



DOOR CODE FOR MONDAY NIGHT MEETINGS: 44005#

May

Saturday, May 7th 11am-Noon
Stevens Creek Nature Preserve Picnic Lunch Bunch to Follow

Monday May 9th 6pm
Potluck Dinner/ Induction of New Officers
 Morning Star Lutheran Family Center
 Doors open 6pm

June

Monday, June 13th
 6pm-8:30pm
Game Night
 Town Hall Flex Room

Lunch Bunch
 TBD
 Evite to follow

We are now collecting Annual Membership Dues. The dues continue to be \$20/year and can be paid by cash or check. Membership will be available at the Potluck Dinner to collect money at that time.

You can also send in your dues to MHWC/ Ann Papais, 3725 Martele Dr, Mint Hill NC 28227

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Announcements

Our Potluck Dinner will be on Monday, May 9th, at the Morningstar Lutheran Church Family Center. Please RSVP to the evite and indicate what dish you will be bringing through Perfect Potluck.

That evening we will also be collecting non-perishable food items for the BACKPACKS OF LOVE program. Please refer to the list on page 5.

Also, we will be inducting the new board members at the dinner and will start our Summer programs. For the months of June, July, and August, we scale back our programs to monthly game nights in place of our regular meetings (at the Town Hall). We also continue monthly lunch Bunches and one enrichment activity.

Message from Co-Presidents

To ALL WOMEN: mothers, grandmothers, godmothers, aunts, sisters, and friends- A Happy Mother's Day!!!!

The earliest Mother's Day celebrations can be traced back to the Spring celebrations of Ancient Greece in honor of Rhea, the Mother of the Gods. During the 1600's the early Christian's in England celebrated a day to honor Mary, the Mother of Christ. By a religious order the holiday was later expanded in its scope to include all Mother's.

It is a day celebrated in many ways, and a day to acknowledge a Mother's contribution in life and pay tribute to her.

We would like to thank every member for your inspiration, fellowship, and dedication to the Mint Hill Women's Club, and for supporting Andree and I as Co-President's for the last three years. You have inspired us to work hard, to coordinate many activities as well as fundraisers, and work together as a successful team.. A SPECIAL THANKS goes to our Board Members, who have stayed with us for three years, through Covid. You have encouraged, advised, and given assistance to Andree and I. Thank you to the Committee Chairs, and Seasonal Team Co-Chairs. You have engaged us in so many fun activities that promote our vision of service, social gatherings, and self improvement.

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In our final days as Co-Presidents of the MHWC, we are so grateful and thankful for our GREAT members. You have inspired us to do better. You have given us energy, you have given us guidance, and most of all you have been there to share your talents, wisdom, and life experiences. You are the BEST, and we appreciate the opportunity to represent the MHWC as Co-Presidents.

God Bless and welcome to our new President, Jessica Burns, and the 2022-2023 Board members.

Warmly,
Marilyn Fargo and Andree West

47th Anniversary Tea



42 ladies participated in our 47th Anniversary Tea at Pine Lake Country Club. Not only did we enjoy the seeing everyone dressed up, and the delicious Tea Sandwiches, but had a special desserts from Southern Perfection by Corey. Of the Red Velvet, Strawberry Chiffon and Pineapple Coconut to choose from, the hands down favorite was the Pineapple Coconut. In addition to listening to stories provided by some of our earliest member, 40-47 years of membership, we also had 10 unique teapot floral arrangements which were raffled off. It was such a success, that we signed up 3 new members who attended as guests.

April Meeting Recap



This is the new board that was elected at our April membership meeting. From L to R: Ginnie Freeburn, Suzanne Maddox, Pam Dalton, Marilyn Fargo, Deonna Bandos, Jessica Burns, Colleen McCall, Sandy Dimeo, Ann Papais, Donna Smith, Nancy Crisp, Andree West, Kathy Cowles, Cheryl Crawford, Dona Phillips, and Jane Morris. Not pictured are: Anne Doughty, Mary Pat Busker, Marilyn Folsbee, Mary Blinn, Charlotte Elliotte, Sharon Clark and Lee Thompson.

We also voted to accept the recommended budget and donation disbursements for 2022-23. We will be re-sending checks to Healing Vine Harbor, Honor the Warriors, and The Explorers Group at our Potluck Dinner.

Donation Disbursements

On April 22, 2022 Cheryl Reid presented a donation of \$500 in MHWC's name and 2 bags of food to Ms. Becky Brown for the Philadelphia Presbyterian Church Backpacks of Love ministry. This program is helping local students experience greater food security on weekends.

A fun fact: Ms. Brown mentioned in 1978, as a high school graduate, she was the recipient of a \$500 donation from the MHWC to use towards continuing her education.



Pat's Place:

Pat's Place coordinates the investigation, treatment, and prosecution of the most serious cases of child abuse, ages 0 to 18, in Mecklenburg County. The annual "Everyday Hero's Philanthropy luncheon" was held uptown in April. It was attended by Marilyn Fargo and Lana Cobb, our guest speaker for Pat's Place at our November membership meeting. A \$500.00 check was presented to Pat's Place from the Mint Hill Women's Club. The guest speaker was Sarah Klein, Attorney, and former USA competitive gymnast. She was a victim of abuse, starting at 8 years old, by the USA Olympic doctor.

Spring Team News



Thursday, April, 21st, 14 ladies gathered together at Suzanne Maddox's home to create "Hugs" cards to be used next year for our membership. Thanks goes to Robyn Imirie, for planning, prepping and overall creativity in providing materials that made our time spent so much easier. Also, Thanks goes out to Suzanne Maddox and Jane Morris for organizing this event. We made 102 greeting cards that evening and had a lot of laughs along the way.



Also, remember to sign up for the Stevens Creek Nature Center class and brown bag picnic lunch on Saturday, May 7th, 11 am

The Spring Team is also looking for help with the Potluck Dinner in May. If you are able to help, please reach out to Jane Morris or Suzanne Maddox.

welcome

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Leslie Runfola

Jane Rutledge

Donna Coughy

Hugs

Get Well Card

Pat Stanley
Knee Surgery

Birthdays

Mary Ann	Gatz	05-01
Celeste	Denecke	05-13
Carmen	Yasmine	05-14

Please contact Pam Dalton, Corresponding Secretary, with information regarding any member who needs a Hugs card. You can email her at daltongang123@aol.com

Community News

Here is the list of items requested to be dropped off at the Potluck Dinner. Philadelphia Presbyterian Church outreach program is in need of supplies for the upcoming months. We are asking that you bring something either to the dinner or to the church itself.



Mint Hill...we need your help! Independence has the pleasure of hosting the Exceptional Children's Extension Prom again this year. We will be hosting over 100 students with special needs and their teachers on May 13 from 10am-12:30am. However, we need some help. Our theme is Spring is in the Air. We are seeking donations to help pay for decorations, music, food, and t shirts. We try to give them the full prom experience. If you would like to help us out, you can donate directly to Independence High School. Let me know if you have any questions.

Annual Membership Dues

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Since we have a scaled back summer program, you may want to consider paying your dues early. They are officially due no later than Oct.10th. After that time, if payment hasn't been received, you will be dropped from our database, emails, newsletters and evites.

If you don't intend to renew your membership, please notify Nancy Crisp—Membership Chair- at ojcrisp@aol.com.

This will prevent her from repeated attempts to contact you.

All questions should be directed to Nancy at 704-537-3592.