

## CROATAN WOMEN'S CLUB OCTOBER 2019 MINUTES

President Martha Davenport was out of the country, so Vice President Jan Perriello ran the meeting. She began by thanking Linda Ritchie-Royal for hosting the October meeting, and opening her home and all her fabulous Halloween decorations to the group. Members came dressed in costume and enjoyed the atmosphere and great food provided.

Jan introduced 4 new members Amy Arnessen, Catherine Cooney, Eileen Iwashyna and Michelle Moody. Several of these new members mentioned that they felt invited by the flyers about the meeting they found in their mailboxes.

- 36 Members attended this meeting.
- Margaret Roomsburg reported that the club had \$2,049.80 in its bank account, and 47 paid members.
- A member Gina Bennis suggested that the group consider donating to the security fund as part of its yearend charity contributions.
- Kathy Donahoe & Cheryl Garvey discussed 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, transportation to medical appointments, etc.) They mentioned the “Celebration of Life” the group coordinated for Larry Ayers. Pricilla Ayers was in attendance at the meeting and thanked the group for their love and support of her family during this sad time. Cheryl also mentioned that the meal train website was not functioning at this time, and she would be working to get it up and running. In the meantime, she would be corresponding with the group should a neighbor have a need for meals in the community. Please contact Cheryl if you’d like to contribute.
- Jen Alex & Amber Torgerson made the group aware of some upcoming CCL events – Cheryl Garvey encouraged the group to attend the Fall Ball or the Civic League would be forced to drop the event next year.
  - Halloween Party for kids at Amber’s home Saturday 10/26/19
  - November 1<sup>st</sup> Fall Ball at Hunt Club Farm
  - November 24<sup>th</sup> Santa pictures on the beach
- Linda Ritchie-Royal & Karen Ellis introduced the upcoming CWC programs currently planned.  
**January in need of a hostess!**
  - November – Shopping Party at Shore Gallery & Dressology at Hilltop. Discounts for CWC members.
  - December – Christmas Party at Karen Ellis’ home

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- January – Soup & Stew party (members were encouraged to team up to create soups/stews & accompaniments)
- February – Wine Tasting – Angie Schwartz hosting
- March – Craft Activity – Amy Arnessen hosting
- April – No firm activity yet – in planning stage – Kate Rippenberger hosting
- May – Met Gala event (members are encouraged to team for this event) – Kay Troutman hosting
- June – End of Year Event

Jan ended the meeting by thanking all attendees, encouraged them to spread the news about the club.