



# Mamie Eisenhower Library Project

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## *Duties of the MELP Chairman*

Communication is a primary duty. Promote literacy by informing members/clubs of NFRW literacy projects that they can adopt:

### **Mamie Eisenhower Literacy Project**

Members/clubs can purchase and donate books from the NFRW MELP List (on the NFRW web site) to local schools and institutions. Such donations promote literacy at all age levels. NFRW has formal bookplates to place in the front of each book donated so each club is recognized for its donation.

Official NFRW bookplates are sent upon request, along with a list of the title and quantity of books to be donated. Contact information is listed on the NFRW Literacy web page. Bookplates are not distributed without the above information.

### **Barbara Bush Literacy Project**

Each September, the NFRW honors our former first lady's literacy mission. The project that a club adopts to support BBLP can be one of many. For project ideas, the Literacy Committee publishes a list of successful projects from preceding years. It is on the Literacy web page on the NFRW web site. The Literacy Committee asks that a form be completed and sent to the NFRW Literacy chair by the end of October. (This form is also on the Literacy web page.) The committee holds a random drawing of the completed documentation forms. There are two cash awards given.

The NFRW Literacy Committee and all MELP chairs can promote educational reform by keeping members knowledgeable about pending legislation, events, and groups that have an impact on education. Our emphasis is on grassroots efforts. Clubs and members have the best insight on what is best for their own communities. We support local control of our schools.

### **NFRW Education and Literacy on Facebook**

Inform clubs/members of opportunities to make comments to further discussion on education and literacy by posting thoughts on the NFRW Education and Literacy Facebook page. Here, we can discuss ideas for reform, critique legislation, and share worthy projects.

Welcome to our mission to promote literacy—reading, writing, and speaking—and to improving our nation's schools for our children.