

Painting The Way

“To offer a nonprofit, educational and service-oriented organization to its members”

Feb. Meeting-DAR Sing-a-long

Members of the Sofia Fleming DAR Chapter presented the program that included a sing-a-long of patriotic songs as well as a flag history. Mary Kendall displayed the flag that was in use at the time of the song and explained it.



Thank you to the DAR members pictured above: Cindy Addison (Chapter Regent), Alison Hastie, Sue Ann Sheward, Mary Kendall, Betty Bogusch. Many thanks to Allen Eastman for arranging the songs and providing the background music.

Fashion Show & Lunch, Wed., Mar 14 . . .

Kathie Cardon and the social committee have planned a Fashion Show and Luncheon for our March meeting. Prior to the start of the show, there will be a brief meeting to announce the slate of officers for next year.

The fashion show and luncheon are by reservation only.

Graduates Cheryle & Eloise

Congratulations to Cheryle Newman and Eloise Burman who recently graduated from the Reinhold Foundation's Leadership Development classes. The classes were given by Rollins College



A bonus of Cheryle and Eloise's graduation is a \$1,000 grant from Reinhold.

Can We Feed Hungry Children?

The women's club is currently surveying members to see if we have the financial support and manpower to feed hungry children at the Charles E. Bennett Elementary School.

Here are a few facts:

- ▶ 590 - total students at CEB
- ▶ 78% - on free or reduced priced meals
- ▶ 90 students - have little/no food on the weekend

The 90 students include siblings in a total of 50 families.

The women's club has investigated several options for sending food home on the weekends with these children.

So far, the best option is a national program called "Blessings In A Backpack." The cost per student is \$80 per year to supply weekend food during 38 school weeks. Studies have proven that the program improves attendance and test scores.

The women's club needs 45 sponsors who will commit to \$80.00 for the school year and the balance would be paid through our treasury.

If you can sponsor a child for \$80.00 and/or volunteer 2 hours per month to pack the food, please contact Nancy Nettuno or Denise Beauchamp as soon as possible.

A Visit From Bob

Bob Rawlings from Challenge Enterprises visited our February meeting to accept our donation of 63 pounds of pop-top tabs. He was very thankful for our big donation and will deliver them to the Ronald McDonald House!



GerI Isgan & Bob Rawlings

Many thanks to Chairman Geri Isgan who organizes and stores the the collection and to Harveys grocery store for weighing our collection.

President's Message

As I sit at the computer compiling this message, I am reflecting on the way this year has begun. I don't know about you, but things at my house have been busy, busy, busy.

So far this year, we have had the *Noro* virus, bad colds (flu?) and lots of babysitting with the grandchildren...some here and some in Orlando. Hmmmmm, maybe that's the source of those viruses. Here's hoping that the rest of the year is healthier!

I'm also reflecting on MPWC. I sense changes in the air. New officers are coming on board soon and new activities are being discussed. It's time to think about any changes that we want to make in format, programs, outings, etc. If you have ideas, please relay them to one of our committee chairmen or officers. You will find these names listed in the front of our membership directory. Maybe you know an interesting program for our meetings. Or, maybe you had a brainstorm for a new money-making idea. Or, maybe you know a great place to go for a day trip. Please share these ideas with us.

Above all, please do not forget to welcome new members. Introduce yourself to at least one person who you have not met before. Our membership is now at 221. How many do you know? Let's pick up the challenge and make new friends!

Mary Kendall

Upcoming Meetings

April 8 Claude Bass, local historian
May 9 Installation Luncheon

Meeting - Wed., Apr 11

Our April meeting will be an important one and we hope as many members as possible join us. We will be voting on officers for the coming year and discuss participating in the "Blessings In A Backpack" program that would feed hungry children at CEB on the weekends.

Sat., Mar 17 - River Clean Up

Members have volunteered to help with the annual St. Johns River clean up. It will be held on Saturday, March 17 from 8am to noon. If you would like to participate, give Debbie Brown a call at 284-7448.

OPCT Play A Success!

Shirley Orvosh planned another successful gathering at the OP Community Theatre. Many thanks to everyone who helped - Marlene Jacobs, the Oliverios, Szymanskis, Nancy Nettuno, Barbara Long and Susan Mitchell.

*** Classified Ads ***

HOUSE FOR RENT: Here at MP - 3br/3b, June thru Sept w/pool, golf cart. Incl utilities, lawn service. Call Marlene at 904 284 9817

NEW LINE OF TOYS: Parents, Grandparents, etc., please check out www.bhbktoys.com for age developmentally appropriate toys. A new company created by my daughter-in-law, Angela Nettuno & fulfilled by Amazon. If you like it, please spread the word on Facebook. Nancy Nettuno at 529-7577.

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Thought For The Day

Whatever women do they must do twice as well as men to be thought half as good. Luckily, this is not difficult.