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Back Mountain Food Bank



Collections - Each meeting we will be collecting food donations as part of the county and state presidents projects.

Upcoming Events

February 3, 2011

Meeting at 7 p.m.
Harvey's Lake American
Legion. Arts Contest!

March 3, 2011

Meeting at 7 p.m.
Place : TBD

April 7, 2011

Meeting at 7 p.m.
Place: TBD

May 5, 2011

Dinner Meeting at 6 p.m.
Place: TBD

Arts - Adelle Reilly and Taryn Barrall

Taryn and Adelle have entry forms with the information for the art contests! If you need a form, please call Adelle at 675-Taryn at 639-3081. Student Art forms have been distributed to the students at the Lake-Noxen school. If you need a form, please call Sue Lazur at 477-5012.

Member Photography

The World in Pictures
GFWC Volunteers in Action
A Year in Pictures

Member Short Story and Poetry Contest

Member Crafts

Floral Arrangement
Beaded Watch Band
Quilted Wall Hangings
Knitted Scarf
Holiday Card

Scrap Book Page - Picnic theme

Culinary-

Candy - 6 pieces on a dish.
Fruited Coffee Cake



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*Dear Ladies,
Thank you all for your generosity with your time and money for the club during the holiday season!!!
The February meeting should be very interesting. Bring your talents. Hopefully, we will have a lot of arts and crafts and culinary delights.
Good luck!!!
Please bring food for our Back Mountain Food Pantry to the Feb. meeting.
I would like to have a board meeting at Grotto's on Thursday Jan.27th at 7 p.m.*

Pat

NEWSLETTER

History of Valentine's Day

Day Every February, across the country, candy, flowers, and gifts are exchanged between loved ones, all in the name of St. Valentine. But who is this mysterious saint and why do we celebrate this holiday?

The history of Valentine's Day -- and its patron saint -- is shrouded in mystery. But we do know that February has long been a month of romance. St. Valentine's Day, as we know it today, contains vestiges of both Christian and ancient Roman tradition.

So, who was Saint Valentine and how did he become associated with this ancient rite? Today, the Catholic Church recognizes at least three different saints named Valentine or Valentinus, all of whom were martyred. One legend contends that Valentine was a priest who served during the third century in Rome. When Emperor Claudius II decided that single men made better soldiers than those with wives and families, he outlawed marriage for young, single men -- his crop of potential soldiers. Valentine, realizing the injustice of the decree, defied Claudius and continued to perform marriages for young lovers in secret. When Valentine's actions were discovered, Claudius ordered that he be put to death. Other stories suggest that Valentine may have been killed for attempting to help Christians escape harsh Roman prisons where they were often beaten and tortured.

According to one legend, Valentine actually sent the first 'valentine' greeting himself. While in prison, it is believed that Valentine fell in love with a young girl -- who may have been his jailor's daughter -- who visited him during his confinement. Before his death, it is alleged that he wrote her a letter, which he signed 'From your Valentine,' an expression that is still in use today. Although the truth behind the Valentine legends is murky, the stories certainly emphasize his appeal as a sympathetic, heroic, and, most importantly, romantic figure. It's no surprise that by the Middle Ages, Valentine was one of the most popular saints in England and France.

Cheerbaskets - Merryann Edwards

Thank you to everyone for the help. With the additional addresses we were able to deliver 195 baskets! The cookie bags were the best selection was we have ever had! A reminder to the drivers to please send me your updates on your route lists!



Back Mountain Library Book Donation

in memory of Rosemary A. Engle,
"The Family Dinner" by Laurie David,
presented by GFWC Harveys Lake

The Dallas Post January 4, 2011



December 5, 2010
GFWC holds dinner meeting

The Times Leader

The GFWC (General Federation of Women's Clubs) Harveys Lake held its dinner meeting at Lakeside Skillet on November 4. Shown here, from left, are Linda Schuler, membership; Valerie Pinkerton, Jessica Reeder, Caitlin Schuler, new members; Heide Cebrick, county president; and Pat Sandstrom, club president.

Raffle Winners - Amy Williams



Thanks to everyone that sold tickets!
Congratulations to all the winners! Special thanks to Jennie Valick for selling the most tickets again!



There is no "I" in Team, but we sure are glad there is "u" in our volunteers!