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NEW BERN WOMAN'S CLUB

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President's Message

I am so looking forward to spring. Haven't we had enough rain and gloom? I keep telling myself that at least we haven't had to shovel white stuff. My kids across the country are having a harder time. The budding flowers and trees are always so cheerful and bright. As many of you are, I am wondering what impact the hurricane will have on the scenery here. It is good to see, however, how much of the debris is now gone. At our meeting this month, we will be presenting our Holly and Ivy gifts to the first responders of the Craven **Emergency Response Teams and to the** Salvation Army. Since you were all part of the success of the tour and all voted to donate the funds, I wanted you to be part of the check giving.

At this month's meeting we will have the Home Life Department present us with a new project, the Vial of Life. It is a big undertaking and we will all need to help. My special thanks to Franky Waters for bringing this to us. This month the Arts Department will be showcasing our talented members. Hummmm, wonder what we'll see. You don't want to miss it.

Marcy Riordan



Meals on Wheels

I hope you are all well and doing fine despite this dreary day. We know the sun's out there somewhere!

March

Substitute: Paula Lindsay

Pembrook

11-Ronnie Greene & Barbara Shively 25-Rebecca Fenn & Joanne Straight James City

14-Barbara Lubsen & Judy

Chamberlain

Dear Ladies, your faithfulness and dedication to this project is humbling. May you all be richly blessed for your devotion to service.

Gratefully Yours, Paula Lindsay

SMARTGirls Tea

Save the Date! The SmartGirls Tea Party is scheduled for Friday, May 17th at 4pm. More information to come.

Liz Maravelas

Meeting Reminder

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

LUNCH MENU

Maple Grainy Mustard Roasted Pork

Loin with Potato Gratin

Haricot Veils and Tomatoes

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, March 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 me, you will be charged for your lunch since the Club MUST pay for all meals that are ordered. Phone Liz at 638-6238.

Liz Maravelas

Speaker's Corner

This month the ladies of our Club will be exhibiting their talent much of which includes art, quilting, pottery, needlework and more. The work that will be on display is just some of their artistry. Come early and see the showing in the Sunroom. We will also have some entertainment during the meeting.

Liz Maravelas

Membership

At our February meeting, we had the following members approved for membership: Ginny Jambor sponsored by Dean Smith, Maureen Parker sponsored by Barbara Lubsen, Deborah Swan sponsored by Rebecca Fenn, and Roslinde Wilson sponsored by Mary Brown. They will be inducted in March. Gillian Kampitch, sponsored by Joan Campbell visited for her second time.

Our new member brunch will be held March 19th 10:30am, at the NBGCC. The members of the executive board and those members inducted during this biennium are invited. We want to make our new members aware of our Club's history and the opportunities for service. Sandra Rawlings plans to tell about the history of the Club. Each of the department chairs will tell about the goals of their groups.

We have many new members and want to make them feel welcome. In March, you will be able to recognize these members since they will have a ribbon on their name tag.

Vickie White

Sunshine Committee

We sent "Thinking of You" cards to Elaine Padgett and Karen Clevenger to let them know we wanted them to feel better. A sympathy card was sent to Linda Cotten, a former member and past Club president, after the death of her husband.

> Frances Foley ffoley1048@bellsouth.net 288-4357



Sunday, March 10th

Education Department

On Wednesday, February 13th, Pam
Barnes hosted a Thank You
Celebration luncheon at her lovely
home for the Cookbook Committee
members and the Education
Department. It was even more special
because many brought one of their
recipes for everyone to try. Pam
surprised us with a beautiful serenade
by the Southern Gentlemen
Barbershop Chorus. The food was
delicious and a wonderful time was
had by all. Thank you so much Pam,
for opening your home for a fantastic
celebration luncheon.



The Education Department will meet Wednesday, March 13th at 10:30am, NBGCC. The guest speaker will be our

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Arts Department

Wilmington Trip

On Wednesday, March 13th, the Arts Department will visit two art museums in Wilmington. The first is the Cameron Art Museum at a cost of \$15 for admission (Barb Lubsen will collect the fee). Lunch at your own expense will follow at the museum's café. The second is the Cape Fear Museum, free admission. The group will meet at 8:3;0am in the parking lot near Hobby Lobby. From there, Kathy Fannin and Chris Skrotsky will drive their high capacity vehicles to Wilmington. Another vehicle will be added if needed. Expect to return around 5:30-6:00pm. If you are interested in attending, please contact:

Chris Skrotsky
chrisandrob@suddenlink.net
Barbara Lubsen
blubsen@suddenlink.net

Home Life Department

Home Life continues to work on the Vial of Life project. Our March meeting is Thursday, March 21st, 5:30pm, at NBGCC. All are welcome...let Susan Lucas know if you will be attending.

Susan Lucas

Public Issues Department
No report this month.

Sandra Rawlings

Cookbook Sales Update

The Education Department celebrated raising over \$3,000 from its cookbook sales to increase each annual scholarship from \$1,000 to \$2,000.



The Cookbook Committee

1st row: Sharon Kenny, Jean Horrell, Jeaninne Billingsley

2nd row: Vickie White, Fran Foley, Pam Gaskill 3rd row: Pam Barnes and Kathy Fannin. Not pictured: Sandra Rawlings, Susan Lucas, Paula Lindsay and Rebecca Fenn

A Big Thank You to all members listed below who participated in selling cookbooks at Mumfest and Farmer's Market. Without you, we would never have achieved our goal. You will be honored at the March general meeting.

Sharon Kenny, Fran Foley, MJ Kirk,
Kathy Fortenbaugh, Paula Lindsay,
Lorraine Furia, Pam Gaskill, Emily
Helling, Jeaninne Billingsley, Pam
Barnes and Paul Runions, Peggy Call,
Vickie White, Ellen MacNaught, Lu Hoff,
Barbara Shively, Liz Maravelas, Barbara
Stumpf, Jean Horrell, Jean Hemphill,
Beth Rankar, Ronnie Greene, Susan
Lucas, Marcy Riordan.

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very own Education Department member MJ Kirk. She will be leading a symposium of current aging women's issues entitled "The Invisible Woman of Today." Please come prepared to talk about how you think the aging woman of today can become more enriched and relevant in our current fast changing world. This promises to be a very interesting meeting. We would also love to have anyone not currently an Education Department member to join us.

Jeaninne Billingsley

Reflections for the Month

Patience and Persistence
"Each life is made up of mistakes and learning, waiting and growing, practicing patience and being persistent."

Author: Billy Graham

"Having patience is one of the hardest things about being human. We want to do it now, and we don't want to wait. Sometimes we miss out on our blessing when we rush things and do it on our own time."

Author: Deontay Wilder

Shared by: Marilyn Ontiveros



.....in 1921, after many years of meeting in various member's homes, the ladies of the Club decided thee was a need for a clubhouse and each department was urged to raise \$200 toward the building fund. We can assume that the intervening years saw the building fund's slow, but steady growth and in 1925 a committee asked the Board of Aldermen to stop using Union Point as the dumping ground. The Board agreed, with the exception of cinders. However, they apparently failed to follow through on this.

Treasurer's Report

No report this month.

Chris Skrotsky

Learning Corner

From the Merriam-Webster Dictionary
biennium
noun / bi-en-ni-um
: a period of two years