



What's Hot

GFWC of Rhode Island

October –November 2010

President
Debbie Capuano



Happy fall to All, I hope everyone is enjoying the wonderful weather we are having.

GFWC of RI had the honor of hosting the GFWC New England Region Conference this year. The conference was held September 24-26, at the Crowne Plaza, in Warwick. But, I want to share the pre- conference activities. Friday morning our guests Mary Ellen Laister, GFWC President-elect, Sheila Shea, GFWC Second Vice-President and Kathy White, GFWC New England Region President, enjoyed a tour of Clouds Hill Victorian House Museum located at 4157 Post Road, in Warwick. The Clouds Hill Victorian House is an important part of the history of the City of Warwick and the State of Rhode Island. It was built in 1872 by William Smith Slater for his daughter, Elizabeth Ives Slater, on her marriage to Alfred Augustus Reed, Jr. It has remained in the family since it was built, passing from female to female until reaching the current owner.



After the tour lunch was enjoyed by the water at the Warehouse Tavern located at 20 Water Street in East Greenwich. The tavern is complete with an oak bar, brass rails, a cozy atmosphere and a view of Greenwich Cove. After a short ride back to the hotel the Official Opening of GFWC New England Region Conference - GFWC of RI State Night Banquet was enjoyed. Saturday there were educational workshops, instructive business sessions, inspiring speakers, wonderful meals and countless opportunities to share with other clubwomen from around New England. But, the Sunday morning Speaker on Women's Health – Catherine M. Wharton, will long be remembered.

Thank you to the co-chairmen Donna Gibb and Ethel Dellasandro, and to all who worked tirelessly to make the conference the success that it was. I have received numerous notes, cards, telephone calls and email messages expressing what a great conference we hosted. To those who attended the conference I know you enjoyed it as much as I did.

On October 2nd the Board of Directors meeting was held. A strategic planning committee was formed to begin work on a 5-year strategic plan. Thank you to all who agreed to serve on this committee. Updates as we move through the process will be made available.

And looking forward we have some exciting events coming up.

- 10/29 Providence Bruins Game "Pink in the Rink" in support of Breast Cancer Awareness
- 11/6 GFWC of RI Fall State Meeting – Warwick Museum of Art
- 1/8 Board of Directors meeting at 9:00 AM
Reporting meeting at 12:30 PM
Who should attend? State officers, state chairmen, club presidents (or representative), and anyone involved in helping with reporting
- 1/15 LEADS nomination from each club to be submitted to the State President
- 2/5 GFWC of RI Mid Winter Meeting
- 5/21 GFWC of RI Annual Meeting

Club Presidents remember to use the invitation given to you at the first board meeting during this first year of the administration to earn a bead for attending various events/meetings.

Thank you for the honor and privilege of serving as your GFWC of Rhode Island President.
Yours in Federation Service, *Debbie*

President-elect Madeline Perreault

Documenting Your Accomplishments!

Although the club year has just begun, it's not too early to think about reporting your accomplishments. Clubs have done remarkable things during the early months of 2010 and many additional projects and programs are under way. It is in a club's best interest to publicize and be recognized for their accomplishments. And in some cases, projects are eligible for a monetary reward.



As of June 2010, the six Departments of Work are now known as Community Service Programs: Arts, Conservation, Education, Homelife, International Outreach, and Public Issues. In addition, the *Signature Project: Domestic Violence* and *Junior Special Project: Advocates for Children* provide a plethora of opportunities for worthwhile community improvement.

International Headquarters has "partnered" with several other organizations and businesses to support the efforts of local clubs. Here is a list of these Partnerships:

Signature Project: Domestic Violence Awareness and Prevention

Prevent Child Abuse America

Juniors' Special Project: Advocates for Children

Emergency Medical Services for Children
Girls on the Run International
National Foster Parent Association
Special Olympics

The Arts

American Mural Project
VSA Arts

Conservation

Keep America Beautiful
The Humane Society of the United States

Education

American Library Association
Mentoring USA
Reading Rockets/WETA Public Television

Homelife

Alzheimer's Association
Canine Companions for Independence
Easter Seals
Habitat for Humanity International
March of Dimes Birth Foundation
National Heart Lung and Blood Institute
National Osteoporosis Foundation
Women's Institute for a Secure Retirement

International Outreach

CARE
INMED Partnerships for Children
Operation Smile
Plan USA
UNICEF
United Nations Association of the United States of America

Public Issues

Coalition Against Bigger Trucks
National Disaster Search Dog Foundation
National Safety Council
Safe Kids USA
Sew Much Comfort
Women in Military Service for America Memorial Foundation, Inc.

For information regarding specific Partnerships, check with the *GFWC of RI* Community Service Program Chairman or consult the individual Community Service Program at www.gfwc.org

If your club is working with another organization (not on this list), local or national; then the Club's relationship is known as a "collaboration" and will be designated as such in the January reporting.

Vice-President Janet Trombetti

GFWC has initiated a new, nationwide membership recruitment initiative, which replaces ACT in OCT. Let's join GFWC clubs nationwide in the new seasonal membership campaign: Three New Members is a Great Reason to Recruit this Season.

Recruiting members is a year-round process, and this new initiative reflects this effort. A club that recruits three new members



each season will end the year with 12 new members.

Clubs should be reporting to GFWC any new members enrolled per season as follows:

- Fall Rake in New Members (September, October, and November) Report due Dec. 1
- Winter Flurry of Members (December, January, and February) - Report due March 1
- Spring Growing Members (March, April, and May) - Report due June 1
- Summer Warm-up with Members (June, July, and August) - Report due Sept. 1

Forms are available online at www.gfwc.com. You should submit a report even if you did not gain three new members as every new member counts.

Clubs achieving and reporting three new members, as a result of their seasonal recruiting efforts will be recognized in the GFWC Clubwoman Magazine.

Our first recruitment season is Fall uniquely named by GFWC as a great time to "Rake in New Members"



Autumn brings cooler temperatures, and GFWC members turn their attention away from vacations to activities in our GFWC clubs. Most ancient cultures featured autumnal celebrations of the harvest, often the most important on their calendars. Take this time to plan recruitment events harvesting new members, giving thanks for your bounty and celebrating your accomplishments. GFWC has given us some ideas for recruiting by month which I'll share with you today and throughout the year. As we have already completed the month of September, I'll move right along to October.

October

Breast Cancer Awareness Month - Clubs can sponsor a walking team or staff informational booths or water stations for participants involved in one of the many breast cancer events during this



month. Hold an all hands on board membership event such as making breast cancer pillows and invite local women to help. These events provide an opportunity to meet hundreds of caring and dedicated women and promote your club at the same time.

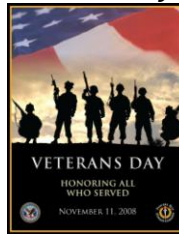
Domestic Violence Awareness Month -

During October, clubs may host showers, organize a wish list collection, and hold informational programs on domestic violence. Invite local officials to speak about domestic violence support programs in your community. Sponsor a Halloween party for children in a domestic violence shelter and involve the parents in a fall craft-making project.



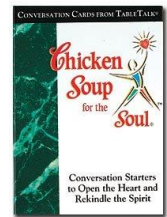
November

Veterans Day - November 11, celebrate Veterans Day in your local community by inviting women veterans and women in military service to a tea in honor of their service to our country. This special event shows your gratitude for their service and is an opportunity to share the club's service to the community.



Chicken Soup for the Soul Day - November 12,

Chicken Soup for the Soul Day, was created to celebrate who you are, where you've been, where you're going, and who you will be thankful to when you get there. What a wonderful day to celebrate your clubs and GFWC's past, present, and future. So whip up some chicken soup; invite past, current, and potential members; and have a party.



These are some great ideas to get you started on the road to 12 new members this year. If you have any ideas that you would like to share with other clubs please send them to me and I'll include them in the next issue of "What's Hot".

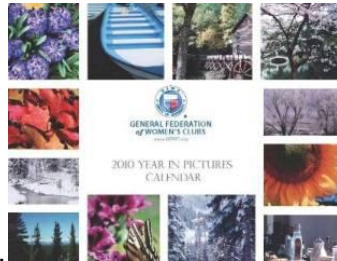
Reminder to Club Presidents: If you invite me to speak at your club our president will give you another bead for your bracelet. I would love to come visit your club and hold a mini membership workshop. I will bring copies of the GFWC

Seasonal Recruitment Campaign to every meeting I attend.

The Arts Sandy Pannone

The Arts Community Service Program is designed to enable members to create and contribute to art education and activities in their communities as participation in the arts helps raise public consciousness and connects members and clubs with their communities.

To encourage GFWC members to further their own artistic expression and recognize their artistic achievements, GFWC sponsors several contests in the areas of photography and writing.



GFWC also presents several awards including "The World in Pictures," which encourages members to capture the beauty of the world and people around them and "GFWC Volunteers in Action," which asks members to demonstrate their activities during the year through photography. Winners of the "A Year in Pictures" contest are featured in the annual GFWC calendar, which allows them to demonstrate their talent and support a fundraising opportunity for GFWC. Information regarding the GFWC Photography and Writing contests is in the 2010-2012 GFWC Club Manual under Awards, Contests, and Grants.

PROGRAM GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

The goals for the Arts Community Service Program are listed below in order to assist you in measuring project success and positive change in your communities. The listed objectives further outline how we can build projects that support these goals.

Goal 1. Create and contribute to arts education and activities in their communities.

Objective 1. Engage our communities through the arts by raising awareness of the unlimited benefits created through arts programs.

Objective 2. Educate others on and promote the achievements of women in the arts.

Objective 3. Develop art opportunities for people with disabilities and foster youth community art.

Goal 2. Engage GFWC members in developing and enjoying creative arts as a method of self expression.

Objective 1. Recognize unique art programs in individual clubs which highlight their successes and are an inspiration to members.

Objective 2. Recognize the unique artistic talents of GFWC members via awards and contests sponsored by GFWC.

Call to Action

- Educate Yourself
- Inform Others
- Create Change

AWARDS

A \$50 award will be given annually to one club in the nation to recognize creativity in implementing an effective Arts Community Service Partnership Program.

* for more details consult the GFWC Club manual

Conservation Roberta Bianco

In keeping with President Debbie's stressing of the difference between Partnerships and Collaborations, I thought that I would offer a bit of information and suggestions to go along with each area.

Partnerships with Keep America Beautiful offer opportunities in November. Every November 15 community based recycling events occur all over the nation. Plan something within your community and check with the RI Resource Recovery Corporation for more information on how to participate.



Another easy and affordable partnership is through The Humane Society of the United States. Their KIND News project is an award winning one that can be easily accomplished. Contact them at www.HumaneSociety.org for more information. This is a project that provides

classrooms with newspapers that encourages good character in children with an emphasis on kindness to animals, respect for natural habitats, good citizenship and peaceful conflict resolution.

Collaboration projects can be in conjunction with the RI Resource Recovery Corp. They have many dates through November and early December for drop offs of hazardous waste and e-waste. Contact them, as appointments are necessary, at 942-1430 x 241. Your club can provide information to the community, or hold a club collection and drop off.



Another collaboration effort is a personal favorite of mine the Reuse-a-Shoe program in conjunction with Nike.

Contact schools, gyms or even family and friends and plan a drop off spot for old sneakers. Then arrange with the Nike store at the Wrentham Outlet Shops to drop them off. If this is too large a project, collections of smaller amounts (they say 10 pair, but if you call ahead, they will take larger amounts of 30-40 pair).

I am hoping to re-introduce "Mugs for Meetings" through the sale of GFWC of RI mugs. However, you can start by bringing your own mug to each meeting. Others will catch on, and you have helped lessen the landfills of paper or plastic cups and horrors of Styrofoam.



Of course, keep on doing those fall clean-ups and plantings at your local shelters. Finally, share some of your conservation ideas with your fellow GFWC of RI clubwomen. We don't want to keep good projects a secret!

Education

Beverly Prestage

Focus on Literacy Club Grants

Literacy club grants of up to \$150 are available to GFWC clubs and funds may be used for

purchasing books for tutors to use, providing books to kids and/or a variety of other literacy needs. Contact Sydney West at SWest@GFWC.org for an application.

Communications

Janice Adler

The deadline for the next issue of *What's Hot* will be **Monday, December 6, 2010**. Please make sure to send me the names and address of new members to insure they are on the mailing list.

Leadership

Alexander Hahn

Leadership is at the heart of GFWC as well as each of your clubs. Your club president sets the tone of your club, guides each of you to work towards the goals you have set for the year, and encourages the membership as well as the organizations you work with to do more, do better, do your best.

Each woman who joins GFWC has the strength within herself to be a great leader. GFWC is here to help you find that strength, exercise it, and put that strength to good use.

Consider taking a leadership position within your club, at the State level, or even dream of becoming an International President. Anything is possible!

GFWC of RI has a plan in place to encourage, train and stimulate leadership within this organization. The first step was our Leadership Seminar on August 21st this summer. We will continue with training sessions at every State meeting.

At the upcoming Fall State Meeting on November 6th, in response to requests at the Leadership Seminar, Janice Adler will be teaching all attendees how to create an eye-catching brochure and an award winning newsletter (did you know there is a yearly GFWC competition for the best club newsletter?).

Please encourage ALL your club members to attend State meetings and get this invaluable FREE training.

As your club year starts, think about what you might do to encourage leadership within your own clubs. GFWC gives out a number of awards each year for creativity and achievement in leadership. A \$50 award is presented annually to one club in the nation to recognize creativity in implementing an effective leadership program. \$50 can buy a lot of canned goods, diapers, or toilet paper for your club's favorite charity! Or, it can be used to help send one of your members to the next International Convention as a LEADS candidate.

Learning to be a leader is easy in GFWC. Come to the next State meeting to start your journey.

Leadership Education and Development Seminar (LEADS)

GFWC's LEADS training program identifies members at the grassroots level who have the potential and desire to assume leadership positions in GFWC beyond their local club. Participation in LEADS provides these members with the capabilities, confidence, and commitment to pursue and achieve higher office and serve with distinction.

Each year, one member representing each state federation is selected to attend the LEADS program, held in conjunction with the GFWC Annual International Convention. The training program includes a full day of workshops, seminars, activities, and networking opportunities.

Program topics vary, according to current trends and issues, and may include:

- Presentations on conflict resolution, mediation, public speaking, time management, parliamentary procedure
- Explanation of GFWC resources, materials, and assistance
- Discussions on GFWC policies, procedures, and parliamentary law
- Tips and techniques for pursuing leadership opportunities

CRITERIA FOR LEADS PARTICIPATION

A LEADS state candidate should:

- Demonstrate leadership capabilities at the club level as an active club president, club officer, or club project/committee chairman
- Exhibit a commitment to the Federation
- Exhibit an understanding of the GFWC mission of community service, illustrated by programs/projects in which she is/has been involved
- Demonstrate leadership skills, including but not limited to organization, responsibility, trustworthiness, enthusiasm, flexibility
- Exhibit an interest and willingness to pursue higher leadership positions in the Federation
- Agree to share information gained from participation in LEADS with others in the state
- Understand and accept potential expenses involved in participation
- Not have held an elected position at or beyond the state level
- Not have previously been a LEADS candidate

EXPENSES

GFWC covers a portion of the attendees' expenses, including:

- Round-trip travel to and from the GFWC Convention city*
- One-half of room charge for two nights at official Convention hotel *
- Breakfast and lunch during the LEADS program
- Discounted Convention meal charges
- GFWC of RI underwrites a portion of the cost for the LEADS attendee to attend the Convention (e.g., additional lodging, meals, or Convention registration). LEADS attendees are responsible for a portion of their expenses as an affirmation of their personal commitment.

*LEADS participants make their own travel and lodging arrangements for reimbursement after the seminar

Timeline:

- January 15th - Nomination from each club submitted to the State President
- February 1st - the review committee meets and selects a candidate
- March 1st - State President sends candidates name to GFWC Headquarters

- April – GFWC Headquarters sends acknowledgement to candidate
- June – candidate attends convention

Juniors' Special Project: Advocates for Children Roberta Bianco

Most clubs and individuals in GFWC of RI are always advocating for children. Perhaps some may not realize just what can be reported in this area. For example, did you as a member or a club donate to Project Undercover at the New England Region Conference? Since these donations of diapers, underwear and socks go to the needy children of RI; this is an effort that advocates for children.

Project Undercover is a RI project, started in conjunction with Girl Scouts of RI which has within the past year become a 501(c) (3) charity. I heard so much praise from GFWC members from other states wishing to bring this program to their states. We in RI can be proud that we were the first. This October, Project Undercover will be kicking off their effort with girl scouts again. Now would be the perfect time to contact a local troop and make a donation. Check out their web site at projectundercover.org for more information.



At the GFWC New England Region Conference, 1011 items were collected for Project Undercover. On behalf of your Jr. Special Project chairman and the GFWC Warwick Women's Club who sponsored the Sunday morning charity at the conference, THANK YOU!

Again, I urge you to contact Kate Begin at Prevent Child Abuse RI (PCARI) (www.preventchildabuse-ri.org) for ways that we can help her agency help the children of RI. I have asked that she send newsletters and other information to club presidents.

For reporting purposes, Prevent Child Abuse RI is a Partnership, Project Undercover is a Collaboration. If you have questions about Partnerships/Collaborations, check the 2010-

2012 GFWC Club Manual on line or call (738-2791) or e-mail me (robertabianco@cox.net)

Some dates to remember:

November is Child Safety and Protection Month
November 20 is Universal Children's Day
January is National Birth Defects Prevention Month

Day of Service Roberta Bianco & Betty Challengren

Although it is still October, it is not too early to plan your club's Day of Service in April. Remember that the day will center on the homeless and domestic violence issues. All clubs should appoint someone to be chairman of the Day of Service.

As we hope to make this a statewide effort, we need to work together. We need to form a committee of members from each club - the president or her chairman. Please contact your state chairman if you are interested in being on this committee. Please send your ideas and comments about the Day of Service to either robertabianco@cox.net or bmchallengren@aol.com.

Thank You Cards for Veterans

Like the "Valentines for Vets" we will be donating homemade thank you cards to the Veterans Hospital. Clubs and/or individuals are asked to bring thank you cards they've made to the November 6th meeting. For more information please contact Ethel Dellasandro at ejdri@hotmail.com.

GFWC Bristol County
Women's Club
Sandra Pannone, President

Fall is upon us and we are looking forward to another successful club year. If the generosity of the impromptu collection of paper goods at the September meeting is any indication, it certainly

will be. When NBC News reported that TAP-IN (Touch A Person In Need) was in desperate need of toilet paper, the club president sprang into action and emailed members of the urgent need and asked them to bring what they could to the September meeting. The response was over-whelming. The October meeting was the annual Giving Party and this year Alexandra Hahn provided appetizers and Sandy Pannone the desserts. Food staples were collected and will be donated to TAP-IN. Again a success!



This November we will provide pampering baskets for the clients living in the WRC (Women's Resource Center) 'safe-house'. Club-woman, Barbara Paul, has made arrangements for the Bristol County Elks to provide Thanksgiving baskets for all of the clients of the WRC. Members will once again glitter and glue Wish Tree ornaments at the November meeting. The ornaments will be hung on the tree in Bank Newport and will hold the wishes of the children of the clients of the WRC. In December, the annual holiday dinner will be a pajama party. In lieu of exchanging presents members are asked to bring nightwear (pajamas/nightgowns) to be donated to the safe house. As clubwomen, the members of GFWC Bristol County Women's Club strive to reach out and touch people in our community that are most in need.

GFWC Cranston Community Women's Club Ethel Dellasandro, President

Throughout the month of October our members, families and friends were encouraged to wear the color purple and support Domestic Violence Month. Several of our members assisted at the ALS of RI Races "Defeat ALS" with their registration again, as we do each year. This is a wonderful event. Our Club has worked with the (Lou Gehrig) ALS of RI for the past fourteen



years at their various events, mailings; etc. Our members have been donating protein items to the RI Food Bank as well as We are Hugs as they are truly in need of these items at this time. We will be preparing Thanksgiving Baskets again this year, which will be donated to needy families.

Our members were very busy preparing for GFWC New England Region Clubology 101 all Summer with workshops to prepare all the beautiful centerpieces and favors, signs, brochures, and, preparing and collating tickets, badges etc. which helped GFWCRI have a very successful Conference. All of our members, including new members, enjoyed being with members from the six New England states and exchanging ideas of what goes on in their states. We spent most of the day last weekend weeding and cutting the grass at the Historical Cemetery we adopted some years ago and enjoyed the beautiful weather. We are working with the Veterans of Foreign War Auxiliary on their programs for the VA Hospital and are making cards for November 11th. The women and men residents are so happy to receive these cards. We are also making more tray favors for the 11th. All in all GFWC Cranston Community Women's Club's members will be very busy, as usual.

GFWC Pawtucket Woman's Club Ruth Bennett, President



On September 24th, the Pawtucket Club received a Service Award from the Blackstone Valley Advocacy Center for our involvement with the center since its founding. We have supported the center with donations, preparing mailings, and tending the Mothers' Garden. The award was presented to Ruth Bennett and Doris Landry by Dan Jaehnig of NBC Channel 10 News and Linda Impagliazzo, Director of the Blackstone Valley Advocacy Center.



The speaker of the evening, Victor Rivas Rivers, an actor and author of "A Private Family Matter" signed copies of his book for us.

We had a wonderful October meeting. Deborah DeBare, Executive Director of the RI Coalition Against Domestic Violence, was our special speaker. She talked about the history and legislation that the National Coalition has accomplished over the last 20 years, and the legislation the RI Coalition has been able to pass here in our state. The members participated in the question and answer time.



Because October is also Breast Cancer Awareness Month, bookmarks and brochures were distributed to the members attending, and a discussion followed about the myths and facts of breast cancer.

At the end of the meeting, members took home "thank you" cards and materials to decorate them for RI veterans for Veterans Day.

At our November meeting the club will honor our Past Presidents, the State President, Debra Capuano, and the presidents of the other RI clubs who attend. The program will be a demonstration from the *Wildtree Herbs Company*. We will be collecting hats, gloves, and mittens for the Neighborhood Coat Exchange held in Pawtucket on November 27th.

GFWC Women's Club of South County Carol Sugarman, President

Here in South County we continue our work to move to a decentralized organizational structure. Committees are in place and we now turn to the development of the 4 teams to which these committees are assigned. The process includes ongoing evaluation, trial runs and applause when it works.

Our operation continues as we change. We recently presented two scholarships to college students and were so moved by the appreciation they expressed. In addition, we are now looking forward to our 12th Book and Author luncheon next July. We are energized and optimistic!!

GFWC Wampanoag Women's Club Paula Braman-Duarte, President

September saw the debut of our club's season when member Pam Costigan graciously opened her home for potluck appetizers and desserts. At this time plans were discussed for a schedule of events for the coming year. As we have done in the past our members continued to donate two of a preselected item (i.e. toothpaste, paper towels, etc.) which will be passed on to the residents at McCauley Village in Providence. Another tradition continued as we offered a raffle prize with the monies from this drawing going to benefit East Providence's Bread of Life Food Pantry at Newman Church. The club also committed to joining a community wide effort to aid in helping with expenses incurred by a local family whose elementary school age daughter is facing a serious health issue.

October will see us gathering to get a jumpstart on making cards for the "Valentines for Veterans" program.

Member Kris Rose, an accomplished crafter, will lend us her expertise as we put together this project - we also are looking forward to learning some of the intricacies of the art of card making! November kicks off another regular calendar event when we get together to prepare seasonal centerpieces for a local nursing



home; Suzanne Gorham will again spearhead the organization of this event.

Mary Irons gave us a preview of her plans for the statewide meetings for this coming year, they sound ambitious and fun! Hopefully more members and their guests will participate in them, kudos to Mary for her hard work. She also filled us in on what was a highly successful New England conference a few weeks past; many thanks to those who were behind its success, you did our little state proud. Co-president, Paula Braman-Duarte, also filled the club in on the summer meetings she attended, an Executive Board meeting and a leadership one..all with less than a year's membership! Looking forward to the Fall state meeting, see you all at the Warwick Museum of Art!

GFWC Warwick Women's Club Janet Trombetti, President



The GFWC Warwick Women's Club held their first club meeting of the year on September 21 at the Warwick Museum of Art. Updated membership folders were handed out to all members

and members were reminded of the new GFWC initiative to recruit new members for every season. Our club will be focusing on membership and looking for new inventive ways to bring potential members to our club meetings. Our first attempt will be to host a potluck membership meeting for the month of October and each member has been asked to invite their friends and family to attend.

The publicity chair and committee are researching media outlets to advertise our club meetings, to build awareness for GFWC Warwick Women's Club and to invite the general public to attend our meetings. Working together with the membership committee, GFWC WWC hopes to gain 12 new members for this club year.

Good news for our club – we were awarded the GFWC Literacy Club grant of \$150 which will be used to subsidize field trip entrance fees for our Book Club members.

GFWC WWC will be the host club for the Fall State Meeting to be held at the Warwick Museum of Art on Saturday, November 6 at 9:00.

We were especially proud to have 13 of our members attend some portion of the GFWC New England Region Conference. Members volunteered at registration and in the marketplace, attended workshops and enjoyed meals and social time with our fellow clubwomen from across the New England region.

GFWC Rhode Island Ex Club Judy Marak, President

The GFWC of RI Ex Club will be holding our Fall meeting on December 4, 2010 at the same venue we so enjoyed last year: the 1149 Restaurant on Division Street in East Greenwich. We will meet at 12 noon for luncheon which will still be only \$25. Delicious food in an inviting atmosphere at a most attractive price and easily reached. Please RSVP to our Treasurer, Carolyn Traxler at 109 Southwinds Drive, Wakefield, RI 02879 or at (401) 783-5088 by November 22, 2010. The menu and a speaker will be firmed up in the near future.

Invitations will be sent to paid Ex Club members and those who are eligible to be members. Guests are most welcome.

I'm looking forward to seeing you all there.

Meetings Mary D. Irons



All members were sent an invitation to the Fall State Meeting. The deadline for reservations is October 30 and should be sent to Janice Adler.

101st GFWC New England Region Conference



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