

**Oriental Woman's Club**  
**General Meeting Minutes**  
**January 4, 2022**

The meeting was opened by President Deborah Powers at 1:30 p.m. Deborah welcomed the members and guests to the first meeting of 2022.

Jean Chastang led the Pledge of Allegiance and Terrel Scott gave the Inspirational Reading.

Minutes of the previous General Meeting had been read and approved. Gay Webster, Lynne Kaplan and Elsie Roane volunteered to read and approve the minutes of this meeting.

The Treasurer's Report for the previous month had been accepted for file and posted.

Deborah introduced the guest speaker, Joan Aubele, who spoke of her battle with Stage 4 Leukemia and read a passage from her book "The Dance", which chronicled her battle.

Program Reports:

**Arts & Education:**

Jean reported that the Student Art Festival will be held on January 30<sup>th</sup> from 12:00 – 3:00. Sign-up sheets were available for volunteer opportunities for the Festival. Volunteers are needed to pick up the art from the schools on 1/26, Sort and judge the art on 1/27, hang the art on 1/28 and be a hostess on 1/30.

**Home Life:**

Gay Webster reported that members donated \$575 for the Christmas family the Club "adopted".

**Garden Club:**

Priscilla and Laura presented a gift to Linda Parker for her service as Garden Club Chairman for the past several years.

New Business:

Deborah reported that the Chowder Cook-off will be held in March. The date will be determined, as there is a scheduling conflict for the original date of March 19<sup>th</sup>. Sally Belangia is the Chairperson for the event and will hold a planning meeting later this month. Volunteers will be needed. Deborah requested ideas for future fundraisers.

Community Announcements:

Lynne Kaplan noted that the PAWS Pet Parade will be held on 3/26.

Jean reported that OWC member Dottie Osmun is hospitalized and gravely ill. Cards can be sent to her at P.O. Box 445, Oriental, NC 28571

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:35 p.m.

Submitted by

Lee Duer, Co-Secretary