

GFWC-SBI General Meeting Minutes  
Monday, April 23, 2018

The GFWC-SBI met at Shallotte Senior Center, in Shallotte, NC on Monday, April 23, 2018 at 6:00 pm for social time and covered dish picnic in honor of GFWC Federation Day.

The meeting was called to order at 6:45 p.m. by President Tammy Kesky. Tammy welcomed everyone who attended, thanking them for joining us in celebration of Federation Day. Tammy recognized guests and dignitaries in attendance: Julie Wolfe, GFWC-NC District 7 President, Julie Rigsbee, GFWC-NC District 7 President-Elect, and Ann Landis, GFWC-NC President-Elect. Lynne Carr-Wiggins reported we had a quorum present.

Devotion was given by Kimmie Durham, who also led the clubwomen in reciting the Club Collect.

Pledges were led by Eileen Brown and Denise Moore.

The March minutes were APPROVED unanimously.

The Treasurer's Report as of March 31, 2018 was presented by Beth Elliott and APPROVED unanimously.

Tammy asked Cindy Hewett to introduce and present checks to two of the recipients of proceeds from the SOUPer Bowl event held February 3, 2018. Charles Jackson, Program Manager for the Food Program at Brunswick Family Assistance, thanked the membership and noted that his organization dispersed 178,000 lbs. of food from the Food Pantry and helped 800-1000 families. Cindy and Tammy presented him a check for \$2,471.00. Missy Settlemyer, director of Wings Back Pack Ministry, was present and collected a check for \$2,471.00. Missy thanked the membership and noted that this money helped her organization prepare 118,000 meals for Brunswick & Columbus County students on the weekends.

Chris Angotti gave an update on the April 21<sup>st</sup> March of Dimes Walk for Babies. She noted the club raised \$1,929.00 for the event. She also reported that blankets made by the sewing committee were donated at the event and some would also be mailed to MOD national office.

Tammy gave an update on Julep & Jazz. She noted that members could get tickets from treasurer Beth Elliott. She also noted that assignment sheets were going around for everyone to sign up with duties before, during and after the event. Tammy encouraged clubwomen to invite husbands to help as well. Melon Corsini reported that she had sign-up sheets for kitchen prep before the event and recipes that members could make at their homes.

Tammy informed the membership that the Executive Board had approved the motion to write a letter of support for the Town of Ocean Isle Beach as they are applying for a grant for a park in the field near the OIB Museum. The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

Tammy noted that a few members attended the Boys & Girls Homes of NC breakfast at Port City Community Church in Wilmington on April 19<sup>th</sup>, which raised \$73,977 for the organization.

Tammy also informed members of the upcoming Corks & Forks fundraiser to be held at Angelo's on April 30. Tickets are \$50.00 and a reservation is needed, and currently they have about half of the restaurant booked. Tammy encouraged members to attend if possible, as the restaurant gives part of its proceeds back to the club.

At the March meeting, Tammy informed the club that she had applied for a BEMC grant. She now reported the \$1000 grant was awarded for the club to sponsor another Little Free Library.

Tammy noted that Relay for Life is Friday, May 4th and that the Shallotte Juniors are again asking for our help in preparing desserts for the Survivor's Meal that they prepare. Desserts need to be labeled and individually packaged, and dropped off at Allstate Insurance on Main Street Thursday or Friday by 2:00 p.m. Tammy also noted that the high school needs help again this year with judges for Senior Projects on May 10. Anyone interested needs to be at WBHS by 3:45 p.m. and should be done by 6:00 p.m.

Tammy again thanked members for attending the Federation Day Celebration and was pleased to be able to invite past presidents to share their experiences with the clubwomen. Tammy read a brief history on the origin of GFWC founded by Jane Cunningham Croly in 1890.

Tammy then introduced the founding members of the SBI Woman's Club and presented them with a red rose, the Federation flower: Harriett Hemphill, Wanda Bradsher, Davina Candela, Jean Cheers, Priscilla Gupton, Brenda Lewis, Trisha Poulos, Penny Redwine, Brenda Register, Polly Russ, Maggie Small, Donna Trest, Glenda Warren, Brenda Batchelor, Kay Batten, Judy Holden, Connie Schutte. A candle burned in memorial for Dianne Holden and Sue Jones.

Tammy then introduced the past presidents of the GFWC-SBI Club and invited them to give a history of the club during their tenure: \*Unable to attend

Brenda Register – (1989-1990)  
Judy Holden – (1991)\* presented by Tammy Kesky  
Kay Batten – (1992)\* presented by Tammy Kesky  
Donna Trest – (1993)  
Polly Russ – (1994-1996, 2007)  
Wendy Milligan – (1997)  
Peggy Grich – (1998-1999)  
Melanie Younts – (2000-2001, 2005)  
Melon Corsini – (2002-2003, 2016)  
Sandy Bell – (2004)\* presented by Tammy Kesky  
Shelia Barnett – (2006) presented by Jack DeGroot  
Tori Humphrey – (2008)  
Lynn Watkins – (2009)  
Cindy Hewett – (2010,2012,2015)  
Marie Marshburn – (2011)\* presented by Cindy Hewett  
Eileen Brown – (2013)  
Peggy Truesdale – (2014)\* presented by Tammy Kesky  
Chris Angotti – (2017)  
Tammy Kesky – (2018)

All of the past presidents regaled the members with stories, antidotes and fond memories of their time in office. Each past president gave highlights of what their year was focused on, challenges they faced, and programs they introduced. Tammy presented each past president with an insulated GFWC tumbler. It was a heartwarming and entertaining night for clubwomen, old and new.

The door price was won by Peggy Grich and Joy Moments were shared.

Clubwoman of the Month for April was Polly Russ.

The meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

Mimi Gaither, Secretary