

# CWC News Sheet

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This newsletter has been published twice a year on the Internet since 2005 on the [web site of Country Women's Council USA](#). (see above)

It is posted following publication of the Winter and Summer issues — usually, but not always, by February 1 and July 1.

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We cannot e-mail the newsletter to you.

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**ACWW WORLD PRESIDENT  
TO ATTEND CWC AREA MEETING  
IN COLUMBUS, OH ~ SEPTEMBER 2011**

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When she isn't traveling around the world to represent the Associated Country Women of the World, ACWW World President, May Kidd's homeland is the country of Scotland.

Prior to her election as World President at the 26th ACWW Triennial Conference held in Hot Springs, Arkansas last year, she served as ACWW Deputy President and chairman of the ACWW Agriculture Committee from 2007-2010.

May served two trienniums as Area President for Europe from 2001-2007, traveling extensively in the area. She was a member of the ACWW Triennial Conference Committee from 1995-1998 and the Promotion and Publications Committee from 1998-2001.

Within her own Society, she has served as national chairman and national vice chairman of the Scottish Women's Rural Institutes, and as chairman at Federation and local level. She also held the position of Federation Press Secretary.

A partner in the family farming business, she is also an accomplished musician and church organist, a freelance creative writer, and former graduate teacher and linguist..

In the April-June issue of ACWW's quarterly magazine, *The Countrywoman*, she writes (quote): "ACWW—EMPOWERING WOMEN WORLDWIDE: this is the theme for the triennium 2011-2013. That broad statement covers every aspect of the work of our organization. Whether we are training women farmers in Uganda, providing rural families in Bangladesh with safe drinking water, or giving women a voice through our long-standing consultative status with the United Nations, we are empowering them and benefiting whole communities."

*I invite you to adopt ACWW's theme as your own at meetings, conferences, wherever you gather together. There is something inspiring about knowing that from Peru to the Philippines, from Swaziland to Sweden, we are all working towards the same goal—Empowering Women Worldwide."*

EDITOR'S NOTE: if the ACWW-CWC General Meeting in Columbus, OH 2011 September 22-24 could possibly be the only opportunity you will have to meet an ACWW World President, try to find a way to attend. You are in for a real treat. May Kidd is a delightful person and entertaining speaker. Being a farm girl only adds to it! See you there?



May Kidd  
Angus, Scotland

### **CWC Chairman — Marilyn Poppen**

It seems like a long time since the 2010 Triennial in Hot Springs, AR, and we've had a chance to meet each other face-to-face. I hope you are looking forward to our CWC meeting in Columbus, OH, as much as I am. We have invited the newly-elected World President of ACWW, May Kidd of Scotland to be our guest. She will have some interesting stories to tell us about her travels around the world as she reviews some of the projects sponsored by ACWW.



The Ohio ladies will start the conference with an all-day Amish tour on Thursday, September 22. The day concludes with a punch-bowl social that evening. This informal time gives us the opportunity to get reacquainted and ask any questions you may have. We had to raise the registration cost to cover the Friday and Saturday lunches and dinners. Breakfasts are not included in the registration fee but may be purchased at the Café in the hotel or nearby at Waffle House, McDonalds, or Subway. If you wish to bring food to eat in your room, you may request a small refrigerator to be put in your room at no extra cost. Friday morning we will hear interesting speakers and have a half-day tour. That evening we will be entertained by Patty Cooper. Saturday we will hear from our ACWW World President, May Kidd, followed by our business meeting, and we will learn more fascinating things about ACWW in the afternoon. Our evening entertainment will be a women's barbershop quartet. This should be a very interesting and informative conference, and I encourage everyone to attend.

The Articles of Agreement were revised this winter, and were approved by the board and the presidents of each member organization. The committee working on this was headed by Judy Bender, with Marian Brown, Sylvia Anderson, Rita Ann Venner and myself completing the committee. All national societies were represented. The major changes were (1) making the USA Area President a voting member of the board (she previously attended without voting privileges), (2) making a quorum 50% + 1 of registered voting delegates, and (3) revising the rotation schedule for CWC officers. The Policy Guidelines were also revised and approved by the board (this is board use information). Most of this was done by e-mail. I don't know what we would do without our computers.

CWC membership is down by 12 societies since our last meeting. Two national groups have discontinued membership (American Farm Bureau Women's Leadership Committee and the National Farm & Garden Assn.) as well as 10 state Farm Bureau Women's Committees. We are pleased that three local/state Divisions of Woman's Farm & Garden (Michigan, Northeast and Ohio), and 3 state Farm Bureau Women's Committees have chosen to continue membership (Arkansas, Idaho and Oklahoma). These societies are now part of the affiliated groups, making it the largest part of CWC at 18 organizations. We had to revise the rotation schedule for CWC officers, so the affiliates will fill 2 positions on the board, provided those two do not belong to the same society. The other two (2) board positions in the rotation will be filled by NVON and NMFHG. Three of the board terms have been extended by appointment, so the positions to change at the end of 2011 will be the treasurer (from Affiliates) and my position as Chairman. Editor Marian Brown was elected by the affiliates to be Chairman (beginning Jan. 1, 2012) at the CWC meeting in Des Moines, so she will need

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### **Beverly Earnhart ~ ACWW-USA AREA PRESIDENT 2010-2013**

As I sit here watching the sun to come up, I can see the daffodils that tell me that spring is finally here. Can summer be too far behind? This has been a long cold winter for a lot of us. Spring is showing its "not so good side" with many of us around the country being affected by tornadoes; fires and other storm related side effects. You are in our thoughts and prayers for your safety.

It's hard to believe that a year has passed since triennial in Hot Springs. The past year has been very rewarding time getting to travel and meet the "grass roots" members of the USA societies who do the work of ACWW, CWC and more. I appreciate the input that you have given me and will try to follow through with what I can to do the job you have elected me to do.

I would like to thank the societies who have extended an invitation for me to visit and speak at their conferences. I have attended and made presentations to the annual meeting of the National Association for Family & Community Leaders conference in July and the Alabama Homemakers & Community Leaders annual conference in October of 2010. The Illinois Association for Home & Community Education state conference and the National Master Farm Homemakers Guild annual conference, both held in March of this year. I will be attending Indiana Extension Homemakers Association state conference in June, National Volunteer Outreach Network, the Canada Area meeting in Halifax, Nova Scotia in July, and the Country Women's Council USA in September. I look forward to attending others as time permits.

The October 2010 trip to London gave me a greater insight as to how Associated Country Women of the World works and how we can all work together as one to make the resolutions and recommendations become reality. It was a great experience to work with ladies and men from all over the world. We are each different, but so alike in many ways, with the same needs and desires to make our world a better place to live in.

Our World President, May Kidd, will be our special guest at CWC USA area meeting on September. Please come and welcome her to Ohio. She will tell us more of her country and her duties as World President.

Plans are being made for a session about CWC's association with ACWW and the UN. The goal is to help the membership better understand our connection in supporting the work of these two entities and define what our role is as societies and individuals.

I would like to propose that our societies select one of the resolutions or recommendations, passed at the last triennial, as a "Project in Common" to work on for this triennium when we meet in Columbus. Together we can make a much bigger impact in our community, state and the world.

Information from the ACWW Agriculture committee says 2011 is designated as "The Year of the Forest." The 2010 recommendation for Tree Planting could be a choice that all can participate in easily, or a specific "ACWW Project" might also be considered.

If you have been working on a specific project that supports the resolutions or recommendations, please send me a report of what you have done. If you supported the International Women's Day 100<sup>th</sup> Celebration in October of 2010, I would like to know that as well. Newspaper clippings, etc. would be good.

The 2010-2013 Strategic Plan includes raising the image of ACWW. An idea has been put forth to get one million members to participate in "**Women Walk the World**" for ACWW on or about April 29<sup>th</sup>, 2012. This will also be a fundraising event. The same start time is being suggested, in each time zone around the world, so we would have women walking all around the globe for 24 hours. Watch the Country Woman magazine for more details or visit the website [www.life.edu/Just Start Walking](http://www.life.edu/Just Start Walking). Start now to organize something in your community and raise monies for Pennies for Friendship.

The 2010-2013 Strategic Plan also includes: Strengthening the financial base of the organization; Expanding the United Nations Participation and Improving and Strengthening communication and use of technology.

Reports from Committees include:

**ACWW Membership** as of January 31, 2011 includes 1,454 individual members (does not include life members) and 476 Societies. This is up from the 441 societies of last year.

**Triennial Committee - 2013 - Chennai, India** - September 26 - October 2, 2013.

Conference Competition: A shopping bag has been chosen to be made from any medium. The first triennial registration form will appear in the January 2012 issue of Country Woman.

**Promotion and Publications Committee** is looking into using advertising to help defray costs of the Country Woman magazine. Facebook group is now set up and has 77 members. A twitter site is being set up.

**Projects Committee:** A total of £80,739 have been allocated this year for Projects, Water for all and NFWIPFF. The UN Committee Fund has been renamed "the United Nations Fund" to hopefully encourage more donations to the work of the United Nations.

**UN** - "Year of the girl child." Teach a girl – educate a family

I would like to thank Loy Walker from Iowa for taking time out of her schedule to represent ACWW at the World Food Symposium that was held last fall in Iowa. Her display about ACWW and the work it does is very good. Be sure to check it out when you come to CWC in the fall.

Check out the websites; [cwcusa.org](http://cwcusa.org) and the updated and changing site for [acww.org.uk](http://acww.org.uk) for more information on these organizations and what is on their calendars.

Have a great summer and see you in Columbus, Ohio, September 22-24, 2011.

Beverly Earnhart

## CWC VICE CHAIRMAN ~ Marilynn Spence Musings from Marilynn

The 2011 Ruth B. Sayre Scholarship recipients are shown below. There were over 100 applications received. Four (4) scholarships were awarded. The 2012 guidelines and application form will be available from CWC societies after October 1, 2011. Please fill out application completely and comply with the rules listed, especially having your application signed by a society president/chairman from your state.

On behalf of the Ruth B. Sayre Scholarship Committee, I would like to thank all who sent money in "honor of" and "in memory of," or just sent donations to the scholarship fund. As a result of your combined donations, we were able to once again give four scholarships. Please continue to remember the scholarship in the coming year. Honor your friends and family by giving to the fund. Thank You, Marilynn



Lillian Otto is a high school senior from St. Charles, Iowa.

She works three (3) part time jobs to help provide for her own school expenses and also for her younger sister. While working and being active in many school activities, Lillian has managed to graduate from school a

full year early. She is enrolled and plans to attend AIB College of Business, Des Moines, Iowa, studying accounting.



Katherine Neil is a young lady from New London, Iowa who wants to "make a difference."

From volunteering at school and in the community, to being on the college Rodeo Team. She plans to attend college studying Biology and Engineering. Her goal is to study Environmental

Engineering to help find green ways to power the world.



Kelsey Ann Sears is from Cleghorn, Iowa.

She enjoys being active in sports, Student Council, National Honor Society, nine years in 4-H, and volunteering service in her community. Kelsey has job shadowed at the local Veterinarian Clinic and plans to attend South Dakota State University majoring in

Animal Science. Hopefully, she will be able to attend Veterinary School at Iowa State University.



Patricia J. Hogg is a single mother of three sons from Geneva, Indiana.

Her sons range from 15 to 19 years old. She is active with the Berne Boy Scouts Troop 67 as advancement chair and a merit badge counselor, vice president of Friend-

ship Village Extension Homemakers, and a project superintendent for Adams County 4-H. All of this while working and attending college striving for a bachelor degree in Business Administration.

I would like to make a donation to the Ruth B. Sayre Scholarship Fund. Enclosed is my check made out to Ruth B. Sayre Scholarship Fund, c/o Viv Dion, CWC Treasurer, 87 Miller Road, New Durham NH 03855-2318.

In Memory of: \_\_\_\_\_ Next of Kin: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

In Honor of: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Donated By: (name) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_



Tree of Friendship



### ACWW LETTER FRIEND APPLICATION

**Only two areas are required (\*): name/address and country/ies desired. If you do not have a country desired, the selection may be made faster. There are some countries that do not participate in this program yet. Other areas are optional and may help the matching process. No charge is made for those services but as they involve postage costs, an extra donation to the "Pennies for Friendship" would be appreciated.**

*(Please Print)*

\*Complete name and address, as you receive your mail (REQUIRED): \_\_\_\_\_

Complete Phone Nr. \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

ACWW Society of which you are a member (please spell out- NO letter abbreviations): \_\_\_\_\_

\*Country desired: 1st \_\_\_\_\_ 2nd \_\_\_\_\_

List any information (special interests, hobbies, talents, ambitions) you feel would be helpful in selecting your letter friend: \_\_\_\_\_

Mail complete application to: Debbie Czarnopys-White, ACWW Letter Friends, 27284 South Dakota Rd., Dubois, IL 62831-1622, USA

Questions? E-mail - [bdcw@frontiernet.net](mailto:bdcw@frontiernet.net) or 618-787-2929.

I'm happy to announce that we have a new letter friend coordinator in South Africa. Having this new person in our connection (United Kingdom, Australia and the U.S.) can only enhance our ability to communicate with our ACWW sisters worldwide. Please consider sending your request now and we'll all work together to help. Send your contact information (address, phone, email) to: Debbie Czarnopys-White, 27284 South Dakota Rd., Dubois, IL 62831 or [bdcw@frontiernet.net](mailto:bdcw@frontiernet.net). Include any pertinent information you wish about yourself.

**KNOWN DONATIONS TO ACWW & CWC .....  
NOT PREVIOUSLY REPORTED IN NEWS SHEET**

Donations to CWC from November 12, 2010 to  
May 27, 2011. Submitted by Vivian L. Dion

**Pennies for Friendship**

Mrs. Cicely Post	\$	225.00
National Master Farm Homemakers Guild		100.00
South Carolina Master Farm Homemakers		50.75
Collection at annual mtg. Nat'l MFHG		134.00
Ohio Homemakers & Community Education		582.08
Islam Family Foundation .....		
Washington State HCE		2000.00

**ACWW Projects Fund**

Islam Family Foundation .....		
Washington State HCE		8000.00

**ACWW Nutrition and Sight**

National Master Farm Homemakers Guild		100.00
South Carolina Master Farm Homemakers		50.75

**ACWW Feed the World**

National Master Farm Homemakers Guild		100.00
South Carolina Master Farm Homemakers		50.75

**ACWW Water for All**

National Master Farm Homemakers Guild		100.00
South Carolina Master Farm Homemakers		50.75

**Ruth B. Sayre Fund Donations**

Illinois Asso. for Home and Community		50.00
Kansas Master Farm Homemakers Guild		10.00
Maryland Asso. for Family & Community		25.00
National Master Farm Homemakers Guild		100.00
South Carolina Master Farm Homemakers		50.75
Indiana—Newton Co. Extension Homemakers		100.00

**CWC Contributions**

Mrs. Cicely Post		25.00
Donna J. Glombowski		5.00

**Postage**

ACWW Life member donation sent directly To ACWW—Mrs. Cicely Post		25.00
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**LOOKING AHEAD .....**

2013 ACWW Triennial  
September 26—October 2  
Chennai, India hosted by  
Society of Daughters of Mary Immaculate  
and Collaborators  
Theme: "Empowering Women Worldwide—  
Encourage, Educate, Enrich"

**ACWW MEMBERSHIP NEWS**  
New or renewing  
Previously not mentioned in News Sheet

Shirley Kelly — Washington, Illinois  
Janice Cress — Humboldt, Kansas  
Marcy Price — Ensign, Kansas  
Kathryn Couchene — Escanaba, Michigan  
Helen Jositas — Oakland, Michigan

**ACWW member deaths known to us**

Mae Sparks — Mattoon, Illinois  
Phyllis Worden — Cottonwood, Arizona  
Doris Barret Smith — Hillsboro, Ohio

**?? Missing ACWW Life Members ??**

Frances Hammond — Gilbert, Arizona  
Hazel Meuret — Madras, Oregon  
Edwina Monroe — Dallas, Texas  
Mrs. Arthur Heidel — Cascade, Wisconsin

**CWC EDITOR RESIGNS**

I am in the last year of my fifth 3-year term as editor for Country Women's Council USA. On December 31, 2011, I will have been doing the editorial duties 15 years. I've decided to put my "editor's visor" on the shelf.

I've described the editor's duties as "the glue that holds everything else together." Those having served on the CWC board will attest to that.

I decided to apply for the CWC Editor's job because I had previous newsletter experience, and I wanted to learn more about ACWW and CWC. Learn I did!!! Never missing a board meeting, I heard info and discussions not recorded in minutes. The experience has given me many opportunities I otherwise would not have had. For this, I thank you.

**If you're interested in applying for the CWC Editor's job, you'll need to contact CWC Chairman Marilyn Poppen who will then e-mail or postal mail to you the job description(s) and application form. This should be sent back to her by August 1, 2011, so you need to contact her ASAP.**

Always ... fond regards, Marian

## OHIO HOMEMAKERS & COMMUNITY EDUCATION

Invite you to visit the Buckeye state in September 2011  
for the ACWW—CWC Area Meeting in Columbus



*“Beautiful Ohio” (theme song) is bordered on the north and south by water... from the Glacial Grooves on the north side of Kelley’s Island (Lake Erie) to Campus Martius Museum depicting the first settlement in the Northwest Territory at Marietta (Ohio River), and the flat farm land on the west to the hills on the east, Ohio is a diverse area of terrain. Throughout, there are unlimited things to learn about Ohio.*

*Some nicknames: The Buckeye State, The Mother of Presidents (Ulysses S. Grant, Rutherford B. Hayes, James A. Garfield, Benjamin Harrison, William McKinley, William Howard Taft, and Warren G. Harding), Birthplace of Aviation (the Wright brothers), and The Heart of it All.*

*Some trivial “firsts” about Ohio:*

- The Cincinnati Red Stockings became the first professional baseball team in 1869.*
- Zanesville is home to a famous Y-bridge. The bridge is built at the intersection of the Muskingum and Licking Rivers, one part built to the middle of the river and the others forking to the left and right.*
- Cincinnati had the first professional city fire department and the first ambulance service.*
- Ohio claims the first chewing gum in 1869, and the first hot dog in 1900.*
- Oberlin College, founded in 1833, was the first college in the United States to admit women.*
- The Pro Football Hall of Fame is located in Canton and in Cleveland is the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame.*
- Neil Armstrong is the first astronaut to walk on the moon.*
- Serpent Mound State Memorial, a famous earthen mound in the shape of a serpent, winds for a length of 1348 feet near Peebles.*
- In 1879, Cleveland became the first city to be lighted by electricity and also had the first traffic light in 1914.*

*U.S. Route 40, also known as National Road, was used as a major thoroughway for settlers moving from east to west. There’s a museum east of Zanesville off I-70 about this “movement.”*

*If you have Internet access, take some time between now and September looking at the many web sites provided here. Also go to a search engine and type generalized questions such as Museums in Ohio, or Ohio landmarks, or major products of Ohio, or ..... you think of it. There’s much to see and learn while you’re here!*

*(don’t forget Longaberger’s (Dresden) is less than an hour’s drive from the hotel).*



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[www.experiencecolumbus.com/](http://www.experiencecolumbus.com/)    [www.50states.com](http://www.50states.com)



**72nd General Meeting  
Country Women's Council USA and ACWW USA Area Meeting  
September 22-24, 2011**



**Wednesday, September 21**

- 6:00 p.m. Board meeting in Columbus I  
7:00 — 9:00 p.m. Registration outside Ballroom

**Thursday, September 22**

- 8:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. all day tour — “Discovering Ohio’s Amish Country”  
5:00 — 9:00 p.m. Registration outside Ballroom  
6:00 — 7:30 p.m. Bring items for Silent Auction to Leveque Room  
7:30 — 9:00 p.m. Punch Bowl Social in Upper Atrium  
9:00 p.m. Financial Review Committee in Columbus I

**Friday, September 23**

- 7:45 — 8:15 a.m. Registration outside Ballroom  
8:15 a.m. Opening Ceremony  
8:30 — 10:45 Speakers in Capitol Boardroom  
8:30-9:00 Deborah Sheridan ***Of Fabric and Friends ... Ohio Farm Girl Founds Bamboo Company***  
9:00-9:30 Judy Klein ***An Introduction to Alpacas***  
9:30-10:00 Connie Spruill ***Feng Shui ... Maximum Harmony, Minimum Effort***  
10:00-10:30 Angie Hollerich, CEP CCA ***A Simple Truth About Money***  
10:45 — 11:30 Silent Auction open in Leveque Room  
11:30 Luncheon in Deshler I-IV  
12:30 Board busses for tour ***Ohio Statehouse, Santa Maria, historical sites***  
5:30 Tour returns to hotel  
7:00 Dinner in Deshler I-IV Entertainment by Patty Cooper  
9:00 — 10:00 Silent Auction open

**Saturday, September 24**

- 7:45 — 8:15 a.m. Registration  
7:30 — 8:30 Silent Auction open  
8:30 — 5:00 Men’s tour  
8:15 ACWW World President May Kidd & CWC Business Meeting in Capitol Boardroom  
11:15 — 12:15 Silent Auction open  
12:15 Luncheon in Deshler I-IV  
1:30 Business Meeting & ACWW Area Meeting—May Kidd & Beverly Earnhart in Capitol Boardroom  
***“ACWW and You, ACWW and the UN—The Millennium Goals”***  
4:00 Society Meetings: Affiliated Societies, Master Farm Homemakers’ Guild, National Volunteer Outreach Network  
3:30 — 5:00 Silent Auction open  
5:00 Bidding closes for Silent Auction  
6:00 Banquet in Deshler I-IV  
8:00 Pick up Silent Auction items

## Friday Morning Speakers



### Of Fabric and Friends — Ohio Farm Girl Founds Bamboo Company

Debbie Sheridan, founder and president of Global 8 Solutions and Deborah Ann Bamboo, tells how her compassion led her halfway around the world to start this company at the age of 52. She was a stay at home mom for the first part of her adult life. Then her son's college study-abroad program in China provided her and her husband an opportunity to make their first trip to Asia. It was in a small restaurant in Shanghai that Debbie had a chance encounter which changed the course of her life.

In her presentation she will explain the benefits and qualities of eco-friendly bamboo products such as linens, and also explain the process of making the bamboo fiber. She will bring sample products to see the quality and softness. Today her products are shipped worldwide.

[www.global8solutionsllc.com](http://www.global8solutionsllc.com)

[www.deborahannbamboo.com](http://www.deborahannbamboo.com)

### An Introduction to Alpacas

Alpacas are colorful, soft and gentle animals providing companionship to anyone and are safe for small children. They are mid sized, gentle natured animals small enough to be handled by anyone. Many find the contented humming sound produced by alpacas to be a soothing therapy after a long day in the office or just to relieve everyday stress. Alpaca marketing consists of the sale of breeding stock and fiber. The current market is primarily for breeding stock; however, a viable fiber industry is emerging. Judy Klein of **Swisher Creek Alpaca Farm** will bring samples of fibers and finished items to demonstrate the alpaca fleece.



Since they have teeth only on the bottom of their mouth, alpacas can't bite you, though they sometimes enjoy nibbling on your clothes. With a diet of mostly grass and hay, not much more than a fenced-in pasture is required. Up to six alpacas can be raised per acre of land. No special equipment, not even a barn is needed. You need only provide fresh water and some shelter from the sun & wind; a three sided shed is the shelter of choice with many alpaca breeders.



### Feng Shui ~ Maximum Harmony, Minimum Effort

[www.windwater.com](http://www.windwater.com)

Feng Shui, the ancient Chinese art of placement, dates back to before the Bronze Age, but the techniques and philosophies behind it still work today. Considered an art and science, Feng Shui goes beyond decorating a space to make it look good, it is meant to create harmony in your surroundings and ultimately in your life.

It wasn't until the late 20th Century that Feng Shui found its way across the ocean to land here in the West. In the timeless, practical book written with the do-it-yourself person in mind, *Feng Shui with What You Have: Maximum Harmony, Minimum Effort* authors Connie Spruill and Sylvia Watson say, "Even though Feng Shui has changed throughout the ages, traveling from East to West, the basic premise remains as relevant today as it was in ancient times; use nature as a guide to create environments where you feel balanced, inspired and nurtured."

### A Simple Truth About Money

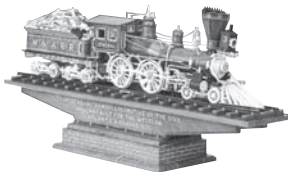
[www.brassringpro.com](http://www.brassringpro.com)

Angie Hollerich, CEP CCA, is the founder of Brass Ring Productions Ltd., providing financial literacy programs nationwide. She feels the single most important thing a woman can do for herself is to take charge of the finances. *A Simple Truth about Money* provides concrete, easy to understand financial strategies that if followed will provide a secure financial future.



She spent 10 years as an investment advisor and financial planner; managed over 200 clients prior to selling her financial business where she managed 32 million dollars. The author of eight (8) books on various areas of financial literacy and planning, "*A Simple Truth about Money*" is the fourth book in the series.

**THURSDAY TOUR ~ Discovering Ohio's Amish Country**



**WARTHER MUSEUM**

This chalet style museum showcases 64 ebony, ivory and walnut train carvings created by Ernest "Mooney" Warther. The Smithsonian Institution has appraised this collection as a priceless work of art. Built in 1912, the original workshop is still used by family members who can often be seen carving or creating wooden pliers for visitors. Frieda Warther's Button House holds over 73,000 buttons arranged in beautiful designs on walls and ceilings. Today the Warther family continues to make the world's finest kitchen cutlery. [www.warthers.com](http://www.warthers.com)



**LUNCH — DER DUTCHMAN (Walnut Creek)**

Your next stop will be a wonderful Amish restaurant where fellowship at the table is a foundation of Amish Mennonite life. Hot, freshly prepared platters of fried chicken and ham will be served family style, accompanied by tossed salad, real mashed potatoes and gravy, stuffing, corn, homemade breads and pies with a choice of beverage. [www.derdutchman.com](http://www.derdutchman.com)



**AMISH & MENNONITE HERITAGE CENTER—BERLIN**

Discover the heritage of Ohio's Amish Country. See why people live the way they do. Experience a 30-minute tour of Behalt-the stunning 265 ft. mural-in-the-round depicting the history of the Amish and Mennonites. Enjoy a video of local life and culture. Tour an 1856 school and an old barn with a Conestoga wagon. Browse the gift shop. [www.behalt.com](http://www.behalt.com)



**HEINI'S CHEESE**

The Amish country tradition of creating a robust selection of fine foods, including cheese, is second to none. You will be amazed at the variety of cheese types, as well as the distinctive flavors and available gourmet blends of Amish cheese found here. Their selection of not only cheese, but also meats, candies and foods is amazing, and there is a lot of taste testing allowed! [www.heinis.com](http://www.heinis.com)



**LEHMAN'S HARDWARE—KIDRON**

When you step into the 1840s era barn, you will feel like you have stepped back 100 years in time. This 32,000 square foot retail store contains three (3) pre-Civil War era buildings, including a Buggy Barn cinema where you can relax on Amish-made hickory church pews while learning about organic gardening, oil lamp restoration or wood stove maintenance. Thousands of products you thought they quit making years ago fill the shelves. Reminisce with tin toys, cast iron cookware, hand tools, and water pumps. Today Lehman's ship old-fashioned, non-electric merchandise all over the world. [www.lehmans.com](http://www.lehmans.com)

**Cost: \$75 per person.** Includes motor coach transportation, tour fees, lunch, tax gratuities, guide, escort, snacks, beverages on coach and driver gratuity. Minimum: 45 people per coach.

**Friday Tour of Columbus 12:30—5:30 p.m.**



**The Ohio Statehouse**

A guided tour of Ohio's Statehouse will feature three fully restored buildings, including the Civil War Statehouse, Atrium, and Senate Office Building. The building designated as a national landmark, has recently undergone a \$117 million restoration. You will see the great Seal of Ohio in the beautiful rotunda and the treasures uncovered during the restoration.

We'll be taking the "Perkle Tour," and will meet some of the early day Ohio and Capitol Square costumed characters such as the *Janitor of the Ohio Statehouse Flag and Relic*

*Rooms; Captain Simon Girty*, a frontiersman and guide; *Nathan B. Kelly*, the architect of the Ohio Statehouse; *Mrs. John Rankin*, a conductor on the Underground Railroad; and others who will add great interest to the tour.

**[www.statehouse.state.oh.us/](http://www.statehouse.state.oh.us/)**



**The Santa Maria**

Step back in time 500 years as you board the *Santa Maria*, a replica of one of the ships in Christopher Columbus' fabled fleet. The ship is one of the world's most authentic, museum-quality representations of Columbus' flagship. Built from historically accurate plans based on ancient archives, the ship presents an accurate portrayal of the conditions Columbus and his crew endured on their historic voyage.

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**The main deck is handicapped accessible.** **[www.santamaria.org](http://www.santamaria.org)**



**City Overview Tour**

Enjoy an insider's view of Columbus combining the best of the historical sites with the most significant points of interest. Your tour guide will give you a fully narrated sightseeing excursion of this **Capital City**.

**HOTEL REGISTRATION**  
**MARRIOTT COLUMBUS AIRPORT**  
*1375 North Cassady Avenue*  
*Columbus OH 43219*

Registration: 614-475-7551 or 800-491-5717

Ask for Country Women's Council group rate.  
 Online will need to use code CWCCWCA.

Room rates: \$127.26 per night ... includes taxes ~ for 1 to 4 people in room.

Nearby is a Waffle House, Subway Sandwiches, and McDonalds. There are two (2) Marriott Hotels in same area. The other one is Courtyard by Marriott. That is NOT your hotel. CWC is at the hotel given above.

Use Google search engine, or other, typing in the hotel name and Columbus, OH to get map and directions.

**DRIVING????**

Doesn't everyone have a GPS?? NO?

The I-270 outer belt is VERY busy from late afternoon through rush hour. In fact all freeways are busy then! Try to arrive in town before or after that time of day.

The hotel sits parallel to I-670. You can see the hotel while driving past it on I-670, but "you can't get there" from I-670 unless you exit onto something else.

Follow road signs giving directions to Port Columbus airport then get onto I-670 and turn off that onto Route 62 West and/or Cassady Avenue followed by a left turn (south) onto North Cassady Avenue.

By this time the hotel should be in sight.

(better take the hotel phone number with you!!!)

**Saturday Men's Tour ~ 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.**

**Motts Military Museum**

Founded in 1987 by Warren E. Motts, the mission of Motts Military Museum is to “*educate the public on the importance of America’s military past through the documentation, collection, interpretation, and preservation of tangible artifacts and personal stories of the men and women who served and are serving in the United States Armed Forces.*” The museum is dedicated to preserving the memory of all individuals who served in the United States Military. A replica of the war ace Captain Eddie Rickenbacker’s home is on the premises, as are tanks, helicopters, and PT boats.

Special exhibits include Medal of Honor Recipient, Ronald E. Rosser; General Paul Tibbets; Captain Eddie Rickenbacker, and Arnold Schwarzenegger. Military conflicts range from 1776, Civil War, WWI, WWII, Korean War, Vietnam, Desert Storm, to NASA, Medals and POW Exhibit. [www.mottsmilitarymuseum.org](http://www.mottsmilitarymuseum.org)

**Lunch**

We’ll stop for lunch at a giant white antique barn with a hayloft where we will enjoy a barbeque lunch buffet that is as good as if you were in someone’s country home. Our group will be greeted by a wonderful aroma, a cozy atmosphere, great food and service. Patented pink pig shaped lights are visible in parts of the barn.

**Swisher Creek Alpaca Farm**

Swisher Creek Alpaca Farm is home to 28 alpacas, males and females, Suris and Huacayas. They raise breeding stock, do farm design and layout, fiber sales, lease breeding females, sell raw and processed fleece, sell finished goods in their retail store, and conduct fiber arts classes.



Alpacas are colorful, soft and gentle animals that provide companionship to anyone and are safe for even small children. They are mid sized, gentle natured animals small enough to be handled by anyone. Many find the contented humming sound produced by alpacas to be a soothing therapy after a long day in the office or just to relieve everyday stress. Alpaca marketing consists of the sale of breeding stock and fiber. The current market is primarily for breeding stock; however, a viable fiber industry is emerging. Since they have teeth only on the bottom of their mouth, alpacas can’t bite you, though they sometimes enjoy nibbling on your clothes.

With a diet composed mostly of grass and hay, not much more than a fenced-in pasture is required. Up to six alpacas can be raised per acre of land. No special equipment, not even a barn, is needed. You need only provide fresh water and some shelter from the sun and wind; a three sided shed is the shelter of choice with many alpaca breeders.

[www.alpacanation.com](http://www.alpacanation.com)

**Reef Systems Coral Farm, Inc.**

Reef Systems Coral Farm, Inc. is a live coral farm located in New Albany (Columbus), Ohio. They specialize in captive raised corals, aqua cultured live rock and aqua cultured live sand. Established in September of 1999, Reef Systems, Inc. is dedicated to offering quality services and products at a reasonable price to the hobbyist. Since 2005, Reef Systems Coral Farm has been building a state-of-the-art greenhouse for their new coral farming facility. Five (5) 2000 gallon containers are running now with over 6000 pieces of coral available for sale ranging in price from \$9.99 to \$149.99.

With increasing levels of carbon dioxide accumulating in the atmosphere and moving into marine systems, scientists have shown the world’s oceans are becoming more acidic. The National Science Foundation (NSF) has awarded 21 grants to address this growing concern. Reef Systems is working with The Ohio State University under a grant.

[www.reefsystems.com](http://www.reefsystems.com)

(Estimated Cost includes transportation, driver gratuity, admissions, lunch, tax, gratuity, snacks and beverages on the motor coach, and escort).

Minimum: 35 people per coach

Estimated Cost: \$79.00 per person.

## Friday Evening Dinner Entertainment



Patty Cooper of Parkersburg, West Virginia is married, mother of two sons and two grandchildren. She has had a needle in her hand since age of 4 and lectures and teaches workshops in the olde needle arts. She collects antique needlework tools, sewing machines, wooden bobbins, darning eggs, spinning wheels, and looms. You can find her demonstrating heritage arts at fairs and festivals around the state each summer.

She worked on Blennerhassett Island State Park for years as a historical interpreter before taking her history shows on the road. She is sponsored by the West Virginia Humanities Council and Artsbridge in schools, civic groups, and libraries with her history alive presentations. She brings to life the characters of "Mad" Anne Bailey - the Revolutionary War scout; Belle Boyd - the Confederate spy; Anna Jarvis - the founder of Mother's Day; first lady Eleanor Roosevelt; Susan B. Anthony - suffragette; Fanny Crosby - the blind hymn writer; Betsy Ross - the story of the American flag; Harriett Beecher Stowe- abolitionist; and Mary Jemison - the Indian captive.

The Board of Education sponsors her as the strict Victorian schoolmarm at the New Era One Room School each year for over 1000 Wood County fourth graders. Currently she is writing a book on West Virginia one room schools and another on heritage crafts for children.

Patty also works as a motor coach guide for West Virginia Travel Connections during the tour season around the state and is a nanny for a local doctor. She has volunteered for years at Campus Martius Pioneer Living Skills program in Marietta, Ohio. She has been 4-H club leader and WV 4-H All Star for twenty years. She is a member of Wood County Historical Society, Centennial Daughters of American Pioneers, Pioneer Fibercrafters Guild, chapter leader of Wood County Right to Life and serves on the state board of directors for West Virginians For Life. She attends Grand Central Church of Christ and feels her ministry is to share the rich Christian heritage America was built on. Patty is a 2010 winner of the West Virginia State History Hero award and the Wood County 2010 Historic Preservation Award for the three story century old home she has been restoring for the past two years.

## Saturday Evening Dinner Entertainment

What do you call three teachers and a phlebotomist? They call themselves StarStruck! Their love of barbershop singing, and the fact that they always have a good time, made them want to entertain audiences as a quartet.

Linda Sharp, StarStruck's tenor, is a retired teacher, having worked for almost 40 yrs. with sixth graders trying to interest them in a foreign language - English. Linda, in addition to barber shopping, also belongs to her church choir and performs with the Mansfield Symphony Chorus. When she isn't busy singing or rehearsing, she now spends her time happily waking up whenever she feels like it, walking with her dog, visiting her children and grandchildren, and eating bonbons while reading mystery novels.

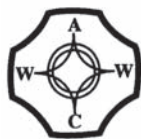


Rebecca Jezerinac sings lead for the group. She keeps busy trying to keep 5<sup>th</sup> graders organized and doing their French and English homework at Ecole Kenwood, the French Immersion School in the Columbus City School District. She lived in France for two years while obtaining her Master's degree from the Ohio State University. Although she speaks fluent French, she seems to travel to a lot of Spanish-speaking places, where she can understand and communicate very little. Married to Michael, she also loves her kitty quartet plus one.

Singing baritone for the quartet is Shirley Bendau. A retired teacher who is National Board Certified and has a Ph.D. in Education, Shirley still loves to volunteer in her friends' classrooms and also conduct workshops for educators. She has sung with the New York Philharmonic Choir, Columbia University summer chorus, and Riverside Church choir in New York City. Other hobbies include making porcelain dolls, buying "big, blingy" earrings, and traveling to Maui with her husband David.

StarStruck's bass is Jen Haslam. She is a phlebotomist at Children's Hospital, and also moonlights as a photographer and an ordained minister. So if you need to have your blood drawn, have pictures taken, or get married, she's your girl! She is currently studying nursing at Columbus State Community College. While she loves the life she is sharing with her sons, she secretly yearns for Linda's, so she can sleep in and eat bonbons.

They have been honored to sing for many groups, including Nellie's Catwalk for Cancer, church services, birthday parties, and even on the stage of B.B. King's Restaurant and Blues Club in Nashville. You can learn more about them by visiting their Facebook page.



2011 CWC AREA MEETING Registration Form

September 22-24, 2011
Columbus, Ohio



Registration Deadline ----Postmarked by August 1, 2011 (Monday)

All fees are transferable but NOT refundable.

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Breakfast will be on your own.
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The Ohio Statehouse, the Santa Maria, and City Overview Tour
\_\_\_\_\_ Tour # 2: Men's Tour (all day) Saturday \$79.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_
Motts Military Museum, Barbecue Lunch Buffet, Swisher Creek Alpaca Farm,
and Reef Systems Coral Farm, Inc.
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Please include me in the list of all attendees: \_\_\_\_\_ YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO

I would like a list of attendees: \_\_\_\_\_ YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO

THIS 'N THAT from the EDITOR

..... CWC Chairman article continued

someone to take over as Editor. I am still accepting applications for this position which is a 3-year appointed term, subject to reappointment.

The editor is a non-voting member of the CWC board, publishes two News Sheets a year, prepares all printed CWC publications as needed, maintains a data base mailing list for the CWC newsletter and ACWW membership records for USA. She also has been maintaining an e-mail CWC Group Mail list for electronic communications from CWC to society members. If you have always wanted to be an editor, here is your opportunity.

The Ohio Home & Community Education committee is planning a very interesting program for us in September. I look forward to seeing you there.

Marilyn Poppen, CWC Chairman

Society Presidents/Chairmen—please announce the following information to your membership through the best means available to you.

Editor position - CWC is still looking for an editor. Person seeking this position needs to know how to **use** a computer to create something other than an e-mail message! I had previous training doing newsletters before I applied for the position, but I learned how to use a computer **after** becoming the CWC Editor.

News Sheet subscriptions—I've talked with people at past meetings of CWC who were not aware they could receive copies of the CWC newsletter through subscriptions. Now ... sorry, but I have to lay the blame for that on somebody as we've had subscription service available for over 10 years!!! You can "copy & paste," or retype, the form below in your state newsletters, or ... in some manner keep telling your members they can subscribe. I know ... when your term ends the next president doesn't know about it!

I've also learned people had no idea the CWC newsletter could be read online at the CWC web site www.cwcusa.org. It's been posted there since 2005!! How are local people supposed to know of these things? Someone has to tell them.

Tours for 2011 Meeting in Columbus, OH — I live in Ohio. I haven't seen most of the places scheduled for tours this year. However, I have been to some of the Amish places, and you are in for a real treat!! There's an added feature being the tour is on Thursday because there's a livestock auction w/outdoor flea market and Amish buggies a-plenty tied to the rails in Kidron across the street from Lehman's Hardware. Don't forget your credit cards or bring plenty of traveler's checks or cash. You will want it!!!

Marian Brown, CWC Editor

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## UNITED NATIONS HEADQUARTERS NEWS, NEW YORK

Anushka Wirasinha, UN HQ Rep, ACWW ~ May 2011



Greetings everyone! I am delighted to be able to bring you the latest news from the UN Headquarters in New York. Many changes have been taking place at the UN in recent months giving member states, the private sector and non-governmental organizations a renewed sense of energy and enthusiasm.

The UN General Assembly passed a resolution in July 2010 creating UN Women that became fully operational on January 1st 2011. The UN Women (United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women) merged four entities within the UN system that were United Nations Development Fund for Women (UNIFEM), Division for the Advancement of Women (DAW), International Research & Training Institute for the Advancement of Women (INSTRAW) and The Office of the Special Advisor to the Secretary-General on Gender Issues and Advancement of Women (OSAGI). The Executive Director of UN Women Michelle Bachelet, the former President of Chile said "Gender equality must become a lived reality." UN Secretary General Ban Ki-moon has called the UN Women a "powerful new agent for progress on gender equality and women's empowerment."



Demi Moore and Ashton Kutcher joined Secretary General Ban Ki-moon at the United Nations in November to launch the United Nations Voluntary Trust Fund for Victims of Human Trafficking. Ban Ki-moon said "When you traffic or enslave a woman or girl you hold the future hostage." Moderated by Nicholas Kristof, the high powered event sent a strong message to end human trafficking. Demi Moore highlighted the fact that the "average age a child is sold into sex slavery is 13." When asked the question why she uses the word "slavery" to refer to trafficking, she said "I really feel that's what it is. "Trafficking" is a policy kind of word that is very distancing." Trafficked victim Rani Hong spoke at the end of the discussion giving her heart-wrenching account of what it was like to fall prey to child trafficking.



The 55th session of the UN Commission on the Status of Women (CSW55) was held at the UN from 22nd February to 4th March 2011. ACWW presented a workshop "Educate a girl, Teach a Family." I was delighted as the Chair of the Violence against Girls Task Force, Working Group on Girls, NGO Committee on UNICEF to be able to have our three events sponsored by ACWW. "Making our schools safer: working with girls and boys" was held at the Harvard Club of NY. Many speakers participated in a panel discussion including Daniel Prins, UN Head of Disarmament who opened the discussion followed by Ravi Karkara, Child Participation Specialist, UNICEF and Chico Colvard, writer and producer of Family Affair whose film was the first to be taken by the Oprah Winfrey Network (OWN). Essays sent by students from Sri Lanka's Colombo International School were read out by members of the Task Force.



The ACWW UN Committee meeting was held in New York during the CSW55. It was wonderful for me to get the opportunity to meet the Committee members for the first time in New York and Patricia and I enjoyed the surprise birthday party they had so kindly put together for us. It is an exciting time for the United Nations and for women. We are on a path towards taking positive steps to make sure women and girls receive the education, training and protection they deserve.

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