

Civitan Chatter



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

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Secretary Patty Frame

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Home Club of International Presidents

Belford Roberts 1975-1976 (Deceased)

Bill Rogers 1983-1984 (Deceased)

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Another Civitan year came to an end and the new year has begun. Our theme for this year is the same as last year...Champions of Service but this year the emphasis is on Leaders. Our previous year emphasized Achievers. I look back on our past year and see that our club did achieve making the world a better place for people in our community. Even though Covid 19 hit in March, that didn't stop our members from achieving things. During the past year, we helped the residents of Brooks Manor, Hospice, Ronald McDonald House, Oakridge Nursing Home, and Charleston Area Medical Center to name just a few. Right before the pandemic, we held the largest clergy appreciation luncheon in many years. We were the sponsors and supporters of the GW and JA Junior Civitan Clubs, we supported our members' other organizations such as Hope for Appalachia, Goodwill, Gabriel Project, Secret Santa, and Union Mission. Our club also received Admiral recognition with the Civitans at the Helm for our generous donations to the

Civitan International Research Center for the previous year. All in all, "we dun good"!

So now let's look at the new year! Oh my! You say, what are we going to do with the virus still around!



Yes, I am sure you are all feeling the same way as Ella. But we need to face the reality of our world. Things will still remain different for our club in the near future. Safety and good health is critical. But we will show that, as community leaders, we will adjust. We will continue to meet on zoom for now. We are going to look into doing projects a little differently – things we can do at home, etc. since we really can't do much with in-person

projects. If you have any ideas, let us know!

To thank you all for dealing with our new norm, the board had approved that the club will cover the dues for members through the end of December 2020! It is a very small way to say thanks!

MEETINGS...

Our next Civitan meeting will be Friday, October 16 via Zoom at noon. The invite will be sent by e-mail.

CLUB BOARD MEETING

The next Charleston Civitan board meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 21 at noon. We will be meeting via Zoom and the invite will be sent.

PROJECTS:

Despite our not being able to hold physical projects, we still have projects that need our support. They include:

GABRIEL PROJECT FUND-RAISER

It is time for the annual food sale that supports the Gabriel Project so they can continue to provide formula and diapers to those in

need. With the pandemic many of you are not shopping so this is an opportunity to put little baskets together for Christmas of these great food items. I know I can easily recommend the raspberry-rhubarb jam! Attached to the e-mail on the Chatter is the order form. Fill it out and submit it by OCTOBER 23. If you want, you can put on the form that Patty Frame will pick up your order and get it to you. Let's help feed babies while getting some good food!

FRUITCAKE SALES

October brings fall foliage and fruitcake to our community! Brant Withrow has graciously taken on the responsibility of working with fruitcake. Luster Doughty who handles the fruitcake that needs to be delivered locally will be needing some help this year. Once he contacts the stores to see if they will still participate, we may need some help in making some deliveries. Will keep you posted!

RONALD McDONALD HOUSE

Don't forget to save those can tabs from all the cans we are going through these days. You can drop

them off when ore out at the Ronald McDonald House to help them pay their bills.

SEND NOTES TO THOSE IN NURSING HOMES

Continue to send cards or notes to the residents at Oakridge Nursing Home to help brighten their loneliness. The activity director will get them and by putting "Civitan" on the back, she will know these are to be given to residents. The address is:

Oakridge Nursing Home
1000 Association Way
Charleston, WV 25311
Attn: Charlene Keisfer

JUNIOR CIVITAN UPDATE

Kanawha County just began holding classes in school. Our two clubs are anxious to get started but know that the meetings will be virtual for the next months

DISTRICT NEWS

The Cardinal Civitan District Fall meeting will be held on Saturday, November 14. It will still be held virtually on Zoom. The invite will be going out as we get closer to the date. on August 22. As soon as details are given, you Again, an

easy way to attend a district meeting without leaving your home or spending money! So, mark your calendars to save the date and we can show that the Charleston Civitans support our new Governor Al Harmon!

BIRTHDAY WISHES...

Sorry to be late on wishing the following members good wishes. We do wish the following members had a good birthday and wish them a year of health and happiness.

They include:

Emmy Withrow – August 24
Luster Doughty – September 1
Ray McNamara – September 25
Terry Hodge – October 10

THINKING OF YOU...

Our prayers and support go out to all our members. Bill Frame beat COVID-19, Debbie Hodge had surgery the end of September, a week after Terry and Debbie's daughter was married! Luster Doughty will be hearing about his upcoming hip replacement. Each of us face personal issues and struggles. Just know that you have your Civitan family there for you to help in whatever way we can.

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.

