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NEW BERN WOMAN'S CLUB

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President's Message

February is the month of hearts and flowers for our loved ones. We celebrate past presidents. And I get a year older. That always makes me cranky, I never want to admit my age. It has been a standing joke in the family that I am once again 59. Our Club turns 114 years old this year and look at all we have done. Maybe this year I won't be so crabby because, along with all of you, I think we have contributed a lot to our community in the past year. And also, thanks to you, we have some new ideas about what we will do next. Overwhelmingly you all want to continue the Holly & Ivy Tour. Better put that on your calendar for December because we will want help. We will be looking into designing new shirts to wear when we are working in the community. We will also see if it is advisable to "adopt a nursing home" to do some hands-on activities with shut-ins. There are many more ideas, but I think this is a good place to start. Again, thank you all for your thoughts.

We will be talking about this year's budget at the meeting. Please take some time to go over it so we can vote on it in March. It is also time for our nominating committee to be asking for ladies to step up and serve a term in office. If you would like to serve on the Board of Directors, please contact a committee member or me. It has truly been an honor for me to be part of this

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Meals on Wheels

"Volunteers reflect this nation's compassion, unselfish caring, patience, and just plain loving each other."

By: Erma Bombeck

Thank you for embodying this sentiment, Ladies (and Gentleman)! You are all blessings in the lives of many.

Paula Lindsay

February

Substitute: Jeaninne Billingsley

Pembroke

11-Lori Carlblom & Paula Lindsay

25-Rebecca Fenn & Liz Maravelas

James City

14-Jane & Charlie Schmidt

SMARTGirls Tea

There will be a meeting to begin planning the Tea that will held in May. If you are interested in helping, please join us right after our Lunch meeting.

Liz Maravelas

Meeting Reminder

Our next general meeting is Thursday, February 7th, 11:00am, at the New Bern Golf & Country Club.

LUNCH MENU

Chicken with Raspberry & Creamy Brie Sauce, French Green Beans and Garlic Whipped Potatoes

Your check for \$15.00, made out to NBWC, needs to be sent or delivered to Liz Maravelas, 6314 Cardinal Drive, New Bern, NC 28560, by Saturday, February 2nd. Please get your checks in on time. If you are not planning to come to the meeting, PLEASE call or email me. If you do not notify Liz, you will be charged for your lunch since the Club MUST pay for all meals that are ordered. Phone Liz at 638-6238.

This month is a great time to change where you sit and get to know some of the new members.

Liz Maravelas

Speaker's Corner

This month our guest speaker will be Brandy Popp from Carolina East Health Center. She will be speaking about all the new happenings at the hospital. This is a great opportunity to ask questions about the new Cancer Center and other changes the hospital is pursuing.

Liz Maravelas

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group for the past many years. Is it your turn? I am looking forward to seeing all the pink and red outfits on February 7th. I don't have anything red ... hummmm ... shopping?

Marcy Riordan

Membership

Janice Joyner Panza, Lori Carlblom and Judy Chamberlain were inducted into membership at our January meeting. We were glad to have Roselinde Wilson and Ginny Jambor visit us for their second visit. This month we will be welcoming several ladies as visitors, some requesting membership into our Club. Let's all make an effort to talk to them and tell them about the opportunities available for service in our community through the New Bern woman's Club.

Vickie White



L to R: Janice Joyner Panza, Lori Carlblom, Judith Chamberlain

Sunshine Committee

Pat Eglington and Barbara Stumpf have recovered from minor office surgery in January. Karen Clevenger has returned from rehab in Greenville and now is home with assistance. Sandra Rawlings is hoping to join us for the February meeting.

Frances Foley
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Education Department

All the Education Department could do was say a big "WOW" after we were blessed to have Darlene Brown, Executive Director of Partners in Education, as our guest speaker on January 9th. It was astounding to all present at the meeting how hard Darlene works with our community businesses and citizens in order to obtain the many grants used to aid our schools with additional funding to further the STEM program and many other worthwhile programs. We all left with a clearer understanding of how important PIE is to our students. Please go to the PIE website (www.cravenpartners.com) and read all about it.



L to R: Jeaninne Billingsley and Darlene Brown

Our February gathering will take place at the home of Pam Barnes on February 13th at 11:30am. Pam worked very hard on our cookbook committee and would like to host a celebration "Thank You" luncheon for all cookbook committee members along with our project department Education. NBWC members that worked diligently getting the cookbook produced are Sharon Kenny (whose idea it was to create a cookbook), Fran Foley, Jean Horrell, Vickie White, Rebecca Fenn, Pam Barnes, Paula Lindsay, Susan Lucas, Pam Gaskill, Sandra Rawlings, Kathy

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Public Issues Department

At our January meeting Public Issues members finalized our budget requests. This year we will be supporting the Colonial Capital Humane Society, Canines in Motion and Craven County Hope. Our February meeting will be on Tuesday, February 20th, 11:30am, at Paula's Restaurant. We invite you to join us; just let Shirley Elliker or me know.

Sandra Rawlings

New Bern Woman's Club Scholarship for Seniors

This scholarship will be awarded based on the candidate's character, scholastic records, evidence of intellectual promise, demonstration of ambition, leadership ability, and need for financial assistance. The applicant must be a resident of Craven County and must be a member of a senior class in an accredited North Carolina School. Some have asked about the criteria for this scholarship. Applicant must be in the upper fourth of the class. Applicant must use the official application form. The scholarship is to be used toward tuition at an accredited community college or university. Please encourage any senior you know to apply for this scholarship. The scholarship has been \$1000 for many years. But with the sale of the cookbooks, we have increased that amount.

Vickie White



A Gentle Reminder

Ladies, sometimes we don't realize just how far our voices can carry. I would like to suggest that you consider keeping pen and paper handy during our meetings. If, during the meeting, a thought occurs that you wish to share with a neighbor you can make a quick note to remember when all is finished. The speaker will appreciate it and so will your table mates.

Sandra Rawlings
Parliamentarian

Treasurer's Report

No report this month.

Chris Skrotsky

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Fannin and Jeaninne Billingsley. We now have enough funds collected from cookbook sales to increase each of our three scholarships from \$1000 to \$2000 this year. This was our goal and we are excited to say that we have reached it. Additionally, we have 70 cookbooks left to sell which will allow us to further education in our community in other ways. We also appreciate so much all those who graciously gave of their time to help with sales at Mumfest and Farmers Market. A huge "Thank You" also to Lu Hoff for selling many cookbooks at Poor Charlie's. We will honor all of you at a general meeting this spring.

Jeaninne Billingsley

Reflections for the Month

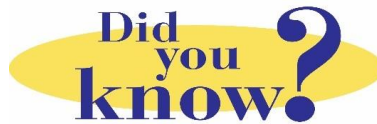
"Faith is raising the sail of our little boat until it is caught up in the soft winds above and pick up speed, not from anything within itself, but from the vast resources of the universe around us."

Author: W. Ralph Ward Jr.
Shared by: Marilyn Ontiveros

Home Life Department

The Home Life Department is busy planning community service projects! Please join us on February 21st, 5:30pm, at the NBGCC to continue our conversation. Let Susan Lucas know if you are planning to attend.

Susan Lucas



.....that there is a history of our club in your yearbook? There is also a copy of "The House that Depression Built" which was taken from the Woman's Home Companion issue of September 1934. It precedes the "History of the New Bern Woman's Club". The first is a somewhat romanticized version of our club's first clubhouse and the second a little misleading. Next month we will try to put the romance together with the "official" club history.