

HOOVER SERVICE CLUB

Deborah Weyandt, Editor

PO Box 360771 • Hoover AL 35236



Organized in 1975

by Flora Mae Pike and 10 other women for the sole purpose of "helping others" in the Hoover Community. Today the club is a group of over 100 civic and service-minded women who give their time and talents to help meet the needs in the community. Our annual fundraiser, Hearts in Harmony, provides funds which enable us to continue the legacy of helping others.

Mission Statement

- To give aid to the needy
- To give aid and promote increased knowledge of the community needs & fulfill these needs as within the realm of the interests of the organization
- To further education for Hoover school students with scholarships
- To reward outstanding citizenship among the Hoover school students
- To recognize outstanding volunteer service to the community by awarding the Flora Mae Pike Community Service Award to deserving Hoover individuals

Flora Mae Pike Award 2021



Hoover Service Club awarded our Flora Mae Pike Community Service Award to Charon Rivers at our May 13, 2021 club meeting. Charon founded along with her husband, Dr. Tom Rivers, and daughter Rachel Rivers the nonprofit "Support our Soldiers of Alabama" in 2012 in honor of their son and brother Marine Lance Corporal Thomas Rivers, Jr.. Thomas was killed in Afghanistan by an IED in 2010. He was only 22 years old.

"Support our Soldiers" (S.O.S) sends care packages to U.S troops around the world. Many of these men and women are deployed for 7-12 months at a time and have little to no contact with family and friends.

Charon is no longer president of the foundation. She has turned it over to another group who continues the mission of the Rivers' family.

S.O.S. is one of Hoover Service Club's "Acts of Service", but if you would like more information or make an individual donation visit the website at <https://www.supportoursoldiersofalabama.com/>

Thank you Roberta Atkinson and Jean Ingram for your work on this year's award!

Hearts in Harmony “Springing Forward”



Rather than our traditional evening event, club members and guests gathered midday at Aldridge Gardens on May 5th for Hoover Service Club’s spring fundraiser, **Hearts in Harmony “Springing Forward”**. The club raised \$16,000 through donations and our first ever **“online auction”**. Everyone enjoyed a gourmet meal by Yellow Bicycle Catering while being entertained by the delightful **Dolores Hydock**, Birmingham’s own nationally recognized story teller. Despite the pandemic our Ways & Means committee stepped up to the task of organizing not 1 but 2 very successful fundraisers this year. Thank you to: Lynda Wasden, Peggy Dupuy, Shelley Shaw, Barbara Henry, Bonnie Campbell, Judy McDaniel, Deborah Weyandt & to Jean Ingram for the beautiful table arrangements.



Dolores Hydock

College Scholarships & Student Recognitions

Twelve seniors from Hoover and Spain Park high schools were honored for their exemplary academic performance and citizenship with \$36,000 of college scholarships made possible by HSC fundraisers and a \$5,000 grant from the Jefferson County Commission.

Spain Park High School

Cameron Frazier, University of Alabama
Tatum Holley, Mississippi State University
Caroline Keith, University of Alabama

Hoover High School

Abigail Batchelor, Samford University
Hilary Batista, University of Alabama, Birmingham
Kalyn Epperson, Harding University
Medeha Javed, University of Alabama, Birmingham
Jordyn Maddox, Tuskegee University
Justin LaPorta, University of Tennessee, Chattanooga
Elizabeth Tedder, University of Alabama

Of the twelve recipients two seniors received the **Margaret Alford Community Service Award** for their outstanding service of giving back to the community. From Spain Park High School is *Kaleigh Rice* who accumulated more than 775 hours of service in the last four years. Rice plans to attend Auburn University. From Hoover High School is *Ria Shah* who accumulated approximately 700 hours of service in the last four years. Ria plans to attend either University of Florida or Duke University.

The service club also recognized two students from each of Hoover's three middle schools...one for outstanding academics and one for outstanding citizenship. Citizenship recognitions were *Sofia Contreras* - Berry Middle School, *Madeleine Daspit* - Simmons Middle School and *Elijah Boyd* - Bumpus Middle School. Academic recognitions were *Javairia Jehangir* - Berry Middle School, *Madison Lopez* - Simmons Middle School and *Tatum Stacy* - Bumpus Middle School.

Thank you to Hope Lawson and Liz Willoughby for their leadership and work on this important committee. Also to Barbara Henry, Pam Edwards and Marlys Kuehnert for their contributions selecting the winners.

Community Service May Hands on Project

Hoover Service Club members filled 4 large storage bins with cleaning supplies for 4 girls graduating and moving away from Grace House. Lori Heglas and Betty Moulton added their special touch by decorating the bins with ribbon and tissue paper.



Reminder to pay your 2021-22 Membership Dues

If you haven't already please
mail your \$25 check to:

Liz Elliott
1167 Al Seier Road
Hoover, AL 35226

Make checks payable to:
Hoover Service Club



Installation of 2021-22 Officers

Pictured from right to left

President: Rhonda Boyd

First Vice President: Debbie Rutherford

Second Vice President: Liz Elliott

Third Vice President: Deborah Weyandt

Recording Secretary: Rachel Trowbridge

Corresponding Secretary: Kim Allen

Treasurer: Bonnie Campbell
(not pictured)

Message from our Outgoing President, Pam Crider

Greetings Ladies,

In spite of a global pandemic that turned everyone's world upside down in a bad way, HSC still accomplished so much in 2020-2021! We had wonderful programs, two successful Hearts in Harmony fundraisers and welcomed enthusiastic new members throughout the year and especially at our April Meet and Greet Membership Event.



Because of the generosity, determination, and tireless efforts of all of you we were able to give generously to the community, and present scholarships and recognition awards to worthy high school and middle school students.

At the May meeting, we awarded the Flora Mae Pike Community Service Award to Charon Rivers, whose family started the Support Our Soldiers charity after the death of her son in Afghanistan. We also announced the names of the scholarship and middle school award winners and installed our new officers.

Thank you so much for the beautiful bowl, tray and server that I was presented with at my last meeting as president. They will always remind me of each of you and this year.

HSC will now be in the very capable hands of our new president, Rhonda Boyd, and her board and committee chairs. I know that next year under Rhonda's leadership will be a fantastic year for the club.

Thank you again for your support through this past year. I hope that all of you have a safe, blessed and happy summer. I look forward to seeing you again in September.

God Bless and Keep You!

Pam

Website:

<https://hooverserviceclub.com/>

Follow us on Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/hooverserviceclub/>

Follow us on Instagram:

<https://www.instagram.com/hooverserviceclub/>

Connect with us on LinkedIn:

<https://www.linkedin.com/in/hooverserviceclub/>