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From the President

Good day ladies.

Baby it's cold outside. Bbrrrrrr. Hope you are all well and staying warm. Hopefully we will have a warmer day for our next meeting that will be on Thursday February 7th at 12:30. Doris Elsea is the program chairman for Conservation. She has invited Pat Northey to come and talk about the trails that are being devel-

oped.

Because I am going to be a hostess for this meeting Shawn Pupello will be presiding over the meeting.

Bunco Party: the first meeting for anyone that wants to be involved was on Wednesday, January 23rd. Committees are being formed and helpers assigned to duties. Next 2 meetings will be on Wednesday,

February 13 and 20, 12:30 at the Albertus Cottage. Please attend so we can get everything finalized.

See you all soon. Take care,

Priscilla



Happy Valentine's Day

February Meeting

This month's meeting will feature Conservation as our program. Chairman, Doris Elsea has invited Pat Northey to speak about the trail system in West Volusia. Pat, a former Country Council member, has

been instrumental in making these trails happen. I'm sure Pat will have an interesting presentation.

Doris will be assisted by Hostesses Priscilla Bal-

lasy, Joan Ranaldo and Louise Clarke. Social time begins at 12:30 and the meeting starts at 1:00 pm.

See you on the 7th.

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Publicity

Good afternoon,
Thank you for all you do to get these events published each month.

The Village Improvement Association
Orange City Woman's

Bunco

February 23rd is fast approaching. This meeting will be the last chance to bring in gift certificates and sponsorships for the Bunco.

We currently have 41

Wishing you happiness to welcome each morning,

Wishing you laughter to make your heart sing.

Wishing you friendship sharing and caring, and

all of the joy your birthday can bring!



Club will hold their next monthly meeting on Thursday, February 7th at the First Congregational Church, 201 W University Ave, in Jane Murray Hall.

Program Area:
Conservation.

Program Chairperson,
Doris Elsea has arranged for speaker Pat Northey to bring us up to speed on the Trails

of West Volusia. Social time is at 12:30 p.m., this is an opportunity to mingle and enjoy some dessert. The program follows at 1:00 p.m. This event is free and open to the public. For more information please call (386) 717-0975.

Thank you!

Shawn (Cochran)
Pupello

raffle baskets.

We still need sponsors. Please canvass your favorite business for a donation. Forms will be available at the meeting.

We will also be asking for helpers for Bunco day. Please sign up on February 7th

Cassandra

Monthly To Bring List

Please Note:

We have not been doing very well lately bringing the “every month” items on our *To Bring* list—but did very well bringing food for the school, so you’re excused.

Now that the holiday season is well over, let’s get in the groove again. Please remember to save and bring items that you will find in the To-Bring List. Boxtops for Education are particularly important. They are found on such items as General Mills cereal, large Kleenex boxes, and Land of Lakes butter boxes, plus others that I may not know about. But Note: these are **BOXTOPS**, *not* Campbell Soup labels—

the school no longer collects the labels.

Also please bring magazines to which you subscribe, and you have finished reading. Perhaps another club sister would like to read them—everyone is invited to pick up a magazine to take home with them. Any magazines left on the table after our meetings, Genie will take to Majestic Oaks Nursing Home. So, please look at the list and bring what you can.

Our To-Bring List

To Each Meeting:

Guests who may be potential members!

Tab tops from soda cans, fruit cans, etc.

Education labels from General Mills box tops

and Kleenex boxes.

Magazines to share and/or suitable for nursing homes. For nursing homes, the magazines should *not* be over a year old (except National Geographic) and *not* Reader’s Digest *regular* print (large print is okay).

Product coupons for Majestic Oaks.

Eye glasses for Ethiopia.

Leftover or old medications (One of our members will take them to the City disposal bin.)

Bringing these items is a huge help for our various projects.

Joan

Priscilla Has A New Role

On January 15, 2019, Our President Priscilla welcomed her first great-granddaughter. Katarina Priscilla Wilcox weighed in at 6lbs 12oz and was 20 inches long.

I’m sure that a lot of cuddling will be in Priscilla’s future.

Congratulations to the new proud great-grandmother.



Welcome

We have installed several new members over the last couple of months. Let's be sure to welcome them and include them in our conversations. Sometimes we get wrapped up in visiting with those we know, Take a moment at this meeting to talk to someone you have never met. Often that is how new friendships begin.

Wisdom

Don't complicate life

Missing somebody?	CALL
Wanna meet up?	INVITE
Wanna be understood?	EXPLAIN
Have questions?	ASK
Don't like something?	SAY IT
Like something?	STATE IT
Want something?	ASK FOR IT
Love someone?	TELL THEM

Keep your life SIMPLE.

and



Humor

500 Valentine Cards

Mike walked into a post office just before Valentine's day, he couldn't help noticing a middle-aged, balding man standing in a corner sticking "Love" stamps on bright pink envelopes with hearts all over them. Then the man got out a bottle of Chanel perfume from his pocket and started spraying scent over the envelopes.

By now Mike's curiosity had got the better of him, and so he asked the man why he was sending all those cards. The man replied, "I'm sending out 500 Valentine cards signed, 'Guess who?'"

"But why?" asked Mike.

"I'm a divorce lawyer," the man replied.

Groundhogs Day

Groundhog Day always falls on February 2. This traditionally marks the midpoint between the winter solstice and spring equinox. According to legend, if a groundhog sees its shadow on this day, there will be 6 more weeks of winter; if it doesn't then spring is right around the corner. For centuries, farmers in France and England looked to a bear; in Germany, they kept their eye on the badger. In the 1800's, German immigrants to Pennsylvania brought the tradition with them. Finding no badgers there, they adopted the groundhog to fit the lore. Pennsylvania's Punxsutawney Phil has announced spring's arrival since

1887. Other groundhogs also have carried on the tradition; including Ontario's Wiarion Willie.

Cassandra



Book Selling Contest

The latest edition of the Orange City history book, *our story of Orange City*, will soon be off the press.

Kelli Marks, has suggested that we have a

contest within the club to see who can sell the most books.

Initially, we will have 250 hard-bound copies to sell.

Our Executive Board is looking into an appropriate award for the winner of the contest.

More to come.

Paint Class

At last month's meeting
Cassandra Zelle ar-
ranged for any who
wanted to paint a pic-
ture under the tutelage
of Peggy VanWormer
to stay after the meet-
ing.
Three members, Cas-
sandra, Marion Raymer

and Louise Clarke,
stayed to complete a
project.

It was a fun project and
it was determined that
the only improvement
to the event was per-
haps a glass of wine
while we painted.

Thought you might like
to see what you missed.

Thanks you, Cassandra.



Gators Closet

On Friday, January 11th, President Priscilla Ballasy, accompanied by Joan LaFleur, delivered a donation of clothing to the River Springs Middle School's Gators Closet. Much of this donation came from our Yard Sale. This well-arranged and well-managed closet allows families to come once a month for needed clothing, shoes, toilet articles and laundry soap. There is no charge to the families. Teacher Kathleen Long, is in charge of this undertaking and has done an amazing job of setting up the closet in a previously unused room. Since that day Priscilla has delivered two more loads of donated goods to the closet. Donations are always welcome.



River Springs Middle
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Gators Closet
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Purpose: To operate
exclusively to unite
women and to promote
their common interest in
charitable and educa-
tional projects.



Unity in Diversity

Event Calendar

February

- 6- Board Meeting: 1:00 pm, Albertus Cottage
- 7 - General Meeting: Social at 12:30 pm and meeting at 1:00 pm
- 14 - Valentine's Day
- 18 - President's Day