



December 2021

**Next meeting:
6 p.m. — December 13th
Shawnee Prairie Nature Preserve**

**Featuring
Darke County
Dulcimer Group**

*Dinner reservations due
December 9th*

Dear Members —

Good day all! It is the time of year that we begin to reflect on times gone by. Holidays spent with family and friends, fond memories of those living and those who have passed. While this time of year can be invigorating and exciting to some of us, others become depressed, and cranky! I am asking that not only this season but with every season please be aware of your surroundings and in the true nature of the season reach out and show someone you care. A kind word or gesture goes a long way in changing an attitude. Jesus was born into this world to be a tangible example of God's love and while this is the season we celebrate his birthday, help us all to remember that he is the epitome of Mercy, Grace, and Love. As he so loves the world, Let us Love others!

As always Blessings to all this Christmas Season and beyond!

Blessings,
Jaime LeVeck, President

**6 p.m. — December 13th
Shawnee Nature Center
4267 State Route 502, Greenville**

A social evening to celebrate Christmas
With music of the season by
Darke County Dulcimer Group



Share the spirit — bring a guest!

**Food provided at no charge,
but donations accepted.**

Delores has had many roadblocks finding out what to collect for Women Veterans. The Greenville VFW is collecting gift cards for our Veterans—if you would like to participate:

**Please bring a gift card to the meeting.
Thanks!**



**MERRY
CHRISTMAS**

Minutes
Darke County Republican Women's Club
Regular Meeting Minutes -November 8, 2021

Toni Henninger gave the invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

DCRW members present were Erin Blichradt, Lyn Bliss, Kathy Brewer, Delores Ely, Ginn Carol, Gloria Harpest, Katie Grow, Mary Kinnison, Toni Henninger Betty Hill, Anna May James, Barb Kimmel, Jaime LeVeck, Margaret Manix, Marsha Miller, Dorothy Oda, Cindy Pike, and Pepper Wright. Guest attending were Paul Schlecty, Jacob Larger, Linda Harsh and Bevin Fields.

Cindy Pike introduced the guest speaker of the evening Mr. Paul Schlecty. Mr. Schlecty gave a slide presentation explaining the work and processes of the local board of Education. Mr.Schlecty urged the group to sign up to be a poll worker for future elections. The presentation was very informative and well received by attending audience.

BUSINESS MEETING:

President Jaime LeVeck then called the business meeting to order.

President LeVeck made a special presentation to former Club President Betty Hill on behalf of the Ohio Federation of Republican Women regarding Achievement Award Program of 2019. Presentation delayed due to COVID-19. Our club was one of two to receive the Diamond Level Award.

Secretary Report: Cindy Pike to accept the October report seconded by Carol Ginn motion carried.

Treasurer Report: Cindy Pike gave the October Treasurer, which is filed for audit. Reported two bills needed paid tonight. Those bills were for catered meal and payment from Memorial Fund for flowers for Sharon Bushy. Motion by Kathy Brewer to pay these bills, seconded by Katie Grow, motion carried.

Old Business: The Literacy Committee had been tasked with reviewing and making recommendations for a book to be presented to county school libraries. This Committee consisted of Toni Henninger, Donna Gasper and Judy Bennett. Toni Henninger gave an overview of the three books they were recommending to the club. Following discussion of these books, Cindy Pike moved that we approve the book entitled We The People. Motion seconded by Delores Ely. Motion carried. President LeVeck suggested that we form a permanent Literacy Committee going forth. Motion made by Betty Hiss that this committee become permanent, seconded by Cindy Pike and motion carried.

Jaime LeVeck gave a summary of the OFRW conference she attended. The following is a partial list of officers: Robin Dodge, President, Stephanie Garrett, Vice President and Jaime LeVeck District 7 VP.

New Business: Recommendation that the DCRW Club make a \$ 200. donation to Shawnee Prairie for use of the facility. Mary Kinnison moved that club approve the donation, seconded by Judy Bennett, motion carried.

Correspondence: Jaime shared that Park District is looking for organizations to decorate Christmas trees for the nature center. Trees will be provided. Mary Kinnison moved that the club decorate a tree with a budget of up to \$ 100., seconded by Kathy Brewer, motion carried. Betty Hill will coordinate the tree decoration. Donations can be given to Cindy Pike.

Veteran packages are needed for Women and Children for Christmas. A list of items will be provided prior to our December meeting. Plan to bring your donations to the December meeting.

Next meeting will be our Christmas event on Monday, December 13, 2021. Special entertainment will be the Dulcimer Club that meets at Shawnee prairie.

Meeting Reservations: Contact Wavelene Denniston.

Email: wdenniston@who.rr.comor phone 937-547-6477 by Thursday before the next regular meeting. Meal reservations are required. If unable to attend after submitting your reservations we ask that you still pay the \$ 10. fee for your reserved meal.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM.

Submitted by Delores Ely, Acting Secretary