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## Women's Giving Circle Newsletter



### One Legacy, Many Hands

The Women's Giving Circle of Harford County is dedicated to engaging women of all generations in the power of community philanthropy. Our contributions of time, talent and financial resources address the needs of women and families. Through education and increased awareness of local needs, we make a difference in the lives of women and their families throughout Harford County.

For more information or to join: [Link to our webpage](#)

### Save the Date!

### General Membership Meeting:

Thursday,

## President's Message

### ***Greetings gracious and giving Ladies!***

I hope you are having an enjoyable and relaxing summer. With fall on its way, we have many exciting WGC opportunities on the horizon. Our ***September 22nd General Membership Breakfast Meeting*** is one of the most rewarding meetings of the year. It is when we have the privilege to meet our most recent grant recipients and learn more about the good work they bring to our community. I hope you will be there to congratulate these worthy non-profits that add so much to the quality of life in Harford County. You made this happen, so let's join together to applaud this success - ***congratulations ladies!***

***The WGC of Harford County is a growing organization,*** and, as we make our way through the sixth grant cycle and membership year, we have learned what truly allows gracious growth and giving. To point, we are very proud to announce that we will make it much easier to pay your membership contribution with Auto Pay! The details are outlined below, but options like Auto Pay will be a true benefit to existing and prospective members. ***Bravo!***

***Another sign of growth is that we are beginning to tier our membership levels by age,*** and begin young ladies at an introductory level of giving. For our youthful members, the membership contribution is \$350 vs. \$550 for a limited time, which is age 35 or three years of lower level giving, whichever comes first. Just imagine the mentoring opportunities these young women will have from an experienced group of gracious and giving women! In the fourth quarter of this year, we will begin introductory meetings to potential members, and Auto Pay will greatly assist with individual contributions.

September 22nd,  
8:00 AM  
Harford Community  
College,  
Chesapeake Center  
Dining Room (South)

### **Heart to Heart Events:**

Thursday, October 20th  
Wednesday, November  
9th

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Finally, we will be having two ***Heart to Heart Prospective Member Events: October 20th and November 9th from 5:30-7:30.*** If you know a friend, family member or colleague you would like to invite, please send her name and email address to our Membership Committee at: [wgcharfordmembership@gmail.com](mailto:wgcharfordmembership@gmail.com). The Membership Committee will send you and your invitee an Evite to the event date you have chosen. Remember, the greater our numbers, the greater our giving.

See you soon, and ***Ring Those Bells!***

Jodi Davis, President

### **Good News... Auto Pay is on the Horizon!**

Hey everyone, I know this has been a long-time coming. Thanks for your patience. Many members have expressed interest in an on-line payment method; so, beginning in late September 2016, you will have the option of paying your yearly Membership Contribution on-line through PNC Bank. You may schedule a one-time payment or split your contribution up either quarterly or semi-annually.

We will be emailing you a link to the PNC on-line system that will allow you to set up your account by inputting your name, credit card number (or bank routing number for your checking account) and the frequency of your scheduled payments.

The Auto-Pay option will be a great help to both our Membership Committee, who spend much time invoicing and reminding our gracious and giving ladies when Membership Contribution time arrives, and to Brigitte Peters who will spend less time taking checks to the bank and sifting through paperwork.

If Auto-Pay is the option for you (as it is for me), we ask two things of you: 1. Please absorb the 2.39% transaction fee. This amounts to \$13.15 for our "over 35" members and \$8.40 for our "35 and under" members. So, Membership Contributions through Auto-Pay will reflect those transaction fees. 2. Please

opt to make a full contribution for this year by December 15, 2016, and then begin either semi-annual or quarterly payments if you choose, beginning in 2017. That way, we will not experience a gap in grant funding for 2017. (remember that we only count the full contributions made in the present year to fund grants in the following year)

More information on Auto-Pay will be available at the WGC General Membership meeting on September 22, 2016.

Terri Garland

## **Treasurer's Report**

Hello ladies! I hope all of you have been enjoying your summer! I am happy to announce that we currently have \$81,764.29 in our Endowed Fund and \$19,603.12 in our Grant fund for 2017. We already have 27 paid members for the year and look forward to having you all renew before December 15, 2016.

Please keep in mind our Grant fund is a direct correlation with our member numbers; so, the more members, the more we are able to give to our community. Please feel free to bring your renewal check to our September meeting or one of our upcoming Heart to Heart events. Looking forward to seeing you soon!

Jodi Marschhauser, Treasurer

## **Committee Updates**

### **Grants Committee**

On May 12, 2016, at the General Membership meeting, the recommendations for awards for the 2016 grant cycle, as approved by the Executive Committee, were presented to members. Those members present unanimously voted to approve the 2016 awards as proposed – a total of \$45,750 - to 14 non-profit

organizations (of which seven are first-time recipients!) serving women and children in Harford County. Including the 2016 grants, the WGC has awarded more than \$200,000 to local non-profit organizations providing community-based services to women and children.

The Committee met on August 28th at 8 a.m. at the Community Foundation of Harford County to debrief the 2016 grant cycle and to begin planning for the next year's cycle. If you are interested in participating, please contact Kim Malat at [kmalat@yahoo.com](mailto:kmalat@yahoo.com). New and returning committee members are always welcome!

Kim Malat, Grants Chair

## **Membership Committee**

We are looking forward to seeing you at the Annual Membership Breakfast on September 22 at 8:00 A.M. Please RSVP to our Evite and if you didn't receive one, please email us at [wgcharfordmembership@gmail.com](mailto:wgcharfordmembership@gmail.com) so we can make sure you receive an invitation. We don't want you to miss out! Or, you can RSVP directly to Brigitte Peters at the Community Foundation [brigittep@cfharfordcounty.com](mailto:brigittep@cfharfordcounty.com).

On October 20, 2016, we will be holding our first Heart to Heart, formerly known as Prospective Member Event, of the autumn! Is there someone you know who would like to become a philanthropist and give back to our community?

Please email us at: [wgcharfordmembership@gmail.com](mailto:wgcharfordmembership@gmail.com) with her name and email address, and we will send your guest an Evite to this informational gathering. Our second Heart to Heart will be held on November 9th.

Follow us on Facebook at Women's Giving Circle of Harford County for information regarding happy hours, meetings, grants, etc and on Instagram at

WGCHarfordCounty ! If you haven't sent in your annual membership, please bring your check for \$550 to the Annual Membership Breakfast! Let's keep the giving going in Harford County!

Ronnie T. Davis, Membership Chair

### **Community Outreach and Engagement Committee**

**“It's better to tell your money where to go  
than to ask where it went.”**

**—Farmer's Gazette**

The Community Outreach and Engagement Committee's (COE) purpose is to enhance the recognition and awareness of The Women's Giving Circle. We are looking for possible “leads” to engage the women in our community to join. Please let us know of any opportunities to speak before organizations to share our mission. Please also share our story with friends, family and co-workers.

The COE is now gathering updates on our 2015 Grant Recipients with possible photos to share on WGC Facebook page. Also, we are developing the history of the last six (6) years of WGC into Shutterfly photo books.

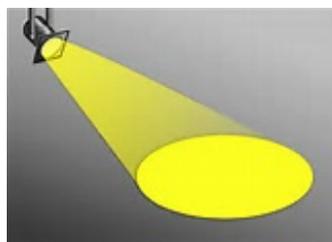
In the **“SPOTLIGHT ON”** section below – please check out the link to the Women's Giving Circle's page which can be found on the Community Foundation's website. Our six (6) years of Grant Recipients and Newsletters along with upcoming events/dates for 2016.

Please **“LIKE”** us on Facebook.

To learn more information, please join us at our next committee meeting. Please contact Terry Troy ([mrt8696@gmail.com](mailto:mrt8696@gmail.com)) or Susie Bowser ([susiebowser@comcast.net](mailto:susiebowser@comcast.net)) for date/location and time.

See you on September 22<sup>nd</sup>

Terry Troy, Outreach Chair



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