

Civitan Chatter



Charleston Civitan Club, P.O. Box 5428, Charleston, WV 25361

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Home Club of International Presidents

Belford Roberts 1975-1976 (Deceased)

Bill Rogers 1983-1984 (Deceased)

Happy Holidays!

Hope you enjoyed the beginning of the holiday season with a great Thanksgiving! This is now the busy season with many special events and shopping, and baking, and.....

We started off the Civitan year in October Governor Doug Baxter visiting our club at our first meeting in October. During this visit, we all heard from Melissa Pemberton who shared her story of recovery from a life of addiction to a life of hope.

In October, we also participated in the Walk for Life around the Capital grounds to show our support of the Cross Roads Pregnancy Center.

November rolled around and we held our first meeting with a speaker that made us all look at ourselves! Chris Collins of the St. Albans Fire Department talked about the 8 steps to avoid falls and 8 steps to avoid fires. We all must strive to be safer in our everyday lives.

On November 13, our meeting was hosting a dinner for the John Adams and George Washington Junior Civitans and their families as part of their member initiation and officer installation ceremony. It was a great event with around 75 people attending. The opportunity to meet and talk with the parents of the great Junior Civitans was also a great way to make people more aware of Civitan.

We had a delegation of 5 people plus Governor Emmy Gore, attend the Cardinal District Civitan Fall meeting in Vienna, WV. Anyone who attended, would all agree it was a great meeting filled with learning about fundraising and membership through webinars, sharing information, creating cards for Vets, as well as being entertained by an awesome choir of challenged people. Great Job Governor Doug!

Since December is a very busy month for all, we will only hold one meeting and then we will get back to our normal routine when the ball drops to bring in 2019.

December Meeting....

Friday, December 14 - noon – a tradition is not to have a meeting but rather hold a Christmas celebration and that we will do again this year, including our “steal the gift game”. We will gather at Patty & Bill Frame’s place, enjoy a meal of fellowship and then the game will begin. Remember to bring a wrapped or bagged gift (around \$10 or so). We will then draw numbers and enjoy the fun of watching our own members go for a gift that someone else received. Since this is over two weeks away, we will be sending out a reminder before our fun event.

PROJECTS:

Monday, December 3 – Love Light Tree – Charleston Town Center Mall. We will once again show our support for Hospice by taking a day and manning the table to help raise funds for this special organization. Here’s the schedule:
9-11am-Patty & Bill Frame
11-1pm-Jim Harris
1-3pm – Jeanne Jarrett & Wanda Hightower
3-5pm-Luster & Stella Doughty
5-7pm – Terry & Debbie Hodge

WANTED: NEW MEMBERS

We need new members. We are hoping that perhaps having one meeting in the evening will enable people who could not attend noon meetings to join our great club. So please invite people you may know to our meetings and projects with the hope they will see what great things we do in the Charleston Civitan Club and want to be a part of this great team. It could be someone in your church, workplace, neighborhood, etc. Invite them to one of our upcoming meetings.

JUNIOR CIVITAN UPDATE

Both GW & JA worked a total of 5 elementary school carnivals in October – 3 of which were in one weekend! Their creativity was seen in the cards they made for the Vets for Veteran’s Day and the Thanksgiving cards for the residents of Books Manor. They walked with us on the Walk for Life and helped

us with the water station at the Children’s Therapy Clinic 5K Run. December will see them working with the Secret Santa program and hopefully will go caroling one of the days before the holiday. They are certainly Stars of Service and we should be proud of them.

CARDINAL DISTRICT NEWS

It is quite ironic that we are a worldwide organization and this year the district meetings are being held in places that share a name with a city in a different country! As mentioned already, the Fall District meeting was a success and was held in Vienna. We look forward to the spring meeting which will be held in Berlin – that is Ohio not Germany and the convention will be held in Athens!! Did you plan it that way Governor Baxter??????

BIRTHDAY WISHES...

November was a busy month for birthdays! All of which were in the

first weeks of the month. We extend our best wishes for a year of health and happiness, and hope the following members and past members had a great birthday:

- Patty Frame – November 4
- Kathy McKinley – November 7
- Roberta Allison – November 7
- Jean Haid – November 8

December is the month for two of our members’ birthdays. We wish them our best wishes for a year of health and happiness:

- Bill Frame – December 20
- Jim Harris – December 21

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

We want to wish all our members, friends and families, a holiday season filled with love, happiness, and lots of good memories. We also hope that everyone will have a fruitful and happy 2019!!

The Mission of Civitan worldwide is to build good citizenship in providing a volunteer organization of clubs dedicated to serving individual and community needs with an emphasis on helping people with developmental disabilities.

