



## Fairfield Women Club October 2010 Newsletter



**The Fairfield Women Annual Charity Auction  
"Traditions of the Season"  
Saturday, December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2010  
Receptions Banquet & Convention Center  
Doors will open at 11:30am**

Formerly the "Make & Bake", will be held at Receptions Banquet & Convention Center. Please mark your calendars with this very important date! Let your family heritage, customs, or traditions shine with a hand-made item. But if you are not crafty, then feel free to visit many area craft shows or retail merchants for great items we can add to our Live and Silent Auctions. Since this is our **only** major fundraiser this Club year, we **REALLY NEED YOUR HELP** to make it **SUCCESSFUL!**

**Reservations:** Please begin to invite friends, family, neighbors, co-workers, etc. Debbie Pennington will be happy to begin taking your reservations today or you can contact her at 829-4261, or send a check payable to "Fairfield Women" to 5 Bellwood Court, Fairfield, OH 45014. Cost remains at \$25 per person. Reservation deadline will be Monday, November 29<sup>th</sup>! So get your reservations in quickly.

**Invitations:** Your invitation is ready for pick-up near the Treasurers table today from co-chair Valerie Wood. If you know of a member that isn't at the meeting, please pick up their invitation and take it to them as soon as possible. Your help is greatly appreciated!

**Auction Jobs Sign-Up:** See Michele Harwell, Auction Chair, at the back of the room to sign up for much needed help during our Charity event!

**Silent Auction:** Items need to be "Auction Ready", which means they need to be already wrapped for or prepared at the time of turn-in today and at the November meeting. Please do not bring baked goods until either Friday December 3<sup>rd</sup> or Saturday December 4<sup>th</sup> at Receptions! We will be at Receptions from 12noon to 3pm on Friday December 3<sup>rd</sup> to receive your donations, as well. For more information, please contact Pat Deis-Gleeson, 310-4175, [trehaus42@roadrunner.com](mailto:trehaus42@roadrunner.com).

**Raffle Baskets:** There are a number of Captains that have picked themes for this year's baskets. Please sign up to help one of them or call Terry Bogel at 829-3696 or Carolyn Williams at 6427708 for more information.

**Goody Bags:** Linda Jones, [laj49@aol.com](mailto:laj49@aol.com), 829-5672 and her team will be coordinating the collection of items for these. Any member who has a small business and would like to advertise needs to turn in 300 items to Linda by Friday, November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2010. Businesses who donate an item to our event can advertise in the Goody Bags. We're also looking for donated items to fill the bags. So, again, these items need to be given to Linda for submission by November 19th.

**Holiday Customs & Traditions:** Don't forget to turn in your family customs and traditions to Carolyn Williams and Valerie Wood by Thursday, November 11<sup>th</sup>. Carolyn has placed a "Traditions" form in

the Black Books today for you to fill out. Feel free to use the back of the sheet if you need more room to write.

If you have any questions at all, or would like to volunteer to help with the Charity Auction, please contact Michele Harwell, 895-3409, [mharwellparties@hotmail.com](mailto:mharwellparties@hotmail.com), or Valerie Wood, 858-1910, [vwood@midwestgt.com](mailto:vwood@midwestgt.com). Check our website at [www.fairfieldw.com](http://www.fairfieldw.com) for more information.

**We are looking forward to everyone's participation!  
This is going to be an exciting event to kick off the Holiday Season.  
Hope to see you there!**



### Today's Program...

#### "The Blues or Something More?"

This month we would like to introduce Sally Fiehrer, President of the Butler County chapter of NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Health) and Patricia Irwin, a Clinical Nurse Specialist with an active practice right here in Fairfield. Sally and Pat will speak on a range of topics that will include information about major mental illnesses.

Sally started the Butler County chapter of NAMI 21 years ago as a volunteer. Under Sally's leadership, the group has prospered and grown, offering information, advocacy, and support to families in Butler County coping with a loved one's brain disorder.

Among Patricia's many accomplishments, she leads Speak Easy, a support group for women with depression.

Both Sally and Patricia have been honored as a "Woman of the Year" by the YWCA for their work.

**October is Mental Health month.**

#### Your Greeters Today:

Ann Berg and Randi Cimino

#### Invocation:

Georgia Sawhook

#### A BIG "Thank You" to:

"destiny's" Catering for our wonderful lunch today,  
Covenant Community Church for the use of their facility for our meetings,

Matly Digital Solutions for printing our newsletters,  
and to

Village Dry Cleaners for the laundering and storing of our tablecloths.

#### Lunch Menu for Today:

Croissant Sandwiches, Tossed Salad with dressing, Potato Soup, Fruit Salad, Chocolate Brownie.



## A Note From Our President

Dear Fairfield Women:

As I sit at my computer and look out my picture window, I see the beautiful colors of the changing season. There is a tree outside my window that is changing colors right before my eyes! Fall is one of my favorite times of the year. I just can't get enough of the sights and smells! As we go through our busy lives, it's hard to seize a moment to take in everything around us. But so invigorating when we can! Just for a moment, drink it all in and it will change your whole day.

That's how I see Fairfield Women. Invigorating! There's so much that we can do as a whole. It takes about 65 or so members to volunteer throughout the year to make our Thursday meetings fun and exciting!

At each luncheon there is a black book on the table with many opportunities to be a part of helping Fairfield Women run smoothly. If you have a gift for being able to give an invocation, we have 5 more spots to be filled. Greeting can always be fun and a good way to meet people. We have one month that has not been filled for that. There are also opportunities for set-up and clean-up, and maybe membership. Oh, did I say membership? We are still in need of a Membership Chairman. Please talk with Terry Bogel, Susan Kogon, or myself if you would be interested in helping in this position.

Have a wonderful fall day.

Pam Nothnagel



### **Fairfield Food Pantry Needs Our Help in November and December!**

- Stuffing Mix
- Cranberry Sauce
- Gravy (cans, jars, or packets)
- Canned Sweet Potatoes (not extra large cans)
- Empty Plastic Grocery Bags

Since we will not have a regular meeting in December, you can either bring extra items to the November meeting, or I will give you a time frame where you can bring them to my house in December in the November newsletter. Thanks, everyone, for your continued support. The holidays can be a little easier for those in need, thanks to your donations!

**FAIRFIELD WOMEN DO MAKE A DIFFERENCE!**

Sue McGuire  
Fairfield Food Pantry Coordinator



### **Fairfield Women Club Brochures**

are ready for distribution at your work place, to give to friends or neighbors, or to hang up in the community. Please see Judy Dirksen today for copies or call her at 874-5526 if more copies are needed. Hopefully you will be seeing them around Fairfield.

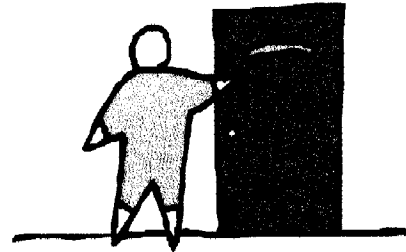


**Shhhhhh.....Secret!**

**Pal, that is!**

**If you're interested in being a secret pal, then Anna Walker is the person to see! Anna will be collecting names at this meeting, and will have you matched up with a "pal" by Halloween.**

**See forms in the black books.**



### Community Action Committee News

Ladies, please keep your eyes open for organizations and local programs that are worthy for us to consider as recipients of the dispersed funds we give out in the spring. If you are interested in serving on the Community Action Committee, please let me know. We need at least three people from the general membership to help in evaluating the recommendations. We will begin meeting in January. Please contact me, Pat Deis-Gleeson, at 310-4175 if you are interested.



### Do You Like to Read?

**Then join the Book Club's get together on Thursday, October 21<sup>st</sup> at the Senior Lounge in the Fairfield Community Arts Building at 7:00pm.**

**This month's selection is  
"What is the What"  
by Dave Eggers.**

**Contact Sandy Pizzano for more information  
at 858-6822**



*Volunteering in Our Community  
Makes a Difference!*

This month our volunteer spotlight is on the Lane Libraries. Both the Hamilton and Fairfield Lane Libraries can use your help in a variety of ways. Specifically, the Hamilton Lane Library is looking for at least two people to "adopt" a shelf or shelves. This task involves straightening the shelves, making sure the books are in proper order, and to make sure none are damaged or worn. Another volunteer is needed for database entry.

Likewise, the Fairfield Lane Library needs volunteers to "adopt" a shelf, as well as help with cleaning and recovering books. Both libraries can use your assistance to shelve DVD's, items on hold, and/or help with special programs. In particular, the Fairfield Lane Library is seeking volunteers to help with the Smithsonian's Veteran Interview Project. This winter, volunteers will be interviewing local veterans and recording those comments.

If you are interested in any of these opportunities, please contact Carol Bowling at the Hamilton Lane Library, 894-7156, ext. 110, or at [c.bowling@lanepl.org](mailto:c.bowling@lanepl.org). At the Fairfield Lane Library you may contact Marcy Martin at 858-3238, ext. 360, or at [m.martin@lanepl.org](mailto:m.martin@lanepl.org). Remember, you can volunteer weekly, monthly, or just for a special program. Your time and commitment to the Lane Libraries is very much appreciated!



**It's a Girls Night Out!**  
Friday, October 29<sup>th</sup>  
8:00pm

Fairfield Community Arts Center Presents

**The Lisa Biales Trio**

We have a group attending this event, but you can still join us. Just call or go to the FCC and buy your tickets. Snacks are included in the ticket price of \$20 and a cash bar is available for wine and soft drinks. Tell them you want to join the Fairfield Women.

Contact Social Chair Joyce Lepof  
at 315-7742  
or at [msjlep@aol.com](mailto:msjlep@aol.com).



**Out to Lunch Bunch**  
**Would like you to Attend...**

their lunch this month at the **Montgomery Inn at the Boathouse** on Thursday, October 28th, at 12noon. If you would like to carpool, meet the ladies at Covenant Community Church by no later than 11:30am.

The group meets every fourth Thursday of every month.

Sign up in the black books now!

If you sign up and need to cancel, please contact Pat Elliott at 829-0046 or Carol Oerther at 829-6365.

**"Join us and have fun socializing with friends!"**

**Attend Fairfield Community Foundation's Annual Meeting**

**"Honoring Veterans: Leadership, Service & Sacrifice"**

Tuesday, November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2010  
At Receptions Banquet & Convention Center  
Reservations required and tickets are \$35.00 each  
Discount tickets for Veterans are \$20.00 each

**Keynote Speaker:** Lieutenant Colonel Charles Schretzman  
Professor of Military Science

Glorious Raffle and Silent Auction items to bid on

**Grand Raffle items include:**

14K White Gold Ladies Fashion Ring featuring diamonds, rubies and sapphires valued at \$3,695.00

Joe Nuxall Memorial Scholarship Golf Open  
Valued at \$1,300.00

"The Patriot" Queen Size Quilt  
valued at \$1,000.00

Call the Foundation office at 829-6355  
To make your reservation

**Fairfield Women is a Founding Member  
Of the Fairfield Community Foundation**

## October Birthdays



Tobbie Abner	10/2
Judy Dirksen	10/2
Debby Ohlhauser	10/2
Peggy Potts	10/8
Jeannie White	10/13
Barbara Rodgers	10/14
Debbie Pennington	10/15
Laura Weinberger	10/18
Pam Nothnagel	10/23
Betty Cobb	10/27
Jean Toberman	10/28



## In Our Community.....

Craft Shows are now in FULL Swing!  
Check them out if you need a  
Charity Auction Donation!

Also, we would like to congratulate one of our own.... Kim Hunker! Kim has her first exhibit piece at the Community Arts Center (CAC) Fifth Annual Art Gallery Exhibit. The exhibit opened on Friday September 24<sup>th</sup> and runs through Saturday November 13<sup>th</sup>. If you haven't already seen her work, go check it out! The event is free. Kim will hopefully have more of her creative work in future exhibits!



If you have something that you would like to put in the next FFW Newsletter, or have any comments about upcoming newsletters, please contact me at 895-3409, or at [mharwellparties@hotmail.com](mailto:mharwellparties@hotmail.com). I will do my best to get them in as long as the information pertains directly to our FFW members. **Deadline for all entries is the Friday BEFORE each meeting day.**

Your Corresponding Secretary,  
Michele Harwell