



The Civic Courier

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of Panama City Beach,
Inc.

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From the President's Desk

Nancy Stovall

Dear Members,

In many countries and parts of the United States, May 1st is celebrated as May Day, a celebration of spring. When I was younger, my mother would ruffle crepe paper, then my sisters and I would staple the ruffles to nut cups and add a pipe cleaner handle. Once the baskets were completed, we filled the baskets with mints and nuts and then anonymously left the baskets on people's doorsteps. As I reflected on the memory, I thought of how God has left each of us with a May Basket. We just need to step out on our doorstep and see the beauty of a sunrise, a sunset, the stars and the moon.

The inability to meet physically has resulted in the reliance on email and mail to conduct year-end business. Thank you for your response by voting for the 2020-2021 slate of officers and the 2019-2020 budget revisions.

The budget for 2020-2021 is slated for approval at the May luncheon meeting. Working with Majestic, we are able to move the May 7th meeting to May 21st. The date may change again or we may need to get budget approval by email and mail, but the important thing is for the health and safety of you and our community.

Nancy

"Change is your friend not your foe, change is a brilliant opportunity to grow."



WCC members vote to donate extra funds to food pantries and educational needs



George and Betty McNitt are very pleased to accept the generous donation for the We Care Woodlawn Methodist Church food pantry presented by Cheri Leistner, WCC Secretary. The McNitts are the driving force behind the food pantry and have worked tirelessly to make it a success.

After a successful fund-raising year, WCC had excess funds and voted to make some additional donations during this time of need due to Covid 19.

The Budget Committee came up with the following suggestions that were approved:

Gulf Beach Community Food Pantry
\$1,000

We Care Woodlawn UMC - \$1,000

Patronis Elementary Chorale -\$500

Arnold High School Culinary Program \$1,000

Arnold H. S. Hospitality Program
\$1,000

The main focus at this time was placed on food needs and educational needs in the community.

By distributing these additional donations, the club will still retain sufficient cash to fund two years of normal annual budgeted donations. This will enable the club to fund these commitments in the event of more pandemics and/or hurricanes or other obstacles that would affect the fundraising ability in any given year.

The Budget Committee consisted of the officers of the past year, chaired by Treasurer Sue Jiles.

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Roberta Bernhardt, ®, chairman of the Domestic Violence Committee is seen presenting a \$500 check to Donna Mooney, who is Program Coordinator and Child Advocate of the Domestic Violence Program. Donna was very pleased to receive the donation from WCC.

Attention All Members

The officers of the Women's Civic Club of Panama City Beach, Inc. have been working tirelessly through endless hours to get the club through the difficult times the last couple of months. Much planning that was done had to be cancelled or postponed, rescheduled, etc. They have done this while also being concerned about their own families and personal situations. Please, will each of you wonderful, considerate members go through the following check list and see if you have done all the tasks which will make the job easier for those planning for the coming year? Don't put it off! Do it now!

1. I sent in my committee selections for next year.
2. I paid my dues for next year. (\$20.00)
3. I would like a new picture in the yearbook next year.
4. As a committee chairman, I sent in my year-end report to the President.

Committee Activities

Bunco Coming Up

The Member-to-Member Committee has set up the following dates for Bunco on the third Thursday of each month:

June 18, 2020

July 16, 2020

August 20, 2020



Hopefully, these will be able to take place without cancelling. More details later.

Judy Hardegree and Lynn Padgett
Co-chairmen

At the beginning of the present fiscal year, each chairperson was given a folder about her committee from President Nancy Stovall. Please update it with your report for the year and send it back to her NOW.

Remember the old saying, "Don't put off to tomorrow what you can do today."

Thanks so much,
Nan VandenBerg, Editor



Blood Drive at Texas Roadhouse—Helen and Paul Schreiner always find ways to help the community.



Cheri Leistner shares new recipe

During our safer-at-home stay, I've been trying some new recipes.

This is an Apple Dutch Baby in my cast iron skillet. It was yummy!

Cheri Leistner

Apple Dutch Baby

Ingredients:

4 Tbsp butter
2-3 Gala apples, sliced thinly
 $\frac{3}{4}$ cup flour
 $\frac{3}{4}$ cup milk (room temperature)
 $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp salt
 $\frac{1}{4}$ tsp baking powder
1 Tbsp sugar
4 eggs (room temperature)

Cinnamon topping

$\frac{1}{2}$ cup sugar
2 tsp cinnamon

Instructions:

Preheat oven to 400.

Place butter into a 12 inch cast iron pan and place in the oven to melt the butter.

In a bowl, combine flour, baking powder, sugar, salt, milk and eggs.

Place the sliced apples into the bottom of the pan on top of the melted butter. Pour egg mixture over the apples.

Combine sugar and cinnamon and sprinkle over the top of the egg mixture evenly.

Bake in oven for 20 – 25 minutes until golden brown.



May Birthdays

6- Babs Umenhofer

8 – Kay Vider

17 – Barbara Britson

21 – Pat Diamond

23– Glenda Densmore

Yearbook Correction

Sheila Steele:

Address in Georgia is 180 Fred Joiner Rd. (not 130)

Yearbook Picture Time

Would you like to have a new picture of yourself in the next yearbook? This is the time to do it!

Please contact Sue Jiles for more information. She is starting to work on the 2020-21 Yearbook.

Contact Sue @ 770-364-5890

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**Send in dues and annual
committee sign-up sheets NOW**

**For info call: Sue Jiles-770-364-5890 or
Gail Claffey- 850-708-3093**

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Coming Events

- ♦ **May Luncheon Meeting**
Rescheduled for
Thursday, May 21, 2020— 11 a.m.
Majestic Conference Center
Installation of Officers

- ♦ **Bunco:**
June 18, 2020
July 16, 2020
August 20, 2020

**Special notices will be sent out for
any cancellations/ postponements.**

Community Food Pantry Items Needed

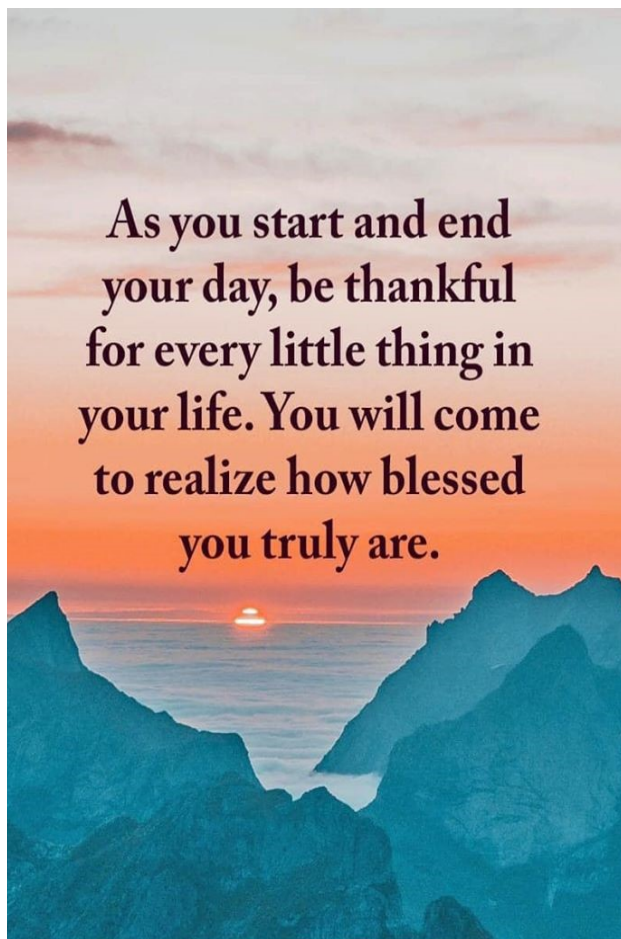
The Food Pantry is only open Monday, Wednesday
and Friday for the time being from 9 a.m. to noon.

You may take your donations directly to the Food Pantry located at the Gulf Beach Presbyterian Church on HWAY 79 between Front and Back Beach roads, bring them with you to the May Luncheon or call me and I will pick them up.

Thanks so very much for your generosity all year long!!!!
Nan VandenBerg,
850-814-4265 nanvan27@gmail.com

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| • Paper products | • Canned vegetables |
| • Hand sanitizer | • Cookies |
| • Clorox wipes | • Rice |
| • Mayonnaise | • Hygiene products |
| • Mustard | • Laundry detergent |
| • Cereal | • Dish detergent |
| • Hamburger Helper | • Shampoo |
| • Complete pancake mix | • Razors |
| • Pancake syrup | • Reading glasses. |
| • Stove Top Stuffing | • Vegetable beef soup |
| • Macaroni | • Cream of chicken soup |
| • Canned fruit | • Canned chicken |

As you start and end
your day, be thankful
for every little thing in
your life. You will come
to realize how blessed
you truly are.



How members are coping during the Corona 19 self-distancing/ isolation



Ron and Elaine Lichtenberger are usually on the road with their motor home, but this year they're "Camping at Home."



Nancy Stovall has been coping as she sips her chia tea and enjoys the view of the gulf.



During this time when I am not making something in the kitchen, I am out fishing. Talk about social distancing... I spend as much time as the weather permits out fishing and often bring fish home for supper. Gloria Turner

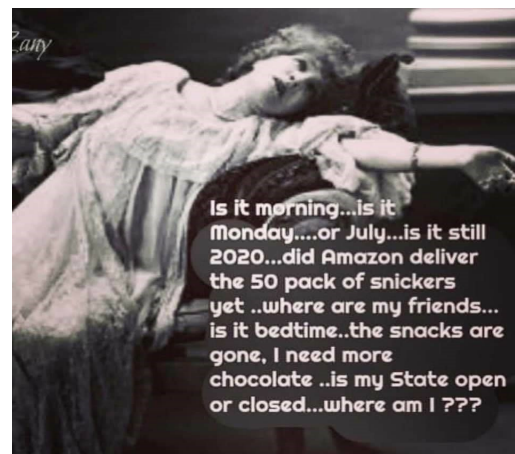


Kay Vider made masks to match her outfits. Here she is seen on her way to her doctor's appointment.



Nan Vandenberg's grandson's graduation from medical school was cancelled for June 20th due to Corona 19. Above is Ean Phillips with girlfriend Allie Clayton. After getting their degrees from U of Florida two years ago, they are now Physician Assistants, and have already been put to work.

Many graduations and weddings have been postponed or cancelled.

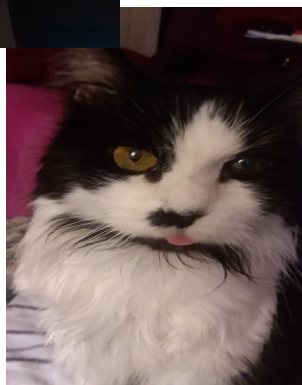
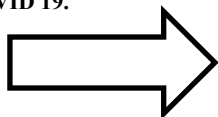


A good one from Dottie Golicz!



Sheila Steele's cat Sassy is thinking, "When is Mommy going out so I can have the house to myself!"

This is what Sassy thinks of COVID 19.



Cheri Leistner says, "I get to relax on my porch, but it's seldom alone."





President Nancy Stovall presents a check to Chef Billy Redd of the Arnold High School Culinary Program. Looking on are Jonathon Moore, Assistant Principal at Arnold High School and Arlene Klaas, WCC.

PRESENTATION OF CHECKS APPRECIATED BY ALL



Linda Coleman, Director of the Community Food Pantry at Gulf Beach Presbyterian Church, was thrilled with the check from WCC presented by Nan VandenBerg.



Cheri Leistner presents \$500 to Kenny Kirkland, Director of the Patronis Elementary Chorus to help with expenses.

Tulip Festival cancelled in Holland, Michigan first time in 91 years



Robert Wright (above, left) is seen receiving the donation for the Arnold High School Hospitality Program from Cheri Leistner, along with Jonathon Moore, Arnold High School Assistant Principal.

