



GFWC Woman's Club of Pewaukee

Member of GFWC



A Monthly Newsletter for Members, **November, 2024**

President's Corner:

Dear Woman's Club Sisters,

The GFWC Woman's Club of Pewaukee 120TH Anniversary Razzle Dazzle Gala at the Commodore Grand Heritage Ballroom was a spectacular affair. As we viewed our past history on screen, it was apparent that we are truly part of an incredible group of women. **Thank you to all of the women who dedicated their time and efforts in front and behind the scenes. A special thanks to Christine Howard and Abby Lorenz who co-chaired this amazing event.** Christine and Abby (Pictured on the right) receiving a proclamation recognizing the GFWC Woman's Club of Pewaukee Community Service.



Honored dignitaries who attended the event included Jeff Knutson, Village Board President, Village of Pewaukee, Adam Neylon, State Representative, Wisconsin's 15th Assembly District, a representative from Paul Farrow, Waukesha County Executive, Jennifer Dorow, Wisconsin Circuit Court Judge, Waukesha County and Paul Decker, past chairman Waukesha County Board of Supervisors (pictured on the right). The evening was a night to remember!



With Veterans Day being in November, I want to recognize our Armed Forces. Since the wake of 9/11 and terrorist attacks, as of 2020 the U.S. has had 173,000 troops deployed in 159 countries and currently maintains at least 750 foreign military bases across 80 countries. As the top military power in the world, according to the Global Firepower index, the U.S. has a vested interest in the national security of countries across the globe. You see, our Armed Forces mission is truly the quote of Elenore Roosevelt, "True patriotism springs from a belief in the dignity of the individual, freedom and equality not only for Americans but for all people on the Earth". During your Thanksgiving celebrations please remember these courageous men and women.

Please feel free to email or call me for questions, suggestions, ideas or feedback.

Yours faithfully,

Happy Thanksgiving, Christine Nevinski

Membership

GFWC Signage

It has long been the desire to have the presence of the GFWC in Pewaukee recognized. Mary Dietz contacted the Village Board on several occasions with persistence and attended 2 board meetings to fulfill that goal. Mary also met with James Forester to secure the GFWC branding with other recognized organizations. James governs the



property on the corner of Highway 164 and Capitol Drive in Pewaukee where recognized organization plaques are placed. Pictured above to the left at the second board meeting are Mary Dietz, Claire Sedushak and James Forester and to the right is the Pewaukee Village Board, Jim Grabowski (Trustee), Jeff Knutson (President), Claire Sedushak, Mary Dietz, Christine Nevinski, Chris Krasovich (Trustee), and Bob Rohde (Trustee) where approval for the sign was given. The GFWC Woman's Club of Pewaukee was also given a proclamation recognizing their Community service. (Nancy Niedziela, not pictured, attended the first Village Board Meeting with Mary.)

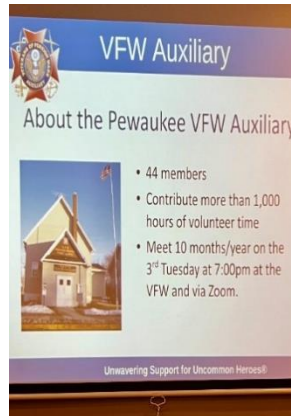
New Members



The Installation of new members occurred during the October Membership Meeting. GFWC- WI Vice President Elect, Erin Epping (pictured far left) with new members, Susan Taraska, Diane Bernier, Dottie Hrenak, Nancy Yuhas, Carol Rose-Guerin and Christine Nevinski. Erin (pictured in the

center) spoke to members on the Collect for Clubwomen and Linda Kowalewski and Jean Oswald (pictured on the right) handed out the membership mugs to our new members.

Learning About the Pewaukee Veterans of Foreign War (VFW) Auxiliary and Helping Homeless Vets



Jean Miller (pictured above left) President of the Pewaukee VFW Auxiliary Post 9637 spoke to members regarding the VFW at the October membership meeting. Abby Lorenz and Sandy Potter (pictured above right) are shown with items collected from members for the Homeless Veterans.

Canine Carnival

Our Animals in Need



The Canine Carnival Event held on Saturday October 5th from 11 am-3pm at the Kiwanis Village Park in Pewaukee had perfect weather and a great turnout. Kathleen Novack chaired the event with over 20 GFWC Woman's Club of Pewaukee members volunteering to register families and assist with the canine games. (See above pictures). The proceeds go to maintaining the Pewaukee park areas for canines.



Greetings from The Walking Group

Come and join the Walking Group!

Monday and Wednesday at 9am

Meet in front of Brewer's Two Café

203 W Wisconsin Ave., Pewaukee, Wi

Walk off the pounds while enjoying other members company and beautiful Pewaukee Lake scenery. Contact Jean Oswald at 414-364-3462 for additional information

The 120th Razzle Dazzle Gala Event



The GFWC Woman's Club of Pewaukee 120TH Razzle Dazzle Gala was a night dedicated to celebrating the rich history and enduring spirit of the Club. Pictured on the top left corner are guests enjoying pictures on screen from the Club's past. Besides watching the slides, guests enjoyed a fabulous dinner and live music. Music was provided by vocalist Ben Tajnai (past contestant from American Idol). Pictured above right-hand corner are members Eileen Jarosz, Peggy Dynicki and Karen Berg. Pictured below left-hand corner are Kitty Nevinski and her husband and Ella Dzioba with her husband. Pictured below center is Karen Patrick with Lana Jerabek, and pictured lower right-hand corner is from the left Ginny Lockman, Martha Balfany, Eileen Jarosz, Kathleen Novack and Nancy Ackley. Thank you to all who supported this once in a lifetime event!



Supporting our Sister Club



Nineteen women of the GFWC Women's Club of Pewaukee enjoyed the GFWC Oconomowoc Woman's Club Fabulous Fall Fashion Style Show and luncheon on Wednesday October 9, 2024 at the Golden Mast Inn on Okauchee Lake. Lovely luncheon and beautiful fashions!

Positively Pewaukee's Halloween FunFest



Cam Strom, Nancy Ackley and Barb Wollner pictured above center distributed treats for the trick-or-treaters during Positively Pewaukee's FunFest held on Saturday October 19th. About 300 pieces of candy were purchased for the event. Parents and children who came to the table expressed their thanks. Mary Benz, not pictured, also assisted with the treats. A fun time for all!

GFWC Great Lakes Region Meeting



Nancy Niedziela attended the GFWC Great Lakes Region Meeting representing GFWC Woman's Club of Pewaukee in Mundy Township, Flint, Michigan from October 17-20, 2024. Pictured above left corner is Carol Wolfenden, GFWC Rolling Hills District President, above right is the Wisconsin Delegation. Below on the lower left-hand corner is the Wisconsin Delegation with the GFWC President, lower center picture is Missy Kimbal, GFWC-Wisconsin Junior Director carrying the Wisconsin flag and lower right-hand corner is Linda Brown, GFWC-Wisconsin President.



Mark Your Calendars

GFWC Wisconsin's Own Library Open House- Lane Library at Ripon College
300 W. Seward Street Ripon, Wisconsin Saturday, November 9, 2024 from
1pm-3pm. Free admission!

*Listen to live poetry readings featuring Poet-in-Residence Max Schleicher

*Learn the history of the Collection

*Enjoy refreshments

*RSVP to Sue Bednarek at 920-295-6509 or sjbednarek@charter.net by November 7th



GFWC-WI Winter Bee Hive Chats (Virtual)-February 10-14 and 17-21, 2025, additional information to come.

GFWC WI 128th Convention-May 1-3, 2025, Janesville, Wisconsin; Janesville Conference Center and Holiday Inn Express, additional information to come.

Community Service Programs and Special Committees Activities Save the Dates

High Tea

Thursday, November 14th, Honoring our Honorary Members and Past Presidents
Western Lakes Country Club, 2:00 to 4:00pm Please contact Germaine McKenna at
germaine.mckenna@gmail.com , Nancy Niedziela at nancyniedziela@gmail.com or
Sandy Potter at spotter415@gmail.com for further information



Arts and Culture Committee

Arts and Crafts Project Day

Painted Wood Discs and Custom Card Making

Thursday, November 21st (12:30-3:30pm)

Pewaukee Historical Society Steele Barn

Cost: \$5.00 (3 Wooden Discs and 15+ cards) **Payment due to WCP Treasurer by November 7, 2024**

Please contact Eileen Jarosz; co-chair at 262-720-9561 for further information



Theater Show and Dinner



Twas The Month Before Christmas (Comedy)

Sunday, December 8, 2024 (Show 2pm; Dinner at 4:30pm)

Show is at the Sunset Playhouse in Elm Grove (free parking)

Cost: \$23.00 Sign up deadline: October 27th Payment due to Treasurer by November 7th

Optional dinner to follow at Bar Louie at Brookfield Square Mall. The cost of dinner is not included in the ticket price.

Please contact Eileen Jarosz; co-chair at 262-720-9561 for further information

Seasonal Group

Happy Halloween Bunco

Thursday, October 31, 2024 at the Pewaukee Historical Society Steele Barn (Pot luck lunch at noon, Bunco from 1-3) You are welcome to wear a costume!



Jingle All the Way Bunco

Thursday, December 19, 2024 (Pot Luck lunch at noon, Bunco from 1-3pm).

Pewaukee Area Historical Society Steele Barn

206 E. Wisconsin Avenue, Pewaukee. (Please park on the street). A signup sheet will be at the November and December Membership meeting.

Please contact Mary Dietz at 262-336-4049 for further information.



Volunteer Opportunities

Ring the Bell for Salvation Army-Friday November 29th

The GFWC Woman's Club of Pewaukee is again helping our neighbors. The Salvation Army helps people in need regardless of their religion, race, gender, sexual orientation, or political affiliation. The Salvation Army offers a variety of services, including: Emergency services, Housing, Disaster relief, Veteran services, Job training, Youth services, Senior centers and Christmas programs. For more than 100 years, the Salvation Army has been responding to natural disasters and other emergencies within the United States. No matter the season, Salvation Army mobile feeding units and teams of trained disaster workers are always ready to offer help, hope and healing to disaster survivors and rescue workers.



Please contact Susan Atherton at 414-510-5600 to see how you can help.



Shop with a Cop

The GFWC Woman's Club of Pewaukee is pleased to be a part of the Pewaukee Police Department and Shop with a Cop. The event is Saturday, December 7th. Volunteers will be needed to wrap presents and more.

Please contact Claire Sedushak at 262-844-8858 or Mary Benz at 262-269-4676 for additional information.

Donation Opportunities



Shoeboxes of Love

Operation Christmas Child (OCC) boxes must be returned on the General Membership Monday, November 4th meeting. Contact Nancy Niedziela at 262-367-6512 with any questions. Any member interested in **volunteering** for the OCC packing party, should come to the YMCA from 11-2pm at the Pabst Farms in Oconomowoc on Sunday, November 10, 2024. Contact Karen Berg at 401-486-5994 or Sandy Soria at 773-708-6830 for additional volunteer information.

On **Monday, Dec 2nd from 3-9pm**. **Bubbas** will be donating a percentage of their sales to the Pewaukee Woman's Club. Bubbas is located at 1278 Capitol Drive, Pewaukee Wisconsin. Come and enjoy a good meal while donating to the community!



Sunshine Committee- Are you or do you know of a Club member who is having surgery? Have you or do you know of a club member who has experienced a recent death in the family? Please contact **Carole Brinkman** at carole.brinkman@yahoo.com or **Kathleen Novack** at kthlnnvck@gmail.com.

November Birthdays

Susan Atherton, Kathy Fulton, Christine Howard, Rona Kasdorf, Nancy Koeppe, Ginny Lockman, Kitty Nevinski, Sandra Potter, Sue Taraska, Donna Truelove



IN MEMORANDUM



Malane joined the Woman's Club of Pewaukee in 2019, and from the start became a very active member in a wide range of club committees and events.

Her obituary can be found on the Krause website.

Malane J. Kunkel, age 75, passed away on October 10, 2024. A Celebration of Life will be held on November 23, 2024, from 11:30 AM – 2:30 PM at Loft on the Lake, 221 West Wisconsin Avenue, Pewaukee, Wisconsin.

