



FLASHES

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Greenville Civitan Citizenship Banquet



On May 2, the Greenville Civitan Club presented Citizenship Awards to 28 seniors from 14 Greenville County High Schools and awarded the Debbie Hillard Scholarship and the Middle School Essay winner. Along with securing name badges, certificates, pins and plaques, the committee decorated the ballroom at the Poinsette Club to have a lovely ceremony for the young adults who uphold Good Citizenship.

Several committee members, including: Ethel Bennett, Cheryl Bailey, Betty Shurley, and Anne Lavelly greeted and checked in our award winners and their family members. Club members Connie Burgess and Rhonda Bowling also assisted with check in.

Charlotte Walker- Club President welcomed all our guests, Violeta Irby- Committee Chair made remarks and Anna Smith introduced our guest speaker Rob Rhodes, Director of Counseling Services for Greenville Co. School. Gail Garner and Leda Young were in charge of the Middle School Essay Contest and had our award recipient read her winning essay. Anna Smith and Belita Broadus presented the Debbie Hiller Scholarship to the worthy recipient. Several committee members helped in the presentation of the Good Citizenship Awards and Sam Bennett gave the benediction while Linda Neely captured the lovely evening with her camera. Thank you to our wonderful committee members for your diligent work on this fine tradition of the Greenville Club.



More Photos of the Citizenship Banquet on Page 3 and with the following link:

<https://www.facebook.com/greenvillesccivitanclub>



Meetings are held on the First and Third Mondays of each month at 1:00 PM, unless otherwise stated and announced.

The Poinsett Club
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Service Projects

Ongoing:

- Ronald McDonald House- Pull Tabs (Heyward Johnston)
- Junior Civitans at WHHS (Gale Garner)
- Ridgeview Birthday Parties (Betty Shurley)

April

- Special Olympics (Sam Bennett)
- March of Dimes Walk-A-Thon (Heyward Johnson)

May

- High School Citizenship Banquet (Violeita Irby)
- Mauldin Miracle League Picnic (Steve Johnson)

More information on service and fundraising projects can be found by contacting the member listed in parenthesis.

Fundraising Projects

Ongoing:

- 50/50 Raffle– each meeting (Jenny Johnson)
- Card Sales– each meeting (Debbie Johnston)
- Candy Box Collection (Anne Lavelly)



In each edition of the Flashes, you will be able to find out where you can serve others and fellowship with Civitan friends.

Projects where You are a Champion of Service

March for Babies Service Project– April 29



The 5K Celebration for March of Dimes was Friday, April 29 from 4:30-8:30 at the First Baptist Church. Not only did we work the Fueling Up booth, engaging with the participants in the 5K walk and with the families that have benefitted from the March of Dimes, we delivered the Grant money of \$2,500 to the March of Dimes so that they can provide lunch to the nurses and the families in the NCICU ward on Mother's Day.



Mauldin Miracle League Service Project

The Annual Miracle League Picnic is currently scheduled for **Saturday, May 28**, at the Sunset Park in Mauldin. Further information as to start time for food prep/ serving and sign ups for particular items will be forthcoming from Steve Johnson, chairman of the Miracle League project. Looking forward to Jesse's chili on some grilled hot dogs!

Civitan Mission Statement

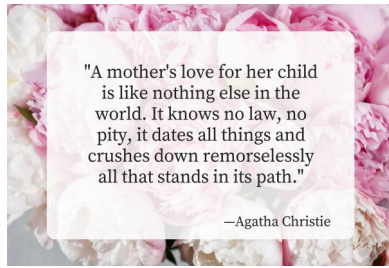
The worldwide mission of Civitan International is to build good citizenship by providing a volunteer organization of clubs dedicated to serving individual and community needs, with an emphasis on helping people with developmental disabilities.

Member Birthdays

Anne Lavelly
5/31

May Anniversaries
Sharon Thomas
5/31/2016

Greenville Civitan Club chartered
April 28, 1947
Our 75th Year



May this Mother's Day bring solace to those who no longer have their mothers with them, and joy for those who graciously hold the title of Mother.

- Quarterly Dues should be paid by the first of October, January, **April**, & July. Please take care of this in a timely manner.
- At each regular meeting we have a 50/50 Raffle, a Greeting Card Sale, and a Magazine Sale as club fundraisers! Helps us be Champions of Service.

Meals at the POINSETT CLUB

Please let **Steve Johnson** know the **Wednesday before** each meeting if you will be changing your normal schedule (if you do not normally attend and plan to attend, or if you normally attend and will be absent). Steve's contact information: gunney25@gmail.com or Cell: 864.642.8604

Mindful of Those in our Club

MY HEART beats for every friend, bleeds for every injury to humanity, and throbs with joy at every triumph of truth.

We have club members needing time for strength and solace from grief, illness, or medical procedures. In your thoughts and prayers, please be mindful of:

Connie Burgess Judy Graham Mary Lou Lewis Ruth Richburg

LaBarbara Sampson Sharon Thomas

If the club needs to be aware of a member's situation, please send notifications to Anne at annelavelly@gmail.com or 864.449.2568



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Thank you to Linda Neely for her diligent work to photograph the Citizenship Banquet.

Upcoming Meetings

May 16– Program Meeting: OLLI @ Furman, Nancy Kennedy

June 6– Program Meeting: Greenville Center for Creative Arts.

District and International Events

Saturday, May 14– *Spring District Meeting* in Columbia, SC

July 4-7- *The International Convention* in San Antonio, TX

(Deadline for in-person registration is May 16)