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Antioch Woman's Club Newsletter August 2013

Antioch Woman's Club is proud to be part of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, which is one of the world's largest and oldest volunteer community service organizations with more than 100,000 members worldwide. Founded in 1890, the G.F.W.C. is headquartered in Washington, D.C.

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Upcoming Events

August 4 AWC Bake Sale

August 31 Deadline for Opening Lunch Reservation

September 9 Board Meeting 10 AM

September 11 Opening Lunch at Twin Oaks

"Socks for the Soul" to Open Arms

Mission

September 18 Quilting 9AM Meeting House

October 2 Adopt-A-Highway

October 4 10th District Ways and Means Event

Arboretum, Barrington Board Meeting 9 AM

October 7 Board Meeting 9 AM
October 9 General Meeting 12:30 Note new time!

Collection for Operation Afghanistan

October 17 Bridge begins 9 AM Senior Center

Find your reservation form for the Opening Lunch in this newsletter!

Don't forget to bring "Socks for Souls" to the Opening Lunch

NOTE TIME CHANGE FOR MEETINGS! This year we will meet at 12:30 instead of 1:00

The Antioch **Woman's Club meets on the second Wednesday of every month from Sept-May at 12:30 PM** at the
Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church

Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church 24300 W. Grass Lake Rd. Antioch, IL. 60002 847-395-1660



President's Corner

Greetings Ladies of the Antioch Woman's Club, Our summer months have flown by so quickly. It is now time to think about the next 2013-2014 club year.

Summer has been busy for the ladies of Antioch Woman's Club. We attended the State Convention and had a USO barbeque, coordinated by Lynne Fletcher and crew (a great success--see the website and the article in this newsletter). During the Taste of Antioch, the Chamber of Commerce gave us space in their booth for literature regarding our club so that more people will want to join us. The next event planned for August 4th is the AWC Bake Sale during the Lion's Club Chicken Barbeque. See this newsletter for more details.

In July we had an Audit Committee meeting and a Budget Committee meeting. The membership book is being worked on and should be ready for distribution at our Opening Luncheon. (Vacation, what's that?)

At the GFWC State Convention in May, the focus was on recruiting membership. Not only does the whole of GFWC have declining membership, but our club has the same problem. Further, more people are asking to change their status to Honorary. This causes our Operating Budget income to go down considerably. We are asking members to invite neighbors, friends, relatives or co-workers to come to our meetings to see what we are all about. We need people who will be willing to work on our projects and take on a leadership role as chairperson.

Keep well and have a great summer.

Please mark your calendars for the Opening Luncheon at Twin Oaks on September 11, 2013.

Maureen Fremgen President, AWC



Membership

Debi McGuffin

Hi Ladies! Hope everyone is doing well, having a great summer and looking forward to our next year. The new Membership Booklet is

currently being worked on and will include any changes in address, phone etc. that were noted on the "annual dues" sheets you turned in to Karen Noland or me in May. As a reminder, anyone who did not send in her dues by June 1st will not be included in the booklet.

Please remember that guests are always welcome at our meetings and that we are <u>very</u> happy to have new members join our club. If you have friends or neighbors you think might be interested in joining the AWC, please invite them as guests so they can see and hear what we are all about. The more, the merrier... **yes**, more Name Tags!!!!

Member Info

New Member:

Sherry Burke, 11721 344th Avenue, Twin Lakes, WI 262-877-8117 sharonburke1@frontier.com

Email changes for current members:

Janice Fenske - iffitfirm@att.net

Margaret Cole - mcole@yahoo.com

Elfriede Hansen - JRHandEJH99@yahoo.com

Pat Pasiewicz - ppasiewicz@yahoo.com



New members are welcomed at the Closing Lunch.

Mentoring Program ~ Debi McGuffin

The Mentoring Program is a very important part of our woman's club. We want to make new members feel welcome and help them to understand what we are about and why we participate in the programs that we do. If you are a mentor to a new member, please remember it is your responsibility to help make her feel welcome and to include her in all aspects of the Antioch Woman's Club. If for some reason you are unable to be a mentor, please let me know as soon as possible so that another active member may be asked to assume this responsibility. Should you have any questions regarding this program, please contact me. Thank you.

Please direct any membership-related business to me ~ debi.mcguffin@comcast.net or 847-395-6573.

Programs Karen Wehrheim

October: Paul Lee, Magician

November: "Ballots, Bikes, and Beer" Debbie Fandrei, Raupt Museum

January: Symphony Strings

February: "Olive Oil: The Liquid Gold of the

Mediterranean" Lisa Didier

March: Madrigal Choir, Antioch HS

April: "It's a Wonderful Life" Jennifer Silk,

violinist



Public Issues Susan Straleu Pam Brown

Community Service Projects

Public Issues has two projects planned for the fall. We look forward to your participation and generosity in the projects we sponsor. The focus of these activities is assisting those less fortunate than we are.

At the September Opening luncheon, we will be collecting "Socks for the Soul" instead of the usual backpacks and school supplies. These will be donated through Open Arms Mission for needy families. Crew socks designed for warmth in the upcoming winter months are being requested. All sizes are needed for men, women, children, and infants.

In November, we will pass a basket for cash donations to be used for Christmas gifts for the VA Hospital.

Focus on Community Safety

October is Fire Safety Month. Therefore, this newsletter's safety topic is smoke alarms. Make sure your home's smoke alarms are working well and that you know exactly what to do if they go off,

- Install a smoke alarm on every level of your home. If possible, put an alarm inside every bedroom.
- ✓ Smoke rises, so smoke alarms should be mounted high on walls or ceilings, away from corners or vents.
- Get both kinds of smoke alarms photoelectric and ionization. Each senses different types of fires. Better still, buy combination systems that have both types of sensors.
- ✓ Consider installing interconnected smoke alarms. When one alarm senses smoke in a single room, the rest go off simultaneously. This gives you more time to get outside.
- ✓ Test your alarms once a month by pushing the test button until your hear a loud noise.
- Replace batteries in your smoke alarms once a year. If your alarms are more than 10 years old, get new ones.

Coupons

Throughout the 2013-2014 year, we will be gathering coupons to send to military posts. This is one way of showing our overseas military families that we appreciate the sacrifices they are making for the defense of our country. This activity will be headed up by **Sigrid Brueggemann**. Please deliver your coupons to Sigrid at the monthly meetings. The coupons should be sorted into five categories: (1) Baby Products, (2) Food, (3) Health and Beauty, (4) Household Goods, or (5) Pets. Please place in an envelope labeled with the appropriate category. Coupons must be within 3 months of the expiration date. Also, be sure to include your name and the number of hours you spent cutting and sorting with your coupon submission.

Operation Afghanistan

Karen Potter

This year we will be collecting items for our troops in October, November, January, and April. Our troops can use most everything we use in everyday life but in smaller size. Toiletries, candy, packaged drinks, small packages of cookies, crackers, munchies, you get the idea. Please remember the female troops and the items that they can use: tampax, deodorants, and powders. We thank you for your generous donations as they are very much appreciated.



International Outreach

Mary Ware

We will have our first meeting at the Meeting House on September 18 from 9 A.M. to 12 Noon. We will be cutting squares, putting

together quilt tops for sewing, nibbling (found some new coffee cake recipes to try on you), and just finding out about everyone's summer fun.

Our goal is to have 36 or more quilts finished by December to make our number for the year 100. Lee has been working on some dress patterns, so we may cut some kits for those as well. We are always looking for cotton fabric, so if you know someone who has a stash she is looking to donate bring it in to us! Hope you are having a great summer and looking forward to September.



Education Committee

Mary Beth Walsh Jean Haling

The Education Committee is looking forward to another rewarding year serving the children of our community.

Scholarships were awarded to students from Antioch Community High School and Lakes High School. Brittany

Johnson and Marissa Thackston from Lakes were awarded the AWC \$1.000 scholarship. Michelle Kettleson received the Lilli Petty \$500 award. Patrick Holston and Autumn Pfgstin from Antioch Community High School each received a \$1,000 award. Andrew Burkhart from ACHS and Danela Ruvia from Lakes attended the Illinois Leadership Seminar in June.

Lamp of Learning plaques were presented to Sarah Mucha and Mitchell Everett – the Outstanding Senior Girl and Boy at ACHS. Lakes awards went to Alex Goggin- Outstanding Senior Boy and Rachel Terry –Outstanding Senior Girl.

Our goal for this year is to continue the volunteer reading program at Petty School and encourage more members to join us.



Home and Health

Joan Foss

Summer is half way over, but we have an active and fun club year to look forward to. During the club year, I will

be providing information to you on health care that I hope will be useful. I am also asking that you keep track of the hours you spend on health care-your medical visits, exercise and volunteer hours and the travel time when you go to your appointments. In October I will hand out forms for you to fill out, and I will have a report at year's end on how we are doing in keeping well.

In January the health committee will be visiting our friends in Winchester House for the annual birthday party. Everyone is welcome to come along. Then in February everyone will be asked to wear red to the meeting to recognize "Heart Health Month." I'm looking forward to doing all these activities with you this year and to seeing you at the opening lunch.

This year I have had a ton of weeds, but I found a recipe that really works and is simple and inexpensive too. Mix 2 quarts of cider vinegar with ¼ cup table salt until the salt is dissolved, add 1/2 teaspoon dishwashing detergent, put into a spray bottle, and spray the weeds until completely wet. Then wait a few hours and you'll find a brown, dead weed!





Conservation *Karen Noland Betty Chornoby*

Once again I would like to thank all my loyal volunteers who helped with our Adopt-A-Highway cleanup on May 1st. Joining me were Betty Chornoby, Sheila Eisen, Cindy Erexson, Joan Foss, Maureen Fremgen, Carole Loffredo, Debi

McGuffin, Joan Murphy, Barb Petrie, Sandra Rebechini and Karen Schnur. What a hardworking group of gals!

Our next cleanups are scheduled for Wednesday, October 2, 2013 and Wednesday, May 7, 2014, so please mark your calendars. There will be signup sheets at our opening luncheon. We are always looking for more members to help with these events to make it easier on us all. We can each make a difference in our community.





Art Committee *Judy Schieck*

The summer is racing right by us! Our 2014 calendar will be available and on sale at the September meeting.

Price \$12.00. The calendar theme "Pets on Parade" is funny, cleaver and creative. I believe you all will enjoy the efforts of this year's winning entrees. I want to thank and congratulate those who submitted photos and helped make this project a viable contribution to our club. Your support is greatly appreciated.



Social Committee *Dianne Suskin Eva Hawryluk*

Mark your calendars for September 11, 2013—our Opening Luncheon at

Twin Oaks Country Inn. Please refer to the attached form to make your reservation.



Welcome All Bridge Players!

Susie Lancaster

The AWC bridge group will resume playing every Thursday morning at 9:00 AM at the Antioch Senior Center on Thursday, October 17. We are inviting all bridge-playing

members to come out and enjoy a leisurely morning each week. It's a terrific way to meet other AWC members and make new friends.

Please come out and join us for a fun-filled new season!!



Treasurer's Report

Karen Noland

I hope you are all enjoying your summer. On July 3rd, we had our annual audit and budget meeting. Many thanks to Kay Blake, Pat Goone and Donna

McKeown for conducting the audit of our treasury. The budget meeting was attended by Maureen Fremgen, Bev Amburgey, Betty Chornoby, Joan Foss, Eva Hawryluk, Jean Johnson, Debi McGuffin, Nancy Morici, Mary Beth Walsh, Mary Ware and me. Thanks to all who helped plan our proposed budget, which is published later in this newsletter. Please review it and be prepared to vote on it at our September meeting. See you then.



Ways and Means *Beverly Amburgey*

<u>Bake Sale News</u> – The Annual Bake was held under balmy skies and was a great success. Thank you to all who

participated. We are still counting monies but a rough tally is \$1050. If you did not have an opportunity to take part in the Bake Sale and would like to make a donation of \$10-20, you can send a check to me at 24163 W.GrandAve.,Lake Ville, Il. 60046. I appreciate all the hard work you ladies do. We would not be the great organization we are without you!

Now that summer is half over, the Ways & Means Committee will be gearing up for the next fundraiser! If you are a member of the W&M committee-- or if you would like to be--start putting your thinking caps on for new and exciting ways to make money! We will have a short meeting after the September regular meeting to work out days that will be convenient for our first planning session. I would love to have someone volunteer who is good at writing letters to companies or corporations asking for donations for our baskets and raffle! I have some talents, but that is not one of them.

See you in September when we will raffle a special item before the 50/50 raffle!



10th District Ways and Means Event

Mark your calendars for the October 4th Ways and Means Event sponsored by 10th District at the Arboretum in Barrington. The program includes speaker, Jackie Pierce, presenting "Women in History" as well as a silent auction. See the September newsletter from 10th District for a reservation form.



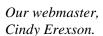
Domestic Violence *Audrey Lyle*

For the women and children at **Safe Place**, please remember to bring all the summer and winter things that you no longer can use. All sizes and

types of clothing are really appreciated plus strollers, car seats or any toddler things, kitchen things and old cell phones and chargers. It makes you feel good to contribute and it sure makes them feel good to get it when they have hit a bump in the road. Our collection is in **November** but if you have to move it sooner than that, let me know and I'll come get it.









Special Event: The USO BBQ



The History: GFWC International issued a challenge to GFWC Clubs across America – the goal to have 100 GFWC Clubs across America host a USO BBQ for the Troops. GFWC Antioch Woman's Club took the challenge. Our Club meets September through May but gave the green light to having our BBQ on Father's Day, June 13, 2016. When do you miss your military servicemen the most – on a holiday! With a core team of Cindy Erexson, Jane Fraser, Karen Floeter and myself, we created a most excellent USO BBQ for the Troops. GFWC Antioch Woman's Club gave us a budget of \$1, 100.00. We did not exceed our budget. Our goal – to raise \$1,500.00 for USO International.

Our first hurdle was a venue. Nothing was working out with our usual venue locations until Barb Porch of the Antioch Chamber of Commerce gave us the perfect venue at the Summer Bazaar. Her theme was "America" in red, white and blue! We had a line of flags, picnic tables, free games, face painting and balloon creations all courtesy of the Antioch Chamber of Commerce. Then we needed a tent (thank you A-Z Rental) and thank you Shawn Roby of Antioch Parks and Recreation for the tables and chairs. Working within the constraints of the venue, we took the USO BBQ for the Troops literally and partnered with Chris Smith of The Brat Shop to purchase 100 meals for anyone with a military ID and their families. We did not give away 100 meals and Chris Smith generously donated a portion of the difference to the Troops – after all, he is a veteran! Jane and Karen worked many hours to perfect our Minute-to-Win-It games and those participating had fun with everyone winning a prize! We had Father's Day card making, with Linda Valentino and May Beth Walsh,

which was very successful. The Antioch Library was available for Skyping. We were allowed to place "tip jars" around the Bazaar. The women of the Antioch Woman's Club donated over half of our goal. While they may not always be able to physically participate, our group is very generous in donating to worthy causes. It's what we do. Cindy and I worked with Impressions Count to create signage for downtown Antioch and for our USO BBQ tent, and we created our letter for merchants. We sent emails, used our website and the news media, our Facebook page and walked the streets of Antioch for donations. The bonus – we got to know our merchants and the Antioch Community and found out just how generous our fellow community members really are.



We thank the following for donating the great raffle prizes: Johnson Jewelers, Oliverii North, Impressions Count, A-Z Rental, Horvat Nurseries, JJ Blinkers, Timeless Treasures, Park Auto, Kunes Ford, Fast Tire, and the Antioch Woman's Club for donating 100 free meals to anyone with a military ID and for donating the Drive and Ride NASCAR prizes at the Chicago Speedway. Thank you to the Antioch VFW, Johnny's, Wings, Etc., The Lodge, The Long Grove Confectionary, Calli's Consignment Shop, WalMart and again to The Antioch

Woman's Club membership for all the gift cards.



Thank you to the following for giving up a part of their Father's Day to make our event very successful. Judy McKillip and her family, Beverly and Bob Amburgey, Maureen and Tom Fremgen, Debi McGuffin (our Membership Chair AND we did have an attendee fill out our form to be considered for Membership – an unexpected bonus), Barb Petrie, Karen Noland, Betty Chornoby, Mary Ann Lhotka, Ellen Kessler, Linda Valentino, Mary Beth Walsh, Cindy Erexson, Jane Fraser, Karen Floeter and a very special thank you to my husband Bob Fletcher. Thank you to the Voraceks for their dynamic fundraising efforts through our raffle prizes.

We exceeded our goal of \$1,500.00 to a most worthy cause - the USO. In addition, and independently, GFWC Antioch Woman's Club donated \$500.00 to USO Great Lakes. This is our local USO.

AWC 2013-2014 Budget

ESTIMATED INCOME- OPER	RATING	ESTIMATED INCOME- DONATIONS		
2013-2014 Dues	\$6,916.00	Santa's Castle	\$1,500.00	
		Ways & Means	\$5,953.00	
Total	\$6,916.00	Total	\$7,453.00	
ESTIMATED OPERATING		ESTIMATED DONATIONS		
Convention	\$1,200.00			
Insurance	\$320.00	Art	\$1,100.00	
Memorials	\$200.00	Conservation	# 000 00	
New Member Expenses	\$100.00	Kind News	\$220.00	
P.O. Box Rental	\$60.00	Education		
Printing, Postage, Newsletter	\$835.00	Lillie Petty Scholarship-CLC	\$1,000.00	
Programs	\$625.00	Northern IL Leadership Seminar	\$500.00	
Sec.of State Annual Report	\$10.00	Outstanding Student Plaques	\$128.00	
State & District Fees	\$3,116.00	Scholarships	\$2,000.00	
Church Expense-Meeting Place	\$400.00	GFWC-IL		
Chamber of Commerce Dues	\$50.00	American Cancer Society	\$50.00	
		Camp I Am Me-Burn Camp	\$50.00	
		Children's Research	\$50.00	
		GFWC-IL State Project	\$50.00	
		GFWC-IL 10th District		
		Ways & Means	\$50.00	
		GFWC-IL Fashion Show	\$50.00	

\$50.00

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\$650.00 \$325.00

\$1,000.00

\$80.00

GFWC-IL State Convention

Home Life/Health Community Telecare

Public Issues

Veterans

Winchester House

International Outreach

ANTIOCH WOMEN'S CLUB

Opening Luncheon—September 11, 2013



11:00 Cocktails 12:00 Lunch

Location: TWIN OAKS COUNTRY INN 30807 114th Street Wilmot, WI.



Name

MENU: Pick One:

1)	Roast pork, mashed potatoes, mushroom sauce	member	
	or	guest	
2)	Baked Salmon, steamed vegetables, herbed rice,	member	
	lemon butter	guest	

Also: Vanilla Ice cream with strawberries, Bread, butter, coffee, tea or soda

COST: \$16.00 PER PERSON, PAYABLE TO ANTIOCH WOMEN'S CLUB
DEADLINE: August 31, 2013

MAIL CHECK TO:
ANTIOCH WOMEN'S CLUB
c/o Marilyn Bies
94 Netherlands Drive
Antioch, IL. 60002

***You do not need to use this form to make your reservation.

Just include your name, your guest's name(s),
and your menu selection with your check.****

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