

# COLUMBICATION



**BISHOP GRECO AUXILIARY #9499**

**April 2019**

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NEXT MEETING is MON, April 8<sup>th</sup> 2018 7:00 PM

Get Acquainted Social

Rosary at 6:30 pm in the Chapel

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<u>Columbiette Upcoming Events</u>	<u>Knights of Columbus Upcoming Events</u>
Sat Apr 6 <sup>th</sup> 12:00pm Major Degree - Holy Family Catholic Church, Clemmons	Fri Apr 5 <sup>th</sup> 7:00PM Stations of the Cross, Sanctuary
Sat Apr 6 <sup>th</sup> weekend – Room at the Inn bake sale. Leave baked goods in the kitchen by 3pm.	Sun Apr 7 <sup>th</sup> 8:45am to 11:15am Quarterly Pancake Breakfast
Mon Apr 8 <sup>th</sup> 7:00pm Get Acquainted Social and Monthly Business Meeting	Fri Apr 12 <sup>th</sup> 5:30PM – 7:00PM Lenten Fish Fry, Family Center Holy Family
Sunday, Apr 22 <sup>nd</sup> – Brunch for Choir	Sun Apr 21 1:30pm Easter Egg Hunt
Fri May 3 – Sat, May 4 – NC State Convention Raleigh, NC	May 11 6:30pm Family Movie Knight
Mon May 13 <sup>th</sup> 7:00pm – First Degree and Monthly Business Meeting	
Mon Jun 10 7:00pm – Monthly Business Meeting and Installation of Officers	

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## April President's Message

Dear Sister Columbiettes,

I'm writing this but only vaguely sure that it hasn't already been due. March (as always) was a super busy month and thank you all for your help and patience with me as I made it through my first Partners in Hope event with Catholic Charities.

In just short of one month the NC Columbiettes will hold the annual State Convention in Raleigh. It is not too late to join us, the registration deadline is April 12 (depending on when this goes out). Friday night includes a murder mystery dinner. Saturday begins with the Memorial Service and Mass before our business meeting. A nice lunch and the Basket Raffle (watch Kathy Thomas win something - she always does) finishes up the day. You will even have enough time (traffic pending) to make it back to Holy Family if you are a 5:30 pm Mass goer (and maybe even time for confession but no guarantees)!

Here's what is coming up for the rest of the year. We will provide Brunch for the choir on Easter Sunday. And at our May meeting we will hold our First Degree to welcome our new Sister Columbiettes. And in June, it's time to donate the extra monies we have available and welcome the new Board of Officers for the coming year. We will handle the charity decision as we did last year and I will talk more about it at our May meeting.

I'm working on all the State reports now - which require me to go back a year and make sure I'm not missing anything. And as I said last year, I will say again.

## **WOW! THANK YOU!**

What our auxiliary does is incredible. And looking at the whole year, sometimes I can't believe we do it all. It is a testament of our group, what we love and what we are focused on. You are all incredible Sisters that I am proud to call family and honored that you have let me serve these last two years. I am enclosing an early summary of what I am sending to State so you can see it too.

### Catholic Action

- Prayer Requests: 56
- Rosary Prior to all monthly meetings
- Annual Lenten Retreat by Dominican Sisters Mary Mother of the Eucharist: 40 attendees
- Assisted with EDGE Lock-in (supplied food and chaperones) for 14 middle school students to interact with the Dominican Sisters
- Annual Memorial Mass on March 18: 25 attendees

### Membership

- Hosted Interest Social: October 8 before our membership meeting
- First Degree November 12 and welcomed 4 new members

### Fundraising

- Parishwide Pig Pickin': 110 attendees, \$786.93
- Book and Bake Sale: \$808.50
- Holiday Shopping Extravaganza: \$1,176.03
- Ladies Bunco Night: 71 attendees, \$737.06

### Charitable Donations

- The Butterfly Effect - Collegiate Recovery Program: \$600
- Franciscan University Mission Trip: \$600
- Silver Stockings: 51 ladies donated personal items for residents of nursing homes at Christmas and donated an additional \$1800 for additional specific items

### Cooperation with Knights of Columbus

- Six Sister Columbiettes assisted the Knights as parking attendants and ushers at Wake Forest Stadium to benefit Operation LAMB
- Assisted the at Knights Parishwide Christmas Dinner on Saturday, December 1: 85 attendees
- Several Sister Columbiettes participated in the Life Chain in January

### Parish and Community Support

- Co-hosted 3 Bake Sales with St. Elizabeth Ann Seton to benefit local food pantry, Meals for Morgan, the Great American Bake Sale and Room at the Inn: \$1174 Sept, \$1281 Feb and \$TBA April
- Attempted cleaning of Church Playground equipment, painting and purchase of 4 new swings and a toddler swing (\$201)
- Small girls group (8 members) started by 3 Columbiettes activities include volunteering at the local food pantry, knitting and sending scarves to Operation Gratitude and baking cookies to bring to hospice
- Baked treats two afternoons for the Winston Salem Ronald McDonald House in February and March

### Social Events

- Christmas Brunch: 49 attendees
- Felted Wool Soap Social in May 2019

I hope it is a beautiful Easter for you and your family.



## **Bishop Greco #9499 Columbiettes**



Our purpose is to:

Promote the spiritual, social and charitable welfare of our members

Instill a steadfast conviction relating to the proper place and function of Catholic women in safeguarding the religious, civil and economic rights of Catholics

Rely upon the intercession of Mary, our Mother and Model, for guidance in guarding the common good, and to work through her, on loving and aiding all members of the human family and to give assistance to the Knights of Columbus in all their activities upon request.

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### **Annual Dues**

If you have not already done so, please pay your annual dues of \$25.00.

You may pay at any time by placing it in the Columbiette folder in the supply room, across the hall from Vicki's office at the church, or mailing to Megan Hauser at: 1801 Ramhurst Drive, Clemmons, NC 27012.

If you wish to contribute to our "Sister Sharing Fund", you may do so at this time, by adding any amount to your dues.

Additionally, if you are experiencing financial hardship and wish to continue your membership, please contact President, Jennifer Szescula at [Jennifer.m.szescula@gmail.com](mailto:Jennifer.m.szescula@gmail.com) or Megan Hauser at [mmhauser11@gmail.com](mailto:mmhauser11@gmail.com) for confidential assistance.

### **Major Degree here at Holy Family!**

If you have not taken your major degree, the Western Chapter will hold it's next Major Degree Ceremony on Saturday, April 6th here at Holy Family. Candidates will need to arrive around 11:45 am and will finish around 2:15 pm. The cost is \$15.00. Please let Jennifer Szescula ([Jennifer.m.szescula@gmail.com](mailto:Jennifer.m.szescula@gmail.com) or cell/text (336) 382-9326) if you are interested.

(If you are a Major Degree holder, we need help with the Major Degree! The day will start around 8:15 am and will be finished around 3:00 pm. If you can help, please let Linda Arrigo or Kathy Thomas know.)

### **Social Activity – Felted Soap**

Social Activities: Felted Soap (covers) \$25 for all materials - need 5 people to hold this event. Original date postponed. Could possibly rescheduled in March - Watch for announcement. [www.feltedwooldesigns.com](http://www.feltedwooldesigns.com)

### **Social Activity – The Barn Dinner Theatre**

If you have interest in an outing to The Barn Dinner Theatre, please let Kris Miller know at [millernc@aol.com](mailto:millernc@aol.com)

### **State Convention**

Mark your calendar, the 20<sup>th</sup> annual convention of the North Carolina State Council Columbiettes will convene on Friday, May 3, 2019 and Saturday, May 4, 2019, at the Hampton Inn, Raleigh-Durham Airport Brier Creek, 8021 Arco Corporate Drive, Raleigh, NC 27617. Complete packet with all the information Attached HERE.

### **Columbiettes State Website**

Please check out our State Website <https://sites.google.com/site/ncstatecolumbiettes/> This is a great resource to see and support our Sister Columbiettes throughout the state.

### **It's Christmas Time Again**

Mark your calendar for our annual Christmas Brunch at Bermuda Run Country Club on Sat, Dec 7<sup>th</sup>. More details to come at our September meeting. Anne Parra and Kris Miller



## Prayer Requests

Lisa Cain - For Thurman Tucker "Uncle Thurman" - May he find peace for his body and soul.

Geri Rushing - For a job for my brother in law John.

Debra Orden - Friend of Family going into Hospice.

Carol Nowak - Special Intentions.

Kris Miller - Marilyn Hudy - Mom recovering from flu.

Megan Hauser - Gray's continued recovery.

Nancy Eisenmann - For my husband, Gregg, and his siblings as they mourn the passong of their brother, Robert, on March 10.

Maggie Herbstritt - Special Intentions.

Betina Alphonse - Prayers for Irne - for his heart to grow stronger.

Jennifer Walter - Special Intentions.

Gail Arnette - Health ; Healing.

Maureen Carlough - Recovery from cold.

Jennifer Szescula - Special Intentions.

Bettina Alphonse - Special Intentions.

Geri Rushing - Dean Rogers, friend of husband, prostrate cancer operation.

Maggie Herbstritt - Dale (husband) for total knee replacement in April; Safe travels.

Debra Orden - Daughter, Nicole getting ready to give birth. Nephew march surgery; Michelle's Dad hand operation March; Carole Nowak- surgery 7th: 23rd Prayer for good.

**We Pray to the Lord!!!**



2018-2019 Committee Chairs

Bake Sales	Marick Paolucci
Book Sale	Mary Long
Catholic Action	OPEN
Ceremonial	Anne Jaworoski & Suzanne Seth
Christmas Dinner	Anne Parra
Cooperation/Council Affairs	Anne Jaworoski
Funny Money	Linda Billups
Hospitality	Nancy Muster & Alice Stone
Lenten Retreat	Ruth Anne Adams
Membership	Alice Stone

2018-2019 Committee Chairs (cont.)

Pig Pickin	Jeanne McGaffigan
Publicity	OPEN
Scrapbook	Bettina Alphonse & Eileen Bongaerts
Silver Stockings	Joan Schlicher
Sister Sharing Fund Trustees	Megan Hauser, Maggie Herbstritt, & Mary Long
Social Welfare	Anne Jaworoski
State Affairs	Maggie Herbstritt
Veterans Fundraiser	Ruth Anne Adams & Kathy Thomas
Western Chapter	Jackie Fox

2018-2019 Auxiliary Positions

Chaplain - Father Peter Nouck	(336) 778-0600
President - Jennifer Szescula	(336) 382-9326 jennifer.m.szescula@gmail.com
Past President - Kathy Thomas	(336) 970-0284
Vice President – Jackie Fox	(336) 500-7227
Secretary - Suzanne Seth	(540) 293-3237
Financial Secretary – Megan Hauser	(336) 416-4583
Treasurer – Cheryl Bey	(336) 575-6076
Sentinel – Bettina Alphonse	(336) 816-0656
Chapter Delegates	Jennifer Szescula & Jackie Fox
Chapter Alternates	Suzanne Seth & Cheryl Bey
State Delegates	Ruth Anne Adams & Jennifer Szescula
State Alternates	Jackie Fox & Cheryl Bey

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