



Petal Power

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President's Message

March 2016

Hi Ladies,

When are we ever going to get warm weather? My vacation in FL was Ok, 1st. week was nice, but 2nd week was cold and windy. Not as bad as you had it here.

Bingo plans are rolling along, we seem to have everything and everyone in place. Hope you have seen the signs by Holy Spirit Church and on the median as you turn into Joppa Farm Road. Thanks goes out to Harry Dahl of the Joppatowne Lions Club, for letting us borrow the sandwich boards and for his printing company making the signs, and a big thanks to Hank and Rosemary Sebula for putting me in touch with Harry. Workers I would like you there at 3:30, doors open at 5:00. Will have a list of the jobs for everyone at the March meeting.

When you call in your dinner for the March meeting, call just Sherry Maxwell, Barbara will be busy and not able to take any calls. She will be at the meeting to help hostess, Sherry's number is: 443-929-2574. Dinners are Chicken Parmesan, Mini crab cakes and Plain chicken. Remember to call order in the Saturday before the meeting.

I have tickets for the tea, let me know how many you want, I hope a lot of you get some tables together. Tickets are \$28.00 ea. Get your tickets early, because they do go quickly. Baskets and door prizes will be needed.

Reno and I will be meeting with Terry from Talbots to get started on the fashion show. I will have a signup sheet at our next meeting, for you ladies to commit to accepting an assignment. This is our first fashion show, and I would like for it to be a success. It is going to be a lot of work and dedication. I know you ladies can do it.

Our woman's club along with our library will be having a youth art show on March 5th. Open to public after the judging, which should be about 12:30. Loretta DiLoreto will be one of the judges. Come and check out the art work from the children attending our local schools. Some of the art will simply amaze you.

Wear green at our meeting in honor of St. Patrick's Day. All my Best,

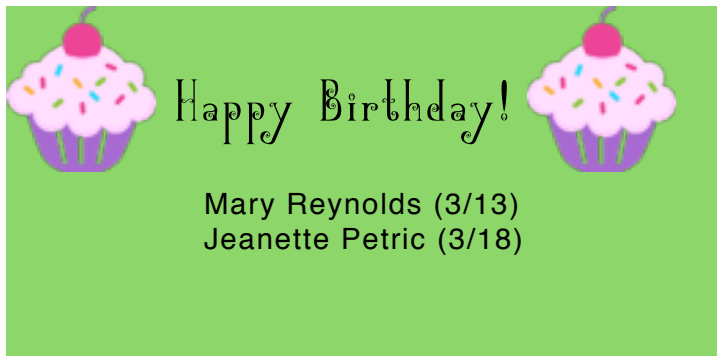
Dottie Bishoff
443-402-1421

A good friend is like a four leafed clover. Hard to find and lucky to have.



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!



*The April General Meeting
will be on April 7th and
not April 14th!*

*Birthdays are nature's way of telling us
to Eat More Cake!*



Hospitality

*Madeleine Murphy
410-569-0477*

Dinners are \$25.00. 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 Dinners are: Chicken Parmesan, Mini Crab Cakes and Plain chicken

Hostesses: Barbara Knapp & Sherry Maxwell (443-929-2574)

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

Education

*Barbara Ledford
410-679-1166*

A reminder to everyone to not forget their Redner's receipts so I can send them in ASAP!

I took our scholarship applications to Joppatowne High School this week and when they are submitted, we will meet to decide which ones we will award.

Stay safe and warm everyone! Much love to you all.

Newsletter Request!

Do you have any pictures of club activities? A special family recipe? Or a good quote or article to share?

Interested in being featured in the "Member Spotlight"?

Please email or call Leah Clague if you would like to contribute!

443-350-3889 or leah.clague@gmail.com.

Conservation

Jeanette Petric
410-679-0959

Maureen Cornett
410-676-4428

Save the Bay: Chesapeake Bay Foundation

The fight for clean water continues. Our contribution of \$25 to the Chesapeake Bay Foundation works to make sure everyone in our region can swim, fish, boat, and enjoy all recreational opportunities. We can count on bountiful crab and oyster harvests and stop industries from treating the Bay like a dumpsite for their harmful wastes. A healthy Bay is important to you, your family, and future generations.

Harford Land Trust

For 25 years, the Harford Land Trust has helped land owners, private and public, to conserve land. It protects the natural resources, scenic beauty, and rural character to provide a healthy way of life in Harford County. Harford Land Trust is Harford's first and only county-wide trust that protects farms, forests, and community parks.

Ocean Conservancy

What we do on land directly affects the oceans. Run-off from lawns, farms, streets, parking lots and construction sites are major sources of ocean pollution.

Ocean Conservancy strives to be the world's foremost advocate for the ocean. Through research and public education, they inform, inspire and empower people to speak and act for the ocean.

Remember to donate rugs, towels, and food for our little friends at the Humane Society, tabs for the Ronald McDonald House and eyeglasses for the Lion's Club. All of these items can be brought to the General Meetings for donation.



Happy St. Patrick's Day! Some Fun Facts to celebrate:



WE SHOULD REALLY WEAR BLUE - Saint Patrick himself would have to deal with pinching on his feast day. His color was "Saint Patrick's blue," a light shade. The color green only became associated with the big day after it was linked to the Irish independence movement in the late 18th century.

SAINT PATRICK WAS BRITISH - Although he made his mark by introducing Christianity to Ireland in the year 432, Patrick wasn't Irish himself. He was born to Roman parents in Scotland or Wales in the late fourth century.

THERE'S A REASON FOR THE SHAMROCKS - How did the shamrock become associated with Saint Patrick? According to Irish legend, the saint used the three-leafed plant as a metaphor for the Holy Trinity when he was first introducing Christianity to Ireland.

THERE'S NO CORN IN THAT BEEF - Corned beef and cabbage, a traditional Saint Patrick's Day staple, doesn't have anything to do with the grain corn. Instead, it's a nod to the large grains of salt that were historically used to cure meats, which were also known as "corns."

Public Issues

Barbara Knapp
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Valentines for Perry Point VA

Thank you for the abundance of Valentine cards brought to the February general meeting. Your generosity made it possible to deliver 50 cards to the Perry Point VA on February 12. Joyce Kuwae, Volunteer Service Specialist, was so pleased to receive your cards and our veterans appreciated your thoughtfulness. I was happy to learn there were other groups of children and civic organizations who also gave cards.

Harford County Sheriff's Office Child Advocacy Center (CAC)

Betty Manthei, Rose Marie Vaccaro and Barbara Knapp gathered coloring books, puzzle books, crayons, pens, pencils, small games, stuffed animals, magazines and other small items for 17 "Go-Bags." The "Go-Bags" are for children who must attend court hearings where their welfare is being decided. The "Go-Bags" keep the children entertained during the proceedings and are something the CAC has a hard time funding. The bags were delivered on February 24.

Perry Point VA Medical Center April Visit

Thank you to those of you who have contributed items for our visit to the medical center in April. Used magazines of interest to men and large print books are always welcomed. We will continue collecting toiletries that are alcohol free and in plastic containers at the general meetings leading up to our visit. I've learned body wash is a much needed item as it is less harsh than the soap provided by the VA. Other items needed are: deodorant, shampoo, combs, toothpaste, soft compact head toothbrushes with cover, lip balm, denture adhesive and denture cleaning tablets. The veterans also need stationary and envelopes, crossword and word search books, books on tape, and commercially prepared, individually wrapped snack foods. We will happily collect your donations at the March and April any general meetings.

Angels for Your Troops

This Dundalk area organization collects items for care packages to boost the moral of our troops serving in war zones. Each soldier receives 50-55 items in their care package. A list of needed items was passed out at the October general meeting by Joan Swanson who will collect our items and take them to the donation site. A few donation suggestions: soap, sunblock, lip balm, band-aids, washcloths, gum, dental floss, toothpaste, blankets or throws, Lifesavers, playing cards, Frisbees, snacks (dried fruits, crackers, licorice, trail mix), socks - size 10-13, warm hats, blankets or throws, and prayer cards. Joan can supply a more complete list upon request. Items will be accepted at any general meeting and is an ongoing project for JWC Public Issues.

Cell Phones for Soldiers

Provides cost-free communication services to active-duty military members and veterans. Rose Marie Vaccaro will take donations of no longer needed cell phones and accessories. The items will be taken to the Exit Realty donation site. This is another ongoing Public Issues project.

Clothing, Household Items Donations for Military Veteran Support Organizations

The dollar amount of clothing and household items you give to Purple Heart, Vietnam Veterans of America, and Am Vets will be tracked by Barbara Ledford. We will also track donations to the Wounded Warriors Project.

Arts

Diane Raycob
410-893-7534

On Saturday, March 5 there will be a Youth Art contest. There are three levels of ages and two categories for each age group—art and photography. Our judges will be our own club member Loretta DiLoreto and a fellow artist nationally known Jo Houtz. The judging will take place from 11 a.m. –noon. Light refreshments will be served. Certificates prepared by Sherry Maxwell and signed by our president Dottie Bishoff will be presented to the winners and monetary prizes will be given for placing first, second, or third.

The middle and high school level winners will go on to the Baltimore District's art contest held on March 17th. And, if the Joppatowne artists win there, they will go on to the MFWC State contest held on March 22.

Please stop by and show your support on Saturday. We hope this is the beginning of an annual event. And, many, many thanks to Sherry for working with the library to help make this show a success!

The next day, March 6, three members are attending a play at the Chesapeake Shakespeare Company. It looks like a fun play and we'll tell you all about it at our March general meeting.

The Bel Air Community Chorus will be performing "I Dream A World: Anthems for Social Justice" on Sunday, April 24th at 3:00 pm - Bel Air High School.

Home Life

Barbara Albers
410-679-5260

Our next project is the Mother's Day dinner for Anna's House. Most of our members contribute the same thing, so I will make the list, and if you're unable to help us this year please let me know.

The list is as follows: Ham (Barb A.); crumb cake (Sue Tyber); potato salad (Dottie); watergate salad (Barb L.); broccoli salad (Maribeth); fresh fruit (Rosemary); lasagne (Rose Marie); banana pudding (Craig); brownies (Betty Manthei); plus some others. Don't forget to make two containers, and bring them to Barb's house by 11:45 am on May 6th.

Barb is busy with the bingo, the federation friendship night, and the tea. Sue is active with the bingo.

We're ready for Spring!!!

Upcoming Dates

March 5th - Youth Art Show at Joppatowne Library, 12:30 pm
March 10th - General Meeting at Parker's, 6:30 pm
March 11th - Bingo at Holy Spirit Church (workers to arrive at 3:30 pm)
May 14th – Annual Tea at the Richlin Ballroom