



GFWC Big Rapids Newsletter



October, 2020

"Words have no meaning until they are put into Action."

Hello Ladies,

Fall has quickly arrived and the trees are looking beautiful. I hope everyone will get a chance to take a color tour and enjoy them. It doesn't last very long.

Please read the newsletter and check out our new donations and volunteer opportunities. Remember to send in your CSP activities so we can get them in the next newsletter. We will be meeting at the Elks again in October as well as making the meeting available on ZOOM. Hope to see you all there.

Ann

"Autumn is a second spring where every leaf is a flower."

Albert Camus



General Meeting
Tuesday, October 13th
Our Business meeting begins at
6:30pm
Big Rapids Elks
Program: Elder Abuse Awareness



**Sending our care,
concerns and hugs to:**

Mary Sue Hansen

Carl Boroff

Bruce Fredrick

Jennifer Houttiker

Judy Irvin



Our October Birthdays are:

Sue Bean—10/2

Dee Van Horn - 10/14



IMPORTANT

If you know of a volunteer project that we can help out with, please let Ann or Linda know. We are willing to assist other groups in our community.



Don't Miss!
Tuesday, Oct. 13th
6:30pm Big Rapids Elks

We will be at the Elks where we will be able to practice social distancing and encourage everyone to wear a mask if possible. The business meeting will start at 6:30 since we will not be able to serve refreshments.

For those who are not able to attend in person, you will be able to attend via ZOOM. The link will be emailed to you.

Please bring any of the following:

Can Pull Tabs

Batteries for recycle

Quarters for Heifer International

Items for gift bags for Nursing Home residents

Pencils & Pens

Crayons & Markers

Tissue with Lotion

Word Search Puzzles

Coloring Books (not too babyish)

Paint by Number water color

Or anything that you think that would brighten someone's day

Ongoing Collection of Recyclable clean pop cans or bottles to help the Big Rapids Scouts camp fund — Drop any donations at Sue Johnson's office

UPCOMING FALL PROJECTS

To be explained at our meeting

November:

Nov. 16—**Fall & Holiday Flower arrangements** for special friends and shut ins—collecting silk flower supply donations as well as coffee cups for the containers

Nov. meeting: **Collecting things for the Women Vets:**

Makeup Bag to store items in

Nail Polish & Remover Magnifier

Hair Accessories (headbands, Bobby Pins, Clips etc.)

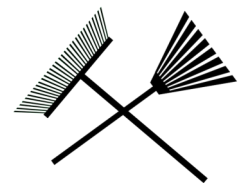
Chap Stick Hand Lotion (small size)

Note Pads, Stationary Repair Kits for Glasses

Shoe horn (long handled if possible)



Thank You, Road
Cleanup Queens for
Fall 2020



Our faithful team did another excellent job of cleaning the 2 mile stretch of M20 on behalf of GFWC Big Rapids.

Well done, girls!





Woman's Heritage Walk Sept. 18th



Ann, Jerena & Melanie participated in the Woman's Heritage Walk. The group started at Artworks to see Willful Women displays, then proceeded to walk down Michigan Ave. and stopped by three businesses that are owned by women: Serendipity, the Pie Hole, and Optometric Associates. We continued to walk to the Big Rapids Library to see the Anna Howard Shaw Statue and upon arrival we sang an original song of the Suffragettes . The Honorable Susan Grant gave us a synopsis of Anna Howard Shaw's life as well as sharing Susan's life experiences of becoming a Judge in Mecosta County.



We did share our VOTES FOR WOMEN buttons with others in the walk. If you did not get a button at our last meeting, please let us know, because we hope that our members can wear them daily as our election approaches.



We are sorry to say that
Bags, Baubles,
Bon Bons & Bites

has been **CANCELLED**

