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Sue's News and Views

November, December, cold crisp days, plans, whispered secrets, fragrance of spice, spruce and fir. These are the

signs of the season.



Mrs. Scott

These are busy months in club work, too. The eight District Conventions are a part of this administration's history. New officers have been elected to serve in the next term, delegates to the nominating committee have been named, speeches have been made, ideas and programs have been shared, friendships have been renewed and enthusiasm has been kindled for the Federation and its tremendous program. Now is the time to get down to

hard work and "to put into action our better impulses —."
Time does fly.

November with American Art Week, American Education Week, Veteran's Day, final date to enter the Community Achievement Program, now Your American Week and the Thanksgiving.

December 10th and Human Rights Day, the 15th and Bill of Rights Day, the 22nd International Arbor Day but so important to us all December 25th and we honor The Christ Child.

While we celebrate the Christmas Season may we not forget those who have such great need of our interest and concern. "Ours is a fabulous Country, the only fabulous country, it is the one place where miracles not only happen, but where they happen all the time

It is the place of the wild and exultant winter's morning and the wind, with the powdery snow, that has been happening all night long, it is the place of solitude and the branches of spruce and hemlock piled with snow—it is always America."

These words of Thomas Wolfe bring a quickening of the pulses and remind us again of America and its beauty and greatness.

This season of the year with our minds on Thanksgiving and Christmas we need time for reflection. America and its heritage of strength serves as a beacon for all people who cherish the enduring things.

The club year is in full swing and projects, programs, activities, fund campaigns, membership drives are taking much of our time. However, let us remember especially at this time of the year those words in the Collect "let us take time for all things" — the things that make home and life a thing apart.

FACING CHRISTMAS!

I shall attend to my little errands of love early this year So that the brief before Christmas

may be unhampered and clear

Of the fever or hurry. The breathless rushing

I have known in the past

Shall not possess me. I shall be calm in my soul and ready at last

For Christmas, "The Mass of the Christ."

And I shall kneel and call His name.

I shall take time to watch

the beautiful light of candles' flame;

I shall have leisure - I shall go out alone

from my roof and from my door;

I shall not miss the silver silence of stars, as I have before; And Oh. If I stand there very still and very long, I shall hear what the clamor of living has kept me from—

The Angle's song.

Grace Noll Crowell

Sue Scott, President

Coming Events

President's Schedule

November

4 - Logan Woman's Club

18 - Oak Hill Civic League

19 - Widen Woman's Club

19 - Pineville Woman's Club

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Clubwomen Join State Project On Natural Resourses

The West Virginia Department of Natural Resources and three state-wide organizations, with an assist from Governor Barron, has kicked off a project of selling conservation stamps and book identification markers throughout the state.

The Governor joined Natural Resources Director Warden M. Lane and officials of the West Virginia Federation of Women's Clubs, the West Virginia Garden Clubs, and the State 4-H Club organization, in announcing the purposes and objective of the fund raising program, directed specifically toward conservation education.

"The hopes and aspirations for West Virginia's future," Governor Barron said, "are closely related to its abundant natural resources. It is our responsibility to help both youth and adults to understand these truths."

The Governor was speaking in respect to the need for further conservation education programs in West Virginia. Funds from the sale of the conservation stamps and book identification markers are specifically directed toward these aims, according to the Garden, Women's Club and 4-H officials.

Director Lane said that the stamps are designed to be sold for one cent each, and will also be available in sheets of 100 stamps. Buyers may purchase any amount they desire, he added. Lane said that the stamp is a full-color reproduction of a recently adopted natural resources emblem, depicting the wide range of the Department's responsibilities. He said that this is the first time such a project has been undertaken in the state, and that buyers of the stamps and book marks will have bought themselves a stake in the future of the state's natural resources.

"A major purpose of the conservation stamp program," Governor Barron said, "is to increase the awareness among our people of the importance of conservation in the overall plan of moving West Virginia ahead. Buying conservation stamps and book identification marks gives the purchaser a stake in the future of natural resources in our state. The groups who are undertaking the task of selling these stamps will find that they will



NEW NATURAL RESOURCES EMBLEM NOW AVAILABLE TO PUBLIC: Left to right — Mrs. John Scott, President of West Virginia Federation of Women's Clubs; Mrs. Ralph A. Schmitz, President of West Virginia Garden Clubs; Dr. Warden M. Lane, Director of Department of Natural Resources; Governor W. W. Barron; and Mr. C. P. Dorsey, State 4-H Club Leader.

become very close to this future."

Along the same lines, Director Lane said that "constantly expanding programs for wise use of our natural resources have brought with them their own problems of informing the public of their necessity and availability. This is an ideal opportunity," he said, "for the people of our state to join together in expressing through their purchase of conservation stamps and book marks their wish to upgrade the conservation education program, and with it the many natural resources management programs the Department has undertaken."

Taking part in the joint kick-off of the program was Governor W. W. Barron; Dr. Warden M. Lane, Director of the Department of Natural Resources; Commissioners Richard K. Van Zandt and Mrs. John J. Lane, Department of Natural Resources; Mrs. John Scott, President of the West Virginia Federation of Women's Clubs; Mrs. Ralph A. Schmitz, President of the West Virginia Garden Clubs; Mr. C. P. Dorsey, State 4-H Extension Director; Mr. Gordon Palmer, Chief of the Public Relations Division, and Mrs. Maxine Scarbro, Coordinator of Women's Activities for the Department of Natural Resources.

Enthusiastic endorsements of the

program were given by the various officials attending.

Stamps and book marks may be secured from local women's clubs, garden clubs and 4-H clubs.

NOTE:

DISTRICT PRESIDENTS AND CLUB PRESIDENTS

All clubs organized before October 1, 1963 must enroll in the Community Achievement Program if we are to be 100%.

The Cover Picture

Members of the West Virginia Federation of Women's Clubs attending General Federation Board meeting at Washington, D.C., September 22-27, 1963. Left to right - Mrs. Carroll E. Miller, Division Chairman Law Observance and Crime Prevention, GFWC; Mrs. James Scarbro, Director of Junior Clubs, GFWC; Mrs. John Scott, President, West Virginia Federation of Women's Clubs; Mrs. H. G. Muntzing, Editor CLUBWOMAN Magazine and Chairman of Finance and Budget, GFWC and Mrs. Harold Springer, West Virginia Director of Junior Clubs.

Has Your Club Had A Program On The UN?

Our purpose is to Strengthen the arm of liberty and to work for peace through study and support of the United Nations and its agencies. President Kennedy said: "In the development of the United Nations lies the only alternative to war . . . Never have nations of the world had so much to lose or so much to gain. Together we shall save our planet or together we shall perish in its flames." "The United Nations has already accomplished what no nation singly, or any limited group of nations, could have accomplished alone, "said former President Eisenhower "When you help people get rid of sickness, irrigate the deserts, drain the swamps, and increase their food supply, you are creating a spirit which will resist communistic aggression. This spirit is a force for peace," said Henry Cabot Lodge former Ambassador to the UN.

How does the UN help keep the peace? By discussion, conciliation, peace action where absolutely necessary; by economic help which gives hope to people fighting against hunger, poverty, illiteracy and ill-health; by encouraging respect for human rights, freedom, and international law, in a world in which a major war could mean the end of all of us. In 1962 this cost each U. S. Citizen \$1.11—the price of a pound of round steak.

For study and discussion, clubs might use questions like these:

Should peacemaking activities be abandoned? Should the United States pay the Congo deficit? Should The People's Republic of China be represented in the UN? Should the Secretariat be reorganized? How about the economic and political security of the new states of Asia and Africa and the peaceful uses of outer space? "To be informed about our nation's problems—national and international—is to be a better American, a prouder American."

As each program or activity is concluded, prepare a report with clippings and photographs. When the time comes for your annual report, complete information is at hand and material may easily be adapted to give a good account of your work.

Plan Now For '64

"Foreign Tour" Project to be Continued

In view of the fact that the tour to Hawaii was considered such a success, Mrs. John Scott, our President and Mrs. Fred A. Hurt, our Vice-President feel that the "Foreign Tour" project should be continued. Of course Hawaii, our 50th State, was not a "foreign tour" but it was outside the continental United States. Therefore we wish to plan a tour for 1964.

Some of those who went to Hawaii would like to go back and still others who missed out this year, learning what a grand tour they missed would like to have the opportunity to go. Others have suggested a tour to Canada up as far as Quebec, still others have suggested a Carribean tour. One or two have suggested a tour to Europe.

We feel maybe a European tour is a little ambitious for a State Federation, that of course will depend on how many wish to go. As to the Carribean tour, there seems to be so much unrest in that area at this time and because of the devastation of the recent hurricane in some places, maybe that would not be the most attractive place to go at this time. Of course there is Bermuda, if one wants a vacation strictly.

Canada is our neighbor to the north, perhaps we should really become better acquainted with these people and Quebec is so very different from the Canada near the border, that might be a most interesting, educational and delightful place to go in the summer.

However, we wish to plan a tour where our members want to go, be it Europe, Canada or wherever. Therefore, we should like suggestions and wishes made known to your chairman at the earliest possible time. It takes time to plan a tour, get hotel reservations lined up, brochues printed, etc. All of these things we must have ready by the time of our State Convention in March. Of course if we have a tour in the Carribean area that would have to be in the spring.

Was it Seneca who said — "Travel and change renews the recesses of the mind?" We do know that new places, new people and new experiences makes one come home renewed spiritually, mentally and physically. Money spent in travel may save doctors bills.

Of course the same conditions will apply on any tour we plan; that is, one must be a member of the West Virginia Federation of Women's Clubs or a member's family, which of course includes husbands. Non-members accompanying a club member may go by paying an additional amount.

Mrs. John R. Davis, Chairman

Southeastern Council To Meet In Georgia

The Southeastern Council Conference will be held January 27-29, 1964 at the Corsair Motel, Jekyll Island, Ga. Clubwomen who plan to attend make your reservation direct with the Motel. The rates will be \$12.36 per day facing the ocean; \$8.24 per day facing the drive for one or two persons. Additional persons in a room for \$1.03 per day.

Jekyll Island is at the Eastern Terminus of Georgia Route No. 50, which connects with U. S. Route No. 17, No. 25, No. 84 and No. 341 in the Brunswick, Georgia area, if you plan to drive.

The island is served by the Brunswick Airport at St. Simons Island, approximately 20 miles distant. Both Delta and Eastern Airlines have daily schedule into Brunswick.

The Greyhound Bus Lines and the Southern Railway go into Brunswick. The Seaboard Airlines Railway station is at Thalmann, 30 miles from Jekyll

Island and the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad station is at Nahunta, 35 miles from the Island. The Motel will arrange for transportation for a reasonable fee depending upon your mode of travel. Please notify them of your transportation and arrival time.

The Clubwomen of Georgia are planning an interesting and worth-while program. They are looking forward to being hostess to this conference.

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Among our early settlers, craftsmen introduced weaving, carpeting, crocheting, knitting, needlepoint, embroidery and many others. People worked hard and spent many hours producing the necessities of life and they took great pride in making their products useful and durable as well as attractive.

The necessities of yesterday have become a hobby of today. The art and method of production has been handed down from mother to daughter and granddaughter through the years in West Virginia thereby making it possible to have a crafts display for today's observer. We can "IN OURSELVES — TRIUMPH" that these crafts have been preserved and have given ideas for new crafts.

Crafts both early American and modern, of the members of the West Virginia Federation of Women's Clubs will be on display at the State Convention to be held at the Greenbrier Hotel, White Sulphur Springs on March 19, 20 and 21, 1964.

Entries MUST be brought to the Convention (DO NOT MAIL). They will be registered from 9:00 a.m., until 12 noon on Thursday, March 19, and must be removed at the close of the Convention on Saturday, March 21.

First prize, \$10.00; second prize \$5.00; third prize \$2.50, and honorable mention will be awarded in each of the following classes:

Class

- 1. Rugs: Hooked, woven, etc.
- 2. Bedspreads, afghans, etc. (crocheted, knitted or woven)
- Smaller articles: sweaters, scarfs, hand bags, etc. (crocheted, knitted or woven)
- 4. Embroidery and needlepoint
- 5 Ceramics

There will be someone in the display room at all times, except at the noon hour. PLEASE DO NOT take your article without checking it out with the attendants! This is for your protection.

See you at the Greenbrier and please don't forget your articles for exhibit.

Mrs. R. L. Wade, Chairman

Contest In 11th Year

1964 GFWC Hallmark Art Contest Now Open

An art talent contest for high school seniors will be sponsored during the 1963-64 school year by the General Federation of Women's Clubs and Hallmark Cards. It will be the 11th year for the nationwide contest:

The competition will be open to high school seniors graduating in 1964.

Hallmark Cards will provide scholarships for advanced art study to the three national winners. Students whose works win first, second, and third places in the national judging will receive \$1,000, \$750, and \$600 scholarships from the Kansas City greeting card firm. The awards have been increased from last year when three \$600 scholarships were given.

Senior students of public, parochial, and private schools throughout the state are eligible to enter. Every effort should be made for the student to enter the contest through an affiliated GFWC club in his hometown or school district. If that is impossible, entries will be accepted by state officials. ENTRY BLANKS AND OTHER INFORMATION may be obtained by writing Art Department Chairman, Mrs. H. R. Tolley, 803 Central Avenue, Oak Hill, W. Va.

The contest theme, "To Strengthen the Arm of Liberty," may be interpreted in oils, water colors, pastels, or mixed media.

Winners of Hallmark scholarships in 1963 were Charles Densler of North Charleston, S. C.; Dave Rankin of Toledo, Ohio; and John Irving of Anchorage, Alaska. Robert Edwards of Portland, Maine, was named alternate winner.

Be A GFWC Winner

One of the most important tools, we as clubwomen have to work with is our General Federation Clubwoman Magazine. This magazine emphasizes the goals and projects which have been set before us. Each month articles concerning these goals will appear and you owe it to yourself to be well informed. Program planning is a regular monthly section of the magazine along with "Panorama" which brings you news from our departments and divisions, and also "Personals." Each month space has been allocated to clubs in action and GFWC Juniors and International Clubs. Special articles by authorities will be supplemented with program ideas. Monthly articles on Parliamentary Questions and answers and Public Relations will offer timely information.

In the September issue which gave the Convention report, Mrs. Dexter Otis Arnold, GFWC President, has an article "What A Convention Means," in which she makes the statement, "chiefly we go to conventions to get new fresh ideas." Ideas then are the foundation of a convention. These are the intangibles and the job of the convention is to take these intangibles and mould them into tangible forces. This is true of our clubwoman magazine. Take for instance the article "Dimes for Liberty" which is also in the September issue, includes loads of ideas in which your club can participate in this project.

Let's start right now to make West Virginia a prize winner (one of three) at the 1964 General Federation Convention in Atlantic City June 7-11.

How can we do this? Simply sign up (all) your club members as subscribers to Clubwoman Magazine, the official international publication of the General Federation of Women's Clubs. The three states with the highest number of subscribers to Clubwoman will be honored at special ceremonies during the Convention week.

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Special Note! No longer are there any complimentary subscriptions to the Clubwoman. The General Federation Board in 1959 voted that all club members must pay the \$1 for their copies of Clubwoman.

Awards will also be given at the West Virginia Convention at the Greenbrier in March to the clubs having the most subscriptions. Remember Juniors this includes you too.

Will West Virginia be a winner in

Let's begin right now to make this a reality. Get your subscriptions in today.

Mrs. William E. Lanham, Chairman



MRS. WILLIAM CAPLAN, PRESIDENT OF THE WOMAN'S CLUB OF CLARKSBURG IS SHOWN GREETING KERSTIN ODMARK OF STOCK-HOLM, SWEDEN. Miss Odmark is on a return visit to Clarksburg. Two years ago she was a member of the group from Sweden in the Experiment in International Living, sponsored by the Woman's Club. Reading left to right -Mrs. Raymond Preston, immediate past president of the Woman's Club; Mrs. Caplan, Miss Odmark, and her hostess, Mrs. C. W. Colvin. 38 students from 27 countries were entertained by club members in July for a two day visit.

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Junior Director's Message

Dear Juniors:

How the club year has flown! It seems that district conventions were



Mrs. Springer

hardly over before the Holiday Season was upon us. I know you are all busily making plans for this joyous time of year. It was wonderful seeing all of you at the district meeting. After hearing the club president's reports, West Virginia will

be coming through again this year with flying colors.

Undoubtedly you have all started accumulating information for your club reports. Each president has the report form. I want to urge all department chairmen, and club presidents to make sure West Virginia is 100% in reporting. Only by reporting in EVERY department in detail can we show our successes and plans in the many departments and special projects. I know I can count on you. Remember West Virginia was TOPS IN THE NATION last year only because we REPORTED. Let's duplicate that record again.

Sometimes it seems that we have a "middle of the year droop" about now. With the rush of Christmas overtaking us, the big Thanksgiving turkey to fix, we find it increasingly difficult to find time to devote to Junior Women's Club work. However let me urge that you participate in your local club's activities particularly during this sacred time of year because it can mean a most rewarding experience.

In addition let me urge you to make a particular effort to sell ads for the Clubwoman Magazine. I know all the Juniors want to do their part in financing the publication. Only through advertisements is this possible. This is an Honor Point . . . so please do your share TODAY!

With reporting time drawing near we should find time to review our activities on the GFWC Junior Projects. Have you participated in all three phases of Project Hope publicity and public education, monetary contributions and contributions of hospital gowns, pajamas and equipment? Have you donated to CARE and SALK INSTITUTE? Have you sent in stamps to Stamps for the Wounded? Or sent a contribution to help buy albums and supplies?

In addition I hope you have given your 10c to the Dimes for Liberty project. This is the founding of the Museum of Immigration in the base of the Statue of Liberty. A new project this year, it is indeed one that is most worthwhile.

Continue to stress membership and the formation of new clubs in your area. The statement that "membership is the life blood of our organization" should not be forgotten. Only through increased membership can our work and clubs continue to grow.

Most of you know by now that Mrs. Dean Coffee has replaced Mrs. Robert Carpenter as Associate Director. June is doing a fine job and we are all proud of her. Miss Iris Rees of Weirton took June's old position on the board and is serving as Recording Secretary. Other new appointments this year include Mrs. Charles Ferrell of Madison as Historian (remember to mail your clippings to her) and Mrs. Fred Ross of Clarksburg as State Fine Arts Chairman.

In closing let me urge you to remember others during this Holiday Season. We are so blessed with an abundance of good things in life and surely we can share a little with those who are less fortunate. My very best wishes to you for a wonderful Holiday and May God Bless Each of You. Sincerely, Audrey Springer

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Juniors In Action During Centennial Year



CENTENNIAL JUNIOR KING AND QUEEN AND FINALISTS. On a flower decked stage, Tamara Anne McDonald and Brian Douglas Roberts were crowned "Centennial Junior Queen and King". Runners-up, L to R, were Byran Reed, Elizabeth Hamilton, second: Rhonda Lynn Furlk, and Anthony Dale Liggins. In the background are Mayor Carlton B. Stuckey, who crowned the King and Queen; Karen Ann Butler and Herbert A. Young, II, crown bearers. Affair sponsored by the Junior Woman's Club of Martinsburg.



PHILIPPI JUNIORS RECOGNIZE OLDSTERS. As a project these Juniors are honoring persons in Barbour County 90 years of age, or older, as a part of the Centennial Year celebration. Shown above are Mrs. Sarah Murphy who receives a cake from Mrs. Beverly Gouer, Philippi Junior Woman's Club.



IIELPING STRANGERS. Members of the Junior Department of the Woman's Club of Huntington dressed in Centennial costumes to greet visitors at the Tourist Information Center. The Junior Department is one of twelve Federated Women's clubs in Huntington which raised funds to build teenter and man it. Left to right are Mrs. N. J. Tweel, Mrs. W. G. Crews, Jr., Miss Lois Stanley, Mrs. Robert Stone, Mrs. Coyle Case, and Mrs. Lawrence Davis.



BEAUTIES OF CENTENNIAL YEAR. This beautiful float and girls were featured in the Marmet Centennial parade. Seated; Donna Parson, "Miss Marmet of 1963", L to R; Miss Linda Young and Miss Donna Elkins, were chosen as her attendants. The Marmet Junior Woman's Club sponsored the Miss Marmet Contest and designed and constructed the float.



Mrs. C. C. Corey, Chairman of the Junior Department, Woman's Club of Charleston in Indian attire, right, looks on as Mrs. W. W. Barron, wife of the West Virginia governor, sample a piece of the RICH RICH MOUNTAIN PIE selected as the best of the final five original state desserts as the HAIL WEST VIRGINIA centennial program. Next to Mrs. Barron is Mrs. Charles G. Hoylman of Scott Depot, West Virginia, recipe winner who was awarded a selection of state manufactured gifts. At left is Mr. Carl Sullivan, Executive Director of the West Virginia Centennial.

From the Editor's Desk

Have you ever seen our state more beautiful in its fall colors? With the weather ideal, it has been a joy to attend the District meeting. Needed no encouragement. We have envied Sue Scott, our President as she traveled over the state enjoying the beautiful foliage, the interesting meetings and learning of the many activities being done by the clubs.

Congratulations to Katherine Fisher who was reappointed by our Governor to another term on the State Board of Health. She is now serving as chairman of the Board.

We are sorry that Mrs. Charles Dodd's name was left out of the list of those taking the Hawaiian tour. Mrs. Dodd is from Webster Springs as are Mrs. Jack Hunter, Mrs. Ray A. Pulliam and Mrs. George Edminston. The latter three were listed from Beckley.

This issue has more chairmen giving suggestions to help clubs carry on their activities. We hope you will find it most useful.

Now as we approach the Thanksgiving and Christmas Holidays may we always be mindful of our many blessings. Let us not forget to be thankful every day.

Have a very Merry Christmas!

May the New Year be the best!

A Link in the Chain

Envision a chain . . . what sees your mind? Do you see something strong or fragile or fine? I'll bet you see iron links all rusted and old. Perchance you thought of exquisite gold.

Chains — if they're pondered or questioned, Can be heavy or sturdy, solid or sectioned. These links constructed in many a shape Are formed for the job they undertake.

Come now — think — think and remember Chains of daisies in mild September.

Paste and paper — your hands couldn't wait.

Remember your childhood — meditate !!!

Words, even words, are links to be chained. The past, the present, the future unclaimed. Myriad lines of writing neatly dissected Show colorful history that words have protected.

The wonder of children and their unswerving faith Are sometimes destroyed by mature fears and hate. Too many adults, disillusioned with living, Are lost to the art of selfless giving.

Religions of our world have many a name, The endeavors are different: the results the same. Performing our service in a worshipful frame Makes each of our deeds a strong Link in the Chain.

Thus chains are important to young and to old For, as our history is told and retold It's unity that makes the weakest 'link bold, And the strength of us all is more precious than gold.

> By Mrs. Ramsey Tobias, Chairman Eastern District Juniors



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OPTIMISM — CONFIDENCE — AGGRESSIVENESS! "O-C-A". This is Gardens Division's motto for 1963-64. Good communities are a reflection of the people living in them, and every Woman's Club in the state has a challenge to live up to, involving much hard work and planning for the next several years.

Gardens, to your chairman, are not created through plantings only. I believe our task lies in preserving the natural abundant beauty that is our heritage. Enhancing it by assisting in the removal of unsightly shacks, ruined billboards, refuse heaps, etc. Clean-up of scrub, undergrowth, litter and stream pollution. Practicing good soil conservation habits and establishing a beautification program built around original concept and design.

All GFWC members have three gardens in which to work. They are community, county and state. Select and direct your energies toward the one you would rather care for and you believe to be the best for your particular area. There are many problems, to be sure. Overcome them through evidencing a willingness to cooperate with other civic organizations, youth groups and county organizations. Search out groups actively working at the present time. Contact them personally and offer your assistance. Organize a COMMUNITY BEAUTI-FICATION COUNCIL. Work with Garden Clubs. Seek, and make use of, the many available speakers and sources of information that is yours for the asking

The celebration of our state's 100th Birthday is about to come to an end; however, in thirteen years from now our nation will be celebrating its 200th Birthday. We have proven what we are capable of doing, now we must MOVE AHEAD toward greater goals in State and Community Improvement through intensified Beautification and Conservation.

REMEMBER — OUR STATE WON THE NATIONAL AWARD THIS YEAR! LET'S DO IT AGAIN!!!

Gardens and Beautification Plans for 1964 include the following suggestions for Awards of Eligibility:

1—Active participation in West Virginia's "CLEAN-UP & BEAUTIFICATION PROGRAM." Assist in the "Rack The Shacks" Program now underway throughout the

state and being conducted on a county basis.

2—ENROLL in the "KEEP AMERI-CA GREEN & BEAUTIFUL, INC." Program. Use their services and suggestions. The Address is:

99 Park Avenue

New York 16, N. Y.

3—The "WEST VIRGINIA YOUTH CONSERVATION" Program, sponsored by the Department of Natural Resources and the Sears Roebuck Foundation should be entered into by every club. Write to:

Mrs. Maxine Scarbro Coordinator of Women's Activities State Department of Natural Resources Charleston, West Virginia

- 4—ORGANIZE A BEAUTIFICATION COUNCIL in your community, or county, select a project the majority believes will be most beneficial to the area. THINK ABOUT IT—TALK ABOUT IT—TAKE ACTION ON IT! (i.e.—in our area a shoreline preservation, beautification program is being carried through and can combine with a stream pollution program.) Further suggestions are:
 - Historical Points of Interest —
 Public Squares Institutions —
 City Entrances
 Early Cemeteries
 Lot Clearances that are unsightly, which could be converted into Industrial Parks, a
 Community Playground, or

(a) Designed plantings around -

(b) Plan, design and layout Nature Study Walks.

tion.

simply upgrade a rundown sec-

- (c) Establish Bird Sanctuaries wherever possible.
 Assistance can be obtained through state horticulturists and our University Extension Colleges.
- 5 OBSERVE ARBOR DAY CON-SERVATION WEEK — GARDENS WEEK. Build a specific program around each.
- 6—COMMEMORATE STATEHOOD DAY — JUNE 20th. Public Tours could be held on this day to alert

the public on the progress of any given community project.

7—PHOTOS BEFORE and AFTER MUST BE SUBMITTED or your club will be inelligible for judging. It is suggested that you begin a Photo Scrapbook and submit it with a brief report.

Clubs reporting projects in the planning stages, or just started, last year, are requested to submit a Progess Report in addition to BEFORE and AFTER PICTURES.

ALL CLUBS are urged to study carefully, the Gardens and Beautification Plans in the Conservation Booklet that is sent to every local president.

Thank you all for the wonderful response given to the questionnaire that went out last year, and I'll be looking forward to receiving your reports on this Centennial Year of 1963.

Mrs. Fred S. Peterson, Chairman

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West Virginia Library Commission Charleston, West Virginia

or

West Virginia University Library Extension Morgantown, West Virginia

5. As soon as you finish a book, fill in and mail the book report form that comes with the course to:

Extension Division West Virginia University

6. After you have read and reported on the minimum number of books required for a course, a progress card will be awarded. These cards do not carry University credit. They are an award of merit for the completion of a worthy effort.



GUEST SPEAKER AT THE OCTOBER MEETING OF THE WEIRTON WOMAN'S CLUB, Mrs. William Hasebroock of West Point, Nebraska, (on left) First Vice-President. General Federation of Women's Clubs, discussing federation work with Miss Irma Maple, President-elect, Northern District, West Virginia Federation, a member of the Weirton Woman's Club and also The Twentieth Century Club of Follansbee. Mrs. Hasebroock will be a candidate for the presidency of the General Federation at the 1964 convention in Atlantic City, New Jersey.

Following are the reading courses:

- 1. World Affairs
- 2. Modern America
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Now, pioneered and proven, Dr. Ford finds that her work not only gives independence of locomotion to youngsters reached but motivates them to physical activity and responsibility in daily health requirements for themselves, and their collies. This program of physical fitness and independence is suggestingly endorsed by President Kennedy's drive for youth fitness and activity. Dr. Ford requires each child to walk outdoors one-half hour each day with their Companion Collie. Muscles and skills develop over the months of increased activity.

Six boy-dog teams have graduated in the United States, and two girl-dog teams are ready for independent travel. Another group of eighteen children

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Eliminate Architectural Barriers For 250,000 W. Va. Handicapped

The West Virglnia Society for Crippled Children and Adults, Inc., and The Governor's Committee on Employing the Handicapped, sponsored several meetings in 1961-62 on the elimination of Architectural Barriers.

Members from State Organizations, State Agencies, Architects and other interested persons attended. The outcome of these meetings was that in October, 1962, The West Virginia Council for the Elimination of Architectural Barriers was organized.

The purpose of The West Virginia Council is to make the public aware of the problem of barriers such as stairs, narrow doorways, etc., in buildings used by the public. The buildings are court houses, libraries, schools, churches, commercial buildings, restaurants, hotels and the like. If the public is aware of these problems, then when a new building is to be constructed, or a building is to be renovated these barriers can be eliminated.

We have over 250,000 handicapped people in West Virginia, including those in wheel chairs, in braces, on crutches, blind, cardiac, or over the age of 65. We are adding 4,000 more people over 65 years of age each year. While many of these people can still climb stairs, many cannot.

Legislation has been enacted in Massachusetts and South Carolina. Resolutions have also been passed in Ohio and Hawaii, as well as three Municipal Resolutions passed in Hartford, Conn.

Our Council is now starting to work on this type of Legislation.

A suggestion for a project for the Woman's Club in all communities in West Virginia, is that they have workshops to survey building and to make their citizens aware of the problems. (Many people are amazed at the number of members being kept out of our churches when a ramp into the church would make it accessible). The West Virginia Society for Crippled Children and Adults can furnish free material, slides with narrative, and sometimes speakers for meetings. The inclinometers and kits for a survey are available through our office also.

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From the remotest antiquity, the highest value has been placed upon an abundant and pure water supply. Centers of population sprang up in ancient times around those points where it was most readily available, and great expenditures of labor and treasure were made to carry it to places where it was not naturally plentiful.

From a sanitary standpoint our aim should be to encourage a generous use of water, but to discourage waste and pollution. The conservation of pure water and the economic use of purified water are pressing problems that a growing and expanding country must meet and solve as a matter of self-interest if not of self-preservation.

Our country's waters are vital to its very existence; to its economic and social progress, to its national safety, and to the public health and welfare of its people. The domestic, agricultural, fishing, wildlife, recreational uses, and industrial productive capacity are seriously threatened because of pollution of our streams, rivers, and lakes.

The reports of the Water Pollution Control Advisory Board of the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare and Senate Selected Committee on National Water Resources indicate

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that our nation is confronted with very serious water supply problems related to rapid population and industrial growth and change, making it necessary to use the same water over and over.

Waste treatment plants in use have not fully eliminated all objectionable pollutants from public water. Prevention and control of pollution is necessary to serve the widest possible range of human needs. The presence of non-biodegradable chemicals in detergents is causing serious problems in municipal and private sewage treatment plants, polluting our rivers, lakes and streams, and has already reached the underground water table, thus polluting both public and private wells.

The responsibility of water pollution control is primarily state and local. The General Federation of Women's Clubs urges its members to promote a program of education emphasizing the urgency of prevention and control of water pollution.

The General Federation of Women's Clubs urges that:

- (1) Private industry, local, state and federal agencies encourage research and that they cooperate to accomplish adequate water supply and pollution abatement.
- (2) Pollution control be developed as an integral part of comprehensive river-basin programs.
- (3) Stronger regulatory laws including the ban on non-biodegradable detergents be enacted to improve pollution control.

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Music means more to more people today than ever before in history, but most of us take music for granted. Too often we leave our pleasure and enjoyment of this highest-ranking of the fine arts, to spectator participation or to a push-button machine. Grateful as we must be to radio, television and the phonograph, no machanical music can ever give us the same type of pleasure that we experience from making our own music. When all is said and done, nothing is ever so richly satisfying as the ability to create or to express ourselves in something beautiful, whether in music, poetry, painting, or any other art.

Yet of all the arts, music is the one that can make the difference between a gay and friendly atmosphere, or one that is dull and cold. A part of heaven's richest treasure, this lovely Muse brings comfort to saddened spirits and offers a wonderful outlet for the expression of happiness and joy.

For many years the clubwomen of West Virginia have been doing a magnificent job in the departments of creative Art, Literature and Drama. Some clubs have had very outstanding music departments, emphasizing our cultural heritage in study groups, youth projects, and club choral work. But on the whole, it seems to your music chairman, that most of the state, clubwise and generally speaking, has been quite apathetic in its approach to the development of this "red-headed stepchild."

Musically speaking, where have we been and where are we going? Are you satisfied with your club's musical progress and accomplishments? Do you have group-singing at each meeting? Do you encourage creative song-writing or composition among your club members and the local citizenry? (Most communities, no matter how

small, have hidden diamonds if one only looks for them.) Do you stress musical participation of club members for most programs, rather than importing outside talent? (All of us are not professional musicians, but the more opportunities you give us for performing, the better we usually become!)

The Music tree of West Virginia has much unharvested fruit. This is the year that waits for you, Women of the Mountain State, to start giving the leadership and incentive that will create the desire to Strengthen the Arm of Liberty through the universal appeal of music, eventually making the rafters of the world ring with an international chorus, blended in the unity of peace and harmony.

Mrs. John G. McGuire, Chairman

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"Please urge all clubs in your state to have a "fun" program on Home Improvement and Modern Food Trends.

> Mrs. Harry R. Conner, Chairman Home Furnishing and Food Trends Division

COMPANION COLLIES

(Continued from page 12) and dogs are working under Dr. Ford's direction.

Continued and broader service to these and other children, requires additional support. If your club would like to help on a planned, or voluntary basis, please advise our State Health Chairman, Mrs. R. M. Painter, Box 548, Keystone, W. Va.

For clubs desiring an attractive reminder of this worthwhile volunteer project, a free handcrafted ceramic collie centerpiece bank is being offered, from Ravenswood, W. Va. Wherever possible, shipments will be made by BUS. Please send instructions with your request.

The Ravenswood Senior Woman's Club presented a program to their members on Companion Collies for The Junior Blind in 1962, and decided to support this work with voluntary contributions collected in the ceramic centerpiece, used as a table decoration at their meetings. Donations are forwarded to The Companion Collie Program, %Mrs. Burr Lacey, National Treasurer, Quitman, Texas.

Awards, first, second, third and honorable mention will be given for the Best All Around Program on Health covering the years 1962-63 and 1963-64. The awards will go to clubs in the three categories based on membership. Action on any or all Health Projects during this period of time can be reported. The required program this club year on Mental Health and Retardation should lead into much interest and activity.

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