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# Club Chatter



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## From Our President

*Betsy Grannis*

Hope you have all had a wonderful summer! It doesn't seem possible that it is almost over, and fall is almost here! We are excited to welcome everyone back to our **September** luncheon meeting on September 8<sup>th</sup>, hosted by the Education CSP. We will have an invitation that will go out to all the members. Please respond to the invitation as we will need a head count for the setup and the catering. We want to provide some social distancing by only setting for the number of members that will be attending.

We also want to let you know that we will be having a **photo op** at our September meeting. We want to update the picture on our website so that it reflects our current membership. Ruth LaRocca's husband,

Klaus, has kindly agreed to take the **group picture** so please try to attend so that you will be included. We're not savvy enough to be able to photoshop you in, so we hope you can be at the meeting in person!

We had a great **Member Social** on August 17<sup>th</sup> at the clubhouse. There were some delicious appetizers and desserts and beverages provided by the Executive Board, the clubhouse was decorated nicely, and there were door prizes! We had about 20 members in attendance and 4 guests. It was a good time had by all and thank you to all that participated.

Our **Executive Board** also met on August 17<sup>th</sup> and we were able to hear from the CSP Chairs about some of



the plans for the coming year. There are some wonderful projects that will be happening, not only within the CSPs, but some that will involve the whole club. We thank you in advance for donating your time, talent, and resources to these projects; I am continually amazed by the giving spirit of our members. Stay tuned!

As we kick off our new club year, I leave you with this quote about September and new beginnings:

"The windows are open, admitting the September breeze: a month that smells like notepaper and pencil shavings, autumn leaves and car oil. A month that smells like progress, like moving on."

- LAUREN OLIVER



**Upcoming GFWC-NC State Meetings**

GFWC-NC Fall Conference – November 5-6, 2021  
Hilton Asheville Biltmore Park

GFWC-NC State Arts Festival – March 12, 2022  
Mebane Arts Center

GFWC-NC Annual Convention – April 22-23, 2022  
Marriott Winston-Salem





## May Meeting Highlights

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### SEPTEMBER

9/3 Zip Barnard  
9/5 Ramona Cash (H)  
9/9 Melissa Francis  
9/20 Marybeth Bailey  
9/26 Belle Allen



**So GLAD TO Have  
Susan Quinn at  
the meeting!!!**



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

The **May meeting** was comprised of two sessions. The day meeting was held on May 12th at the clubhouse with 33 members attending and a box lunch from Clayton Bakery was served. It was so great to meet in person once again! The evening meeting was held on Zoom at 7pm on May 13th. The devotion and blessing was given by Brenda Gay.

Since this was the annual **Business Meeting**, there was no speaker.

**Highlights** from the meeting:

- The **2021-2022 proposed budget** was approved.
- The **Nominating Committee** members were approved: Dianne Carroll, Chair; Angela Williams and Trish Perna.
- The **State Convention** was held virtually on April 16 & 17<sup>th</sup> 2021. Club awards include the following:

- ⇒ Three TWCC members were nominated for individual awards by TWCC and District 8. Congratulations to **Susan Johnson (Clubwoman With Heart)**, **Brenda Gay (Clubwoman of the Year)** and **Cheryl Champion (Outstanding Citizenship)**!
- ⇒ **Jo Howard and Belle Allen** received recognition for being part of GFWC for **25 years**!
- ⇒ The **Creativity Award for Environment CSP** was awarded to TWCC for **Candy Land at the Garden**! Congratulations to Rachel Masimore and all of the members that made this event a success.
- ⇒ **ESO won the Creativity Award** for the Sunflower Bookmarks that

were made to honor the 100<sup>th</sup> year anniversary of the Suffrage of Women's right to vote. TWCC **ESO also won the GFWC-NC Overall Club Award**. Congratulations to Brenda Gay for leading the ESO.

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The following women received certificates for moving forward in the ESO Level: Donna Steele, Marianne Sapsara, Nancy Maynard, Loretta Mascia and Betsy Grannis for moving up to **Star**. Patty Jo Johnson went to **1<sup>st</sup> Century** and Brenda Gay went to **2<sup>nd</sup> Century**.

- Members brought items needed by the **Johnston County Senior Center**. The items were delivered by Susan Johnson and Brenda Hill.
- Chairs need to **submit reports** of service and fundraising events that occurred between January and May to Sarah Brooks.
- Sarah Brooks presented a gift to club President, **Betsy Grannis**, and thanked her for her leadership during a very difficult year.
- **Virtual "social" gatherings** will continue to be held the 4th Wednesday of each month at 10:30am.
- **House of Hope** is requesting that the provision of meals continue through the summer for 10 persons. The meals do not have to be labor intensive. They can be as simple as hamburgers or hot dogs. **Contact Nancy Maynard** if you would like to provide a meal.
- **Susan Quinn** thanked everyone for the prayers, cards, calls and visits she received during her illness.
- More than **\$870** was raised with the **Silent Auction**!



Pictured L to R above: Trish Perna, Cecilia Soporowska, Peggy Earp, and Rachel Masimore are surrounded by silent auction items.

Pictured at right are Margaret Lee and Susan Johnson







### Things to bring to the September meeting:

- Money/checkbook for club **dues** (Day-\$55 for dues and \$20 for lunch assessment; Night 'N Gals \$55)
- It will be **group picture day** so dress to impress!



*So sorry for the loss of TWCC Honorary Member, Mavorine McLeod, who was a member from 1995—2017. Mavorine passed away on June 2, 2021.*

*Heartfelt sympathy for Honorary Member Val Vinson whose husband, Herman, passed away on August 4, 2021.*

## Night 'N' Gals

Chair: Robin Sachsenheimer



During the May lunch meeting, the Night 'N' Gals collected items for the **Senior Food Pantry**. Thanks to all of the members who donated items and to Susan Johnson and Brenda Hill (pictured below) who delivered the items to the food pantry.



The **Night 'N' Gals** will meet at the clubhouse on **September 9th at 7pm** and all members are invited to attend.

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



**Welcome back ladies!** We are so excited to be back to almost normal working conditions for the Club. Let's pray that this year will be a year for our club members to be able to visit with one another as we get back to our charitable work for our wonderful community.

The Education and Library CSP is in charge of the **September program**. We will also return to serving lunch at our Wednesday meetings. We will provide the sides for lunch and the dessert. Betsy Grannis will be preparing the entree. The guest speaker for the September meeting will be Joy Garretson, Director of the Hocutt-Ellington Memorial Library.

A special **"THANK YOU"** to **Brenda Hill**, from the Art CSP for generously volunteering to decorate the Library window this month!



**Smithfield-Selma Senior High School** (SSS) has received approval for TWCC to work on a very consistent basis with students who could use that **extra mentoring** help. TWCC member Gracie Chamblee, who works at SSS, is the individual who has asked and received approval from the school's administration to enlist the services of the club members who would be interested in pursuing this worthwhile project. For more information on this project, please see Margaret Lee or Brenda Gay.

We look forward to sharing our 2021-2022 programs with you and look forward to seeing you on September 8th!

**September 6**

ESO Book Club  
10:00am  
TWCC Clubhouse

**September 7**

Education & Libraries  
CSP Set Up  
10am  
TWCC Clubhouse

**September 8**

TWCC Lunch Meeting  
11:45am  
TWCC Clubhouse  
Group picture to be made

**September 9**

Night 'N' Gals  
7pm  
TWCC Clubhouse

**September 14**

House of Hope Meal

**September 21**

TWCC Executive Board  
10:00am  
TWCC Clubhouse

**September 28**

TWCC Bunco  
1:00pm  
TWCC Clubhouse

**December 2**

Town Tree Lighting  
Food for Sale at  
TWCC Clubhouse

**March 19**

TWCC Gala  
Farm at 42

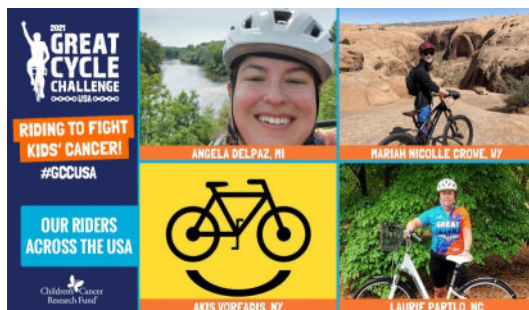


Our support continues for **The House of Hope** with our second Tuesday of the month meals. Thank you again to all that have cooked meals or given monetary donations for this wonderful cause! If you would like to help, please contact Nancy Maynard (815) 274-4446.

Health and Wellness members will be helping with **B-I-N-G-O** at the Clayton Center for Aging once a month starting **Sept 10th**. If you would like to donate any small, inexpensive items for prizes (8-10 games) contact Nancy Maynard. Thank you.



October is **Breast Cancer Awareness Month** and once again we will be recognizing TWCC members who are survivors. If you are a breast cancer survivor and were not recognized last year but would like to be, please contact Nancy Maynard to be added to the list.



This September, **Laurie Partlo** is riding in the **Great Cycle Challenge** to fight kids' cancer. Her goal is to pedal 50 miles... and her challenge starts **NEXT WEEK!** This is her third year participating. In the last two years she was able to raise over \$1500 and ride 202 miles. She would love to be able to raise at least **\$1000** this year. On "Kick Cancer's Butt Day" (last year it was September 9th) all donations will

be matched! She will be sure to let you know what day that is this year. Cancer is the biggest killer of children from disease in the United States - **38 innocent kids die every week**. Please support her challenge to end childhood cancer and save little lives by making a donation through her fundraising page: [www.greatcyclechallenge.com/Riders/LauriePartlo/a](http://www.greatcyclechallenge.com/Riders/LauriePartlo/a)



Just about everyone these days carries a cell phone. In case of an emergency, we feel someone could use it to contact our loved ones. This may not be enough. What if you drop the phone during the incident or your security features makes it impossible to open the phone to get numbers?

Medical alert tags have been used for years. Perhaps the rest of us should consider carrying **another form of ID as a backup**. It could save your life. Perhaps an ID bracelet or tag to put on your shoe laces as pictured here.

**Arts & Culture CSP**

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



We have adopted a special needs class at **Riverwood Elementary School**. We will provide them with art supplies as needed during the school year.

We are still collecting **card fronts** from any greeting cards. They **cannot be** Hallmark, Disney or American Greeting card companies. This summer we mailed off 214 cards to the **St. Jukes Children's Ranch**.

We would like to **welcome new member Zip Barnard** to our group. She joined the club at our summer social in August.





If you would like to join people around the world offering their help to the residents of Haiti, you can do so by supporting the efforts of GFWC Affiliate Organization [UNICEF USA](#). On August 14, a magnitude 7.2 earthquake struck Haiti, causing serious damage, injuries, and casualties. The earthquake hit Haiti while residents were already facing multiple crises, including COVID-19, and now they need any help available. As of Monday afternoon, 724 people were reported dead and more than 2,800 injured, according to Haiti's civil protection service.

UNICEF is working on the ground to provide safe water, medical care, and protection services to children and families in need. [Donate](#) to UNICEF's relief efforts and share the [messages of support](#) on Facebook. You can also mail checks for donation to UNICEF USA c/o Global Cause Partnerships at 125 Maiden Lane Fl. 11, New York, NY 10038.

## Civic Engagement & Outreach CSP

Co-Chairs: Susan Johnson and Susan Quinn



The CEO CSP is undergoing reorganization and new leadership for the 2021-2022 year. Susan Johnson and Susan Quinn are the new co-chairs, and our group is already planning activities. The four "broad Strokes" of this effort per GFWC include: 1) **Citizenship**; 2) **Crime Prevention, Safety, and Disaster Preparedness**; 3) **The Needy, Hungry, and Homeless**; and 4) **Our Military Personnel and Veterans**. We are also recruiting new members who might have a passion for serving these groups. We ask for your prayers and encouragement as we work together on these projects.

The CEO CSP welcomes **new member Debbie Allison!!**



TWCC members **Betsy Grannis, Susan Johnson, Nancy Maynard and Gracie Chamblee** helped pack bookbags at the New Generation Church in Smithfield for the **Community Back to School Youth Explosion Committee**. The bookbags were distributed on August 8th at Clayton High School. TWCC donated \$100 from the President's Special Projects Fund to help pay for school supplies. Some members also contributed school supplies via an Amazon link for the project. A huge thanks to Gracie Chamblee for informing TWCC about this worthwhile volunteer opportunity.

## Environment CSP

Co-Chairs: Rachel Masimore, Trish Perna



No report

## Art Festival

Chair: Susan Johnson



The student and clubwomen **art festival** is in the planning stages for 2022, barring any COVID interruptions this year. The Clayton Festival is scheduled to be held **February 3, 2022** at the Clayton Center in cooperation with Clayton Visual Arts. All work submitted should have been completed between January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021 and December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2021. Angela Williams will again be collecting the clubwomen entries and Peggy Earp will accept literature projects from the clubwomen. Susan Johnson will co-ordinate the student art work with several wonderful ladies from the club. The **State Art Festival** is scheduled for **March 12, 2022** in Mebane, NC. See Susan Johnson to volunteer for this project. More information to follow.



**Aged to Perfection:**

**I have a stem, but I  
am not a flower.**

**I have a foot, but I  
cannot hop.**

**Children are too  
young to hold me.**

**What am I?**

*(see below)*

## MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL *Annual Dues*

Dues are Due by Dec 1

Day members-\$75

Night'n'Gals-\$55

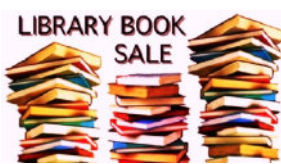
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Epsilon Sigma Omicron Book Club (ESO) held a **"Kick Off"** meeting at The Woman's Club on Monday, August 2, 2021 at 10:00. Our guest speaker was **Hilda Jernigan, GFWC-NC State ESO Chair**. We wish to thank Hilda, for the program she presented to us about ESO. She held our full attention during the whole time. The attendance was great for the meeting, however, a few of our members who did not attend were on vacation or with other commitments.

ESO as you are aware, is an honorary educational society that is federation supported and open to all General Federation of Women's Club (GFWC) members. **ESO book club is part of the Education and Libraries CSP**. Its purpose is to provide club women with a structured reading program to promote educational pursuits and stimulate a desire for self-improvement. To become a member, first you pledge to join; second, read 16 books in 4 different categories for member level; and, from there keep reading to reach other levels. You must reach the member level within two years after you pledge, but, reaching other levels with no time limit. After you pledge, you are given a large reference list of different categories you can read. The motto of ESO is **"Enlighten Your Own Pathway"**.



**Hocutt-Ellington Library**, 100 S. Church St. is having their **book sale** in October (maybe Oct 7-9). They are still collecting books. If you have books to give (hard back or paper back), they are still accepting them anytime between now and the October dates. They are not accepting text books or encyclopedias. For further information you can call the library at 919-553-5542.

Our ESO book club meets the first Monday of each month. Although Labor Day is Sept. 6<sup>th</sup>, an email was sent out to members as to who could meet Monday, Sept. 6<sup>th</sup>. The majority indicated that Sept. 6<sup>th</sup> was ok to meet. **We will meet Monday, Sept. 6<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. at The Woman's Club.** If any club member is interested in joining the ESO book club, please call Brenda Gay at 919-763-7117 or email [bmgay82@gmail.com](mailto:bmgay82@gmail.com). We would be pleased to welcome new members.



**Left to Right Back Row:** Sandy Nesselrode, Susan Johnson, Margaret DiNubila, Donna Steele, Betsy Grannis, Hilda Jernigan, Marlene Dillon, Betty Francies, Edie Brown, Nancy Maynard

**Front Row Sitting Down:** Peggy Earp, in middle standing up: Loretta Mascia, Marianne Sappara, & Robin Sachsenheimer



Brenda Gay presents guest speaker, Hilda Jernigan, GFWC-NC ESO State Chair, with a gift at ESO Kick-Off meeting.

Guest What the gift was?  
**A Sunflower Vase**





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- After you are signed in, go to the box, "Or pick your own charitable organization:"
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- 2 options will appear so be sure to select Clayton, NC
- After you make your selection, you are reminded to use [smile.amazon.com](https://www.smile.amazon.com) to access Amazon in order for proceeds to be allocated to TWCC
- Bookmark the [smile.amazon.com](https://www.smile.amazon.com) link

## Ways and Means Committee

Co-Chairs: Peggy Earp and Trish Perna

**WAYS  
AND MEANS**

The Ways & Means Committee met Tuesday, June 1st at 11am at the Clubhouse. The following fundraisers were approved for 2021-2022.

- **Fall Fashion Show** > Co-chairs Dianne Carroll and Betsy Grannis. Unfortunately, after numerous efforts to identify a business to showcase their fashions, no business can be identified at this time. Some of the major obstacles are lack of staff and the uncertainty with the continued spread of Covid. Therefore, the Fall Fashion Show will not be held.
- **Jewelry Tree** > Co-chairs Trish Perna and Margaret Lee. This is an on-going project that will be held throughout the year. Members are encouraged to contact Trish or Margaret if you have jewelry you no longer wear that can be sold on Facebook Marketplace. The jewelry should be "real" jewelry (gold or silver) or very nice costume jewelry. For convenience, donated jewelry can be brought to the TWCC monthly meetings.
- **Murder Mystery Dinner** > Co-chairs Sarah Brooks and Margaret Lee. We're so excited that listed under projects we can work on is presenting a MURDER MYSTERY. Planning for the project is in the early stages but you can begin now by brushing up on your acting skills. We will be auditioning those that are interested and plan on involving men as well!
- **Selling Food at Tree Lighting** > Co-chairs Betsy Grannis and Loretta Mascia. This fundraiser will be held during the downtown tree lighting event on December 2<sup>nd</sup>. Hot Dogs and BBQ will be sold.
- **Small Town Gala** > Co-chairs Judy Ryan and Loretta Mascia. This major fundraising event is planned for March 19, 2022 at the Farm at 42. There will be a social hour from 6-7pm and then dinner and Reverse Raffle. The dinner will be catered by Sherrie's Catering and Jody McLeod will be providing the flower arrangements. There will be a DJ and Silent Auction. It's never too early to start collecting items for the Silent Auction or contacting potential sponsors for the event!! More details will be coming soon.



This past year has been rough on our Club and our families, but we can make this happen! It takes all of us working together and we all can help, if it is only saying "Thank you for your support and for coming." **"Many hands working together, leads to success. GET INVOLVED."**



One of the TWCC fundraisers this year is the **Jewelry Tree**. Jewelry donated by members will be listed and sold on **Facebook Marketplace** by Margaret Lee and Trish Perna. Some things that sell well are vintage pieces, such as pins, silver (925) rings and bracelets. Contact Trish or Margaret if you have items to sell or bring the items to one of the monthly meetings.

It has been several years since a **group picture** was made of club members. Ruth LaRocca's husband, Klaus, has graciously agreed to take the picture immediately following the **September lunch meeting on September 8th**. Be sure to wear something you don't mind seeing for the next few years and your brightest smile!!! The picture will be posted on the home page of the TWCC website ([twccnc.org](https://www.twccnc.org)).



## Member Social

The TWCC Member Social was held on **August 17th** at the clubhouse. There was wonderful food provided by members of the Executive Board and time to catch up current members and meet some guests. Two of the guests joined during the social! **We welcome new members Debbie Allison** (Civic Engagement and Outreach CSP) **and Zip Barnard** (Arts & Culture CSP).



Lucky Door Prize Winners at the Social were Robin Sachsenheimer, Cheryl Champion and Nancy Maynard. Congratulations Ladies!!



Susan Johnson and Nancy Maynard man the table that describes some of the TWCC activities such as Picasso Painting station, packing backpacks and walking group.



### September Menu

Entrée will be provided by Betsy Grannis

Education & Libraries CSP will host and provide side & dessert & beverages

**Turkey Wrap**

**Pasta Salad**

**Cake with Icing**

TWCC members in front of the beautiful mantelpiece arranged by Betsy Grannis. Left to Right, Dianne Carroll, Brenda Gay, Betsy Grannis and Sandy Neselrode.



Beautiful table with lots of wonderful food. Left to Right, new member Debbie Allison, Brenda Hill, Debbie Ragland and Cheryl Champion.





*And the  
Winners  
are...*

*Bunco Winners this  
summer:*

*July 15th*

*Most Buncos*  
Sarah Brooks

*Most Wins*  
Judy Ryan

*Most Losses*  
Brenda Hill

*Most Fakes*  
Alice Koehlinger  
(Guest)

*Booby Prize*  
Marlene Dillon

*Bunco Gift*  
Betsy Grannis

*August 25th*

*Most Buncos*  
Betsy Grannis

*Most Wins*  
Nancy Maynard

*Most Losses*  
Edie Brown

*Most Fakes*  
Robin Sachsenheimer

*Bunco Gift*  
Marlene Dillon



Pictured at left, Marlene Dillon, Judy Ryan, Susan Johnson and Donna Steele. Pictured above, Sarah Brooks, Brenda Hill, Margaret DiNubila and Marybeth Bailey.



Left picture, Brenda Gay, Rachel Masimore, Nancy Maynard and Betsy Grannis. Right picture, Jo Howard, Guest Alice Koelinger, Cecilia Soporowska, Robin Sachsenheimer.





TWCC attendees included Belle Allen, Joann Cassone, Gracie Chamblee, Brenda Hill, Susan Johnson, Loretta Mascia, Nancy Maynard, Liz McLaurin, Rhonda Nielsen, Cecilia Soporowska, Donna Steele, Nadine Wells. Thanks Ladies for supporting this wonderful program!



Eighteen TWCC members and guests enjoyed the Carolina Youth Theatre production of Clue on July 25th at Duke Energy Center for the Performing Arts in Raleigh. The CYT productions are usually held at The Clayton Center but CYT was unable to lock in dates with The Clayton Cen-

ter due to Covid restrictions. Attendees reported that the production was very enjoyable and well done.







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

The deadline for **Real ID**, available from DMV, has been extended once again to **May 3, 2023**. The original deadline of October 1, 2020 has been extended twice due to the Coronavirus.

REAL IDs will make it easier to board airplanes, visit federal facilities and military bases. The REAL ID looks and works like your driver's license but there is a gold star in the upper right corner indicating you have met the identification standards required by the federal REAL ID Act. To obtain the REAL ID, go to DMV with documents that show identity and date of birth (e.g., birth certificate, valid passport or immigration documents), proof of NC residency (e.g., copy of utility bill, NC vehicle registration card or title, NC voter precinct card, property tax statement), and proof that you have a Social Security number (e.g., Social Security card, 1099 tax form, pay stub with full SSN or W-2 form with full SSN), legal name change (e.g., marriage license, divorce decree). The proof documents will be scanned and remain on file at DMV. The REAL ID can be obtained at the time of driver's license renewal or before the renewal period for the cost of a duplicate. For more information, visit [NCREALID.com](http://NCREALID.com).



Former TWCC member Missy Naum has been teaching art to the young ladies at House of Hope as part of their school curriculum for many years. Missy is no longer able to provide this valuable service. If any TWCC members, with a passion for **teaching art** and working with the small group of young ladies at House of Hope, would like to volunteer their time once a week, please contact Donna Steele.

*Laughter is the Best Medicine*

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- My bucket list: keep breathing.
- Camping: where you spend a small fortune to live like a homeless person.
- Just once, I want a username and password prompt to say, "Close enough."
- I'm a multitasker. I can listen, ignore and forget all at the same time!
- Retirement to do list: Wake up. Nailed it!
- I don't have grey hair; I have wisdom highlights.
- Sometimes it takes me all day to get nothing done.
- I don't trip, I do random gravity checks.
- My heart says chocolate and wine, but my jeans say, please, please eat a salad!
- Never laugh at your spouse's choices. You are one of them.
- Losing weight doesn't seem to be working for me, so from now I'm going to concentrate on getting taller.
- My body is a temple; ancient and crumbling.
- Common sense is not a gift. It's a punishment because you have to deal with everyone else who doesn't have it.
- I came. I saw. I forgot what I was doing. Retraced my steps. Got lost on the way back. Now I have no idea what's going on. But, I remembered to send this to you!

**Recipe provided by  
Robin Sachsenheimer**



**Each month will feature  
recipes by category**

September—Stews  
October—Pork  
November—Thanksgiving  
December—Seafood  
January—Cake  
February—Appetizers  
March—Lamb  
April—Italian  
May—Cookies

**Send your favorite  
recipes to  
sbrooks@twccnc.org**

**Recipe provided by  
Sarah Brooks**



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

## Recipe Corner—Stews



### Indoor Brunswick Stew



#### Ingredients

- 1 (28 ounce) can whole tomatoes, chopped with their juices
- 2 cups chicken broth (see note)
- $\frac{3}{4}$  cup ketchup
- $\frac{1}{2}$  cup sweet, tomato-based barbecue sauce (Western North Carolina style)
- $\frac{1}{2}$  cup peppery, vinegar-based barbecue sauce (Eastern North Carolina style) or white distilled vinegar
- $\frac{1}{4}$  cup Worcestershire sauce
- 2 teaspoons salt
- 1  $\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoons freshly ground pepper
- 1 Tablespoon hot sauce, or to taste
- 1  $\frac{1}{2}$  cups chopped onion
- 3 cups green butterbeans
- 3 cups yellow corn kernels
- 1 pound pulled smoked or roasted chicken meat
- 1  $\frac{1}{4}$  pounds pulled pork barbecue

#### Instructions:

- Bring the tomatoes, broth, ketchup, barbecue sauces, Worcestershire, salt, pepper and hot sauce to a simmer in a large pot. Simmer 10 minutes, stirring often.
- Stir in the onion and butterbeans. Simmer until they are almost tender, about 20 minutes.
- Stir in the corn, chicken and pork. Simmer until the vegetables are tender, about 10 minutes more.
- Adjust the seasoning. It should be balanced, but unequivocal.

Note: If you purchase the chicken on the bone, pull the meat and refrigerate until needed. Place the skin and carcass in a saucepan and add 3 cups store-bought chicken broth. Simmer until the liquid reduces to 2 cups. Strain and discard the solids.

### Frogmore Stew

#### Ingredients

- 6 qts water
- $\frac{3}{4}$  cup Old Bay Seasoning
- 2 lbs new red potatoes
- 2 lbs hot smoked sausage links, cut into 2-inch pieces
- 12 ears corn – husked, cleaned and quartered
- 4 lbs large fresh shrimp, unpeeled

#### Instructions:

- Bring water and Old Bay Seasoning to a boil in a large stockpot.
- Add potatoes and cook for 15 minutes.
- Add sausage and cook for 5 minutes more. Add corn and cook for another 5 minutes.
- Stir in the shrimp and cook until shrimp are pink, about 5 minutes. Drain immediately and serve.

Yield: 12 servings





## Recipe Corner—Stews



*Recipe provided by  
Margaret Lee*



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,

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*Recipe provided by  
Sarah Brooks*



### Hospitality

Meals for House of Hope (2nd Tuesday)

Bingo at Senior Ctr  
(2nd Friday)

Mentoring students  
at SSS High School

Small Town Gala  
Arts Festival

### Chicken Stew

#### Ingredients

2 boneless chicken breasts cooked, cut into bite sized pieces  
2 TB butter  
4 small red potatoes quartered  
1 c baby carrots halved  
1 10 3/4 oz can cream of chicken soup  
1/2 c milk  
1 c chicken broth  
1/2 c sour cream  
1 oz packet dry ranch dressing mix or 3 TB  
salt and pepper to taste  
1 tsp Parsley flakes



#### Instructions:

- Add butter to the bottom of a crock pot. Let melt. Stir in all of the vegetables coating with the butter. Season diced chicken as desired and add to the crock pot.
- In a separate bowl, mix together the soup, milk, sour cream, chicken broth, and ranch dressing mix. Pour on top of the chicken. Cover and cook on high for 3-4 hours or on low for 4-6.
- Sprinkle with parsley and serve!

### Wendy's Chili

#### Ingredients

2 pounds fresh ground beef  
1 quart tomato juice  
1 (29-ounce) can tomato purée  
1 (15-ounce) can red kidney beans, drained  
1 (15-ounce) can pinto beans, drained  
1 medium-large onion, chopped (about 1 1/2 cups)  
1/2 cup diced celery  
1/4 cup diced green bell pepper  
1/4 cup chili powder (use less for milder chili)  
1 teaspoon ground cumin (use more for real flavor)  
1 1/2 teaspoons garlic powder  
1 teaspoon salt  
1/2 teaspoon ground black pepper  
1/2 teaspoon dried oregano  
1/2 teaspoon sugar  
1/8 teaspoon cayenne pepper



**Wendy's Chili**  
Can't Stay Out of the Kitchen




















#### Instructions:

In a large skillet, brown the ground beef. Drain off the fat. Put the beef and the remaining ingredients in a 6-quart pot. Cover the pot and let the chili simmer for 1 to 1 1/2 hours, stirring every 15 minutes. You can also cook this in a slow cooker on low for 3 to 4 hours.



# September 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3  Zip Barnard	4  <b>INTERNATIONAL BACON DAY</b>
5  Ramona Cash  September 5	6  ESO TWCC Clubhouse 10am <b>LABOR DAY</b>	7 E&L CSP to Set Up for lunch meeting TWCC Clubhouse 10am	8  TWCC Lunch Meeting TWCC Clubhouse 11:45am	9  Night n Gals TWCC Clubhouse 7pm  Melissa Francis	10  H&W CSP sponsors Bingo at Senior Center 10am	11  <b>PATRIOT DAY</b> WE WILL NEVER FORGET 9.11.2001
12  HAPPY Grandparents Day	13	14  H&W CSP provides meal to House of Hope	15	16	17  September 17 Constitution Day & Citizenship Day	18
19 TALK LIKE A PIRATE DAY 	20  Marybeth Bailey	21  TWCC Board Meeting TWCC Clubhouse 10am	22  First Day of Autumn	23	24	25
26  Belle Allen  National Pancake Day	27	28  TWCC Bunco TWCC Clubhouse 1pm	29  HAPPY NATIONAL Coffee Day!	30		



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