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Kindness "ROCKS"!

St. Andrews Woman's Club

November 2019 Newsletter

### **Officers Reports:**

#### **President - Gail Elfert**

Our members have been busy, busy, busy since our October meeting! We've worked hard on two fundraisers - the Town Theatre play and the Fall Belk Charity Sale and made a good start toward meeting our Ways and Means goal. International Outreach CSP members have been cooking and planning for their Operation Smile fundraiser at the November meeting; other CSPs are busy planning and collecting items for their projects; Sassy Audacious Women have started their cavorting and have more plans in the works, five new members have completed their orientation meeting; and we have sent in our application for another Progress Foundation Grant to help the ladies and their children at *Sistercare*.

We are moving into the busy holiday time of the year, but I hope you can join us on Monday, Nov. 25, because we have a great program that everyone will enjoy, and you just might get that pecan pie or some other yummy item to make your Thanksgiving meal complete when your ticket is drawn in the Operation Smile fundraiser!

**REMEMBER** – we meet on the other side of the sanctuary on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor! See you there.

#### **1<sup>st</sup> Vice President – Daryl Hendrix**

In the September, 2019 GFWC-SC CLUBWOMAN magazine, issue 2, a guide was printed on page 7 listing common topics and projects under the recommended category.

Although all CSP's have met and planned their programs/projects for the club year, this list provides many ideas. Maybe our CSP's feel that they would like to try a new project in the Spring. This list provides many fresh ideas that other clubs have tried.

Take a few minutes to review your CSP category to see if something "pops" for you and your CSP to try in the future. This is also a good time to acknowledge two of our club members who are instrumental in producing our State magazine—Tonja Ivey and Laurie O'Kelly. It is a beautiful magazine and they deserve our thanks and congrats for a job well done.

## **2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President – Carol Ann Williams and Debbie Bell**

Please welcome our newest members: Teresa Bridgers, Cyndi Bryant, Vicky Hadley, Kathy Hunt and Elizabeth Taylor. Each new members attended orientation on November 4th.

Some of our members were highlighted last month. We look forward to highlighting 5 members each month! Be ready!

Remember, if you are unable to attend a meeting, please send a short email to either [Dbell815@gmail.com](mailto:Dbell815@gmail.com) or [carolannwilliams2@gmail.com](mailto:carolannwilliams2@gmail.com).

We will be ordering nametags for our new members, please let us know if you need one.

## **3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President Ways and Means – Margery West, Judy Keating, Terri Bolton**

Our club has accomplished a lot in the first few months of our club year. Town Theatre dress rehearsal performance benefited us just under \$2400. Thanks to all of you who supported this with selling tickets and attending. And thanks to those who donated your time to sell Belk charity sale tickets personally or sell tickets at our table at Belks with a profit of \$1073. This does not include the Saturday sales where ticket sold by Belks is distributed to the charities that worked that day. The Belk sale is a wonderful way to support our charities, spend a few hours with friends while selling tickets and get to know other members. There were several new members who volunteered too. Way to go ladies!

Okay, now we can catch our breath for a little while before we gear up for Bunco on March 12th.  
Happy Thanksgiving

## **Secretary –Ann Martin**

Please look for the roll on a table when you come in and sign in. Many did not sign last month. Thank you!

## **Treasurer – Katherine Keckeisen**

The checking account balance on the October 31, 2019 bank statement was \$3,238.91. The savings account balance was \$3,906.78.

Remember during this busy holiday season to shop at "[smile.amazon.com](https://www.smile.amazon.com)". You shop, Amazon gives!!

## **Advisor – Kathy Hogan**

As the busy season of Thanksgiving and Christmas near, let's stop often to give thanks. I am especially thankful for the wonderful women of SAWC. When I returned to the club in 2013 after a 10 year hiatus it was like I had never left. Looking forward to seeing you all at the November meeting and at the Stocking Extravaganza on December 3.

## **Community Service Project Reports:**

### **Art – Susan Dox**

**CHANGE!!! – NOV 25 WE MEET IN A DIFFERENT ROOM:** ENTER 2<sup>ND</sup> DOOR FROM THE RIGHT SIDE OF BUILDING. PLEASE DO NOT PROP DOOR OPEN (SAFETY REASONS) **BOARD** will meet in the conference room (first door to the right after entering building) **General meeting will be on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, room 205. After entering the building walk to the end of hall, enter the elevator on your right to the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor.**

Thanksgiving is almost here and we know you are thankful for so much! Think about the GIVING part, take a picture, & give us a brief story of how you touched someone else or how they made a difference in your life! We skip meeting in December, so the ART CSP wants to wish you all a very MERRY CHRISTMAS celebrating the birth of Jesus Christ. Love all the exciting events in our area! We are praying for wonderful times with family, old friends, new friends as you shop, bake, and enjoy all that the holidays offer. Here are some special things you don't won't to miss:

Nov & Dec.....Lights Before Christmas at Riverbanks Zoo/5pm-9pm

Nov 21.....Vista Lights in Vista wine, dine, shop, live entertainment 5pm-10pm

Nov 21-Dec 31..... Saluda Shoals Park- Holiday Lights on the River 6pm-10pm/\$20 car

Nov 23.....Palmetto Master Singers at St Andrews Presbyterian Church....7:30pm-9:30pm

Nov 27,29 & Dec 1..... Township-Nutcracker/standard tickets \$14.50, various times

Dec 5-8..... Holiday Market at SC State Fairgrounds, Jr League fundraiser/\$8 gen admission

Dec 6-8..... Living Christmas Story drive thru Union Methodist Church Irmo/6:30pm-9pm

Dec 12..... Ladies Christmas Dinner catered by Carrabbas-St Andrews Pres/6:30/tickets \$15

### **Conservation – Susan Swails**

Our CSP is excited to be partnering with Public Issues CSP on December 26 to help with a dinner honoring soldiers who have remained at Ft. Jackson during the holidays. We'll be at Saluda Shoals Park from 5 pm until 8 pm to set up the catered buffet, serve food and spread holiday cheer and second helpings during dinner. Anyone who would like to join in should call Susan Swails at 727-4983.

The upcoming holidays are a great time to try NOT to generate excess waste. Visit "Keep The Midlands Beautiful" website for suggestions and resources.

Remember that December is the best time to plant trees in our state!

Happy GREEN holidays!

### **Education**

Our Habitat for Humanity family will be getting in their new house late November/early December and we've already gotten a bookcase, books, cookbooks, and even a few kitchen supplies to welcome them. We'll update you when we deliver the goods.

Books I asked for, Books I got!  
Lots of books, For lots of tots!

Our goal was 100, Could we do it SAWC?  
No need to wonder, For we collected 117 you see!

DC now says they have a crowd  
So ALL books will STAY local  
Let's be proud!  
Let's be vocal!

I could not resist one more Dr. Seuss inspired writing to celebrate EXCEEDING our goal! And more good news...due to the overwhelming success of this Grand Initiative, we get to keep and distribute all of our books locally. If you know of any schools, hospitals, group homes, churches, etc that would appreciate some Dr. Seuss books, please let me know.

### **Home Life - Kaye Hunke**

A big thank you to all who have donated purses and toiletries for Sistercare and money for FHF.

We are looking forward to hosting our November meeting and are excited to have Liz Anderson from PAALS as our speaker.

We will be answering the phones at WIS FHF phone bank on November 26 from 4 – 7:30. We will be collecting monies at the meeting for a family we will be adopting.

On December 14 we will plan on stuffing the purses to deliver to Sistercare on December 20<sup>th</sup>. All are welcome to join us. We will do this in the morning so that anyone wanting to join Public Issues on their trip to lay wreaths at Fort Jackson can do so.

January 20, 2020 is a Day of Service that we are partnering with Public Issues. Please read Missy's report.

We will be collecting purses and toiletries for Sistercare at the meeting.

We will be serving baked potatoes with toppings and a dessert as our meal. We don't have tables to eat at so we need to have something you can hold.

### **International Outreach – Nancy Schmidt**

Thank you to all of you who donated to the food pantry at Virginia Wingard United Methodist Church in support of World Food Day. Approximately \$150 in food and money was donated by 12-15 members.

Please don't forget that since we are meeting the Monday before Thanksgiving, our International Outreach members are preparing food items for your Thanksgiving dinner. Raffle tickets will be on sale that night as in years past. The money received supports Operation Smile cleft palate surgeries all over the world. Yummy: pies, cookies, cranberry relish and even Monta's delicious Friendship Bread. See you all there!

### **Public Issues - Missy Klopfer**

Thankful for you!

Please email me at [MLK1219@HOTMAIL.COM](mailto:MLK1219@HOTMAIL.COM) regarding how you will donate time and talents on Martin Luther King Day of Service January 20. **Are you an A/B or C?**

On Monday, January 20, 2020 I will be able to:

- a. Donate time during the day
- b. Donate time in the evening
- c. Only be able to donate time doing something at home

Be sure to put your full name on your email to me! Our November meeting is the last time we will have together before Martin Luther King Day—will “snag” those of you who have not responded. It is my hope and expectation to have everyone with a viable “place to go/something to do” before 10 January so each group or individual can plan accordingly—for now, just SAVE THE DATE!

Wreath laying at Ft. Jackson Cemetery, noon December 14. **Join us?**

### **SAWC and The Christmas Stocking Extravaganza**

Kick off your holidays in great style at "The Christmas Stocking Extravaganza" on Tuesday, December 3, 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm at The Sims-Stackhouse Mansion on Laurel Street. Christmas spirits will abound in our beautifully decorated Headquarters. You'll enjoy scrumptious refreshments while testing your luck in the raffle and your bidding skills in the silent auction for fabulous Christmas Stockings. It'll be a night to remember all for a great cause!

Tickets are \$15 each. Contact Ann Martin for a pair or two.

Thanks for your support of our Headquarters! SSm, BW, SSw

### **Important Dates to remember:**

**November 25 - Board Meeting: 6:15 – 1<sup>st</sup> floor**

**General Meeting: 7:15 – 2<sup>nd</sup> floor**

**November 26 – FHF phone bank**

**December 14 – Wreath laying at Ft. Jackson – 12:00 pm**

**Sistercare purse stuffing - TBD**

**December 20 – Deliver purses to Sistercare**

**December 26 – Military Dinner – Saluda Shoals Park – 5 – 8 pm**