |           |
| Mrs. Edward (Linda) Foster | 1987-1988 | & Mrs. Sandra Maatsch            | 2002-2003 |
| Mrs. Donald S. Falik       | 1988-1989 | Mrs. Karen Elsesser              | 2003-2004 |
| Mrs. Joseph E. Pray        | 1989-1990 | Mrs. Karen Wirt                  | 2004-2005 |
| *Mrs. Charles E. Wiles     | 1990-1991 | Mrs. Sara Biskie                 | 2005-2006 |
| Mrs. Keith Bazaire         | 1991-1992 | Mrs. Marilyn Monroe-Hart         | 2006-2007 |
| Mrs. Deborah Sugden        | 1992-1993 | Mrs. Nola Buck                   | 2007-2008 |
| Ms. Jeannette Sommer       | 1993-1994 | Mrs. Mary Remenak                | 2008-2010 |
| Mrs. Mona Ellard           | 1994-1995 |                                  |           |
| Mrs. Jenny Lamb            | 1995-1996 |                                  |           |

\*deceased



# **GFWC-Charlotte 2011-2012 Committees**

## **By-Law Revisions**

Chair: Linda Foster

Committee: Donna W. Johnson, Marilyn Monroe-Hart and Shelby Butler

## **EARS-Electronic Activities Reporting Specialist**

Kim Capps

## **Finance**

Chair: Marlene Darin

Committee: Margie Carter, President

Mary Remenak, Immediate Past President

Sylvia Colles, Vice President

Lori Pray, Past President

## **Financial Review**

Diane Joppie

## **Fundraising**

Innisbrook Wrapping Paper: Lee Falik

Uncle Al's Pecans: Judy Whitkopf

Coffee: Marlene Darin and Sharon Kubica

50/50: Fran Rush and Dana Pray

Home Tour: Jackie Carr and Karen Elsesser

## **GFWC-Charlotte Newsletter-Club Communicator**

Chairperson: Linda Foster

## **GFWC-Charlotte Scrapbook/Historian**

Chairperson: Suzanne Hayes

## **GFWC-Charlotte Ms. Federation and Woman of Achievement Award**

Chairperson: Kim Capps

Committee: Katie Dornbos, Sue Berger, Patty Greene, Fran Fuller and Margie Carter

## **GFWC-Charlotte Website**

Linda Foster and Suzanne Hayes

# **GFWC-Charlotte 2011-2012 Committees (continued)**

## **Meeting Notification**

Chair: Sherry Myers (543-5405)

Calling Committee: Sherry Myers, Kathleen Rathbun

If you are not notified about our general meetings, contact the committee chair, Sherry Myers. If you prefer not to be called or will be gone for an extended period during our club year, please relate this to your assigned caller when she makes her initial contact to you in September.

## **Membership**

Chair: Jessica Edel

Committee: Lorraine Green, Sherry Myers, Dana Pray, Sara Biskie

## **Name Tag Box**

Chair: Beth Fry

## **Nominating Committee**

Chair: Marilyn Monroe Hart, Past President

Committee: Brynda Filkins, Sara Biskie

## **Program Committee**

Chair: Sylvia Colles

Committee: Barbara Fulton, Jo Vanderstelt, Kathy Tomlanovich

## **Publicity**

Chair: TBA

## **Remembrances**

Co-Chair: Sandy Maatsch and Nathalie Weseman

## **Thought for the Day**

Chair: Members in Attendance

## **GFWC-Charlotte 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**

Chair: Jeanette Sommer

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# Community Service Programs

## ARTS

### **Arts in the Community**

Arts Scholarship: Shirley Hirt

GFWC-Charlotte Chorus: Carolyn Maier

### **Creative Arts Program**

Arts and Crafts: Stormi Stuler

Photography: Mary Remenak

## CONSERVATION

### **Beautification**

City Beautification: Stormi Stuler

### **Resource Conservation**

Recycling: Sue Pruden

“Kind News” (publication for school children): Carol Rossio

## EDUCATION

### **Education in the Community**

GFWC-MI Education Foundation: Linda Foster

Kaleidoscope: Linda Foster

Mini Trips: Jo Vandersteldt

My Leads: Gloria Wilson

Senior Scholarship: Gloria Wilson

Tea and Tomes Book Club: Brynda Filkins

### **Focus on Literacy**

Youth Literacy

RIF-Reading is Fundamental: Darlene Freeman

Committee: Jan Day, Sharon Kubica and Lee Falik

Read to Me: Joyce Sparks

# Community Service Programs (continued)

## HOME LIFE

### Helping Hands in the Community Program

Bay Cliff Health Camp: Margie Carter

Girlstown: Carolyn Maier

Mobile Meals, Inc.

President

Linda Foster

Vice President

Beth Fry

Secretary

April Brooks

Treasurer

Lori Pray

GFWC-Charlotte

President Margie Carter

Siren: Jessica Edel

Eaton Clothing and Furniture Center: Carol Monroe

### Focus on Health

Focus on Health CIC 2010-2012 – Get Up and Move (GAM): Mona Ellard, Beth Fry, Peggy Nichols, Pam Jarvi, Lorraine Green, Dana Pray, Mary Remenak, Jessica Sommer, Jo Vanderstelt, Sue Pruden, Carol Rossio, Margie Carter and Jeannette Sommer

Women's Health: Barbara Fulton

### Focus on Financial Issues

Barbara Fulton

### Gourmet Club

Lori Pray

## INTERNATIONAL OUTREACH

### Reaching Out Internationally

Heifer International: Dyna Lehman

Smile Bags: Fran Fuller

Skull Caps for Military: Sara Biskie

## PUBLIC ISSUES

### Citizenship in Action

GFWC-Charlotte Club Archives: Jeanette Sommers

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# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## 2011-2012

### September

Friday, September 16, 2011

#### *Opening Luncheon*

First Lutheran Church, 550 E. Shepherd  
Social Time 11:30 a.m. – Luncheon 12:00 noon  
Cost: \$10.00

*Reservations should be taken to Christensen's Furniture or Hayes Green Beach Gift Basket.*

Program Representative ..... Sylvia Colles  
Co-Chairs: ..... Charlene Sutherland and Patricia Greene  
Committee ..... Connie Miller, Susie Sevitts, Sally Jewell  
Program ..... **Information Fair**  
Music ..... **GFWC-Charlotte Chorus**  
Under the direction of Carolyn Maier

### October

Friday October 7, 2011

#### *Speakers on Women's Health & Tour of Alive*

ALIVE  
Social Time 11:30 a.m. – Luncheon 12:00 noon  
Cost: \$10.00

*Reservations should be taken to Christensen's Furniture or Hayes Green Beach Gift Basket.*

Program Representative ..... Barbara Fulton  
Co-Chairs: ..... Peg Cameron and Sandy Maatsch  
Committee ..... Fran Rush, Carol Rossio, Cheryl Jackson

**November**

**Friday, November 4, 2011**

***An ePIFany Worth Passing On***

Charlotte Community Library, Spartan Room  
Social Time 11:30 a.m. – Luncheon 12:00 noon  
Cost: \$10.00

*Reservations should be taken to Christensen’s Furniture or Hayes Green Beach Gift Basket.*

Program Representative .....Jo Vanderstelt  
Co-Chairs: ..... Sara Biskie and Ana Bastera-Sundquist  
Committee ..... Roberta Kane, Shirley Hirt, Judy Whitkopf  
Program..... **Bob Hoffman, Speaker**

**November**

**Thursday, November 17, 2011**

***New Member Orientation Meeting***

First Baptist Church, 1110 S. Cochran  
12:00 -1:30 p.m.

Membership Committee will host this working luncheon.  
NO cost. Reservations made directly to Jessica Edel

**December**

**Friday, December 2, 2011**

***Annual Holiday Tea***

***Honoring Past Presidents and New Members***

Lawrence Ave Methodist Church, 210 E. Lawrence Ave.  
Social Time 12:30 a.m. – Meeting 1:00 p.m.

*No reservations required. No cost.*

Program Representative ..... Sylvia Colles  
Co-Chairs: ..... Lorraine Green, Sherry Pabst, and Sue Pruden  
Committee: ..... Sue Berger, Carol Idalski, Mary Stafford, Betty Crandall,  
Vivian Flower, Brynda Filkins, Joan Hasselback, Joy St. John  
Music..... **GFWC-Charlotte Chorus**  
Under the direction of Carolyn Maier

**January**

**NO GENERAL MEETING**

**February**

**Friday, February 3, 2012**

***Feng Shui***

Charlotte Community Library, Spartan Room  
Social Time 11:30 a.m. – Luncheon 12:00 noon  
Cost: \$10.00

*Reservations should be taken to Christensen’s Furniture or Hayes Green Beach Gift Basket.*

Program Representative ..... Kathy Tomlanovich  
Co-Chairs: ..... Jan Day and Dianna Rabey  
Committee ..... Kim Capps, Sherry Myers, Peggy Nichols  
Program ..... **Lori Greer, Speaker**

**March**

**Friday, March 2, 2012**

***Genealogy – Women of Early Charlotte***

Charlotte Community Library, Spartan Room  
Social Time 11:30 a.m. – Luncheon 12:00 noon  
Cost: \$10.00

*Reservations should be taken to Christensen’s Furniture or Hayes Green Beach Gift Basket.*

Program Representative ..... Jo Vanderstelt  
Co-Chairs: ..... Lori Pray and Barb Thiel  
Committee ..... Jessica Edel, Jeannette Sommer, Pam Jarvi  
Program ..... **Lila Klaiss and Mary Jean Baker, Speakers**

**April**

**Friday, April 6, 2012**

***Annual Business Meeting & Installation of Officers  
Women of Islam***

Charlotte Community Library  
Social Time 11.30 a.m. – Lunch 12 noon  
Cost: \$10.00

*Reservations should be taken to Christensen's Furniture or Hayes Green Beach Gift Basket.*

Program Representative ..... Kathy Tomlanovich  
Co-Chairs: .....April Brooks and Mona Ellard  
Committee ..... LeAnn Green, Sonnie Cody, Suzanne Hayes  
Program..... **Dustin Byrd, Speaker**

**May**

**Friday, May 4, 2012**

***Brainstorming***

Charlotte Community Library, Spartan Room  
**Fellowship time and planning session for next club year.**  
12:00 noon

No reservations, no cost

Casual dress. Bring your own sack lunch. Beverages and dessert will be provided.

This is an important meeting in deciding what the programming should be for the next club year. Please make plans to attend!!

Co-Chairs .....Stormi Stuler and Nancy Holtz  
Committee ..... Eva Crandall, Joyce Sparks, Amy Zemke



**May**

**Friday, May 4, 2012**

***Husband/Guest Night***

AL!VE

Social Time 5:30 a.m. – Dinner 6:00 p.m.

Cost: TBA

*Reservations should be taken to Christensen's Furniture or Hayes Green Beach Gift Basket.*

Program Representative..... Barbara Fulton  
Co-Chairs ..... Katie Dornbos and Mary Remenak  
Committee.....Marilyn Hart, Dana Pray, Norma Curtis  
Program.....TBA

**May**

**Wednesday, May 16, 2012**

***64th Annual Senior Tea***

Charlotte Performing Arts Center

1:00 p.m.

*No reservations required. No cost. All members are requested to attend.*

Program Representative ..... Sylvia Colles  
Co-Chairs ..... Connie Fast, Jessica Sommer and Sue Farlin  
Committee..... Lola Wilson, Fran Fuller, Elizabeth Siler, Donna M. Johnson,  
Shelby Butler, Sharon Adam, Kim Byrens, Okja Kim,  
Kim Frieburger, Beth Fry, Ann Garvey, Shirley Rann  
Program.....***To Face the Wind***  
David Paul Eich, Keynote Speaker  
Music.....**GFWC-Charlotte Chorus**  
under the direction of Carolyn Maier

**A note from the Program Committee:**

**The 2011-2012 programs were chosen based on the results of the brainstorming meeting and the survey completed by members and the search for variety and quality within our programming. Thank you for sharing your ideas.**

