



# *NEWS N' NOTES*

## *Service, Strength, and Sisterhood*

### Presidents' Corner

GFWC DWC had three members attend the state convention this year. Chris Powers and Martha Feeney were first-time attendees. Connie Loggans, as a former board member, has attended other state conventions. Our own Dominion Juniores were represented by McKenna Powers, Kristen Loggans, and Nicole Wolf.

Dominion Juniores received their charter at the evening banquet on Saturday. All present at the convention were thrilled to welcome this new Virginia club and charmed by the young ladies accepting the charter.

There are 8 districts in Virginia. Our club is part of Northern District. All districts were represented and state-level awards were presented throughout the 3 days of meetings. We are thrilled to report that two awards were presented to GFWC DWC.

#### **Education - Best Overall - Large Club - General**

"This club partnered with their local Hilton Hotel and held an American Girl Tea. Funds raised from this project were used for the Buy A Kid A Book project. The Hilton donated an American Girl Doll, an overnight stay, and some special treats for mom."

#### **Communications and Public Relations - Best Single Project - Large Club - General**

"Partnered with 2 wineries and had a second booth, a wine tasting garden, at the Fall Haymarket Day event that draws over 35,000 people to the area."

We were honored to attend the convention representing our club. Please take a minute when you see us in the next few months, to ask us to share some of our experiences with you. The level of commitment to volunteer service and the willingness to connect with others at the state level is inspiring. We hope to attend again next year!

Martha, Connie, and Chris

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**Art & Culinary Committee**  
**Chairs: Celeste Corrigan & Susan Sivori**

**Craft Club:** There will be a Fall Boutique Planning meeting on Thursday, May 16th at 9:30 at Susan Sivori's house at 14520 Brinestone Place, Haymarket VA.

**Culinary Art Club:** It is time to let our First Responders know how much Dominion Woman's Club appreciates them again. You were all so generous last time around we had plenty of baked goods to distribute. Rosemary & Rae delivered and they enjoyed dropping the platters off and seeing how much they appreciate what we do for them. The baked goods can be dropped off at either Susan's, Celeste's or Rosemary's house on May 21st. We would like 2 volunteers to deliver the platters and also help at Susan's house to make the platters up. Delivery is on May 22nd. Please let Susan know if you can help. There will be a sign-up sheet at the meeting for any members that may want to participate.

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**Education Committee**  
**Chairs: Beth Glaser Co-Chair: Linda Turnau**

**Collections:** Box Tops – Vanna Ruffner  
Used children's books – Rosemary Boettke  
Used ink cartridges – Sue Mork  
Used batteries – Sharayu Tulpule  
Aluminum pop tops – Martha Feeney

The school year may be winding down, but our committee has been busy. We honored our hard working teachers at Pace West and Ellis Elementary Schools with Teacher Appreciation Breakfasts/Brunch during Teacher Appreciation Week.

Our scholarship committee read 11 applications for our scholarship at Battlefield High School and selected a very worthy winner. She will be honored at our May dinner meeting.

The science RESET program at Ellis is completed for the year, and through a generous sponsorship, 100 science books will be presented to the children.

We continued our outreach at Pace West by donating Mother's Day Baskets to several of the needier families.

DWC May Book Club will meet May 29th to discuss 'Impossible Saints' by Clarissa Harwood. June's novel will be 'Lillian Boxfish Takes A Walk' by Kathleen Rooney and will meet June 26th.

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**Public Relations Committee**  
**Chairperson: Deb Jewell**

The May HGBA meeting on the 21st is at Farm Brewery on 55 at Broad Run at 4PM and BOXES OF BASICS is the guest speaker (collecting toddler socks and underwear - girls and boys 2T-4T).

June 21st there will be BREAKFAST BEFORE HOURS at GLORY DAYS GRILL in Gainesville at 8AM with the Prince William Chamber. Both of these are FREE networking events where we get to know businesses, they get to know GFWC DWC and want to support us.

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**Home Life Committee**  
**Chair: Mary Ellen Murphy**

Members of the Home Life Committee have been engaged in many activities during the month of April and look forward to winding up a busy club year in May. We benefitted from the DWC monthly club collection of items to fill "Birthday Bags" for Easter Seals. Club members contributed items such as cake mixes, candles, sprinkles, party plates and napkins to help make a birthday celebration for a needy child. These items will be packed in a festive bag and delivered to the Easter Seals Center in Falls Church on May 29th. Several Home Life members were on hand to help out at the Ellis Elementary Health and Wellness Fair and Fun Run; members baked and sold delicious treats and also manned the library card registration table. Proceeds were donated to the Ellis Striders Running Club. We are still knitting on Thursdays at 1 at "Needles in the Haymarket", packing lunches for the homeless on Saturdays and Tuesdays at Gainesville United Methodist Church, and doing "Bunco For Seniors" at the Gainesville Health & Rehab Center. Interested in volunteering with us? Contact Mary Ellen Murphy (megwayne@comcast.net).

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**Membership**  
**Chair: Connie Loggans**

We have a new member in the club! Please help me in welcoming Lisa Leevy to the club. She joined us for our recent Bunco event and wants help us serve our community. Welcome Lisa!

As I leave the Board as 1st Vice-President, I would like to leave you with a few statistics. We have 39 active members and have an average of 24 members attending monthly meetings. We are an amazing club with amazing clubwomen. I look forward to seeing our club continue to grow this year and flourish in all of the ways that we help our community. I am very proud to be a part of such a wonderful club.

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**The Dominion Juniette Club**  
**Chairs: Connie Loggans and Chris Powers**

Very exciting times for the Dominion Juniettes Club this past month. Another sophomore from Battlefield High School joined the club increasing the membership count to 14. The girls voted and approved the Juniettes club logo. Elections are coming.....The club will be adding a 2nd VP to the Bylaws, and the Nominating Committee is busy preparing the new Board slate.

Three Juniettes attended the GFWC VA Convention this past weekend and accepted their charter on behalf of the club. They received an overwhelming reception and excitement from GFWC for forming a new club.

The Juniettes held their first Bingo fundraiser to raise money for Friends of Homeless Animals (FOHA). It was a fun and successful event with 16 of our DWC members in attendance and 5 GFWC members from other local Clubs joining us.

### **Calendar of Events**

- May 16 - Fall Boutique Planning Meeting
- May 21 - HGBA
- May 21- drop off of First Responders Baked Goods
- May 29 - Book Group
- June 3 - AMERICAN GIRL BRUNCH!!!
- June 4 - Awards Ceremony PACE West
- June 10 - Craft Club meeting
- June 20 - Dulles Expo "Make and Take"
- June 21 and 22 - Dulles Expo Scrapbooking
- June 21- Prince William Chamber Breakfast

**DON'T FORGET OUR AMERICAN GIRL BRUNCH IS JUNE 3<sup>RD</sup>.**  
**PLEASE PURCHASE YOUR TICKETS SOON!**

