

December 2018



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Club
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Motto: Service and Friendship



From the President's Pen

Merry Christmas to everyone and may your holidays be happy and bright! As we close out 2018 we can be proud of all we've been able to accomplish during the year. We've fed the children in 24 families at Kilby Elementary School on the weekends. We've provided comfortable pillows to heart and cancer patients for their use during their treatments. We've provided warm hats to students, homeless, cancer patients, and anybody else who needed one. We've helped high school seniors pay a portion of their college expenses. There were winter coats for students at Kilby. Towels and undies to second graders learning to swim. We've helped the Juniors learn and experience the satisfaction of helping others. I think we've succeeded in making a difference in our community.

I hope we can continue to provide the scholarships, pillows, and necessities to the students at Kilby ES in the coming year. Maybe we can take on another project or two. We'll discuss that at our planning meeting in March.

None of these projects will be successful unless we have the cooperation and skills of all our members. Thank you to everyone !

President's Pen continued:

Now for a little bit of business. The Woodbridge Woman's Club is required to pay dues to the Northern District of VA, the VA State GFWC, and the National GFWC by the end of January. It is appreciated if you can mail your check for dues to Carol Bowen at her home, 3604 Eagle Rock Court, Woodbridge, VA 22192. The dues are \$45 and can be sent anytime before January 15. Thank you for your prompt response. Happy Holidays

MEMBERSHIP

I want to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! Also, I would like to share a short article I just read in a magazine discussing resolutions for the coming year. "VOLUNTEER! Giving back can have a positive impact on the community and your well-being. Recent studies have shown that people who volunteer are healthier and less lonely than those who don't." With that being said, please know you have such a positive impact on our community and are so appreciated by all! Be sure to invite a friend to one of our meetings in 2019 with the hope of having our membership grow and our programs able to expand.

Karen Cavanaugh

Club Meeting Dates and Programs 2018-2019

General Meetings

September 17, 2018 (Monday) Annual Membership Tea 1:00 pm PWAR Bldg.

October 15, 2018 (Monday) Speaker 1:00 pm PWAR Bldg.

October 27, 2018 (Saturday) Annual Fashion Show/Luncheon 10:45 am at Old Hickory Golf Club

NO NOVEMBER GENERAL MEETING

December 10, 2018 (Monday) Holiday Luncheon/Meeting Georgio's Restaurant Montclair, 11:30 am

January 28, 2019 (Monday) Speaker 1:00 pm (Note: 4th Monday) PWAR Bldg.

February 25, 2019 (Monday) Speaker 1:00 pm (Note: 4th Monday) PWAR Bldg.

March 18, 2019(Monday) Election of Officers/ Planning Meeting, Speaker 1:00 pm PWAR

April 15, 2019 (Monday) Installation of Officers Luncheon 11:30am (TBD)

May 13, 2019 (Monday) Fashion Show Steering Committee Meeting 1:00 pm

May 20, 2019 (Monday) Scholarship Winners Pot Luck Luncheon 11:30 am PWAR Bldg.

Northern District Fall Meeting September 2018

Northern District Spring Meeting March 2019

Club Board Member Meeting Dates 2018- 2019

August 27, 2018 Monday 1:00
(last Mon. in Aug)

October 1, 2018 Monday 1:00

November 5, 2018 Monday 1:00

December 3, 2018 Monday 1:00

January 7, 2019 Monday 1:00

February 4, 2019 Monday 1:00

March 4, 2019 Monday 1:00

April 1, 2019 Monday 1:00

May 6, 2019 Monday 1:00

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HOME LIFE

Kilby Backpack program – The volunteer schedule is working out well.... thanks for the help everyone is giving to and for the program. Many donations have also been received and are greatly appreciated as well!!

I just want to add something special here... we had a little girl stop by last week while we were packing backpacks. She was very excited to tell us her backpack number and thanked us personally for the food we put in her backpack each week! It tugs at your heartstrings knowing what we are doing for these children is indeed very rewarding!

A special thank you and appreciation to Phyllis Zimmerman and Pat White for taking care of the backpacks during my absence this month!

Knights of Columbus and Ebenezer Church gave our backpack families food for Thanksgiving. They will also be giving those families food for Christmas. The schedule and menu are working out for each Friday's backpack for the children. I appreciate all the help for the program. Thank you to Phyllis Zimmerman, Pat White, Rosemarie Fitzsimmons, Sharon Nash, Lee Boeble, BJ Grey, Charlotte Stultz, and Nan Wehmeyer, for helping pack your designated day!

A special thanks to Phyllis for helping me shop for groceries and especially to the club members who have donated food for the backpacks!! Your generous donation of time and food are contributing to the success and smooth running of this program for the Kilby backpack students!

On December 20, Phyllis Zimmerman and Sharon Nash will help distribute food as well as "trim a tree" items to Kilby families. A warm "Thank you" to these ladies for your assistance.

Salvation Army Stockings – All stockings have been delivered to the Salvation Army. They are very appreciative to the club for the generous donations for the children. Thank you everyone for your generosity and support of this project!

We're doing a great community service in many areas because of your continued support with and for all the Home Life Projects!

As always, thank you!



HOME LIFE Continued:

Hats & Pillows – We received a generous donation from Joan Cmar – 74 hats and 80 pair of gloves for Kilby students! The children are so appreciative... Thank you Joan!

These hats and gloves are displayed in a decorated basket in Shirley Bermejo's office (our parent liaison at Kilby) along with a rack of coats for our club members. Teachers tell Shirley which child(ren) needs an item(s), and Shirley brings the child(ren) to her office to choose a hat, glove, coat, whichever item they need.

Pat White has donated hats to be given out to each child in our backpack program! Thank you Pat!

With the colder weather, these children will certainly appreciate warm bodies, heads, and hands!

November 30, Kathy McNeely and I delivered 80 hats and 84 comfort pillows to seven medical facilities.

I must say this is quite an undertaking! Kathy McNeely has quite a system for the deliveries, making this very tedious task run smoothly and efficiently! Thank you to Kathy for donating your time to do these deliveries each month!! You are truly an "angel" for all the patients receiving these items! And every office is so very appreciative!! It's quite rewarding to see the gratitude from these "deliveries".

In fact, Dr. Kandahari's Office, (Cancer and Blood Specialist of NOVA) will send a donation to help with the making of the pillows! Another office has the pillows on display in their holiday decorations for patients to choose from and yet another has hats and pillows next to their patient station where they receive treatment. Every office (and recipient) can't say enough about our generosity. A very special thank you to all our "pillow making" ladies! We do make a difference!

Wishing everyone a very Happy Hanukkah, Merry Christmas, and healthy, Happy New Year!

Jo Petty

COLLECTIONS

Please bring to General Meetings:

Loose change for Education - Sylvia Hoffmeier

BOXTOPS for Education - Sylvia Hoffmeier