

September 2014 Newsletter

New Bern Woman's Club

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Yearbook Revisions to be Distributed

As yearbooks are no longer printed in their entirety, you will receive only those pages requiring revisions this year.

Those revised pages will be distributed at the September meeting. Please obtain your copy from the chair of your CSP. If you belong to more than one CSP, check with the one first in the alphabet. If you are not affiliated with any CSP, your yearbook will be on the table in the Sun Room. Please return your envelopes to Sandra Rawlings at the next meeting



Holly and Ivy

It's time to start thinking Holly & Ivy... There are six properties confirmed plus St. Paul's historic Catholic Church. Co-Chairs, Melinda Mantel and Betty Knapp would like to thank everyone for their assistance this summer. Sign Up sheets will be on the tables at the September 4th meeting for your docent shift. Be sure to indicate which shift you prefer. Let's put Saturday December 13th on your calendars NOW!

President's message

Author Steven Covey, in his book The Seven Habits of Highly Effective People lists Habit 2 as **Begin With the End In Mind**, Habit 2 is based on imagination—the ability to envision in your mind what you cannot presently see with your eyes. As I begin my second term as your president, I am imagining another successful year of service to each other and to our community. I am imagining 90+ members working together to achieve what none of us could achieve on our own. And I'm imagining lots of laughter and friendship along the way and a great feeling of accomplishment come May when we reflect back on all we've done this club year.

We have a lot on our plate this fall starting with supporting the Bike MS Race in September, hosting the District 8 Meeting on October 11th, time traveling back to 1932 as we again participate in Ghost Walk and, of course, Holly and Ivy on Saturday, December 13th. In between, we have Meals on Wheels, Sunshine Committee, CSP Projects, and informative interesting programs at our monthly general meetings. And each of these events needs the commitment and participation of YOU to be successful. So lace up your "imagination" and come prepared to hit the ground running as we begin our 109th year on September 4th.

Cheers,
Kathy

You Are Invited

Our program on September 4th will be "Opportunities of the Life Long Learning Center" at Craven Community College. Jennifer Bear will be our speaker so come get "educated" on what Craven College offers to our community. Hope to see you there. The menu for our first luncheon of the season will be the Country Club's delicious Chicken Caesar Salad.



Important Reminder

Reservations and money for our September 4th meeting are due for yourself and any guests by Saturday, August 30th. Please send your checks to:

Marcy Riordan
P.O. 3165
New Bern, NC 28564.



Precious Purses Update

Franky Waters received the following thank you note from Martha Hardison, the Director of the Coastal Woman's Shelter:

Dear Franky, PP Committee and NBWC Members,

I want to thank the New Bern Woman's Club for all their efforts on the Precious Purse Collection project. The project has been a real success story for the agency and the clients. I wish everyone in the club could see the faces of the women when they get their purses. In their hours of trauma, the purse becomes a ray of sunshine and something for them to hold on to. For the agency, this has been a great outreach and public awareness event.

The project was so successful we will have enough purses for some time for our use and to share as needed with other agencies.

Special Thanks to all.

Martha Hardison
Director, Coastal Women's Shelter



President's Project-Web Site

The web site is currently under development and will hopefully be launched in September. The web address will be: newbernwomansclub.com. There will be a password protected "Members Only" section with lots of information including an up to date directory of member's names, addresses, phone numbers and email addresses. (If anyone does not want their email address included, please contact me and I will exclude it). I'm excited about this project and hope that you are as well. There will be more about the log-on process and hopefully a demo of what we have to date at the September meeting. Stay tuned...

Call for Donations

As you recall from our spring meetings, the Public Issues/International Affairs CSP will be collecting voluntary donations for the Safe House and for the New Bern Older adult Housing (NOAH) residents. For the safe house, they will be collecting toiletries such as: toothbrushes, toothpaste, shampoo, conditioner, Kleenex, comb and hair brushes, children's books, puzzles and small games.

For the NOAH residents who have less than \$19,000 for the year they will be collecting lotions, nail kits, nail polish, body powder, ink pens, note pads, AA batteries, dish soap, laundry soap, and cleaning sponges.



Meals on Wheels

Many thanks to all of you who have faithfully delivered meals through the summer. We'll have the opportunity to sign up at our meeting for some open dates in September and all of October.

Frozen Meals:

Sept. 2 (Tuesday due to Labor Day Holiday)--Paula Lindsay and Susan Lucas
Sept 8—Ellen Watson and _____
Sept 15—Emily Helling and Kathy Fannin
Sept 22—Kristin Bonforte and Paula Lindsay
Sept 29—Rebecca Fenn and Kathy Fannin

Hot Meals

Sept. 11—Paula Lindsay and Susan Lucas
Sept. 22—Susan Lucas and _____

The Usual Reminders

- Reservations must be made for you and your guests and all money must be to Marcy no later than the Saturday before a meeting. Marcy must make a commitment to the club for the number of lunches we need and so she needs to have your money by then.
- If you will attend the meeting but not stay for lunch, please let Marcy know by Saturday so you will have a seat. Guests are welcome at any meetings.
- You may pay for any number of lunches in advance. If you are unable to attend a luncheon that you have paid for, and notify her by the Saturday before the meeting, she will move your money to the next month.
- If you have special dietary needs, please let Marcy know and she will make every effort to see that the club meets your requirements.
- Please DO NOT call the Club directly so that Marcy can keep our communications and records unified.
- The following month's menu will be published in the Newsletter as well as announced at the previous month's meeting.
- Please call Marcy if you have any questions.



Ghost Walk

The New Bern Historical Society has again asked the Club to participate in Ghost Walk on Oct. 23-25. The year is 1932 and NBWC is hosting a public meeting to discuss plans for the construction of Union Point Park. The tentative venue is the First Presbyterian Parish Hall on Craven Street.

All members are invited to dress in period costume and participate as audience members. This is a great opportunity for the general public to become acquainted with us and some of the things we've done for the community, so mark your calendars now and plan to participate.



NBWC Sunshine Committee

The Sunshine Committee was formed about 2 ½ years ago with the goal to help our sister members in need the same way we support area schools and organizations. At present we have 35 active members and still growing with 500+ hours given of our personal time last year.

How can you help? If you are aware that a member is ill or is going into the hospital, please contact D' stone—the committee chair. To ensure the family's privacy is not interrupted and their wishes honored, a call will be made to discuss what, if any, assistance is required. If the family doesn't feel our help is needed, a call will be made in the following weeks to reestablish our willingness to help.

In many instances the best approach is sending cards. If this is the case, the membership will be contacted. This will be followed with special attention to keeping the cards going out for several weeks.

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Sunshine Committee (con't)

If food preparation and delivery is required, the committee will be advised and a several week schedule will be arranged and followed by the chairman. Reminders and updates will be sent to the committee to ensure continuity.

Of course, this group can use any and all help. If you are interested, please contact D' Stone, Committee Chair at (252) 633-2640 or dstoned6@gmail.com and let her know what you would be interested in doing; home visits, phone calls, meal preparation and delivery or, "all of the above".

Community Service Programs Notes

<p style="text-align: center;">Home Life</p> <p>Home Life will hold their first dinner meeting of the fall on the third Thursday of the month—September 18 at 6PM at the New Bern Golf and Country Club.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Public Issues/International Outreach</p> <p>Public Issues meets every third Tuesday at Famous Pizza on Neuse Blvd. Meetings start at 11 am</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Arts</p> <p>Liz hopes that everyone had a wonderful summer and is ready to get back to work, They will start off with the "shoe project" to raise money for Art Projects for the 2015 year. She hopes that everyone has lots of shoes or boots to collect. Anne Harman and Pat Donnelly will be chairing the local Arts Festival in January. They are starting the year with a very busy few months. The Arts CSP meets immediately after the monthly meetings.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Education</p> <p>Welcome back, Ladies! Our first meeting is on September 10, 2014 from 10:30 am until 12 noon at the New Bern-Craven County Public Library, 400 Johnson Street, New Bern.</p>

September

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
August 30	Reservations due for September Meeting					
	1 Labor Day 	2 MoW	3	4 Arts Gen. Meet	5 Bike MS	6 Bike MS
7	8 MoW	9	10 E	11 MoW Hot Meals	12	13
14	15 MoW	16 PI	17	18 HL	19	20
21	22 MoW Hot and Frozen Meals	23	24	25	26	27 Reservations due for Oct mtg.
28	29 MoW	30				

Happy Birthday to our September Birthday Ladies: Francine Gamble, Cheryl Fries and Mary Womack



Community Services Programs Meetings are listed in red, A-Arts, E-Education, HL-Home Life, PI-Public Issues

Projects

AF—Art in Focus: First Saturday of month 9:30 am-noon, assist a student with an art project at Focus Therapy Services on Neuse Blvd. (ARTS-Emily Helling)

GSH—Good Shepherd Home: Last Friday of every month, bring cupcakes, gift items for clients' birthday party. (PUBLIC ISSUES-Shirley Elikor)

MoW—Meals on Wheels: By 9:30 am, pick up 5 frozen meals in special blue bags for each client at the Senior Center on George St. to deliver. Pickup time, delivery times and blue bags return to be documented. Submit volunteer info form to the Center. Deliveries are every Monday except holidays, when deliveries are made on Tuesdays.

SSC—Sallie Southall Cotton Scholarship: Interview committee will meet monthly (Education-June Boyd)

Membership Update

Membership is an ongoing project. It is our task as NBWC members to promote our wonderful group. As a sponsor to a prospective member, take the time to share with them all that our group has to offer. Explain the responsibilities of membership and assist them in the application process. I have postcards available to help you and Melinda is always available to answer questions.

We will be installing two new members at the September meeting. More information will be presented in the October newsletter!