



FLASHES

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Inspiring Membership Meeting

On June 20 the Membership Committee, led by Jenny Johnson held an enthusiastic and invigorating meeting about our club and the great work it is doing not only in the community but for the members who bring the work to fruition. Jenny quoted Scripture and applied that message of servitude to the Greenville Club. With Jenny's message, several club members gave impromptu testimony of the benefits of the club to the community, and even more so the fellowship and comradery that has natural grown between the members. Yes, one way our club has grown is asking friends and family members to join and that creates a strong bond while sharing in the work of Civitan. However, the Greenville Club is blessed with individuals who reach out beyond the familiar and spread their compassion and love for their fellow members through the work of the club. Who would not want to join the Greenville Club knowing that their talents and skills are sought out and their abilities challenged to be a better citizen and a Champion of Service? We hope that our two invited guests, Brian Walters and Keith Keisling, while witnessing such an energized and affirming Membership meeting, will be moved to join our club in the next couple of weeks. Thanks to Jenny, the Membership Committee, and all the members of the club who spoke to make the Seek Meeting a rousing success.



Keith Keisling, a Civitan member from Tennessee hosted by Steve Johnson



Lavon Moore hosted fellow Parliamentarian, Brian Walters as a prospective member

Summer Social and Anniversary Celebration!

Saturday, July 16 at 2:00, we will kick off our 75th Anniversary Celebration at the Plantation Greene Club House, hosted by Debbie and Heyward Johnston. Annie Mumbauer is coordinating the event with her committee. Her email in the flyer was incorrect. Her correct email is anniemumbauer@aol.com We will have a great time socializing and celebrating our club and country. Maps and directions to Plantation Greene will be sent in a separate document.

Monday, July 18 at 12:30, during our regularly scheduled meeting, we will continue with our 75th Anniversary Celebration with special guests and several mementos of the Greenville Club's journey to becoming the club we are today. Please join us on this special day. ***Because of all the festivities our meeting at the Poinsett Club will begin 30 minutes earlier than normal and the meal will be served at 12:30.***

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

The Poinsett Club
807 E. Washington Street
Greenville, SC 29601

Mailing Address:
Greenville Civitan Club
P. O. Box 16493
Greenville, SC 29606

Service Projects

Ongoing:

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

July– September

- United Way School Tools (Deborah Pearson)

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

United Way: School Tools Project 2022

The Greenville Civitan Club is helping the United Way provide backpacks with school supplies. The committee will purchase \$300 of fully packed backpacks with budgeted funds of the club. Individual members may wish to contribute personally by filling one or more backpacks. **Please label your backpack(s) by Grade Level.** Bring your filled backpacks to the Civitan Social on **Saturday, July 16th** or to the Civitan Meeting on **Monday, August 1st**. We're collecting **fully packed backpacks per United Way guidelines** including all items per selected grade level below:



ELEMENTARY SCHOOL Backpack Supplies:

Backpack (gender-neutral; solid color)

- Spiral notebooks
- Folders with pockets
- Assignment pad/planner
- Lined paper (ream)
- Crayons
- #2 pencils and erasers
- Pencil box
- Glue sticks or glue
- Scented markers
- Ruler
- Safety scissors
- Packs of facial tissue
- Antibacterial hand sanitizer
- Disinfecting wipes
- Colored paper (ream)
- Water bottle
- Masks

MIDDLE SCHOOL or

HIGH SCHOOL Backpack Supplies:

Backpack (gender-neutral; solid color)

- Three-ring binders
- Perforated composition book
- Spiral notebooks
- Folders with pockets
- Dividers
- Assignment pad/planner
- Graph paper
- Lined college-rule notebook paper (ream)
- Colored paper (ream)
- Ink pens
- Washable markers
- #2 pencils and erasers
- **Colored pencils (HS Only)**
- Glue sticks or glue
- Highlighters
- Index cards (ruled)
- Post-it notes
- Ruler
- **Compass and protractor (HS Only)**
- Calculator
- USB flash drives
- Headphones
- Packs of facial tissue
- Antibacterial hand sanitizer
- Disinfecting wipes
- Water bottle
- Masks

The Middle School and High School materials are the same except the High School backpack needs Colored Pencils and a pro-tractor. Please make sure to tag your backpack for the correct school level.

*Information compiled by
Debbie Johnston*

<https://www.unitedwaygc.org/school-tools/>

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

Jenny Johnson
July 1

Connie Burgess
July 10

July Anniversaries

Debbie Mitchell
7/31/2019

Garrett Sky
7/8/2009

Dot Ray
7/19/2010

Jessie Bowens
7/20/2010

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



BELIEVERS

- 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.



You've read them, now share them and help the club raise some funds! Rachel Drake is needing to replenish our 25 cent stash of magazines. Help declutter your home and bring your magazines to our meetings. Find a new one to check out while lounging at the pool or on your travels. Not only are we raising funds for the club, we are reusing and recycling!

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:

Violeita Irby Anne Lavelly 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

Upcoming Meetings and Events

July 16, Saturday- July Social at Plantation Greene Clubhouse

July 18- 75th Anniversary Celebration at 12:30 (30 minutes earlier)

August 1- Last Membership Meeting for the Civitan Year. If you brought a guest before and he/she did not join, ask again!

United Way School Tool Backpacks can be delivered to the Summer Social on **Saturday, July 16** or the regular meeting **Monday, August 1**

August 15- Program Meeting: Homes of Hope with Don Oglesby



Read about news from the International Convention in the next Flashes.

SC Civigram has information about the final SC District Convention in Myrtle Beach, September 9th-11th.

All photos for all our service projects, informative programs, ceremonies, and socials can be found at: <https://www.facebook.com/greenvillesccivitanclub>

Inspiration from our Civitan Creed

My Soul knows no fear but its own unworthiness.

Obstacles are those frightful things you see when you take your eyes off your goal.

- Henry Ford