





Friday June 9, 2023

Enrichment Activity @ 11am Paint Ur Peace Ceramic Shop 10020 Monroe Rd, Suite 120 Charlotte, NC 28270

Monday June 12, 2023

Game Night @ 6pm Mint Hill Town Hall Flex Room

Thursday June 15, 2023
Lunch Bunch @ 11:30 am
Miki's Restaurant
1819 Matthews Township Pkwy
Matthews, NC 28105

July

Thursday July 6, 2023

Enrichment Activity @ 1pm UNCC Botanical Garden Greenhouse

> 9090 Craver Road Charlotte, NC 28262

Monday July 10, 2023

Game Night @ 6pm Mint Hill Town Hall Flex Room

Thursday July 20, 2023 Dinner Bunch @ 6pm Genghis Grill

9727 E Independence Blvd Matthews, NC 28105

#### **August**

Friday, August 4, 2023 Lunch Bunch @ 11:30 am Olde Sycamore Golf Club 7500 Olde Sycamore Drive Charlotte, NC 28227

Monday August 7, 2023
Enrichment Activity @ 6pm
Help us plan our Scarecrow Entry
Mint Hill Town Hall
Flex Room

Monday August 14, 2023 Game Night @ 6pm Mint Hill Town Hall Flex Room

September

Monday, September 11, 2023 Meeting & Fall Fashion Show



### **Announcements**

Refer to Website and Evites for all the Summer Activities

MHWC Open House prior to Game Night on July 10 and August 14, each at 5:30pm. Please let your friends know and invite them to join us.

**September 11, 2023** - MHWC's next meeting with Fall Fashion Show sponsored by Servant's Heart.

March 7, 2024—Sip Savor & Support 2024

### Message from the President

Hi lovely ladies!

Every month I think how busy the month has been and that we have some incredible things ahead of us. This month is no different! Many of you ladies have been out there in the community bringing hope, smiles to faces and making the Mint Hill Women's Club shine. The Summer team has some really exciting activities planned and there are awe-some service opportunities available to us. I encourage you to take advantage of these events and really enjoy yourself in the coming months. Our August enrichment is planning for our scarecrow entry. Put your thinking caps on! We need to bring home 1st place and the \$500 prize!

During the summer, we meet during our normal scheduled meeting time to fellowship and play games. It's a great time to get to know each other! I am pretty competitive, so it goes without saying that I really look forward to beating you all... I mean, playing with you all! We will also host an open house 30 minutes prior to the game nights in July and August so if you know of anyone interested in learning more about the MHWC, please invite them!

As we close out our year, I would like to thank each of you for all your time, support and contributions that make our Club and beautiful community the best it can be! A huge thank you to each member of the board- you are some very hardworking and special ladies! I look forward to working with the new board this year! Have a great summer everyone!

Love, Jessi

# MHWC Board Members for 2023-2024 and May Meeting Recap

**President:** Jessica Burns

Vice President: Anne Doughty

**Secretary:** Margaret Heins

Treasurer: Ann Papais

Membership: Desiree van Egmond

Service: Marilyn Fargo

Communications: Donna Smith

**Scholarship:** Marilyn Folnsbee / Kathy Cowles

**Corresponding Secretary:** Deonna Bandos

#### **Seasonal Team Leads**

Fall Team: Jane Dunne & Sharon Jennings

Winter Team: Dona Phillips & Jane Price

**Spring Team:** Lexi McKinney & Carmen Yasmine

**Summer Team:** Jane Morris & Suzanne Maddox



Our last general meeting of the year of the MHWC was a Pot Luck dinner at the Morning Star Lutheran Church on May 8, 2023. We all brought dishes and enjoyed a feast. After dinner, Jessica welcomed our 48 women and 6 husbands in attendance and one new member. We had a short business meeting which included a drawing for 3 pieces of pottery. Jessica thanked the Spring Team for the lovely plant centerpieces and one luck lady at each table took one home. Andree led the induction of our new board members for 2023-2024. We ended with a group picture.

Our next regular monthly meeting will be September 11, 2023. We will have our Fall Fashion Show sponsored by Servant's Heart. See everyone then!

Anne Doughty, VP

# May Meeting Photos























# Summer Team Events

#### <u>June</u>

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# New Members

**Betsy Hutton** 

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

# June / July Birthdays

Birthday	First Name	Last Name
06-06	Nicole	Clark-Ward
06-07	Amy	Fiorella
06-07	Mary	Younts
06-08	Kendall	Schoenecker
06-17	Beth	Hamrick
06-17	Cheryl	Crawford
06-21	Colleen	McCall
06-22	Jane	Dunne
06-26	Anna	Granger
06-26	Madi	McKinney
06-26	Susie	Laurie
06-28	Taylor	Grimes
07-09	Ginnie	Freeburn
07-14	Annette	Smith
07-15	Deonna	Bandos
07-15	Pat	Taylor
07-21	KC	Nwanekwu
07-22	Dona	Phillips
07-22	Suzanne	Maddox
07-25	Anne	Doughty
07-26	Navondria	Huggins
07-27	Renee	Simmons
07-31	Maynell	Outen

# Hugs

Pam Allred	Get Well Soon
Colleen McCall	Thinking of You
Sharon Jennings	Congrats—New Baby
Anne Doughty	Sympathy

Please contact Deonna Bandos, Corresponding Secretary, with information regarding any member who needs a Hugs card. You can email her at <a href="mailto:ddmbandos15@gmail.com">ddmbandos15@gmail.com</a>

# Thank You





Honor the Warriors 12209 Lawyers Road Mint Hill, NC 28227

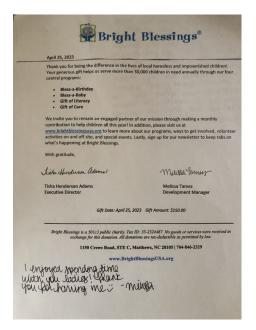
Dear Mint Hill Women's Club Members,

Operating a grass roots disabled veterans' charity in Mint Hill is a blessing. The Mint Hill Women's Club makes being an all-volunteer organization so much easier. You have taken on so many of the tasks that are crucial for our biggest endeavor, The Annual Honor the Warriors Cycling Event. You never hesitate to help us in any way possible along with providing us funding to continue our efforts to enrich the lives of disabled veterans. Our warriors love you and sing your praises every time we have an event. The Mint Hill Women's Club is one of Mint Hill's greatest assets.

Gratefully,
Jerry Morris
Executive Director
Honor the Warriors

# Thank You Notes

#### **Bright Blessings**



#### **Blessed Assurance**

BLESSED ASSURANCE ADULT DAY AND HEALTH CARE SERVICES, INC. 13001 Idlewild Road Matthews, NC 28105 (704) 845-1359

4/24/2023

Mint Hill Women's Club

Dear Mint Hill Women's Club.

Thank you for supporting our efforts to help senior and special population continue to participate in life. Your contribution of \$1000.00 is well appreciated and will be used to participate in life. Your confurther our daily mission.

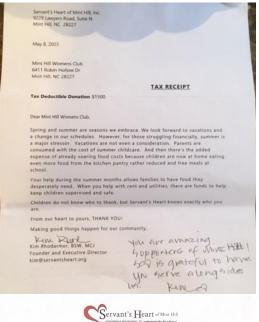
Again, thank you for your generosity. Please use this statement as a tax-deductible receipt as no goods or services were received in exchange for your gift.

GOD's Blessings In All You Do!

Navondria Huggins, CEO

Blessed Assurance Adult Day and Health Care Svcs, Inc (336) 575-5563

#### Servants Heart



May 23, 2023

Mint Hill Women's Club c/o Jessica Burns, Presid 8323 Early Bird Way Mint Hill, NC 28227

Dear Mint Hill Women's Club Friends,

How can we express how much we appreciate you! You have been among our most constant and generous champions for over six years, supporting every program from our Emergency Food Patrity, Nort-Food Patrity, Back-to-School Drive, Turkey, Tuesday, and Christman Assistant Frogram! And now, for the second year, we received your amazing donation of gas gift cards!

We hope you know the impact your generosity has on our Clients! The message of care and concern you send with your support lifts spirits and eases the stress of so many during a disheartening time. A time when inflation cuts into an already stretched budget and the struggle to make ends meet just for day-to-day needs seem never-ending. Your grifted gas cards can make the difference between making it to work and keeping a paycheck or falling off the financial cliff.

For all of this, we cannot thank you enough.

From our hearts to yours, thank you for "making good things happen in our community."

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Kim Rhodarmer, BSW, MCJ Founder and Executive Director 704.680.6533 Ext. 2 Rochelle Williams Rochelle Williams, BSW Social Worker 704.680.6533 Ext. 4

#### Mint Hill Middle School

Mint Hill Women's ClubThank you so much for
always supporting MHMs. We
appreciate the help with
decorating for the 8th Grade Socio
The centerpieces turned out
incredible. The extra special
touch you all did to the
tables really made them stan
out your help and generosity
made this evening so extra
special for the 8th Graders.
Thank you again of MHMs PTS

#### **Backpacks of Love**



Philadelphia Presbyterian Church

April 20, 2023

Mint Hill Womens Club 6411 Robin Hollow Dr Mint Hill, NC 28227

Greetings Women of Mint Hill,

What a blessing you are to our neighbors of Mint Hill! Your donation will go a long way in providing food for the over 120 students that we serve each week.

Our ministry would not be possible without the support of people like you who care about our future – the children we serve. You are truly making a difference with these children and PPC values your support tremendously.

I want to personally thank you for your generous donation!

Blessings,

Katie

Rev. Katie P. Sloan Associate Pastor

### Donation Disbursements

#### Mint Hill Library



#### Sunflower Outreach



#### Mint Hill Arts



#### Loaves & Fishes



### Service

#### Mint Hill Elementary School Reading Literacy Program

The school year will be ending soon and end of year testing will begin. Our after school "Reading Literacy Program" ended on May 10. We had such a great experience listening to first graders read! They are so cute and enjoy having us work with them. I want to thank all of our Mint Hill Women's Club members who participated in this program since March 2023.





















#### Mint Hill Elementary School and Mint Hill Middle School

We thanked the teachers and staff at Mint Hill Elementary School and Mint Hill Middle School during Teacher Appreciation Week in May. The MHWC bought and delivered one half-sheet cake to each school. The staff who accepted the cakes were "all smiles" when I walked into the school with thank you signs and the cake. They said to thank everyone in the Mint Hill Women's Club!





#### **Blessed Assurance on May 8**

The staff at Blessed Assurance are very welcoming and enjoy having our members participate in nail painting each month. Members file and paint nails for men and women attending the Senior Day Care Center.

Thank you to our member manicurists: Robyn Imirie, Edna Vera, Carol Robinson, Desiree Van Egmond, and Marilyn Fargo. You always do a great job and are so friendly with everyone!!!





### Service

#### **Independence High School Exceptional Children's Prom**

The Exceptional Children's Prom was a fun event for students at Independence High School on May 5, 2023. They had a sound system for dancing, a Photo Booth, and plenty of food and snacks. MHWC members served lunch and drinks to about 200 students and staff. We even got a chance to dance with some of the students. It was a fun day for so many high school students. Thank you to our Mint Hill Women's Club volunteers; Jessica Burns, Ginnie Freeburn, Cheryl Crawford, Carol Robinson, Edna Vera, and Marilyn Fargo. You are great workers!!!

























#### **Backpacks of Love**

Backpacks of Love, at Philadelphia Presbyterian Church, were so thankful for our generous donation of \$1,000.00. The Pastors wife gave me a big hug and was in tears... They really needed this money to continue this program. Non-perishable food items are purchased for students and low-income families. Many of our MHWC members have volunteered throughout the year to distribute these food donations. They will continue the pantry once a month in June, July, and August. I am so grateful for our many food distribution volunteers. Members include: Pam Allred, Sharon Jennings, Cheryl Reid, Ann Newman, Susie Laurie, Carol Raffe, Mary Ann DeSano, Dona Phillips, and Marilyn Fargo. Thank you!

Thank you to everyone who brought non-perishable food items to our May Potluck dinner! **Six large** shopping bags of food were delivered to Backpacks of Love.







# Chamber Tea Party

Many MHWC members enjoyed the Mint Hill Chamber of Commerce Tea Party held on Saturday, April 29. Here are pictures from the event.











































# Chamber Tea Party



















# Our Members in the News

The South Charlotte Weekly has featured 50 of the most dynamic women and several of them are members of the Mint Hill Women's Club. Please read the article and take a moment to congratulate these 4 wonderful ladies, Angela Gordon Mills, Annette Smith, Sharon Allen Johnson, and Rosy Crumpton.

50 Most Dynamic Women of the Charlotte Region in 2023

# Scholarship

On May 24th, Kathy and I held in-person interviews at CPCC with candidates for the Mint Hill Scholarship monies. To our great surprise, we had \$713.58 in extra funds which had not been used and were recovered from 2022-2023 recipient accounts. Therefore, we had \$4,713.58 in available scholarship monies.

#### Our 2023-2024 Scholarship recipients include:

#### \$ 1,200.00 – Jimmy Pham Program: Information Technology/Cybersecurity (GPA 3.0)

Jimmy is seeking his second Associate Degree from CPCC in Cybersecurity. He will graduate from CPCC spring 2024 and then would like to go on to a four-year university. He would eventually like to open his own Cybersecurity Company. Jimmy currently works full time (50 hours per week) in a local nail salon. He and his wife have two sons, a senior at Butler and a middle schooler at Mint Hill Middle. Jimmy said, "he wants to prove to his kids that college is important and that it is never too late in life to go back to school." Jimmy indicated the scholarship money will help him to be able to work fewer hours so he can concentrate on his studies and his family.

#### \$2,500.00 – Jeanette Bautista Program: Business Administration (GPA 3.5+)

Jeanette advised she is the first person in her family to attend college. She is enrolled in 12 credit hours during the summer term taking her core classes and 12 credit hours during the fall semester. She is on track to graduate in Spring of 2025, but it is her goal to graduate Fall 2024 with a 4.0 GPA. Jeanette works 30-35 hours as an Assistant Manager at a local Asian restaurant. She has worked there for two years. She also is an avid seamstress and has a side job restoring vintage clothing and altering clothing for friends and family. She helps her younger siblings with their school work encouraging them to be the best students they can be. She attributes good friends in school challenging her to follow her dreams through education. Jeanette hopes to use her business degree to help her one day own her own clothing business. Jeanette indicated "a scholarship would allow her to pursue an education that others in my family were unable to pursue. Scholarship monies would allow me to concentrate on my academics rather than worrying about managing a full-time job and my education."

#### \$1,000.00 - Noemi Delcdi Program: Associate in Arts/Exercise Sciences (GPA 3.5)

Noemi is a product of the CMS School System having attended Clear Creek Elementary, Northeast Middle School and Independence High School. She is currently working on her core classes taking 6 hours this summer and 12-16 hours in the fall. She is in the 2+2 Program at CPCC which means she will complete her associates degree and then move on to a 4 year university, hopefully UNCC for the last two years. She would eventually like to become a Physical Therapist as she wants to help people with their health and nutrition. Noemi currently works 20 hours a week at a local car wash. She also volunteers though her church with a Feed the Homeless monthly program. She participated in a Missions Program to Honduras last year through her church and will be returning to Honduras again this summer. Noemi advised the scholarship money would help cover her tuition which she has to pay herself.

We were very impressed with all three candidates. They all had goals for their futures and are dedicated to achieving those goals. We know the Mint Hill Women's Club Scholarship funds will give them a good start toward their financial obligations and future success.

Respectfully submitted,
Marilyn Folnsbee and Kathy Cowles



**Check presentation to Vanessa Stolen of CPCC**