September Club Meeting: 9/13

We’ll kick off our new year with our Club Business Meeting on Tuesday, September 13th. Our speaker will be Home Life’s Mary Dudderar, who will outline Preparing for the Carroll County Domestic Violence Seminar. Our hostesses will be the Education CSP.

As usual, we’ll meet at the Non-Profit Building on Clifton Boulevard in Westminster. Refreshments and mingling start at 1pm and our meeting starts at 1:30pm. Don’t forget to wear your name tag and to carpool if you can.

A Message from Our Presidents:
Barbara Humbert and Norma Jean Swam

New Look for Our Yearbook!

Kudos and many thanks to Nancy Porter, Mary Lou Poirier, and their committees for the many hours of work they gave to the new Yearbook. It is a wonderful addition to our club.

Stars Juniorette

Babs Condon will be starting up the GFWC Stars Juniorette Club this Fall for girls, ages 12-18. If you know of any girls in that age group who may be interested, let Babs know at BabsCondon@comcast.net.

Plans for the Year Underway

We have enjoyed being a part of some of the CSP planning meetings to hear the exciting plans for the year. We hope all chairs can attend the Board meeting on Tuesday, September 6th, at 9:30am – and we look forward to our first Club meeting on Tuesday, September 13th.

Dues Due!

Our Treasurer, Barb Gunther, will begin collecting dues at our September meeting for the club year 2016/2017. Why not get yours out of the way early in the year?

Annual dues are still $65 for Active members and $75 for Associate members.

Beneficiary Committee

Suggestions Needed for Funds

Jane Sharpe reports that she needs all your suggestions for the recipients of the Beneficiary Committee’s funds by the October meeting. Please contact Jane (jSharpe@mcdaniel.edu), Lura Griswold (410-848-9635), Ginny Houser (AerobicGinny@gmail.com), Pat Minnich (PatriciaMinnich@aol.com), or Jayne Stocksdale (ajStocksdale@verizon.net) with your ideas.
Arts CSP

Boscov Shopping on October 18th

Clare Berent reports that the Arts CSP is focusing on its major fundraiser for the year, the selling of Boscov Shopping Passes. Purchase a Shopping Pass for $5 from one of the Arts CSP members, present it when making your purchases at Boscov’s on Tuesday, October 18th, and you will receive 25% off of the purchase price of the items. A few exceptions apply, but it is a great bargain. The store will open at 9am and remain open until 11pm that night to allow people who work during the day to take advantage of the savings.

Arts CSP members will be selling passes at the September and October meetings and at the door of Boscov’s on October 14th and 15th from 2pm to 6pm. Please support the Arts CSP while saving yourself cash on your winter and holiday needs. For more information or to buy tickets, call Clare at 410-386-0750.

Education CSP

Back-to-School Backpacks

Jackie Hering reports that she will joyfully collect your monetary donations for the Back-to-School Backpacks and supplies on September 6th at the Executive Board meeting and on September 13th at our Club meeting. We are happy to report that we’ve already filled 24 backpacks and that we’ve delivered 12 to Taneytown Elementary and 12 to Shepherd’s Staff. Thanks to your generosity, we still have more backpacks to fill!

Used Book Sale Continues

Jackie also reports that we’ll continue our monthly Used Book Sale at the September, October, and November Club meetings.

International Outreach CSP

September is UNICEF Month

UNICEF works to give a fair chance in life to every child, everywhere, especially the most disadvantaged. Linda Kjeldgaard and Sally Marks remind us that September is UNICEF month for our club. Please bring a donation to the monthly Club meeting on September 13th. And remember: 90% of all donations go to child issues around the world!

For over six decades, GFWC has supported UNICEF’s efforts to ensure access to clean water, proper sanitation facilities, health services, education, and protection for the world’s most vulnerable children. In June 2015, GFWC and the U.S. Fund for UNICEF launched a new partnership dedicated to supporting and participating in the U.S. Fund for UNICEF’s End Trafficking project.
SERRV

We have no scheduled service days for SERRV at this time. We will continue volunteering, but each month will be dependent on shipments arriving from overseas.

Update: Labor Day Flea Market

Pat Harter writes that flea market was a super super success and we made over $1,000 and still counting.

Home Life CSP

Nuts!

Mary Dudderar reports that Home Life will be again begin selling nuts for the upcoming holiday season. We'll have brochures and order forms at both our the September and October Club meetings.

School Supplies for Taneytown

Because there are so many needy students at Taneytown Elementary School, we will continue to collect school supplies and clothing throughout the year. Please, do what you can to help these children in need.

Domestic Violence Education: 10/3

The Domestic Violence: Prevention and Awareness Training program, focusing on the risk to teens, will be held on Monday, October 3rd, from 8:30am to noon at the Non Profit Center on Clifton Boulevard. Speakers from the Board of Education and the One Love Foundation will provide important information. We are targeting this session for teachers and counsellors. The cost per person is only $15 ($25 for CEUs) and moneys raised will go to support the Carroll County Safe House.

Remember: GFWC’s Home Life is partnering with FAMILY and CHILDREN’S SERVICES (FCS) to help inform the public about the dangers to teens. Contact FCS’s Kelley Rainey at 410-876-1233 or kRainey@fcsmd.org for more information.

Please spread the word.

October Meeting: Refreshments

HOME Life has refreshments for the October Club meeting. Please let Jean Picardi (ejPicardi@gmail.com) or Mary (mwDudderar@gmail.com) know what you can bring.

What you don’t KNOW can HURT her.
What you LEARN can HELP her.
What you DO can SAVE her.
Book Browsers Committee: 9/19

Gini Bosse reports that the first meeting this season of the Book Browsers will be on Monday, September 19th at 10am. Jackie Hering will lead our discussion of My Name Is Lucy Barton by Elizabeth Strout. Join us at the home of Trinka Cueman – all are welcome to join us!

If you are a regular attendee but won’t be coming, or if you are coming for the first time, please call our hostess Trinka at 410-848-8236

Recap: August Picnic a Grand Success!

Perfect Weather, Lovely Company, Mouth-Watering Food

This was the third year we’ve held our annual end-of-summer picnic at King Park. The number of members who came out was, perhaps, the highest yet! A joy for us all, to reconnect with friends and celebrate the bounty of the season.

The Arc of Carroll County: Open House 10/19

Lee Primm spoke to us about the excitement he feels in coming out of retirement (again!) to work with the dedicated, passionate, wonderful group of people at The Arc of Carroll County. His enthusiasm is infectious! We’re guessing he liked us pretty well, too: he wrote The food was great and the company was over the top.

Lee invited us all to the Open House coming up at The Arc on Wednesday, October 19th at their headquarters near the airport, starting at 10am. He invites us to come see our newly renovated building and learn about the wonderful work of The Arc. Besides enjoying light refreshments, we’ll have a chance to meet Don Rowe, Executive Director, take a tour, meet clients. Nothing formal… just come take a look. He also says we could come a bit early if we like.

The Arc headquarters is located at 180 Kriders Church Road in Westminster (near Meadow Branch Road and the airport). Lee writes that it’s a dinky little road – so we all need to be careful to not miss it!

You’ll find more information about The Arc of Carroll County at http://ArcCarroll.org/.

Junior Woman’s Club of Westminster (JWC)

Everything Children Consignment Sale

Leslie Krebs asks that we thank all the wonderful ladies who made cookies & helped at their Consignment Sale on August 20th. We appreciate it! They have donated any items that didn’t sell to the Human Service Programs of Carroll County (HSP). Leslie also wrote that the best thing about the sale every year is the teamwork with members & volunteers.
No Reports Submitted
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✓ PUBLICITY COMMITTEE ✓ MEMBER-TO-MEMBER
✓ PUBLIC ISSUES CSP

Member Birthdays This Month
Join us in celebrating the birthdays of these fine fellow club-women:
Marjorie Lohnes ..... September 5
Peggy Slater ..... September 6
Nancy Hiatt ..... September 7
Tata Welliver ..... September 16
Mary Lou Poirier ..... September 18
Dianna Davis ..... September 30
Barbara Gunther ..... September 30

Yearbook Updates
Please update your Yearbook with the following changes:

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Newsletter Deadline
✓ Our deadline for submitting items you’d like to have included in our October, 2016 newsletter is Sunday September 25th.
✓ Be sure to read our little Fine Print Box at the end of each Newsletter!

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