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January 2024

From Our President

Betsy Grannis

HAPPY NEW YEAR!!

Wishing you all a Joyous and Blessed New Year! Here's to all good wishes for 2024 for all of our members and their families.

What a year we had in 2023! It ended with a bang of activities and fundraisers – Serve the Need Thanksgiving Meal, Christmas Kids, Golden Wishes, Tree Lighting Food Sale, Silent Auction for the Civitan Reverse Raffle. It was just a back-to-back adventure! Thank you to everyone who participated in these events; they truly could not have happened without all of your help. We are grateful for everything that you do to make our club shine.

Trish Perna, our 1st Vice President, is working on our award entries to report on all the amazing things we accomplished this past year. It is always rewarding to look back and reflect on all the projects and everything we have done to help our community.

The next fundraiser coming up is a really fun one and you won't want to miss it! The Murder Mystery Dinners are happening on Friday,

January 12th and Saturday, January 13th. **Nancy Maynard** has tickets available for sale for just \$35 each. Please share with everyone you know – friends, neighbors, family members – so that we can fill all the seats for both evenings (60 tickets for each evening), Friday and Saturday night. You may also wish to help out by making some of the food for one or both of the evenings, setting up, serving, cleaning up, etc. We had the sign-up sheets at our December meetings but, in case you missed those, we are attaching them here so that you have the opportunity to contribute if you so desire. Please contact me directly to volunteer for bringing food or for helping out – we could use a few more able bodies for both evenings.

Our largest event of the club year is coming up on March 30th, so please mark your calendars and Save the Date. The Taste of Carolina Cuisine will be an outstanding evening of good food and good fun. **Karen Keeslar** and her committee are



working hard to put this all together and will be reporting more details at our meeting this month. Ticket sales will be most important, so start talking this up to all your friends and family. You will get your tickets to sell at our January meeting. We are so excited to be back at the Farm @42 for this wonderful event!

So please take a moment to enjoy all the good tidings of the new year – all the possibilities; all the stories still to be written; all your hopes and dreams for the year to come. I leave you with this inspiration:





January 1
New Year's Day

January 6
Epiphany

January 8
Blood Drive

January 9
Meeting Set-up
House of Hope meal

January 10
Gen Member Meeting

January 11
Play Day
Night-n-Gals ZOOM

January 12
Bingo

January 12-13
Murder Mystery

January 15
Martin Luther King Day

January 16
Exec Board Meeting

January 23
Bunco

January 27
Performing Arts



December Meeting Highlights

Monthly
Meeting

Blessing and Devotion – Brenda Gay

Program – Christmas around the World, Presented by the Arts & Culture CSP

A wonderful presentation was done by Arts & Culture talking about what Christmas is like around the world. **Brenda Hill** talked about France, **Margaret Lee** talked about Greece and **Angela Williams** talked about Australia, thanks so much for all that great information!

Welcome Guests, New Members and Visitors We had one visitor today, welcome to **Ginny Kennerly**!

Business – Approval of Minutes from November Meeting—Approved.

Civitan Reverse Raffle Report

This event was great fun by all who participated in it and we raised money! Between the Silent Auction and the 50/50 raffle we made \$1225.00!

Big thanks to all who worked the "Serve the Need" fundraiser. We were able to serve over 1250 meals to our community!

The Treeing Lighting event was a success! We made \$925.43 plus there was a donation of \$100 totaling 1025.43, thank you to all who worked so hard on the fundraiser.

Fundraisers – Murder Mystery Dinner – Margaret Lee & Nancy Maynard

Tickets are on sale and the cost is \$35.00 which includes dinner and the show! **Margaret and Nancy** are asking for all hands to be on deck to help! The event will take place on Friday, January 12th and Saturday January 13th at 6PM at the clubhouse. Please remember that tickets are going fast!

Taste of Carolina Cuisine – Karen Kessler

Tickets will go on sale in January. This is our biggest fundraiser for the year and we do need a lot of help. Please contact **Karen Kessler** if you are interested in helping for this event.

Christmas Kids and Golden Wishes Report

We were able to buy gifts for

61 children this year. The Woodman of the World donated \$1,000 to this and we thank them!

Most of the gifts were delivered to our Golden Wishes and it was a blessing to all who participated in this.

Arts Festival – Students and Clubwomen – Susan Johnson

This will take place on February 8th 2024. If you know anyone who you would like to see participate in this, please see **Susan Johnson** at our next monthly meeting.

Officer's Reports

1st Vice President – **Trish Perna**

Wednesday 12/15/23 is the last call for all reports to be sent to Trish

2nd Vice President – **Brenda Hill**

Treasurer – **Judy Ryan**

Dues are due now, please send your payment to Judy Ryan

Recording Secretary and Rental Custodian – **Loretta Mascia**

The clubhouse will be closed from 12/26/23-1/8/24 to finish the kitchen remodel.

Corresponding Secretary – **Patty Jo Johnson**

Patty Jo sent cards for Thanksgiving and Christmas to our Honorary Members.

CSP and Special Project Report

President's Special Project

Arts and Culture – **Angela Williams, Faye Brooks, Dianne Carroll**

Civic Engagement – **Susan Johnson, Karen Kessler**

Education and Libraries – **Brenda Gay, Sandy Nesselrode**

There is a need for Cooper Elementary Academy for books for 1st graders. Please bring books to the next monthly meeting.

Environment – **Christie Latham. Sarah Brooks**—nothing additional

Health and Wellness – **Nancy Maynard, Judy Ryan, Deborah Fuller**—nothing

Night 'N Gals—nothing

Health & Wellness CSP

Co-Chairs: Nancy Maynard, Deborah Fuller, & Judy Ryan



January

1/1 Brenda Gay
1/12 Marianne Sapsara
1/16 Angela Williams
1/17 Robin Sachsenheimer
1/22 Joni Koch
1/24 Dixie Brady
1/25 Linda Strevig
1/31 Margaret Lee



The **Health and Wellness** CSP made tie lap-blankets and delivered them to Springbrook Rehabilitation and Nursing Center. We also signed individual Christmas cards for all 100+ residents. We hope they are feeling warm, inside and out, by our gifts.



Thank you to **Tina Zimmerman** for making and delivering the House of Hope meal for December. The girls also received blankets and other goodies from our CSP. House of Hope is currently looking for tutors. Please check their website if you can help.



New Year! New challenge! Due to some physical limitations some of you have not been able to participate in our past challenges. That will not be the case in the first challenge of 2024! Everyone will be able to participate in this. Details will be forthcoming.

January is National Blood Donor Month.

Blood is essential to help patients survive surgeries, cancer treatment, chronic illnesses, and traumatic injuries. This lifesaving care starts with one person giving a generous donation. The need for blood is constant. Please consider making a donation at an American Red Cross Center or when a blood drive is in your area.

The American Red Cross is having a blood drive at the Clayton Center Monday, January 8, 2024, from 11:00am-4:00pm. Hope to see you there!



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Complete your pre-donation and health history questionnaire from your mobile device using RapidPass[®].

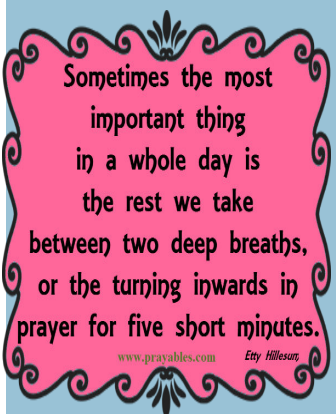


Expedite your donation!

Use your mobile device or a donor tablet to scan the QR code and complete your RapidPass[®]. Be sure to screenshot or email your RapidPass[®] to yourself and have it ready to present to staff before exiting health history.



Please pray for healing for **Claude Monsees** and **Dianne Carroll** as they grieve the loss of their beloved **Marie Monsees**. Marie passed away on December 21st. A celebration of her life will be held at the First Baptist Church, 411 N. Fayetteville St in Clayton on January 6th, at 11:00am.



Have you ever considered
that God has fallen in love
with you?

He sends you flowers
every spring. He sends
you sunshine every
morning. Whenever you
want to talk, He listens
to you. He can live
anywhere in the universe,
but He chooses your
heart. Amen

By Roger La Salle
with CD by Patricia Miller

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Arts & Culture CSP

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



The Arts & Culture CSP will be making gift bags for both the Clayton Hospital and the Smithfield Hospital. We are in need of color books, stickers, and small boxes of crayons. Please bring these to the January meeting.

Happy New Year to all!

Environment CSP

Co-Chairs: Rachel Masimore, Christie Latham, & Sarah Brooks



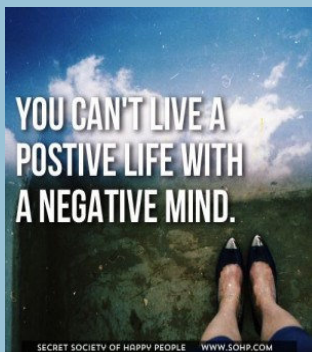
ENV CSP members enjoyed a holiday brunch at the home of **Sarah Brooks** on December 12th. It was so nice to get together and have a chance to get to know one another better. A decision was made to contribute **\$250 to Heifer International** to send a girl to school. This gift provides a family with training and livestock so they can earn the income needed to send their daughter to school.



Pictured above are Carrole Dayton, Jean Cornell, Marlene Dillon, Mary Ellen Causby, Rhonda Nielsen, Barbara Barat, and Sarah Brooks. Co-Chair Christie Latham is the photographer.

Another 2 large trash bags of **corks** were delivered to The Wine Cellar Outlet in Raleigh for recycling by RECORK. Keep drinking that wine ladies! To date, 39 pairs of **athletic shoes** have been taken to the Nike Store in Smithfield for the Nike Grind Recycling program. **Plastic recycling** for October was 70 pounds, and November was 71 pounds. As of 12/20, only 34.5 pounds has been reported for a total of 175.5 pounds. **PLEASE let Sarah Brooks know the amount of plastic you recycle.** We are behind where we need to be in order to reach 1000 pounds by September 30, 2024.

Another recycling opportunity! What do you do with your **mascara** when it's no longer useful? Don't toss that mascara in the trash – bring it to the next TWCC meeting. The mascara wands will be cleaned and sent to a Wildlife Refuge to clean away oil, larvae, fly eggs, mites, infections, mud, and other contaminants from wildlife. Thanks so much to **Cecilia Soporowska** who discovered this upcycling opportunity!



'I've learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel.'

-Maya Angelou



Somewhere hidden in this newsletter is a tiny white star. Find it and be the first to email me (jaryan612@gmail.com) with its location and you'll be rewarded at the next membership meeting.



Happy New Year from the Education/Libraries CSP. We hope everyone had a great Holiday season. Our hearts and prayers go out to our members who have lost loved ones during the season and also past seasons.

We hope your New Year will begin on a happier note...and speaking of happier notes, The Performing Arts will host students in a performing arts competition on January 27th at 10:00 at the Clayton School of Creative Arts. The address is: 427 E Main St., Clayton, NC. If you know of a student from 9-12 grade and lives in Clayton who would like to enter the competition, please contact **Brenda Gay**, bmgay82@gmail.com The categories are voice, piano, & instruments.



Our Murder Mystery fundraiser is scheduled for two evenings, Friday, January 12th and Saturday, January 13th at 6:00. Tickets are on sale, please see **Nancy Maynard**, mothermaynard@hotmail.com for purchase of tickets (\$35.00 payable to The Woman's Club of Clayton or cash) This is a fundraiser for the membership but an Education/Libraries CSP Project. We want to thank all who are helping with this project.

The Sallie Southall Cotten Scholarship will be scheduling outstanding seniors for this scholarship competition sometime in January. The student must be a North Carolina high school senior and sponsored by a Federated Club with GFWC-NC. This scholarship is awarded based on the candidate's character, scholastic records, evidence of intellectual promise, demonstration of ambition, leadership ability, and need for financial assistance. Applicants must be present for judging at the time and place designated. For Local & District contests the applicant must also be present for the presentation of the scholarship. More information about this scholarship in future months.



We will be scheduling our Puppet Show for Cooper Elementary Academy hopefully in January or February. Please let **Robin Sachsenheimer**: robins2717@yahoo.com if you can help with this. (We need your help)

For the past four years, **Brenda Gay & Sandy Nesselrode** have participated in the "Festival of Trees" a fundraiser for WIN's (Women in Networking) on behalf of The Woman's Club of Clayton. All the trees are four-foot masterpieces. Our theme for this year was "Music Tree". Special thanks to **Karen Keeslar and Sandy Nesselrode** for stepping in with this project this year. Our tree sold for \$150 to help in WIN's fundraiser.

We are continuing to collect books for first graders, please bring them to each meeting. Thank you!



Sandy Nesselrode, Karen Keeslar

Civic Engagement & Outreach CSP

Co-Chairs: Susan Johnson and Sarah Brooks



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**Meals for House of
Hope (2nd Tuesday)
Bingo at Senior Ctr
(2nd Friday)
Silent Partners
Hospitality
Walking Challenge
Recipe Makeovers**

ATTENTION:

The Clubhouse will not
be available from De-
cember 26—January 8

Menu

*Ham Divan Cas-
serole
Strawberry Spin-
ach Salad
Rolls*

*The CEO CSP will
host and provide
dessert—
Cupcakes*

The Civic Engagement & Outreach Committee will be the hosts for our January meeting. Our speakers are Crystal Fry and Susan Price, the Founders and Co-Executive Directors of **Her Haven of Light**. Both come from different back-grounds of rape, domestic violence, and teenage pregnancy. After overcoming many obstacles, they felt a huge pull to help others going through the same or similar situations. **HER HAVEN of Light** is a nonprofit organiza-tion located in Clayton that provides resources to women dealing with domes-tic violence, rape, teenage pregnancy, homelessness, abortion recovery, eat-ing disorders and suicide loss. Crystal and Susan are excited to share the good work they are doing in our community.

HER
HAVEN OF LIGHT

Night 'N' Gals



The **Night 'N' Gals** will meet via Zoom on January 11th at 7:00pm. This is open to any member who wishes to attend. The Zoom address will be emailed to members on January 10th.

Murder Mystery Dinner

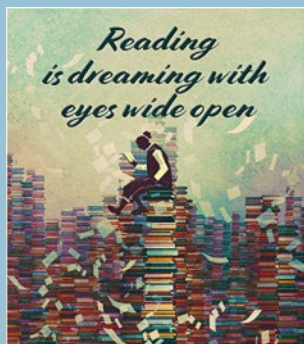
The Woman's Club of Clayton invites you to a
Murder Mystery Dinner
enacted by Clayton Drama Club

When: 6:00 pm
Friday, January 12, 2024
Saturday, January 13, 2024
Where: The Woman's Club of Clayton Clubhouse
109 Church Street, Clayton, NC
Cost: \$35/person (Includes dinner and show)
Wine sold by the glass

Join us at your own risk...for dinner and a murder!

For Tickets, call or text Nancy at 815-274-4446





ESO members met on December 5th at La Cocina with ex-member and author Jan Hemby. Those present were able to purchase her latest book, Keepsakes, and also have it autographed. Keepsakes is the third in the Gates Manor Series.



Please note, ESO will NOT HAVE a book club meeting in January. Our next book club meeting will be Monday, February 5, 2024. Donna Steele has invited the ESO meeting to be held in her home: 204 Parkridge Dr., (Glen Laurel), Cell # 919-333-6361

ESO Book Club

Chair: Brenda Gay



Our ESO book club met at The Carolina Bleu Restaurant in Clayton for our meeting as well as a great lunch on Monday, December 4, 2023. We gave a warm welcome to our special guest, **Lynn Wiss**, GFWC ESO Chair who joined us for this wonderful festive holiday treat.

I must say that we really were in the Holiday spirit and just wanted to visit and share quantity time with each other as well as EAT. However, we did have our book club reports and listed below are a few books reported:

"The Christmas Promise" by Donna Van Liere (Genre: Fic) report by **Brenda Gay**

"The Purpose of Christmas" by Rick Warren (Genre: Religion) report by **Patty Jo Johnson**

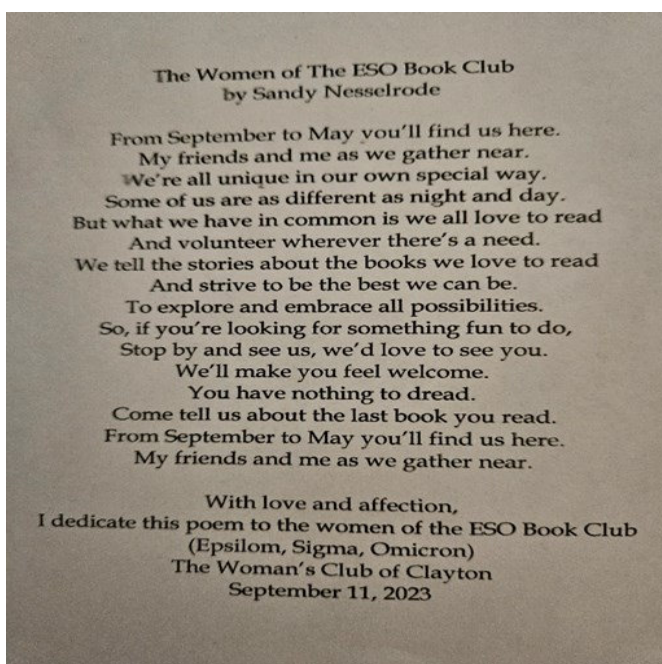
"Little Women" by Louisa May Alcott (Genre: Coming of age Bildungsroman) report by **Robin Sachsenheimer**

"District Signals: by Catherine Ryan Howard (Genre: Mystery/Thriller) report by **Betty Francies**

We have completed our ESO project "The ESO Wreath" made by **Robin Sachsenheimer**. The wreath represents our ESO book club, education memorabilia, and the Cooper Elementary Academy school's mascot "Rocket". **Robin and Brenda** presented it to Cooper Elementary Academy on Thursday, December 21, 2023. Principal, Mr. Jamie Stoke is hanging the wreath in the reception area for all to see upon entering.



The ESO members would like to thank **Sandy Nesselrode** for the lovely poem she wrote on behalf of our ESO bookclub.





Things to bring to the December meeting:

- Books appropriate for First Graders (English or Spanish) for E&L CSP
- Old sneakers
- Wine corks
- Old eyeglasses
- Colorbooks, stick-ers, & crayons
- Empty mascara



In the event of illness or bereavement, members are encouraged to contact Patty Jo Johnson if assistance is needed with meals, errands, etc. Call 919-818-3444 or email johnsonpatty2253@gmail.com



Notify Patty Jo Johnson, Corresponding Secretary, if information about a club member needs to be communicated to the membership (e.g., illness, bereavement)

919-818-3444

Art Festival Chair: Susan Johnson

The Clubwomen and Student Art Festival is scheduled for February 8th, 2024 at 6:00 PM at the Clayton Center. The committee is set for the students, and Angela Williams is prepared to supervise the Clubwomen entries. Once again, the categories will be in photography, visual arts, and crafts. Contact Susan Johnson if you have any questions about your category. Bring your entries to the general meeting on January 10th, or to the Executive Board meeting on January 16th.

Part of the Festival is a Literature contest. Entries can be submitted in poetry and short story categories. Margaret Lee has agreed to chair the Literature portion of the Festival. Get your pens busy and submit your entries to Margaret by the January 10th general meeting.

Our club will provide refreshments during the event. A sign-up sheet will be available during the January 10th meeting at the Clubhouse, or you can contact Susan Johnson directly at 919-522-7746 to sign up for donations or to assist with serving. This will be the last general meeting before the Festival so we need to complete our arrangements...suggested items are small sandwiches, nuts, small brownies, small cookies, chips in small bags, wrapped candy, juice and/or small water bottles.

TWCC Bunco/Play Day Organizer: Sarah Brooks



Bunco is an extremely easy game of dice that provides members time to come together for an afternoon of fun and frivolity!! All members are welcome to participate, and it is a great way to learn more about members. Prior experience playing Bunco is not needed. Bunco was not held in December due to the holidays. In January, a recommendation for modifying hostess duties and prizes will be sent to club members who regularly play Bunco. Members playing Bunco put \$5 in the pot.

Upcoming Bunco: January 23, 2024 at 1:00pm

Play Day at the present time includes **Bridge and Mexican Train**. Everyone puts \$1 in a pot to help pay for refreshments. In addition, the Bridge players have a separate pot of \$1 each which is split between high and second high score and lowest score. In December, 8 people played Bridge and 5 members played Mexican Train.



For Bridge, **Sarah Brooks** will be conducting a new **Bridge class** in January. Any members interested in learning how to play Bridge can contact Sarah. For Mexican Train, it is much easier to learn and can be taught in about 15 minutes.

Upcoming Play Day: January 11th at 1:00pm

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Please welcome

Ginny Kennerly

Ginny will be sharing her talents with the Education and Libraries CSP. Welcome Ginny!!!

Picture will be available in next months newsletter



LET YOUR SMILE
CHANGE THE
WORLD
BUT DON'T LET THE
WORLD CHANGE
YOUR SMILE



The Woman's Club of Clayton will once again be presenting a Murder/Mystery Dinner for the third year in a row with students from Clayton High School, and surrounding high schools on Friday, January 12, 2024, and again on Saturday January 13, beginning at 6:00 PM

In order to have performances on these two nights, we need to ask for everyone's participation. The cash bar will be under the supervision of **Brenda Gay** and **Sandy Nesselrode** (see Brenda for assisting). We will also need ladies to help prepare individual bits of the menu, Assistance on working in the kitchen, and additional workers to serve the meals. We will also be accepting gift cards for Domino's Pizza in order for these high schoolers to have an after-event party! We would also appreciate monetary donations in order to buy the delicious chocolate-on-chocolate cake from Costco that everyone loved last year. Keep your receipts if you are providing monetary assistance, as you can write it off your taxes for 2024!

As a reminder, if you're assisting in the kitchen or serving, you will not be charged for admission because you'll be kept busy the entire evening, but please remember to buy a ticket for a performance where we can serve You! If you'd like, you can buy a ticket for a family member of one of these actors (\$35) who simply can't afford the expense of a ticket to watch their child's performance. We always give monetary support to the CHS Drama Department.

Last year we were a total sell-out for each performance (60 guests per evening)!

Margaret Lee, Nancy Maynard (Co-Chairs), **Betsy Grannis**, our Chef Extraordinaire!

Please see next page of newsletter for food assignments.

"BEAUTY
BEGINS THE
MOMENT YOU
DECIDE TO BE
YOURSELF."
- COCO CHANEL



Compliment 3 people
every day

Forget the Joneses

Pray not for things but
for wisdom & courage

Never waste an oppor-
tunity to tell someone
you love them

Be tough minded &
tender-hearted

Never give up on
someone...miracles
happen.

Who do I Contact?

Member Illness
Patty Jo Johnston

Clubhouse Rental
Loretta Mascia

Newsletter Content
Judy Ryan

Clubhouse Repairs
**Angela Williams, Deb-
bie Ragland, or Dianne
Carroll**

Membership
Brenda Hill

Bylaws
Sarah Brooks

Silent Partner
Brenda Gay

Murder Mystery Dinner

Please see below the menu items, the amount needed, and the amount still needed. We also need volunteers to help in the kitchen and to serve. Please contact **Betsy Grannis** for menu items and volunteer positions, and **Nancy Maynard** for tickets.

The recipes for the Zucchini/Summer Squash and Chicken Lasagna are on the last pages of this newsletter.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 12th

ITEM	NUMBER NEEDED	QUANTITY	MEMBER	STILL NEEDED
Ice	2	2 bags	Gigi	
Sweet Tea	2	2 gallons	Joni Koch	
Unsweet Tea	2	2 gallons	Carrole Dayton	
Salad	3	1	Susan Press	
Zucchini/Summer Squash Medley	4	1	Deborah Fuller	2
		1	Patti Farmer	
Chicken Lasagna Casserole	5	2	Margaret Lee	2
		1	Karen Keeslar	
Garlic Bread	60	30	Marlene Dillon	
		30	Trish Perna	
Dessert – Triple Chocolate Cake	2	2	Angela Williams	
Dessert – Lemon Cake	2	2	Betsy Grannis	

SATURDAY, JANUARY 13TH

ITEM	NUMBER NEEDED	QUANTITY	MEMBER	STILL NEEDED
Ice	2	2 bags		2
Sweet Tea	2	2 gallons		2
Unsweet Tea	2	2 gallons	Ann Kreuzinger	
Salad	3	1	Susan Johnson	1
		1	Debbie Allison	
Zucchini/Summer Squash Medley	4	1		4
		1		
Chicken Lasagna Casserole	5	1	Judy Ryan	2
		1	Susan Mancuso	
		1	Betty Fancies	
Garlic Bread	60	60	Trish Perna	
Dessert – Triple Chocolate Cake	2	1	Marlene Dillon	1
Dessert – Lemon Cake	2	2	Betsy Grannis	

**Recipes Provided
by
Judy Ryan**



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

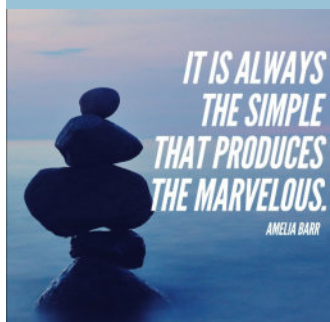
Please submit items by the **25th** of the month to the "Club Chatter"
Editor, Judy Ryan
jaryan612@gmail.com



Each month will feature recipes by category

February—Superbowl snacks

Send your favorite recipes to
jaryan612@gmail.com



Recipe Corner—Christmas Side Dishes



Hoppin' John

INGREDIENTS

4 Tbsp Butter
1 large onion, diced
4 cloves garlic, minced
1 green bell pepper, diced
2 stalks celery, diced
1 lb dried black-eyed peas
5 cups chicken broth (plus more as needed)
1 whole ham hock
Kosher salt & pepper to taste
Cayenne pepper to taste
2 Tbsp white vinegar
White or brown rice, to serve



DIRECTIONS

Soak the black-eyed peas in cool water for at least 6 hrs. Rinse before using. Melt butter in large pot over med heat. Add onion, garlic, green pepper & celery. Cook for 3-4 minutes. Stir in the soaked beans, then add chicken broth & ham hock, salt pepper and cayenne to taste. Bring to a boil, then reduce heat & cover for 30 minutes.

After 30 minutes, check the liquid level, if too soupy, cook with the lid off for another 15 minutes. If too thick, splash in a little more broth. Stir in vinegar, then taste for seasonings. Add more spice as needed.

Serve over white or brown rice, making sure to get plenty of cooking liquid spooned over the top.

Hot Toddy

INGREDIENTS

3/4 Cup Water
1.5 oz Whiskey
2-3 tsp honey, to taste
2-3 tsp lemon juice, to taste
1 lemon round
1 cinnamon stick



DIRECTIONS

In a teapot or saucepan, bring the water to a simmer. Pour the hot water into a mug


Add the whiskey, 2 tsp honey and 2 tsp lemon juice.

Stir until the honey has dissolved. Taste and add additional honey for sweetness and more lemon juice for additional zing.

Garnish with a lemon round and cinnamon stick. Enjoy

Servings 1

January 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1  Brenda Gay New Year's Day	2	3  Quadrantid Meteor Shower	4  Quadrantid Meteor Shower	5	6  Epiphany
7	8  Red Cross Blood Drive	9  Set-up for meeting House of Hope Meal	10  Meeting	11  Night N Gals Game Day	12  Marianne Sapsara Murder Mystery Bingo 	13 Murder Mystery
14 Dress up your pet day 	15	16  Angela Williams Exec board 	17  Robin Sachsenheimer	18	19	20 Nat'l Penguin Day 
21	22  Joni Koch	23  Bunco	24  Dixie Brady	25  Linda Strvig	26	27
28	29	30	31  Margaret Lee			

2024 MURDER MYSTERY RECIPES

CHICKEN LASAGNA

INGREDIENTS

9 lasagna noodles
1 container fresh sliced mushrooms
1/2 cup chopped onions
1/2 cup chopped green pepper
2 Tbsp butter
16 oz ricotta cheese
3 cups cooked diced chicken
2 cups shredded cheddar cheese
1 can cream of chicken soup
1/2 cup Parmesan cheese
1/3 cup milk
16 oz mozzarella cheese

DIRECTIONS

Preheat oven to 350 degrees
Cook and rinse lasagna noodles. Combine soup, milk, & mushrooms in a bowl. Sauté onions and green peppers in butter and stir into soup mixture. Place 3 noodles in a 9x13 inch casserole dish. Cover with 1/2 of the soup mixture, 1/2 of the ricotta cheese, 1/2 of the chicken and 1/3 of the cheeses which have been mixed together. Repeat the layers. Place the last three noodles on top and cover with the last 1/3 of the mixed cheeses.
Bake 350 degrees for 45-60 minutes
May be made the day before and refrigerated uncooked and then baked the next day.

Zucchini and Summer Squash Medley

INGREDIENTS

6 yellow summer squash, chopped into 1/2 inch pieces
6 zucchini, chopped into 1/2 inch pieces
1 medium onion, chopped
2 Tbsp. minced garlic
3 Tbsp. olive oil
Salt and pepper to taste

DIRECTIONS

Preheat oven to 425°F.
Place squash, zucchini, onion, garlic and olive oil in a large bowl. Toss until the vegetables are coated. Add salt and pepper to taste and mix well.
Spread the vegetables on a sheet pan in a single layer. Roast for 15 minutes, then give them a good stir. Return them to the oven and roast for another 10 to 15 minutes, or until the edges are golden brown and crisp.