

Newsletter – February 2012

February Meeting

Dr. Faye Pappalardo, President of Carroll Community College, will be our featured speaker at our February meeting on **Tuesday, February 14th** at 1:00 P.M. at the Carroll Non-Profit Building in Westminster. There will be lots of updates on what our club will be doing over the next few months.

February is **Heart Health Month** and, as a symbolic gesture, it would be nice if everyone wore **RED**. Not to mention it will be Valentine's Day!

Home Life

In **April 2012**, Home Life will host a "**Baby Shower**" for children in the Safehouse, a residence for victims of domestic violence. Connie Sgarlata, Assistant Executive Director of Family Services, suggested club members collect things according to the first letter of our last names, in alphabetical order, so that 50 people do not bring in the same items. Please find your suggested donation items below, according to the first letter of your last name:

A – D Diapers Sizes 3, 4, and 5; Baby Wipes, Powder, and Shampoo

E – I Baby Body Wash; Pajamas (sizes 12-months and up); Small Blankets; Washcloths

J – N Baby Towels; Dreft (Baby Laundry Detergent); Socks, Mittens, and Hats

O – S Baby and Toddler Cups; Toddler Eating Utensils; Board Books (not paper); Slippers

T – Z Snowsuits (12 months or older); Snow Boots (various sizes)

Connie suggests that this time of year is a good time to shop for the above baby things because a lot of winter items will be on sale. Any questions? Contact Pat Harter or Joan Antonio, co-chairs.

Education

Share the books you have enjoyed by donating them to the club's "used book sale". We use the proceeds to purchase books for various literacy projects.

Sign-up sheet for readers for Dr. Seuss' birthday celebration: Friday, March 2 at Spring Garden School in Hampstead and Monday, March 5 will be available.

Book Browsers

Book Browsers will meet **Monday, February 20th** at 10:00 A.M. at the home of Betty Mathias to discuss **Room** by Emma Donoghue. Nancy Hiatt will lead the discussion.

Reminder From Membership

Please remember to **annotate your yearbooks** with all the new members' contact information sent in the January newsletter.

Arts

GFWC MEMBERS' ARTS AND CRAFTS EXHIBIT

Based on our informal survey at the January club meeting, we decided to combine our **Members' Arts and Crafts Exhibit** with our **May 8 luncheon** rather than have a separate event. Please **consider sharing your creative talents** as we celebrate who we are as a club.

Here are the categories available for you to choose from:

Arts

- Oil and Acrylic
- Pastel
- Watercolor
- Sculpture

Crafts

- Cross Stitch
- Jewelry
- Wreaths
- Quilting
(as we have room)
- Crocheting
- Knitting
- Ceramics
- Doll
- Needlework
- Stained Glass
- Hand Painted Items
- Sewing

Photography

- Nature
- People
- Events, etc.

Literary

- Fiction
- Non-fiction
- Poetry

Thanks to those who have already registered to exhibit. You still have until **March 13th** to register! **Use the registration form attached**; bring your completed form(s) to our February meeting.

MARYLAND ART, CRAFTS, & PHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBIT

Rules and details for the state contest/exhibit on **April 14-16** are on pages 14 - 15 of the winter *The Maryland Clubwoman* magazine. Art categories have changed and there is a new photography category. Photography entries must have been taken during the contest year. We had a state winner last year. Let's try for another. All entry cards (2 for each entry) must be in to Nancy McAllister no later than **Friday, February 24**.

MEMBERS' ARTS AND CRAFTS SHOW
GFWC Woman's Club of Westminster
May 8, 2012

REGISTRATION FORM

Registration Deadline is March 13.

Please bring this form to the February Club meeting to register your entry and to facilitate our planning. You can also send it to either Barbara Humbert (beh495@yahoo.com) or Nancy James (nhames409@verizon.net). The form below will be attached to your item(s), so fill in a separate form for each entry. Print as many copies as you need.

Exhibitor: _____

Category: _____

Title (if any): _____

Additional information you wish to share:
