

Notes on historical FPWC newsletters from Carol McAlonis, club historian (2022–2023)

September & October 1959

Enclosed for your enjoyment are the September and October 1959 Fair-Views newsletters from the start of the new 1959–1960 Club year.

September's newsletter indicates there were a lot of things planned for the upcoming year, and filled everyone in on what happened over the summer of 1959. They welcomed 47 new members since the last year!

October's newsletter fills us in on all the activities of the various committees and the fun the members had with their children and families. I see that they made 212 copies to mail out - that's a lot of members!

November & December 1959

Attached are the November and December 1959 Fair-Views, the original Newsletters which were published since the Club's beginning in 1954. At this point, we are leaving the 1950s and will soon enter the 1960s, so we shall watch how the Club progresses as it nears its first decade.

November's newsletter promotes the upcoming Fall Dance, the Ways & Means Committee's only dance. For a ticket at only \$4, enjoy the meal, orchestra, dancing and raffles. The Club's service committees have begun their projects and are preparing for Christmas. Many members shared their family and trip news.

December's newsletter reported all the happenings in November and December.

I hope you enjoy the "good old days."

January & February 1960

Attached are the January and February 1960 Fair-Views, the original newsletters which were published since the Club began in 1954. We will start looking at the 1960's for a while, a time when I'm sure several members fondly remember spending the 60's growing from pre-teens into their 20's. These newsletters will shed some light on the things that mattered to our mothers and will demonstrate how society overall changed after the war years.

January's newsletter has an interesting start. Evidently, fur coats and stoles were a "must have" for many women. The Club's Dessert Bridge and Fur Raffle was scheduled

for February 2nd. Raffle tickets only cost 25 cents each or 5 for \$1. The January program featured two stylists from Fashion's Finest Salon the Beauty who presented hair-styling tips for members, and six lucky ladies received new styles! There was a Fairnighter's Valentines Dance scheduled to be held at the Olmsted Lodge. The Welfare committees were busy, having organized a New Year's party for the 20 boys at the Cleveland Psychiatric Institute, and a Valentines party for the Apple Creek patients. This newsletter updated us about many members' interests and how several met their husbands.

February's newsletter shows that all Committees had been busy. More updates about members and additional info about how members met their husbands.

I hope you enjoy the "good old days."

March & April 1960

Continuing on into the early 1960's, enclosed are the March and April 1960 issues of Fair-Views. I hope you enjoy them.

The March meeting featured a Cleveland Museum of Art speaker presenting "Famous American Homes from Colonial Days to the Present." Member entertainers are getting ready for the upcoming "Fairview Follies," showcasing everyone's talents. Most of the remainder of the newsletter talked about members and what they have been doing, but the cutest part is the "Moments to Remember" on the last two pages.

The April newsletter provided a little bio of each Board candidate. Remember - there were over 200 members at that time, so that was the best way to let everyone know a little about the candidates. With so many members, there were three women running for each position!