



# Mayfield Women's Club, Inc. GFWC/OFWC

## Newsletter – March 2017



**General Meeting:** Monday, March 20, 2017; 7:00 PM  
Mayfield Village Community Room  
6621 Wilson Mills Road, Mayfield Village

**Board Meeting:** 6:00 PM

**Greeting Hostess:** Cathy W – Arrive at 5:30 PM

**Serving Hostesses:** Barb P (Chair), Peg De B, Mary Ann P, Mary Lou W



### CO-PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

**A** reminder to begin planning for our Annual International Potluck Dinner and Chinese Raffle and the artistic baskets that will be made for April 10<sup>th</sup>.

Thank you Marie E and her team for the delicious set up at break time.

A special thank you to our Corresponding Secretary who is beginning to publish explanations about our various Club committees so new members will have a guide as to the functions of our committees and how they work to meet our Club needs.

Martii L and Mary Ann P

#### ★ March Program

Planning for the April International Potluck & Raffle

Georgene C and Joan B

#### ★ Committees

##### Banquet

Do make sure you have reserved Saturday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> for our annual party celebrating our accomplishments of the year and installing our Officers for 2017-2018. New members—You will enjoy this unhurried time to enjoy a family style meal, catch up with members of our friendly group, and affirm your choice of Mayfield Women's Club as a worthwhile commitment.

With the gratuity included, the cost will be \$25.00, payable by check (Mayfield Women's Club, Inc., GFWC/OFWC) in April or May. The committee guarantees a delightful event

Marie E

##### Legislation & Public Affairs:

March is Women's History Month. Check these sites to read about these brave and gifted women! We thank them for all they have done! <http://www.gfwc.org/events/womens-history-month-reception/>; <http://womenshistorymonth.gov/>; <http://www.nwhp.org/>

Marcia P

##### Social Committee:

Wednesday, April 5<sup>th</sup>; Trip to West Side Market; Lunch at University Inn.

Car Pool from Mayfield Village Civic Center—Leave at 9:15 AM; Return around 3:30 PM.

Cost: Your own purchases at market and lunch. Donation to be made for driver(s) gas and parking fees. Signup sheet will be at the General meeting.

Betty Jo M



Committees – continued

### **Ways and Means Committee:**

The Club will discuss the planning of the April 10<sup>th</sup> International Potluck and Chinese Raffle at the March General meeting. See attached listing for descriptive examples.

Carol E; Patti F

### **Welfare:**

MWC Club members will be visiting Altercare at St. Joseph Center, 4191 Richmond Rd; March 15<sup>th</sup>, Arrive at 6:30 with your two (2) dozen or more cookies to help set up. Plan on being at the center about an hour and a half, leaving approximately 8:30 PM

Chris B will bring more baskets to the March 20<sup>th</sup> meeting that any Club member can take and create a raffle basket for the April 10<sup>th</sup> raffle.

Chris B; Marty N; Vaughn W; Sally Y

### **Yearbook:**

As many of you know, I've been having problems with our web host for the Mayfield Women's Club. I am looking to switch the SP to a more reliable host. I may use the same company that hosts the website for our band down here in Bonita, Florida. I am asking for your input for the "new and improved" MWC site.

When you get a few minutes, please go to our site, write down what you like and PLEASE write down ideas for improvements. It could be the way it looks (format) font size and readability, content—what pages and information do you find most important. Pretend that you are someone who is looking at our site who may be interested in joining. What would you like to see?

In the meantime, our site has not been updated as it should have been. I haven't been able to edit it for weeks due to problems with our web host. I finally got the February newsletter posted about February 20<sup>th</sup>. So keep that in mind as you look over the site.

Thanks a lot for your help. See you in April!

Click here to see our site: [Home](#)

Diane S.

## **★ [OFWC/GFWC Information](#)**

### **[LED/OFWC/GFWC](#)**

Club yearly reports must be completed District-wide by March 1<sup>st</sup>. with District Judging complete for Awards to be given at the OFWC Convention on Saturday, April 22, 2017. Thanks to our Club leaders for getting Club individual reports in on time for Diane and Barb to complete the annual report and mailed the various copies to OFWC Chairmen/Officers. Fellow members of MWC, it is important to fill out our sheets projects/activities take place during the Club year so we can continue to account for our Club's many good works.

### **[Lake Erie District Legislation Day, 2017](#)**

Saturday, March 18, 2017; 9:00 AM-2:30 PM; Vittorio's boun appeito, 29664 Euclid Ave, Wickliffe; Hosted by Eastlake Women's Club; Speaker: Carrie Dotson, Lake County, "Community Action Agency = Lifeline". She will detail what Lifeline does for Lake County and what other Community Action Agencies are/do in other counties. Cost: \$16 per person includes registration and lunch. Any member interested in attending, please notify Barbara S or Betty Jo M. Deadline for our Club to register is Wed, March 8<sup>th</sup>.

Betty Jo M



**Mayfield Women's Club Slate of Officers 2017-2018**

We want to thank the following members who have agreed to run for the office for our 2017-2018 Club year:

Co-Presidents	Martti L and Mary Ann P
First Vice President (Membership)	Sally Y
Second Vice Presidents	Joan B and Georgene C
Recording Secretary	Peg DeB
Corresponding Secretary	Marcia P
Treasurer	Barb S
Parliamentarians	Barb S and Diana T



Additional nominations are welcome and will be accepted at the March meeting. We will vote on the proposed slate of officers at the March Meeting.

Carolyn A, Gail B, Barb S, Diana T



*3/7 - Georgene C*  
*3/9 - Mary W*  
*3/15 - Laurie E*  
*3/24 - Sally Y*  
*3/27 - Dotti C*



## ★ Our Committee Work

*Continuing the series on our Club's Committees, I meet with the Welfare Committee this month to learn about their projects, plans, and passion for their work.*

Marcia P

### Welfare Committee

This group consists of Co-Chairs Chris B and Marty N, Jane C, Peg DeB, Carol E, Patti F, Mary McK, Mary Lou W, Vaughn W, Sally Y. I met with them on Sunday, March 5<sup>th</sup> in Marty's home.

The Club Yearbook describes the Welfare Committee as "This committee plans all welfare projects for the Club year." This sentence does not give the detail this group handles. They are passionate about their work and who they choose for their projects. It was mentioned the word Welfare should be Philanthropy because of the depth of what they do and who they serve.

I define this group as "The Givers". They wisely use the funds raised by the Ways & Means Committee. Their goal is to reach as many people as possible and accomplish as many tasks as their committee and our Club can do. They also define their group as a "Community Outreach" program. The for who, what, where and what to do with the committee funds are carefully organized.

Their resources are not only provided by the Ways & Means Committee but by the Club member donations. The members donate what is specifically requested and they add more of what may be needed. As an example, at our holiday party in December, it was suggested to bring gloves, hats, socks, toiletries, "girly-girl" things-all colorful, sparkly with lots of flair. So much was brought in that an extra table was necessary to hold them! This committee knows our members are very giving and they graciously accept and appreciate their donations. The extra donations go beyond the holiday season and are used whenever the needs are located. There are always plastic boxes on an entry table at every meeting to collect needed supplies, old phones, pop tabs, and a bench by the front door to collect food for the Food Pantry and always collecting trial size toiletries for the "Bags of Love" that are distributed to shelters, VA Hospital and nursing homes. The fall months (September to December) seem to be the most productive with collecting Christmas cards for Veterans, re-using the stars from old worn flags, making no-sew blankets, making books bags so elementary school kids can take home a book to read...and yes, the list for "doing" goes on and on.

The projects and goals are decided by the Co-Chairs Chris B and Marty N and then discussed in length with their committee members. All input is welcomed by the Co-Chairs because they know the value of their team. They meet in June to discuss and plan the next Club year. As a group, the projects are organized, planned and set for the new Club year's needs and what the community needs. They work with the local schools to participate in the Club events such as scheduling a choir group for a holiday party. Over the years, they have supported other organizations such as collecting school supplies at the August President's Picnic for the Cleveland Council of Jewish Women's Project. Often times, projects are suggested by the committee members who learn of new needs from their friends, from other meetings they attend or just happen to hear of something.

A long time success of this committee is a group home in the neighborhood for special needs adult women called "The Way". The committee sets up Halloween and Christmas parties for these ladies. They are filled with love and so popular that the residents who have moved to other locations, come back for the parties. The House Mother knows her resident's needs and wants and works with the Co-Chairs to plan these events. And since this project has grown, the committee is considering using another location to house these events. Many committee members participate in this and it is often their favorite.

The personal criteria to be a participant in this committee is compassion, caring and a few dashes of creativity. A committee member donates their time, energy, ideas to create new projects, tweak current ones and decide what project may need to be 'recycled'.

What happens “behind the scenes” with this group? The answer is planning, organizing, scheduling, phone calls, reviewing suggestions from Club members, looking at projects in a different direction, and being “hands-on” with it all.

Going forward they will continue to excel in their projects with the help of their compassion and all the Club members who bring the same. Maybe it is time for a different name for this group to truly describe their work, process and successes. I’m sure they will create one that will define them and their work!



### Next Meeting -4/10

- Mayfield Village Civic Center
- International Potluck Dinner & Raffle
- Raffle 6:00 PM; Potluck 7:00 PM



### Newsletter

April newsletter information is due Thursday, March 23 (Due to the earlier April meeting date.) Thank you!



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