



# OWC NEWSLETTER

## October 2023

Oriental Woman's Club  
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*Serving Pamlico County Since 1916*

*OWC Vision: Women Together Making a Difference*  
*2023 Focus: Education & Community Commitment*



### 2023 Officers

Co-Presidents Julie Wiegand & Ellen Blackmon  
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### October General Meeting – 10/3/23

The speaker at this meeting is TW Harris from the Pamlico County Rescue Squad.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO OUR  
 LONGEST STANDING MEMBER,  
 FAY BOND, WHO TURNED 100  
 YEARS OLD 9/29!!**



### Message from Julie

Fall is upon us and with that comes the welcome of cooler weather and community events of plenty!

The Woman's Club is contributing in this season of community events starting with The Ol' Front Porch Festival by selling bagged desserts on Sat., Oct.7th. We have such a unique group of women with talents to share! Perhaps baking is right up your alley! There will be another chance to share this talent in November!

Even better, why not try a more active role by becoming an officer or program chair for the year? Our club is only as good as the members who contribute. We need your suggestions, new ideas, thoughts, opinions....

We have 2024 to fill with speakers, programs, maybe a new fundraiser? Let's hear from you!!



## OWC Calendar

### Monthly Meetings at the Clubhouse:

**Yoga** – Mon & Wed, 8:30 am

**Arts Program** meets third Thursday at 10:30 AM

**Education Program** meets third Thursday at 10:30 AM

**Home Life Program** meetings as scheduled in advance

**Garden Club** meets third Tuesday at 10:30 AM

**LON** meets as scheduled

**Oct 3** General Meeting, 1 pm, 2024 Slate of Officers Announced

**Oct 24** EC Meeting, 10:30am, Approve 2024 budget

**Nov 7** Annual General Meeting, 1 pm, Election of 2024 Officers

**Nov 28** EC Meeting, 10:30 am

**Dec 5** Christmas Potluck Luncheon, Installation of 2024 Officers, 11:30 am

### **Arts & Education (Carol Young & Maryellen Bickel):**

We have the Potluck Dinner coming up on December 5 for the scholarship fundraiser. Even though lunch will not cost money we hope people will donate to the scholarship fund in the Christmas spirit. We have the Art Festival coming up on January 28, to which Elsie has volunteered to contact the schools. Thank you Elsie. This involves all of the schools in the area and we will need a lot of hands throughout the process. We also have looked at our scholarship event which begins in February and ends with our Potluck luncheon on June 4th when we present the awards. In addition the schools have asked that we collect clothing (t-shirts, sweats, underwear, socks) for the students for the school to have an extra supply for emergency reasons for all ages.

### **LON (Marguerite Garrett):**

LON will be meeting as needed to complete our annual projects of Croaker trophies and Croaker hats. Anyone interested in helping with either of these projects, please let me know and I will start a group mailing to alert you where and when these gatherings will take place. If anyone would like to volunteer to be the 'official' chairperson of LON and take charge of either or both of these projects, please let me know.

Thanks very much, [mgarrett76@outlook.com](mailto:mgarrett76@outlook.com)



**Fay's cake and throne!! Happy 100 years Fay and wishing you many more!**

### **Garden Club (Joyce DiPasquale & Sharon Gilbert):**

October Yard of the Month awarded to Jenna and Rick Caraway, who have been in their new home a little over a year, at 28 Dragonfly Circle, Arlington Place, Arapahoe, NC. With landscaping design by Rachel at Harbourside Nursery, the front plants and planters perfectly frame and brighten up their front entrance. The plants in front include small boxwoods, pencil hollies and variegated flax lilies. The large planters on the steps include creeping jenny, petunias, potato vine and white Angelonias. On the shady side of the porch are planted lantana, limelight & regular hydrangeas, a fatzia and a gardenia ready for planting.”



### Judges for remaining 2023 Yards of the Month:

October - Elsie Roane, Maryellen Bickel

November - Lou Ann Roberts, Julie Wiegand

December - village committee



### **Garden Club cont'd:**

Our next meeting on October 17th at 10:30 will be dedicated to stenciling pre painted pots and pumpkins. Please bring your own pre painted pots, pumpkin(s) or gourds of any kind, cleaned, dried and ready to paint. Craft paint and stencils as well as a variety of brushes will be available. Any of you who are "crafty," please feel free to bring similar decorative materials to use and share.

A Fall tour of the Tyron Palace Gardens is planned for October 13th. Meet at the clubhouse at 8:00 AM. This is free admission for Mum Fest weekend. All club members are invited. There will be a sign-up sheet at the general meeting.

We did a road clean-up on Sept. 27th prior to the Ol' Front Porch Music Festival. The next road clean-up will be Nov. 29 prior to the Spirit of Christmas celebrations.



### **Let's Read:** Reading suggestion by Carol McAdoo:

Remembering Jimmy Buffett - 12/25/46 - 9/1/23  
Have you ever experienced a change in attitude with a change of latitude enjoying a cheeseburger in paradise while wasting away in Margaritaville searching for a lost jigger of salt??? So was the lifestyle of Jimmy Buffett: singer, song writer, musician, and business man with restaurants, hotels, and resorts in his portfolio. And a pilot. And a WRITER! His autobiography A Pirate looks at Fifty written after a family trip by air from the Florida Keys to the ruins of ancient Cartagana details a remarkable journey offering the reader his philosophy of life and how to live it. One reviewer likened it to "sitting with the author at the beach side bar listening to him spin tales and discourse on life sharing bits of geography and history." We have lost a truly gifted humorist!



**Oriental's History Museum**, Lucille Styron Truitt Artwork, September 16 through January is a special Fall Exhibit will showcase the museum's large collection of Lucille's artwork. Did you know she is self-taught and started painting back in the 60's? For over forty years she painted landscapes, fishing vessels, harbor scenes, and fishermen at work. Several of her pieces will also be for sale for the duration of the exhibit.

The 9th **Annual Ol' Front Porch Music Festival** is set for Oct 6 & 7, 2023.

**The Craven – Pamlico Regional Library Book/Tech Mobile** is in Oriental Friday, Oct 6, from 10am – noon at the Piggly Wiggly, and 2-4pm at the Town Hall parking lot.

The 9th **Annual Oriental Classic Car Show** is Saturday, October 14, 2023. Check-in starts at 8:30 am. Trophies awarded at 2:30 pm.

The New Bern Historical Society presents the 33rd **Annual Ghost Walk**, Oct 19 – 21, from 6-9:30 pm.

The 15th **Annual Chili Cook-off** is Saturday, Oct 21 from 11am – 1pm at the Oriental Marina & Inn on the harbor in Oriental.

**Saturday, October 28, the Witches of Silverbrooke** present the 6th Annual Witches' Crawl in Oriental. There is a 'Little Witches Performance' at 5:45pm. The Silverbrooke Witches perform at 6, 6:30, 7, and 7:30 at the corner of King & First Streets in Oriental, Saturday, Oct 29.

The **Oriental Dragon Boat Festival** at River Dunes is rescheduled to November 3 & 4. The day begins at 8 am with a Captain's Meeting, followed by opening remarks, a parade of teams, the 'dotting of the eye of the dragon'. Races begin around 9:45 am with the last race ending about 3 pm. An awards ceremony follows the last race.