



# Petal Power

GFWC JOPPATOWNE WOMAN'S CLUB, INC.  
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*President's Message*

*November 2016*

## **"Volunteers - Heart of the Community"**

Hello Ladies,

BRRRR!! "Baby its cold outside" can you even imagine being a homeless teenager and maybe sleeping on the streets or in an abandoned car. Well, I can't, that is why I am very pleased that the Joppatowne Woman's Club, has decided to adopt the SHIP Project (Student Homelessness Initiative Project). Further information will be discussed at our dinner meeting November 10<sup>th</sup>.

We will be initiating a new member at the November 10<sup>th</sup> meeting, I hope to see a lot of you at this meeting, please introduce yourself to her and make her feel comfortable. We are also having an author as guest speaker.

Everyone has probably received their Christmas raffle tickets, so let's get out there and sell, sell, sell, or if you don't like asking people to purchase the tickets, buy them yourself!

Signs are out advertising our bingo, it's looking good ladies. Don't forget November 11<sup>th</sup>!

Please keep loved ones in your prayers, especially Diane MacDougall (President, Dundalk Woman's Club,) she has had another setback, with fluid on her lungs, and throughout her body. She is back in MICU.

Enjoy your Thanksgiving!

All my Best,

*Dottie Bishoff*

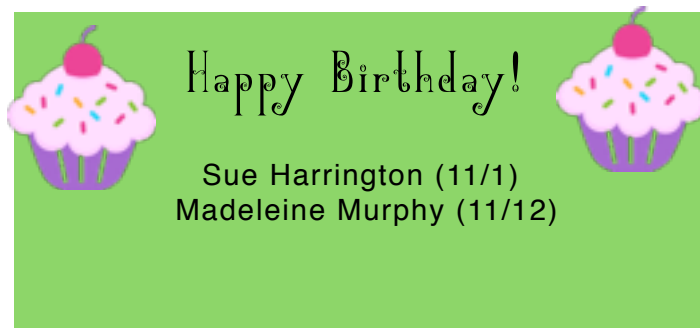
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*When life gives you more than you can stand - KHEEL!*



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 26<sup>th</sup> of the month!*



*Birthdays are nature's way of telling us to eat more cake.*

## Programs

Sherry Maxwell  
443-929-2574

We almost have a complete schedule but still need speakers for the months of March and April 2017. If you have a speaker to recommend or if you would like to present a topic we'd love to hear from you! Our speaker for November will be local author Karin Harrison. She will have on hand some of her books for autographing (with purchase). What a wonderful holiday gift for an avid reader on your list!



## 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.

The November 10th Dinners are: Eggplant Parm., Shrimp Marinara, or Breaded Chicken

Hostesses: Barbara Knapp (410-679-4330) and Barbara Ledford (410-679-1166)

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

## 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](mailto:leah.clague@gmail.com).

## Conservation

Jeanette Petric  
410-679-0959

Maureen Cornett  
410-676-4428

The Humane Society has many cats and kittens that have been brought to them. They are looking to place them in homes (adoption). Among items needed by the Humane Society are small animal bedding, cat litter, food, toys, and towels and washcloths. You can bring them to the next meeting or call me for pickup or dropoff.

Continue saving pull tabs and eyeglasses and bring them to our next meeting.



## Home Life

Sue Tyler  
410-679-8963

Joan Swanson  
410-931-2565

On September 29th, we had our first Home Life meeting - unfortunately, attendance was light (5 members attended) due to the illness of two members. We discussed our plans for the coming year.

Joan spoke with Evette/Habitat for Humanity regarding any upcoming home dedications. There will be a home ready sometime in January or March. We will be getting things together for a welcome basket.

Ann's House has given us a wish list - bedding and paper products. Joan and I have purchased the bedding (sheets and quilts) - if any of the club members would like to donate any paper products, please bring to the November meeting.

It was also discussed that our committee will do whatever we can to support the club's efforts with SHIP.

## Education

Barbara Albers  
410-679-5620

Barbara Ledford  
410-679-1166

Most of the ladies that regularly read with elementary students have met with Ms. Constantine, and chosen our students. However, if you are interested, please let me know because there are many students who need your assistance. This is a rewarding project that we all enjoy.

"Orphan Train Movement": From 1854 to 1929 over 200,000 homeless, neglected children were sent by children's agencies from eastern U. S. cities to farming communities in the Midwest to find stable homes. They became a part of the historic Orphan Train Movement. Join guest author Donna Nordmark Aviles, a descendant of an Orphan Train Movement child who will share what she has learned about this historical time. This book is highly recommended by Sue. Monday, November 14th at 6:30 pm at the Joppa Library.

The lunch time book discussion this month is "The Paris Architect." It is being held Monday, November 21 at noon. Bring your own lunch.

**Save the Date: JWC Art Competition will be held on Saturday, March 11<sup>th</sup> at the Joppa Library.**

Girls Night Out at the Towne Grill and Pub! Here are classes for this month. Ladies, why not make a “date” with a JWC member and have some fun!

- November 1<sup>st</sup> - Christmas Ornaments (1-3 & 6-8 pm)
- November 7<sup>th</sup> - Christmas Wood Candle Holder (1-3 & 6-8 pm)
- November 12<sup>th</sup> - Christmas Ornaments - Pick 3! (9:30 to Noon)
- November 15<sup>th</sup> - Maryland Canvas (9x12) (6-8 pm)
- November 21<sup>st</sup> - Christmas Mason Jar/flicker tea lights (1-3 & 6-8 pm)
- November 28<sup>th</sup> - Christmas Pavers (1-3 & 6-8 pm)

“*Rejoice and Be Merry*” is the theme for the Winter Concert performed by the Bel Air Community Chorus on Sunday, December 11<sup>th</sup> from 3:00 to 4:30 pm. This year’s concert will be held at St. Matthew Lutheran Church on Churchville Road in Bel Air. Celebrate the sounds of the season with this **FREE** concert!



Let’s make a child happy for the holidays! At the October meeting, information was provided for “Operation Christmas Child”. Through Samaritan’s Purse members can pick an age group (2-4, 5-9, or 10-14), a boy or girl and fill a shoebox with fun toys, hygiene items and even school supplies. Please bring your shoebox to the November meeting for delivery to one of the area drop off locations.

**\*\*Please note, if you would like to wrap your gift make sure to wrap the top and bottom separately.**

Ladies, keep in mind that we also have these things going on throughout the year that are easy to do!

1) **The Root Collective** is an online shop with really cute shoes, bags and jewelry. The founder Bethany Tran lives in Towson, MD. She works with artisans in Guatemala to get their products to America. 10% of the profits are given back to non-profit organizations in their communities. Go to [www.therootcollective.com](http://www.therootcollective.com).

2) **SERRV** - has connections with artisans and farmers worldwide. This is a 65-year old organization that is helping to break the cycle of poverty. Shop online at [servv.org](http://servv.org).

3) **Save the Children** - a leading expert in children, our donation goes to provide assistance where it is most needed—environmental, economic, or programmatic. Go online to [SavetheChildren.org/gifts](http://SavetheChildren.org/gifts).

Please let the members of this department know if you have made any purchases with these great Organization’s. Please give us the organization’s name, the date, and the amount. We will report this at the end of the year. Thanks!

November 11 is Veterans Day. It marks the signing of the armistice, which ended WWI between the Allied nations and Germany in 1918. We use this day to remember and thank our Veterans for their services to the United States. Please look for an opportunity to recognize a soldier or veteran for their sacrifices.



**Candy for Our Troops** (one of the Operation Gratitude programs)

This national program brings together participating dentists accepting leftover Halloween candy for Operation Gratitude. The candy leaves a central point in California for shipment to our deployed U.S. Military. Please bring any left over wrapped Halloween candy to the November general meeting. Joan Swanson will take our donations to a local donation site, the Abingdon Family Dentistry Office.

**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. 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**

Please report the dollar amount of clothing and household items you give to Purple Heart, Vietnam Veterans of America, and Am Vets to Barbara Ledford. We will report your in-kind donations in our yearly report.

**Harford County Sheriff's Office Christmas Toy Drive**

Looking ahead to December, we will again partner with the Harford County Sheriff's Office and collect new, unwrapped toys for underprivileged children (ages 4-14) at our December general meeting. More information will come in the December Petal Power.



## Ways & Means

Sue Harrington Joan Swanson  
410-510-7710 410-931-2565

Our fall bingo (November 11) is quickly approaching. We will be having a meeting at my house (Sue Harrington – 415 Acadia Dr.) to finalize all last minute plans on Thursday November 3rd at 1:00. We have enough volunteers for baskets and workers, so thank you in advance for all your hard work. Even if you are unable to help during the bingo, we hope you and your family/friends will be able to attend. It will be a great night of fun and games.



We have set up twice at the Flea Market to sell our Christmas Raffle tickets and have done very well. Please bring your money and ticket stubs to our next meeting on November 10th.

## Dates to Remember

November 10<sup>th</sup>. Dinner Meeting-6:00-pay for meal, buy 50/50 and socialize, 6:30 meeting begins, 7:00 dinner starts. Call hostesses the Saturday before the meeting date.

November 11<sup>th</sup>. Joppatowne Woman's Club Bingo at Holy Spirit Church, doors open 6:00 pm. Come support your club, it is always a lot of fun...

### Recipe of the Month - Do Nothing Cake

From the Kitchen of the Marie Eck, Edgewood Lions Club

#### Cake:

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| 2 cups sugar | 1 teaspoon baking soda                 |
| 2 cups flour | 1 teaspoon vanilla                     |
| 2 eggs       | 16 ounces crushed pineapple, undrained |

#### Icing:

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| 1/2 cup butter          | 1 cup coconut      |
| 1 cup sugar             | 1 cup nuts         |
| 3/4 cup evaporated milk | 1 teaspoon vanilla |

Place first 6 ingredients in a bowl & mix until blended with spoon. Pour into 13x9 inch cake pan. Bake at 350°F 35-40 minutes.

For Icing: Mix butter, sugar and evaporated milk together and cook over medium heat until a little thickened. (This usually takes about 5 minutes at a boil).

Remove from heat and add remaining ingredients. Pour over hot cake.

# Member Notes

Dear Toppatowne Federation Sisters,

Please let me thank you for your prayers, thoughts of caring and concern during my recovery from the Lipogems procedure on my knee. The fresh flowers, offers to bring dinners or provide a ride, along with the many cards and notes you sent were much appreciated. Each act of kindness touched my heart and hastened my healing. I am so very grateful to know all of you and have you in my life. You are truly "Women Creating Positive Change ... Living the Volunteer Spirit".

With many thanks and warm regards, I am

Yours In Federation Service and Love,

Rene Eitel

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Dee Kettlehut, a member of our club for thirty years has moved to Michigan to be with her daughter.

Please keep in touch!

Address: 8000 Chamberlin Road, Dexter, Michigan 48130

Phone: 734-426-2476

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Sherry Maxwell, has been an avid fan of Photography since receiving her first camera which was a Pentax K1000. Over the year's she has taken many photos and often submits them to our local fairs in the area. This year's competition outcome is humorously referred to as "The Year of the Traveling Goat": Mason / Dixon Fair (held July 11th - July 16th): Second Place - Insect Category + Third Place - B+W Category, Harford Farm Fair (July 28th - July 31st): First Place - B+W Category, Maryland State Fair (August 25th - September 5th): 4th Place - B+W Animal Category + 4th Place - Waterfowl Category

(Note: There were over 860 entries in the Photography categories this year.

What a prestigious honor to be selected as a winner!)

Sherry comments that, "This Lil' Goat traveled to 3 fairs in 2016 and

placed at each one. He will continue his "Year" by being entered into additional competitions to see how he does....stay tuned as he continues his journey...."

