



# Petal Power

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## *President's Message*

*May 2016*

Hello Ladies,

A very beautiful installation as the GFWC State President was held for Reno, at the Convention in Annapolis and her husband Les, her son Sean and her best girlfriend from Florida, were in attendance to witness this very special occasion. Reno looked beautiful in her black evening dress, the smile never left her face, she glowed all night. A reception in her honor was held later on in the evening in the President's suite, where she and I had both shed our shoes. Ladies it is wonderful occasions such as this that you miss when you do not attend any of these conventions.

At this convention club member Diane Raycob was nominated for Outstanding Maryland Club Woman of the year. I know it will probably go through the club grapevine if it hasn't already, it was due to an error on my part that she did not receive this prestigious award. I had mentioned in my recommendation letter that she was moving, so I guess that was a no-no. I apologize again to you Diane and to the club.

I want to thank all of you for selling tea tickets to fill 1, 2 or 3 tables at our annual tea fundraiser. When you receive this newsletter you will probably have sold all 150 tickets. We have 12/13 baskets for raffles and lots of door prizes. Jeanette will be doing the money basket.

I will be having a meeting the first week in June at Santini's if they are still open, with the finance/ways & means committee to discuss our fall fashion show. More information to follow.

Ladies I can't express enough how much you need to consider taking on chairmanship duties, especially the finance/ways & means/fundraising, and for those who have been on the executive board for a year, to consider the presidency. These two positions are what make this club function, without either, the club will be in a very bad predicament.

Remember ladies the June meeting is dues paying time, \$45.00 for active members and \$60.00 for associate members. Dinner checks and dues checks are to be made out separately. Check your notebook for hostesses for the month of June. Your yearly reports are also due at this meeting.

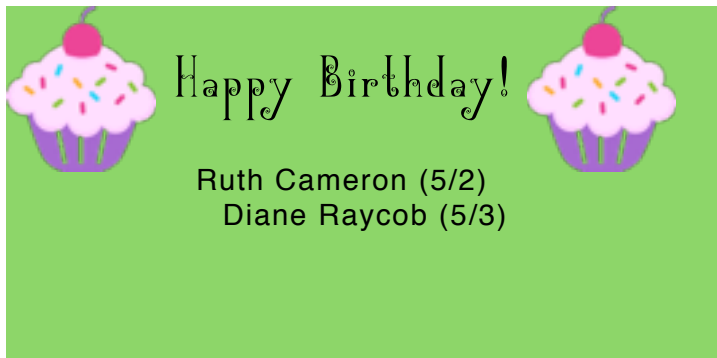
*Dottie Bischoff*  
443-402-1421

*Volunteers get paid in six figures - S M D L E S*



Are you a member of Facebook? Help us spread the news of all the great work we do and attract new members by liking us on Facebook!

*Petal Power submissions are due by the 26<sup>th</sup> of the month!*



*Birthdays are nature's way of telling us  
to Eat More Cake!*



### *Hospitality*

Madeleine Murphy  
410-569-0477

Dinners are \$25.00. Please call in your dinner order to one of the ladies listed below by noon on the Saturday before the meeting. If you have to cancel, please do not call the restaurant, call Madeleine.

The Dinners for the May 12th **Mother/Child Dinner** are: Crab Cake (\$30), Prime Rib (\$30) and Plain Chicken (\$25)

Hostesses: Barbara Albers (410-679-5260) & Barbara Ledford (410-679-1166)

### *Education*

Barbara Ledford  
410-679-1166

We have received 5 applications for our scholarships, it will be a tough time choosing one, so please come to my home May 10th to discuss and choose one of these applicants. Also, please don't forget your Redner's tapes so we can get free monies from them. I also need your donation amounts to give Barbara Knapp for her committee. Hope all is well with you and your family, looking forward to seeing you at our next meeting. Our meeting May 10th will be @ 2:00 p.m. I hope all my committee members will be here!

### Newsletter Request!

Do you have any pictures of club activities? A special family recipe? Or a good quote or article to share?  
Interested in being featured in the "Member Spotlight"?

Please email or call Leah Clague if you would like to contribute!

443-350-3889 or [leah.clague@gmail.com](mailto:leah.clague@gmail.com).

## Conservation

Jeanette Petric  
410-679-0959

Maureen Cornett  
410-676-4428

After more than 70 years operating from a 100 year old farmhouse, the Humane Society of Harford County moved into its new 19,000 square foot animal shelter.

About **4,500 animals** come through the shelter each year.

For the first, the shelter will have a full time, on-site, veterinarian.

We will continue collecting rugs, towels, blankets, and cat and dog food. You may bring them to the meeting, drop them off at my house, or I will pick them up. We are also donating \$50.00 to the Humane Society.

Continue saving tabs for the Ronald McDonald House and used eyeglasses for the Lions Club.



## Happy Mother's Day Ladies!

- In the vast majority of the world's languages, the word for "mother" begins with the letter M.
- In the United States, 26.3 was the average age of a mother giving birth for the first time in 2014.
- In its early days, people observed Mother's Day by going to church and writing letters to their mothers. Eventually, sending cards and giving gifts and flowers were added to the tradition.
- About 133 million Mother's Day cards are exchanged annually in the United States, according to the Greeting Card Association. Consumers purchase an average of 2.8 Mother's Day cards.
- According to the Insure.com 2015 Mother's Day Index, the various tasks Moms perform at home would be worth \$65,284 (up from \$62,985 in 2014) a year in the professional world.
- 72% of moms with children over 1 year old work (about the same as childless women) , vs. 39% in 1976
- Moms with a full-time job spend 13 hours working at the office or at home on family chores
- 1st Mother's Day: May 10, 1908; Founded by Anna Jarvis; made a national holiday in 1914 by President Wilson

Of all the gifts  
that life has  
to offer, a  
loving  
*mother*  
is the greatest  
of them all

## Public Issues

Barbara Knapp  
410-679-4330

### Perry Point VA Medical Center April 20 Visit

Thank you to everyone for being so generous with your contributions for the VA Medical Center. We got a big donation of items at the April general meeting making it possible to deliver a bit of everything we requested. Betty Manthei, Rose Marie Vaccaro, Joan Swanson, Sue Tyber, Dottie Bishoff, Jeanette Petnic and Barbara Knapp spent about 1.5 hours visiting with veterans. We were able to engage some in conversation, others were not as responsive. All the veterans benefitted from the time spent with them and of course the donations. Items not immediately needed by the veterans were left with the nursing staff and the Voluntary Services Office for later distribution.

### Harford County Sheriff's Office Southern Precinct Appreciation Coffee May 17

The PI committee met in March and outlined the menu for our 3rd annual visit to the Southern Precinct. This year we will be remembering Senior Patrick Dailey and Deputy Mark Logsdon who lost their lives during a tragic incident in February. We encourage all JWC members show their support by joining us on May 17. We will be setting up at 6:15 a.m. and ready to serve the deputies and staff during shift change at 7:00 a.m.

### Angels for Your Troops

This Dundalk area organization collects items for care packages to boost the moral of our troops serving in war zones. Each soldier receives 50-55 items in their care package. A list of needed items was passed out at the October general meeting by Joan Swanson who will collect our items and take them to the donation site. A few donation suggestions: soap, sunblock, lip balm, band-aids, washcloths, gum, dental floss, toothpaste, blankets or throws, Lifesavers, playing cards, Frisbees, snacks (dried fruits, crackers, licorice, trail mix), socks - size 10-13, warm hats, blankets or throws, and prayer cards. Joan can supply a more complete list upon request. Items will be accepted at any general meeting and is an ongoing project for JWC Public Issues.

### Cell Phones for Soldiers

Provides cost-free communication services to active-duty military members and veterans. Rose Marie Vaccaro will take donations of no longer needed cell phones and accessories. The items will be taken to the Exit Realty donation site. This is another ongoing Public Issues project.

### Clothing, Household Items Donations for Military Veteran Support Organizations

The dollar amount of clothing and household items you give to Purple Heart, Vietnam Veterans of America, and Am Vets will be tracked by Barbara Ledford. We will also track monetary donations given to the USO, Wounded Warrior Project and other veteran organizations.



## Arts

Diane Raycob  
410-893-7534

I hope everyone noticed the article/photograph in the April 27th edition of the Aegis. It was about our art show at the local library.

We have a few dollars in the art account. Please let me know if you have any ideas on how to spend this money before the end of the year.

## International Outreach

Diane Raycob  
410-893-7534

We will be making a donation to the Heiffer Foundation to finish out the fiscal year.



## Home Life

Barbara Albers  
410-679-5260

This is a busy time of year for this committee. The Mother's Day dinner for Anna's House is fast approaching. Our menu includes ham, potato salad, watergate salad, fresh fruit, tossed salad, broccoli salad, green beans almondine, lasagna, rolls and butter, after dinner mints, banana pudding, cake, and brownies. A real feast!! Thanks to all our participants.

This year we have 11+ baskets for the tea. All those participating, please label your basket with the contents. Those with Longaberger baskets, please put that on your card or label.

## Upcoming Dates

May 5<sup>th</sup> - District Board of Directors Meeting- Sparrows Point Country Club

May 6<sup>th</sup> - Food to Barbara's Albers for Anna's House

May 12<sup>th</sup> - JWC Mother/Child dinner, Parkers Restaurant, 6:00 pay for dinners, and socialize, 6:30 meeting begins. 7:00 dinner is served

Mar 14<sup>th</sup> - JWC Annual Tea, Richlin Ballroom 1:30-3:30, volunteers 12:30.

June 9<sup>th</sup> - JWC Dinner Meeting, 6:00 pay for dinner and dues (separate checks) buy 50/50 6:30 meeting begins, 7:00 dinner will be served.

June 25-29<sup>th</sup> - GFWC Convention at the Marriott Waterfront, Baltimore, go to [www.gfwc.gov](http://www.gfwc.gov) to get all the information.