

Press Release:

Date: February 2, 2023

Re: GFWC Menominee Woman's Club

Topic: **General Meeting, Speaker: Meghan Rutherford, Project Director "Bridges to Recovery"**

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Perhaps one of these photos can be used with the Press Release.



Photo #1



Photo #2

Photo #1: Meghan Rutherford, "Bridges to Recovery" Project Director and GFWC Menominee Woman's Club President Valerie Mellon

Photo #2: Speaker Meghan Rutherford, "Bridges to Recovery" Project Director, GFWC Menominee Woman's Club President Valerie Mellon, and GFWC Menominee Woman's Club Treasurer Pat Brukardt

Press Release: Life can be most difficult when an addiction takes over one's life. Nothing matters. But where does an addict go for help? Those needing assistance to overcome addictions can contact 'Bridges to Recovery' for the support they need. Meghan Rutherford, Project Director, shared the scope of this community resource with GFWC Menominee Woman's Club women and guests at Little Nugget Restaurant on Wednesday, February 1, 2023. The 59 ladies in attendance listened attentively as Meghan outlined the

variety of programs and resources available. She mentioned that volunteers are welcome, as there is always something that needs to be done. 'Bridges to Recovery' phone number is: 715-330-6271 and can also be found on Facebook.

The dining room was a 'Sea of Red' as the ladies wore 'red' in honor of Valentine's Day and February, which is Heart Month. The hostesses for the meeting were Christine Bomstad, Linda Metcalf and Barb Swan. Club President, Valerie Mellon, and Vice-President / Dean of CSPs, Ruth Fay, conducted the business meeting by calling on the chairpersons of each Community Service Program (CSP) for their report.

Jack's Flower Card Fundraiser Chair Bea Elsworth announced that this fundraiser is now complete. Bea thanked everyone who purchased a 2023 Flower Card. The club would like to thank *Jack's Fresh Market* for its continued support in GFWC Menominee and for the lovely flowers and discounts that are given with the Flower Card each month throughout the year.

Chairperson Judy Bramschreiber announced that the "All Things Chocolate" Fundraiser will take place at The Pullman House on Thursday, February 9, 2023 from 4:30 – 7:30 pm. Advance tickets are \$15 and available from Jack's in Menominee and from committee members. Tickets will also be sold at the door on Thursday for \$20. This annual event will have vendors serving a selection of tasty "chocolaty" food items, bucket raffles, 50/50's, and a live auction all under one roof. (Who will win The People's Choice Award this year?)

"GFWC Menominee Woman's Club is an international women's organization dedicated to community improvement by enhancing the lives of others through volunteer service." GFWC Menominee has served the area for 125 years and is open to all area women. More information can be found at its website: www.gfwcmenominee.org