



The FLASHES

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2019 - 2020 OFFICERS

- President:
LaBarbara P. Sampson
- President Elect:
Samuel W. Bennett
- Secretary:
Elizabeth Scott
- Treasurer:
Linda F. Neely
- Assistant Treasurer:
Jenny Johnson
- Chaplain:
Connie Burgess
- Sergeant at Arms:
Steve Johnson
- Board of Directors:
Gale Garner
Annie Mumbauer
Anna C. Smith
Charlotte E. Walker

CHARITIES

- President:
LaBarbara P. Sampon
- President Elect:
Samuel W. Bennett
- Secretary:
Belita Broadus
- Treasurer:
Linda F. Neely
- Board of Directors:
Ethel Bennett
Debra P. Hiller
Betty Shurley
Skip Smith



Flashes Editor
Nancy S. McGreer



Kamil Braddock Lewis

Our March 16th meeting's guest speaker was Kamil Braddock Lewis, who is the Founder and Director of the non-profit shelter 'Bobby Lewis Housewives Transitional Housing for Women'. The BLH organization provides previously incarcerated women of all ages assistance with counseling, housing/living stability, education, and other areas to deter repeated offences. The goal is to give women a second chance to a better life. The BHL has eight beds which provides a six months program for the residents during that time.

Kamil was given a second chance in her life which prompted her to realize her dream to create a temporary shelter for women. As a hostess at the Poinsett Club, she greeted our Civitan Club members with courtesy and a smile. She was encouraged to keep her head up and to follow her dream. During that time, her goal was to continue her education. She has earned a B.A Degree in Psychology, a M.A. Degree in Mental Health Counseling, and presently studying for her Education Doctoreate Degree in Leadership.

A thank you went to Gail Garner, Ann Thompson, and Anna Smith for their support and encouragement as she pursued her dream. A special thank you to Judith Dorrah as being the first donor to help supply items for the BLH. Kamil also suggested ways that the community can help through donations of toiletries, clothing, gas cards and food.



Gail Garner presented Kamil Braddock Lewis with a gift.

Meetings are held on the first and third Monday of each month at 1:00 p.m. unless otherwise stated.

Poinsett Club
807 East Washington Street
Greenville, SC 29601

President's Message

Greenville Civitan Members,

This afternoon, Governor Henry McMaster and other state agency directors held a news conference in response to developments related to the spread of the coronavirus (COVID-19). Governor McMaster made it very clear that he was mandating some actions to begin as of tomorrow, March 18, 2020, and recommending others. Under the mandated actions, he has ordered all restaurants and bars (all eating establishments) to end dine-in services until further notice.

In accordance with the mandates issued by Governor McMaster, I am recommending that the Servant's Heart program, scheduled for April 6, 2020, be cancelled until further notice. I know that you join me in wanting the health and safety of our members and guests to be of the highest priority as we all matriculate in these tenuous times of "a new normal".

As always, thank you for your incredible commitment to our club.

LaBarbara

Cancellations to date:

4/06/2020 - Meeting/Servant's Heart Program

4/08/2020 - Special Olympics Event at Furman University

4/20/2020 - Meeting/Silent Auction

4/23/2020 - Ridgeview Birthday Party at Ridgeview (Postponed until June)

5/04/2020 - Citizenship Banquet

Civitan Members,

The following is information LaBarbara wants to share with the membership:

After talking with the Poinsett Club's receptionist today, Friday, March 20, 2020, she was informed that with the development of the Coronavirus, the Poinsett Club is only opened to members making "to go" food orders and picking them up at the door. The club has decided to close all in-house dining and meetings until Governor McMaster gives the directive to re-open. Our scheduled events/meetings will be cancelled until they reopen for regular business. We will continue to conduct Civitan business efficiently, as needed and scheduled. Our leadership team will be proactive in meeting the needs of our membership and community.

Our next board meeting is scheduled for April 6, 2020, at 12 pm. We will conduct the meeting via conference call or using a visual conference program, such as ZOOM. More information will be provided as we move forward.

As always, thank you for being such an awesome leadership team and members. Let's keep each other, our membership and our nation in constant prayer.

Club Nominees for 2020 – 2021 Civitan Year

The following is the slate of officers for the 2020-2021 Civitan year which includes the Club Board, Club Board of Directors, Charities Board, and Charities Board of Directors.

Club Nominees:

President	Sam Bennett
President-Elect	Charlotte Walker
Secretary	Elizabeth Scott
Treasurer	Linda Neely
Sargentat Arms	Steve Johnson (App.)
Deborah Pearson	Chaplain (App.)

Club Board of Directors Nominees:

Jessie Bowens
Lavon Moore
Annie Mumbauer
Dot Ray

Charities Nominee:

President	LaBarbara Sampson
President-Elect	Sam Bennett
Secretary	Debbie Hiller
Treasurer	Linda Neely

Charities Board Members Nominees:

Judith Dorrah
Gale Garner
Violeita Irby
Heyward Johnston
Skip Smith

Nominations may be made from the floor provided the person nominated has agreed to serve prior to the election. Please notify the Club secretary of nominations being made from the floor in advance of the meeting.

The 2019-2020 President-Elect for the Club automatically fills the Club President position; The 2019-2020 Club President automatically fills the Charities President position; The incoming Club President automatically fills the Charities President-Elect position.

Election will take place once the meetings have been reconvened. New officers will assume position on October 1, 2020, the beginning of the new Civitan Year.



Please remember to keep your account up to date! Quarterly dues are due on the first of January, **April**, July, and October. You can submit your \$90 dues at the next event or mail them anytime.

Greenville Civitan
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Civitan Mission Statement

The worldwide mission of Civitan International is to build good citizenship by providing a volunteer organization of clubs dedicated to serving individual and community needs, with an emphasis on helping people with developmental disabili

Charities Board Approved Grants

The following grants have been approved by the Charities Board and will be voted on by the membership once meetings have been reconvened.

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| 1. Habitat for Humanity | \$10,825 |
| 2. Mauldin Miracle League | \$4,000 |
| 3. Center for Developmental Services | \$1,000 |
| 4. SC Childrens Theatre | \$2,500 |
| 5. Upstate History Museum | \$1,500 |
| 6. Ronald McDonald House | \$6,570 |
| 7. Legacy Early College | \$2,298.30 |
| 8. YMCA Judson Afterschool Child Care | \$7,500 |
| 9. Gville City Disabilities & Special Needs | \$1,200 |

HAPPY
ANNIVERSARY
APRIL

Julia Burdette	April 24, 2009
Rachel Drake	April 4, 1990
Sherry Hatfield	April 19, 2016
Violeta Irby	April 25, 2018
Debbie Mitchell	April 1, 2019
Ruth Richburg	April 24, 2009
Frankie Sloan	April 9, 2007
Skip Smith	April 30, 2017
Sharon Thomas	April 15, 2019
Ann Thompson	April 9, 2007

Do You Participate in Our 50/50 Drawing?

Judy Graham won \$20.00

Will you be next?

Happy Birthday

Linda F. Neely April 7

LaBarbara Sampson April 6