



WOMAN'S CLUB OF WHITPAIN NEWSLETTER

October 2016

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Meeting: October 13, at 7:30 pm
Whitpain Township Administration Building

Program: Hugh O'Brien Youth Leadership (HOBY)
WCW-Sponsored 2016 Participant Eamon Goucher

Hostesses: Phyllis Fanizzi, Anne Davidson, Jean Keer

Board Meeting: Thursday, October 27, at 7:00 pm. at the home of Carol DiPietro

**YEARBOOKS ARE READY WITH EVERYTHING
YOU WANT TO KNOW FOR THE CLUB YEAR.
PAY YOUR DUES (\$40) AT THE UPCOMING MEETING
TO GET ONE OF YOUR VERY OWN!!!!!!!!!!**

President's Corner

Greetings Ladies

I'm delight to welcome fall this year after that extraordinarily hot summer.

At our September meeting, Corinne and I presented two mini fundraisers **which will end at the October meeting**. Keep your holiday gift-giving in mind when you look through the brochures. These items also make nice hostess gifts to keep on hand for last minute invitations. Please get your orders to Corinne for the Yankee Candles and to me for the Flower Power bulbs. The proceeds from these mini fundraisers will give us a head-start for the student scholarships in the spring.

At our October meeting we will have the pleasure of hearing all about the HOBY experience from this year's student. I look forward to seeing you on the 13th. Stay Well!

Carol

LOOKING FORWARD TO OUR SPECIAL CLUB ACTIVITIES IN 2016:

Creative Arts Auction will be our program for November!!! Plan now on your contribution (members' contributions are responsible for the success of this event). Hand-crafted items, baked goods, themed gift baskets are needed. Do you have a talent/service you can offer, such as gift wrapping for Christmas, babysitting, providing a meal for a small group of people in the home of the successful bidder? Invite guests now, so our awesome event is on their calendar.

Our Annual Holiday Social will take place on our usual meeting date, December 8, at the Prophesy Park facility. We have been VERY fortunate to secure this location with a delicious and affordable meal, through the efforts of Joan and Tony Greco. **SAVE THE DATE!!**

The annual Ornament Exchange, usually held the Monday evening following our Holiday Social, was held, instead, on the first Monday in January 2016, as a "Post-Holiday Get-together" and began the New Year with a celebration in a less stressful time period. This worked out very well, with over 20 in attendance at the home of Janet McIntyre. Watch for information on this event for 2017.

ABOUT THE BOOK: The group will meet at 1:00 pm on Friday, October 28 at the (new!) home of Barbara Spang. The book for discussion is *The Third Plate* by Dan Barber. **New members are welcome – contact Donna Stockett if you are interested.** **Please note that the meeting date in October has been moved to the 28th,** as the SE District meeting is on the 21st.

COOKING GROUP: The group will meet soon to plan the theme and location for their next sumptuous meal. If you are interested in this group and would like to attend the planning meeting, please **contact Donna Stockett. New members are welcome.**

FESTIVAL OF ARTS (2017): Categories for crafts for the 2017 Festival of Arts are as follows:

- 1) Wine Cork Wreath – Design and decorate a wreath, of which at least 75% is composed of wine corks. Embellishments of your choice may be added. It must have a hanger on the back. Maximum size: 25” x 25” x 8”.
- 2) Drawstring Bag – Maximum size: 14” wide x 16” deep, finished. Hand or machine sewn on three sides with drawstring faced so bag can be filled from the top. Use cotton blend fabric. Design on front can be artist's choice – use of fabric markers or paint, stenciled, appliqued fabric design, pieced fabric design, embroidery or iron-on image;; other embellishments may be used. Bags entered in competition are to be given to day care centers, foster care centers, or domestic violence centers as per President's Project.
- 3) 4” Clay Pot - Using a purchased 4” clay pot, add embellishments of your choice, and decorate using medium of your choice (paint, fabric, stickers, etc.). Pot must be empty but can be decorated on the inside walls. Maximum finished size 6” x 6” x 6”.
- 4) Adult Coloring Ornament – Design your own, or use one of the ornament templates, which are on page 34 of the 2016 Festival of Arts booklet. (This will be on the GFWC website (www.gfwcpennsylvania.org). (Do not use any from published coloring books or internet pages due to copyright laws) You may copy on heavier paper or card stock and embellish/paint as you wish. Punch hole and add string or hanger. Maximum size (not including string/hanger: 6” x 6” x 1”.

Donna Stockett is our club chairman for crafts and may be contacted for further information.

In addition to the above state competition categories of crafts, there are four categories of crafts for the SE District competition only. Details regarding these will be announced shortly.

Art and Photography categories remain the same as in years past. Contact Glenda Ellis or Silvia Hendershott for details.

Upcoming GFWC Events for 2016:

- 10/21 - SE District Meeting/Lunch, Presidential Caterers, Norriton, at 10:00 am.
Cost of luncheon - \$30. Details follow*
- 11/5 - Luncheon & Fashion Show (fashions from Chico's) sponsored by the Community Club of Collegeville at St. Augustus Lutheran Church at 11:30 am. Tickets are \$15. Call Glenda or Terry if you'd like to go.
- 11/7 - Fall County Meeting/Luncheon/Laurel House Shower at Panache's Restaurant, Blue Bell. 10:00 am. Luncheon choices will be available shortly.
- 11/12 - Holiday Fair sponsored by the Indian Valley Women's Club at the Indian Crest Middle School (same location as last year). Time is 9:00 – 3:00.
- 12/10- Holiday House Tour sponsored by Schwenksville Women's Civic Club. Those attending will carpool from the Kohl's parking lot in Blue Bell at 9:30 am. We will enjoy lunch together at a place to be decided upon by the group.

***Southeastern District Meeting and Luncheon** - The fall meeting is right in our “backyard” and provides our club a good opportunity to participate --- Six state officers, including our State President will be there, along with representatives/members of many other clubs within the SE District. Renew some old friendships and make new ones. Learn what other clubs are doing in the communities and how they raise funds. Enjoy a delicious luncheon while all this goes on!! The menu choices are: Chicken Breast Roulade w/country stuffing and a champagne chanterelle sauce; Oven Roasted Pork Loin with pear zinfandel sauce; Fresh Tagliateile Primavera with sauteed squash, carrots, cherry tomatoes, broccoli in garlic aioli. Included with the meal is Soup, Rolls/butter, Coffee, Hot and Iced Tea, Carrot Cake. Our treasurer (Janet McIntyre) will collect our payments and send in our reservation at one time.

PROJECTS:

Ladies' Night Out Event **WE HAVE A NEW VENUE!!!**

As many of you know, Meadowlands Country was under new ownership at the time we held our Ladies' Night Out event there last April. The new owners honored the contract we had with the previous owners. However, we were not able to obtain the same --- or even close to the same --- contract for another year. Cost of a dinner would be \$70/person. A change of venue was necessary. Several members of the board made inquiries of possible new locations and one was found that met our needs, both in cost and space. The Empress Room, located on the grounds of St. Helena's Catholic Church has been contracted for our event. Come to the meeting and learn all about this facility and some changes we'll be making, which may make our event even more attractive to our potential guests. **SAVE THE DATE --- WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19!!!** Think ahead about door prizes and raffles --- there's no change in our plans for lots of great raffles and door prizes!

State President's Project – *Enrich, Educate, Empower - Every Child, Every Day* (Glenda Ellis): “Every Child” includes ages 0 – 18, in this State President's Project. Our club has always had projects which enrich the lives of children, from the 1960's, when our members worked to begin a library in the Whitpain Township, to the scholarships we now provide, the certificates (and \$) we present to graduating 5th graders, the donations we make to Laurel House, the sponsorship of a HOBY participant each year, the high school, and now elementary school students, whose participation we encourage in the art and photography competition in the GFWC-PA Festival of Arts, as well as numerous other projects we've been a part of in our community over the years. However, we may be able to do even more!! After several of us make contact with some of the local elementary schools, we may have another project to consider which will help to improve the lives of young children in need.

Recyclables Collection (Phyllis Feight): Our club will continue to collect tabs from tin and aluminum cans to support the Shriners' Children's Hospital-Philadelphia, and used eyeglasses, which are given to the Lions Club for their project. Bring them in to Phyllis at our meetings.

Member Notes:

Silvia Hendershott continues to recover in the Highlands Rehabilitation facility near her home in Schillington.

Melissa Rossiter is recovering from surgery at her home.

Barbara Spang is now settled in her new home. Her new address and phone numbers are listed in the new yearbook.