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"To unite NC State University women in common interests and to promote the welfare and advancement of the University"

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Message from President

New Year celebrations are the oldest custom observed in many ways by all races. It was first observed in ancient Babylon 4000 years ago (2000 years before Jesus was born) and the celebration lasted 11 days, some party! The celebration involved an ancient sun worship and was considered a pagan ritual. Jesus and the apostles never observed the New Year and Moses banned it. Now that I know it is a pagan ritual, that absolves me the ritual of making resolutions. I never kept them anyway, so much for improvement. Our New Year's Eve celebration lasted probably twenty minutes with a glass of wine and off to bed. We have been blessed to be here for one more year and live in this country. Thank you, LORD.

My Christmas treasures are back in the attic and the tree by the curb. The house looks naked and forlorn but the poinsettias are still providing some color. We have been fortunate to usher in one more holiday season with our small family. All is well here, and I hope the New Year brings joy to all.

Mark Weathington's program on the Arboretum was informative as well as entertaining. The winter scenes with ice and snow on the plants and trees were breathtaking. Please check out the following link to see the monthly calendar of events for the JC Raulston Arboretum: <https://jcra.ncsu.edu/events/calendar/>
I am looking forward to this month's speaker explaining how to use IT gadgets. What is IT?
Stay warm, and when in doubt don't leave the house.

PARAPROSDOKIAN: Money can't buy happiness, but it sure makes misery easier to live with.
-- *Doris Wernsman*

Program –Simplifying New Information Technology (IT) Gadgets So You Can Use Them

Dr. Marc Hoit is NC State's first Vice-Chancellor for Information Technology and Chief Information Officer. He is also a professor in NC State's Department of Civil, Construction and Environmental Engineering. He is Chair of the IT Committee for Southeastern Research Associations. Dr. Hoit earned his BS from Purdue University and his Ph.D. from the University of California-Berkeley. Prior to coming to NC State in 2008, Dr. Hoit has held numerous administrative positions at the University of Florida.

Hope everyone can come and bring a friend to hear about new IT gadgets. – *Jackie Wynne*

Announcements

Meeting Date and Time – Thursday, January 19, 2017 at 11:30 am

Our meeting will convene at 11:30 am, lunch will be served at 11:45 am and our program will begin at 12:15 pm. Our meeting times will remain throughout the 2016-17 year unless noted otherwise.

Reminder – Weather

If for some unforeseen snow, ice or inclement weather, please follow the guidelines of the Wake County School System. If the Wake County schools are closed on our meeting date, we will not plan to meet as scheduled. We will also inform you regarding a possible refund for your reservation fee. The University Club will make that decision and we will not know anything until after the “snow day”. Your patience will be appreciated until we can have that discussion with the University Club.

Deadline -- Newsletter Articles

Newsletter articles for the next month are due to Helen Crane at each of our monthly meetings. This standard deadline should help all of us remember to have our articles ready for the coming month. Your cooperation in meeting these deadlines is appreciated. -- *Helen Crane* Helen_Crane@ncsu.edu

Communications Committee

If you know of someone with a joy or concern that would warrant a card from our club, please tell the chair of Communication/Courtesies Committee, Barbara Dickey, dadickey@bellsouth.net or [919-846-0614](tel:919-846-0614).

Thank you – *Barbara Dickey*

Hostesses for January

Our hostesses for January are Helen McGee, Chair, Grace Hodgson, Phoebe Kot and Chris Cammarene-Wessel. Thank you, ladies, for volunteering to serve as hostesses this month.

Do you need a ride?

Please don't let the lack of transportation be your excuse for missing out. We have members who are happy and eager to help. Please call Grace Hodgson (919-781-2983) for assistance. Hope to see you in January!

Lunch Reservations—Due by Friday, January 13, 2016

Reservations (with payment) should be mailed to:

**Kathryn Bartley
3400 Birk Bluff Court
Cary, NC 27518-8224**

No refunds for cancellations later than due date. If you make a reservation and intend to pay at the door, but do not attend or cancel your reservation, you must still pay for your lunch(es).

**Cost: \$18.00 per person
Make check payable to: NC State University Woman's Club
Lunch will be served at 11:45 am**

Number of Reservations _____

Member Name _____

Number of Guest(s) _____

Names(s) _____

Enclosed is \$_____ (\$18.00 per person), payable to NC State University Woman's Club.

Write your entree selection(s) below for yourself and your guests for either Old Fashioned Meatloaf OR Grilled Chicken Breast with Country Mashed Potatoes, Sugar Snaps and Mixed Green Salad. Water, tea, coffee, rolls and butter included.

Member _____

Entrée Selection _____

Guest _____

Guest _____

Entrée Selection _____

Entrée Selection _____

Other special needs (i.e. space for wheelchair at table, vegetarian entrée, etc.):

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NC State University Woman's Club
December 15, 2016

Doris Wernsman welcomed everyone to the December meeting. The meeting was well attended.

The Hostess Committee for December were:

Ann Frazier	Betsy Meldau (co-chairs)
Peggy Chilton	Joy Frauson
Susan Hunter	Mae Marshall

The tables were decked out in celebration of Christmas and looked beautiful. Great job ladies!

There were many old and new guests at the December meeting.

Dora Cornwell -- John Cornwell
Helen McGee -- Sheila Prosser
Ingeborg Sagan -- Thea Fchostag
Carolyn Soloman -- Dan Soloman
Mark Weathington -- Speaker

Doris opened the meeting with a short story about the Rev. Billy Graham and a young boy. The story goes that Mr. Graham needed to mail some packages and stopped a young man and asked him directions to the local post office. After the young man told Mr. Graham where it was located, Mr. Graham invited the young man to services that night. Mr. Graham told the young man he was going to speak about how to get to heaven. The young man declined saying if Mr. Graham couldn't find the post office he wasn't sure he knew the way to Heaven.

Sory Bowers sold raffle tickets for her famous Morning Glory Muffins. Proceeds were to go to the Carol Caldwell Scholarship Fund. There were two lucky winners of the muffins. There were no other announcements.

Mr. Mark Weathington, Director of the JC Raulston Arboretum at NC State was our guest speaker. Mark did a wonderful job in sharing lovely pictures which highlighted the beauty of the JCRA year round but especially highlighted the beauty of the arboretum in winter. Mark encouraged the membership to venture out this winter and explore the wonders and beauty of this beautiful venue in Raleigh.

The meeting was adjourned by Doris Wernsman.

Georgina Werner, Secretary