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From Our President

Betsy Grannis

Fall is finally in the air! Not just the appropriate date on the calendar, but it has actually been crisp in the morning. Lovely – we will be 'falling forward' before we know it!

We are 'looking' forward to our meetings on October 14th, hosted by the Health and Wellness CSP. They are doing something special in honor of October being **Breast Cancer Awareness Month**, so please be sure to contact Nancy Maynard or Marybeth Bailey if you are a survivor. Also, our meetings will be in two sessions again, so please be sure to sign up early!

Usually, at this time of year we are busily working on our big fall fundraiser. With the current pandemic, we are not able to hold any large, in person gatherings at this time. Donna Steele suggested that we do a **Virtual Gala** instead! She will be the Chairperson of this event and is busy working on the details. You will hear more about it at our meetings!

Please be sure to read through proposed bylaws revisions that will be sent to you by the **Constitution & Bylaws Committee** prior to the October meeting. These proposed changes have

been approved by the Executive Board and will be presented for discussion and approval by the membership.

Some great news to share with everyone: each year the GFWC-NC chair of each of the CSPs and the other special project areas submit their top projects list to GFWC Out of headquarters. all the submissions from all the states the **Top Ten Project Lists** are made available on **GFWC** the website. September 24th The News & Notes had a link to these project lists. We are excited to let you know that The Woman's Club of Clayton had **two** projects on the lists from 2019! Snoopy Plav**around** at the Community Garden was listed under the Arts CSP; Heel and the Tar Traveler event was ESO! under listed Thanks to all the hard work and effort in organizing these events and in writing them up to Donna, Mary and Rachel. So amazing!

Each year we participate in the Feed the Need Thanksgiving Meal that is organized by the **Serve the Need** group and hosted by



the Civitan Club on the Wednesday before Thanksgiving. We just heard that this event is not going to be able to happen this year, due to the restrictions on gatherings. We are sad about this and will be looking into alternative ways to meet the needs of food insecurity in our community.

We will be partnering with the **American Legion** to put on a barbecue fundraiser at our clubhouse on **November 6th.** We will have more information at our meeting, as well as sign-up sheets for volunteers. Yummy!

This year it seems that we all have a lot of time on our hands, so this is most appropriate:



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

10/4 Mary James 10/7 Joyce Blackley 10/10 Susan Johnson 10/11 Sharon Wilson 10/12 Marlene Dillon 10/12 Ruth LaRocca 10/16 Sarah Brooks 10/22 Trish Perna 10/25 Terri Sessoms 10/29 Becky Stewart



learn why very soon!!



In the event of illness or bereavement, members are
encouraged to contact
Marlene Dillon
if assistance is needed with
meals, errands, etc.
Call 315-559-7240
or email
marlenedillon4@icloud.com

September Meeting Highlights



The September meeting was certainly unusual but it turned out very well. **Two sessions** were held with 16 members attending the 10:00 session and 15 attending the 1:00 session. Wonderful sunflower decorations, in honor of "Sunflowers for Suffragettes" were provided by host CSP, **Education & Libraries**.



A huge thanks to the speaker, **Patti Whittington**, Associate Superintendent of the Johnston County School system, for providing her very informative program at both sessions. Ms. Whittington spoke about the preparations

underway to bring students back into the classroom as well as continuing virtual learning.

Highlights from the meeting:

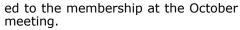
- Returning member,
 Sandy Nesselrode (pictured at right),
 gave the Devotion at both sessions.
- Betsy Grannis announced the TWCC
 Theme for 2020-2022, Elevating Our Community for 100 Years.
 Members were reminded that on 11/12/1920, 27 members of our club joined the NC Federation of Woman's Clubs, which is now GFWC

-NC.
New member, **Cindy Harris** (pictured at right), who served in

the Navy for 22 years, was welcomed.

 The Constitution & Bylaws Committee has been working dili-

gently on revisions to the Constitution & Bylaws. The proposed changes will be presented to the Executive Board on 9/15/20 and then the final draft will be present-



- The Ways & Means Committee has several recommendations for fundraisers to be held this year. These will be presented to the Executive Board for approval to move forward with planning at the September Board meeting.
- There are several opportunities for members to sign up to participate in a variety of projects:
 - ♦ Backpack Buddies (see Health & Wellness report)
 - ♦ Silent Partner (contact Belle Allen to volunteer)
 - ♦ Candyland Installation (sign up to help install Candyland at the Community Garden, October 26-30: 10am-Noon, Noon-2pm, 2pm-4pm. Contact Rachel Masimore or Trish Perna to volunteer for the installation or to help prepare materials prior to 10/26)
 - ♦ Hospitality Committee (contact Marlene Dillon to volunteer)
 - Observe the Bunco (the most popular time for members who signed up at the meeting was 1:00. A day of the month has not yet been set. Contact Sarah Brooks if you want to join the Bunco Group)
- Send Sarah Brooks recipes for fall vegetables, slow cooker meals and breakfast recipes to be included in future newsletters.
- Health & Wellness CSP will be collecting large print books and puzzles
 (300 or less pieces) to be given to
 nursing homes and retirement centers
- Contact Nancy Maynard if you are a breast cancer survivor. Survivors will be recognized at the October meeting.



Brenda Hill and Loretta Mascia are making new name tags with updated CSP names. The new tags will be available at the October meeting.

Bring any leftover yarn to the October meeting. It will be used to create an Afghan of Many Colors!



As last month, the October 14th TWCC meeting will be held in **2 sessions**. To ensure social distancing, each session will be limited to 25 persons.

Members will receive an email with sign up instructions using **Sign-Up Genius**. For members that do not use email, call or text Sarah Brooks (919-601-7959) at least 48 hours prior to the meeting to sign up.

Guests can use the "Contact Us" tab on the TWCC website (twccnc.org) to sign up or they can call Sarah.

Arts & Culture CSP

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



Arts & Culture CSP will be **hosting** the October meeting. The guest speaker will be **Klaus LaRocca**, husband of our own Ruth. He will tell us about his love of photography. He will have a display of his photos.

We will continue to collect scraps of crochet/knitting yarn to make our **afghan of many colors**.



We have **blank cards** for members and their families to **decorate** for Christmas, birthdays, or thinking of you cards. The Christmas cards are in packs of 4 and the birthday cards and thinking of you cards are in packs of 2. We have included a sheet with some possible greetings for the inside of the cards. You can also use your own words. You can decorate as many cards as you want with any design you want. We ask that you **do not use glitter** on the cards. Please bring the cards back to

the November meeting. Cards will be donated to **Meals on Wheels** to be delivered in December with meals and also donated to the Clayton House for residents or donated to the Fisher House for military personnel and their families. Birthday and Thinking of You cards will be sent to our **Honorary Members** or members who need them.



At the October meeting we will be collecting adult coloring books and colored pencils to donate to the Clayton Senior Center. We will also be collecting individual snack packs (cookies, gold fish, cheese crackers, etc.) for the attendees to enjoy while they do their craft projects.



At the end of this newsletter are the **GFWC-NC Clubwoman Arts Categories**. We would love for club members to participate and show off your many skills in the area of Arts! The categories will also be included on the TWCC website (twccnc.org) under "Member Resources".

Civic Engagement & Outreach CSP

Co-Chairs: Betty Lou Evans and Janet Williams





Voter Registration Deadline: October 9, 2020

Early Voting Begins:

October 15, 2020

Absentee Voting Deadlines:

Ballot must be **requested** by 5:00pm, October 27, 2020

Ballot must be **received** by November 3, 2020



NOTE: All voters are eligible to vote absentee in North Carolina. There are no special eligibility requirements for voting absentee. A request to vote absentee must be received by the appropriate county board of elections no later than 5 p.m. on the last Tuesday before the election. The completed ballot must be received by the elections office by 5 p.m. on the day of the election.

Election Day

November 3, 2020; Poll Times: 6:30am—7:30pm

Sunflowers everywhere! Hurry and get
your orders in! Brenda
Gay and Brenda Hill are
as busy as Santa's Elves
painting and decorating
glassware to be sold
soon!--



MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL Annual Dues

Dues are Due by **Dec 1**Day members-\$75
Night'n'Gals-\$55

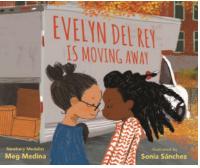
Make checks payable to The Woman's Club of Clayton and send to:

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Education & Libraries CSP Co-Chairs: Brenda Gay, Margaret Lee



Because of Coronavirus and concern for the children attending Johnston County Schools, our Education and Library CSP has been curtailed from many educational projects we would normally be participating in. We have been told that we cannot enter a school classroom with children in attendance. Therefore, we are working with administration and teachers to make sure that the schools we normally visit will still know that we are here for them and thinking about them.



The book, Evelyn Del Rey is Moving Away, was chosen for **READ ACROSS AMERICA** that takes place on October 29. We have provided the first grade teachers with copies of this book and thanked them for agreeing to read this book to all the first graders at Cooper Academy. Books were provided in English, as well as Spanish for students who are participating in Spanish Inclusion. Books were also provided to Holy Cross Lutheran Church preschool classes. We also provided a copy of the book to the Clayton Library.

Thank you to everyone that purchased **Halloween Pumpkins** from us. We have more for sale. They are only \$5 and proceeds are for club expenses. Please plan on buying some of these pumpkins. If you can't venture out, just call Brenda Gay at (919) 763-7117 or Margaret Lee (919)656-2948 and we'll get your pumpkin(s) to you! A very special "thank you" to **Brenda Hill** who will from this point on be known as THE TOILET PAPER PUMPKIN MAKER!

We are still taking orders for **SUNFLOWER wine glasses, vases and cups**. **Brenda Gay** has done a <u>phenomenal</u> job with her creativity with sunflower painting. Glasses start at \$8 each and pre-orders will be ready for pick up at our next meeting! Again, thank you **Brenda Hill** and **Marlene Dillon** for your creative assistance!



At left is the look at Brenda Gay's beach house. She said **Bob has nowhere to eat!**

Because our CSP has several ladies that have been unable to attend any TWCC meetings, we have decided to forego original plans of taking orders for homemade cakes and pies for special order during Thanksgiving. We have found it too difficult to ask these ladies for their baking assistance due to COVID-19. Instead, some have chosen to

make monetary contributions to the club to help with expenses and challenges we are facing in 2020 and for that a big "thanks!"

We are very excited about the great ideas The Ways and Means Committee has come up with for FUNDRAISING COVID-19 —2020!



GFWC-NC President, Crystal O'Neal with her gift of the beautiful sunflower vase painted by Brenda Gay. She enjoyed it so much she placed an order for 4 glasses!

AWARENESS MONTH



Walking Group participants: Brenda Hill with her dog Cash, Susan All, Nancy Maynard, Laurie Partlo, Mary Sinzdak, Donna Steele, Rhonda Nielsen, Marybeth Bailey, Susan Johnson, Bet-Francies, Sarah **Brooks**



Contact Nancy Maynard at 815-274-4446 or mothermaynard@hotmail.com if you are interested in either of the upcoming walks

Health & Wellness CSP Co-Chairs: Nancy Maynard, Marybeth Bailey

Back We are happy to announce that we are starting **Back**Pack **Buddies** in October. The First Baptist Church of Clayton is Bullies currently only open two days a week (Tues/Thurs) between 9am -5pm. We will be packing Tuesday, October 6th and Tuesday,

October 20. If anyone is available to help on these days, please contact Marie Monsees at (919) 553-5289. She is asking for two volunteers for each day. The packing should take less than 30 minutes. Arrival time is to be determined. Starting in November, we hope to be on a regular schedule and the sign-up sheets will be available at the meetings or you can call Marie to volunteer.

Health and Wellness member **Laurie Partlo** participated in a 50 Mile Ride to Fight Kid's Cancer. She exceeded her goal! Way to go, Laurie! For a second year, Laurie will be participating in the **Great Cycle Challenge** to raise money for children's cancer research. Every 2 minutes a child is diagnosed with cancer. Let's kick cancer's butt! The Challenge has been extended through October and Laurie hopes to raise \$1000. Her donation page is

https://greatcyclechallenge.com/Donate/Rider/359516

October is National Breast Cancer Awareness Month. We would like to recognize our own club members that are survivors of breast cancer. We are SO GLAD you fought so hard and are here with us today. Our world is a nicer place with you in it. You are an inspiration to all of us. Club survivors are: Brenda Hill, Patty Jo Johnson, Belle Allen, Peggy Earp, Marianne Sap**sara**. If we missed anyone, please contact Nancy Maynard.

DeWayne's Garden Center in Smithfield gives 100% of all sales of pumpkins to the American Breast Cancer Association. Please check them out!

On Oct 10th Nancy Maynard will be participating in the Walk To End Alzheimer's. Her mother and family suffered for 9.5 years with this horrendous disease. It is so important to find a cure.

Starting Sept 21st Health and Wellness will be making meals once (or more) a month for the **House of Hope**. If you would like to be added to the rotation of making whole meals or part of meals, please contact Nancy Maynard at (815) 274-4446. There will also be a sign-up sheet at the meeting.

What a glorious day for a walk in the woods at **Clemmons Educational State** Forest! We had 11 members participate (listed at left) plus "Cash", Brendá Hill's loveable four-legged tour guide. After the walk a few were able to stay and visit. So catching nice up. Now for the next adventure...... There will be 2 opportunities to join the Walking Group in October:



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10th Turnipseed Nature Preserve

1525 Pleasants Rd, Wendell Time: 9:30am at club house to carpool OR 10:00am meet at the preserve

THURSDAY, OCT 22nd Shelley Lake Park

1400 W. Millbrook Rd, Raleigh Time: 9:30am at club house to carpool OR 10:00am meet at the park



October 5

ESO Book Club TWCC Clubhouse 10:00am

October 10

Walk at Turnipseed Nature Preserve 10:00am

October 13

Arts & Culture CSP to set up for meeting sessions 10:30am

October 14

TWCC Meeting TWCC Clubhouse

Session 1 10am-11:30am

Session 2

1pm-2:30pm

(Email with sign up instructions will be sent out 10 days prior or call/text Sarah Brooks at 919-601-7959 to sign up)

October 15

Night 'N' Gals TWCC Clubhouse 7pm

October 17

GFWC-NC District 8
Fall Meeting
TWCC Clubhouse
1:00-3:00pm
(Forms attached end
of newsletter)

October 20

TWCC Executive Board TWCC Clubhouse 10:00am

October 22

Walk at Shelley Lake Park 10:00am

October 26-30

Candyland Setup at Community Garden Daily 10am-4pm

November 6

TWCC Clubhouse Cookout Fundraiser

ESO Book Club

The ESO (Epsilon Sigma Omicron) book club met on Monday, Sept. 14th at 10:00 at The Woman's Club. We had a great meeting, although we missed several members who were not present. Our next meeting will be **Monday, October 5th at 10:00 at The Woman's Club.** We hope as many ESO members as your schedule will permit will be present at this meeting. Come prepared to engage in making a project come to life. So, we will have enough time for the project, we will report on just one book each at this meeting instead of two or three each.

Chair: Brenda Gay

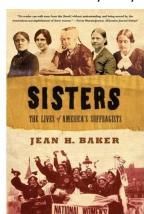
The **ESO Book Club is open to all members** of the Woman's Club. If anyone would like to join, please contact Brenda Gay. This is a good "place" to be if you like reading. The following are two books reported on at our September meeting by different members. This is not to say the ones not listed were great reads also but it is not possible to list all of them at one time. These two were chosen because of the 19th Amendment 100-year anniversary.



"Elizabeth Cady Stanton and Susan B. Anthony: A Friendship That Changed the World" by Penny Colman. (Length, about 275 pages). These two ladies met in 1851 on a street corner in Seneca Falls, New York. They immediately formed an everlasting friendship and together challenged entrenched beliefs, customs, and laws that oppressed women and spearheaded

the fight to gain legal rights, including the right to vote despite fierce opposition, daunting conditions, scandalous entanglements and betrayal by their friends and allies.

"Sisters" by Jean H. Baker (Length, about 239 pages) This book is about the lives of America's Suffragists. How five ladies, Lucy Stone, Susan B Anthony, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, Frances Willard, and Alice Paul forever changed America by their revolution's start in the 1840s, a woman's right to speak in pubic was questioned. By 1920, the victory in woman's suffrage had also encompassed the most fundamental rights of citizenship: the right to control wages, to hold property, to form contracts, to sue, to testify in court. Their struggle was confrontational and violent.



Night 'N' Gals

Betsy Grannis and Sarah Brooks had a delightful first meeting of the year with **Night 'n' Gals** Robin Sachsenheimer, Lorraine Perri and Cheryl Champion on September 10th. The group will work on club projects and participate in club activities whenever possible. They plan to have a special meeting in March where they will invite friends to join them and perhaps have a speaker.

Chair: Robin Sachsenheimer

The Health and Wellness CSP has planned a walk on Saturday, October 10th at the **Turnipseed Nature Preserve**. They have planned the Saturday outing in hopes the **Night 'n' Gals** can participate.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10th Turnipseed Nature Preserve 1525 Pleasants Rd, Wendell

Time: 9:30am at club house to carpool OR 10:00am meet at the preserve



Marlene Dillon is recovering from Bronchitis and is positive for Covid-19. Please pray she regains her strength and recovers soon.

Robin Sachsenheimer is recovering from rotator cuff surgery.

Jim Quinn, husband of Susan Quinn, is recovering from surgery on his foot.



Backpack Buddies
Decorate Greeting
Cards
Candyland Project
Silent Partner
Hospitality
Meals for House of
Hope
Clubhouse Cookout



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

Environment CSP

Co-Chairs: Rachel Masimore, Trish Perna, Susan Quinn





The Environment CSP and some other helpers continue to work on "Candyland", the theme for the Community Garden decorations. One of the items still needed are heavy plastic gardening pots that will be used for suckers and lollipops. Members are requested to contact Rachel Masimore or Susan Johnson if you have some to donate. The pots can be brought to the October meeting or contact them for pickup.

At the October meeting, there will be a signup sheet for members to volunteer to **help with set up of Candyland at the Community Garden** the week of October 26 so decorating can be complete by Halloween. Members can volunteer for 2 hour slots, Monday-Friday, 10am-Noon, Noon-2pm, or 2-4pm. This is a wonderful community event so please volunteer!

Everyone that worked on last year's Community Garden project, "Snoopy", were thrilled to learn that project was selected as one of the 10 top ten Arts projects by GFWC. Congratulations Ladies!!

Ways & Means Committee Co-Chairs: Peggy Earp, Trish Perna



The **Ways & Means Committee** met on Friday, September 4th, with all committee members present as well as Betsy Grannis, President and Sarah Brooks, 1st Vice President. Committee members are:

Peggy Earp and Trish Perna—Co-Chairs, Faye Brooks, Dianne Carroll, Brenda Edge, Bettylou Evans, Margaret Lee, Loretta Mascia, Rachel Masimore, Judy Ryan, Mary Sinzdak, Janet Williams.

From a very productive meeting, the Committee agreed and selected some great fundraising projects for the Club (TWCC) to have. These projects have been presented and approved by the Board of Directors. More details for each event will be coming in future newsletters.

- **Clubhouse cookout** with American Legion men doing the cooking and TWCC will provide meats, sides, condiments & drinks. Tentative date Nov. 6, 2020
- Quarter Mile Fundraiser, an outdoor event in February or March 2021.
- Fashion Show To be held in the Spring
- **Jewelry Tree,** an ongoing fundraiser with jewelry donated or made by club members and sold on Marketplace. Trish Perna and Margaret Lee will manage communication with prospects/purchasers through TWCC Facebook Marketplace app.
- **Bingo** Bingo sessions held at the Clubhouse in accordance with State laws.
- Murder Mystery Dinner May be held next year after removal of COVID restrictions.
- Virtual Gala—Donna Steele will be the Chairperson.
- **** Will consider adding a raffle to some of the events.

The Ways & Means Committee is looking forward to having very successful fundraisers with the help of all club members participating in every fundraiser, if it's only sitting and saying "We are so glad you came to support us." **Many hands working together, leads to success!**



Each month, any updates to the Yearbook will be described in the newsletter so members will know any pages they may want to reprint.

On Page 2 of the Yearbook, changes by date are described. The cover page and second page will always updated when changes are made to reflect new document version numbers and the footers are updated. Pages with changes in September: 1, 2, 6, 11, 12, 22, 23, 26

The 2020-2022 TWCC Yearbook is available on the website (twccnc.org) in the Member Resources tab. If you do not remember the password, call or text Sarah Brooks at 919-601-7959

Constitution & Bylaws Committee Chair: Susan Quinn



The **Constitution & Bylaws Committee** have met several times the past few months proposing some significant changes that have been reviewed and approved by the Executive Board. Committee members are Susan Quinn (Chair); Angela Williams and Margaret Lee (Members); Sarah Brooks, Peggy Earp, Melissa Francis, Rachel Masimore (Advisors).

The Constitution and Bylaws proposed revisions will be **presented to the membership at the October meeting** and proposed changes will be voted on by the members at the November meeting. Members will receive the proposed changes about 1 week prior to the October meeting so **please review them** and be prepared to discuss the changes and ask questions at the October meeting. Major changes include:

- Acronyms and Definitions have been added for clarity
- Rename "Constitution and Bylaws" to "Bylaws"
- Clarify what constitutes a Quorum at Board meetings and general meetings
- Clarify number of votes by Board members who hold multiple positions
- Clarify/add to some of the Officer's responsibilities
- Clarify number of CSP Co-chairs
- Modify the Nominating Committee selection process and the timetable for elections
- Clarify Scholarship Committee responsibilities
- Simplify the Yearbook contents under Yearbook Committee
- Add Historian responsibilities
- Major rewrite of the Nominations and Elections Article
- Address term of Trustees
- Clarify dues for new members joining after March 1st
- Several changes have been made to the Standing Rules including an increase in clubhouse rental rates. These have been approved by the Executive Board (member approval not required)



Unfortunately, Feed the Need Thanksgiving meal will not be held this year due to Covid-19; however, the organization that sponsors the event, Serve the Need Johnston County, is holding its annual fundraiser (refer to flyer at end of newsletter). Please support this wonderful organization!



Would you like to make a tax deductible donation to TWCC to help support many of the club projects? Now it is so easy—donate online or send a check

Donate online at twccnc.org

or

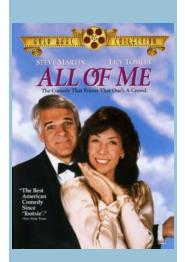
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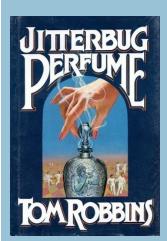
The Woman's Club of Clayton

The Woman's Club of Claytor PO Box 26 Clayton, NC 27528 Bunco Players Have Talent They Can Roll Dice And Talk At The Same Time

the September meeting, 10 members signed up for the TWCC Bunco group and the majority want to play at 1pm. We would love to have 6 players and more If you some subs. never have played Bunco, it takes about 1 minute to learn—no special skills required! If you are not attending the meeting but are interested in joining the TWCC Bunco **Group**, please email sbrooks@twccnc.org call/text Sarah Brooks at 919-601-7959.









Member Spotlight—Trish Perna Environment CSP Co-Chair; Ways & Means Co-Chair

Biography: I was born in Steubenville, Ohio and raised near New Alexandria, Ohio. I have 3 children and 2 grand gems. I have lived in Las Vegas, NV and now Clayton, NC. I spent 28 years in cosmetic plastic surgery. I had been a certified professional organizer and a certified life coach for 10 years. I married my soul mate in 2005 and love him dearly. I have both a younger brother and sister and am thankful to say that



I still have both my parents and in-laws to enjoy! I love wildlife and being out-doors. I'm looking forward to many years in the wonderful Town of Clayton!

TWCC Questions:

How long have you been a member of TWCC? 8 months—I joined TWCC in February 2020.

As a member, what has been your best experience thus far? Getting to know the wonderful Club members and everything that this valuable organization is involved in for the community of Clayton!

What was the experience or motivating factor that compelled you to join TWCC? When my husband and I made the decision to move to North Carolina we knew that we wanted a small town that cared about values and community. I have always known that when I retired from the work force, I wanted to become more involved in such an organization as the TWCC.

What would you tell someone who is thinking about joining TWCC? Do it! Find the CSP that follows your interests and help make a difference in your community. It is rewarding and fun plus you will meet wonderful strong likeminded ladies!

What has surprised you most about working with TWCC? How many ways that the TWCC touches the Town of Clayton.

How has membership in TWCC been of value to you? I am proud to be part of The Women's Club of Clayton! I love helping the Club support this wonderful community and, in turn, the Club keeps me from twiddling my thumbs!

Personal Questions:

What might someone be surprised to know about you? That I smoke cigarettes when I drink beer.

What is the greatest challenge you have had to overcome in your life thus far? I was molested as a child and it took a long time for me to learn to love myself.

Where is your favorite place to be? Home with my husband.

What is your favorite movie and book? Movie: "All of Me" starring Steve Martin and Lily Tomlin. Book: <u>Jitterbug Perfume</u> by Tom Robbins

If someone wrote a biography about you, what do you think the Title should be? She Said What?!

If Hollywood made a movie of your life, who would you like to see play the lead role as you? Gwyneth Paltrow

If you were to write a book about yourself, what would you name it? <u>Public Tricia</u>, <u>Private Tricia</u>

What is your favorite thing to do? I love road trips. Seeing different towns and architecture as well as scenic lands. Hopping in the truck and exploring off the beaten path is my favorite thing to do.

What is your hidden talent? I can remove my bra without adjusting my shirt.

What type of music in on your iPhone/Android phone? Country Music mostly but also included is Michael Jackson, CCR and Metallica.









Member Spotlight—Trish Perna Environment CSP Co-Chair; Ways & Means Co-Chair

Personal Questions (continued):

What's on your bucket list? I lived 4 hours from the Grand Canyon for 29 years and never checked that box..... So, that's still on there.

Where would you like to go on a dream vacation? Ireland, Scotland, Spain, Italy, and Greece.

If you could witness any historical event, what would you want to see? Where Jimmy Hoffa is buried and the signing of the Declaration of Independence.



What is your guilty pleasure? Dipping hot Cheetos in hummus. Yum!

What one food do you wish had 0 calories? Hot Cheetos and Hummus.

If you could meet anyone in the world (dead or alive), who would it be and why? Mark Twain. I think we would have a blast.

Where is the best place you've traveled to and why? Rarotonga in the Cook Islands. With its laid-back atmosphere and perfect weather, we've never had a more relaxing vacation. The residents are very friendly and welcoming. We were so refreshed when we got back home.

What did you always want to try and never did? Driving a boat. I have been a passenger for many years, but I have never driven one.

If you could do another job for just one day, what would it be? I would sit in a room and control the outside temperature based on my hot flashes and cold feet.

What would you most like to tell yourself at age 13? It was not your fault and you are loved.

If you had to eat one meal, every day, for the rest of your life, what would it be? Mexican chicken street tacos with white onion, cilantro and green salsa, refried beans and Horchata.

If you were stuck on an island by yourself, what 3 things would you want to have with you? My Kindle, a lounge chair and Michelob Ultra.

What books are on your bedside? My Kindle is on my nightstand. Endless amounts of books at my fingertips. Best invention ever!



What celebrity do people think you look like? When I moved to Las Vegas in the early 90's I was always being mistaken for Daryl Hannah and Uma Thurman. Then I had a nose job and that took Uma out.

What did you want to be when you were growing up? A marine biologist so that I could swim with the dolphins.

What is your favorite sport? I like hockey. It is fast-paced and exciting. There's also fewer commercial breaks during play time and they're allowed to get rough for a minute. Go VGK!



Recipes provided by Judy Ryan



Things to bring to the October meeting:

- Adult Coloring Books and Colored Pencils
- Snacks (cookies, gold fish, cheese crackers, etc.)
- Money to buy Sunflower Glasses, Cups, Vases and "Pumpkins"
- Check/cash for payment of 2021 dues (\$75 day members; \$55 night members)
- Sturdy plastic gardening pots
- Leftover yarn



Each month will feature recipes by category

October—Fall Vegetables
November—Slow Cooker
December—Breakfast
January—Beef
February—Pies
March—March Madness
April—Breads
May—Poultry

Send your favorite recipes to

sbrooks@twccnc.org

Recipe Corner—Fall Vegetables



Roasted Vegetables

Ingredients

1 Small Butternut squash, cubed

2 medium red bell peppers, diced

1 sweet potato, peeled/cubed

3 medium Yukon Gold potatoes, cubed

2 red onions, quartered

1 T chopped FRESH thyme

2 T chopped FRESH rosemary

½ cup EVOO (extra virgin olive oil)

2 T good quality balsamic vinegar Handful of baby carrots, cubed

1 cup zucchini, sliced

3 cloves garlic, diced

Pinch of salt and pepper

Directions

- Preheat oven to 475. Be mindful that the potatoes and carrots may take longer to cook so dice/cube accordingly.
- Coat large baking dish with cooking spray. In that large baking dish, combine squash, red peppers, sweet potatoes, Yukon potatoes, carrots, zucchini, onions, & garlic.
- In small bowl, stir together thyme, rosemary, EVOO, balsamic vinegar, salt & pepper. Toss with veggies.
- Roast for 35-40 minutes in preheated oven, stir often (about every 10-15 minutes). Roast until veggies are cooked through and browned.

Note: You can basically add or omit any vegetables to this recipe but keep in mind that some vegetables take longer to cook than others.

Prep: 20 mins; Cook: 40-45 mins; Servings: 12

Butternut Squash Risotto

Ingredients

2 cups butternut squash, cubed 2 T butter 1 onion, diced small 1 cp Arborio rice 1/3 cp dry white wine 5 cups hot chicken stock 1/4 cp grated Parmesan cheese Pinch of salt/pepper

Directions

- Place squash cubes in a steamer basket in a saucepan. Add enough water to cover. Bring to a boil over medium-high heat. Allow to steam until squash is tender (10-15 mins). Drain and mash in a bowl with a fork.
- Melt butter in pot over med-high heat. Add onions. Cook and stir for 2 minutes until the onion begins to soften. Stir in the rice. Continue cooking and stirring until the rice is glossy from the butter (about 5 minutes)
- Pour in the white wine. Cook stirring constantly until it has evaporated. Stir in the mashed squash and 1.5 cups of the hot chicken stock. Reduce heat to medium. Cook and stir until the chicken stock has been absorbed by the rice (about 5-7 minutes). Add 2.5 cups of chicken stock and continue to stir until the stock has been absorbed.
- Pour in the remaining stock and continue stirring until the risotto is creamy. (For a little extra creaminess, add a small amount (1/2 cup or so) of heavy cream with the final addition of chicken stock.)
- Finish by stirring in the Parmesan cheese and season with salt & pepper. NOTE: This takes lots of stirring but is sooo well worth the effort.

Prep: 20 mins; Cook: 35 mins; Yield: 4 servings





Recipe provided by Trish Perna



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 sbrooks@twcenc.org



Recipe provided by Robin Sachsenheimer

Recipe Corner—Fall Vegetables



Eggplant Parmesan

Ingredients

2 large or 3 medium eggplants

2 C bread crumbs

2 1/2 C Parmesan cheese, grated; save 1/2 C for later

4 C mozzarella cheese, shredded

4 eggs

1/4 C milk

Salt & pepper

1/2 C cooking oil, canola or vegetable

5 C red sauce; see red sauce recipe or your favorite store bought

Directions

- Peel eggplant and slice into 1/4 inch slices. Salt eggplant liberally and allow to sit on paper towels for at least 1 hour. This will sweat most of the excess moisture from the eggplant.
- Mix bread crumbs and 2 cups of grated cheese in a shallow bowl with pepper to taste. In a separate bowl, mix eggs and milk. Whisk until well incorporated.
- Dry the eggplant slices with new paper towels right before dredging.
 Dredge in egg wash, then coat well with bread crumb mixture. Place coated slices on a cookie cooling rack for 5 minutes to allow them to dry.
- While the slices are drying, heat the oil in a large frying pan on medium-high. Fry the slices for 5-7 minutes until fork tender, turning once. The eggplant needs to begin frying immediately, otherwise it will soak up the oil and become rubbery. They should be golden brown. You may need to change your oil to prevent burning the bread crumbs. Allow the cooked slices to completely cool on a cookie rack or paper towels. At this point, the slices could be put in zipper bags and frozen for future use, up to 3 months or used immediately.
- Add 6 oz. of tomato paste to the red sauce, be sure it is well incorporated. Simmer in a saucepan on the stove top until very thick, stirring often so it doesn't stick. Put a little sauce in the bottom of a non-metallic baking dish to prevent eggplant from sticking to bottom of dish. Layer eggplant, sauce, mozzarella cheese, in that order, in the baking dish. You will get 3-4 layers. Sprinkle more Parmesan cheese on the top layer of mozzarella and bake 1 1 1/2 hours at 375*. Uncover last 15 minutes to allow the top to brown
- Allow to rest 30 minutes before serving. Serve with bread and leafy salad of your choice.

Sweet Potato Salad

Ingredients

2 pounds small sweet potatoes, peeled and cut into bite-sized cubes ¼ cup mayonnaise

2 Tablespoons whole-grain Dijon mustard

6 Tablespoons Wickles pickle relish and/or chow chow relish

2 Tablespoons Wickles spicy red sandwich spread, or to taste

¼ cup thinly sliced scallions (white and tender green parts) Kosher salt and ground black pepper, to taste

Directions

- Arrange the sweet potatoes in a large steamer basket. Sit the basket over boiling water and steam the potatoes until they are tender, about 15 minutes. Transfer the potatoes into a large bowl and let them steam dry.
- While the potatoes are still warm, add the mayonnaise and mustard and stir vigorously to coarsely mash about one-third of the potatoes. Stir in the pickle relish, sandwich spread, and scallions. Season with salt and pepper.
- Serve at room temperature or cover and refrigerate until lightly chilled. It's even better the next day!

October 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				INTERNATIONAL COFFEE DAY	2 RITERNATIONAL DAY OF NON VIOLENCE	Celebrate Roety
Mary James HAPPY NATIONAL OLIF LOVERS DAY!	5 ESO at TWCC Clubhouse 10am	WORLD CEREBRAL PALSY DAY OCTOBER 6	7 Melissa Francis	8	9 REGISTER TO VOTE! Voter Registration Ends Today	Susan Johnson Susan Johnson Walk at Turnipseed Nature Preserve 10:00am
Sharon Wilson National Sausage Pizza Day	Marlene Dillon Ruth LaRocca	Arts & Culture CSP Set Up for TWCC meeting 10:30am	TWCC Meeting 2 Sessions: 10am, 1pm Clubhouse	Night 'n' Gals 7pm Clubhouse EARLY VOTING Begins Today	Sarah Brooks National Boss's Day	District Meeting GFWC-NC District 8 Fall Meeting 1-3pm Clubhouse
HAPPY NATIONAL CHOCOLATE CUPCAKE	19	20 BOARD MEETING TWCC Board Meeting 10am Clubhouse	National Appl Day Oct. 21	Trish Perna Walk Talk Walk at Shelley Lake Park 10:00am	23	UNITED NATIONS DAY October 24
Terri Sessoms WORLD PASTA DAY October 25th	26 Candyland Setup **Happy National PUMPKIN DAY! **GoodDay**	27 Candyland Setup Last day to Request Absentee Ballot REMEMBER TO REDUEST YOUR ABSENTEE BALLOT	28 Candyland Setup	Becky Stewart Candyland Setup	Last Day Candyland Setup	31 Candyland Open

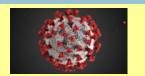
Although TWCC did not win the "Johnston Now" award for Non-profit of the Year, we appreciate the nomination from members of the community. The winner of "Nonprofit of the Year" was Me Fine Foundation.

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News & Notes

Simply provide your name, mailing address, email, and club name

to gfwc@gfwc.org!



HOME COVID TEST

- Pour a large glass of red wine, try to smell it.
- 2. If you can smell the wine, drink it & see if you can taste it.
- If you can taste & smell the wine, it confirms you don't have Covid.

Last night I did the test 19 times & all were negative, thank God.

Tonight I am going to do the test again, because this morning I woke with a headache & feel like I am coming down with something. I am so nervous!!

Johnston Now Honors 2020 Submitted 4/25/2020



Nonprofit of the Year Nomination

By Terri Black and Ian Rumbles

Nominee The Woman's Club of Clayton

Reason for Nomination:

Many non-profits are focused on one or two passions. What impresses us about The Woman's Club of Clayton (TWCC) is their significant contribution to so many areas.

What has sparked this nomination was their recent commitment of \$15,000 to Clayton's Harmony Playground which offers children of all abilities to enjoy a place to play with their whole family. We were surprised by the size of the donation and so started doing some research on this organization that is over 100 years old and realized that their impact on the Clayton community is huge and receives very little recognition.

They are very active promoting education and literacy. Annually they donate \$1,000 to the Hocutt-Ellington Memorial Library and monthly they change displays at the library to promote literacy and the use of the library's resources. In 2018, they initiated the "The Free Library" a highly visible box in the Community Garden where anyone can pick up a book to read. With the awareness that children do not learn well if their stomachs are empty, every week they pack food bags for about 60 children at Cooper Academy.

TWCC knows that a community is richer if they embrace the arts. They annually sponsor an art competition for children and adults, which last year had almost 100 entries. They also annually work with the Clayton Visual Arts to highlight local artist during the Christmas Home Tour.

They also sponsor the Main Street Community Garden, actively are involved in supporting Clayton's unique Tree Lighting and for the Town of Clayton's 150th Anniversary sponsored an evening with Scott Mason, the Tarheel Traveler, to highlight the historical events that happened in Clayton.

The Woman's Club of Clayton also supports the community in so many ways. They sponsor scholarships, have food drives, assisted with the Feed the Need Thanksgiving Dinner, supported a Christmas program or the underprivileged in Clayton, and developed a program on anti-bullying for hundreds of students in Clayton.

What a unique organization that does so much for Clayton and Johnston County.

Serve the Need in Johnston County Clayton Steakhouse Fundraiser



Monday, October 26, 2020



307 East Main Street ~ Clayton Time: 11:30 am - 1 pm Times:

Eat In 11:30 a.m. - Limited to 40 people
Eat In 1 p.m. - Limited to 40 People
Take Outs - Pick up times *11:30 *12 * 1pm
Delivery 3 or more orders

We are truly grateful to our members, friends and Family who find it in their hearts to support our Annual Luncheon Fundraiser every year. We are especially grateful to Clayton Steakhouse who has sponsored our fundraiser for the pass several years, and even now during these unprecedented times.

MENU (\$15.00)

#1 Grilled Ribeye Sandwish on a Ciabatta Roll with sautéed onions & provolone Cheese
#2 Grilled Chicken Sandwich on a Herb Roll with Lettuce, tomatoe & herb mayonnaise
#3 Chargrilled 1/4 lb. Burger on a Kaiser Roll with lettuce, tomatoe, onion and choice of cheese

Your Choice of : French Fries or Broasted Potatoes Beverage Included

FOR TAKE OUTS : SEND CHECK TO P.O. BOX 1016 CLAYTON, N.C. 27528 ALONG WITH YOUR :

- 1. CHOICE #1, #2 or #3 and your pick up time. We will send your ticket(s) to you
- 2. CALL TO PLACE YOUR ORDER Eating In or Taking out SHEILA 919-374-7336 OR TOM 919-333-8399
- 3. Send cmail to place your order at info@servetheneedjc.org or
- 4. Order online at www.servetheneedjc.org/clayton-steakhouse-fundraiser
- 5. Buy a ticket and donate a meal

Many Thanks, Royal Williams / STN President

What we do by ourselves matters; what we do together, really makes the difference.

When we give, we get back.



GFWC-NC DISTRICT 8 OFFICAL CALL DISTRICT FALL MEETING Saturday, October 17, 2020



Clubhouse - The Woman's Club of Clayton 109 Church Street Clayton, NC 27520

I hereby call all District Officers, District Chairmen of Community Service Programs and Committees, Club Presidents, and all Clubwomen in District 8 to the 2020 District Fall Meeting to be at the CLUBHOUSE, at The Woman's Club of Clayton, Clayton, NC.

Rachel Masimore, District 8 President October 17, 2020

443-846-4315 (cell); dmasimore@gmail.com

1:00 - 1:30pm - Registration (light refreshments)
1:30pm - Fall Meeting Call To Order
3:00pm - Adjournment
Registration Form is attached with this Call.

To Club Presidents:

Reports: You will have an opportunity to share information about one or two of your club's activities. Please bring a written copy of your presentation to give to the District Secretary. If you cannot attend, a representative may speak in your place. Please let me know by October 5, 2020 if someone else will speak in your place. You may also bring information to share with other members about upcoming club fundraisers.

Memorial Services: Please send a list of members in your club who have passed away since the 2019 Fall District Meeting to the District 8 President, Rachel Masimore, at dmasimore@gmail.com.

LEADS Award Entries: You may bring three copies of your entry to the Fall District Meeting or entries must be postmarked by November 1 and three copies mailed to District Vice President, Susan Johnson, at gr8100rn@aol.com.

Community Service Program and Committee Chairmen: You will have an opportunity to report in your areas. Please limit reports to two minutes and bring a written copy of your report to give to the District Secretary. There will be a table set up for any handouts you may have.

To All Clubwomen:

Silent Auction - A Fundraising Activity will be held to help meet the financial obligations of the District. Bring an item for the auction.



GFWC-NC District 8 Fall Meeting Saturday, October 17, 2020 1pm-3pm



The Woman's Club of Clayton -Club House 109 S. Church Street Clayton, NC 27520

Registration: \$10

Must be Postmarked by October 5, 2020

Registrations postmarked AFTER this date will be charged a late fee of \$5.00

Make checks payable to GFWC-NC District 8. Mail your check and registration form to:

Jessica Riqouard 1513 Birch Place Winterville, NC 28590

Detach and send with check		•••••
CLUB NAME:		
Total Attending:	Total \$Enclosed:	
Name of Person Attending	Amount Enclosed	
	TOTAL:	









Clubwoman Crafts Categories

- 1. All entrants are limited to non-professionals as defined in the GFWC-NC Arts Festival Rules and Procedures. Any earnings from craftwork must not exceed \$500 per year.
- 2. One article per category will be declared the winner at the Local level and then will be entered in the District competition.
- 3. Label entries correctly. Each article must be labeled with an Entry Label. It should be folded in half and the contest information showing. Yarn, ribbon or lightweight string can be used to attach the card to the item or to a safety pin, pinned to the item so it may be flipped. DO NOT tape or pin the label directly to the item.
- 4. Needlework items may be framed under glass.
- 5. All entries must have been completed within the prior year of the Festival

Needlework:

- CC1. **Basic Embroidery** (on stamped canvas or fabric using basic embroidery stitches)
- CC2. Counted Cross Stitch
- CC3. **Crochet** (small doilies ,placemats, etc.)
- CC4. **Crochet** (large bedspreads, afghans, etc.)
- CC5. Crochet (garments sweaters, etc.)
- CC6. **Knitting** (accessories, scarves, booties, etc.)
- CC7. **Knitting** (garments only sweaters, etc.)
- CC8. **Quilting** Machine (small baby quilts, pillows, wall hangings, etc.)
- CC9. **Quilting** Machine (large full quilts, pieced or appliqué)

Crafts:

- CC10. **Jewelry** (any single medium or combination)
- CC11. Painting on fabric, wood, metal or other surfaces
- CC12. **Nature Craft** (dried flowers, etc.)
- CC13. **Sequin and Bead Craft** (flowers, jewel pictures, Indian beading, ornaments, etc.)
- CC14. **Paper Craft** (quilling, paper sculpture, Papier-mâché, etc.)
- CC15. **Scrapbooking** (single page submission only)
- CC16. Glass Craft (stained glass, etc.)
- CC17. Fabric Craft (appliqué, felt/burlap work, wall hangings, etc. not stenciling)
- CC18. **Upcycling** (creative reuse is the process of transforming unwanted products into new materials or products of better quality)
- CC19. **Open Category**: If an entry does not fit in any of the preceding categories, the Crafts Contest Chairman may place it in the Open Category

Clubwoman Visual Arts Contest Directions/Submission Requirements

- 1. Any clubwoman may enter any or all categories.
- 2. All entries must not have been previously entered in the GFWC-NC Arts Festival on any level.
- 3. Entries must be no larger than 30 X 40 inches, not including mat. Entries on materials other than canvas must be matted. Only Canvas entries may have a simple frame. OTHERWISE NO GLASS OR FRAMES and will not be accepted.
- 4. All entrants are limited to non-professionals as defined in the GFWC-NC Arts Festival Rules and Procedures. Earnings from Visual Arts must not exceed \$500 per year.
- 5. All paintings must be original. The subject matter is the choice of the artist.
- 6. First, second, and third place ribbons and certificates will be awarded to clubwomen winners in each category.
- 7. Label entries correctly. Each article must be labeled with an Entry Label (page 10). Affix to back or underside of entry using string or tape with category information facing up.
- 8. All entries must have been completed within the prior year of the Festival.

Clubwomen Visual Art Categories:

CV1 Oil; CV2 Acrylic; CV3 Pen and Ink; CV4 Watercolor; CV5 Pencil; CV6 Mixed Media







Clubwoman Photography Contests Directions/Submission Requirements

These rules apply to The World in Pictures and GFWC Volunteers in Action photography contests. Information pertaining specifically to each respective contest is listed under each contest.

- 1. All photographers must be dues paying members of an active GFWC club.
- 2. Photographs must be taken during the calendar year (January 1-December 31) prior to the Festival.
- Contestants must be amateur photographers; earnings from may not exceed \$500 annually.
- 4. Photographs must be the original work of the member submitting the photo.
- 5. Label entries correctly. Each article must be labeled with an Entry Label (page 10) and affixed to the back of each photograph, and place an arrow indicating TOP.
- 6. Each submission must be an 8×10 inch print and mounted on a rigid 8×10 inch board and overall thickness may not exceed 3/8 inch. NO mattes, frames or hangers.
- 7. Photographs may be taken with digital cameras (high resolution copies) or film. They maybe color or black & white. Digital submissions alone will not be considered.
- 8. Photographs may be vertical/portrait or horizontal/landscape.
- 9. Club entries must go through the District competition first, and only one winner per category.
- 10. The same image may be submitted to multiple photo contests (i.e. World in Pictures and GFWC Volunteers in Action contest), but separate photographs must be entered into each contest
- 11. State Winners in the World in Pictures and GFWC Volunteers in Action contests will be eligible for the GFWC national level contests. The State Arts Festival Photography Contest Chairman will hold photography entries that qualify for the GFWC Photography competition. She will contact the photographer about forwarding to GFWC. By submitting your entry to GFWC, you are providing GFWC with a royalty-free perpetual license to use, reproduce, post, display, create derivative works, sell, license, or sub-license the work in any media now known or later invented without limitation, for commercial or non-commercial purposes. A signed GFWC Creative Arts Waiver must accompany each entry. Entries must be received by GFWC on or before May 15th, Please see the GFWC Creative Arts Waiver Form on page 9 or in the GFWC Club Manual for details.
- 12. Winning photographs submitted to the GFWC contests will not be returned.

Clubwoman Photography Contest Categories:

- 1. **The World in Pictures Contest**: These photographs showcase the people, places and things at home and around the world that impact our lives in a meaningful way, as expressed in these three categories:
- a. **Our World Up Close** Create a visual that offers a novel viewpoint or a macro image that takes the viewer into a whole new, tiny world.
- b. **Natural Wonders** Use wide angles and panoramas, or moody landscape images, to showcase mountains, meadows, sand hills, rivers, waterfalls, oceans, deserts, or any other magnificent vista.
- c. **Reflections** Feature a setting, situation, or landmark that brings back poignant memories, or capture a fleeting image reflected in glass, water, or another mirrored surface.

2. GFWC Volunteers In Action Contest:

These photographs capture the special moments in the lives of GFWC clubwomen as they meet, plan, advocate, volunteer or celebrate, in groups or one-on-one. All Direction/Submission Requirements and Judging Requirements/Criteria above apply.