



# **Palos Heights Woman's Club GFWC Award Entry Reports – 2022**

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**Arts & Culture**

**NEW – Lerner & Rowe – Southwest Symphony** - Arts & Culture committee organized members to attend an event titled “An Afternoon With Lerner & Rowe” by Southwest Symphony. Members also met for lunch at a local restaurant prior to the concert. 30 members attended.

**# of Members: 30 # of hours: 150**

**NEW – Living Mindfully**– The Arts & Culture committee organized members to attend afternoon lunches at The Center For Arts.

**# of Members: 6 # of hours: 24**

**NEW – A New Birth of Freedom – Abe Lincoln Portrayal** – The Arts & Culture committee organized members to attend an afternoon lunch at the Center For Arts.

**# of Members 5 # of hours 20**

**NEW – Paint And Sip** – The Arts & Culture committee organized members to attend a Paint and Sip event at House to Home in Palos Heights. 21 ladies attended and created masterpieces.

**# of Members 21 # of hours 94**

**NEW – McCord Gallery – Safari Soiree Your Passport to Adventure** – 22 members attended the McCord Gallery Safari Soiree. 10 members partnered with McCord Gallery and assisted in the organization of the event. This event supports art, music & culture for our community.

**# of Members: 21 # of hours: 124**

**NEW – A Christmas Carol at Drury Lane** – The Arts & Culture committee organized an event to Drury Lane to see “A Christmas Carol.” 15 members attended and met for lunch after the performance.

**# of Members: 15 # of hours: 60**

**NEW – The Art of Wreath Making** – The Arts & Culture committee organized an event for members to attend a Tea held at McCord Gallery which included multiple floral demonstrations by one of the members husband, owner of Mitchell Florist in Orland Park.

**# of Members: 12 # of hours: 36**

**NEW – Stagg High School Madrigal Choir – Director Christopher Betz.** The club program chair worked with the Art Director to arrange for a night of musical entertainment by the Stagg High School Madrigal Choir. The amazingly talented choir performed a medley of holiday classic songs.

**# of Members: 54 # of Hours: 60 Money Donated: \$100**

**International Night** – The Club reinstated its International Night which has been a club favorite for years. The Executive board hosted the meeting and members provided a traditional dessert or appetizer celebrating their heritage to share with the members.

**# of Members: 65 # of hours: 125**

The Art & Culture chairs and its committee continue to make members aware of various events at The Center in Palos Park, The Children's Farm, McCord Gallery and other local art related events. The committee consists of 5 members. Co-Chairs attended club, board and CSP director meetings. A monthly newsletter article was submitted. Assistance with preparation of 2022 Award Entry.

**# of members 5 # of hours 210**

**TOTAL CSP/SPECIAL PROGRAM/ADVANCEMENTS**

**DONATIONS TO ART & CULTURE PROGRAMS: \$600.00**

**# of Projects: 10 # of Hours: 903**

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**CIVIC ENGAGEMENT AND OUTREACH**

**NEW – MORNING STAR MINISTRIES HOMELESS SHELTER:** As part of “**Make a Difference Day**”, club members gathered to make lap blankets. The lap blankets were delivered to Morningstar Ministries – a homeless shelter in Joliet.

**# of Members 8      # of Hours: 36      In-kind Donations: \$225**

**NEW – National Night Out – Palos Heights Police Department:** The Palos Heights Woman's Club was invited to participate in the Police Department's National Night Out. Our booth featured face painting and was the most popular attraction with a constant flow of pint-sized customers waiting to get their faces painted. Candy was also handed out to the children at the event. Members also handed out club brochures and pens with the club logo and website information printed on them to the adults.

**# of Members: 12      # of Hours: 50      In Kind Donation: \$325**

**NEW – Cops On Top.** The Club participated in assisting the police department in fundraising and selling of tee-shirts and other items at the two Dunkin Donuts locations in Palos Heights. Proceeds of the sales went to Special Olympics.

**# of Members: 7      # of Hours: 35**

**NEW – PALOS HEIGHTS POLICE DEPARTMENT – S.C.R.A.M.** The Civic Engagement Department informed members about the S.C.R.A.M. [Surveillance Camera Registration and Mapping] program implemented by the local police department. Those Members who have ring or any other type of security or surveillance cameras installed at their home were urged to register via the internet.

**# of Members: 2      # of Hours: 5**

**NEW – K9s for Veterans.** – Donation \$100

**NEW – Ukrainian Relief Fund** – Our hearts all went out to the people of the Ukraine who are suffering because of the war. Members purchased medical supplies which were dropped off at a local Ukrainian Church. We also received \$600 in cash for the relief fund.

**# of Members; 75      # of Hours: 150      Cash Donations: \$600      In Kind Donations: \$2,700**

**COLLECTIONS FOR VETERANS:** The following donations were made to a Veteran organization:

- 75 Calendars were donated and distributed to Veterans;
- 45 Crossword puzzle books were donated to a Veterans center
- **NEW:** members donated new jigsaw puzzles for the veterans. The chairs delivered the donations and the gratitude from the veterans was overwhelming.

**# of Members: 70      # of Hours: 140      In Kind Donation: \$150**

**MANTENO VETERANS HOME (MVH), MANTENO, IL.** Sixty-five veterans most in need were selected by staff to receive a \$5.00 gift. Thank You cards for veterans' service were also written and sent with the donations, which were delivered by Civic Engagement Committee.

**# of Members 65      # of Hours: 65      Money donated: \$325**

**LOCAL CHANNEL 4 PUBLIC SERVICE STATION** – 1 member volunteers to assist our local channel 4 news station to bring informative and educational information to the membership.

**# of Members: 1    # of Hours: 20**

**SALVATION ARMY – DONUT DAY** – Four members volunteered to collect donations on Donut Day.

**# of Members 4    # of Hours 12**

**4<sup>th</sup> OF JULY PARADE** – Members of the committee purchased candy to distribute to the children along the parade route. Members drove in several decorated vehicles and distributed candy while other members walked and handed out candy along the same route. Candy was purchased by the Club and was also donated by members.

**# of Members: 15    # of Hours 32**

As Co-chairs of the Civic Engagement department we attended, club, board and CSP director meetings; There was a total of 9 members on Civic Engagement CSP Co-chairs were responsible for monthly newsletter articles and preparation of award entry.

**# of Members 9    # of Hours 220**

#### **TOTAL CSP/SPECIAL PROGRAM/ADVANCEMENTS**

**# of Projects: 12    # of Hours: 765    \$1,025 - Donated    \$3,400 – In Kind Donation**

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**COMMUNICATION AND PUBLIC RELATIONS**

ONLINE TOOL: **WEBSITE** - The PHWC's established website is informative, well organized, and frequently updated. The home page contains the President's Motto, an image of our Club's seal, states we are a recognized charitable organization 501 (c) 3 and that we have been in existence since 1938. Our website also distinctly states our Affiliations with GFWC and Illinois Federations of Women's Club, Third District and depicts the current year's Board of Directors, a calendar of Club meeting dates and times and contains links to scheduled events and projects; Chairs and Standing Committee Members and a historical timeline of the club from its inception in 1938 to date. Our website also contains information about our charitable disbursements, membership application, copies of monthly newsletters, photos from club meetings and events, plus other important and pertinent information on club events and activities. The website's header is changed frequently to reflect the seasons and the President's Motto.

**# of Members: 1      # of Hours 45**

ONLINE TOOL: **FACEBOOK PAGE** - The PHWC'S Facebook Page is used to advertise social and fundraising events as well as exhibit photos from our events. The webmaster routinely adds photos within minutes of the events. Members who were unable to attend, can still share in the fun and excitement they missed by accessing Facebook or the direct newsfeed link to Facebook found on our website. The webmaster is emailed articles that are sent to local newspapers, so that she can add this information to our Facebook page before it is published. The Club's monthly newsletter, "The Mirror", also has its link published on the Club's Facebook page for all interested parties to view.

**# of Members: 1      # of Hours 325**

ONLINE TOOL: **EMAILING** – The club's email [phwcmembers1938@gmail.com](mailto:phwcmembers1938@gmail.com) is overseen by several individuals who maintain the account's integrity and smooth operation. Even though the Club has a newsletter, the PHWC membership is also kept abreast of upcoming or unexpected changes or events through emailing 12 months of the year, such as, information about a member's health status, flyers from sister organizations, death of a member or family member, any changes to the newsletter, etc. This is especially important during the months the Club and Board do not meet.

**Number of Members: 4      # of Hours 72**

OFFLINE COMMUNICATION: **NEWSLETTER: The Mirror** – The Newsletter Editor and Circulation Department work together to mail, email and post on Facebook and our website a monthly newsletter 7 days before our meetings. Often there are special edition newsletters during the summer or if we need to send out a special notification for events not previously advertised. Many hours are spent each month putting together an informative and interesting newsletter. The newsletter editor attends all board and club meetings. The newsletter contains articles from each Department, Chairs and Standing Committee Members advising current projects, requesting volunteers when necessary, or defining our goals and accomplishments. The newsletter is a wealth of information as it contains a calendar of upcoming events and member renewal forms or informational flyers for upcoming events and prominently promotes our affiliations with GFWC Illinois and GFWC 3<sup>rd</sup> District.

**Number of Members 3      # of Hours: 325**

**The Regional Newspaper** – The Palos Regional newspaper has been very helpful in publishing the photos and articles that have been sent in during the club year.

**Number of Members: 3    # of Hours: 15**

**TOTAL CSP/SPECIAL PROGRAM/ADVANCEMENTS**

**# of Projects – 5    # of Hours: 782**

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**EDUCATION & LIBRARIES**

**NEW – Bookmarks** – The Education and Library Department created bookmarks which were placed in school libraries and given out to children when they checked out books. Words like kind, love and peace were printed on the bookmarks. The bookmarks had the word READERS on it and each letter represented a positive word. **Remarkable; Excellent; Adventurous; Dreamers; Exciting; Responsible; and Successful.**

**# of Members: 5      # of Hours : 35**

**NEW – Kindness Board** – The Education and Library Department created a Kindness Board that was displayed throughout the month of February. Library patrons could write a word of kindness on a sticky post-it note and place on the Kindness Board to let others know how they spread the *love* to others. The response of the patrons was overwhelming. This was a fun and rewarding project.

**# of Members: 5      # of Hours : 28**

**NEW – GOLD MEDALIST KENDAL COYNE -** Members of the Club were invited to attend the book signing and presentation of local celebrity and gold medal winner Kendal Coyne – *As FAST as HER* held at the Palos Heights Public Library. The attendees listened as Kendal Coyne gave an inspirational and uplifting presentation to the next generation of potential professional hockey players.

**# of Members: 15      # of Hours : 15**

**NEW – FOR THE LOVE OF READING** – The Education and Library committee has started a reading program for the members. Books will be offered and set up at the monthly meetings. The books can be checked out and returned at each monthly meeting. This project has been very successful.

**# of Members: 35      # of Hours : 12**

**NEW - 2023 VEHICLE CITY STICKER PROJECT:** The committee has reached to City Hall to sponsor a contest for students at the junior high level to design a picture for the 2023 vehicle stickers. Letters will be given out during the art classes. Submissions will be chosen by the Art Teachers and given to the committee for judging.

**# of Members: 5      # of Hours : 10**

**NEW – Eagle Scout Troup 699.** Education department worked with Aiden Foersch regarding project by Eagle Scout Troup 699 to erect a recycled bench outside of the elementary school.

**# of Members: 1      # of Hours: 3      Donation: \$100**

**SCHOLARSHIPS**– The Education and Library Department works with the local high school representatives regarding applications for college scholarships. The counselors at each high school meets with seniors teachers to review applications and the students' backgrounds, including not only academics and leadership during their four years of high school but also participation in school clubs and community organizations. There is an Awards' Night which the chairs are invited to attend. Names of the scholarship winners were posted in the newsletter.

**# of Members: 5      # of Hours : 25      Donation: \$4,000**



**SCHOOL SUPPLY COLLECTION** – Members once again donated school supplies which were distributed to needy families in the community.

**# of Members: 30      # of Hours : 60      In-kind donations: \$350**

**MAYOR FOR A DAY:** Essay forms were collected from the 8<sup>th</sup> grade area schools. All entry were read and judged anonymously. A pizza party was held at Lake Katherine for the winners after which a mock city council meeting was held at City Hall with the Palos Heights Mayor and aldermen. The young lady who won the position of Mayor would like to see a bench set up at the local Farmer's Market. The club is working on a way to make her dream a reality.

**# of Members 4      # of Hours: 45**

**VOLUNTEER READING PROJECT:** The volunteer reading project has been reinstated at the Palos East grade school. Volunteers from the Club work with the first-grade teachers to come in and read to the students. This project is very rewarding and fun to the volunteer readers.

**# of Members 8      # of Hours: 25**

As Co-chairs of the Education & Libraries department we attended, club, board and CSP Director meetings; There was a total of 4 members on Education & Libraries CSP The committee hosted one club meeting and arranged for and donated refreshments. Co-chairs were responsible for monthly newsletter articles and preparation of award entry. Fun and informative events held by the Palos Heights Library are promoted in the Club's monthly newsletter.

**# of Members 5      # of Hours 181**

#### **TOTAL CSP/SPECIAL PROGRAM/ADVANCEMENTS**

#### **DONATIONS TO EDUCATIONAL PROJECTS, SCHOLARSHIPS AND MEMORIALS:**

**Scholarships - \$ 4,000.00**

**Library \$ 550.00**

**WTTW \$ 100.00**

**Memorials to Library \$ 250.00**

**Misc. Donations: \$1,200.00**

**# of Projects: 11      # of Hours: 439      \$ 6,100 - Donated;      In-kind donations; \$ 350.00**

**ENVIRONMENT**  
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**ENVIRONMENT**

**NEW** – **LAKE KATHERINE PROJECT.** Members of the committee met at Lake Katherine to discuss possible clean up project to beautify the area near the clubhouse. Additionally members planted annuals around the clubhouse that were purchased during the Flower Fundraiser event. Win-Win! An additional \$200 donation was made to Lake Katherine.

**# of Members: 4                      # of Hours 12      Amount Donated: \$550.00**

**NEW** – **POP UP MUM SALE.** The committee decided to have a mini fall fundraising of selling mums. 8" mums of all different colors were sold for \$10. Orders were taken and flowers were handed out at the October club meeting. \$440 was made on this mini fundraiser.

**# of Members: 44              # of Hours 35              Monies Raised: \$440**

**NEW** – **KENDALL COYNE PARK – PALOS HEIGHTS** – Several members of the Palos Heights Woman's Club attended the groundbreaking ceremony for the Three time Olympic medal winner and local sport celebrity Kendall Coyne a native of Palos Heights, new park named: The Kendall Coyne "Dream Big Park" creating a healthy, connected community through parks.

**# of Members: 6              # of Hours: 6**

**Adopt A Pot** – Annually the Club makes a monetary donation for a floral arrangement displayed along Harlem Avenue.

**# of Members: 6                      # of Hours 18      \$80.00 Donated**

**Used Shoe Collection** - Shoes that were no longer needed were donated to various organizations. 60 pairs of shoes were collected and distributed.

**# of Members 30      # of hours 30      In Kind Donation: \$175**

**On-Going Conservation Projects:**

- Members brought pop tops from beverage cans which were donated to The Ronald McDonald House.
- Eyeglasses were collected and donated to the Lions Club.
- Printer cartridges were donated to a local library.
- Packing materials were collected and given to the Center in Palos Park to be used for their gift shop and mailing needs.
- Used greeting cards were given to a senior citizen center. The cards were reused for various activities including making placemats for their luncheons.

**# of Members 40      # of Hours: 40**

**Flower Sale:** A local greenhouse offered an opportunity for a fund raiser. They donated 20% of sales purchased by members and friends during a three-week period. The club made over \$500 from this event. An additional \$279 was raised from a flower order placed by a local municipality.

**# of Members: 25              # of Hours: 30              Monies Raised: 779.90**

**Environment Suggestions:** Throughout the year the committee offered recycling ideas and suggestions which are shared with the membership either at meetings or in the monthly newsletter. The magazine collection drive was discontinued but members were urged to bring unwanted magazines to the local library.

**# of Members: 5    # of Hours 20**

As Co-chairs of the Environment department we attended, club, board and CSP director meetings; There was a total of 5 members on Environment CSP. Co-chairs were responsible for monthly newsletter articles and preparation of award entry. Committee chairs made members aware of events in the community such as e-waste and other environmentally friendly events and tips and books and articles related to recycling and repurposing.

**# of Members 5    # of Hours 225**

#### **TOTAL CSP/SPECIAL PROGRAM/ADVANCEMENTS**

**# of Projects – 13    # of Hours: 416    Dollars Raised \$1,219.90    Dollars Donated: \$630**

**In-Kind Donations: \$375**

**FUNDRAISING AND DEVELOPMENT**  
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**FUNDRAISING AND DEVELOPMENT**

**NEW - FOLLOW THE YELLOW BRICK ROAD – fall fundraiser** - A committee of 23 members was formed and met on several occasions to plan a fall fundraiser. Many hours were spent in preparation including purchasing door prizes, creating and printing event tickets, creating, printing and distributing flyers, advertising in the club newsletter and website and local newspaper, soliciting raffle baskets, assembling the raffle baskets, purchasing of food, food preparation, refreshment preparation, decoration of tables and Orchard Room. Committee members volunteered to decorate and host 15 Halloween themed tables. A table talker was prepared promoting the 14 raffle baskets that were donated by members of the committee. Raffle basket profit was \$1,800. There was a 50/50 raffle held which netted \$245. Ticket sales and donations amounted to \$4,070. A menu was created and prepared with all food items donated by the committee members. The committee met the morning of the event to prepare the food. Each table host was responsible for serving the guests at their tables the lunch and then desserts. The morning of the event the committee also set up the raffle basket table and decorated the Orchard Room with a life size Dorothy and Toto; Good Witch and Bad Witch along with other Wizard of Oz decorations. Attendees stood on the yellow brick road and had their photo taken at the “entrance to Oz”. Attendees dressed as their favorite Wizard of Oz character. We were honored to have in attendance our GFWC IL President LeAnn Conlon, Northern District Vice-President, Sandy Christofanelli, GFWC IL Treasurer, Carol Jablonski along with several GFWC IL Club Presidents and Committee persons.

**# of Members: 120   # of Hours: 650   Dollars raised: \$ 6,115   In-Kind Donations: \$1,500**

**NEW: HOLLY JOLLY CHRISTMAS – Winter Fundraiser** A committee of 23 members was formed and met on numerous occasions to plan a Winter Fundraiser to be held at a local Country Club. Many hours were spent in preparation including creating and printing tickets and creating, printing and distributing flyers advertising the event at local shops, on our Facebook and website and in the local newspaper, purchasing items and assembling raffle baskets, baking cookies, packing cookies in 1 pound and ½ pound containers, soliciting donations, securing entertainment and meetings with venue re menu, vendors and set up and table and raffle setup. The Club collaborated with the City of Palos Heights and the event was also advertised as part of the City's Holiday In The Heights Events. Tickets were sold at two local establishments. Donations of wine were collected at meetings. The event included a boutique of 17 vendors – vendors were contacted by the vendor chair who sent them vendor applications; Cookie Sale [cookies baked and donated by the members]; Surprise Wine Pull [wine was donated by members of the club]; 18 Raffle Baskets [all of which were donated or solicited by members of the committee]; Entertainment was provided by a local singer and sponsored by a local organization. 172 tickets were sold and the club received several cash donations. Assigned seating arrangements were provided. 20 Christmas themed tables were uniquely and beautifully decorated by members of the committee and the club. Each attendee received a detailed table talker program which included a listing of raffle basket names, values and contents. Three members assisted at registration to check in guests and guests were led to their assigned seats. Several members assisted with setting up the raffle basket display and selling raffle tickets.

**# of Members 100   # of Hours 825   Dollars Raised: \$7,724.00   In-Kind Donations: \$1,750**

**Additional Fundraising Monies raised:**

- **Pop Up Mum Sale** \$ **440.00**
- **City Flower Order** \$ **279.90**
- **Jewelry Sale at Farmers Market** \$ **521.00**
- **Gold Jewelry donated and sold** \$ **490.00**
- **Flower Sale at local nursery** \$ **500.00**
- **Sponsorship Ads in Yearbook** \$ **600.00**
- **Bridge Receipts** \$**1,200.00**

**TOTAL CSP/SPECIAL PROGRAM/ADVANCEMENTS**

**# of Projects: 2**

**# of Hours: 1,475**

**Total Monies Raised: \$17,869.90**

**HEALTH & WELLNESS**  
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**HEALTH & WELLNESS**

**NEW: Health and Wellness Tips:** Co-chairs provided health and wellness tips in each monthly newsletter.

**# of Members: 2            # of hours: 9**

**NEW: Neat Repeats – Private Event:** The Health And Wellness committee arranged for a private after hours event at Neat Repeats in Orland Park. Neat Repeats is a resale shop that is run by volunteers. Items in the shop are donated and all proceeds of sales go to the Crisis Center of South Suburbia. Over \$900 was made for the Crisis Center.

**# of Members: 25            # of hours: 30            Donation: \$900**

**NEW: Pedal Pushers of the PHWC:** The Health And Wellness committee organized a bike riding group open to all interested members. Bike rides will be arranged several times during the club year. Participants can meet for lunch or breakfast after the rides. A getting acquainted with the rules of the Forest Preserve bike path meeting was held at Palos Heights Recreation center. 17 members signed up and we are looking to recruit more participants.

**# of Members: 17            # of hours: 20**

**NEW- Brady Johnson – Motivational Speaker:** The Health & Wellness committee worked with the program chair for our October program. Brady Johnson is a retired senior airman in the US Air Force and Air National Guard and has endured several serious health issues. Brady shared his incredible story of how he came and the journey that led him to become a motivational speaker.

**# of Members: 58            # of hours: 68            Donation: \$100**

**NEW – Baby Shower to benefit Southside Women's Services.** The Club held a baby shower drive at its September meeting. The members donated children and infant clothing, health supplies, diapers, wipes, diaper bags, etc. The drive was so successful that it took multiple SUVs to transport all the donations!

**# of Members: 61            # of hours: 140            In Kind Donations: \$2,800**

**NEW – Cooking With Lynda** – Our program chair put together a cooking demonstration. The club was shown a quick and easy healthy pasta dish and each member in attendance was treated to a sample. The recipe was made available for all in attendance and was also posted in the newsletter.

**# of Members: 52            # of hours: 62**

**Feed The Clients at Crisis Center of South Suburbia (CCSS):** The Health & Wellness committee organized the donation of 35 meals for women and children at the CCSS. The food was ordered and individually packed in microwavable containers and delivered to CCSS. The chair partnered with Royalberry Pancake and Waffle House in Palos Heights who donated all the food.

**# of Members: 5            # of hours: 12            In-kind donations \$350.00**

**COVID Update and Information** – The Health Director and her committee kept the members informed on current restrictions and informative relevant to the COVID situation. Articles were posted in the monthly newsletter.

**# of Members: 4            # of hours: 12**

**Farmers Market “Gently Used Jewelry Sale”** - Gently used Jewelry was donated throughout the year by our many club members and organized for this event. Members attended the Farmer’s Market and sold the donated jewelry.

**# of Members: 49                      # of hours    38                      In Kind Donations: \$1,500**

**Annual Blood Drive** – Our annual Blood Drive was held this year at the Palos Heights Fire Department. 15 units of blood were collected and will be used to help fill the increasing needs of area hospitals. Snacks were provided for all the donors.

**# of Members: 10                      # of hours    32**

**Inspirational Readers:** To kick off every monthly club meeting we have an inspirational reading from one of our club members. Each month a member addresses the club with their thoughts on what they find inspiring. Sometimes it’s a poem, sometimes it’s a shared life event, sometimes it’s a quote, but it’s always something new and thought provoking!

**# of Members: 10                      # of hours    12**

**Mt. Greenwood Special Recreation Association – Wreath Sale-** In November, Christmas Wreaths were offered to club members for purchase by the Mt. Greenwood Special Recreational Association which helps to support both adults and children with special needs. Club member Pat Caldwell headed this project and collected orders for wreaths this year. A portion of each wreath sale goes towards this effort.

**# of Members: 17                      # of hours    10                      \$200 donation**

**FRIENDSGIVING - Thankful Thursday Food Drive** – This event was held a week before Thanksgiving. Palos Heights Woman's Club and Franklin House, a local restaurant, bonded together to collect food and funds for the Greater Chicago Food Depository. Our members and other community leaders brought bags of food or cash donations to Franklin's and were treated to a beverage of our choice. Many stayed and had dinner together. Franklin’s also donated food and a cash donation. It is a wonderful collaboration between our club and Franklin's.

**# of Members: 38    # of hours    38                      In kind donations: \$ 1,400**

**PCA – Pinwheels** - Pinwheels were displayed outside of City Hall on Route 83. The Village sign proclaimed April as " Prevent Child Abuse Month. Palos Heights Woman's Club received a Proclamation from the Village stating our involvement in "Prevent Child Abuse."

**# of Members: 4                      # of hours    8                      \$60 donated**

As chair of the Health & Wellness department I attended, club, board and CSP director meetings; There are a total of 9 members on Health & Wellness CSP Chair is responsible for monthly newsletter articles and preparation of award entry.

**# of Members 7    # of Hours 185**

**Additional Donations: \$2,074**

**TOTAL CSP/SPECIAL PROGRAM/ADVANCEMENTS**

**# of Projects – 15    # of Hours: 672    \$ 6,050 – in kind donations    Donations: \$3,334**

**LEADERSHIP**  
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**LEADERSHIP**

**BOARD AND CLUB MEETINGS:** Attend monthly Club and Board meetings. A call list was distributed to each Board member to keep mail only members informed of club business, changes in a meeting, a death or illness of a member or any other pertinent information. A President's report is given at all Board and Club meetings. President's Motto – Stepping Up Together To Success. The President's goal is to encourage members to "step up" and participate in club events and activities.

**# of Members: 1    # of Hours: 160**

**BY-LAWS, LEGISLATIVE AND PARLIAMENTARIAN:** By-Laws are reviewed yearly with input from club membership. The By-Laws Committee reaches out to the membership through the Newsletter and at meetings to ask for areas to review. The President attends By-law meetings.

**# of Members: 3    # of Hours: 15**

**FINANCE COMMITTEE:** The Club President meets with the Finance Committee to review the budget and supplemental charitable disbursements for Club approval. Finance chair sends out donations as budgeted and approved by the finance committee based on amount of funds raised through fundraising efforts.

**# of Members: 8    # of Hours 34**

**COMMUNICATION:** Information that is sent via e-mails and online from GFWC is shared through the Newsletter and monthly meetings. Board and Club Members are encouraged to read online GFWC information. Club projects are developed that meet the goals of GFWC. The President submits an article to the membership for all Newsletters.

**# of Members: 1    # of Hours 63**

**SPECIAL EVENTS AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS:** The President takes an active part in the activities of the Club and attends special events and committee meetings whenever possible.

**# of Members: 1    # of Hours 34**

**GFWC THIRD DISTRICT: MEETINGS, CONVENTION, PHWC BOARD MEMBERS:**

Three PHWC members serve on 3<sup>rd</sup> District Board. 15 members attended the 3<sup>rd</sup> District Annual Day Meeting. 3 members attended GFWC IL convention. Awards presented to the Palos Heights Woman's Club on State and District level were posted in the Newsletter. The President reviews emails of pertinent club information; One member serves as District Co-Champion and GFWC IL Membership committee. Several members serve on the GFWC IL 3<sup>rd</sup> District Board.

**# of Members: 18    # of Hours: 130**

**TOTAL CSP/SPECIAL PROGRAM/ADVANCEMENTS**

**# of Projects – 6                      # of Hours: 436**



**MEMBERSHIP**  
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**Membership**

**NEW: YEARBOOK SPONSORSHIP:** The yearbook committee reached out to its members and the community to promote their businesses by placing a sponsorship ad in the Yearbook. As this was the initial year the goal was to raise \$600. 12 ads were sold at \$50 each and our goal was met.

**# of Members: 3      # of Hours: 40                      Monies Raised: \$600**

**New Membership Outreach Garden Party.** The membership committee held a membership outreach event at the home of Membership chair. The membership committee and board provided salads and desserts. 38 members attended and 15 prospective members. 12 prospects joined that day and an additional 9 members were recruited. New members were given membership packets which contained our club brochure, newsletter and GFWC information pamphlet.

**# of Members 38                      # of Hours 163                      Monies Spent: \$152.68**

**NEW: Personals:** Each month the membership chair posts in the Newsletter information pertinent to our membership:

- Member sickness or death; get well wishes, birth, anniversary and wedding announcements.
- Birthday Wishes;
- Public Service Announcements; Community Events of interest to our members;
- GFWC items of interest;
- New Member information; Annual Dues Reminders
- Hospitality and Inspirational Readers reminders;
- Monthly Club Programs to promote attendance;
- Financial Data – Operating and Charitable Account Balances;

**# of Members: 1      # of Hours: 50**

**NEW – Club Memorial** -At the first club meeting of the year we paused for a moment of silence to honor the members who passed during the club year. A table was set up with pictures of those members and a candle was lit for each one. We also published a picture of the members who passed in our Yearbook. A book in memory of deceased members is purchased and presented to the Palos Heights Public Library.

**# of Members: 5      # of Hours: 18      Monies Donated to Library: \$250**

**Yearbook - Annual Directory:** The PHWC Yearbook is developed to encourage member participation, involvement, and communication and includes the by-laws, duties and responsibilities for officers, CSP directors and members, a calendar of meetings and member directory, finances and budget. Many hours were filled with phone calls, emails etc. to corroborate details for the book utilizing spreadsheets of member data and proofreading of the drafts of the Yearbook. The Yearbook reflects the comprehensive efforts of PHWC in our community, as well as the professionalism and involvement of our members. Updates to member information is posted in the monthly newsletters and members are encouraged to update their yearbooks accordingly.

**# of Members: 5      # of Hours: 145                      Monies Spent:                      \$600.00**

**Club Polo Shirts** – Orders were taken for members to order Club Polo Shirts.

**# of Members: 7      # of Hours: 15**

**General Membership (Dues, meetings, attendance, phone, Email, newsletter):** The Membership committee continues to greet each member and take attendance as members arrive. Attendance is taken using attendance sheets for check in rather than signing in. This method provides a visual record of attendance and a way of seeing which members regularly attend meetings and reduces the wait time for members to get seated. Each member has a name badge so that new members can be recognized and welcomed. A monthly report is given for the Newsletter to encourage attendance and participation in events, reaching out to new members and referrals of potential members. Dues are collected from the members beginning in February and continuing until the May installation. Membership information is provided to Yearbook chair. GFWC IL, State and District dues are computed and check is sent to GFWC IL Treasurer.

**# of Members: 4      # of Hours: 250 hours      Monies Spent: \$ 3,275 [dues]**

**Installation of New Members/Service Awards:** Installation of New Members and Service Awards were given out at the September meeting. 18 new members were installed at the September meeting. In addition another 8 members joined for a total of 26 new members were recruited this club year. Service awards were presented to 13 members including one 65 years, two for 55 years, one for 45 years and one 40 year member.

**# of Members: 61      # of Hours: 230      Monies Spent: \$273.67**

**Chamber of Commerce Partnership:** Membership continues to partner with the local Chamber of Commerce and 5 members attended the Chamber Holiday Toy Drive to promote club membership and community support.

**# of Members: 5      # of Hours 15**

**Installation of New Officers:** The Club held its “Let’s Spring Ahead Together” Installation of new officers on Wednesday, May 11 at Silver Lake Country Club. Northern District Vice-President, Sandy Christofanelli was the Installing Officer. Flowers were presented to the newly installed officers. We installed a President, 1st Vice-President, Recording Secretary and CSP Directors.

**Number of Members: 60   # of Hours: 250**

As 1st Vice President in charge of Membership I attended club, board and CS director meetings. Membership committee greets members at each meeting and keeps a detailed record of attendance. There was a total of 4 members on the Membership committee. I meet with new members to keep them engaged and encourage their club participation. A monthly newsletter article is submitted to update the club on membership activities and news. Membership recruitment is a yearlong commitment and the membership committee continues in its efforts to recruit new members and to keep current members engaged. I also assist the President when needed. Preparation of award entry application.

**# of Members 4      # of Hours 181**

#### **TOTAL CSP/SPECIAL PROGRAM/ADVANCEMENTS**

**# of Projects 11      # of Hours 1,314      Monies Spent: \$ 4,504.35**