

**MARCH
2010**

MEETING

**Tuesday
March 2nd
6:30 p.m.
Bullseye @
Days Inn**

MENU

Your Choice

PROGRAM

**Katherine
Kelley

Hopkins
County
Junior Miss**

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President's Message

Hello Everyone,

I am back and I would like to thank Lana for being in charge of the February meeting.

Thank you to Teresea Hatler for being in charge of Relay for Life, and Julie Franklin for being Captain of our Bowl For Kids Sake Team.

This month we have several things to dicuss – officers for the coming year, and Regional Meeting. We need somewhere to have the meeting and someone to cater it.

See you at this meeting.

Algia

UPCOMING EVENTS

**WEST REGION MEETING
April 10
Extension Office
Madisonville**

**BOWL FOR KIDS SAKE
April 24
Melody Lanes
Team Members:
Julie Franklin
Patti Fallin
Lana Moore
Cheryl Tucker
Wanda Morrow
Wanda Crowe**

**RELAY FOR LIFE
May 14 & 15
Team Captain:
Teresea Hatler**

**YARD SALE
June 5
Home of Melinda
Howell-Oglesby**

Calendar of Events

MARCH	Women's History Month
MAR 2	Meeting – Bullseye at Days Inn
MAR 15	Kentucky Cardinal Deadline
MAR 20	Newsletter Deadline
APR 6	Meeting – Bullseye at Days Inn
APR 10	West Region Meeting – Madisonville
APR 20	Equal Pay Day
APR 24	Bowl for Kids Sake
MAY 4	Meeting – Bullseye at Days Inn
MAY 14	Relay for Life
JUN 1	Meeting – Bullseye at Days Inn
JUN 5	Yard Sale

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE UPDATE

Our scholarship committee is in place with Teresea Hatler and Sally Taylor Buie volunteering to serve on the committee.

The scholarship application has been mailed to Dawson Springs, Hopkins County Central, and Madisonville North Hopkins high schools. Additional applications were delivered to the Scholarship Office, Financial Aid Office, Workforce Connections program, and Adult Education/ACE² at Madisonville Community College. The deadline for submission is April 15.

If you know of someone who might be interested in applying and they do not have access to the other locations, I will also have applications with me at the March meeting for distribution.

Nena Matheny
Scholarship Chair

HISTORY OF NATIONAL WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

By Molly Murphy MacGregor, Executive Director and Cofounder National Women's History Project
(from www.nwhp.org)

Local Celebrations

As recently as the 1970's, women's history was virtually an unknown topic in the K-12 curriculum or in general public consciousness. To address this situation, the Education Task Force of the Sonoma County (California) Commission on the Status of Women initiated a "Women's History Week" celebration for 1978.

The week March 8th, International Women's Day, was chosen as the focal point of the observance. The local Women's History Week activities met with enthusiastic response, and dozens of schools planned special programs for Women's History Week. Over one-hundred community women participated by doing special presentations in classrooms throughout the country and an annual "Real Woman" Essay Contest drew hundreds of entries. The finale for the week was a celebratory parade and program held in the center of downtown Santa Rosa, California.

Mobilizing a Movement

In 1979, Molly Murphy MacGregor, a member of our group, was invited to participate in The Women's History Institute at Sarah Lawrence College, which was chaired by noted historian, Gerda Lerner and attended by the national leaders of organizations for women and girls. When the participants learned about the success of the Sonoma County's Women's History Week celebration, they decided to initiate similar celebrations within their own organizations, communities, and school districts. They also agreed to support an effort to secure a "National Women's History Week."

Presidential and Congressional Support

The first steps toward success came in February 1980 when President Carter issued the first Presidential Proclamation declaring the Week of March 8th 1980 as National Women's History Week. In the same year, Representative Barbara Mikulski, who at the time was in the House of Representatives, and Senator Orrin Hatch co-sponsored a Congressional Resolution for National Women's History Week 1981. This co-sponsorship demonstrated the wide-ranging political support for recognizing, honoring, and celebrating the achievements of American women.

A National Lobbying Effort

As word spread rapidly across the nation, state departments of education encouraged celebrations of National Women's History Week as an effective means to achieving equity goals within classrooms. Maryland, Pennsylvania, New York, Oregon, Alaska, and other states developed and distributed curriculum materials for all of their public schools. Organizations sponsored essay contests and other special programs in their local areas. Within a few years, thousands of schools and communities were celebrating National Women's History Week, supported and encouraged by resolutions from governors, city councils, school boards, and the U.S. Congress.

Each year, the dates of National Women's History Week, (the week of March 8th) changed and every year a new lobbying effort was needed. Yearly, a national effort that included thousands of individuals and hundreds of educational and women's organizations was spearheaded by the National Women's History Project.

National Women's History Month

By 1986, 14 states had already declared March as Women's History Month. This momentum and state-by-state action was used as the rationale to lobby Congress to declare the entire month of March 1987 as National Women's History Month. In 1987, Congress declared March as National Women's History Month in perpetuity. A special Presidential Proclamation is issued every year which honors the extraordinary achievements of American women.

Presidential Message 1980

President Jimmy Carter's Message to the nation designating March 2-8, 1980 as National Women's History Week.

COMIC RELIEF – MEN'S THESAURUS

HE MAY SAY ONE THING, BUT HERE IS WHAT HE REALLY MEANS!

IT'S A GUY THING

Translated: There is no rational thought pattern connected with it, and you have no chance at all of making it logical.

CAN I HELP WITH DINNER?

Translated: Why isn't it already on the table?

UH HUH, SURE HONEY, AND YES DEA

Translated: Absolutely nothing; they are conditioned responses.

TAKE A BREAK, HONEY; YOU'RE WORKING TOO HARD

Translated: I can't hear the game over the vacuum cleaner.

YOU KNOW HOW BAD MY MEMORY IS

Translated: I remember the theme song to "F Troop," the address of the first girl I ever kissed, and the vehicle identification number of every car I've ever owned . . . but I forgot your birthday.

I JUST CUT MYSELF; IT'S NO BIG DEAL

Translated: I have actually severed a limb, but will bleed to death before I admit I'm hurt

HEY, I'VE GOT MY REASONS FOR WHAT I'M GOING

Translated: And I sure hope I think of some pretty soon

I CAN'T FIND IT

Translated: It did not fall into my outstretched hands, so I'm completely clueless.

I HEARD YOU

Translated: I haven't the foggiest clue what you just said and am hoping desperately that I can fake it well enough so that you don't spend the next 3 days yelling at me.

YOU KNOW I COULD NEVER LOVE ANYONE ELSE

Translated: I am used to the way you yell at me and realize it could be worse.

YOU LOOK TERRIC

Translated: Oh, please don't try on one more outfit. I'm starving.

I'M NOT LOST. I KNOW EXACTLY WHERE WE ARE

Translated: No one will ever see us alive again.

WE SHARE THE HOUSEWORK

Translated: I make the messes, she cleans them up.

FEBRUARY MEETING MINUTES – Submitted by Wanda Crowe, Secretary

February 2, 2010

CALL TO ORDER

The regular monthly meeting was held Tuesday, February 2, 6:30 p.m. at Bull's Eye Steakhouse. President-elect Lana Moore called the meeting to order. The officers present were: Lana Moore, President-elect; Wanda Crowe, Secretary; and Patti Fallin, Treasurer. The minutes from the January meeting were printed in the February newsletter for review and approved at this meeting. Special guest speaker, Kathy Edwards from Fitness Formula, spoke about the importance of doing physical exercise. She demonstrated exercises you can do while sitting or standing, whether at home or at the office.

ROLL CALL

Members attending: Wanda Crowe, Patti Fallin, Julie Franklin, Teresea Hatler, Melinda Oglesby, Lana Moore, Wanda Morrow, Sharon Smith, Sally Taylor, Cheryl Tucker.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer's report as of January 31, 2010 with a balance of \$1,803.81 was distributed and reviewed. The report will be filed for audit. Hopkins County Junior Miss account balance is \$956.96

CORRESPONDENCE

The club received a donation request from the American Cancer Society

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance – We will have our Yard Sale on Saturday, June 5th at Melinda's home on Princeton Pike. In case of rain, sale will move to the back room of Curves.

Foundation - Donations were given to Patti to be forwarded to Betty Hedges, treasurer of the BPW/KY Foundation Board.

Junior Miss - Patti Fallin, Sharon Smith and Wanda Crowe attended the state competition. Katherine Kelley, Hopkins County Junior Miss 2010, placed in the top 10 out of 34 contestants and received \$600 in cash scholarships.

Issues Management - Katherine Kelley will be our March program.

NEW BUSINESS

We will have a team in the Bowl For Kids' Sake fund raiser April 24, 2010 for Big Brothers/Big Sisters. We also have members participating with Hearing Solutions in the Hopkins County Relay for Life event May 14-15, 2010. A nomination committee will be appointed at the March meeting. A slate of officers will be presented for approval at the April Meeting with installation at our May meeting.

KFBPW Regional Meeting is scheduled for April 10, 2010; Hopkins County B&PW is hosting.

Motion was made by Lana Moore, second by Sharon Smith, to sell our amplifier for \$20.00.

ADJOURNMENT

Announcements and happy dollars were followed by the Emblem Benediction. The meeting adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

Wanda Crowe, Secretary

**Officers
2009-2010**

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Algia Morrow

President Elect
Lana Moore

Secretary
Wanda Crowe

Treasurer
Patti Fallin

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Editor's Note by Julie Franklin

Whew! I am ready for Spring to be sprung and I am sure all of you are as well.

Thanks to Algia, Nena, Melinda, and Wanda C. for their contributions to this edition of the newsletter.

Your ideas, articles, and information are always welcome! Submit them to me, by the 20th of each month, as follows:

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