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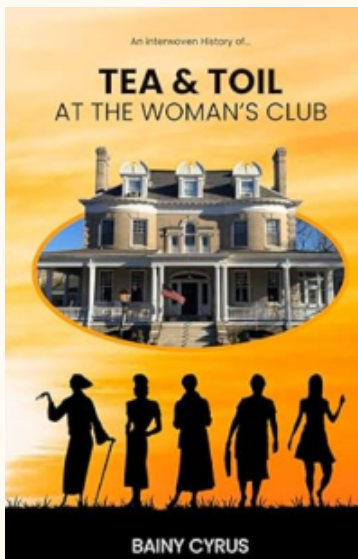
Book Recommendation with a GFWC Connection!

Book recommendations give us a starting point on what could be an interesting read. Have you considered reading a book that is connected to our GFWC history? GFWC may be connected to the theme of the book, or directly reference a GFWC Club and our organization. So, I thought we would share a book that has a strong connection to share with our club members.

If you have not yet joined our private Facebook group - please consider doing so. It is GFWC ESO Book Club



**October is
National Book
Month**



The historic Martin Mansion, owned by the Woman's Club of Norfolk since 1925, is facing neglect and bankruptcy after a century of hosting teas, cocktail parties, wedding receptions, college lectures, bridge tournaments, and charity drives. And the club itself has shrunk significantly, almost to extinction with only a small handful of members. Located in a unique semi-circle neighborhood called The Hague, the Martin Mansion is known as "The Woman's Club" and watches itself intertwined in the histories of the Woman's Club of Norfolk, the General Federation of Women's Clubs (GFWC), the city of Norfolk, and even America for the past 115 years.

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Ideas for Education and Libraries Volunteer Opportunities

Are you looking for a new and different project for your club in the Education and Libraries Program? If you attended your Region Conference you may have heard of something unique that you hadn't thought of before - so let's share some of those ideas. Remember, there are many ideas that can be found in the *GFWC Club Manual*.

- Provide snacks for a library story time
- Read at story hours
- Little Free Libraries, library books in neighborhoods
- Donate books, magazines
- Learn a foreign language
- Quiz bowl sponsorship
- Scholarships for young women
- Art contests in local schools
- Tutor students at school for reading
- Join Friends of the Library as a club
- Volunteer to read to kids at a library/school
- Free books at Classic Car Roll In by golf cart and accept donations
- Sign people up for ESO
- Donate more books to Friends of the Library
- Sign up children for 1000 books before kindergarten
- Tour the Bookmobile
- ESO Read A Minute Challenge – A Million Minutes

Affiliate Spotlight



In this issue, let's see how our club can support one of our Affiliates and do a project for Education and Libraries - a win win!

GFWC and Heifer International share a common desire to make life better for our neighbors worldwide. GFWC has supported Heifer projects for decades by donating gifts of livestock that enable families to lift themselves out of poverty and reach a living income. At Heifer, they believe that women-led, small-holder farming is key to ending hunger and poverty through the gifts of livestock and training. When women have control over their assets and incomes, they reinvest in their families.

- Encourage the educational resources that Heifer offers to schools at the elementary and secondary levels
- Publicize the books and reading resources as well as the virtual field trips for children who are homeschooled

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