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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

This spring has been a busy season at KWC! First our delightful High Tea and Musical Revue, King and I; then the Music Scholarship Recital; then the State Convention; and now our educational scholarships. **Did you think we'd make it through all that?** Well, we did, and we did a top-notch job of it all! Thanks for hanging in there, and seeing our projects and activities to fruition! Sometimes old projects seem uninspiring, but then again they are the **tried-and-true projects**, projects our community is growing more and more to appreciate; projects that are worthy of our dedication and support.

But now it is time to think of new projects. **New activities to inspire us and refresh our interest in KWC.** What can you offer to bring new life this spring into the Club? What new committee peaks your interest? We are waiting to hear your ideas, as we are soon to end this year and start a fresh new season with the Club.

*Mia Scherich, President
Kirkland Woman's Club*

CALENDAR

Luncheon

Thursday, May 7
Clubhouse, 11:45 AM

Mother's Day

Sunday, May 10

ESO Reading Circle

Thursday, May 21
Home of Winkie Jaccard

Coffee Social

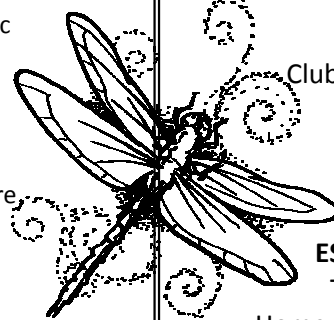
Thursday, May 21
Home of Malookeh Moattar
1:00 PM

Board Meeting

Tuesday, May 26
Clubhouse, 1:00 PM

Layettes

Thursday, May 28
Clubhouse, 10:00 AM



Editorial

STATE CONVENTION

When women gather together good things happen. Winkie, Shirin, and I attended the State Convention in Spokane last week. With 70 women in attendance, good weather and lots of interesting information and fun, it was a wonderful experience. We learned what others clubs have accomplished during the year. It was heartening to hear about all the positive things that had been done. We got acquainted with others clubs and their members. We listened, we talked and we learned. Awards were given out for club projects. Kirkland Woman's Club won first place for International Affairs and United Nations and first place for Short Story. We were given lots of membership ideas; and useful website information:

GFWC International:

<http://www.gfwc.org/>

GFWC-WS:

<http://www.orgsites.com/wa/gfwcwashingt/>

CREATE YOUR OWN CLUB WEBSITE:

<http://.orgsites.com/>

We were taken on a tour of Spokane's Clubhouse, which is 9000 sq. ft. and houses a wonderful collection of vintage clothing. They had models wearing outfits from hats to shoes, along with goodies too. Numbered tickets were given out and throughout the day gifts were won. Each club put on a skit, there was a lot of laughter and creativity. Each evening after dinner we had parties. It was very enjoyable and I hope more of our members will attend the next convention.

118TH CONVENTION JUNE 15 IN CLEVELAND

The GFWC International Convention will be held June 15-19 in Cleveland, Ohio. The Federation is encouraging early registration – online – by offering last year's prices to those who **register on line by May 11**, and putting their name in a drawing to win a new 2009 Convention Pin.

Tours, special events, and workshops fill very quickly. The best way to ensure that you will get a ticket to the event of your choice is to submit your registration early.

SHIRIN'S REPORT

Dear Mia and the GFWC Kirkland Woman's Club Board Members:

I would like to thank you all for making it possible for me to attend the GFWC Washington Convention in Spokane from April 23-26, 2009 in Spokane. I appreciate the generous offer the Board presented to all the members and was happy to take the opportunity with two other members.

As a first time attendee, I was welcomed to the convention and many members made me feel at home. Having attended about three District Meetings since I joined, helped to renew friendship with the members of other King County clubs.

The President of our District, Caroline, and other members of the King County District made me feel very warm and welcome. They were also very hospitable and we got the chance in the evening to get together after the official events concluded. At some time, I also sat at the Sokico, Cascade and other Clubs which helped to increase my circle of friends.

Gwen, Winkie & I were lucky to get the ride with the President of Sokico, Barbara Murray, who was very helpful to me in explaining all the agenda items. Sokico Club received many awards so we were in the company of a famous lady. **Our club received one award for International and Gwen was lucky to receive two awards for her short story.** There were four first timers and we were recognized and received a bag of M&Ms.

Once again, thank you very much to the President and the Board of GFWC KWC to give us an opportunity to learn more about GFWC.

**Warm regards,
Shirin**

FEDERATION CELEBRATES 119 YEARS

April 24 of this year marked the 119 anniversary of the founding of the General Federation of Women's Clubs. GFWC is one of the most influential women's service organizations in the world, with 100,000 members in all 50 states and more than a dozen countries celebrating the commitment to service and unity that has improved our world.

MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS ANNOUNCED

Winners of our Fifth Annual Music Scholarship Recital for High School Seniors are:

First Place: Jessica Lees, Flautist
Lake Washington High School

Second Place: DeAnna Poulin, Pianist
Eastlake High School

Erin McMullen, Mezzo-Soprano
Lake Washington High School



Runners-up included Bonnie Doll, Pianist; Spencer Kagen, Bass; Meghan Pierson, Harpist, Margo Schadt, Mezzo-Soprano, and Steven Stovall, Trumpet.

The recital was held Sunday afternoon, April 19 at the Clubhouse, and was adjudicated by renowned musicians Dori Sippel, violist, Nancy Quickstad, violinist, and Henry Bischofberger, master violin and bow maker and owner of Bischofberger Violins.

Special thanks to clubmembers Shirin Velji and Shirley Ward and Lake Washington SD liaison Kim Merkley, who coordinated the selection of candidates; to the parents and teachers; and to club members Rita Hattal, Barbara Roberts, Virginia Kaiser, Shirley Ward, and Shirin Velji who hosted the recital. Their theme of fresh camellias was lovely!

ED SCHOLARSHIPS TO BE PRESENTED

Three educational scholarships will be presented to worthy seniors from the Lake Washington School District at our May luncheon. They include:

Bea Richardson Scholarship: Malia Jurvick
Juanita High School

Education Scholarship: Claire Wilson
Lake Washington High School

Education Scholarship: Andrea Navarre
Lake Washington High School

Special thanks to school counselors Julie Madsen, Lake Washington High School; and Mike Mavalinski, Juanita High School; to the parents and others who have supported these fine young students; and to our Scholarship Committee, Winkie Jaccard, Chair; Pat Carter, Bea Richardson; and Shahin McKinnie and Miriam Kohn, committee members.

LAYETTES

The next meeting to assemble the layettes will be held at the Clubhouse on Thursday, May 28th at 10:00 a.m. **Doreen invites everyone to come and help.** Mark your calendars now. It is fun to do and is for a worthy cause – do come!

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

What a wonderful life I have had! I only wish I had realized it sooner.

~ Collette

GROUCHY GRAMMARIAN

CAPRICIOUS adj. arbitrary, impulsive

Grouchiness is the cousin of capricious.

GIVE MOM ART AT KAC TOUR MAY 9-10

Katherine Wright, Watercolorist of our beautiful rendition of the Clubhouse, reports that Kirkland Arts Center is presenting its 6th annual Kirkland Artist Studio Tour (KAST) May 9 and 10. This is a free, self-guided tour of 24 artists' home studios, featuring the works of over 60 local artists. Browse among new works; watch art making demonstrations; and purchase art directly from the artists themselves. A wide range of artwork will be on display and available for purchase among the various studios: Jewelry, Glass Art, Paintings, Photography, Garden Art, Sculpture, Furniture, Fiber Arts, and more! Grab a map and "do the Tour."

Printed KAST maps are available through Kirkland Arts Center or downloadable from their website.

COFFEE "GROUNDS" FOR CHANGE

State president Shirley Phipps is encouraging us to purchase coffee or tea from GFWC-WS as their fundraiser, "Grounds for Change." Order forms will be available at the next two luncheons and at our coffee socials; the coffee and tea will be delivered at Fall Board in Yakima in September.

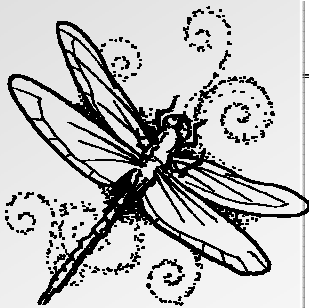
COOK'S CORNER

CREAMY GARLIC MASHED POTATOES

(4 servings)

1 lb potatoes (about 3)
1/4 cup low fat sour cream
1/4 cup nonfat milk
1 Tbsp. dried parsley
2 cloves garlic, minced
1/4 tsp. salt
1/8 tsp. black pepper

scrub potatoes, cut in quarters, in saucepan bring to boil, reduce heat and simmer until tender, about 15 minutes. drain. mash potatoes, adding remaining ingredients, mash until creamy and no lumps



POET'S VIEW

I KNOW THIS DAY

I know this day
I've lived it before
And seen that blue sky
And that house of red brick
And that tree
So leafy and full

I've smelled those roses
Tasted this summer heat
Sensed the softness of that cloud
Heard those far off voices
Lay beneath that tree
That is spilling its shade

I've watched that same bird fly
Dodged that bumblebee
Rubbed my toe in that warm dirt
I know this day
As well as I know me

~ Gwen Langwell

BOOK NOOK

SEVEN SPIRITUAL LAWS OF SUCCESS

by Deepak Chopra

This is a small book filled with big challenges. The Seven Laws are tied to the seven days of the week. Each is preceded by a quotation from sources such as Lao Tzu, Kahlil Gibran, the Hymn of Creation, the Rig Veda and other philosophers and philosophies. It is a book you will read a second time.

EASTSIDE ARTS

MOLBAKS will have a demonstration on growing veggies Saturday May 9th from 1:00 until 2:30. Free.

KIDSQUEST CHILDREN'S MUSEUM has many fun things and hands-on for kids. Every day but Monday. Friday is free, \$7.00 for other days.- Factoria Mall. Call 425-637-8100 for information.

KIRKLAND PERFORMANCE CENTER - Golden Dragon Acrobats-starts May 8th. Call for time and cost.

~ Gwen Langwell, Chair, KC District Arts Committee

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