



DOOR CODE FOR MONDAY NIGHT MEETINGS: 44005#

September
 Monday, September 12
Annual Fashion Show
 Morning Star Lutheran Church
 7:00—9:00 PM

Wednesday, September 21
Lunch Bunch at 11:30
 Tap & Vine Restaurant
 Stonecrest - 7828 Rea Rd

October
 Monday, October 10
Monthly meeting
 Mint Hill Town Hall

November
 Monday, November 14
Monthly meeting
 Mint Hill Town Hall

March 2, 2023
3rd Annual
Sip Savor & Support
 Pine Lake Country Club
 More details to Follow

Announcements

Membership Information

We have started collecting 2022-2023 membership dues. If you have not had a chance to pay, there will be a table at the Fashion Show on Monday, September 12 with someone to collect cash, check or credit card payments. Just a friendly reminder that there is a small service charge applied to credit card charges. If you are unable to attend the Fashion Show, you can mail a check to Ann Papais or Nancy Crisp or visit the Mint Hill Women’s website to pay your dues with a credit card. The deadline to pay dues is **Wednesday, October 12**. Our new directory will be out early this fall! We would love for everyone to have a photo in the directory! If you have not had your photo taken or did not send one in when you joined, we will have someone designated to take your photo at the Fashion show. **If you are unable to attend** the Fashion show, please email a headshot of yourself with a plain background to **Nancy Crisp**.

Ads for our Upcoming Directory

We are looking for anyone interested in putting an ad in our upcoming directory. Options are a full 5x7 inch ad for \$100 or a business card ad for \$40. At the end of this newsletter, we have attached the form for a vendor to fill out and attach their business card or artwork for the full page ad. 150 directories are printed as well as sent out electronically. We encourage our members to patronize these organizations during the year. This campaign helps us defer the costs of printing our directory each year. If you need the PDF version of the form, it will be on the website. We need all ads and any artwork no later than September 30. Please contact **Andree West** or **May Pat Busker** with anyone interested in purchasing an ad.

Service needs your assistance and support! See pages 2-3

Fundraising needs your support. We are looking for baskets or containers, bottles of wine and crafty members who want to participate in the Christmas Pop Up Shop. **See page 8 for more information.**

Message from the President

Hello lovely ladies!

Fall, my favorite time of year, is right around the corner! With the cooler temperatures and falling leaves, comes fun activities, festivals and delicious food and drinks! This year, I have a new reason to add to the “Why I love Fall list”- kicking off the new 2022-2023 MHWC year! There are some really wonderful things planned for us over the next few months! We have a member favorite- the Fashion Show in just a few weeks, some fantastic restaurant picks for lunch bunch and really incredible service opportunities available! We have an opportunity to show off our creative side and win \$500 in the Mint Hill Scarecrow contest! This is a great chance to get crafty, work with some amazing ladies and get in the fall spirit!!

If you have been looking for an opportunity to do a community service project in the comfort of your own home, we have a few available for you! Please review the information on projects further down in the newsletter- you can send Christmas cards to our servicemen and women or make some crafts to sell that will benefit Mending Strides, a local non-profit or for the Mint Hill Christmas Pop-Up Shop later in the year which will raise funds for the MHWC!

Our new directory will also be out this Fall! Please be sure to take the time to carefully review the membership information in the announcements above! We want everyone to be included in the directory as it is such a wonderful resource for all members! Last, but certainly not least, I would like to take a moment to welcome all our new members! I know I can speak for everyone when I say that we are delighted you have decided to join us and we truly look forward to getting to know you better!

Have a wonderful next few weeks and I look forward to seeing you all soon at the Fashion Show!

Love, Jessi

Service - MFWC Christmas Cards



This year the Service Committee would like to have members join us in sending Christmas cards to our troops. To do this, we must have all cards, in hand, by the end of September so that they may be sent by the first week in October. The reason it's early is that we will send them to Packs for Patriots by the end of September so that they may be re-packaged by them for distribution around the world.

Since our October meeting will be too late for us to receive them in time, we'd like for members to write cards at home and bring them to the fashion show on September 12th or get them to Marilyn Fargo or Cheryl Crawford before the end of September. We are asking each member to provide up to five Christmas cards. If you would like to do more than 5 cards, that would be great. No special verbiage was suggested; however, we have two suggestions on what to say.

"May no soldier go unloved; may no soldier be left behind when they return home. Thank you for your service."

"The holiday season is the opportunity to say 'thank you' and wish you the very best for the new year. Thank you for your service."

We are asked to:

- **NOT SEAL THE ENVELOPES, just tuck in the flap**
- **Address the envelopes "American Hero"**
- **If possible, put a "flat treat" in the card, i.e., a powdered drink, Hershey bar, package of oatmeal, or anything that will fit, and you feel is appropriate. (These items are the ones suggested.)**
- **Remember: don't seal the envelopes**

In addition to the Christmas cards, if you're interested in volunteering for miscellaneous service projects, periodically through the year, please let Marilyn Fargo or Cheryl Crawford know by email. We'll keep a master list of those that are interested and may contact you for an event such as helping with bingo at a retirement center or crocheting for Mending Strides.

Any questions, let us know. Thanks in advance!

Marilyn 716/867-7780

Enrichment / Service

2022 Mint Hill Scarecrow Contest

The annual Town of Mint Hill Scarecrow Contest will be held October 1 thru 31. The MHWC will create a scarecrow and put it on display in front of the Mint Hill Town Hall. This is our chance to be creative and to be a part of the Community event.

- ◆ First Prize \$500
- ◆ Second Prize \$250
- ◆ Third Prize \$125



We would like 5 volunteers to help with this project.

Please contact Marilyn Fargo at 716-867-7780 ASAP.



Mending Strides

Mending Strides Ranch works with individuals to empower those suffering the effects of trauma, neglect, and hardships through the use of rescued horses in Equine Assisted Therapies. This organization has asked us to help create sale items for Mint Hill Madness. We need many volunteers who can sew, paint inspirational rocks, and/or crochet. **If you would like to help with some of these projects in September, contact Cheryl Crawford at 614-270-3882 or Marilyn Fargo at 716-867-7780 ASAP.** Once we get our volunteers, we will send an email with specific information on dates and times to meet.

Above are pictured some examples of the projects.

Service

Cadence Senior Living:

Musical Bingo

Another fun afternoon on July 20 playing musical bingo with 22 residents at Cadence Senior Living. A big **THANK YOU** to our MHWC volunteers **Jane Rutledge, Sharon Jennings, Cheryl Crawford, and Marilyn Fargo.**



Watermelon Festival

A special Watermelon Festival was held on August 3 at Cadence Senior Living. All prizes, decorations, and food were *watermelon* themed. Our volunteers helped residents play Musical Bingo. **Thank you to Deonna Bandos, Carol Raffe, Andree West, and Marilyn Fargo.**

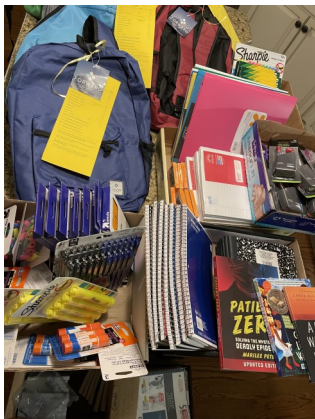


Service

Servant's Heart:

Servant's Heart "Back2school" backpack program was a HUGE SUCCESS!

Within hours of sending an Evite, members started signing up to bring specific school supplies for Northeast Middle School grades 7 and 8. Our thirteen backpacks included over 225 items and 33 paperback class novels. Congratulations and thank you to our wonderful members who made donations for this worthy cause. In addition, six members volunteered on August 2 to sort and fill the backpacks with the books and school supplies. Our thanks to **Anne Granger, Jane Dunne, Liz Derby, Carol Raffe, Cheryl Crawford, and Marilyn Fargo**. The book bags were delivered and Servant's Heart was very appreciative!!!



Donation Disbursements



Nate Huggins from Blessed Assurance Adult Daycare receiving a \$1000 donation from the Mint Hill Women's Club

Summer Team News

On July 11 and August 8, the Summer team hosted Game nights. We had a big crowd, new participants and played new games at both events! We enjoyed lots of good conversation, fun games and plenty of laughter. Of course, yummy treats were in attendance. Comments were made that we should do this every month. Who knows..... Maybe?

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On July 21, the Summer Team hosted the lunch bunch at Azteca Restaurant in Matthews. We had 12 ladies attend. On August 13, we had a lunch brunch at Jonathan's in Matthews. The food and atmosphere was great but the conversations were even better.



Hugs

Charlotte Elliott

Thinking of You

Please contact Deonna Bandos, Corresponding Secretary, with information regarding any member who needs a Hugs card. You can email her at ddmbandos15@gmail.com

September Birthdays

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| Jessica | Burns | 9/3 |
| Ann | Litaker | 9/10 |
| Jeannine | Kring | 9/11 |
| Shirley | Courter | 9/14 |
| Patricia | Mastrovito | 9/14 |
| Bonnie | Kramer | 9/22 |
| Amy | Goodman | 9/23 |
| Delores | Hurt | 9/27 |
| Toni | Rollins | 9/27 |
| Pat | Sankowski | 9/28 |
| Lee | Thompson | 9/30 |

Scholarship

On June 8 and again on June 29, Kathy Cowles and Marilyn Folsbee held in-person interviews at CPCC with candidates for the Mint Hill Scholarship monies.

This year we had \$4,000 in available scholarship monies.

Our 2022-2023 Scholarship recipients include:

\$ 1,400.00 – Namorthe Richemone Program: Medical Lab Tech (GPA 3.13)

Namorthe is originally from Haiti. She came to the United States in November 2002. She is a single mom of a 14-year old daughter and currently is working as a CNA at ACTS. Namorthe will begin her clinicals in August (2 year program). She indicated the scholarship money will help her achieve her goal to become a Medical Laboratory Technician by helping to pay her tuition so she can graduate next year.

\$1,400.00 – Rebecca Feldman Program: Information Technology (GPA 4.0)

Rebecca currently works 30-35 hours at Good Food on Montford while carrying a 17 hour course load at CPCC. After working 10 years in the service industry, she decided to return to school to pursue a AAS in Software Development. She initially began her college studies at North Texas State University but dropped out in 2012. She feels that she is now better prepared to be an exemplary student and achieve her goals. Rebecca indicated the scholarship money will allow her to work fewer hours to focus more on her studies while still providing for her household.

\$1,200.00 – Eric M Program: Information Technology (GPA 3.1)

Eric is a 2021 graduate of Rocky River High School where he played football. He is currently enrolled in the summer program at CPCC completing his core classes. He is enrolled in 12 credit hours in the Fall. His interest is in Cloud Based Virtual Technology. His main goal is to finish his current degree while looking for internships and completing the CompTIA Certification. Eric indicated the scholarship money will help with his tuition costs and help him gather the necessary resources to further his education.

As you can see, we distributed all of our available funds to these **3 very worthy** applicants. We know the funds will give them a good start toward their financial obligations.



Fundraising

Fundraising Committee will be collecting bottles of various wines for our mystery Cork Pull Station at the annual Sip Savor Support Wine tasting fundraiser. We are looking for 80 bottles of wine to be sold. Please consider making a donation of wine with a retail value of \$15 minimum.



We will be collecting the bottles at all monthly meetings until we have collected the 80 bottles.



We are also looking for any baskets that can be used for our gift basket raffle and silent auction. We can also use decorative boxes or other unique containers. We only ask that the baskets donated are in good condition and are not season specific, e.g. Christmas theme. We are collecting them between now and the January meeting.

Looking for craft vendors to participate in the Annual Chamber of Commerce POP-UP CHRISTMAS SHOP at the Town Hall on the 2nd Saturday of December. In the past we had various handmade greeting cards, as well as hand made ceramic snowmen. The pricing is grouped at \$20-\$25/ package minimum. The split with the vendor is 60% to the vendor, 40% to the club. We would like to have our vendors lined up by the end of October.



Please contact Andree West or Mary Pat Busker at 508-241-4026 or 704-573-5484 respectively. In addition to these vendors, we will put out a call for members to make sweets to sell as well. That evite will go out at the beginning of December.

New Members

We have had a busy summer for New members. 15 in total, so far.

Please welcome them when you see them at events or around town!

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| Mary Younts | Lori Marek |
| Fey Grayson | Patricia Haynie |
| Pam Allred | Pat Sankowski |
| Carol Raffae | Sharon Baisley |
| Cathy Lode | Joellen Palasciano |
| Paulette Harper | Liz Foster |
| Mary Ann DeSano | Rosy Crumpton |
| Desiree van Egmond | |

Community News

Healing Vine Harbor Fundraiser September 24



HEALING VINE HARBOR'S
4TH ANNUAL
Purple Wing Sairée
FUNDRAISER

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2022
6:00PM-10:00PM
SILENT AUCTION 6:00PM-7:30PM

DOUBLETREE BY HILTON HOTEL
CHARLOTTE AIRPORT
2600 YORKMONT RD
CHARLOTTE, NC 28208

DINNER AND MUSIC FEATURING:



VALERIE H. STARKS
RADIO HOST
I'M EVERY WOMAN!



MUSIC BY
DJ AARON LEE

Tickets: \$65.00 in advance/\$75 at the door
<https://4thannualpurplewingsoiree.eventbrite.com>

Proceeds benefit Healing Vine Harbor's future residence for single homeless women and current programs.

If you cannot attend, please sponsor a lady or donate any amount to: CashApp 3HVHFunds (incl. email) or Text "Give" to 704-327-3752

Tables of 8 are available for purchase on EventBrite.

For more information, please email admin@healingvineharbor.com or text (704) 561-1128.



Directory Ad Contract



Directory Sponsorship Contract

MHWClub.com
MHWClub@gmail.com

This agreement between MHWC (Mint Hill Women’s Club) and “The Sponsor”

_____ Company Name/ Organization/Individual Sponsor

Of _____ Address

Acknowledges and/or agrees to the following:

- 1. Print Business Card (3.5” x 2”) for \$40 or full page ad (5”x7”) for \$100 in annual membership directory (approximately 100 booklets). Artwork of full page ad would need to be submitted to MHWC.
- 2. Hardcopy print will be in black and white. Electronic copy will be in full color.
- 3. Directory is issued every November. Sponsor will be emailed a copy of the page as the Business Card or Ad appears. This will be emailed no later than the 1st week of January.
- 4. The rate will be \$ _____ / annually payable by check made out to MHWC.

Signed: _____
Sponsor Name Date

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