



Newsletter: March 2016

March Club Meeting

Our March meeting will be on **Tuesday, March 8th** and will be a **Business Meeting**. **PROGRAM CHAIRS** will give their **year-end reports**. Our hostesses will be the **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**.

As usual, we'll meet at the **Non-Profit Building** on Clifton Boulevard in Westminster. Refreshments and mingling start at **1pm** and our meeting starts at 1:30pm.

Don't forget to wear your **name tag** and to **carpool** if you can.

Spring Luncheon Nearly Here!

Yes, you read that correctly! Our **SPRING Luncheon** always gives us something to look forward to during the last dreary days of winter.



Where and When

We'll hold our annual **SPRING Luncheon** on **Tuesday, May 10th** this year in Krug Chapel and Auditorium at Carroll Lutheran Village. Doors open at **11:30am** and we'll be served lunch at noon. Please consider traveling in **carpools** and arrive early so that parking will not be a problem. We welcome guests!

Registration

The cost per person is **\$35**. We have three entrées for you to choose from: Crab Cake, Pork, and Eggplant. See the sign-up form at the end of this newsletter for more details.

The **PROGRAM COMMITTEE** will take your reservations at our **March** and **April** meetings. You can also send your reservations directly to Jan Ober at 247 Bell Road, Westminster, MD 21158. The **deadline for registering – with payment** – is Tuesday, **May 3rd**, one week before the luncheon.



Speaker and Program

We are honored that our speaker will be **Babs Condon**, long-time member and former President of our club, now President of GFWC International! She will talk about her GFWC experiences with **Living the Volunteer Spirit**, especially during this past year of emphasis on volunteering. Babs always has something special to offer and is a huge inspiration to us all.

Fundraising Committee

Beverly Humbert reports that on Friday, **March 18th**, from **12 noon to 2pm**, we will hold a **Tea and Chocolate Tasting from around the World** fundraising event. The cost per person is **\$25** and it will be held at the Westminster Church of the Brethren Fellowship Hall located at 1 Park Place in Westminster.



This promises to be a fun – yet intimate – affair with **only 15 reservations available**. Bring your money for registering to our **March** meeting if you plan to join us!



2016 Annual Convention Service Project: Weinberg Housing and Resource Center

Ginny Houser asks if you saw this announcement in the **News & Notes** of the **GFWC's Weekly e-Newsletter**. "For our service project at the 2016 Annual Convention in Baltimore, Maryland, we are unleashing GFWC's awesome volunteer power on the **Weinberg Housing and Resource Center**."

The article continues:

*Open 24/7, the **Weinberg Housing and Resource Center** [WHRC] is a "low-barrier" shelter, meaning they accept virtually everyone. Not only are basic necessities provided, the WHRC endeavors to assist residents in finding permanent housing through case management and a variety of **life skills** and **empowerment** classes. Nearly 70% of people experiencing homelessness in Baltimore used the Weinberg Housing and Resource Center at some point last year.*

GFWC would like all of the clubs to help!

*From now **until the June 2016 Convention**, GFWC Headquarters will be collecting items for Weinberg Housing and Resource Center. During the Convention at the Sisterhood of Service Luncheon on Sunday, June 26, attendees will have the opportunity to help assemble hundreds of bags for the WHRC to pick up. We would prefer that your donations be shipped to GFWC Headquarters prior to June 1 – but Convention attendees are welcome to bring additional items with them if collected or purchased after that date.*

It is very exciting for us, to be near the center of this worthy project! Ginny asks that we each do our part to make this Service Project a success. Read more at:

<http://www.gfwc.org/news/2016-annual-convention-service-projects-announced>

How You Can Help

We'll collect your donations over our next three meetings, in **February, March, and April** and will send them on to the GFWC Headquarters. Please donate **new items only**, not used.



What You Can Donate

Items for Toiletry Bags

- Deodorant
- Soap
- Razors & Shaving Cream
- Lotions
- Socks
- Underwear
- Feminine Hygiene Products
- Toothbrushes & Toothpaste
- Shampoo (*travel size*)
- Comb/Brush
- Tissues
- Others as Appropriate

Items for Home Starter Kit

Weinberg has limited space, so they can only store up to 30 starter kits at a time

- Towels
- Sheets
- Air Mattress
- Basic Kitchen Utensils
- Collapsible Laundry Bag

Monetary Donations

GFWC will use any money donated for the meal kits that the attendees will assemble during the convention luncheon.



Arts CSP

Donating Art to Headquarters

At our last **ARTS CSP** meeting, **Norma Jean Swam** let us know that GFWC Headquarters in DC needs art work for one of the guest bedrooms. We are excited to announce that two of our club's artists, **Carolyn Seabolt** and **Joann Barlow**, will each donate a personal work of art to be hung in this room. Our club will be well represented by these beautiful donations. Thank you, Carolyn and Joann!

Volunteer for the Peep Show



Join the army of people that the **Carroll Arts Council** needs to host their **Peep Show**. The **ARTS CSP** has agreed to assist with this very popular annual event which is fun for adults and children alike. Perhaps you and some friends could make a social occasion out of it by working the same 2½ hour shift and then going for a snack or a meal afterward.

Please sign-up to help between **March 25th** and **April 6th**. Log onto <http://CCAC.iVolunteer.com/>, where you'll find additional information and contacts. Enjoy this energetic display while lending a hand to support the Arts Center.

Art Project at Meltdown

Plan to have fun on **Thursday, April 28th**! The **ARTS CSP** invites club members and guests to enjoy each other's company while participating in a **No-Fail Art Project**, complete with refreshments. **Meltdown**, at 25 East Main Street in Westminster, is working with us to provide a unique and fulfilling experience for all. Save the date; we'll have more details in April's newsletter. Or, for more information about Meltdown, visit www.MeltdownInMD.com.

Knitting Affinity Group

The **Knitting Group** will meet **Tuesday, March 15th**, at Ginny Houser's house at 1pm. Contact Ginny if you plan to go at either AerobicGinny@gmail.com or 410-848-2441.

Education CSP

Easter Literacy Baskets

Jackie Hering reports that at our **March** board and general meetings, the **EDUCATION CSP** will be welcoming donations for the **twelve Easter Literacy Baskets** we're filling for Shepherd's Staff this year.

Dr. Seuss

Jackie will have sign-up sheets available for you to volunteer to read to the students on **Friday April 8th** and **Monday April 11th**. Bring your calendars. We may also need volunteers to bag and deliver books to the schools – let Jackie know if you could help with that.



Used Book Table

We'll have a great supply of new titles at our **Used Book Table** in March!



International Outreach CSP

HEIFER International

Sally Marks has designated **March** as the month when we will collect for **HEIFER International**, a charity organization working to end hunger and poverty in the world by providing livestock and training to struggling communities. Be sure to mark your calendars.

SERRV

Sally Marks reports that **INTERNATIONAL OUTREACH** members will be volunteering at **SERRV** on **March 28th**. Please let Sally know if you are coming so that she can include you in the lunch count.

Home Life CSP

Cooking Class Luncheon

How about a fun afternoon of cooking and dining on elegant cuisine? Sounds good, doesn't it? Mark your calendar!

Back by popular demand, we've arranged for another **Cooking Class Luncheon** on **Friday, April 6th**, starting at **11:30am** in the Café at the Carroll County Career and Technology Center (CCCTC). Members of the CCCTC's **Culinary Arts Class** and **Chef Tim Norwood** will demonstrate cooking techniques while preparing a delicious luncheon for us.



For this year's luncheon, Chef Norwood and his students will delight us with a special **Beef Wellington** as the main course! The cost per person is **\$30** and the proceeds will benefit both our Club and the Culinary Arts Class. See the **Reservation Form** at the end of this newsletter for a complete description of our menu.

CCCTC is located at 1229 Washington Road in Westminster, next to the High School. See more about the program at: <http://www.carrollk12.org/ctc/programs/business/culinary/default.asp>.

Our deadline for registration is **March 28th**. Bring your reservation form and check to our **March** meeting, where we will be selling tickets. Or you can confirm your attendance by contacting **Mary Dudderar** at home 410-848-7355 or on her cell 443-415-6632 or by sending your check and registration form to:

Mary Dudderar
538 Morelock Schoolhouse Road
Westminster, MD 21158

Safe House Donation

Mary Dudderar reports that **HOME LIFE** donated all ten **bath totes** to the **Safe House** as they had requested!



Publicity Committee

Westminster's Memorial Day Parade

Mary Lou Poirier reports that Westminster's **149th Memorial Day Parade** will be held on **Monday, May 30th**, starting at **10am** on Pennsylvania Avenue. It will end on Church Street at approximately **11am** with a memorial service and wreath-laying ceremony. Wear your patriotic colors and wave the flag as we march, walk, or ride through downtown Westminster in an old-fashioned, hometown parade.

Please sign up to **participate** at the **April** or **May** meeting. We also need **cars** (convertibles or other standout vehicles would be wonderful!) and **drivers**, so if you can provide a car and driver, let us know. On the sign-up sheets, you can indicate if you can provide a vehicle and if you'd to ride or walk. We'll provide additional details to those who sign up. If you'd like to be on the planning committee, call or email Mary Lou.

Book Browsers Committee

Carol Quinn reports that **BOOK BROWSERS** will meet on **Monday, March 21st** at **10am** at the home of Carol Quinn to discuss *The Secret Wisdom of the Earth* by Christopher Scotton. **Trinka Cueman** will lead the discussion.

Regular attendees, please let Carol know only if you will not be there. If you don't usually come but would like to join us for this discussion, give Carol a call or send her an email – we always welcome new Book Browsers!



Public Issues CSP

Fran Rock and Nancy Heiberg thank all who so generously contributed to the *Breast Cancer Survivors Retreat*. We received many donations and appreciate the support.

Yearbook Updates

Please update your Yearbook with the following change:

Resignation

Barbara Shipley

Newsletter Deadline

- ✓ Our deadline for submitting items you'd like to have included in our **April** newsletter is **Friday, March 25th**.
- ✓ We **distribute** our club's newsletter **one week** before each of our general meetings.
- ✓ Be sure to read our little *Fine Print Box* at the end of each Newsletter!

The Fine Print: About Our Newsletter

Our *GFWC Westminster Newsletter* editors are **Nancy Porter** (assemble submissions, initial draft) and **Becky Barbour** (final editing and formatting, email distribution). We publish the newsletter **ten times per year**, with a break during the summer months of June and July. We **distribute** the newsletters to our members on or about the **first Tuesday** of the month, or one week before each of our meetings. **Submit** information for an edition of our newsletter to **Nancy Porter** (NancPorter@gmail.com) by the **25th of the month** preceding publication.



2016 GFWC Cooking Class Luncheon

sponsored by:

HOME LIFE COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT

Wednesday, April 6th, at 11:30 am

Registration Deadline: Monday, March 28th

Where: Café at the Carroll County Career and Technology Center (CCCTC)
1229 Washington Road in Westminster
(next to the Westminster High School)

When: Wednesday, April 6, 2016; 11:30am

Presenters: The Culinary Arts Class featuring Chef Tim Norwood

Cost: **\$30** per person

Proceeds Support: GFWC Westminster and The Culinary Arts Program of CCCTC
<http://www.carrollk12.org/ctc/programs/business/culinary/default.asp>

***** **MENU** *****

Appetizer: **Arancini Di Riso:** *crispy risotto with arugula and a garlic aioli*

Entrée: **Beef Wellington:** *Petit filet topped with roasted shallots and brie cheese baked in puff pastry and served with grilled asparagus and smashed potatoes*
- or -

Vegetarian Seafood *(optional, in case anyone does not eat beef)*

Dessert: **Cheesecake; Flavored Cheesecake**



Reservation Form

2016 GFWC Cooking Class Luncheon

to be held on: **April 6, 2016**

reservations due by: **March 28th**

(You may ask to be served a vegetarian dish rather than the main dish they'll be preparing.)

Member/Guest Names	Entrée Selection	Amount
	<input type="checkbox"/> Beef <input type="checkbox"/> Vegetarian	\$
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	<input type="checkbox"/> Beef <input type="checkbox"/> Vegetarian	\$
Total Tendered (cash or check)		\$

We'll take your reservations at our **March** meeting.

- or - send your check and reservation form to:

Mary Dudderar
538 Morelock Schoolhouse Road
Westminster, MD 21158





GFWC **SPRING** Luncheon 2016

GFWC Woman's Club of Westminster

Tuesday, May 10th

LUNCHEON REGISTRATION FORM

Registration Deadline: May 5th *

**Late Registrations will be charged an additional fee of \$3*

Where: Carroll Lutheran Village Krug Chapel and Auditorium
300 St. Luke Circle; Westminster, MD 21158

<http://CLVillage.org/how-to-find-us/>

When: Tuesday, May 10th
Doors open at 11:30 a.m.
Lunch served at noon



Program: **Babs Condon**, *President of GFWC International*
Living the Volunteer Spirit

Induction of GFWC Westminster Officers



Price: \$35

***** **Menu** *****

Starter: Green Spring Salad

Entrée Choices: Jumbo Lump Crab Cake served on a bed of Frisee, with Quinoa Pilaf and Asparagus drizzled with Lemon Vinaigrette

-or-

Roasted Pork with Cherry Sauce, with Quinoa Pilaf and Asparagus drizzled with Lemon Vinaigrette

-or-

Eggplant Napoleon with Buttered Pasta and Asparagus drizzled with Lemon Vinaigrette

Dessert: Key-Lime Cheesecake

Beverages: Coffee Service

Reservation Form for **SPRING** Luncheon

Bring to the **March** or **April** club meeting or **mail to:**
Jan Ober at 247 Bell Rd Westminster, MD 21157

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	Total Tendered (cash or check)	\$