



THE CIVIC

New Bern Civitan Club's Award Winning Newsletter



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Celebrating our 61th Year

April 1, 2017

NCDE GOVERNOR VISITS US



North Carolina District East Governor Mike Williams addressed our Club meeting on March 9th. After listening to some of our on-going projects, i.e. ramps, Soup Kitchen, he thanked the Club for all our hard work for the community.

Mike was recently back from International headquarters in Birmingham where he toured the renovations to our International building. The construction will be completed before our convention in June. He pointed out that the Archive Room at headquarters was supported by North Carolina District East. In addition, this year's Junior Civitan Clubs' Convention will be going on at the same time in Birmingham. The Central Supply House of Civitan International has changed hands and is now being run by City Paper. Civitan International centennial items will be for sale through the Supply House.

Mike reminded us to be aware and participate in the following:

-Join the Civitan President's Council to be able to be part of "Old Car Heaven" at the Convention

-Sign up for the Civitan International Golf Benefit – monies collected can go towards the Club's Civitans at the Helm fund

-District level convention at the Boys and Girls Homes at Lake Waccamaw will be April 29th

-Special Olympics State Games will be in Raleigh the first week in June

-District Convention on August 25-27 will be in Greensboro

The Governor stressed that publicity and public relations were important to all clubs. An attractive website and Facebook page are great tools for drawing in new members. We should be posting recent pictures from our Club meetings and activities on both.

Currently, Civitan can be found in 99 countries. There is a Global Sponsor Club that helps new Civitan Clubs get started. Looking ahead, plans for the 2019 Civitan International Convention are still being worked on for Rome.

We thank Mike for updating us on Civitan events. Hopefully his address helped to educate us and shed light on "what's happening" with the District and with Internat



Mike Williams is presented a Certificate of Appreciation by Dev Lippitt and Jan Snyder

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

APRIL CIVITAN BIRTHDAYS

Tom	Braaten	April 15
Max	Thompson	April 17
Pat	McGrath	April 18
Joseph	Judd	April 22
Bob	Whitley	April 27
Gary	Todd	April 28

APRIL CIVITAN ANNIVERSARIES

David	Martin	April 2006
Russ	Hackett	April 2009
Ernie	Williams	April 2011
Bill	Green	April 2015

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The Civitan Creed



I am Civitan: as old as life, as young as the rainbow, as endless as time.

My hands do the work of the world and reach out in service to others.

My ears hear the cry of children and the call throughout the world for peace, guidance, progress and unity.

My eyes search for others to join in the fellowship and service of Civitan.

My mouth utters the call to daily duty and speaks prayers in every tongue.

My mind teaches me respect for law and the flag of my country.

My heart beats for every friend, bleeds for every injury to humanity and throbs with joy at every triumph of truth.

My soul knows no fear but its own unworthiness.

My hope is for a better world through Civitan.

My motto: builders of good citizenship.

My belief: do unto others as you would have them do unto you.

My pledge: to practice the Golden Rule and to build upon it a better and nobler citizenship.



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(Term expires 9/30/2018)

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New Bern Civitan Club

April 2016 Calendar

- 1 **Saturday** Evening Social. 8:00pm at City Laundry –The Complete Works of Shakespeare (Abridged) with Bob Husson– Contact Maureen Comer
- 7 **Friday** **Regular Meeting— at Hibachi—Business Meeting**
 Lunch at 11:30 Meeting at 12:00
- 9 **Sunday** Palm Sunday
- 10 **Monday** **Board of Director’s Meeting –at Unitarian Church 2:00-4:00**
 308 Meadows Street
- 10 **Monday** RCS Shelter Dinner Contact Maureen Comer
- 11 **Tuesday** RCS Soup Kitchen Contact Cindy Scalion
- 13 **Thursday** **No Club Meeting - Maundy Thursday**
- 16 **Sunday** **Easter Sunday**
- 21 **Friday** **Regular Meeting— at Hibachi—Lunch at 11:30 Meeting at 12:00**
 Speaker: Mike Dunlap, Carolina East Heart Center
- 26 **Wednesday** Lunch Social Noon at Lawson’s Landing
 Contact Renee Salvatore amd Maureen Comer
- 29 **Saturday** NCDE Spring Meeting at Boys & Girls Homes,
 Lake Waccamaw
 Registration 8:30-9:30. Meeting 9:30-12:00, Lunch at 12:00

CIVITAN – CELEBRATING 100 YEARS OF SERVICE

PART 8

(Adapted from the Civitan International website)

1980-1989



An increase in massive service projects becomes the key service project and volunteer hours, Civitan becomes a special Olympics Games and we are the ONLY service club to do so. Civitan's ultimate commitment to people with developmental disabilities is expressed with an overwhelming vote to fund the Civitan International Research Center in Birmingham, Alabama.

characterizes the 1980s. Special Olympics around the world. Through contributions premier sponsor of the International Special

During this decade, membership reaches an all-time high. A new program to charter Civitan clubs on college and university campuses wins approval and gets off to a rousing start with the formation of *Campus Civitan*.

Women continue to find a place of service in all levels of Civitan. By the end of the decade, the first woman to hold the office of president of Civitan International, Polly Mooney (the FIRST queen), is elected.

*Respectfully submitted by
Maureen Comer*

RCS Dinner Delivery



The New Bern High School Junior Civitan Club delivered a dinner to the RCS Shelter on March 13th. All 28 members of the club contributed something to the dinner. Some provided the food, some cooked the food and some delivered the food. It was a cooperative group effort that resulted in a nutritious and tasty dinner of spaghetti, meatballs, salad, bread, homemade desserts and soft drinks.

Although the residents declined to be photographed, they did meet with the food deliverers and gave a big “thank you” to all who were there. “Our residents rely nightly on the goodness and kindness of organizations like yours to provide dinner to those who are staying here. Tonight, we have 18 residents but our maximum is 20”, Night Supervisor Kelvin Godley said. “God’s blessings to all of you involved in tonight’s food delivery – it is really appreciated!”

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BETTER TOGETHER**

March 17, 2017



Jill Thompson

The New Bern Civitan Club's Ramp Initiative and the CarolinaEast Foundation HAVE HAD A LONG STANDING BOND. Many patients have relied on both organizations to build and help finance ramps so they may return home and resume a normal life. CarolinaEast's Executive Director, **Jill Thompson**, attended a recent meeting and thanked our members especially those on the ramp committee. Ramp builders were recognized and applauded for their professionalism and hard work. "Your Civitan Creed is powerful and speaks volumes as to why you help the community. We are honored to have you as our partner," Jill stated.

Jill then introduced **Dawn Peele** to us. She is the Executive Director of the SECU Cancer Center at CarolinaEast Medical Center which is currently being built in New Bern and scheduled to open in late 2018. CarolinaEast Health System, in partnership with University of North Carolina Health Care, are committed to providing a building of approximately 80,000 square feet of state of the art Cancer Care Center equipped with the spaces and tools that support a comprehensive, patient-centered model of care. This three story building will have an 18,000 square foot Diagnostic Center, a radiation/oncology unit and specialty doctors and nurses who can help cancer patients with nutritional guidance, psychological help and many other needs particular to cancer patients and survivors. The total cost of this project is estimated to be around 35 million dollars.



Dawn Peele

Dawn explained all the ins and outs of how community input helped to make this center a reality. Some facts from Cancer Center's brochure tell us that:

- Some of North Carolina's highest annual cancer incident rates are here in Craven and the surrounding counties
- Our current cancer facilities are inundated with cancer patients at all stages (0-4)
- This new cancer Center will consolidate all of the integral facets of recovery in one location
- It will coordinate an annual Cancer Prevention Program and Cancer Screening program

We should be proud of the fact that CarolinaEast Medical Center is the **ONLY** 5 star hospital in North Carolina. The Hospital's President and CEO, Ray Leggett, states in the Cancer Center brochure, "We want to create a space that doesn't feel white and sterile. No one wants to journey across cancer's path, but if you have to, we want to provide the warmest, most hope-filled environment possible. We want your journey to be just down the road – to home." Amen to that, Mr. Leggett!



Dawn Peele and Jill Thompson, with outstanding Civitan members, show the new SECU Cancer Center at Carolina East Medical Center.

*Respectfully submitted by
Maureen Comer
Five Year Cancer Survivor*