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Club Chatter



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January 2019

From Our President

Donna Steele

It's a wonderful time of the Year! I hope all of you are enjoying your Christmas and New Year's holidays with friends and family. With scattered family and friends all over the USA, these together times are very special and become wonderful memories for all of us. As in our family, making Buckeye candies and serving my mother's recipes on Christmas Eve are something we look forward to every year. Please take time to savor these times as being with those you love are the traditions that we will remember and be passed down through the years. I try to enjoy every minute of our time together.

Happy 2019! As you know Clayton will be celebrating their **Sesquicentennial** this year. All of the service clubs of Clayton have been asked to participate. The Woman's Club will take an active part in the celebration with all of your help who want to introduce the great town of Clayton to others. Our club is partnering with The Friends of the Library and are planning a literary event for the public featuring a North Carolina author. We are working out the details and you will hear more about the author, date and venue when all these details are confirmed.

Our **December meeting** was beautifully decorated

by the Art Community Service group and lunch was provided by Tina Bolick of the Skylines restaurant in Clayton. Our meeting was well-attended, and we had 5 visitors and 55 members. Thank you to Angela Williams, Faye Brooks and Dianne Carroll and their Art Community Service team for hosting our meeting. We all enjoyed the Christmas story and poem presented by our members, Becky Stuart and Sandy Nesselrode (pictured below).



A beautiful flower arrangement donated by The Flowers on the Neuse was the door prize won by one lucky member. Thomas Lipscomb, our guest and coordinator of the Clayton Community Garden and Rachel Masimore, Conservation Service Community Project Co-chair, presented the town of Clayton awards won by the decorating efforts of the Woman's Club members and garden volunteers. A special thank you to the Conservation Co-chairs Rachel Masimore and Debbie



Ragland and the team of members who decorated the garden this year as this was a new community project this year. Also, the Public Issues Community Service Project with the leadership of Teresa Mathis and Brenda Hill was recognized for winning an award for the decorated tree for the Donate Life NC Festival of Trees. This was also a new successful community project for our members this year. During the meeting Bree Rude and Brenda Hill gave the members a chance to Christmas shop by buying Gift cards not sold at the Taste of Carolina and all members enjoyed the Game, "Who Gets the Gift?" with the lucky members winning the Federated Women Club Christmas Ornament!

Special Thank You's:

Thank you to all of you who shopped for the Christmas Kids and for our Golden Wishes participants. It warms my heart to hear about the deliveries to the Golden Wishes participants! Our club made many students and seniors very happy this Christmas.



1/1 Brenda Gay
 1/11 Jeanne George
 1/16 Angela Williams
 1/17 Robin Sachsenheimer
 1/24 Susan Quinn
 1/25 Linda Strevig
 1/31 Margaret Lee

Our **Student Art Awards Ceremony** is January 10, 2018 from 6:00pm-7:30 pm at the Clayton Center. Please come to support these talented students. Susan Johnson is the chairman of the **Art Festival** activities during the month of January. The art items will be delivered to the Clayton Center on January 2 at 10:00 am. We want to get the art delivered and registered so that the Clayton Visual Arts can hang it before the judges arrive. The artwork will be on display the month of January.

Our clubwomen arts and crafts and literature are also to be delivered to the Clayton Center on January 2 at 10:00 am. I hope everyone has received the information about the different categories and are completing your projects. We would like to have many participate from our club. Please call Angela Williams or Peggy Earp for more information on how to participate.

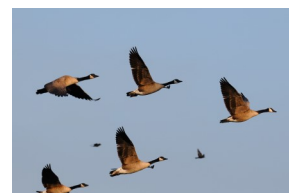
Our **Women's Health Initiative** is continuing. Please record your steps and get your flu shot. Your reports are due now as we are walking with all the Federated Woman's Clubs to equal steps to walk to the moon! Our walking group will walk again on January 17 at 11:00 am for a downtown history tour and lunch (Contact Mary Sindzak).

And its not too early to talk about **Martin Luther King Day of Volunteering, January 21, 2019**. We want to be one of the 1000 clubs who plan service projects for January 21. We are planning 2-3 potential service projects (making blankets, Harbor House and Barbour Assisted Living) for Martin Luther King Day. Contact Mary Sindzak to volunteer.

And speaking of **Teamwork** in our club, we have looked at the picture of the flock of geese flying in a perfect V formation since September!

Scientists have studied why geese are so successful in what they do. The scientists say their success is because the geese communicate constantly with encouragement, take care of each member of the team and rotate leadership.

And I have witnessed these attributes in our club with all of our projects and teams! We are communicating encouragement continually, we rotate leadership, and we support our team members who are sick or unable to help. We will do even greater things in the new year, 2019, as we know how to work as a team!



I look forward to seeing you at our January meeting on the 9th of January for our first meeting in 2019!

Christmas Kids



Above: School Social Workers Garfield Martin, Ashlie Pope and Serreda Jenkins collect the gifts that will be given to the kids. They were very appreciative!

Gifts were purchased for 50 kids!!

A special thanks to Susan Quinn and Rachel Masimore who coordinated the Christmas Kids and Senior Wishes projects

December Meeting Highlights



Thomas Lipscomb and Rachel Masimore proudly show the awards for the Main Street Community Garden decorations



Betty Francies won the raffle for this beautiful flower arrangement donated by Flowers by the Neuse



Susan Quinn reads letter and certificate from GFWC recognizing TWCC's 100 years

The December 12 TWCC lunch meeting was catered by Skylines and was hosted by the Art CSP. Belle Allen provided a thoughtful devotion.

The program began with Becky Stewart reading a Christmas story that reinforced the true meaning of Christmas. This was followed by Sandy Nesselrode reading a wonderfully humorous poem she pinned, "Have You Seen Santa". The poem is included at the end of the newsletter.

Mary Sinzdak introduced 5 guests.

Other items covered in the meeting:

- Susan Quinn read a letter from GFWC recognizing TWCC's 100th anniversary. A copy of the certificate is at the end of the newsletter.
- Thomas Lipscomb and Rachel Masimore reviewed the awards won for the gingerbread decorations in the Main Street Community Garden—Facebook award for People's Choice and Most Creative decorations presented by the Town of Clayton.
- The Public Issues CSP sponsored a tree for the Donate Life NC Festival of Trees. The tree, decorated by Teresa Mathis and Brenda Hill, won the award for "Most Whimsical Tree" and was auctioned off for \$80.
- The Taste of Carolina Cuisine final report was given by co-chairs Sunday Penny and Dianne Carroll. \$16,304 net was raised. There were a few gift cards remaining and those were auctioned off by Bree Rude and Brenda Hill (pictured below).



- Susan Quinn and Rachel Masimore thanked members that shopped for 50 Christmas Kids and 5 Senior Wishes.
- During the Clayton Civitan's Reverse Raffle Fundraiser, the Civitan sponsor a 50/50 raffle and a live auction.

The money raised from these events are donated to The Woman's Club of Clayton to help with their "Christmas Kids" program. Angela Williams presented a check for \$3000 from the Civitan Club. In addition, she presented \$140 in cash donated individually by a Civitan member and \$150 from New Hope Wilders Grove. These funds and funds from TWCC were used to purchase 50 children gifts spending \$100 for each child.

- CSP chairs were requested to delay making any contributions until after the first of the year since contribution amounts may need to be adjusted due to lower than budgeted receipts.
- Ballots were collected for **Club-woman Awards**. The winners will be announced at the January meeting.
- TWCC is working with Friends of the Library to sponsor a **Literary Luncheon** wherein a NC author will be brought to Clayton during the Town's Sesquicentennial celebration.
- January 10, 2019: Arts Festival: Need Volunteers: See Susan Johnson (919-522-7746)
- Mary Sinzdak stated that the club will be doing service projects on January 21st, Martin Luther King Day. More information will follow.
- Mary Sinzdak requested that members submit reports on exercise, flu shots at Walgreen's etc. as part of the Women's Health 2018-2020 Initiative.
- Betsy Grannis thanked everyone that helped with the Feed the Need Thanksgiving meal. 780 to go meals were prepared and total of 2200 citizens were served.
- Dianne Carroll reported that the Clayton Visual Arts Christmas Home and Art Tour raised \$3500. The funds will be used to buy art supplies for art teachers in the local schools.
- January 8, 2019: ESO Book Club at 10:00 am at Chefella's: See Brenda Gay(919-763-7117)
- New member orientation will be held at Donna Steele's house on December 18th at 10:00am.
- Members were asked to sign up to assist with taking down the Christmas decorations at the Main Street Community Garden on January 7-8.

14 New Members

TWCC has a large group of new members since September! Welcome new members! The top 2 pictures to the left were included in prior newsletters.



Nona Kelly, Betty Lou Evans and Terri Sessions



Jamie Kosik



Pictured above and below: New member orientation was held on December 18th at Donna Steele's house



Jean Barnes



Marcie Vedelli



Monika Story



Loretta Mascia



Kim Wellons



Melissa Kennedy



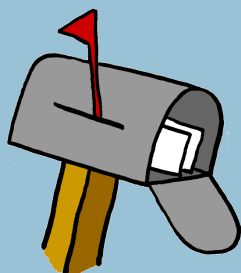
Suzanne Green
Jeanne George



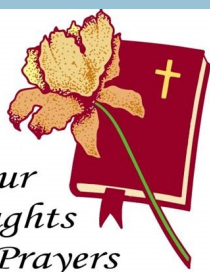
Jo Ann Ellington



Tara Knight



Does anyone have a current mailing address for Honorary Members Helen Woodall or Gene Bass? If so, please send to sbrooksgolfer@gmail.com



Linda Strevig has been having cardiac issues which are currently under evaluation.



Notify Susan Johnson, Corresponding Secretary, if a card from the club needs to be sent to anyone

New Lifetime Members



Donna Steele presents Lifetime Membership certificates to Mary Helen Woodard (left) and Joyce Lipscomb Canady (below). Congratulations ladies!!

Others participating in the presentations were Di-anne Carroll and Susan Quinn.



Clayton Visual Arts Home & Art Tour



Margaret Lee (left) and Jamie Kosik (right) enjoy working as docents for the Clayton Visual Arts Home and Art Tour. They are pictured here at the Morning Glory Inn and share a laugh with Betsy Grannis (center).

**January 2**

Art Entries Delivered to
Clayton Ctr
10:00am

January 7 & 8

Taking down decorations
at the Main Street
Community Garden
*Contact Rachel
Masimore for more
information*

January 8

ESO Book Club
Chefella's
10:00am

January 8

Home Life CSP to set up
for lunch meeting
10:00am

January 9

TWCC Lunch Meeting
hosted by
Home Life CSP
11:45am

Arts Festival Judging of
Entries
Clayton Center

January 10

Local Arts Festival
Clayton Center
6:00-7:30pm

January 15

Night 'N' Gals Meeting
(meet with Junior
Woman's Club)
7:00pm

January 17

Downtown Walking
Group Tour
Meet at Library
11:00am
Lunch follows at
Vinson's - Noon

The following information is from the GFWC-NC, "An Orientation to Federation"

Responsibilities of Membership

Membership in an organization carries with it obligations and responsibilities. Each member should read and understand the bylaws that serve as a contract between the member and the organization. The following responsibilities are common to members of organizations and also apply to members of federated clubs.

- Attend the meetings with regularity and be prompt.
- Contribute one's talents to the organization through service on committees and active participation in the work of the organization. Share responsibility.
- Make prompt payment of financial obligations.
- Accept and uphold the will of the majority and respect the rights of the minority.
- Promote the objects and aims of the club.
- Perform faithfully all assigned duties and when that is impracticable, ask to be excused.
- Participate in discussions and decisions on issues and express an opinion during the meeting and not after a decision has been made. Support club decisions.
- Voting is a privilege. Be informed and vote intelligently.
- Give courteous attention during club meetings.
- Avoid discussing the club business outside meetings.
- Remain until the meeting is declared adjourned by the chairman.
- Refrain from criticism of speakers and of members who have accepted responsibility.
- Offer only constructive criticism.
- Learn and practice parliamentary procedure.
- Enjoy your membership with enthusiasm.
- Keep informed.



Crabby Road

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January Menu

Entrée will be provided
by Morning Glory Inn

Home Life CSP will host
and provide dessert &
beverages



**Arts Festival
Committee**

**Taking down
Christmas
decorations at
Main Street
Community
Garden**

**Martin Luther King
Day Service
Project**

Backpack Buddies

**Silent Partner
Walgreen's Shot @
Life**

**Sign up for Down-
town Walking
Tour**

Public Issues CSP

Co-Chairs: Bree Rude, Jamie Kosik



On November 27th at 6 PM at "Revival 1869" on Main Street **"Donate Life NC"** had a Christmas tree "Festival of Trees" including the raffling off of the trees. The Public Issues CSP donated a decorated tree with a Mardi Gras theme that won the award for **Most Whimsical**. Congratulations to Teresa Mathis and Brenda Hill who decorated the beautiful tree!

Conservation CSP

Chair: Rachel Masimore



Thanks to those members that assisted Rachel Masimore in making decorations for the **Main Street Community Garden**. Rachel and Thomas Lipscomb accepted the award for Facebook's "Peoples Choice Award" and Clayton's "Most Creative Award".

Art CSP

Co-Chairs: Angela Williams, Faye Brooks, Dianne Carroll



Nothing new to report.

Home Life CSP

Co-chairs: Charlene Butala, Arianna Harrison



Nothing new to report.

Education CSP

Co-Chairs: Betsy Grannis, Marlene Dillon



Nothing new to report.

Night 'N' Gals/International CSP

Chair: Robin Sachsenheimer



The **Night 'N' Gals** will begin meeting with the Junior Woman's Club. The next meeting will be **Tuesday, January 15th**, 7:00pm at the clubhouse.

Shot at Life—Please get your flu shot at Walgreens and send your name to Mary Sinzdak at msinzdak@yahoo.com.



RSVP your CSP Chair by **Sunday** before the meeting if you will be attending the **January** lunch meeting as well as any guests you may be bringing.



Do you have club member news, personal announcements, family news, personal achievements or recipes to share with club members?

Please submit items by the **25th** of the month to the "Club Chatter" Editor, Sarah Brooks
sbrooksgolfer@gmail.com



In the event of illness or bereavement, members are encouraged to contact Jamie Kosik if assistance is needed with meals, errands, etc.
 Call 561-351-0965 or email
jamiekosi@yahoo.com

ESO Book Club

Chair: Brenda Gay



ESO book club members, we will meet at Chefella's, located on Main Street across from the Community Garden, on **Tuesday, Jan 8th at 10:00am**. Please let Brenda Gay (919-763-7117; email, bmgay82@gmail.com) know if you plan to attend or not.

Art Festival

Chair: Susan Johnson



The GFWC-NC is again sponsoring the **State Arts Festival** for 2018-2019. Our club will participate on the local and state levels. All our clubwomen are encouraged to offer their talents in the 36 craft categories as well as the 10 visual art categories and the three photography categories. **Angela Williams** is in charge of collecting your entries and will need to have your selections brought to the Clayton Center at 10:00 on January 2nd.

All entries must have been completed within the **prior year** and all contests are limited to **non-professionals**.

We have invited **10 of our local schools** to participate in the Festival. These are Home School Association of our area, Archer Lodge Middle, Clayton Middle, Riverwood Middle, Swift Creek Middle, and Johnston Charter Academy. Our local high schools are Clayton High, Cleveland High, Corinth Holders High, and West Johnston High. They also will have the categories of visual arts, photography and literature. School entries will need to be taken to the Clayton Center at 10:00 on January 2nd.

The local arts festival is to be held on **Thursday January 10th at 6:00-7:30** at the Clayton Center in cooperation with the Clayton Visual Arts monthly artist reception. Certificates, ribbons, and cash prizes will be awarded that evening.

Thank you for your participation and support!

TWCC Walking Tours



Let's walk together for our health and friendship! The next walking tour will be on **Thursday, January 17th at 11:00am** with Pam Baumgartner. There is much more to see and learn about downtown Clayton than our November downtown tour could cover. Lunch will be at noon at Vinson's. A sign up sheet will be available at our January meeting.

Martin Luther King Day



MLK Day of Service

Harbor, Inc. is the non-profit agency of Johnston county providing victims of domestic violence and sexual assault with a variety of services and programs in an effort to aid them to move beyond a life of violence and become self sufficient. The mission of Harbor is to provide help, hope and safety to victims.

On January 21st, Martin Luther King Day, our club plans to provide assistance to Harbor. The director of Harbor is investigating service the club could provide that will likely be clerical in nature for their fundraising or a Valentine celebration. Details will be available at the January 9th meeting and also emailed to members as soon as the service is confirmed.



This is my favorite Weight Watcher recipe and my husband loves it too. It is so much lighter than traditional Eggplant Parmigiana and relatively easy to make.

Recipe provided by Sarah Brooks



Send your favorite recipes to

[sbbrooksgolfer@gmail.com](mailto:sbrooksgolfer@gmail.com)

Recipe provided by Angela Williams

Eggplant Parmigiana

Ingredients

2 teaspoons olive oil, divided
1/2 cup *each* chopped onion and green bell pepper
1 15oz. can petite diced tomatoes
1/2 teaspoon oregano
1/4 teaspoon garlic powder
1/4 teaspoon salt
Dash pepper
1 medium eggplant, peel and cut crosswise into 8 rounds (about 1/2 inch thick)
2 oz *each* grated Parmesan and shredded Mozzarella cheese (I use about 4 oz of each)



Directions

In 1-quart saucepan heat 1 teaspoon oil over medium heat; add onion and bell pepper and sauté 1 to 2 minutes. Add tomatoes, reserved liquid, and seasonings and mix well. Reduce heat to low and let simmer, stirring occasionally, until mixture is thickened, 20 to 25 minutes; set aside.

Preheat oven to 400 degrees. Using 1/2 teaspoon oil (or PAM), brush 1 side of each eggplant slice with an equal amount of oil (or spray lightly with PAM); on nonstick baking sheet arrange slices oiled-side up and bake until browned, about 10 minutes. Turn slices over and brush each with 1/8 of the remaining oil (or spray lightly with PAM); bake 10 minutes longer. On sheet of wax paper (or in a bowl) dredge slices in Parmesan, evenly coating both sides and reserving any remaining cheese.

In shallow 2 quart casserole, spread 1/3 of the reserved tomato mixture; top with 4 eggplant slices, in a single layer and half of the Mozzarella. Repeat layers, ending with sauce. Sprinkle with any remaining Parmesan and top with mozzarella; bake at 400 degrees until cheese is lightly browned, 15-20 minutes.

Yield 4 servings.

Per Serving: 168 calories; 10g protein; 10g fat; 11g carbohydrate; 322mg calcium; 602mg sodium; 22mg cholesterol

Recipe from Weight Watchers Favorite Recipes Cookbook (1986)

Slow Cooker Spaghetti Squash

Ingredients



1 tablespoon olive oil
1 pound lean ground turkey
1 23.5 ounce jar marinara sauce
1 diced Portobello mushroom
1 small white onion diced
1 clove garlic minced
1/4 teaspoon pepper
1/2 teaspoon oregano
1/2 teaspoon dried basil
1 3 pound spaghetti squash



Directions

Heat olive oil in a large skillet over medium high heat. Brown ground turkey; add to slow cooker. Add marinara sauce, Portobello, onion, garlic, pepper, oregano and dried basil to slow cooker. Stir to combine. Cut squash in half lengthwise and remove seeds with a spoon. Nestle squash, cut side down into sauce. Cover and cook on high for 4 hours. Do not open lid during the cooking time. Remove squash from slow cooker; loosen strands with a fork; spoon sauce on top.

January 2019

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|-----|---|--|---|--|---|---|
| | | 1  Brenda Gay  | 2  Art Entries delivered to Clayton Center at 10:00am | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 6 | 7  Take down decorations at Main Street Community Garden (also on 8th) | 8  ESO Book Club at Chefella's 10am Home Life CSP set up—10am | 9  TWCC Lunch Meeting 11:45am | 10  Local Arts Festival Clayton Center 6:00-7:30pm | 11  Jeanne George | 12 |
| 13 | 14 | 15  Night 'N' Gals (Meet with Junior Woman's Club) 7:00pm | 16  Angela Williams | 17  Robin Sachsenheimer Downtown Walk- ing Group Tour Meet at Library 11:00am Lunch at Vinson's-Noon | 18 | 19  "I have a dream" Dreamcatchers 2019—10am SSS High School |
| 20 | 21  Martin Luther King Day TWCC Day of Service | 22 | 23 | 24  Susan Quinn | 25  Linda Strevig | 26 |
| 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31  Margaret Lee  The CLAYTON CENTER Tomáš Kubínek – Miracle Man | | |



General Federation of Women's Clubs

100th Anniversary Certificate

Presented to

The Woman's Club of Clayton

*In recognition and appreciation of distinguished service to the
community and the nation*

November, 2018
Date

Mary Ellen Bush

President, General Federation of Women's Clubs

Johnston County MLK Committee
PRESENTS

#Dream Catchers 2019

Youth MLK Program

Program Includes:

- Oratorical Contest with **CASH PRIZES**
- Hip Hop Spoken Word Contest
- Free Expungement Clinic
- Much More!



Jan. 19, 2019
SSS
High School Gym
@ 10am

A NEW AGE PROGRAM FOR A NEW AGE



To participate contact Antioan Whidbee at 919-934-3222
or email at amwhidbee@gmail.com



Have You Seen Santa?
by Sandy Nesselrode



It was Christmas Eve in Johnston County and the snow was falling down.
We couldn't find Santa anywhere. We looked all around.

We went to White Oak Mall and went in all the stores.
We drove up to Raleigh and knocked on all the doors.

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We went to White Oak Mall and went in all the stores.
We drove up to Raleigh and knocked on all the doors.

We searched and searched as best we could
Up and down the streets of the neighborhood.

Have you seen Santa?
No, we haven't seen him.

We called Chanel 14 News and they said he was spotted on I-95.
In and out of traffic, moving all around.
The last they heard, he was Clayton bound.

We drove to Clayton as fast as we could go and shined our lights
Over the tobacco fields covered with snow.
Along the Neuse River and up in the pine trees.
Where oh where could that Fat Boy be?

We went to the train station in Selma
And the fire department in Wilson Mills.
They said they heard he was in Asheville somewhere up in the hills.

We drove over to Asheville, to Boone,
over to Charlotte and even up to RDU.

It was the same old sad song.
No one had seen him. Where did we go wrong?

Then we drove down to Fayetteville over to Ft. Bragg.
They sent out their helicopters to fly from town to town
But they soon discovered he was nowhere to be found.

Will it still be Christmas if Santa doesn't show?
We don't know what to do. We just don't know.

Have you seen Santa?
No, we haven't seen him.

We drove to New Bern, down to Jacksonville
And Rocky Mount too.
We were desperate. We didn't know what else to do.





We decided it was time something was done.
We called the White House and they sent out
Air Force One and fighter jets flying through the
North Carolina sky.



On their radar they saw a man driving a sleigh over a no-fly zone.
But before they could catch him, he was already gone.

Santa's sly as a fox and twice as quick.
Where oh where is ole St. Nick?

Well, we just gave up and went home for the night
To wrap the children's toys.
When suddenly we heard a loud noise.

We ran down the steps, threw open the door
And there Santa stood in the middle of the floor.

We laughed till we cried, and we jumped up and down.
But the next thing we knew, he was nowhere to be found.

We went to the window, looked out into the night
And oh, we saw such a beautiful sight.

It was Santa and his eight reindeer.
He gave us a wink and said, "Be of good cheer!,"
"Say your prayers and I'll see you next year."

We watched in awe as he cracked his whip
And drove his sleigh up into the sky.
We were so full of joy we had tears in our eyes.

We called the News Observer, the Washington Post,
And the New York Times.
They laughed at us and hung up the line.

What do we care? We know Santa was here.

You see, you're never too young and you're never too old.
At least that's what I've been told.

Do you believe in Santa?
Oh yes! We believe!

