

**Oriental Woman's Club
General Meeting Minutes
May 3, 2011**

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m. by President Sharon Morgan. Other officers present: Co-Secretary Jean Chastang.

Lynne Rousseau gave the devotion.

Past President Carol Herman led the group in the pledge to the US flag and salute to the NC flag.

President Morgan welcomed members to the May general meeting, thanking everyone for the many hours put into making our service programs and fundraising thus far a great success. She announced that the June pot luck luncheon is where we will announce scholarship winners for the year. It will begin at 11:30 a.m. and everyone is invited to bring one of the following: an entrée, a side dish of salad or vegetable, bread and butter, or your favorite dessert.

President Morgan reminded everyone of the GFWC-NC Convention in Atlantic Beach on May 11-14. Seven members have plans to attend all or part of the convention. She asked that anyone else interested should contact her for registration information.

President Morgan announced that today's program is brought to us by Sally Belangia and the Public Issues Program. She thanked Sally for the very successful "Shred Day" co-sponsored by First Citizens Bank and OWC. She introduced Sally who in turn introduced our speaker, Clifton Carey, Sr. VP of First Citizens, accompanied by David Miller. Mr. Carey gave us an overview of Medicaid qualifications and information on tax free income for people over 60.

Minutes of the April meeting have been read and approved by three members and is posted on the bulletin board.

Treasurer's report has been accepted and is posted on the bulletin board.

In the absence of Connie Wilkinson, Membership Chairman, Elaine Wolfinger introduced a guest of Suzanne Gwaltney, Janice Cox from Arapahoe.

Program Reports

Education: Phyllis Lane reported that scholarship interviews will be done next week.

Home Life: President Morgan reported that Relay for Life has brought in \$5,711 so far with a few more dollars expected from the Town wide Yard Sale where leftover fudge will be sold. Initial figures show Pamlico County has raised \$137,000.

International Outreach: Peggy Dunfee announced that change will be collected through June for Haiti and Japan.

Division Reports

Garden Club: Peggy Dunfee reminded everyone of the May 17 Garden Tour in Dawson Bluff. Members may meet at the clubhouse for carpooling at 9 a.m. Hostesses will supply drinks and dessert but everyone should bring their own bag lunch for picnic at home of Cathy Delcambre. June will bring a trip to Dr. Rose residence.

LON: Christine Garman announced that workshops will be held this summer to make cork teddy bears, screen fish and angels, pinecone angels, pumpkins from dryer hose, and WOCHANG will be building bird houses as well as some other workshops.

2011 Raffle Quilt – President Morgan announced that quilt tickets are available today at the membership table. Each member is asked to sell or buy the 12 tickets in their packet.

Shining Stars Report – President Morgan announced that this month activities had slowed and we all need a breather. She did not have the final count of stars for April and will be awarding April and May Shining Stars awards at the June meeting.

Committee Reports

Reports: President Morgan reminded members to complete reporting as soon as possible after any event chaired and submit to Suzanne Jantzen.

New Business:

President Morgan announced that OWC will participate in the Croaker Festival parade and have space at Lou Mac Park. Our float & tent will be decorated for OWC's 95th Birthday. Please let her know if you would like to ride and/or have space in the tent to display or sell items.

Happy Birthday was sung to Colleen Barton, Nadine Eby, Lee Duer, Lorraine Bobel, Beverly Mott, and Cynthia Cochran.

Garden Club Yard Clean-up Committee for this meeting were Linda Parker, Carol Herman, Dawn Hoyle and Lee Duer.

Hostesses for today were Lorraine Weeks, Chairman, Fran Bennett, Mary Ann Brown, Erma Keeperts, Phyllis Lane and Connie Schmidt.

There being no further business, President Morgan led us in reciting the Collect.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:35 p.m.

Following adjournment Fay Bond won the 50/50 drawing and donated \$15 to the Haiti & Japan Relief. Community announcements were made.

Submitted by

Jean Chastang
Co-Secretary

Read and approved by:
Colleen Barton
Christine Garman
Peggy Dunfee