

News from National – January and February 2023

NATIONAL NEWSLETTER – Until there is a national magazine editor, important information will be through a monthly newsletter like you are now reading. Branch Presidents will be send you reminders when a new national newsletter is available on our webpage.

INVOLVEMENT and INCLUSION - It's time to gear up for our future WNF&GA activities and ask ourselves "How can I become *involved* in making this the best year for my branch? Which community group or individual can I *include* to join me?"

COMMUNICATION - Please send me any questions, concerns, and suggestions that you would like addressed by the Executive Board at our monthly meetings held on the 4th Tuesday of each month. The board's responses will be on this site in the following month. Contact information: Patty Burnside – 989.284.3455 – pb@chartermi.net

FACEBOOK - Our **Facebook** page is a great place for sharing everyday information such as tips and tricks, branch news, comments, gardening questions, notices, horticulture humor, short and quick WN items, etc. to our members throughout the country. Please LIKE and JOIN us.

WEBPAGE – You are currently on our Website at www.wnfga.org and the Board appreciates your readership. I am slowly, carefully going through the site, editing and updating information. If you have any suggestions, please contact me. I value your comments. To access the MEMBERS ONLY portion, use the password listed in the Michigan Division Newsletter.

OPEN POSITIONS - If you are interested, please contact me. Please consider volunteering.

- NATIONAL MAGAZINE EDITOR - The magazine would have a Spring and a Fall issue. In the meantime, please check our webpage for needed information.
- NATIONAL VICE PRESIDENT – You are welcome to have a co-vice president. Your job would entail organizing the National Meeting and possibly assuming the role as next president.

NATIONAL MEETING 2023 – The business portion of the National Meeting will be virtual via Zoom this year. The date is set for May 20, 2023. More information will follow. Unfortunately, there will be no in-person portion this year since there is no vice president whose job it is to chair.

ACWW - Associated Country Women of the World has a new procedure to fund projects that replaces Pennies for Friendship. It will continue in rural communities to improve the standard of living for all women and their families.

EMAIL ADDRESS – Thank you to Suzanne Smith-Oscilowski for setting up WNFGA1914@gmail.com as our email address.