



NEWSLETTER, NOVEMBER 2019

The Woman's Club of Williamsburg, GFWC

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General Meeting November 20, 2019 at Ford's Colony Club House

Price \$18.00. Reservation change/cancellation date: 12PM November 13, 2019

- The by-laws state “any member failing to cancel her luncheon reservation by the cancellation deadline is responsible to pay for that reservation.”
- Registration 11:00-11:20; meeting will start promptly at 11:30; lunch service at 12:15.
- Please advise your telephone contact if you have special dietary requirements. Gluten Free or Vegan meals only are available. Please pre-order!

Menu : Turkey with Country Gravy , Stuffing , Sauteed Green Beans, Cranberry Sauce
Dessert: Chocolate Cake with Vanilla Ice Cream , Coffee, Tea, Iced Tea

Message from the President- Eleanor Smith

A huge thank you to the Fundraising Committee for a very successful card party last month. There have been nothing but wonderfully positive comments about the event from our members as well as guests. The food was plentiful and delicious. To all who helped set up on Wednesday night, prepared salads and desserts, worked in the kitchen, decorated the room, provided raffle prizes, took reservations, sold raffle tickets and 50/50, came later and helped clean up, controlled the parking and participated in the games, we are so grateful to all of you. What a fun day and many guests have said they are already looking forward to the next one. Well done!

As you all know, it is now November and we are starting to think about the holidays. They will be here before we know it. As we begin our planning, please don't forget about Annual Reports. Please get your information to your chairman as soon possible to help with her report.

Don't forget that there is a bus trip planned to go to Headquarters in Washington, DC on December 4th. The house will be decorated for the holidays and will be beautiful. You will be visiting another site in the afternoon. The charge is \$50. Please let me know if you are interested.

Please note that our next general/luncheon meeting will be November 20th. I look forward to seeing all of you then.

Dates/Items to Remember

Nov 20- General meeting-Collecting -Winter jackets for Head Start, Conservation and Public Issues committee items,
Dec 2 - Education Committee Meeting
Dec 4- Bus Trip to Washington DC

Items of Note:

Raffle Prize Contributors - First Person on List will be The Chairwoman -
November Linda Lind -
Lyn Castiglia
Karen Bucelato
Lynn Quest

Communications, PR & Social Media: Jan Walker -Chairman

It's after Halloween, so that means retailers are starting to advertise for Christmas. A friendly reminder, if you'll be doing any shopping via Amazon this year, make sure you use the Amazon Smile website rather than the usual Amazon page. Start by going to www.smile.amazon.com and select us as your charity – just type The Woman's Club of Williamsburg in the box that says “pick your own charitable organization” and click Search. The Club's name will come up on the next screen, click Select. Then, anytime you plan to buy anything from Amazon, always go to www.smile.amazon.com to make your purchase rather than amazon.com. The merchandise and account information is exactly the same, but we get a rebate from your purchase. Your friends and family can also choose our club as their charity and make all of their purchases from Amazon Smile to add to our rebate total.

Fundraising: Barbara Muzzi -Chairman

Yeah: We did it! \$1747.00. made from card party. Thanks to all of our members for sharing your Time, Talent, Delicious Food and Donations. Together we made another successful event! Always open for future ideas and anyone wanting to Chair their recommendations. The Fundraising Committee is always receptive and appreciative of everyone's input to help us out. Happy Thanksgiving-Everyday!

Membership: Dr. Linda Wilson -Mary Whittenton -Co-Chairmen

Members of the Membership committee continued to distribute WCW profiles within the community. WCW profiles were provided for distribution at the Game Day fundraiser. Many ladies were interested in the WCW and all profiles picked up. We have made note to provide more profiles at our next fundraiser. Membership committee members Dr. Linda Wilson, Mary Whittenton, Lyn Castiglia and Joan Whitla worked a table at the “Living Well Expo” held at the JCC Rec Center from 8:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. on Friday, November 1. Members shared information about our club to potential members. Many questions were asked and our ladies answered questions in a very positive manner

Program Committee: Ann Lysenko-Chairman

This month's guest speaker is Shannon D. Woloszynowski, Executive Director for the Williamsburg House of Mercy. Presentation: “Williamsburg House of Mercy Community Outreach Programs

Report Writing: Kathy Roper-Chairman

Ladies: Please help your committee chairmen by getting all of your information—such as projects worked on, volunteer hours, money donated etc. for the year Jan- Dec 2019 as soon as possible to the chairman of each committee you have worked on. Any volunteer hours you have with organizations that are club approved you can report to me.

For Committee chairman Please get a start on your reports. There is no change from last year on the forms. You will find the reporting instructions and forms on the GFWC Virginia web site. I will send out by email detailed info to all chairman as to how to find the forms.

Fill out and email back to me no later than by the end of December.

If you need a report from last year as a guideline and do not have one contact me and I will get it to you.

The club has a deadline for getting these to the appropriate people in the district.

Let us all help with this so that we can show the District, the State and GFWC our amazing accomplishments.

Thank you. Kathy Roper kroper@cox.net 253-2438.

Arts: - Joan Pavlica-Co-Chairmen

A BIG THANK YOU to all who bought the Fall centerpiece baskets at the General Meeting.

The Arts Committee will place the money in our Art Fund for continuing projects for the members and the community projects we will do in the future.

Thank you especially to Lyn Castiglia, Diane Cannistraci and Ann Lysenko for their work on the auction.

The next Arts Committee meeting will be Tuesday, December 10th, at the Williamsburg Regional Library (downtown location) at 1:30 to 3:30. We will be doing a craft for Christmas and beyond.

Conservation Committee- Nancy Schusheim - Chairman

November 15 is America Recycles Day – A Review: Remember to look on the bottom of every plastic container for the number stamped inside a triangle – such as detergent jugs, body lotion, spaghetti sauce, peanut butter jars, milk jugs, soda bottles, etc. The number inside a triangle lets you know how it should be recycled. Common numbers are 1, 2 and 5. earth911.com can help.

The conservation committee met on October 17 at Nancy's home. One hundred pounds of crayons were sent to The Crayon Initiative this summer. It was discovered that A.C. Moore will send our crayons for us, which is a great find from those who attended the Tidewater District Meeting. It was decided that fresh letters need to be distributed to restaurants informing them of The Crayon Initiative. Nancy Schusheim will generate color copies, Mable Martin volunteered to contact the necessary restaurants. Members will be assigned restaurants to pick up crayons each month.

We have been collecting the mascara wands and are looking into two other areas to pursue. It was felt that possibly the college girls are too busy at this time. Does any member have contact with a high school with a possibility of collecting mascara wands?

Thank you for your support towards all the following collections each month: cell phones and glasses for Avalon, flip tops for Ronald McDonald house, used crayons for The Crayon Initiative, cleaned mascara wands for Upcycle for Wildlife and vases for the hospital gift shop to provide mammograms and bone density tests for those needing assistance, as always.

Education: Lesley Atkinson -Co-Chairmen

We will be collecting winter jackets for ages 3-5 for Head Start at the November meeting. The next meeting of the Education Committee will be Monday, December 2 at 1:30 pm in the New Town SunTrust Building. The book we will be reading is "The Hamilton Affair" a novel by Elizabeth Cobbs.

Home Life: Martha Mitchell - Sally Kellen -Co- Chairmen

We had a very successful meeting this Monday where we planned our projects the next three months. Each member will receive a list of all the gift items for Blayton House. Thanks to all the members who signed up to be Salvation Army Bell Ringers on December 6th and 7th. Call Sandra McDougall at 703 362 5027 if you are interested in this project. Martha Mitchell and Mabel Marten as our representatives attended the Salvation Army Teddy Bear Tea. Home Life is looking forward to your generous support of Blayton House Christmas gifts.

Public Issues: Karen Buckley - Chairman

November meeting wish lists: I know this sounds like a lot of asking, if everyone brought in just one item we could spread this around...

*We will have envelopes on the tables for cash donations for Veterans and Blayton House (this is in lieu of Community Action Agency)

*Latishas House holiday gifts~they have five women, one six year old girl and one eight year old boy. Hats, gloves, scarves, socks, slippers, deodorant, lotions, lip gloss or chapstick, hand cream, body wash... toys for the children

*Avalon has 20 women and 5 children ~ they would like gift cards to WalMart, Target or Food Lion.

*House of Mercy/ Hope Pregnancy Care Center~baby items, diapers, maternity clothes.

*Veterans: there are 23 men and 2 female inpatients~Holiday bags: thermal underwear, chapstick, Vaseline, sweat suits zip front preferred, winter hats, gloves, scarves, lotion, body wash, store purchased individually wrapped snack items, blankets.

If you have questions, you can email me or call my home phone 565-2461 weekends are best.

We will have much more to follow for other opportunities for our Veterans.

