

CARY WOMEN'S CLUB 90TH ANNIVERSARY PROCLAMATION IN VERSE

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Our Women's Club Celebrates 90 years today, you heard it in the Mayor's **Proclamation**
We can justify everything he said, we have **written documentation**
It started back in 1935 when some women had a great idea, to band together **in unity**
To help improve the **community**
With a charter in their hands and missions on their **minds**
They wanted to improve education, it was needed at the **time**
A library was the perfect place to set their goal to **task**
Cary High School was the one to see it first **unmasked**
Summer painted another picture, the community wanted books **too**
And so, the town's **Public Library** made its grand **debut**
Civic Engagement was on their list. True to form they got **involved**
Sewing with the Red Cross and that's not **all**

This all happened around WW II when some veterans didn't come **home**
The club wanted a way to honor them, to remember their names, **unknown**
They planted trees in Hillcrest Cemetery, more than just a **few**
Then planted trees all over town, I bet you've seen them **too**
A Girl Scout Troop in 1938 was an ideal social gathering with **art**
Someone had the great idea, everyone should **take part**
The African American School, a part of the **community**
Was invited to join the exhibits, a show of town **unity**
To have unity in your community, unity starts with you
Working together was a great success, listen and let me tell you the **rest**
Soon the club created the Cary Arts Guild, where lots of folks you **know**
Get to show off their talents, be sure to visit their **shows**
Some wise woman knew seniors needed something to occupy their **time**
Anything other than watching TV, to them would be just **fine**

So, the XYZ Club was formed, to hang out with **like minds**
For those who like to rump in the woods, Friends of Hemlock Bluffs is the perfect **sight**
We sponsored that beautiful walking space, just don't walk it at **night**
Natures beauty with native **plants**,
Bugs, snakes, butterflies **and ants**

These are a few of things we have done and still continue **today**
Helping our community grow strong in so many wonderful **ways**
You are welcome to join us if you'd like to spend your **time**
Making a difference for others with women, clever, polite and **kind**
We play bingo with our seniors, plant flowers and dig in the **dirt**,
Collect for the homeless, toothpaste, socks and **shirts**
Provide items for the USO, candy, snacks and **gum**
With our special population, we dance and sing some **songs**

DIDN'T WE DO IT, YES, WE DID

The food bank folks know our names; they smile when we drive **up**
Gettings boxes of food from us is like drinking from a loving **cup**
We have raised a truck load of money for scholarships and **grants**
We sell pecans, art and crafts, we have even sold **plants**

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Our ladies are devoted; we make a difference you **see**
We see a need and fill it, in our **community**
Two ladies have given over 50 years each, in service to our **town**
You may be able to pick them out, just stop and look **around**
We love what we do and we do it with pride, and you are welcome to **join**
Come and spend some time with us, you are bound to have some **fun**

