



GFWC Ossoli Circle Newsletter September 2018



THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



President Tona Turpin

I hope this letter finds every one of our GFWC Ossoli Circle members ready to begin a fabulous year. The I Love Ossoli Tea was a great success and everyone who did not attend will still have an opportunity to contribute by sending us your check. Wanda Taylor and her committee did an outstanding job. The Hillis family were warm and inviting. Thanks to all that helped us.

Although GFWC Ossoli Circle has not been in session over the summer, many members have been busy preparing for the wonderful upcoming year. Lydia Sue Whittle and her committee have planned a great Opening Coffee for September 10, 2018, from 10:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. This is an opportunity to bring your friends and relatives, as this is also our Membership Coffee. Please give Janice Hixson the name and address of anyone that is interested in joining Ossoli. This is an excellent way to get back in the routine of attending Ossoli on Mondays! I'm looking forward to seeing everyone at Opening Coffee and Membership Tea.

**TOGETHER, EVERYONE ACHIEVES
MORE**

Tona Turpin,
President, GFWC Ossoli Circle

Suffrage Reception

On Friday, June 8, 2018, members of GFWC Ossoli Circle served an amazing buffet to the attendees of the Suffrage Reception at the East Tennessee History Museum. On

Suffrage Parade

Saturday afternoon, members wore white and marched in a parade down Gay Street to Market Square to celebrate the unveiling of the Harry Burn Memorial statue. After speeches by Mayor Madeline Roger and Wanda Sobieski, the crowd moved to a covered statue behind the Museum. The years of planning and fundraising had finally come to fruition, as the statue of Harry Burn and his mother Lib Burn was unveiled.

Harry holds the letter in his hand, written by his mother, which encouraged him to change his vote to "Yea", voting in favor of women's suffrage. Finally, the years of work, speeches, and even imprisonment achieved the goal---all women had the right to vote.



Left to right: Nancy Carmon, Charlotte Miller, and Linda Oliver at the Suffrage Parade on Gay Street, June 9, 2018.

I Love Ossoli Tea



Left to right: Roberta Pedigo, Lexa Hooten, and Susie Kelly at the Hillis home, attending the I Love Ossoli Tea, August 13, 2018.

Committee for Suffrage Reception



Left to right: Lorna Matheny, Rebecca Scarlett, Janie Bitner, Kim Overman, Nancy Carmon, and Charlotte Miller, at the Suffrage Reception on June 8, 2018.

Dates to Remember

GFWC Ossoli Opening and
Membership Coffee
September 10, 2018
10:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

GFWC of Tennessee Smoky District
2018 Fall Meeting
October 6, 2018
Tyner United Methodist Church
Chattanooga, TN 37421
Registration 9:00a.m- 9:45a.m.

2018-2019 DUES

Dues for the upcoming year are now due and payable to Ossoli Circle.

Please mail your check for \$150 to:

Linda Scothorn
3552 Rankin Ferry Loop
Louisville, TN 37777

Please include \$3.50 if you would like your yearbook mailed to you at home. Otherwise, you can pick it up at any Ossoli meeting.

Women4Women Shoe Drive

GFWC of Tennessee has issued a challenge to donate 25,000 pairs of gently used or new shoes to Soles for Souls. This charity is located in Nashville and has distributed 30 million shoes around the world in order to disrupt the cycle of poverty by creating jobs, disaster relief, and direct assistance jobs.

Please clean out your closet, place the shoes to be donated in a paper bag, and bring them to the Ossoli Clubhouse.

THE OSSOLI MEMORIAL FUND

The Ossoli Memorial Fund was established in 1979. When a member of Ossoli or their husband 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. 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

Freddie Cannon
John Black
Kathy Butcher

Thomas Miller, Jr.

Turan Ozdil.
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IN LOVING MEMORY OF OSSOLI MEMBERS



Kathy Butcher

Joined 2015

Died May 13, 2018



Faye Julian

Joined 2005

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Freddie Cannon

Joined 1986

Died July 27, 2018