

The Civic Courier

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From the President's Desk

Nancy Stovall

Dear Members,

"Life isn't about waiting for the storm to pass, it's about learning to dance in the rain."

The year has definitely brought some storms and has presented some challenges, but thanks to all of you, we have learned to dance in the rain.

Many of you were unable to attend our last luncheon meeting, and I want to thank each one of you for your support of the club and the support you have given me as the President.

As a result of your hard work and dedication, our club was able to give special donations to The Gulf Beach Presbyterian Church Community Food Pantry, Woodlawn Methodist Church Food Pantry, Patronis Elementary Chorale, Arnold High School Culinary Program and Arnold High School Hospitality Program this year.

Normally,we give two scholarships to deserving Arnold High School Seniors, but this year we were able to give four scholarships.

The success of the club and your enthusiasm attracted nine new members this year.

The Programs Committee has already started working on the plans for next year, and is looking forward to the luncheon meeting in September. Your commitment to the club and the community is incredible.

I hope each of you enjoy your summer and stay safe.

"Your hard work and effort have paid off! A success worth celebrating!"

Nancy



Arnold seniors receive scholarships



During the June luncheon meeting, President Nancy Stovall was delighted to present four college scholarships to Arnold High School seniors. Recipients were (L to R) Isabella Gobel, Caroline Adair, Merritt Reece and Abigail Capes. The applications from these young ladies were very impressive. Congratulations and Best Wishes! Thanks goes out to all of our members, whose efforts made these scholarships possible!

New storage area completely organized and ready for future







Shown above is the well-organized storage room now being used by WCC at CubeSmart, 2529 Joan Avenue. Everything has a place, is labeled and has a chart to follow for the future. Workers on this ambitious project were Sue Jiles, Cheri Leistner, Gloria Turner, Arlene Klaas, Greg Thew, Gail Claffey and Nancy Stovall.

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School Projects Committee

The School Projects Committee is off to a good start for the new year. Co-chairs, Gloria Turner and Gail Claffey, say that they are organized and "getting it going".

They would like members to help with school supplies again this year for the four elementary schools here on the Beach.

Items Needed

- 1. Pink Erasers
- 2. Boxes of Tissues
- 3. Paper Towels
- 4. Pencil Sharpeners (small individual ones)
- 5. Small Pump Bottles for hand washing
- 6. Disinfectant wipes (non Clorox)
- 7. Small masks (If you sew and want to make masks, we will reimburse you on material)

If you want to bring donations from friends, neighbors or families to the Board Meeting the end of August, Gloria will take them home, or you may bring them to the September meeting. If you can't attend the September meeting, please call Gloria or Gail and they will gladly pick up the items.

Gloria: 850-588-8426 Gail: 850-708-3093

Committee Activities

Bunco Cancelled

Judy Hardegree and Lynn Padgett Co-chairmen



Due to the Covid 19 Virus Bunco has been cancelled for the month of August.



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Mother of Helen Schreiner Anne Sampson

December 12, 1929-May 5, 2020

Anne Sampson

Anne Therese (Healy) Sampson of Kingston, MA died on May 5, 2020. She was born on December 30, 1929 in West Hartford, CT and graduated from the Mount St Joseph Academy in West Hartford in 1948. A Registered Nurse, she graduated from the Boston City Hospital School of Nursing in 1953 and was nicknamed "Hap" because she was always smiling and happy.

Anne was working for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts as a public health nurse in the Plymouth area in the 1950's when she was introduced to Earl Seavey Sampson of Kingston. They were married on March 4, 1957, and she made Kingston her home for the next 60 years. She later worked as a private duty nurse for many years on the South Shore.

Anne will always be remembered as an independent, yet compassionate woman who lived life on her terms while "championing the underdog". She made friends easily. She was known for her gardening skills, her story telling, and for baking the best oatmeal cookies. An avid reader, she was a great fan of the author Kurt Vonnegut.

She was predeceased by her parents and husband. She is survived by her son Paul (Susan) of Preston, CT; son William of Nashua, NH; son Gerald of Nashua, NH; daughter Mary Owen (Martin) of Formby, England; daughter Helen Schreiner (Paul) of Destin, FL; four grandchildren, one great-grandson and many cousins, nieces, nephews and their children.

Anne always told her children that she wanted the Simon and Garfunkel song "Mrs. Robinson" played at her funeral. Please think of "Annie" when you hear this song.





JUNE

- 2 Edith Ellis
- 5 Brenda Bryson
- 9 Linda Tabaka
- 12 Laura Gumm
- 13 Patty Rocco
- 17 Darlene Dial
- 19 Carol Lynn
- 23 Diane Vitale
- 28 Bea Allessandrini

JULY

- 12 Phyllis McLane
- 16 Gail Claffey
- 19 Debra Fazzone
- 21 Sharon Williams
- 21 Shirley Williams
- 25- Janet Roan
- 26 Judy Hardegree
- 26 Laura Laspee
- 29 Sony Edwards

AUGUST

- 6 -Peg Lowery
- 11 Karen Gunsaullus
- 12 Gayla Howell
- 13 Eloise Cox
- 19 Cheri Leistner
- 20 Lana Lowery
- 22 Brandi Hezinger
- 25- Lisa Stretch

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Community Food Pantry call for workers had great response! Thank you!!!

Once again our members came through to help out in an emergency! Thank you, thank you, thank you!

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

If you have any questions, please call me any time. Thanks so very much for your generosity all year long!!!! Nan VandenBerg,

- Paper products
- Hand sanitizer
- Clorox wipes
- Mayonnaise
- Mustard
- Cereal
- Hamburger Helper
- Complete pancake mix
- Pancake syrup
- Stove Top Stuffing
- Macaroni
- Canned fruit

- Canned vegetables
- Cookies
- Rice
- Hygiene products
- Laundry detergent
- Dish detergent
- Shampoo
- Razors
- Reading glasses.
- Vegetable beef soup
- Cream of chicken soup

August

Coming Events

- August 27 Board Meeting
 Chamber Board Room
- Sept. 3 Luncheon Meeting
 Place & speaker
 to be determined

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

Now is the Time..... Make final arrangements now!

Everyone, <u>regardless of age</u>, should get their final business and funeral arrangements in order. I know that many of you have a difficult time thinking about such a thing, but it makes it so much easier on your family and survivors to have it all done for when the time comes.

Now is a good time to do it while so many are staying at home more and self-distancing.

When planning your final arrangements for your own funeral, under "People to Notify" please stress to your family that the Women's Civic Club should be notified, either through the web site or by calling the president.

When Women's Civic Club members, inactives, past members and lifetime members become homebound, move or die, they are not forgotten by the club. However, contact cannot be made unless the club has been notified of changes in address, phone number, e-mail or next of kin. Whenever you have a change, please notify the Membership Chairman, who is presently Gail Claffey.







Seen above are Mugsy Parens, Barbara Doblin, Maxine and Joyce Griffin at one of the Christmas Luncheons

MAXINE MACKEY

July 28, 1939—June 27, 2020

Maxine Jane Mackey, age 80, of Panama City Beach, FL passed away Saturday, June 27, 2020 in Panama City Beach.

Graveside services were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday July 1st at Cherokee Memory Gardens in Centre, AL with Rev. Donny Harrell officiating.

Survivors include son, Donald Cole and his wife Cathy of Fort Payne, AL; brother, Jimmy (Wanda) Morgan of Sand Rock, AL; and several special nieces, nephews and cousins.

She was the daughter of the late Alvin and Ruth Tilley Morgan.

Funeral arrangements were handled by Perry Funeral Home, Inc., of Centre, AL.

Maxine was a diligent, reliable worker for the Women's Civic Club of Panama City Beach, FL, from the day she joined the club in December 2001. She was in charge of luncheon reservations and check-ins for several years. She also worked on the Dance Committee, among other things.

She enjoyed keeping scrap books and shared the beautiful ones she made throughout the years of the club with members and at the club's 50th Anniversary Celebration in 2017. Hopefully, they will become a part of the club's archives.

She had many dear friends and will be deeply missed.



Joyce Griffin, Maxine Mackey and Barbara Doblin working at the 2013 Dance

