



Petal Power

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President's Message

May 2017

Hello Ladies.

May is always a special month, because it is the month in which we pay homage to our moms. We should celebrate our moms every day, but I think a lot of moms get forgotten. Sooo, why not treat your mom or mom treat your daughter this year to our Annual Tea. Ladies, get out there and sell those tickets, time is getting close, May 13th. If you were not at the meeting in April, you can pick up your tickets from Sue Harrington, give her a call 410-510-7710. Let Sue know if you are making a basket and if you will be bringing in door prizes for the tea.

Ladies, let Leah know of any anniversaries, special events or any news you would like to share with your club members.

There are members of the GFWC that need your prayers: Diane MacDougall, Debbie Spinnenweber, Lynn Maher, and Bobbi Tilley.

Please keep Reno Eitel's mother-in-law (Thelma) in your prayers, she is 98 years young and not doing well.

Enjoy the beautiful weather we are having!

All my best,

Dottie Bischoff
443-402-1421

3 ways to fail at everything in life:
Complain about everything
Blame others for your problems
Never be grateful



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 28 - 30 - GFWC MD State Convention (Annapolis)
May 4 - District Board of Directors Meeting (Parkville)
May 11 - Dinner Meeting at Giovanni's
May 13 - Annual Tea, Richlin Ballroom
May 14 - Mother's Day
June 6 - Appreciation Coffee for Harford County Sheriff's
Office Southern Precinct (7:30 am)



Hospitality

Madeleine Murphy
410-569-0477

Dinners are \$21.00. 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. *Please feel free to invite your mothers and daughters to our May dinner meeting!*

The May 11th dinners are: Lasagna, Shrimp Scampi, or Plain Chicken (or Chicken Parm)

Hostesses: Ruth Cameron (410-538-7824) and Rose Marie Vaccaro (443-372-5405)

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

When you make your dinner reservation you cannot change it at the last minute. The restaurant prepares the dinners that I have called in. Positively no walk ins at the last minute, the restaurant gets very upset.

Newsletter Request!

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

Actions You Can Take to Save the Bay!

- 1 - Dispose of yard waste in paper bags or boxes instead of plastic bags. If you use plastic bags they can be taken to a recycling center.
- 2 - Clean up after your pets
- 3 - Oil, paints, cleaners and drugs should never be flushed down a drain. Check with your waste management server about how to dispose of them properly.
- 4 - The less you use chemical fertilizers, herbicides and pesticides, the better it is for the bay.

Continue saving tabs from aluminum cans, used eyeglasses and items for the Harford County Humane Society (rugs, towels, small blankets, and cat or dog food). You can bring items to any meeting or arrange for pickup.



Home Life

Sue Tyber
410-679-8963

Joan Swanson
410-931-2565

By the time this article comes out we will have held our last meeting before Fall.

As we discussed at the April meeting, we are again providing a Mother's Day meal for Anna's house. A sign-up sheet was circulated at the April meeting. If you didn't sign up for anything but still want to help out - everyone is bringing 2 items - you can make one of them to ease the burden. Otherwise, we are covered. The food will be dropped off at Sue's home on Friday morning May 12th at 11 am. (Come to garage end of house and we will put the food right in the car.) She and Maribeth will deliver the food to Anna's House that morning. (Any questions, call Sue at 410-679-8963.)

Next up will be a kitchen basket to be delivered to Habitat for Humanity.

Sue and Joan

Education

Barbara Albers Barbara Ledford
410-679-5620 410-679-1166

We received acknowledgement of the check sent to the Harford Community College ("HCC"). They will start selecting applicants on May 1st.

All of our volunteers are still busy reading with their students.

For all those interested in adult education, check out HCC, Senior Center, or library.

Arts

Sherry Maxwell
443-929-2574

Upcoming Events:

May 5 – May 7th: Harford Community College Actor's Guild Production of The Adventures of Tom Sawyer. Various performance times.

May 15th: An Evening of Chamber Music. Harford Community College at 7:00 pm.

May 19th: Evening of Jazz. Harford Community College at 8:00 pm.

May 19th – May 21st: Beauty & the Beast performed by the Harford Dance Theatre. Harford Community College. Various performance times.

Various Dates - Girls Night Out at Towne Grill & Pub. Check with location for upcoming paint sessions.



International

Sherry Maxwell
443-929-2574



As of this publication we have collected **54** bras for "Free the Girls". Our final collection date will be at the May meeting for delivery in June.

Public Issues

Barbara Knapp

410-679-4330

Perry Point VA Medical Center Visit, April 27

We made our yearly visit with our veterans on April 27. Thank you to everyone who made it possible to offer each veteran their choice of toiletry items, socks, under ware and magazines. We always enjoy our interaction with the men and the opportunity to thank them for their service to protect our freedoms. Your generous donations of travel size toiletries for the homeless veterans will be left with the volunteer services office for distribution. We also gathered several full size backpacks, duffel bags and day packs for veterans in need. Thank you.

Harford County Sheriff's Office Southern Precinct Appreciation Coffee, June 6

The PI committee met in March to outline the menu for our 4th annual visit to the Southern Precinct. We will provide coffee, food and our gratitude for the protection and community goodwill the sheriff's office provides.. We encourage all JWC members show their support by joining us on June 6. We will be setting up at 6:30 a.m. and ready to serve the deputies and staff during shift change at 7:30 a.m.

Angels Supporting 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. Joan Swanson 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 Swanson 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 through the recycling of cell phones and accessories.. Rose Marie Vaccaro will take donations to the Exit Realty collection site. This is another ongoing Public Issues project.

Clothing, Household Items Donations for Military Veteran Support Organizations

Please report the dollar amount of clothing and household items you donate to Purple Heart, Vietnam Veterans of America, and Am Vets to Barbara Ledford. Funds generated from the sale of your donations benefit our veterans.

Ways & Means

Sue Harrington
410-510-7710

Joan Swanson
410-931-2565

Preparations are underway for our Annual Tea to be held on Saturday May 13th at the Richlin Ballroom. We would like to thank everyone for the time spent helping to organize it and selling tickets. We have a lot of baskets and door prizes being donated and without them, the tea would not be the success it is. Tickets are still available and we hope to have a great turnout. Hope to see all of our ladies there plus their families and friends.

