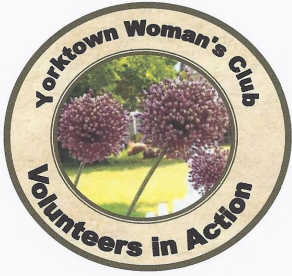


April, 2016



The Town Crier

Mark Your Calendar

April 18, General Membership Meeting 10:30 Yorktown Library

April 28 Night Division Meeting 7:00 home of Twyla Oppenhuizen, 103 Church St.

May 4 Board Meeting, 9:00 AM, Yorkminster Presbyterian

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President's Corner

Well, this is a fine how-do-you do! The forecast for tomorrow is for a possible freeze and states to the north of us had inches of snow last night. It just goes to show that life is never predictable. You can, however, rely on your sister Clubwomen to have your interest at heart. We stand together in times of joy and sorrow. What a wonderful treasure to know that you are cared for as our club cares for people in our wider community! There are many springtime events in the future. Below are a few:



"Together we can do great things, which none of us alone could imagine!"

April 2, 2016 Tidewater District Spring Meeting was held at Atlantic Shores Retirement Community from 8:30 AM to 2:30 PM. We had 9 people attend this meeting. Our club won 6 awards. Congratulations to all who work so hard to serve our community and perhaps win a few prizes along the way! Way to go, Ladies! Our display table was beautifully set with photos and props showing the sort of hard work our club performs. The Tidewater District officers were also installed. How wonderful to see all the willing hands offering to help.

April 6, 2016, Board Meeting 9 AM Yorkminster Presbyterian.

April 18, 10:30 Our General meeting will be held at Yorktown Public Library, hosted by the Public Issues Community Service Project. The topic is financial information you need to know in order to be prepared for the loss of a spouse. At the April meeting we will also vote on our new slate of officers who will be sworn in at the May Luncheon. We will also vote on changes to our Bylaws and our Budget for 2016-2017. We need a quorum for these votes. Please try to attend these meetings and show your support for our Club.

Save the Date: May 6-8 GFWC Virginia State Convention at the Doubletree in Williamsburg. Tidewater District is hosting this event. I have been designated as the Tidewater Chairperson for this convention. We need member support to complete all tasks. Please, plan to attend if you are able. Jane May is our club coordinator for volunteer opportunities at this event. She will be contacting you before long!

GFWC International Convention is June 25-29 in Baltimore. I sent each of you a link to the Call to Convention from the GFWC website

Linda Avery, President

Volunteers in Action

Affiliations:

GFWC



VFWC



Tidewater District



Get your Finances in Order at the April Meeting

Women's financial issues are the topic of our next meeting on Monday, April 18th at 10:30 at the Yorktown Library on Rt. 17.

SO SORRY, I will not be able to be the speaker on Financial Issues for Women on the 18th of April. THE GOOD NEWS is Jim Smith, an estate attorney, agreed to be our speaker.

Jim's areas of practice and expertise include wills and trusts, estate planning and administration, charitable giving, planning family business, wealth transfer planning and tax exempt organizations. Jim also represents taxpayers before the IRS and Department of Taxation.

He will focus on things that a single woman or widow should know about financial matters, such as familiarity with bills and records, how assets or accounts are titled, passwords and access to online accounts and social media and commerce sites as well as a suggestion that all parties reduce the footprint of paperwork and backlog of saved documents that will simply leave others who will not know their relevance confused. He will also speak about Powers of Attorney and the estate tax credit that now shields \$5,450,000 per person.

PLEASE come prepared to ask questions. I know you will enjoy him as he is very knowledgeable and easy to talk with. I am looking forward to hearing about all you have learned. If you have wondered how to best organize your finances in the event that you are alone, you will want to be there for this presentation. The Public Issues Community Service Program is hostess for this meeting.

This is also an important business meeting for the club. We will be voting on our new officers for 2016-2018 and also reviewing and voting on the budget for 2016-2017. In addition several changes are proposed to the club bylaws that are necessary in order to obtain tax approval as a 501.3C non profit organization. Please plan to attend!

Gail King, Woman's History Chair

Tidewater District Meeting is a Winner

Yorktown Woman's Club was well represented at the GFWC Tidewater District spring meeting held April 2nd at Atlantic Shores in Virginia Beach. Nine members attended from our club but brought back awards earned by ALL members. We know how hard we work for our community, so it is especially meaningful when that work and dedication is recognized by others in our organization.

YWC received six awards from the District. Our work and projects in Art, Public Issues and the Newsletter were recognized as best among large clubs. Communications, International Outreach and Legislation were honored as Best Overall in the district. Our support of the

children's mission in Honduras, (International Outreach) efforts to keep members informed via websites, newsletters and personal contacts, (Communication) and a visit to GFWC headquarters and lunch with Congressman Wittman (Legislation) were noted as significant achievements in these areas. Last, but certainly not least, honors go to every one of you who work so hard to make our community a better place.

Another highlight of the meeting was the installation of Linda Avery as the 2nd Vice President for the Tidewater District. Congratulations, Linda and thank you for all that you do for GFWC! Together we really do accomplish great things!

Debra Walsh, 2nd VP



District Meeting Reps, Grace Wetzel, Debra Walsh, Connie Jones, Pat Adams, Jane May, Linda Avery, Marilyn Staton, Mary Moore and Lynda Burton



Congratulations to Linda Avery on her new office of Tidewater District 2nd Vice President. Linda was installed at the District Meeting on April 2nd.

May Luncheon

Be sure to mark May 16th on your calendar for our annual luncheon at Riverwalk Restaurant in Yorktown. We will be joined by our scholarship winners for this event. It is always a joy to meet these talented students and rewarding to know that our club is playing a part in their future education. Save the date and make your reservation with Glori Gori by May 12!



Menu Choices:

Riverwalk Crab Cakes with Artichoke Tartar Sauce
Sliced Beef Tenderloin with Red Wine Sauce
Seared Salmon Filet with Herb Butter Sauce
Coffee or Tea

All entrees include:

Seasonable Vegetables & Mashed potatoes
Warm Rolls and Butter
Fudge Brownie Pie with Ice Cream

There will be a wine bar at \$6.00 a glass

Night Division Book Review

The Night Department will meet at 7:00 on April 28th at the home of Twyla Oppenhuisen. We will have a discussion of the book The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society by Mary Ann

Karin Herdey, Co-Chair Night Division

GFWC Virginia Call for 109th Annual Convention

The state GFWC Convention is being held from May 5 through May 8 at the Double Tree Hotel, 50 Kingsmill Rd. in Williamsburg. The Tidewater area clubs are hostesses for this event, so in addition to business, personal development and fun, the convention offers an opportunity for us to fill several hostess roles. In particular, we need 3 people to help on Friday, May 6th from 2 to 5 pm and 6 people to help on Saturday May 7th from 7 to 9:30 pm working as door pages and ticket checkers.

If arts and crafts is more to your liking, help is also needed making table decorations. Jane May is coordinating the volunteer assistance. Please email her at JLMay_988@msn.com if you are able to help.

If you would like to attend the conference, registration is requested by April 14th. Additional information may be found at <http://www.gfwcvirginia.org/>

Jane May 1st VP



Our support goes out to all members experiencing loss, or illness, including Barbara Murphy, Lucinda Brackman, Dove Barton, Robin Milewski and Sandy Renner.

AND *congratulations* to Mary Sawhill on her engagement! If you know of anyone who is ill or in the hospital let Pat Sappenfield or Linda Avery know so we can send our well wishes.

Elections

Elections will be held at our meeting on April 18th. Following is the slate of officers to be presented:

President: Jane May
1st VP: Marilyn Staton
2nd VP: Sandy Renner
Treasurer: Ellen Raffetto
Recording Secretary: Lois Bates
Corresponding Secretary: Pat Sappenfield
Parliamentarian: Linda Avery
Chaplain: Sharon Stephens
Historian: Gail King & Mary Moore
Member at Large: Connie Jones

Nominations will also be accepted from the floor during the meeting.



Treasurer's Report

Carol Childs, Treasurer

March 1—31, 2016

Operations Account

Beginning Balance	<u>\$3,555.07</u>
Deposits	\$.03
Expenses	\$ 372.53
Ending Balance	<u>\$3,182.57</u>

Projects Account

Beginning Balance	<u>\$15,133.05</u>
Deposits	\$ 1,460.12
Expenses	\$ 221.37
Ending Balance	<u>\$16,371.80</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$19,554.37</u>

The Birthday Girls



Best Wishes to all of our members celebrating birthdays during April.

- A. Rae Hinterliter 4/09**
- Martha Gardner 4/10**
- Sue Kidd 4/10**
- Floye Donadio 4/14**
- Mary Ann Bishop 4/25**



Lynda Burton, Connie Jones and Mary Moore with Babs Condon, GFWC International President (top) and US Congressman Rob Wittman (below) during a trip to Washington DC promoting legislative issues.



Membership News



At our last General Membership meeting we had several guests and I am happy to say that four of them joined our club! A warm welcome to Rose Field, Terry Hanson, Susan Kaye Moore and Ursula Rokahr! We look forward to meeting and working with you in the coming months.

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Please also note the change of address for the following:

****Sandy Renner**

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**Temporary change for Sandy.

Susan Nagy

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Glori Gori, Membership Chair

Looking for Something to Do?

It's not too soon to start planning your summer calendar! Be sure to save the date for two YWC activities—the July 4th Parade in Yorktown and the Virginia Symphony Concert Under the Stars on Saturday, September 3rd at the Yorktown waterfront.

If you are interested in walking in the parade, please contact Jane May, email jlmay_988@msn.com by May 1st.

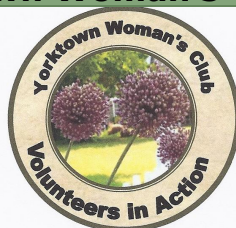
The symphony needs volunteers to help with the reception for the musicians during intermission. Come out and enjoy the concert and a pot luck picnic with the club and help at the hospitality tent during intermission. We can also use your creative help in decorating our table. Look for more details to come.

If you're looking for something a little sooner, visit Sister Cities French Market, 10 am to 3 pm. on April 23. This annual event celebrates the spirit of the regular Saturday market in Port-Vendres France, Yorktown's sister city since 1990. Traditional market products such as fresh-baked bread, pastries, chocolates, soaps, wine, along with fresh food items, will be available for purchase.

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