

**GFWC WOMAN'S CLUB OF WESTMINSTER, INC**  
**June 12, 2011**

**Notes from the President**

Thank you! Every club member has contributed to a great year of special accomplishments. In addition to our very interesting meetings we celebrated our 100th anniversary with great panache (thanks, Program Committee!). We have been recognized for outstanding contribution by GFWC and other community organizations as follows:

**GFWC Western District of Maryland**

- \$25.00 to Home Life Committee for use at the local domestic violence shelter
- First Place International Outreach Award
- First Place Education Partnership Award

**GFWC Maryland Federation of Women's Clubs, Inc**

- Outstanding [gfwc.md.org](http://gfwc.md.org) Website Use
- GFWC Community Service Program: International Outreach - Collaboration
- GFWC Community Service Program: International Outreach -Partnership
- GFWC Community Service Program: Education - Partnership

**General Federation of Women's Clubs, International President**

- 100th Anniversary Certificate

**Certificate of Appreciation from Chesapeake Bay Foundation**

**Carroll County Public Library:** Plaque to be placed in recognition of the Woman's Club of Westminster donation

Kudos to all!

The **September Board Meeting** will be changed to August 30, 2011 at the Carroll Non-Profit Center at 9:30 am. This is also picnic day, so hopefully everyone will be in town to attend. I appreciate the adjustment to the schedule, since I will be in Rhode Island on September 6 to be with an expected new grandchild. We will have a special order of business on that day, to appoint a vice-president. Sharon Quinter has resigned as Vice President to move with her husband to South Carolina. We will sorely miss her, but wish her well in her new home.

There are a couple changes in Community Service Program co-chair positions. The Home Life Program will be co-chaired by Pat Harter and Jean Picardi. We are looking for a volunteer to co-chair Conservation with Dottie Piper. If you're interested please contact me.

I look forward to seeing you at the picnic, and hope you enjoy your summer.

Carol  
Carol Kershner  
President

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**Annual Summer Picnic** – Once again, Lura Griswold has offered to host the club's Annual Summer Picnic. This is always a fun time to catch up after the long summer break. The date is August 30 at 5:30 p.m. Please bring your chair and the following dish to share:

**A-D Beverages (soda, ice tea, lemonade)**  
**E-J Salad**  
**K-Q Entrée**  
**R-Z Dessert**

Bring a friend who might be interested in joining. It's a great time to meet other members! Hope to see you there!

**Country Picnic For the Arts – Did you know that our clubwoman Joan Barlow won a 1st Place Award for her painting entered in the Maryland Federation's Art show?** She's just one of the *many* talented women in our club. On September 24th Dawn Thomas and the Arts Community Service Program will host a Country Picnic to honor the artistic talents of our clubwomen and to raise money for Babs Condon's 2014 Installation as GFWC International President. If you do needlework, take pictures (you don't have to be a professional photographer – take a picture of your grandkids or your garden!), create pottery, draw, paint – whatever – fill out the attached form and send it to Barbara Humbert or Nancy James to enter your work in the show. It will be a fun afternoon at the Thomas' beautiful home – mark your calendar and plan to attend. We'd love 100% attendance!

**Thanks From the Junior Woman's Club of Westminster** – Many of our members supported the Junior Club by attending the performance of "Rosie the Riveter." This was a fundraiser for the Juniors and featured music and stories of the women's role during WWII. There were actually "Rosies" in the audience who shared their stories. The Juniors were very grateful for the support.

**Did You See Us in the Parade?** We were walking and riding in the Westminster Memorial Day Parade! It was great fun for all who participated and helped to promote the Woman's Club. Many thanks to Linda Payne for organizing a very successful event!

**New By-Laws** – At the April 2011 meeting the club voted on changes to the By-Laws. All proposed changes were accepted except changes to the Scholarship Committee (Article VII, Section 6). The new By-Laws will be included with the updated Yearbook in September.

**On a personal note...** This will probably be my last newsletter to you since my husband, Gary, and I are selling our house and retiring to South Carolina. I will always cherish the friendships I made through the club and will miss working with you on all our projects. Never have I seen a group of women so dedicated to community service...you are a shining example of what's

right in America and a true inspiration! I'll be around this summer (and maybe even this Fall) but moving as soon as our house sells. Best wishes to each and every one of you for happiness, health and all that is good in life. Sharon Quinter