

Plainville Historical Society to present ...

**From the Alpha Girls to the GFWC:
The Story of the Plainville Women's Club**

The Plainville Historical Society is pleased to announce its first program of 2022. On Saturday afternoon January 15th at 2:00 PM, member Gert Lacombe will present **From the Alpha Girls to the GFWC: The Story of the Plainville Women's Club**. In addition to being a current officer of the Historical Society, Gert Lacombe was also a longtime member of the Women's Club.

The "snow date" for the program is Saturday January 22nd at 2:00 PM. A notice on potential rescheduling to the 22nd will be posted on both the website and Facebook page of the Plainville Historical Society.

In existence for over 100 years, this local organization has recently ended its long history of volunteerism. Our program will honor its many years of dedicated service to the Town of Plainville. Gert will tell how six women began by meeting informally in their homes in the early 1900's and then grew to eighteen "Alpha Girls" who formally became the Women's Club of Plainville. Promoting literacy was a priority.

A very significant project was raising funds for a new Public Library through events such as their first card party in 1915. In 1949, the local club became part of the nationwide General Federation of Women's Clubs and continued with many more years of civic involvement. A special feature of the program will be a "tableau" portraying a scene from the club's early history.

The event will take place at the Plainville Historic Center at 29 Pierce Street in Plainville. The program is open to the public but due to COVID, the Historical Society requires that you register in advance since numbers will be limited.

Register by emailing plvhistorical@gmail.com and include your name(s), phone number, email address, and number of people in your party who wish to sit together. A seating plan will be set up in advance. Confirmation will be sent by email. **Masks are required.** Attendees are asked to please wear a mask at all times while in the building.