

## **Cary Woman's Club Tidbits**

**January 2019**

### ***Save the Date***

- Jan. 10 9:30 AM General Meeting and Arts Fair
- Jan. 11 9:45 AM Art Museum Tour and Lunch
- Jan. 17 1 PM Board Meeting @ Priscilla's
- Feb. 1 Deadline to submit information for CWC *Tidbits*
- Feb. 14 9:30 AM General Meeting
- Feb. 19 Visit to the Chrysalis Club at NCCIW 4:15 PM – 8:00 PM
- Feb. 21 1 PM Board Meeting @ Karen's
- Feb. 28 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Local-to-Global Forum
- Mar. 1 Deadline to submit information for CWC *Tidbits*
- Mar. 14 9:30 AM General Meeting
- Mar. 14 Fundraiser Lunch/Dinner @ City Barbeque, 1305 Kildare Farm Rd.
- Mar. 21 1 PM Board Meeting @ Karen's

### ***Arts***

Our guest speaker this month will be Kenneth Neilsen, Master Potter. His shop is located at 106 Dry Avenue, Cary (919.462.0062). His presentation will be followed by our own Arts Fair. Don't forget the items you wish to submit!

The next day, Friday January 11, we will meet in front of "The Beyond: Georgia O'Keefe and Contemporary Art" at 9:50 AM at the NC Art Museum on Blue Ridge Road. Please be sure to get your exhibition tickets when you arrive, so we can be ready for our tour at 10 AM. Since the exhibit is closing January 20, the Museum is no longer providing docents. However, Susan Abbott, a long-time volunteer at the Museum, has agreed to take us around and provide commentary and the "inside-scoop" on the exhibit. Susan wants you to know that she is giving her own tour (not the official "docent" tour). We are very grateful that Susan is willing to share her knowledge with us! And her tour is free! The tour will be followed by lunch at the Iris located at the Museum.

### ***Conservation***

The garden volunteers "put the Pollinator Garden to bed" in November, but we left all the plants that were still blooming. As freezing weather encourages more plants to go dormant, we will continue cleaning up the stems and faded blooms through the winter.

We are leaving flower heads with seeds in the garden, so that the birds can enjoy them during the cold weather. You might consider doing the same thing in your home garden so that the birds can endure the cold weather.

The Conservation Dept. also plans to adopt-a-lemur again for the coming year, and we will have news about that adoption at the January meeting. I'll also bring an update on Thistle, our 2018 adoptee.

National GFWC is asking us to plant trees in our communities, with a goal of 1000 trees nationwide. That should be an easy goal to achieve. Where should we plant trees in Cary? I'll be asking for ideas at the January meeting, because February and March are the best planting times in NC. One recent study has revealed that Cary is losing 400 acres of tree canopy a year due to development. What can we do to help mitigate that loss? If that pace continues, we will have no tree canopy left in 10 years. What do we want Cary to look like in 10 years? Let's start now to do our part and set an example for others.

I encourage you to enter some conservation themed photos or essays or poems in the January Arts Festival.  
(Submitted by Lois Nixon)

### ***Education CSP***

**Looking for a way to express your love for books and reading this February? The Education Committee would like to encourage you to put your extra change / donation where your heart is on this Valentine's Day at our February 14th meeting, by contributing to the Cary Woman's Club fund raiser,**

### **"CHANGE FOR BOOKS"**

To continue our community partnership with Kingswood Elementary, a Title I School, we are hoping to raise enough funds to exceed last year's donation, which enabled the purchase of 56 new books for the school's library. As noted in past CWC Newsletters, this program has brought much joy to the students and has been greatly appreciated by the entire staff at Kingswood.

So, please look through your purse, drawers, car, coat pockets or wherever forgotten coins or bills may appear and consider donating your found treasure to "Change for Books". What better way to express your love and kindness than by giving to a cause that will bring smiles to young children and encourage a love for reading and learning!

At our **February 14th** meeting, there will be a container on one of the back tables to place your contribution and just to say also, checks made payable to CWC are also welcomed. Thank you for your continued support of "CHANGE FOR BOOKS"!

(Submitted by Education CSP Co-Chairs Maryanne Olsen & Mary-Mel Kroeger)

### ***Home Life***

Thanks to the generosity of our club. Nell and I delivered food, lamps, and gift cards reaching close to \$500.00 following our Prestonwood luncheon to the Caring Place. Arlene organized a visit to a nursing home and about 8 of us sang carols with Joan playing the piano, and snacks were served. Cheer brought to those who truly need some. Currently planning, thanks to Deborah, fun pillowcases for the children at the Caring Place. Volunteers needed. Next month is the Valentine's party for Life Experience. All welcome to help.

(Submitted by Jane Suppa)

### ***Public Issues and Domestic Violence***

Public Issues will be visiting Raleigh Women's prison on February 19. ***Paperwork is due at the meeting on January 10.*** These forms have been sent to all those who have already volunteered. There will be extra forms at the meeting if anyone else wants to volunteer.

Our project will be creating a memory/journal book.

Please call or email Elzbieta if you have any questions.

(Submitted by Elzbieta Hibbs 919 677-8504 [elzbietawh@aol.com](mailto:elzbietawh@aol.com))

### ***Membership***

One of our main goals for this Club year is to increase membership and we have another new member this month! Be sure to welcome ***Kathryn (Kitty) Wiebusch***. Her special interests include Arts, International Outreach, and Social/Hospitality. Welcome! And many thanks to our Membership Chair Diane Andersen!

### ***WomenNC Scholars Program (celebrating their tenth year as an organization)***

Lois Nixon recently submitted a grant application to make CWC a nonprofit sponsor of the February WomenNC Scholars Event. This sponsorship would support the mentored program of young women/men who research local women's issues and present their findings in NYC to the UN Commission on the Status of Women. In addition, the Club needs eight members to attend their showcase event, the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Local-to-Global Forum, on February 28 (Individual Ticket: \$100/person) At this event, the scholars will share their research and findings. Lois will share more information about this event at the January meeting.

***Announcements/ Reminders***

It is time for reports! Please submit your ***CSP and Committee Reporting Forms*** to your CSP chairs and/or email them your information. We will be working on this compiled information at our upcoming Board meeting. Thank you so much!

Submitted by Karen Fiumara