

Our Civitan Family



Happy Birthday Civitan

Eugene Mitchell March 23



Get Well Civitans

Jennifer is doing well, waiting to start her radiation and chemo. Charlie is recovering at home from open heart surgery and valve replacement.



Happy Anniversary

None



Special Olympics Area 11 Special Olympics. Start making plans now. April 4, Cherry Park 9 AM-1 PM



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Meeting Information

First and Third Tuesdays of each month
Mary's Café on Firetower Road
Fellowship and Dinner: 6:30 PM
Meeting: 7PM adjournment 8 PM

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Governor's Trophy
Winner 2006-2007
Civitan Year



Clergy Night on Feb. 5th was a success!

In attendance was : Speaker; Harvey Mayhill, guests; Charles Mitchell, Bob Porterfield, Bill Click, Joseph Curtis, Bill Dargan, and Butch Morrison.



Valentine Party at Meadowlark

March Activity Calendar 2008

March 3 Birthday party at Meadowlark. About 6-6:15 PM

March 4 Regular meeting with speaker

March 9 Daylight Savings time begins

March 9 Free Concert by the St. James Male Chorus of Charlotte at Aldersgate UMC on Celanese at 6 PM.

"Spreading the Gospel Through Song"

Week of March 10 we will be preparing Bunny Baskets for the elderly.

March 18 Regular meeting with speaker

March 20 The first day of Spring

March 23 Easter

March 28-30 Junior Welfare League's 5th Annual Jewel of the Carolinas Market at Baxter Hood Center

Officers for 2007-08

President: Leila P. Long

Pres. Elect: Steve Matson

Secretary: Dr. Misty Konow

Treasurer: Ella B. Messer

Board of Directors:

Tom Shealy

Wanda Simpson

Dr. Frank Konow

Sgt-at-arms: Dean Hartness

Chaplain: Tom Shealy

Parliamentarian: David Simpson



Notes from the Board. We are going to try to arrange with Wal-mart or K-Mart to set up in front of their store to sell fruit cake on a Saturday. We will participate in the Bunny Basket program of the United Way again this year. We need donations of puzzle books, stamps, stationary, assorted cards, lotions, powders, soaps, shampoo, razors, shaving cream, or anything else that a senior citizen could use in their every day life. Remember to invite prospective members at any time to get to know us. We need to grow.



SC District information

SC District Civitan Spring Meeting – Saturday, April 19 – A Personal Invitation!

Please make plans to join me with Civitans from across the state of South Carolina at our Spring Meeting to be held at the Babcock Center in Columbia, SC. I am sure Governor Bill has an exciting agenda planned for the meeting. The person that will make the meeting most special is YOU! It is very important that YOU are there to share your ideas, stories and enthusiasm with your fellow South Carolina Civitans. Put the date on your calendar right now and watch for the details in the coming edition of the Palmetto Civigram. Please let your club president know if you need a ride, or if you would be willing to give a ride to a few of your friends from your club.

James McIlrath, Governor-Elect

SC District Civitans

“Nothing happens until someone cares”



Junior Happenings:

Since the Principal of Indian Land expressed a desire to continue the Junior Civitan Club at Indian Land next school year, we have paid \$70 to International to hold their charter. Let’s hope that next year she will be able to assign us a great new sponsor. We have had no response from South Pointe High School therefore the Charter for that school is being dropped by International.

Sullivan Middle has done a great job in the Pennies for Patients Leukemia drive.

We have received info on the Jr. Civitan SC District Convention to be held in Myrtle Beach during the weekend of May 2-4. We are hoping that Rock Hill High , Northwestern , and Lewisville will be well represented.



Fruit Cake Project

We have paid for all the Fruit Cake and still with all the left over cake we have now cleared \$2225.96 . If we can sell the left over cake we can have about another \$1500 -\$2000 coming in.



Candy Box Project During the first quarter of this year we were able to deposit \$133.09 in our Special Needs account. From this account we were able to contribute \$150 to the Winter

Celebration and \$100 each to Snow-Do and Dance-A-Thon . This money goes to the Civitan Research Center. We need more Civitans placing more candy boxes into businesses and servicing them. Of course as in the past, if the candy box funds are low we use our regular budget funds to meet the needs. Call Wanda at 324-2738 if you are willing to place a candy box and she will give you more than enough information to get you started.



Flag display .

Thanks to Jon, Frank, Leila, Ella, Wanda, David, Janie, Steve, Tom, and Dean for making the President’s Day display a success.



Tax Season Essentials: IRS Says 2007 Return Required to Receive Rebate

The Internal Revenue Service said that even people who do not normally file tax returns because of their low incomes would need to file this year in order to receive an economic stimulus payment.

President Bush has signed the economic stimulus package into law. According to the IRS, the return must show at least \$3,000 in qualifying income. Low-income workers, Social Security recipients, disabled veterans and retired railroad workers who might not otherwise need to file a tax return must do so in order to receive the tax rebate.

Payments range from \$300 to \$600 for individuals and \$600 to \$1,200 for joint filers. Taxpayers may also receive \$300 for each qualifying child. In most cases, low-income recipients will get \$300 each, or \$600 for joint filers.

"Some people receiving Social Security and veterans' benefits may not realize they will need to file a tax return to get the stimulus payment," said Acting IRS Commissioner Linda Stiff. "To reach these people, the IRS and Treasury will work closely with the Department of Veterans Affairs, the Social Security Administration and key beneficiary groups on outreach efforts."

Filers will also need to have a valid Social Security number, not an Individual Taxpayer Identification Number. The ITIN is often issued to those who are unable to get a Social Security number, such as undocumented workers. The recipient also cannot be claimed as a dependent on any other filer's tax return. Also ineligible are those who file a Form 1040-NR, 1040-PR or 1040-SS. The return must be filed on a 1040, 1040A or 1040EZ.

Payments will be processed through Dec. 31. The IRS has been budgeted \$202 million to handle the rebate checks. The IRS expects to process an additional 10 to 20 million returns this year as a result of the rebate. Payments to higher-income taxpayers will be reduced by 5 percent of the amount of adjusted gross income above \$75,000 for individuals and \$150,000 for those filing jointly.

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