



Petal Power

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President's Message

April 2018

Hello All

SNOW, SNOW "WHAT A MESS" just enough to screw up every ones day...Spring really sprung the wrong way!!! The trees and the view from the water was beautiful..

Ladies. I know you have received your Call for the Baltimore District Board of Directors Meeting, May 3, 2018 which is being held at the Sparrows Point Country Club, in Dundalk, MD. Since this is my last "HORRAH", as the Baltimore District President, and the announcement of the new Chesapeake District Officers, will be taking place. I would hope, you will be attending, especially for our members who have never been to a BOD meeting. It is very close, several members are going, so ask for a ride or car pool.

Thanks to the club for my beautiful flowers and all the personal cards, prayers and flowers, I received. I am still going to PT 3 times a week. PT is brutal, but I am doing well, do not use a walker, nor cane. There is still a lot of pain. Please continue keeping Maureen Cornett in your prayers, as she remains in the hospital recovering. Say prayers for Rose Marie Vaccaro, she has injured her leg and is wearing a brace.

All the workers did a fantastic job of making the BINGO another success. Husbands, of Joan, Susan, Jeanette and Hank, I appreciate all you do helping our ladies and of course our caller, I am sure I forgot someone, if so forgive me...Now we all need to sell-sell our tea tickets.

We will be back at Giovanni's for our April meeting, it is also our Federation Friendship Night. Barbara Albers has put together another skit for this night. Titled , "Woman Club on Broadway ." The dinner will be another buffet. We will be having several guests, also a lot will be going on, so ladies behave yourselves.

Nominations for the 2018-2020 administration:

- President - Dorothy Bishoff
- Vice President - Open
- Corresponding Secretary - Carol Metzger
- Recording Secretary - Rosemary Sebula
- Treasurer - Joan Swanson

All my best,

Dottie Bishoff
443-402-1421



Are you a member of Facebook? Help us spread the news of all the great work we do and attract new members by liking us on Facebook!

Petal Power submissions are due by the 26th of the month!



Dates to Remember

April 12th - General Meeting (Fed. Friendship Night)

April 21st - 22nd - GFWC Annual Convention

April 28th - Annual Tea

May 3rd - Baltimore District Board of Directors Meeting



A Message From Your President:

Ladies the deadline is approaching (April 10TH) for the registration and reservations for the GFWC Convention being held in Columbia, MD, almost in our backyard. You have all received the call.

The convention is 21-22 of April. Ladies, I cannot express how important these convention are for you to attend.

You are always asking questions about the Federation, these convention are where you will get all your answers, they are very informative, you meet new friends from the area clubs and there are vendors, fun, and bingo.

This convention, ladies is when Reno (your GFWC State President) will be handing over her gavel, (her last Hurrah) and I will be honored in the president's procession as will our club. Ladies, please try your best to attend this convention, if you need help filling out the forms in the call, do not hesitate to call me, or if you do not have a copy of the call let me know and I will be sure and get you a copy. Ladies, why not a few of you carpool and share expenses.



Hospitality

Madeleine Murphy
410-569-0477

Please call in your dinner order to one of the ladies listed below by noon on the Saturday before the meeting. If you have to cancel, please do not call the restaurant, call Madeleine.

The April 12th dinners (back at Giovanni's) are: Cheese Ravioli, Flounder w/ Broccoli, and Chicken Farm (*this month's dinner will be a buffet*)

Hostesses: Ruth Cameron (410-538-7824) and Sue Harrington (410-510-7710)

Social hour begins at 6 pm, Meeting begins at 6:30 pm, and dinner is served at 7 pm!

Conservation

Jeanette Petric
410-679-0959

Maureen Cornett
410-676-4428

Harford Land Trust ("HLT")

The mission for the HLT, founded in 1991, is to work with landowners, both public and private, to conserve the land. We can protect its natural resources, scenic beauty, rural character, and promote a healthy quality of life in Harford County.

Earth Day Clean-Up, Saturday, April 21st (location TBD)

Continue saving tabs, towels, blankets and cat and dog food and used eyeglasses.



Home Life

Joan Swanson
410-931-2565

Rose Marie Vaccaro
443-372-5404

A welcome basket with bathroom items was delivered to Habitat for Humanity. Two houses in Havre de Grace are scheduled for dedication on or around April 24. One family has a disabled child and one just had a baby not too long ago. It was much appreciated and will be presented to one of these families.

Barbara Knapp and Tina Naumann will be making and delivering a meal for Anna's House on April 9. And of course our Mother's Day feast for Anna's House is coming up. Rose Marie will be checking with those who have participated in the past to see if you will be donating the same item as you did last year. And anyone else who would like to participate just let her know. Thanks to all our members for your help.

Education

Barbara Albers
410-679-5620

Barbara Ledford
410-679-1166

I've finally received the paperwork to establish the scholarship at Harford Community College, so we can get on the ball and take care of it.

I've personally been busy working on the skit for our Friendship meeting in April. I hope that everyone enjoys it. See you there!!

At last some Spring weather!! I hope that all are enjoying it as much as I am. Happy Easter.

We had a very good showing at the Art show on March 10th with over 35 entries! Winners were determined in the following categories: K – 2, 3 – 5, 6-8 and 9-12. *The Aegis* posted our article with photos with 1st place winners from our show.

On Friday, May 16th, Five winners from categories 6 – 8 and 9 – 12 went to the District Judging that was hosted by members of the GFWC Woman's Club of Linthicum Heights. We had 5 entries to present and received 1 Honorable Mention from the submittals.

Calendar of Events:

April 1st – May 13th: Children's Art Show at Liriodendron Gallery between the hours of 1:00 – 4:00 pm.

April 6th & April 22nd: Scottfield Theatre Company presents "Titanic the Musical" at The Cultural Center at the Opera House in Havre de Grace at 8:00 pm.

April 7th: Maryland Young Voices Festival at St. Matthew Lutheran Church. All day with combination choir at 7 pm. This event is FREE.

April 7th & April 9th: Memories of Anne, A New Opera at Harford Community College. The class Anne of Green Gables is presented and the showtime is 7:30 – 9:30 pm.

April 14th: **Bel Air High School** will be performing "Hairspray" performances from April 12th – April 14th.

April 29th: The Bel Air Community Chorus will be performing their spring concert titled, "A Broadway Celebration" with show tunes at St. Matthew Lutheran Church – 3 pm. This performance is **FREE** and all are welcome!

Free the Girls: We will be collecting bras through the April meeting so that they can be shipped out by May 1st for this organization. ***Note: this is revised from original newsletter posting that outlined submittals by May Meeting.*

Two donations were made to Heifer International on the club's behalf:

"Honeybees" - What's the "buzz" about honey?? It's the only food that includes all the essential elements necessary to sustain life, including enzymes, vitamins, minerals and even water. It's unique chemical makeup also allows it to be preserved indefinitely.

"Flock of Chicks" – A single chicken lays an egg every 24 – 26 hours, providing over 200 eggs or chicks per year. In addition to providing food source for a single family, these eggs and poultry can also be taken to market and sold, raising funds for medicine, clothing and more.

Public Issues

Barbara Knapp

410-679-4330

Perry Point VA Medical Center Donations for April Visit - Each year we travel to the VA Medical Center to visit a unit with about 50 veterans under treatment. The visit gives us the opportunity to thank these men for their service and sacrifices. Our visits are enhanced by providing them with comfort items not supplied by the VA. The list of items needed is quite short, but most welcomed. Thank you to all who have donated. We now have:

23 Boxer underwear (large, x-large and xx-large)

24 pairs of socks

6 Body wash

1 Word search book

Barbara Knapp will collect any additional items at the April general meeting. To save members the trouble of toting donations into Giovanni's, she will collect them in the rear parking lot before or after the meeting.

Harford County Sheriff's Office, Child Advocacy Center - We are again supporting the Child Advocacy Center with requested items for their counseling and play rooms. This year we have gathered Lego's, Wii games, Barbie dolls, baby dolls and Play Do. The PI committee will soon set a date to visit the CAC with our donations.

Angels Supporting Your Troops - This Dundalk area organization collects items for care packages sent to soldiers in war zones. They work year around to prepare boxes of 50-55 items for each soldier of toiletries, snacks, small games, socks, hats and even treats for K-nines. Joan Swanson has a more complete list. Please bring your donations to any general meeting and Joan Swanson or Reno Eitel will deliver them to the distribution site.

Clothing, Household Items and Monetary Donations for Military and Veteran Support Organizations - Please report the dollar amount of clothing and household items you give to Purple Heart, Vietnam Veterans of America, Am Vets or other veteran support groups to Barbara Ledford. Funds generated from the sale of your donations benefit our veterans. We will also track any reported monetary donations made to organizations supporting our soldiers and veterans.

Cell Phones for Soldiers - This program provides cost-free communication services to active duty military members through the recycling of cellphones and accessories. Rose Marie Vaccaro will take donations to the Exit Realty collection site.

Donations made to the Public Issue Program projects are greatly appreciated and always each member's choice.

Ways & Means

Sue Harrington

410-510-7710

Joan Swanson

410-931-2565

Our bingo, which was held on March 16th, was a huge success, as usual. Thank you to all our ladies for their hard work (and a couple of hubbies). We couldn't do it without you!!! Our next FUNdraiser will be our annual tea on April 28th. Please bring money for the tickets you have sold and any tickets that you do not think you will be able to sell, to our general meeting on April 12th. We need to see where we stand on tickets sold by that date. I will have additional tickets at the meeting for anybody who needs more or who has not yet gotten them. All monies will be due by April 23rd.



Since our baskets that we raffle off at the tea, as well as the door prizes, are so popular, please let me know if you will be able to donate any. Thank you again, Ladies.