



Mint Hill Women's Club

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## SERVICE, SOCIAL, AND SELF-IMPROVEMENT

### Upcoming Events

#### THURSDAY, APRIL 8

Making decorations for Discover MH – **CANCELLED**

#### MONDAY, APRIL 12

Monthly Meeting  
7:30 p.m. – MH Town Hall  
Topic: **Birthday Blessings**

#### FRIDAY, APRIL 16

Lunch Bunch @ Noon  
At Pine Lake Country Club

#### SATURDAY, APRIL 17

Discover Mint Hill – 9 to 3

#### TUESDAY, MAY 4

Primary Elections  
6:30 a.m. – 7:30 p.m.

#### MONDAY, MAY 10

Installation "Pot Luck" Dinner at Bill & Ann Litaker's  
6:30 p.m.

#### FRIDAY, MAY 19

Lunch Bunch @ Noon  
At Gado Gado in Matthews downtown

#### APRIL – JULY 2010

Census takers visit households that did not return forms by mail

# April 2010



## MONTHLY CLUB MEETING

### Monday, April 12

#### 7:15 PM SOCIALIZING; PROGRAM STARTS AT 7:30 PM

Our speaker is Amy Cervantes, founder and the volunteer Executive Director of **Birthday Blessings**, now a nation-wide non-profit organization. Amy was named by **The Charlotte Observer** as one of seven people in the region to watch who will make a difference. Along with her husband John, Amy and **Birthday Blessings** were featured in the February 2010 **Reader's Digest**. See their website for more details of their program: [www.birthdayblessings.org](http://www.birthdayblessings.org)

Why not drop by a "dollar store" and grab a handful of birthday party favors to bring with you - you'll be glad you did. Come and bring a friend!

### **BRING**

- Campbell Soup Labels & Box Tops for Education – Mary Wallace
- Metal tabs from cans – **Charlotte Ronald McDonald House**
- Used Books – Kathy Cowles or Becky Hamilton
- Non-Perishable Food for David's Pantry – Pat Stanley
- **Birthday Blessings** Party Donations (unwrapped birthday gifts for boys and girls 1-18 years; party supplies/decorations; wrapping supplies; small cake-snack size birthday plates; party favors; juice/Capri Sun pouches)

### MONTHLY CLUB MEETING – MARCH 8

Ron, owner of Wild Birds Unlimited located at 1848 Galleria Blvd. Suite F Charlotte, NC 28270, gave a very enjoyable and informative explanation on bluebirds. He explained that the English Fallows and lack of natural housing are impeding the growth of bluebirds in our area. He gave caution on putting houses on trees because of snakes. Each person that attended received free bag of bird seed.

### UPCOMING MONTHLY CLUB MEETING – MAY 10

The Litaker's have graciously offered their beautiful back yard for our final scheduled meeting of this club year. The club will furnish hamburgers and bratwurst. Members will sign up to bring an appetizer, side dish or dessert.

### Hugs!

- Becky Hamilton, Sympathy (Brother).
- Roger Helms, Sympathy, (Brother).
- Terri Jeltrup, Thinking of you
- Sandy Renee, thank you for doing web site again next year
- Ann Cloaninger, Thinking of you
- Sympathy card to the Martha Pfund family. (Martha visited the meetings several times with Ann Litaker)

### Happy Birthday!

Florence Reynolds	04/08
Bette Felsher	04/17
Nena Hartz	04/22
Ann Sharpe	04/22
Sharon Samples	04/25
Sigrid McKeel	04/26

## 2010-2011 BOARD

Kathy Cowles is actively recruiting members to serve on our 2010-2011 board. They will be installed during upcoming annual May "pot luck" dinner.

## LUNCH BUNCH Friday, April 16<sup>th</sup> Noon

.Lunch Bunch at Pine Lake, \$12.50 per person. This will include beverage/meat/vegetable/dessert. A special "thank you" to Phyllis Griffin for arranging it. If interested contact:

*April Bruner at 704-535-8511 or  
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## SERVICE - TABS

Finally the Charlotte area is getting its' own Ronald McDonald House. Charlotte was the only large metropolitan city that did not have one! Ground was broken in January at 1200 E Morehead Street and the house is expected to be open by the end of this year. [rmhofcharlotte.org](http://rmhofcharlotte.org)

Specifics:

- Ronald McDonald Houses collect pop tabs instead of entire aluminum cans because the tabs are pure high-quality aluminum, unlike cans, which consist of aluminum and other alloys. Tabs are also easier to store than whole cans.
- It takes 1,267 pop tabs to make one pound, which is recycled at the Wise Recycling Center in Charlotte for 33 cents. Therefore it takes nearly 3,300 pounds to collect \$1,000.00.
- Families will be asked to contribute between \$5-25 a night to stay at the RM House, but the fee will be waived for families who cannot afford it--this is how some of the pop-tab money is used.

AnnaMary Mosher has volunteered to be responsible for getting member donated tabs to a RM House site.

## The 2010 Census

Number of seats your state has in the U.S. House of Representatives

Will help communities receive more than \$400B in federal funds-such as:

Hospitals  
Job training centers  
Schools  
Senior centers  
Bridges, tunnels and other-public works projects  
Emergency services

## Service - Easter Baskets

Several members assembled Easter Baskets. They were given to "shuts-ins" identified by Philadelphia Presbyterian Church. Also, given to members who deserve a special hug a this time (i.e., Terri Jelstrup, Mary McGinnis, Mae Tolbert)

## N. C. House of Representatives – District 103 Candidates

Ann Newman – Democratic - [www.votewoman.com](http://www.votewoman.com)  
Lloyd Austin – Republican - [www.lloydaustinnchouse103.com](http://www.lloydaustinnchouse103.com)  
Bill Brawley – Republican - [bill\\_brawley@yahoo.com](mailto:bill_brawley@yahoo.com)

Registration - Pick up a form at any Charlotte-Mecklenburg Public Library, any of the town halls, at the Board of Elections office (741 Kenilworth Ave., Ste 202) or on website at <http://www.meckboe.org/pages/Voter/RegistrationForm.html>.

## SOCIAL & SERVICE

## Discover Mint Hill - Saturday, April 17<sup>th</sup> - 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

### "Discovery Square" at Matthews-Mint Hill Road and Bain School Road

A lot of activities are planned by non-profits organizations with primary focus on children. There will be a bus ride (\$3) that will offer a tour of Mint Hill to learn history of our town.

Our club is a sponsor of this event and will have a tent booth. Volunteers are needed and some chairs. To date Sue Black, Jo Mann, AnnaMary Mosher, Maynell Outen, and Mary Wallace have volunteered. Time slots are: 9-11 and 1-3. Call me at 535-8511 to volunteer!

We need volunteers to set up the tent on Friday night and early Saturday (8:30 a.m.) to decorate the tent. We made flowers for it last week. We also need to get people that have been in the club for some time to set at the booth for 2 hours shifts for that day.

Sharon Allen made up signs and has placed them around our community.

Toni Rollins is donating small juice pouches and water. AnnaMary Mosher will be bringing cooler and ice.

It is important to talk it up attendance as much as possible.

The following website explains in more detail of offerings and possibility of winning cash prizes!

[www.discoverminthill.org](http://www.discoverminthill.org)

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