



Greensboro Woman's Club, Inc.

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"Gain Knowledge through Reading~
Share Knowledge through Action"

A word from our President!

By Vanessa Lowder

I hope everyone is looking forward to our upcoming meeting on Wed., March 2nd. **Meaghan Mehling** is our club's Teaching Scholarship winner for this year and **Neel Kabadi** is our Sallie Southall Cotten Scholarship winner. I'm sure the club will enjoy meeting them when they join us for the March dinner and meeting. Please don't forget to make your reservation for that evening with **Joia Diaz** by Monday, Feb. 28th. We have a couple of busy months ahead of us and hopefully spring will arrive before long.

Thanks to everyone who contributed sleepwear and other items for Clara House at our February meeting. Joanne DeTiere, Shelter Services Coordinator, sends appreciation for the

items which were greatly needed. Members who heard her talk last month were moved to take further action on behalf of the Clara House residents who have escaped domestic violent situations. **Donna Kabadi** volunteered to chair a project to provide home-cooked foods for the families. We will start with frozen cas-



seroles which will be collected at our March meeting.

Our hands-on and collection project for March will also fill a nutritional need. Chaired by **Pam Grimm** and **Linda Arnaud**, this project allows us to

weekends to provide them and their families nutritional meals. Take note of the items that are needed and plan on helping out on one or both of the back pack fill days.

Thanks to **Lorena Hall** and her Ways & Means Committee for a great Bunco fundraiser on February 10th. We continue to have fun and make a good profit at this very easy fundraising event. If you would like to help with it next year, be sure to sign-up to be on the Ways & Means Committee for next year.

April will be a busy month with our Applebee's Flapjack Fundraiser and clean up efforts in and around the Weir-Jordan House. We will also be collecting old tee-shirts for a unique new program called "Sweet Cheeks".

Thanks to everyone for a great club year so far! I look forward to the next three months as we wrap it up!

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collect food that will be packed into school back packs for children in need to take home on



GFWC-NC News

By Vanessa Lowder

March 12th is the GFWC-NC Arts Festival at Campbell University. The attendees there will put together "Book Baggies" which will be donated to area children's programs. We are being asked to donate the following for those bags:

4" x 6" (or smaller) Children's Books

Pencils

3-Pack Crayons

Small Note Pads

Small Coloring Books



If you can donate any of the above, please bring them to the March meeting. Amy Keeter will definitely be attending, and possibly other members as well.

It's not too early to begin thinking about attending the GFWC-NC State Convention. This year we are excited because it will be at the BEACH! The three-day event will be held from May 11-14 at Atlantic Beach, NC. You don't have to go for the full three days, and we hear there might be a near-by member-owned beach house where we can sleep instead of paying for a hotel. More details to follow.

GFWC-NC District 4 News

On February 19th Amy Keeter, Jennifer Sawyer, Nancy McKee, Lorena Hall, Donna Kabadi, Sherrill Willis, Nichole Alston and Vanessa Lowder attended the District 4 Arts Festival here in Greensboro. We had a great time and were honored to have with us Meaghan Mehling (our Teaching Scholarship candidate) and her mother Penny, as well as Neel Kabadi (our Sallie Southall Cotten Scholarship candidate). The Arts Festival ran very smoothly due to the skills of our own Amy Keeter who served as its chairman. Our club definitely can be proud of the awards and accomplishments which were presented to us:

- Amy Keeter was named District 4's General Clubwoman of the Year! This is known as the Minnie Lou Parker Creech Award and it honors a clubwoman who has given of her time, talents, interest, organizational efforts, and active participation to render outstanding service through the Federation. Amy will represent our district for this State award.
- Nichole Alston was named District 4's Junior Clubwoman of the Year! Although we have to share Nichole with the Greensboro Juniors, we are thrilled that she was honored as the Junior clubwoman who has given her time, talents, interest, organizational efforts, and active participation to render outstanding service through the Federation. Nichole will also proceed to the State competition.
- Meaghan Mehling attends UNC-G and is seeking a degree in education. She was our candidate for the GFWC-NC Teaching Scholarship. We were proud that Meaghan was named first runner-up for our district. Even though no district money comes with the first runner-up award, the judges of this competition gave up their judges' fees in order to present her with a \$75 prize.

Ways and Means Report

By Lorena Hall

Thank you to all who helped make our 6th Annual Bunco Fundraiser a success!! We made about \$550 that evening and it was a lot of fun.

Our last fundraiser for the year will be a Flapjack Fundraiser at Applebee's on Wendover Ave. Please join us on Sat., April 9 from 8-10am for a delicious pancake breakfast and fellowship as we raise money for our club. Tickets will be \$7 per person and I hope that we sell at least 100 tickets for this event. Tickets will be available at our March meeting as well as details about how you can help make this a successful event.

I'm looking forward to seeing all of you next week!!



District 4 News continued

- Neel Kabadi, son of club member Donna Kabadi was our candidate for the Sallie Southall Cotten Scholarship. Neel was born and grew up in Greensboro and is attending the NC School of Science and Math. Even though Neel did not win, he represented our club very well.
- Our club was the winner of the District 4 First Place Yearbook Award for general clubs of our size. Thanks to former club member Tamara Bagwell for the hard work she put in to produce our yearbook.



The following awards for arts and crafts were presented to our club:

Linda Mitchell	First Place for Knitting – large
Linda Mitchell	First Place for Basic Embroidery
Vanessa Lowder	First Place for Knitting – accessories
Catrina Seagraves	First Place for Nature Craft
Joy Ellison	First Place for Painting on Metal or other surfaces
Joy Ellison	First Place for Plastic Canvas work
Emma Ruth Barnes	First Place for Painting on Wood
Jeanne Diaz	First Place for Weaving
Vanessa Lowder	Second Place for Knitting (garment)
Joy Ellison	Second Place for Crochet (small)
Linda Mitchell	Third Place for Counted Cross Stitch
Linda Mitchell	Third Place for Basket Craft



The first place winners will proceed on to compete in the State Arts Festival to be held Saturday, March 12th at Campbell University. The other club entries can be picked up at the March meeting from Nancy McKee.



It's a Wrap!

Greensboro Woman's Club 2010 Community Service Totals

2010 ARTS COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS

5 Projects 206 Hours \$500 Money & Goods

Clubwoman Arts ♦ Fleece workshop at District Arts ♦ District & State Arts Festivals
Donations to State Arts Funds ♦ Holiday Meeting Piano Entertainment

2010 CONSERVATION COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS

3 Projects 149 Hours \$725 Money & Goods

Weir-Jordan House Grounds Beautification ♦ Cove Creek Gardens Clean-up
Participation in Greensboro Natural Science Center Event

2010 INTERNATIONAL OUTREACH COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS

1 Project 20 hours \$200 Donation

Donation to Red Cross Earthquake Relief Fund to benefit Haiti
(time is based on fundraising efforts and informational presentation to membership).

2010 EDUCATION COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS

8 Projects 346 Hours \$2,336 Money & Goods

School Supplies Collection for Teachers' Warehouse (April)
GFWC-NC's Links for Literacy Golf Tournament ♦ Reading Connections Awards Dinner
School Supplies Collection for Teachers' Warehouse (Sept.)
Literacy Work in area Schools and Community by Members ♦ Book Review in Newsletter
Member Book Exchange in March and April ♦ Donations to GFWC-NC Scholarship

2010 HOME LIFE COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS

12 Projects 324 Hours \$3,372 Money & Goods

Bingo at Whittier Center of Friends Home ♦ Friendship Tea to Benefit Mammography Scholarships
Fleece Scarf & Hat Workshop for Bell House ♦ Walk in Human Race to Benefit Freedom House
Toiletry and Household Item Collection for Freedom House
Pet Food and Supply Collection for Animal Shelter
Donations to Humane Society and SPCA ♦ Participation in Memory Walk for Alzheimer's
Women's Only 5-K Walk/Run for Breast Cancer Awareness
Feast of Caring Participation for Urban Ministry
Gift Wrapping for Triad Voices for Inclusion ♦ Donation to Girls on the Run

2010 PUBLIC ISSUES COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS

6 Project 602 Hours \$8,655 Money & Goods

Restoration and Operation of Weir-Jordan House
Compilation and Submission of club's 100 year history
Goodies for Fire Station ♦ Holiday Mail for Heroes ♦ Book Collection for Clara House
Monetary Contribution to Clara House

2010 TOTALS

35 PROJECTS with 1,647 VOLUNTEER HOURS
\$15,788 (Money & Goods) CONTRIBUTED

Upcoming Projects

Food for Backpacks by Pamela Grimm and Linda Arnaud

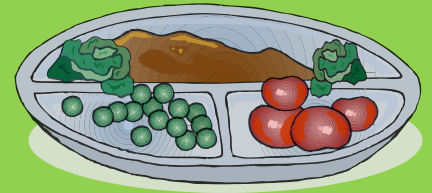


At the March meeting we will be collecting food to help fill backpacks for children who otherwise would not have food to eat on the weekends when they go home from school. We also will be assisting Don and Kristy Milholin, who started this project by helping to fill the backpacks. They do this at their home at 4908 Manning Drive. The dates we can help are March 10th and March 17th. It takes about an hour and we will meet at 3:30. Suggested Items: Canned chicken or tuna, soups, instant breakfast cereals, oatmeal peanut butter, crackers, rice, mac & cheese, pasta, beans, etc. No glass containers, and multiple cans of the same item (when possible).

Thank you so much for helping with this worthwhile project. www.outofthegardenproject.com is the web site.

Clara House Meals by Donna Kabodi

Since so many people were interested in sending food to the residents of Clara House we will be collecting casseroles at the March meeting. Please bring your casserole FROZEN and clearly labeled with the name of the dish and how it should be cooked/reheated. If it needs to be thawed before cooking that is fine just be sure to indicate that on the label. Joanne is going to pick them up at the meeting around 7 pm. However, we need a back-up plan in case she is not available. She has requested that we have 2 liaisons from our club who after a short training and signing HIPPA forms will have access to the house and be able to drop things off. If you are interested in being a liaison, please call Donna Kabodi at 854-0532.



April's Collection Project—Sweet Cheeks

by Linda Mitchell and Donna Nigro

The collection at April's meeting will be for the Greensboro based, non-profit organization "Sweet Cheeks." The mission of this group is to provide low-income families in the NC Triad area with FREE cloth diapers and supplies. The Sweet Cheeks Diaper Kits include such items as a diaper pail, handmade T-shirt diapers, waterproof covers, and laundry detergent. This program partners with WIC (Women, Infants and Children), a division of the county health department, to distribute the kits to needy families. There is currently a waiting list.



We need your help in collecting their most needed supply -- used T-shirts. They accept ANY size, color, condition, or graphic, but they MUST BE 100% COTTON. The volunteers will sanitize the shirts, cut them into custom shapes and sizes, add snaps and elastic...and create a truly soft, efficient (and green) way to diaper a baby.

We hope to have a sample to show you at the March meeting. And, new 100% cotton T-shirts are also welcome. Thanks, in advance, for your support of this worthy organization. Please contact Linda Mitchell (617-3528) or Donna Nigro (644-0929) if you have any questions.



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COLLECTING USED GREETING CARDS

by Deane Mendon and Maxi Walker

Think about All Occasions and gather your used greeting cards from the past. We will be collecting these for the residents at Camden Place Health and Rehab. These colorful designs from the fronts of greeting cards are used in their monthly Art Classes. GWC will be giving to these residents by providing a beautiful picture to allow them to express their joy through a painting. Look around your house and bring them to our April Meeting. (You may cut off the fronts or we will before we deliver them.)

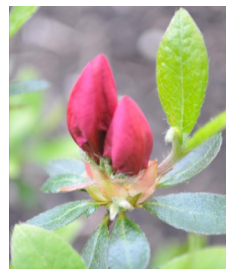


Greensboro Woman's Club Book Exchange....bring any books you would like to swap in March and April!

Calendar of Events



*Happy St. Patrick's Day
from the
Greensboro Woman's Club.*



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| March 2 | Club meeting—6:30 pm social; 7 pm—dinner and meeting
Collection: Items for book baggies (see GFWC-NC news article)
Food for backpack program (see article page 5)
Meals for Clara House (see article page 5) |
| March 10/17 | Help to fill backpacks for "Out of the Garden Project) (see article page 5) |
| March 12 | GFWC-NC State Arts Festival—Campbell University |
| April 6 | Club meeting—6:30 pm social; 7 pm—dinner and meeting
Collection: T-shirts for Sweet Cheeks project (see article page 5)
Greeting Cards for Camden Place (see article page 5) |
| April 9 | Flapjacks Fundraiser—Applebee's on Wendover—8 am |
| May 11—14 | GFWC-NC State Convention—Atlantic Beach |

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