



GFWC

Ossoli Circle Newsletter

February 2016



THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Sarah Searle

With warmest greetings:
It's been a busy fall and winter. We have enjoyed and been educated by many wonderful programs. We were treated to a wonderful Christmas program presented by the South Doyle High School Madrigal Singers directed by Cody Boling. Thanks to them for taking their time and being so generous with their talents. This was followed by a fun cookie exchange and delicious lunch hosted by the former presidents. In January we celebrated our annual leadership day and were fortunate to enjoy

meeting and hearing Judge Pam Reeves and Ms. Cynthia Moxley. They are certainly both wonderful examples of women's leadership. Judge Reeves was introduced by Judge H. Bruce Guyton.

We still have many things to look forward to in the spring in addition to nicer weather. The next big event on our calendar is the Ossoli in Action Benefit Party. Proceeds from the party are entirely given to projects sponsored by the Ossoli in Action committee including the president's project the Free Medical Clinic of America. Please plan to attend and bring friends to enjoy the event.

My thanks to all who have worked so hard and put in so much time to make all of these events a success. That's all for now! I look forward to seeing all of you at the party.

Sincerely,
Sarah Searle
GFWC Ossoli Circle President, 2016-2017

THANK YOU OSSOLI

The International Outreach Committee sincerely thanks all of you for your generous contributions to the 2016 GFWC International Outreach. Heifer International received more than \$250 in loose change from the ark boxes. GFWC Operation Smile reported a wealth of hope and happy smiles. Roberta Pedigo made 31 NO-NO arm bands this fall. Heartfelt thanks to each and every one in Ossoli Circle for your generous support and contributions.

Elizabeth Koester, Chair
International Outreach Committee

LEADERSHIP DAY AT OSSOLI



L to R: Judge Guyton; Sue Whittle, Vice President of Ossoli Circle; Ms. Moxley; Judge Reeves; and Sarah Searle, President of Ossoli Circle.

On January 16th, Ossoli Circle held their annual Leadership Day. The guest speakers that day were the Honorable Pamela L. Reeves, the US Eastern District Judge, and Cynthia Moxley, the CEO of Moxley Carmichael in Knoxville. Each spoke about their jobs and how they became leaders in their fields. Judge Reeves was introduced by Judge Bruce H. Guyton. Ms. Moxley is well known in Knoxville for her charitable work as President of the Knoxville Symphony and serving on other charitable boards. She is also the CEO of Moxley Carmichael, a public relations firm.

OSSOLI IN ACTION VALENTINE BENEFIT



L to R: Ossoli in Action Chair Minga Barnes, Dr. Kim, President Sarah Searle, Cookbook Chair Penny Keim, and Office Manager Peggy Coley for the Free Medical Clinic.

The annual Ossoli in Action Valentine Benefit was held February 13th. Lots of bridge, mahjong, and other table games were played and there was a mimosa bar and bake sale for the enjoyment of the 76 guests. A delicious lunch was served while Pollyanna Harris played the piano. Over \$2400 was raised to support two projects: CAC Beardsley Community Farm and Dr. Kim's Free Medical Clinic. With the funds raised, Ossoli in Action will provide Beardsley Farm with an outdoor water fountain and donate to Dr. Kim's clinic to provide medical care for the medically uninsured working members of our community.

Ossoli Circle is also assisting with a cookbook for Dr. Kim clinic's benefit. It will cost \$20 and can be preordered from Penny Keim. Delivery is expected by May 1st.

INTRODUCING OSSOLI'S NEW MEMBERS

Meet our new members that have joined Ossoli Circle recently. Please introduce yourself and make these ladies feel welcome.



Nancy Christmas

Nancy was born and reared in Knoxville. She graduated from UTK and retired after 29 years with FedEx in Memphis. She also lived in Greenbelt, MD and Cary, NC. Nancy has been married to Barry for 10 yrs.

She enjoys playing piano, going to the mountains, walking her dog and attending church activities and family events.



Susan Emery

Susan married Geoff 44 years ago and they have two grown sons and five wonderful grandchildren. She retired after 32 years with Knox County Schools. She is a member of First Presbyterian Church where she serves on the session. She enjoys decorating, flowers arranging and the DAR.



Maureen "Moe" Murphy

Moe moved here from Chicagoland and she loves East Tennessee! She also loves sailing, beading, gardening, sunsets, laughing and traveling. John is her honey! They have 5 adult children and 10 grandchildren who are all delightful. Her dog Einstein is her buddy.

OSSOLI CIRCLE MEMORIAL FUND

When an Ossoli member, husband or other family member, or friend of Ossoli dies, family and friends are encouraged to honor this person by donating to the Memorial Fund. The funds are used by the Contact Committee to send get-well wishes to members, greetings to Honorary Associate members, and for other needs as identified by the Board of Directors. The fund is managed by the Trustees of Ossoli Circle.

Recent Memorials for:

Madeline Bilbrey

Mildred Garner

Kenneth McNabb

Glenn Pruitt

Donors:

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Roberta Pedigo

Marian Burchfield

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IN LOVING MEMORY OF AN OSSOLI MEMBER

Recently we have lost another wonderful friend and fellow club member.



Madeline Bilbrey

December 3, 2016

Joined 2000

DATES TO REMEMBER

Election of Officers	February 20
White Linen Luncheon	March 20
Smoky Mt. District Meeting	March 25
Presidents' Day	April 10
Memorial Service	April 24
Installation	May 8

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