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**GFWC Clio's Historical Tidbit**

*GFWC Clio Club celebrated its 95th Anniversary in 2004-05. Several members dressed in fashions from an earlier era.*



**Clio Members at the 95th Anniversary Celebration**

Front: Lollie Adair, Shari Moller, Paulette Torbenson, Carole Tosseth, Bev Larson, Pat Lindemann, MaryBeth Ekeren, Liana Lemnus  
 Back: Judith Krueger, Cherrie Ferry, Diana Fuhrman, Bonnie Daub, Rachel Wawers, Myrene Peterson, Lynette Schmitz



**GFWC Clio's Library Project**

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Effie Selvig

*In 1963 Effie Selvig, who joined Clio Club in 1928, became the first librarian of the newly formed Enderlin Municipal Library. Clio member, Helen Combs, was her assistant.*

*Today Clio's main monetary support is through the Scholastic Book Fair held yearly during Sunflower Days and the Holiday Tour of Homes.*



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**GFWC Clio's  
 Holiday tour of Homes**

*An annual project of GFWC Clio Club has been the Holiday Tour of Homes. It is a fundraiser to support the Enderlin Municipal Library. The first tour was held in 1993 and featured the homes of six Clio Club member. Since then many area community members and businesses have decorated for the holidays and graciously opened their homes.*



Ray Ann McLeod selling Tour of Homes tickets at Christkindlmarkt.

**GFWC Clio's  
 Historical Tidbits**

*Home Award: During the summer months Clio would present a traveling yard sign to home owners to recognize Enderlinites who demonstrated above average efforts in maintaining their property, thereby contributing to the overall*

**MEMBERS OF CLIO  
 CLUB 1959-60  
 50th Anniversary Year**

**Membership Roll**

- Mrs. J. A. Combs
- Mrs. A. B. Cummings
- Mrs. Wm. Ganz
- Mrs. E. C. Geelan
- Mrs. S. J. Hagen
- Mrs. W. J. Hanson
- Mrs. B. H. LeClaire
- Mrs. J. G. Martin
- Mrs. John Martin
- Mrs. Z. M. Mychajluk
- Mrs. A. M. Olson
- Mrs. M. C. Olufson
- Mrs. D. S. Peterson
- Mrs. R. C. Petterson
- Mrs. Thomas Pierce
- Mrs. J. M. Rhode
- Mrs. O. H. Schaible
- Mrs. O. R. Powers
- Miss Effie Selvig
- Miss Lena Selvig
- Miss Helen Jean Shaw
- Mrs. W. W. Shaw
- Mrs. O. H. Trapp
- Mrs. A. L. Tschida
- Mrs. A. P. Ziegenhagen



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**GFWC Clio's Historical Tidbit**



*Margaret Cummings presented a program on "Colonial History" at Clio's 75th Anniversary Observance in November 1984. This was the topic studied by Clio members during its first year 1909-1910.*



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*Volunteer Clio member, Margie Martin, is seen working in the library when it was located in the City Auditorium.*

*The library became part of the City in 1963 after voters approved a mill levy to support a Municipal Library.*

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**GFWC Clio's Historical Tidbit**

**Style Show Deemed a Success**



L-R: Emily Ekeren, Brandon Anderson, Leah Hendrickson, and Jerilyn Chesley

*A large crowd attended a style show by Enderlin business "The Two of Us", with a dessert bar sponsored by Clio. The proceeds were donated to the EHS Florida Band Trip in 1985.*



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Beverly Larson, Librarian and Esther Grant, Library Board Chairperson, invite the public to visit the library during National Library Week in April 1986.

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## **GFWC Clio's Senior Reception**

*An annual project of GFWC Clio Club is the Senior Reception. Each year the graduating Enderlin High School Seniors, families, grandparents, and faculty are invited to a reception following Baccalaureate. Following a light lunch the Senior Will and Prophecies are read. This event has been a joint project of the GFWC Clio Club and the EHS Student Council.*



Myrene Peterson, performing duties as Mistress of Ceremony, for Senior Reception.

## **GFWC Clio's Historical Tidbits**

*In the beginning the Senior Reception was called the Senior Girls Tea. The Senior girls and women faculty were invited for an afternoon tea, ribbon sandwiches, cake and a short program. Through the years it has evolved to an afternoon reception for both girls and boys, then to an evening reception that includes the family.*



*1984-Clio held a Christmas Goodie Sale at the Endelin School with the proceeds given to the Enderlin School Music Program for their trip to Florida.*



Judy Olson and Polly Ziegenhagen were long-time Clio Club members who assisted with The Christmas Goodie Sale.



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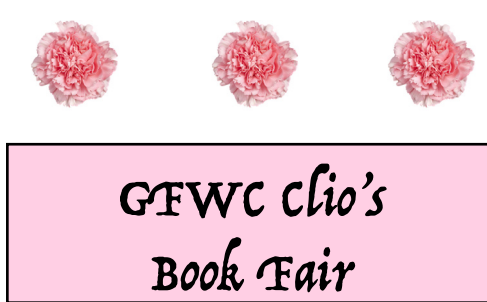
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Since 1999 Clio has sponsored the Scholastic Book Fair at the Municipal Library. During the day school children browse through the books making a list of their favorites. Later purchases are made. Through the years this event has brought more than \$22,000 in childrens' books to the shelves of the Municipal Library.



Book Fair Chairperson Lynette Schmitz presents Kim McCleary of the Enderlin Municipal Library with a check of the proceeds from the 2004 Book fair. Schmitz has chaired the Book Fair since 2002. Sue Ann Schmidt and Corrine Clauson served as chairpersons prior to Lynette.

**Highlights from Clio's 1943-44 History**

*"During the year the club arranged to have issue of the Readers Digest placed in the Soo Line restaurant for the benefit of the servicemen traveling through Enderlin. Another service...has been to open the library every Tuesday afternoon from 4 - 5 o'clock to aid the high school students."*



**GFWC Clio**  
**110th Anniversary**

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**GFWC Clio's**  
**75th Anniversary**

*"The May, 1985 meeting of the Clio GFWC Club held at the Enderlin Bakery and Cafe Sunflower Room was in celebration of the Club's 75th Anniversary. Twenty-three members partook of the turkey dinner and enjoyed the entertainment and fellowship that followed." Clio Club History Report 1985*



The design above is the cover for the Clio Club Program book. Kathy Diebel designed and did the needlepoint on the cover.

**GFWC Clio's**  
**Historical Tidbits**

Membership List from the 75th Anniversary Clio Program Book - 1984-85

CLIO CLUB MEMBERSHIP

Adair, Lollie
Brown, Joyce
Combs, Helen
Cummings, Margaret
Daub, Bonnie
Diebel, Kathy
Dopp, Susan
Ekeren, Mary Beth
Erdmann, Judy
Hanson, Ethel
Harms, Juel
Henrickson, Linda
Kotschevar, Inez
Larson, Beverly
Lindemann, Pat
Martin, Margie
Olson, Judy
Peterson, Myrene
Selvig, Effie
Shaw, Helen Jean - resigned
Torbenson, Paulette
Tosseth, Carole
Trapp, Lois
Ziegenhagen, Polly

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

Archbold, Eileen
Hagen, Viola
Tschida, Bunny

*Handwritten notes: Lindemann, Jane; Schubert*





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**GFWC Clio's Tour of Homes**



The 1st Christmas Tour of Homes featured the homes of the following Clio members: Lollie Adair, MaryBeth Ekeren, Bonnie Daub, Rachel Wawers, Pat Lindemann, Sharon Lindemann, and Myrene Peterson.

*GFWC Clio Club held the first Christmas Tour of Homes in 1993. Decorations from Dakota Delights and Enderlin Rexall Drug were used in decorating the homes.*

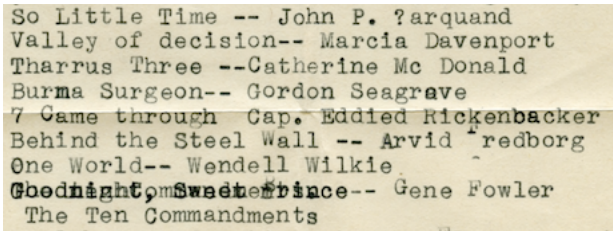
*Clio members were driven by limousine the evening of the Pre-Tour. The Pre-Tour is held each year the day before the tour to enable the Clio members and homeowners an opportunity to tour the homes since they are busy hosting the day of the tour.*

*Twenty-three Tours have been held making it one of the longest running fundraisers benefiting the Enderlin Municipal Library.*

**GFWC Clio's Historical Tidbits**

*Following is a summary of the Income and Expenses for the 1993 Christmas Tour of Homes, Clio's 1st Tour.*

TOUR OF HOMES	INCOME	\$1065.00
TOUR OF HOME	<u>EXPENSES</u>	
	Enderlin Independent	100.00
	Flowers	62.48
	Prairie Rose Coaches	150.00
	Ransom County Gazette	24.60
	Maple Valley Locker	14.50
	Enderlin Public School	6.35
	Lollie Adair	20.59
	Sharon Lindemann	9.00
	<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$387.52</b>
<b>TOUR OF HOMES - NET PROFIT</b>		<b>\$677.48</b>



*The above clipping is an excerpt from the 1943-1944 Clio Club History which lists the new books that were reviewed during the year.*

*In recent years one book is selected for all Clio members to read. A discussion about the book is held during a spring meeting.*





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**GFWC Clio's Leadership Scholarship**

*Annually an Enderlin High School 10th grader is awarded a full scholarship to attend a Leadership Conference. The responsibility for selecting the student and raising funds for the scholarship is shared by GFWC Clio Club and Enderlin GFWC Club.*

**GFWC Clio's Club Collect**

*For many years, GFWC women's clubs in Canada, United States, Britain and other countries including Clio Club have used a prayer for the opening of their meeting. It was written in 1904 by Mary Stewart, while she was principal of Longmont High School in Colorado. She said, "It was written as a prayer for the day. I called it a 'Collect For Club Women,' because I felt that women working together with wide interests for large ends was a new thing under the sun and that, perhaps they had need for special petition and meditation of their own."*



*Keep us, Oh God, from pettiness;  
let us be large in thought, in  
word, in deed.*

*Let us be done with fault-finding  
and leave off self-seeking.*

*May we put away all pretense and  
meet each other face to face,  
without self-pity  
and without prejudice.*

*May we never be hasty in judgement  
and always generous.*

*Let us take time for all things;  
make us to grow calm, serene,  
gentle.*

*Teach us to put into action our  
better impulses, straightforward  
and unafraid.*

*Grant that we may realize it is the  
little things that create  
differences, that in the big things  
of life we are at one.*

*And may we strive to touch and to  
know the great common human heart  
of us all, and, Oh Lord God, let us  
forget not to be kind.*

