



Petal Power
GFWC Joppatowne Woman's Club, Inc.
P.O Box 268 Joppa, MD 21085-4502

January, 2014

President's Message

**Diane Raycob
410-893-7534**

Dear ladies,

Happy New Year to everyone! I hope all of you had a great Christmas and will have a healthy and prosperous 2014. The holiday season went by so quickly and we even had some snow to add to the festive season. We had a great December meeting with caroling and fellowship. It's nice to have some of our family there as well. And, the gift card exchange was a very nice treat. I, for one, am looking forward to using mine soon.

I would like you to challenge yourself in this New Year and be that person that steps forward when asked to lead in the next biennium. Be the one that has the courage to ask, "Where are we as a club and where do we want to go?" Be the one who questions doing things simply because that the way they have always been done. Be the one to inspire your members to learn more about the ways we can help our community and be the one who challenges members to go beyond the club level in their participation. You may be the only one, but never forget, there is power in one and you may be the one that makes the difference.

Take care,
Diane

Tomorrow is the first blank page of a 365-page book. Write a good one.



HOSPITALITY

MADELEINE MURPHY
410-569-0477

Dinners are \$25. Please call in your dinner order to one of the ladies listed below by noon on Saturday. If you have to cancel, please do not call the restaurant. Call Madeleine.

Here are the January 9th dinners: Chicken Marsala, Flounder Francese, or Plain chicken.
Hostesses: **Madeleine Murphy** 410-569-0477 **Jeanette Petnic** 410-679-0959



For the February 13 meeting, the choices are: Tilapia, Meatloaf, or Plain Chicken. Your hostesses will be **Cathy Bowden** and **Karen Conte**.

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Betty Meidinger	11	Betty Manthei	26
Leah Clague	15	Rose Marie Vaccaro	31

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

Cathy Bowden	12	Ellie Kimlicko	22
--------------	----	----------------	----



MEMBERSHIP

Our club was asked once again to hold a workshop in their auditorium. While we think it may be a great way to recruit new members, we have yet to have any takers! But we'll keep on trying.... On two separate dates in February, we will be able to speak to the community about the Joppatowne Woman's Club and the GFWC. If you can help out or have any ideas, please let **Diane Raycob** know. For now, the dates are set for February 6 and 20.

Please keep **Rachel Fink's** family in your thoughts and prayers. She was a great GFWC-MD club woman and we will certainly miss her presence. There will be a notice in the Baltimore Sunday on January 2. Visitation will be at Witzke Funeral Home on Edmondson Avenue in Catonsville January 7th, 2-4 p.m. and 6-8 p.m. The funeral is Wednesday, January 8th at 10 a.m. at the Catonsville Presbyterian Church, 1400 Frederick Road, Catonsville, 21228.

Ladies, **Rose Marie Vaccaro** will be collecting Christmas Card FRONTS this year. Bring them to the January general meeting.

If you think you have a possible new member/guest by all means, please bring her to our next meeting.

PROGRAM

Amber Wainwright from the Joppa-Magnolia Volunteer Fire Company will be our speaker for the January general meeting. She will be speaking on fire prevention and bring us up-to-date on her fund raising efforts for the Sparky the Fire Dog robot. Thanks to **Barbara Knapp** and her committee for this program.

ARTS

Members: **Dottie Bishoff, Ellie Kimlicko, and Barbara Ledford**

Diane will check on shirt design and price soon and hopefully present it to the members at one of our general meetings. Let her know if you would like to go with her on a fact-finding mission.

CONSERVATION

Members: **Dottie Bishoff, Maureen Cornett, and Carol Metzger**

Shopping tips:

Opt for paperless receipts. The average retail business goes through 400 lbs. of paper and such paper contains chemicals rendering it non-recyclable.

Opt for paperless coupons. Download a mobile coupon app.

Order online instead of driving around town wasting fuel and polluting the environment.

Look at the label. Try to select products that have a minimal impact on our planet. Look for BPA-free plastic and sustainable fibers, like bamboo and soy.

Skip the food court. Be kind to your waistline and the environment. Many restaurants still use Styrofoam and don't recycle.

Ladies don't forget your pop-tops for Ronald McDonald house, and your items for the Humane Society.



EDUCATION

KAREN CONTE & BARBARA LEDFORD
410-569-3902 410-679-1166

Members: **Barbara Albers, Dottie Bishoff, Cathy Bowden, Ruth Cameron, Dee Martin, and Rosemary Sebula**

Everyone seems to be enjoying reading with their assigned children and I have wished mine "Adieu" for the Christmas holiday.

And I wish everyone a very happy, healthy Christmas and New Year.

HOME LIFE

BARBARA ALBERS & SUE TYBER
410-679-5260 410-679-8963

Members: **Dottie Bishoff, Ruth Cameron, Reno Eitel, Ellie Kimlicko, Barbara Ledford, Betty Manthei, Dee Martin, Jeanette Petnic, Ursula Pierce, Rosemary Sebula, and Rose Marie Vaccaro**

Thanks to all those who participated in the Brunch with Santa. Our volunteers and the library staff did a wonderful job (as usual). Russ Brown did a great job as Santa, and a good time was had by all.

There will be a Home Life committee meeting in January whenever Sue and I can co-ordinate a date. Sue and I will notify the committee. We will firm up plans for the remainder of the year at that meeting.

Health tip: I was advised to cut back on salt by my doctor, and as many of you already know, salt is put into many things that we don't realize, so check your labels. I guess Mayor Bloomberg was right.



INTERNATIONAL OUTREACH

MINDY KRETSCHMER
410-638-5449

Members: **Dottie Bishoff, Madeline Murphy, Mary Reynolds, and Rose Marie Vaccaro**

Facts about Shot@Life

- ❖ Every 20 seconds a child dies from a disease that could have been prevented with a vaccine.
- ❖ One in five children still lack access to vaccines.
- ❖ Vaccines are both safe and simple and are one of the most cost-effective ways to save and improve the lives of children worldwide.
- ❖ Pneumonia and diarrhea are the two biggest killers of children under five, and account for more than one third of childhood deaths worldwide.
- ❖ Diseases don't need a passport.
- ❖ \$20 can immunize a child against four major vaccine-preventable diseases: polio, pneumonia, measles, and rotavirus.



Big thanks to our heroes who Trick or Treated for UNICEF with a donation of \$100.00!



PUBLIC ISSUES

BARBARA KNAPP
410-679-4330

Members: **Dottie Bishoff, Reno Eitel, Betty Manthei, and Betty Meidinger**

The PI Program committee will be meeting on January 16, 1 p.m. at **Reno's** home.
Should anyone like to join us, please give me a call.

Household items and clothing in the amount of \$25.00 was donated to Purple Heart in December. Should you have donations, please report the dollar amount made to the Edgewood Thrift Store, Vietnam Veterans of America, AM Vets or Purple Heart.

I will gladly accept your unused cell phones and take them to Exit Realty in Abingdon. Exit Realty will turn them over to the Cell Phones for Soldiers, Inc. a 501k(3) non-profit organization dedicated to providing cost free communication services to active duty military members and veterans.

WAYS & MEANS

DOTTIE BISHOFF
443-402-1421

Members: **Barbara Albers, Cathy Bowden, Joyce Brown, Karen Conte, Reno Eitel, Barbara Ledford, Betty Manthei, Betty Meidinger, Madeleine Murphy, Jeanette Petnic and Rose Marie Vaccaro**

Hi, Ladies,

Hoping you all had a blessed Christmas! Well, thanks to all of you, our Kindle Fire HD raffle was a huge success, as was our wrapping at Boscov's. Thanks to **Diane, Rose Marie, Carol, Barbara Knapp, Karen**, along with myself (**Dottie**) for volunteering again this year for this project. It is a lot of work but also a lot of fun. I am looking forward to doing this fundraiser again next year.

2013 fundraisers were successful' now let's get going on 2014—beginning with our tea in May. We need door prizes and basket donations. I will be donating two baskets with the themes of Orioles and Ravens. **Reno** has donated the prize for the hat contest.

Tickets for the tea will available at the January general meeting. Club members get priority for the ticket sales. The tables will seat ten.

I need input for more/different fundraisers, so put on your thinking caps and come up with some ideas, please.

Don't forget to give **Rose Marie Vaccaro** your Redner's tapes.

All my best, **Dottie**

DATES TO REMEMBER

January 9- General meeting, Williamsburg Inn, 7 p.m.
January 16 – Public Issues department meeting, **Reno's**, 1 p.m.
January 24 – JWC board mtg., 7 p.m. @ **Dee Martin's**, 1 p.m.
January 25 – Club reports due to district and state
February 2-8 Women's Heart Week
February 3 – National Girls and Women in Sports Day
February 7 – National Wear Red Day
February 13 – General meeting, Williamsburg Inn, 7 p.m.
February 18 – GFWC-MD Board Meeting, Linthicum
February 27 – JWC board meeting, Place and time – TBA

Cherry Squares

1 c. butter or margarine, softened
1 c. sugar
1 large egg
1 egg yolk
2 c. all-purpose flour
1 t. baking powder
¼ t. salt
1 t. vanilla extract
1 t. almond extract
1 egg white
1 ½ c. firmly packed brown sugar
1 t. vanilla extract
1 (10-ounce) jar red maraschino cherries, drained and chopped
½ c. chopped pecans or almonds

Beat the butter at medium speed with an electric mixer until creamy; gradually add 1 c. sugar, beating well. Add egg and egg yolk, beating until yellow disappears. Combine flour, baking powder, and salt; gradually add butter mixture, beating well. Stir in 1 t. vanilla and almond extract. Spread in a greased 13 x 9 inch pan; set aside. Beat egg white at high speed with an electric mixer until stiff peaks form. Gradually add brown sugar, beating until smooth; stir in 1 t. vanilla. Fold in cherries and pecans; spread over batter. Bake at 350 degrees for 25 minutes or until lightly browned. Cool and cut into squares. Yield: about 3 dozen.

