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From the President's Desk

Nancy Stovall

December is a special time for the Women's Civic Club, as it is a time we recognize several worthy organizations that service our community.

Although 2020 has proven to be a challenging year, and our volunteer opportunities have been limited, careful planning allows us to continue our support. You, by giving of your time and effort, made it happen and it does make a difference in our community. Thank you!

Although December 2020 may consist of on-line shopping and family gatherings via Zoom, it is a time to celebrate the reason for the season. May the gift of love, peace and happiness be yours at Christmas.

With hope for 2021, the Beach Boogie Dance, Silent Auction and Arts & Crafts Committees continue to plan for their events. There are many challenges, but it is better to be prepared for an opportunity, and not have one, than to have an opportunity and not be prepared. Thank you to the committees and their creative ideas.

Nancy

"Peace on earth will come to stay when we live Christmas every day."

Helen Steiner Rice



Have yourself A Merry Little Christmas

Recent RADA Cutlery Fundraiser meets with success

The RADA Cutlery Fundraiser kicked off on Thursday Nov. 19 with a tasty get together for WCC members and friends at Cheri Leistner's home. It has proven to be a big success! In addition to knives and kitchen tools, RADA also carries party dip mixes (sweet and savory varieties) soup and sauce mixes, seasonings, no-bake cheesecakes, marinades and cheeseballs. For the get together attendees sampled a wide selection of these products.

If you would like to support this fundraiser, Cheri Leistner will be happy to review, or you may review the products at www.RADACutlery.com

Cheri states, "Since we are a fundraising group, we are able to purchase items from the website at a 20% discount. The printed catalog already reflects this discount.

products with 5-star reviews, and over 100 products under \$15 for avid cooks and non-cooks, too! We would love for you to offer your friends and family a chance to purchase some of these products.

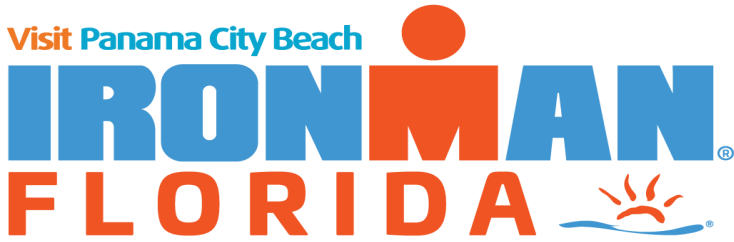
We also have a limited number of paring knives and vegetable peelers on hand for direct sales. The paring knives are \$5.25 + tax and the vegetable peelers are \$7.25 + tax.

"Many thanks to the members and guests who attended the get together. Also, a SPECIAL thanks goes to the members and friends who have already supported this fundraiser. In this year of uncertainty, this is a great opportunity to raise funds to support our chosen charities."

Orders should be sent to cheri@advantagesoutheast.com

Rada offers a choice of tons of





Ginny Schmertmann is busy stuffing envelopes for the race.



Committee Activities

Over 40 WCC members and friends worked very hard throughout the event week in order to make it a success. Above, (L to R) Barbara Vecrumba, chairman; Susan Curry, Ginny Schmertmann, Sandra Wooden, Diane Vitale, Lynn Padgett, Patty Rocco, Linda Tabaka, President Nancy Stovall, Sharon Williams, a helping friend and Gloria Turner. They stuffed hundreds of bags and helped with registration.

Beach Boogie Dance:

Co-chairs: Diane Vitale and Jane Fillingim

This committee will meet December 10, 2020 at 2 p.m. at the Chamber Conference Room. Keep the following in mind:

Date: Saturday, Feb. 6, 2021

Place: Lyndell Center

Time: 5:30—10 p.m.

Cost: \$15.00 presale - \$20 at door

Music: Jim Lawson

BYOB - Setups provided

More helpers needed for setting up and especially cleanup afterward.

Silent Auction:

Co-chairs: Felicia England and Tammy Haight

It's that time of year again to start soliciting donations of items for the Silent Auction coming up February 6, 2021. That may seem like a long way off, but the busy holiday season goes by quickly, and before you know it, the time has arrived!


Letters for donors and forms for items will be available at the December meeting or call Tammy - 770-833-4838 or Felicia - 850-319-3713

Domestic Violence :

Safe House



Roberta Bernhardt, (right) delivers some stuffed animals to Donna Mooney for children in the Safe House. Donna was very pleased to receive them.



**BEACH BOOGIE
DANCE & SILENT AUCTION
SATURDAY FEBRUARY 6, 2021
6 PM TO 10 PM**

Community Outreach Committee



The busy Community Outreach Committee, chaired by Barbara Vecrum-ba, left, donated 144 stuffed animals to the PCB Police Department to help comfort children in stressful situations. Others shown with the officers, are

Member-to-Member:

The Member-to Member committee is excited to announce two new Bunco dates:

Tuesday, January 19, 2021 and

Tuesday, April 13, 2021

Both events will be at Taylor's
10 a.m. \$18.00



Arts & Crafts Fair

Chairman: Julie Sanders

The committee will be meeting December 7, at 11 a.m. at 5214 Finistere Drive for a light lunch and meeting.

Mark your calendar everyone!
Spring Fling Arts & Craft Fair
March 6, 2021



December Birthdays

- 12/03 Elaine Lichtenberger
- 12/09 Jean Cooney
- 12/09 Luciann Jacobs
- 12/14 Susan Curry
- 12/30 Gayle Oberst



Helen Schreiner thoroughly enjoyed the Big Balloons on display recently at Aaron Bessant Park. She and husband Paul really know how to have a good time!

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Coming Events

- December 3 - Luncheon 11 a.m.
Edgewater Beach
Christmas Program
- ◆ December 17 –Executive Board Meeting– 10 a.m.
Chamber of Commerce Board Room
- ◆ December 31 - NEW YEAR'S EVE
- ◆ January 7 - Luncheon Meeting 11 a.m.
Spring Hill Suites
Business Meeting
Appointment of Nominating Committee
- ◆ January 28 - Executive Board Meeting—10 a.m.
Chamber of Commerce Board Room
- ◆ February 4 - Luncheon Meeting - 11 a.m.
- ◆ February 6 - Dance & Silent Auction 6—10 p.m.
- ◆ March 6 - Spring Fling Arts & Crafts Sale
Frank Brown Park



Please remember others during the holidays!

Here are a few items we can always use:

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| Canned fruit | Canned chili |
| Pork & beans | Stew |
| Powdered milk | Chef Boyardee |
| Soup | |
| Canned chicken | |
| Hot dog buns | |

Remember, cold days and nights are coming and at this time of year we like to keep warm hats, gloves or mittens and socks on hand. All things are appreciated. Just be sure the groceries are not outdated!

Thanks for all your help!!!

Nan Vandenberg &
the Food Pantry workers



Meet New Member

Sandra Wooden



Sandra Wooden

Sandra Wooden was installed into WCC at the November meeting. Her sponsor was Cheri Leistner. Sandra has agreed to write a few things about herself so members can get to know her better.

I was born January 20, 1947 in Chavies, Alabama and moved to Rossville, GA at the age of nine months. I was raised in Rossville, spending each summer with my uncles Moody Fossett, Coach Bear Bryant, Ben Fossett, and Buck Fossett in Alabama.

I graduated from Rossville High School Class of 1965 with honors. Then I graduated from University of Tennessee Chattanooga with Honors with my Bachelor's, Master's, and six-year Special Degrees in Accounting, Business and Physiology. I married David Wooden Dec. 2, 1967. We divorced after 47 years of marriage. (He passed Sept 13, 2019.)

We have a son, Michael (Becky) and grandsons Brandon, 23, who is studying for his Doctorate with a 4.0 at University of Georgia, and Justin, 19, who is a sophomore at University of Georgia. He is also a member of the Bass Pro Fishing Team.

We have a beautiful daughter who has received her Doctorate Degree with a 4.0 in Education. Karen and Pete (Pete played baseball with the Cincinnati Reds) have my beautiful granddaughters, Kayla, 22, who graduated from Tennessee Technical University with her Bachelor's Degree with a 4.0 and was the pitcher on the University Softball Team. Kayla, who is studying for her Masters Degree at University of Georgia, will be pitcher of the softball team this year. Erin is a senior at The Baylor School (an international boarding school for students from around the world). Erin plays basketball and softball.

I retired as the Executive Director of 104 physicians of NW Georgia. I also was the Executive Administrator of an Internal Medicine Practice of four physicians, one Nurse Practitioner, a Physician's Assistant, 23 ladies, and zillions of hormones.

I am married to James, my classmate, who is my soulmate and love of my life.

I bought a condo in PCB June 1, 2016 and moved to PCB in Spring 2018 after a stroke. We moved into our home in Colony Club Estates North February 12, 2020.

I enjoy cooking, working in my flowers, walking on the beach, sitting at my pool, reading and inviting our classmates living in Whispering Pines and our friends from back home in NW Georgia to our home.

So this Alabama girl Roll Tide Coach Bear, to a Georgia girl. still Roll Tide, until my daughter went to University of Tennessee to play basketball, volleyball and softball. Then I learned to love Orange, UT, GO VOLS, and GO BIG ORANGE. I feel somewhere inside me is still my Coach Bear Bryant saying, "Sandra, always say ROLL TIDE".

I am honored to be part of this great organization, The Women's Civic Club of PCB. I look forward to being a part of the many projects of the WCC.



SAUSAGE / EGG BREAKFAST CASSEROLE

- 1 lb sausage
- 1 package crescent sheet
- 1 cup shredded cheddar cheese
- 5 eggs
- 1/4 cup milk
- 1 tsp Italian seasoning
- 1/2 tsp salt

Brown sausage in a skillet over medium heat, breaking it up as it cooks. Unroll crescent sheet and spread onto the bottom of a greased 9x13 pan.

Evenly spread sausage over the dough. (Crispy bacon or diced ham may also be used.)

Sprinkle cheese on top. In a bowl, whisk eggs, milk, Italian seasoning, salt and pepper. Pour over the top of your casserole. Bake at 400 degrees for 15 to 20 minutes until eggs are set and crust is golden.

SCENES FROM THE OCTOBER LUNCHEON



Barbara Vecrumba was honored at the November meeting for receiving her Life Membership. Life Membership is granted to any member in good standing who has served continuously for ten (10) years and has reached age sixty-two (62); or any member of twenty-five (25) years. Any member who was designated as a life member after September 6, 2007 shall continue to pay dues. Any member qualifying for this honor should contact Membership Chairman Gail Claffey.



Seating was arranged so everyone could see and hear the speaker and business meeting better. Then they returned to their seats where Texas Roadhouse served their delicious meals.



Dan Rowe, President & CEO of Visit Panama City Beach and member of the Tourist Development Council (TDC) was the guest speaker for the day. He updated members on all recent plans and developments going on here on the Beach, including plans for the future. The area is rapidly growing, and his goal is to attract families to the area. The new sports park, improved roads and beautiful beach and much more are part of the master plan.



New member Sandra Wooden was installed at the meeting. With her (L to R) are President Nancy Stovall; Cheri Leistner, her sponsor; Sandra; and Membership Chairman, Gail Claffey, who presented her with her club pin, yearbook, shirt and flowers. To learn more about Sandra, please see page 5.