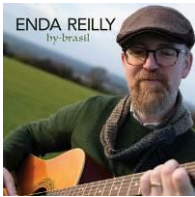




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MARCH 14th Guest Night Speaker

Enda Reilly, Irish Folk Singer – wonderful musical program!



Enda & wife Anne Marie



Mary Remenak introduced Enda.

President Sherry and her daughter, Samantha, Mary & Dick Remenak



Lori Pray – co-chair & Joey

Registrars: Sherry & Fran





61 people attended and enjoyed a Shepherd's Pie and some powerful punch! Thanks to the co-chairs, Lori & Dana Pray and committee: Amanda Pollard, Jan Anderson, Kim Capps. Table cloths were a beautiful green, which doesn't show in the pictures well.



Membership Memos



Remembrances . . .

Jane Fortino – diverticulitis surgery
Kim Dane’s husband, Brian – knee surgery
Carol Rossio – knee surgery
Dianne Barmes – death of her father
Barbara Fulton – health issues

Birthdays

Anniversaries

Late March

28 Sara Biskie
28 Joan Hasselback
29 Carolyn Maier

18 Sue & Gary Pruden

Early April

04 Lorraine Auvenshine
06 Sherry Myers
06 Jessica Bigelow
06 Jessica Sumego
10 Amy Mulvenna

06 Amy & Mitchell Mulvenna



Mini Trips



MASON SYMPHONY

Donna Leahy – violin

Judi Cates, Pam Rinckey,
Linda & Ed Foster, Barb
VanderMolen, Sandra
Guernsey
March 1, 2025
Mary & Dick Remenak
also attended.



Dinner at Coral Gables in East Lansing. Concert at MacDonald Middle School.

To participate in trips, contact Barb VanderMolen, 543-3694, bvander70@gmail.com or Sandra Guernsey, 517-983-5087, Sandra_guernsey@yahoo.com .



Education Foundation Scholarships are available to members of at least one year. Contact Linda Foster for more information.

ed@fosterdvm.com ; 543-3041 or Tammy Crandell,
5horsemen12345@att.net; 517-204-8222



If you know of a club member who could use some help, contact:



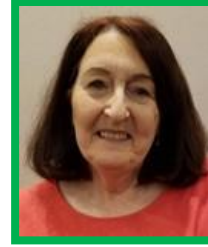
Contact Lorraine Green, Chair, 543-5048,
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TEA AND TOMES: On March 25, we will be discussing *The Frozen River* by Ariel Lawhon. Based on the true story of Martha Ballard's life as a midwife in Maine, just after the American Revolution. Martha, one of a few women who could read and write, kept a diary of her daily life and the births she attended. In assisting over 1,000 women in delivery, she never lost a mother. In 1789, the Kennebec River in Maine freezes, entombing a man in the ice. Martha is summoned to examine the body and determine the cause of death. One of the town's respected men is now dead, having been accused of rape of the minister's wife. Martha believes he has been murdered and thrown into the river. Can she prove it and bring a sense of justice to the townspeople? The library has one copy of the book. **Note:** There is a Hoopla book by the same title, but not the same author. We meet in the Spartan Room of the library at 12:45pm. Please join us.

SNEAK PEEK: April 22, our classic book, *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn*, by Mark Twain. Hoopla ebook, audio; library book and audio.





Board Talk Sherry Myers

Oh what a fabulous Guest Night we had. Over 60 members and guests were in attendance with the pleasure of listening to Enda Reilly to welcome in St Patrick's Day.

The Board addressed the tabled motion from the February meeting and is now proposing that we insert the non-discrimination clause as is required by the IRS to maintain our 501 (C)(3) status, but not to change any pronouns, and that our mission: the objective of GFWC-Charlotte shall be to promote growth and general advancement of women by providing programs pertaining to literature, science, art, and public interest, and to promote lines of public welfare in the community of Charlotte, as well as at district, state, national and international levels, as a club for women helping women and children will remain the same. As is our rule, one must be sponsored by a current member and be approved by the board to join the Club.

The Board meets March 19th via Zoom. If you are interested in attending, please let me or Linda Foster know.

Friday, April 4th is our next meeting. This is our Annual Meeting where Sue Steinberg has been nominated to succeed herself as director for 2025-27, and our speaker is Judge Jan Cunningham speaking on the "Jury Selection Process."

I'm asking you to bring sneakers for the GoSneaker state program in April so we can take them to convention. You can donate running, basketball, gym & training, cleats (rubber) Lifestyle & casual or hiking & trail. In any of these brands: Adidas, Allbirds, Altra, APL, Asics, Brooks, Columbia, Converse All-Stars, Fila, Hoka, One One, Jordan, Keen, Merrell, Mizuno, New Balance, Nike, On, Puma, Reebok, Salomon, SAS, Saucony, Skechers, Sorel, Timberland, Topo, Under Armour or Vans. The money collected from this project goes to GFWC Michigan to help defray costs. Also see Amy Krizek's article in this newsletter about contributions for Bay Cliff.

April 12th is our *Loads of Love* scheduled day. Let me know if you would be available to help in a 2-hour or 4-hour slot.

The convention is April 24-27th. We have 5 members attending. If you have some crafts, knitting, crocheting, painting, photography, quilting, card making, writing to name a few areas, please let me know and I will submit your items when we go, although I would like to know in advance.

Our May meeting is for brainstorming, start thinking of projects or programs you would like us to consider for next club year.

Spring starts next week so always remember - Your mind is a Garden, your thoughts are the seeds, you can grow flowers, or you can grow weeds.

Remember to get your articles in by the 15th of each month for *The Club Communicator* to:

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517-543-3041; ed@fosterdvm.com

GFWC-Charlotte April 4th Program

April 4th brings us our Annual Business meeting with the election and installation of a board member. The program is Judge Jan Cunningham speaking on the Jury Selection Process. The meeting is at The Eaton Area Senior Center, 804 S. Cochran. Social time begins at 11:45 a.m., lunch is at noon, followed by the program. Cost is \$13. Reservations are due by 3/28/25. Co-chairs are Susan Steinberg and Amy Krizek.



Bay Cliff Support – Amy Krizek, Chair



GFWC is a supporter of **Bay Cliff Health Camp** since 1998...where children and adults with physical disabilities learn to believe in themselves, strive for fuller lives, and realize their dreams. It was founded in 1938 and located in Big Bay, MI north of Marquette in the UP.

Everything we have at Bay Cliff is a gift! From a single book of matches to the entire Camp Library where children go to escape the heat and enjoy a story, we have benefited from the generosity of others! We recognize that rather than monetary donations, some people like to purchase and send actual *stuff!* and we are in need of many things to keep camp running!

While GFWC-Charlotte makes a budgeted donation to this camp, we encourage members to provide “extra” supplies. There is an Amazon wish list specifically for Bay Cliff wants and needs that is sent directly to the camp: [BAY CLIFF WISH LIST](#)

Once again, this year there will be an envelope available at the April GFWC- Charlotte meeting for monetary donations if you would prefer to contribute money to this worthy cause.

Thanks for supporting another GFWC Michigan project!

If you are interested in sponsoring a camper or more information on Bay Cliff, their web site is:

<https://baycliff.org/>

Amy Krizek, Chair



KIND NEWS ORDER FORM

To adopt a classroom for the **2025-26** school year, please complete this form and return by **May 20, 2025** to Carol Rossio, 2233 S. Cochran Rd., Charlotte, along with a **\$25.00** check made out to **GFWC-Charlotte**.

Your Name: _____

Is there a specific teacher/classroom you'd like to sponsor? If so, please complete the information below:

Teacher Name: _____ Grade Level _____

School: _____ Address(if not in
Charlotte): _____

Questions? Contact Carol Rossio at 543-4172 or cjrossio@hotmail.com.



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