



Heart of the West District



Happy New Year everyone who didn't attend the Region 8 meeting in January. You missed a great weekend.

Our International President Duane Capps was in attendance along with Louis Stephens. Both men gave excellent presentations.

Because this is our 100 year celebration, it was suggested that each club make an effort to do things by the 100s: such as walking 100 miles (as a club, not individually), feeding 100 needy people. I am sure you can each come up with great ideas to achieve this. Please keep a record of what you are doing and then we can give Duane something to show him what Heart of the West has achieved.

Obviously our main goal this year is to increase membership and to add more clubs. Plans are underway to charter a Cooking Club in Phoenix. Tentative charter date is Civitan's 100th Anniversary, March 17! If you know of someone who would be interested in this club, contact me.

Have you had a membership drive yet? Have you thought about where a new club could survive in your area?

Our anniversary is March 17th - a great day to charter any new clubs, don't you think.?

I hope you are making plans to join everyone in Birmingham in June and also to join us in August for our District meeting here in Tucson.

Your Area Directors will be contacting you soon to find out what you are planning for the next few months.

I hope everyone is in good health.

Governor Lyn





INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

Linda Colley, Director, Civitan International Region 8

January 2017

As we begin this 100th Anniversary year of the founding of Civitan, our organization has much to celebrate. As of November, we had raised nearly \$500,000 for the **Restoration Fund** to update our International Headquarters. In November, the International Board approved a \$425,000 donation to fund our Research Center bringing our total contribution to \$18,275,000. Civitan continues to expand in Italy, Serbia, and Turkey, and Malta. The President's Council has gained 45 members since the last International Convention, and Civitans at the Helm contributions for 2015-16 were up by \$10,000 from the previous year.

Our Region 8 Meeting January 6-8 at the Orleans Hotel in Las Vegas was a fun-filled and informative event!

If you haven't already registered for the 2017 Civitan International Convention, I urge you to do so ASAP! The dates are June 24-27 and the location is Birmingham, AL. This is our Centennial Year Convention, and it will be combined with the Junior Civitan International Convention. Registration and hotel information are available at www.civitan.org/convention. Hotel rooms are booking rapidly, so you need to make your reservations right away.

For this Centennial Year, some wonderful growth incentives are available to clubs and individuals. For instance, a special fee waiver has been approved for reinstated members. If you have a reinstated member, you may submit that addition with no fee charged. (The normal fee is \$7.50.) Civitan International is reimbursing this fee for clubs that unknowingly sent it in for a reinstated member. Learn more about growth incentives at the Region 8 Meeting and/or at the Civitan International website. See you in Las Vegas!



Hello to all my fellow Civitans,

In a few months, we will be gathering in Birmingham to celebrate our 100th anniversary. It will be a great time for all of us. It will be a lot of fun and with our Junior Civitans there, there will be a lot of added energy and excitement.

I am excited to announce that I am a candidate for Civitan President Elect for 2017-2018. I am looking forward to helping our organization continue to grow not only in numbers, but as our world is changing we have to embrace the use of more technology. We have many areas in North America that do not have Civitan clubs but have a great need for them. I look forward to helping us look at the opportunity to expand into those areas. I also want to help all Civitan "Make a difference." You never know what act you do or what you say that will make a difference in someone's life.

I would appreciate your support and vote at our Centennial convention in June.

Bob Jones

Candidate Civitan International President Elect 2017-2018

Club News

Arizona Clubs

Cresta Loma Golf & Civitan, Tucson, President: Carl Mangelsdorf III,
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Members will be participating in a golf tournament in Bisbee in March. The Cresta Loma – Roadrunner Golf Tournament will be held Saturday, April 29, at Rolling Hills. \$70 pays for entry fee, continental breakfast, lunch, 18 holes of golf with cart and entry into all the holes in one prizes! Contact Carl for entry.



Desert Sun Civitan Club, Yuma

It is with great sadness that we report that Desert Sun Civitan Club has turned in their charter. They were trying to rebuild their membership but were unable to continue due to health reasons. We wish the members the best of luck and hope that they will find a Civitan home in the future.



London Bridge Civitan Club, Lake Havasu

President: Patricia Holt, patholt@southernlink.net,
928-486-8778

This was in 2/9/17 paper. They like to occasionally print an old photo from their files. This was the mayor signing a city proclamation honoring our Civitan Clergy Day in 1995, Note that I still had the dark hair with the white streak.



Metro Phoenix Civitan Club, Phoenix

President: Larry Lake, (C) 602-903-5623

Phoenix Bird Civitan Club, Phoenix

President: Esther Alper, patw@luraturnerhomes.org, 602-943-4789

Most activities of these two clubs are combined.



Roadrunner Civitan Club, Tucson, President: Dotty Woody, dottywiththebeads@yahoo.com, (C) 520-250-2025

Five Roadrunners attended the Region 8 meeting in Las Vegas in January.

Blanket and warm clothing drives continue for Camp Bravo and the Endurance Project, serving the homeless in Tucson. Speakers scheduled for the quarter are from Primavera, Interfaith Community Services and TMM Family Services.

Preparations are underway for a joint project with the Academy of Tucson Jr. Civitan Club. We'll be finishing blankets to donate to the Linus Project on March 29 at Fuddruckers. After the work is done, we'll all have dinner and 20% of the proceeds for our orders will be sent to Civitan International Research Center!

Sun Cities Civitan Club, Sun City, President:

The Old Pueblo Civitan Club, Tucson, President:
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CONGRATULATIONS to Old Pueblo for their 50 year anniversary!

Their monthly dance for adults with disabilities continues to be successful with 225-250 attending each month. In the Fall, they participated in Hope Fest and a community shredding event. The Shyann Kindness Christmas Party was a great community service.

In April, they plan to participate in the Annual Autism Walk and will be helping with Special Olympics.

The Phil Schlesinger Civitan Club, Tucson, President: Elsa Carpio, (C) 520-850-5610

Twelve members attended the Region 8 meeting in Las Vegas in January.

The club has many things planned to do for the Civitan Centennial with 100 in mind. The first is a Walkathon on Saturday, March 11, meeting at the Parks and Rec building. 34 participants are needed to walk the 3 miles around that block to meet the goal of 100 miles.

Other 100 goals set are 100 pounds of beans and rice to be given to the Food Bank and members trying to lose a collective 100 pounds. Several have made good contributions to the weight loss goal already!

Nevada Clubs

Civitan Car Club, Las Vegas, President: Lynnette Mitchell, lynnette9@gmail.com, (C) 702-416-3091

Civitan Club On The Greens, Las Vegas, President: Michael Ryder, mikaryder@msn.com, (H) 702-513-2778

Las Vegas Civitan Club, Las Vegas, President: Tracey Holyoak, Tracey.civitan@yahoo.com



Lovely Ladies Civitan Club, Las Vegas, President: Barbara Kneale, barb.neale@cox.net, (H) 702-287-8611

Idaho Clubs



Bannock Civitan Club, Pocatello, President: Terry Fredrickson

January brought some new members for the club. They are trying a Bring a Friend to Lunch campaign to recruit new members. The Indoor golf tournament will be held on February 25. They held their Annual Men's Dessert contest, a delicious competition! At the February 2 Pocatello City Council Meeting, a proclamation recognized Clergy Appreciation Week. A Clergy Appreciation luncheon was held. Always looking for a great time, they had a Super Bowl Party and are planning a St. Patty's Day Party for March 17 (the 100th Anniversary of the founding of Civ-

Friends Civitan Club, Pocatello, President: Caitlin Meyer

The Friends welcomed 2 new members in January. They made and delivered valentines and candy to Rosetta Home, Gables 1 and 2, Veterans Home and Gateway Transitional Care. Then they held their own celebration with a Valentine's Dance.



Hearts & Hands Civitan Club, Idaho Falls, President: Ortencia Cervantes

Hearts and Hands has had several fun events, with the bowling party being one of the best. We met at the Bowlero and had open lanes, bumpers, ramps for some and pizza for all. We visited the Good Samaritan Assisted Living where we handed out stuffed animals and read stories to the residents. In November we rang the Salvation Army bell at Sam's Club while trying to keep warm. This February's meeting was canceled due to bad weather and roads.



Idaho Falls Civitan Club, Idaho Falls, President: Tami Holmes, tholmes@macu.com, (C) 208-351-2056

Idaho Falls Civitans has been very, very busy! Following a busy holiday season helping many in the community, in January we provided breakfast at the Homeless Stand Down for 250 or more people, donated \$500.00 and helped with a special

needs dance. In February we painted, installed blinds, fixed wallboards and provided carpet at the Idaho Falls YMCA building. We also helped the Idaho Falls Swim Team time swimmers at a regional swim meet. Our members continue to provide volunteers to serve lunch each month at the soup kitchen. We donated \$500.00 to the Heart Stone of Hospice and \$1,000 to the Farmers and Hunters Feeding the Hungry program. This past Thursday we held a Clergy Week under the direction of our Chaplain Natali Hebard that was well attended.

In an effort to get more of our project members to become more involved we have changed our meetings to include one night meeting each month to replace one lunch meeting.

Twisted Stitches Civitan Club, Pocatello, President: Karen Barker, kbarker1070@yahoo.com, (C) 208-220-0856

On February 8th, they celebrated their second anniversary. The club has decided to have two primary donation goals. They will make blankets, hats and headbands for the local Pregnancy Crisis Center. They will also participate in Afghans for Veterans at the Veterans Home here in Pocatello. The Afghans for Veterans is an afghan in red, white and blue, given to the veteran when they enter the home; it is theirs for their lifetime. They receive an afghan when they move into the veterans' home and they leave with that afghan when they pass away.

They will continue to provide hats and scarves to the Recovery Center; they were very thankful for the hats that were provided last month.

They also plan to sell items at Revive@5 events this summer. Revive@5 is the weekly summer fundraiser put on by the Bannock Civitan Club.

At the last meeting, Ann shared a Clergy Appreciation video that explained the history behind Clergy Appreciation Week.

Montana Clubs

Helena Civitan Club, Helena, President: Thomas Mazanec, (B) 406-422-3178

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