



The Tri Club Tribune

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CALENDAR

- January 30: Art entries
- February 2: Tri Club Meeting
- February 14: Valentine Day
- February 16: Board Meeting
- March 3: Lee District Art Show

REMEMBER

- Read Minutes (page 2)
- Bring in art entries (page 5)
- Bring pull tabs
- Bring food for Lamb's Basket
- Donate Tap Project (page 5)
- Bring items for Be Mine Ball (page 5)
- Bring "clipped" coupons
- Bring jewelry for Glitz Galore (page 6)
- Buy Glitz Galore Jewelry
- Make plans for Tea Party (page 6)

Tri Club Meeting
February 2, 2012
10:30 am

Day Chairman: Paula Butz
Luncheon: Nancy Kindervater,
Libby Danforth
Devotions: Lucy Vick



February Program

Ronald McDonald House

Dee Russell, House Operations Manager



Glitz Galore



Who doesn't like to shop for jewelry and reasonably priced at that!

At our February meeting we will be selling **Glitz – bling!**

We are asking members to bring in their jewels of any kind, costume or nice that you are tired of wearing. We would like each item individually packaged in clear Ziploc baggies to be sold for \$3 that day. Remember someone else's jewels may be just what you are looking for, for yourself or granddaughter or any other family member or friend!

TRI CLUB GENERAL MEETING < JANUARY 5, 2012

Mariett Eggleston called the meeting to order at 10:30. Dean Goggin read devotions. Music was by Evelyn Kerschbaumer.

Reports of Officers

Treasurer, Jane Hostetler reported on our assets and listed checks written to the Christmas Mother and other for over \$1,000.

Corresponding Secretary, Carol Decker, received thank you notes from Mariett for her Christmas gift, Safe Harbor and McGuire Vet, Hospital.

2nd Vice President Nancy Kindervater held the birthday drawing. Mariett introduced her guest, Louise Carlonni.

1st Vice President, Mary-Meade Lee has started working on chairmans' reports. Next month's program is on the Ronald McDonald House.

President, Mariett Eggleston and several other Tri Club members worked at the Bizarre Bazaar. The January Board meeting is the 19th at 1:30.

GFWC COMMITTEES

Arts: (Iris Will) Lea Lightner wants the art show entrants to bring their entries between 11:30 and 1:30 on January 30 for judging at 2:00. In case of snow, call one of the chairmen.

Conservation: Lynne Moore- Thanks to the members who clipped coupons for Coups for Troops.

Communication and Identity: Page Peyser announced that the WECC won an award from Create A Thon for helping developing marketing plans for non profit organizations. Out of 40 entrants, 12 were winners. We need a volunteer with a pick up truck to remove raked leaves from our parking lot. Martin's regional office has been contacted to sponsor gifts to raffle off.

Fund Raising: Pat Thiel-thanks to Diane Golden for the idea of decorating in the theme of clowns to honor today's speaker. Miss Lillie from Clown Alley. \$700 was raised working at Bizarre Bazaar this year (winter and spring). There will be a committee meeting after the meeting today. Sybil, Mary-Meade and Carol Decker were applauded for making the 49 angels which raised \$490. Sibyl's son's business matching funds brought the total to \$790 for the State President's Project. The Be Mine BALL baskets still need items donated. Pinwheels will be "planted" our front again in the spring.

Health: Martha Vermilya is collecting walking miles. 2,086 miles were walked in Sept., Oct., and Nov.

Home Life: Anne Hunnicutt, Thanks to all who brought pull tabs and items for Lamb's Basket. Contributions to all the Christmas Mothers totaled \$360.

International Outreach: Janet Cocke, absent, will have a collection box for donations to the Tap Project at the February meeting.

Legislation: Gracie Tingle reported the House and Senate's vote on whether to restrict weight/size limits for trucks will be delayed.

Meals On Wheels: Beverly Lee

Public Issues: Sibyl Telfian and Ell Gordon tied many thousands of bows on lap blankets for vets. 21 helmet liners were given for troops. Nancy Golden reported over \$600 was donated this year for the McGuire Hospital's patients. A bingo party will be held there April 11.

GFWC/VFWC CLUB COMMITTEES.

Courtesy: Janice Halloran let us know that Mary-Meade Lee had cataract surgery, Peggy Gilbert is still in the hospital after having surgery and Helen Brooke's husband is very ill.

Hospitality: Margaret Vachet commented on the Styrofoam cups being used to save money. The February committee will meet after the meeting today.

New Business: The question of why we do record our time spent on club projects was answered.

Respectfully submitted
Happy Urick
Recording Secretary.

Motions from Board Meeting, January 19, 2012

That Tri Club purchase a movable cart for the Book Swap corner. The limit amount is \$275.

That Tri Club donate \$100 to Meals on Wheels on an annual basis (line items)

PRESIDENT:
MARIETT EGGLESTON

Do you remember that childhood poem that says "...the north wind doth blow and we shall have snow, and what will poor Robin do then?....." I keep thinking of it when I hear the winds that we've had this week, but it seems that they have not brought snow and you may already be planning your spring outings. I have a few suggestions for your calendar that would be fun if we get a group of us together and attend. The Lee District Annual meeting will be March.17 at the Richmond Country Club and the GFWC VA Convention will be April 20-22. And don't forget the District Art Show on March 3rd and our own Tea Party on April 17th. You will be hearing more about all of that later on, or in this newsletter.

We all owe Mary-Meade Lee a great big THANK YOU for preparing the reports that we must have submitted by January 25th. Thank you also to all of you that turned in your individual reports that made her work possible. Backing up one more step, thank you for all of your efforts supporting our many projects that gave us things to report!

I wish all of you a Happy Valentine's Day with many happy memories of past or future loves!

1ST. VICE PRESIDENT:
MARY-MEADE LEE

In February we will be getting an inside view of the Ronald McDonald House from the House Operations Manager. To know more about the house before her visit, check out the website: www.richmondrmhc.org.

By the time you read this the reports will be on their way to the District, State and National GFWC. Ladies again you did an outstanding job. I will be giving

you statistics at the meetings. Remember that our year runs from January to December, so start now recording your projects and donations. The information you need for each project is number of volunteer hours, number of members involved, in kind donations and dollars donated. Check our website for the forms that will help with this process.

2ND VICE PRESIDENT:
NANCY KINDERVATER

"Winter is the time for comfort, for good food and warmth, for the touch of a friendly hand and for a talk beside the fire: it is the time for home."

- Edith Sitwell

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

Deloris Apsley	2
Winnie Jones	3
Peggy Marsh	5
Betsy Williamson	6
Pat Reilly	10
Alice Hack	18

Birthstone=Amethyst
Flower=Violet or Iris
Color= Purple
{Meaning Faithfulness, Purity, and Modesty }

TREASURER:
JANE HOSTETLER

AN ESSAY ON PROCEDURE

Part of the treasure's responsibility is writing checks to various charities and worthy causes and reimbursing club members for expenses they have incurred doing the work of the club.

The treasurer **may not** write any checks or reimburse any monies unless the expenditure is: A)

listed as a line item in our approved budget B) the result of a motion passed in a board meeting (amounts under \$100) or a motion passed by the entire club at a general meeting (amounts exceeding \$100), or C) reimbursement to a club member for an approved club activity.

The procedure does not end with a passed motion. The member who initiates the motion, whether approved in the board meeting or at a general meeting, is then responsible for filling out a voucher (treasurer provides these) and giving the request to the treasurer. Then your treasurer will be happy to write the check, include a donation cover note, put it in an envelope, stamp and mail it to the person or organization at the address you have provided on the voucher. If you are asking to be reimbursed, please include the receipts with the request.

WEBMASTER:
PAGE PEYSER

Have you heard of **Spybots**? They are little computer viruses that break into your computer and send out phony emails to people on your contact list. If a recipient gets suspicious by a strange email from you, the recipient might send you an email asking "What's up? Why are you recommending Canadian pharmacies to me?" There are different types of software that will get rid of a spybot. **Spybot Search and Destroy** is one that worked for me and I recommend it to friends of mine.

Do a search on **Spybot Search and Destroy** and you will find a free download of this software.

EDUCATION:**COCHAIRS: EVELYN KERSCHBAUMER, GRETCHEN
BRADLEY**

We have a new HOBY nominee from J. R. Tucker High School. Her name is Farah Hatoum and she is the most outstanding sophomore there. We will be sending a check for \$175.00 in sponsorship of Farah. The HOBY program includes a three-day seminar where the attendees will learn about "Leadership Through Service." We are happy to support such a worthwhile program. At the seminar, Farah will pledge 100 hours of community service for the year following the seminar.

This month we will be in contact with the Patrick Henry school administration to determine how we can help this new effort in our community. We will keep you posted when we have some information.

Our book corner is in need of a portable book case. This would make it more convenient to move the books quickly before and after meetings. We are researching different options and look forward to your support in this matter.

Please check out the Books Galore list. We invite you to share a review of a book you have read. Our book review person is Gretchen.

Remember to bring Box Tops 4 Education coupons. Look for the heart-shaped box.

BOOK REVIEW**THE CHRISTMAS WEDDING****by****James Patterson****Courtesy of****Gretchen Bradley**

The tree is decorated, the cookies are baked, and the packages are wrapped, but the biggest cause for celebration this Christmas is Gaby Summerhill's wedding. Since her first husband died three years ago, Gaby's four children have drifted apart, consumed by their own lives. They haven't celebrated Christmas together since their father's death, but when Gaby announces that she is getting married and the identity of the groom will remain a secret until the wedding day, she finally is able to bring them home for the holidays.

The wedding isn't the only surprise, there is one more unexpected gift and it could change all their lives forever. With deeply affecting characters and the emotional twists of a James Patterson thriller, this story gives a fresh look at family and the magic of the season.

Books Galore Tri Club continues to read**From December 2011**

Title	Qty	Author
A Covert Affair		Jennet Conant
A Stolen Life		Jaycee Dugard
A Vineyard Killing		P. Craig
All My Life: A Memoir		Susan Lucci
Charles Dickens: A Life		Claire Tomalin
Civil War in Northern Virginia		William S. Connery
Cold Mountain		Charles Frazier
Folly Beach		Dorothea B. Frank
Frames		L. Estleman
Garden of Beasts		Erik Larson
Healing in His Wings		Carolyn Rhea
Hiss of Death		Rita Mae Brown
Hole in One		C. Aird
Leap of Faith		Danielle Steel
Life Itself: A Memoir		Roger Ebert
Molaka'i		Alan Brennert
Pawley's Island		D. B. Frank
People of the Book		Geraldine Brooks
The Cat Who Talked Turkey		L. J. Braun
The Great Gatsby		F. Scott Fitzgerald
The Litigators		John Grisham
The Rule of Four		J. Caldwell
The Whole Truth		James Baldacci
Three Cups of Tea		Greg Mortenson
Unbroken		Laura Hillenbrand

INTERNATIONAL OUTREACH:
JANET COCKE

World Water Week, March 19-25

-- At the December club meeting the board's recommendation to send \$100 to UNICEF'S *Tap Project* was passed. GFWC Virginia is in partnership with UNICEF. The *Tap Project* raises money for clean water and basic sanitation programs for children in about 10 foreign countries. UNICEF and its partners drill wells and install water pumps; help communities build latrines and teach lifesaving hygiene to schoolchildren; and truck safe water to those in emergencies.

Just \$1.00 can supply a child with safe drinking water for 40 days.

I'd like to add to the \$100 club contribution by providing a basket at the February and March meetings for you to contribute to this extremely beneficial project. **Please** consider donating your dollars -- thank you!!!

ARTS: IRIS WILL

REMEMBER—Monday, January 30th is the date for our ARTS AND CRAFTS CONTEST.

Entries are to be brought to the West End Community Center between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. All entries to be accompanied by a registration card filled out by the entrant. Extra cards will be available at the door. All entries will be exhibited at our February 2nd club meeting. Blue Ribbon winners will be entered into the Lee District Show on March 3rd. All other entries may be picked up after the February 2nd club meeting.

The **ART GROUP** will be assisting with registration and setting up the show **between 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.** Your help is greatly appreciated.

Congratulations to **Jonnie Smith and Page Peyser** who won **FIRST PLACE** in writing—Poetry and Short Story respectively. Their entries are on the way to the District Level. We hope lots of our members will be entering their handiwork on January 30th.

SAFETY: JOHANNA GILBERT

If you own a GPS, when you put in your information to a destination you are going to do not put in your home address in, use a store or business that is close to you instead. If any one gets to your GPS they can pull up your information on where you live and that is an easy way for a robbery to happen.

Be safe and smart.

GFWCVA STATE PROJECT:
PAT THIEL - SIBYL TELFIAN

Take Time to Save a Child



Please bring items to the February meeting for the two silent auction baskets Tri Club is providing for the Prevent Child Abuse Virginia - Be-Mine-Ball on February 11. The theme categories are: Pamper Yourself and An Evening at Home.

In Memory
Lucille Blackley

Died December 5, 2011
Age 92
Member of Tri Club



HEALTH: MARTHA VERMILYA
JEAN MARTIN

Keep on Walkin'!

We spent Christmas at home but are back on the road to see the state capitals. Our last stop, in November, was Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. You walked 1018 miles in December/January. We left Harrisburg in the snow and headed south for some warmer climate. Our first stop was in Charleston, West Virginia and then on to Raleigh, North Carolina. Later we arrived in Columbia, South Carolina and completed this leg of our trip in Tallahassee, Florida. We have now visited 1/3 of the 48 capitals. Do you think we might visit all of them by our May meeting?

Do you wear your pedometer in your home or only when you are walking outside? You might be amazed how many extra miles you can accumulate.

February is Age-Related Macular Degeneration Awareness Month. Although there is no known way to prevent macular degeneration, lifestyle factors can reduce your risk of developing the condition. Don't smoke, eat a healthy diet high in fruits and vegetables and low in animal fat, exercise regularly and maintain a healthy weight. See your eye care professional regularly for dilated eye exams.

HOSPITALITY:
MARGARET VACHET & JEAN RAY

Ladies, we only have three more luncheons before our May Banquet. It's hard to believe that time goes by so fast! We do hope that our reorganization has helped all of you luncheon chairmen and your committees. From our perspective, everything has gone beautifully. We are definitely open to any suggestions that any of you might have. Please feel free to contact either of us. See you at the February meeting.

FUNDRAISING - PAT THIEL, COORDINATOR

February meeting fundraiser - **Glitz Galorie!!!** Check your jewelry box(es) and bring items for members to purchase for their "glitz"! Have each piece or set bagged and ready for display. Each bagged item will be priced at \$3.00. What fun!!



Tri Club members will be volunteering at the Spring Bizarre Bazaar which will be held March 29 - April 1. Sign up sheets will be available at the March meeting.



Time for our Spring Extravaganza SPRING FLING TEA PARTY AND SILENT AUCTION

This event will be held on **April 17 - 3-5 p.m.** at the West End Community Center. **Tickets - \$15 each** will be available at the March meeting. Get your group together!!!

All members are needed to help with obtaining items for the silent auction - each item; gift certificate, etc., to have a value of \$25 or more. Pat Thiel will be collecting the silent auction items.

PUBLIC POLICY: GRACIE TINGLE

Good news for most, the Supreme Court announced in December that it would hear arguments in late March to decide the constitutionality of President Obama's health care overhaul. Governor McDonnell said he wants Virginia to operate its own health insurance exchange if the court upholds the federal mandate that all individuals have health insurance and that his administration will continue to plan for a state exchange under existing law and seek additional legislation later if necessary.

The Republications in the House of Delegates picked up six new seats in the November 2011 election. The Senate gained two thus creating a 20-20 split. The Republicans declared a majority based on Republican Lt. Gov. Bill Bolling's tie breaking vote and elected Sen. Thomas Norment Jr.,

(R-James City) majority leader. Sen. Ryan McDougle, R-Hanover, will serve as Republican Caucus chairman and

Sen. Stephen Newman, R-Lynchburg, will serve as vice chairman. Sens. Jeffrey McWaters, R-Va. Beach, William Stanley Jr., R-Franklin County, and Jill Holtzman Vogel, R-Fauquier, will serve as majority whips.

On January 11, Lt. Gov. Bolling used his tie-breaking vote to organize the 20/20 chamber in the Republican's favor. According to the Times-Dispatch, the Republicans gave themselves 93 committee slots and the Democrats 74 slots. This power show is not new. Last year with the Democrats having a 22 to 18 edge, they held sway over the Republicans. But the Democrats said the tie-breaking issue is not over.

The 'deficit-reduction super committee' acting as a group in what the full Congress should have been doing failed miserably. Now they are talking about a "super super committee".

Health and Human Services Secretary Kathleen Sebelius overruled her own drug regulators and stopped the morning-after pill from being moved from behind the counters to the open shelves. This means the Plan B One-Step emergency contraceptive will be available only to 17 and older who can prove their age.

Again, Pres. Obama has by-passed the Senate and named three new members to the U.S. labor board as well as installing a national consumer watchdog. Although there has been clearance for the Keystone XL pipeline (3 times by the environmental groups so far) Pres. Obama is still delaying the approval of this project. Surprisingly, fuel was our top export in 2011.

The Virginia General Assembly began its 2012 session Wednesday (11th).

Congress is headed back to DC. Hopefully, we will have some action now. Maybe the Senators will vote on the truck weight bill that we have been urging them to vote against. Will keep you abreast of the situation.

"Our lives begin to end the day we become silent about the things that matter."....Martin Luther King. Jr.

SAFE HARBOR
courtesy of Sibyl Telfian

Safe harbor's mission is to empower survivors of sexual and domestic violence to transform their lives, and promote healthy relationships for all.

Tri Club donated \$790 to this project which is an ongoing, integral service provided to families impacted by violence.

LUNCHEON COMMITTEE

February 2 ALL AMERICAN

Chair: Nancy Kindervater; Co-Chair Libby Danforth

AM Set-up (Kitchen help) Betty Ruggles Helen Brooke Mary-Meade Lee

Table Set-up & Decorations Paula Butz Margaret Vachet Beverly Lee Wilma Lorch

Clean-up (includes washing tablecloths) Ginny Spencer Beverly White Dolly Lacy

March 1 Brunch

Chair: Johanna Gilbert Co-Chair : Janet Cocke

AM Set-up (Kitchen help) Lynne Moore Jean Ray Karlyn Gleason

Table Set-up & Decorations Polly Lantz Evelyn Kerschbaumer Shirley Spangler

Clean-up (includes washing tablecloths) Mariett Eggleston Happy Ulrich Lea Lightner



DECEMBER LUNCHEON COMMITTEE



JANUARY PROGRAM, "MISS LILLIE"