

CROATAN WOMEN'S CLUB SEPTEMBER 2019 MINUTES

President Martha Davenport introduced herself as the new President of the CWC, welcomed everyone to her home and called the meeting to order. She then asked the attendees to identify how long they had lived in Croatan. It was apparent that the group consisted of new and longtime residents. She encouraged all members to welcome new residents and get to know them. She thanked last year's board members and club members for a successful 2018/19.

Martha then introduced the new 2019/20 Board Members - herself as President, Jan Perreillo VP, Margaret Roomsburg Treasurer, Cathy Callahan Recording Secretary, Martha Heitzler Corresponding Secretary, Linda Richie Royal & Karen Ellis Programs.

- 50 Members attended this first meeting. Many brought school supplies to be donated to a local elementary school.
- Martha encouraged input from the group and asked them to contact her with any suggestions for future programs or club improvement ideas.
- Margaret Roomsburg reported that the club had \$1,013.04 in its bank account, and a drawing was held for the \$50 gift card to Butchers Son (members who paid their dues were eligible to participate). Margaret encouraged attendees to pay their dues to help support the club's efforts.
- Kathy Donahoe & Cheryl Garvey introduced the neighborhood "Mermaid Mafia" and its purpose (to assist any neighbor in need). They asked members to keep them updated on any neighbor who is having difficulties and needs assistance (meals, yardwork, etc.).
- Jen Alex & Amber Torgerson made the group aware of the CWC's connection to the overall Croatan Civic League and updated the group on some upcoming CCL events – Martha encouraged members to access the CCL Next Door for info on events
 - October 3rd New Realm social event – 6:30pm (One of the owners of New Realm has recently moved into Croatan and is helping sponsor this event).
 - Halloween Party for kids at Amber's home
 - November 1st Fall Ball at Hunt Club Farm
 - November 24th Santa pictures on the beach
- Linda Ritchie Royal & Karen Ellis introduced the upcoming CWC programs currently planned.
January, February & March programs need of a hostess!
 - October – Halloween Costume Party at Linda Ritchie Royal's home
 - November – Shopping Party at Shore Gallery & Dressology at Hilltop. Discounts for CWC members.
 - December – Christmas Party at Karen Ellis' home
 - January – Soup & Stew party (members were encouraged to team up to create soups/stews & accompaniments)

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- February – Wine Tasting
- March – Craft Activity
- April – No firm activity yet – in planning stage
- May – Met Gala event (members are encouraged to team for this event)
- June – End of Year Karaoke Event at Jan Parriello's home

A question about a project to create a CWC directory of members in previous years was brought up. The current board will review the progress on the project and determine its viability.

Martha ended the meeting by thanking all attendees, encouraged them to spread the news about the club and help it reach the goal of 65 paying members by year end.