



OWC NEWSLETTER

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Serving Pamlico County Since 1916

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



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Message from Julie and Ellen

April showers bring May flowers! This quote really resonates around now and if you notice our beautiful front entrance to the club, it is just gorgeous this time of year and popping with lovely color!

Our speaker for the May General Meeting is Carissa Sanders, owner of From the Heart Florist. We sure appreciate her taking the time out of her busy day to come over and present to our ladies.

There are just a few more meetings before we adjourn for the July and August break although a few of our individual groups will still be busy with activities such as the Croaker Fest and our big fundraiser, the Golf Tournament in August. As a member of this organization, as in any organization, it is assumed that you will support our programs and projects. Be on the lookout for our upcoming events and see how you can support.



May 14, 2023

May General Meeting – 5/2/23, 1pm

Info on 5/6 Plant Sale
 Demonstration on flower arranging by
 Carissa Sanders, From the Heart florist.



Please bring canned goods for our ongoing project this year of collecting food for PCFLO.

Have you ever wondered where you can find:
 OWC Activities, Newsletters, Documents, Bylaws,
 Rules, Minutes, Yearbook, History or reimbursement
 forms?
Just go to our website orientalwomansclub.org

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

May 2 General Meeting, 1 pm, From the Heart florist

May 6 GC Plant Exchange

May 30 EC Meeting, 10:30 am

June 6 Scholarship Pot Luck Luncheon, 11:30 am

June 30-July 1 Croaker Festival

Aug 26 Golf Tournament @ Minnesott Country Club

Aug 29 EC Meeting, 10:30am, Elect/Appoint Nominating Chairman

Arts & Education (Elsie Roane):

School Supplies Drive: For next school year, we're partnering with YNTO (Youth Navigating toward Opportunity) to fill 100+ book bags for first through eighth grade students. **Please bring requested items to our June luncheon meeting (6/6/23, 11:30 am).** Suggested school supplies are Glue sticks, scissors, loose notebook paper (not college rule), #2 pencils and colored pencils, crayons & markers (both dry erase and permanent), ruler, spiral notebooks, Kleenex, paper towels, Clorox wipes, cardstock, construction paper, highlighters, copy paper (white & colored), scotch tape, zip lock bags any size, hand sanitizer

Scholarship Applications: This year we've received 11 applications for the Hargrove Scholarship and three applications for the Cathers Scholarship.

Scholarship Potluck Luncheon: Sign up at the May meeting to bring your favorite dish and maybe a guest or two to meet and honor our scholarship recipients, including the Girls on the Run scholarship recipients, and their families at our June meeting (6/6/23).

Building Maintenance (Sally Farrell):

Spring cleaning of the clubhouse is **June 13 at 9 am.** There will be a sign-up sheet at the May general meeting. Please help if you can.

Garden Club (Joyce DiPasquale & Sharon Gilbert):



April Road clean-up Crew – Lynne Kaplan, Sally Farrell, Joyce DiPasquale and Priscilla Seals.
Thanks girls!!

There will be a sign-up sheet at the May general meeting for the May 9th trip to visit two nurseries, Carolina Home Garden Center and Redfern Nursery followed by lunch at Boro's on the waterfront in Swansboro. The June 20th meeting will be making macrame plant holders unless group would like to do a different activity.

Road clean up dates have been scheduled for:

June 21st (before Croaker Fest)

Sept. 27th (before OFP Music Festival)

Nov. 29 (before Spirit of Christmas)

December will be decorating trees for post office and town hall. We will have sign up for three volunteers to decorate and take down trees at the October and November meeting. The Christmas luncheon and gift exchange will be Wednesday, December 13th at 11:30 am at Chelsea.

LON (Marguerite Garrett):

Income from the luminaries was \$1,285 minus \$93.50 for supplies. In 2024 the date will be the first Saturday in June at 8 pm followed by the launch at 9 pm. LON will be meeting this month, **May 16, 2023, 6:30 pm – 8 pm** (come when you can, leave when you have to during that time) at Marguerite Garrett's downstairs craft room. We are working on Croaker Parade trophies and Croaker fish hats. All are welcome to join us for creative fun. If anyone needs directions to my house, please call me at 249-2279.



Let's Read: Reading suggestion by Carol McAdoo:

The Last Train To London by Meg Waite Clayton

As Hitler begins readying his conquest of Europe, Stephan Neuman-the son of a prominent Jewish confectioner in Austria-can feel the noose tightening around Vienna. Soon German soldiers descend on the city, destroying his father's chocolate shop and forcing him into hiding in the labyrinthine tunnels below ground. Stephen must find a way to save his brother and his Christian best friend whose mother fights for the resistance. Hope appears in the form of a woman known as Tante Truus, who pleads with the wicked Adolf Eichmann to lead the local Jewish children out of Austria and into Britain. Eichmann strikes an impossible bargain. She can have her wish if she manages to find 600 children, but not a single one less. She has until the end of the week. Based on actual events this story vividly captures the beauties of prewar Vienna and the menace of Nazism.



The **Ol' Front Porch Music Festival** hosts a BBQ fundraiser with live music in the beer garden at New Village Brewery Saturday, **May 13**. Featuring **live music by The Mad Fiddler, plus Jim Kellenberger's grilled BBQ chicken** for \$15 a plate. It's first come, first serve: barbecued chicken with sweet potatoes, green beans and slaw starting at 5 pm. **The Mad Fiddler** performs from 5:30-8:30 pm. There's a 50/50 raffle, and Ol' Front Porch Music Festival merchandise will be up for sale. The Ol' Front Porch Music Festival is **October 6 & 7, 2023**.

Christine Stoughton Root teaches a free class on birding apps, Thursday, May 4 from 9-11a at the Pamlico County Community College Delamar Building. To register contact Denise at 252-249-1851 x3113, or email dmcdermott@pamlicocc.edu.

The Hope Regala is May 5 & 6, 2023. A BBQ dinner, a \$10k Golden Raffle Ticket Drawing, and a Live & Silent Auction – all to benefit the mission of Hope Clinic in Pamlico County. There are special weekend packages for boats harbored at River Dunes.

- **Friday night BBQ** with live music.
- **The Saturday Night Regala** features catered dinner under the big tent at River Dunes, a live and silent auction, and live entertainment.
- There's also the **\$10k Golden Raffle**. Every ticket provides a 1 in 200 chance of winning \$10K. If you buy the limit of 3 tickets, that's a 1 in 67 chance. **SOLD OUT**

The Craven – Pamlico Regional Library Book / Tech Mobile is in Oriental Friday, **May 5**, from 10a – noon at the Piggly Wiggly, and 2-4p at the Town Hall parking lot.

Public Shred Event Saturday, May 6, 9 am-noon at Pamlico County Courthouse, Bayboro (back parking lot).

Oriental's 2023 Town Wide Yard Sale is Saturday, May 6. If you'd like to be included, call Tourism Board Chair, Marsha Papham at 252-675-5142.

The Village Gallery welcomes Kevin Fetzer as the May's guest Artist of the Month. Meet him at the Artist's Reception Saturday **May 6**, from 2-5 pm.

Nautical Wheelers' **May Wine Tasting Weekend** is set for Friday, May 19, from 5-7pm in New Bern and Saturday, May 20 at 2 & 3pm in Oriental. Andy Woolger of Elephant's Corner Wines presents.

Kick off the summer Oriental-style with **Silospalooza 2023**. Now in its 10th year, the outdoor music event on **Saturday May 27** features bands at the Red Rooster stage and bar behind the Silos Restaurant. On Saturday, music starts at noon and runs till near midnight.