



GFWC Ossoli Circle Newsletter April/ May 2018



THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Sue Whittle

As I look outside my window and see the flowering trees and budding jonquils, it amazes me as to how fast this year has passed. Many events have occurred since the last newsletter.

At the end of 2017, Peggy Sood and her committee presented an incredible PRESIDENT'S DAY. We appreciate Peggy and her contributions to Ossoli Circle. Since the onset of 2018, our members have been inspired and entertained with programs. Thank you, Tuesday Morning Music Club for joining the Ossolites and offering remarkable musical presentations. Minga, you and the Ossoli in Action committee did it again!

The Ossoli In Action Benefit Party was a great success; over \$2000.00 was raised! The two projects, Trees for School Yards and Honor Air will benefit from the funds obtained at this event.

Our year is not concluded. More informative and stimulating programs are yet to be presented.

Thank you for affording me the honor of being your President for 2017-2018. It has presented me the opportunity to observe how a dynamic group of women can make a difference, not only to our community and country, but to the world. GFWC OSSOLI CIRCLE will continue to be "a part of my Heart". You have given that gift to me.

Bless you all in your continued work.

Sue



Left to right: Nancy Carmon, President Sue Whittle, Knoxville Mayor Madeline Rogero, and Janie Bitner at the Ossoli Annual Leadership Day, January 2018.

SUFFERAGE CELEBRATION

The evening of June 8, 2018, will be an event to remember! GFWC Ossoli Circle will provide a reception at the East Tennessee History Museum to celebrate the passage of the 19th Amendment to the Constitution. The reception will honor the women who fought for suffrage, with Lizzie Crozier French being one, and for the unveiling of the Burn Memorial Statue. Members of Ossoli are asked to provide cookies and/or finger sandwiches, and to bring them to the clubhouse on Thursday, June 7 between 10 and 2. We need enough to feed 200 expected guests. Committee members include Nancy Carmon, Sue Whittle, Tona Turpin, Sarah Searle, Lorna Matheny, and Charlotte Miller. If you would like to volunteer to help with the reception, please contact Nancy Carmon at ncyellen@gmail.com.

The following morning, women will march from ETHC to Market Square. All Ossoli members encouraged to participate. We are asked to wear white as the suffragists did. Sashes will be available for purchase

LUNCHEON REPORTING

Reports of luncheon information are due from Program Chairs for dates beginning January 15, 2018 and concluding with our year end program on May 14, 2018. Your completed information should include:

- 1) Chairperson's Name
- 2) Committee
- 3) # of members who assisted with the luncheon
- 4) Hours worked, includes planning, buying food, preparation, setting tables, serving and cleanup)
- 5) In-Kind money

Once you have completed your information, please send it to Nancy Christmas, Reporting Chair at nancynoel929@gmail.com. You may also reach her at 865-765-7679 if you have questions.

2018-2019 DUES

Dues for the upcoming year are now due and payable to Ossoli Circle. Please mail your check for \$150 to:

Nancy Carmon
4747 Treybrooke Lane
Knoxville, TN 37918

Please include \$3.50 if you would like your yearbook mailed to you at home



White Linen Luncheon

Ossoli Circle held its own Derby Party as the theme for the annual White Linen Luncheon. Dressed to the nines and enjoying themselves are Lee Patton and Glenda Jessee.

OUR NEW MEMBERS



Susie Siler

Susie is a member of Church Street United Methodist Church, where she teaches Sunday School part time. She has served as president of the Knox Area Literacy Council, as well as Chair of the Dogwood Trails, and Chair of the East Tennessee Presentation Society.

Sue is a retired teacher from the College of Communications and Information Science at the University of Tennessee.

Also, she loves to play golf here, as well as Florida.



Melanie Goldstine

Melanie lived in Illinois, England and Maryland, as the daughter of an Air Force meteorologist. She attended high school and college in Maryland. She and her husband lived in Virginia, Texas, Chicago, and Connecticut, as he was employed by IBM.

They moved to Tennessee from Texas to check out the Scots-Irish heritage and happily stayed in Knoxville.

THE OSSOLI MEMORIAL FUND

The Ossoli Memorial Fund was established in 1979. When a member of Ossoli, husband or family member dies; friends and family are encouraged to make an "in memory" contribution to the Memorial Fund. Ossoli Circle donates a memorial gift for every current member or current member's immediate family. These funds are used by the Contact Committee to send cards to members and other needs authorized by the Board of Directors.

IN HONOR OF.

Laura Supman
Kathryn Garvin
Madge Day
Ann Wilbanks
John Ellis

Jim Oakes

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IN LOVING MEMORY OF OSSOLI MEMBERS



Madge Day

Joined 2001

Died January 22, 2018



Ann Wilbanks

Joined 1962

Died March 31, 2018



Polly Anna Harris

Joined 1995

Died April 13, 2018