

GFWC Big Rapids Newsletter

September, 2020

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

Hello Ladies,

September has arrived and it is time to start our new club year. We appreciate the members who have been working throughout the summer. A special thank you to Melanie, Pam, Maureen and those who helped make the "Summer Celebration" a success.

The leaves on the trees are changing and so is GFWC. Hope everyone will plan to join our meeting on September 8th and the ZOOM NWD meeting on September 19th to familiarize yourself with some of these changes. This will help us to go forward.

Have a safe and fun filled holiday weekend.

Ann Stellard

"Autumn, the season that teaches us, that change can be beautiful!"

We're starting our new club year



Tuesday, September 8th
Our Business meeting begins at
6:30pm



Big Rapids Elks



Sending our care, concerns and hugs to: Jennifer Houttiker Judy Irvin Mary Sue Hansen



Our September Birthdays are
Joan Boroff—9/21
Beth Martz—9/21
Ruth York—9/22
Pat Rossi—9/29

Ann's September
Wonderful Wacky Words to Live By
"Life is all about how you handle Plan B"



Don't Miss!



Our 1st GFWC Big Rapids meeting of our new club year

Tuesday, Sept. 8th 6:30pm Big Rapids Elks

We are still planning on having our first meeting of the year on Sept 8th at the Elks where we will be able to practice social distancing. The <u>business meeting will start at 6:30</u> since we will not be able to serve refreshments. This will be an informative meeting with an explanation of the new CSP's as well as brainstorming ideas for projects for our new club year.

Please bring any Can Pull Tabs or Batteries for recycle.

We will be collecting our annual dues and you will receive your new Pink Book. We look forward to seeing everyone.



Northwestern District Fall ZOOM Meeting

Saturday, Sept 19th

8:45am

It is FREE

RSVP to Denise Allen (dmand5@yahoo.com)
to register and the ZOOM link will be emailed to you
Deadline for registration Sept 12th.



Sue Johnson installed our new 2020-2022 Board Ann Stellard, President, Linda Telfer, 1st VP, Pat Rossi, 2nd VP, Celeste Szczerowski, Secretary, Dee Van Horn, Treasurer.



MI State President, Ruthann Northon presented our club with 12 State Awards



CSP OF THE YEAR is CONSERVATION: Ann Stellard, Sue Johnson, Beth Martz, Linda Telfer, Celeste Szczerowski, Carrie Franklund.



Highlights of AWARDS, AWARDS



Ruth York was honored as our Woman of Achievement



Mary Beth Vanderlist honored PAT ROSSI with CLUB WOMAN OF THE YEAR



YEAR AWARDS FOR GFWC MEMBERSHIP were presented to Pam Muccio - 40 years, Ruth York - 30 years, Dee Van Horn & Melanie Henry - 15 years. Sue Bean 2VP presented. Mary Sue Hansen was also awarded 35 years but not able to attend.



We honored our favorite past GFWC State President and fellow Big Rapids GFWC Sister:

SUE JOHNSON





We were thrilled to present
Sue with a quilt and
matching tote to commemorate her wonderful
Presidency.



If you weren't able to see the quilt in person, here is a picture. Each of your names are written in the white rectangles at the bottom of each square. Three of the corners are Sue's presidential logos and the 4th corner is our international logo. The center square is a picture of Sue at her inauguration, kicking up her famous GFWC high heel.

The quilt was designed by Pat Rossi and Ann Stellard and Melanie Henry helped creating it. Loni from Dezigns with Loni printed all the 4 corners and center picture.

This quilt was created by much love and admiration for Sue from all the members of our club.





Aug. 26th Anniversary of Women's Right To Vote

5 members met at Young's Winery to celebrate our 100th anniversary of Women's Right to Vote. Each gal received a button to wear proudly during these next few months leading up to the election. We have a button for you too! Be sure to get one at our September meeting.





Another Woman's Treasures

We had to POSTPONE this event until the Spring of 2021.



THIS IS STILL TENTATIVE depending on Michigan restrictions.



Bags, Baubles, Bon Bons & Bites

Thursday, Nov. 19th 4—7pm Artworks

Proceeds from the sale will be divided between

Artworks and a charity of our choice.



