



# Mauldin Civitan Club

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## NEXT MEETING

Mauldin Cultural Center  
March 21, 2019 @ 6:00pm

## Dues

Membership Dues for  
Jan, Feb, Mar may be  
mailed to:

P.O Box 1068  
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## Civitan Encouraged to Expand Their Reach!



Christina Ortiz, Berta Valarde, Belita Broadus

Christina Ortiz, of State Farm Insurance inspired our group to network with local businesses and organizations to expand and improve our services to the community.

Civitan operates on the principles of, **knowledge, service, and fellowship.** We invite community speakers to share knowledge on community, government, health, economics, social awareness etc. throughout the year. We serve the community in various capacities, such as

Miracle League, Special Olympics, food baskets, and various other charities. At least three fellowship meetings are planned throughout the year. Fellowship meetings gives members an opportunity to get to know each other and to introduce potential members to the club.

The Mauldin Civitan club is open for new members. Contact any member for application information.

## Congratulations!

Our Own Dennis Raines, Mayor of Mauldin and member of The Mauldin Civitan Club has been recognized as one of the top 50 Leaders in the Greenville County.

## *President's Message*



Belita Broadus

My Fellow Civitans,

Club members enjoyed hosting a Star Party for the boys at Generations with games, treats, loads of fun, and fellowship. Because Generations is one of the club's major projects we will host other activities for them later in the year.

Civitans attended the Generations fundraising luncheon held at the TD Convention Center. We were most delighted to be greeted by the manner able Generation boys, to hear them tell their well-spoken stories and, and to hear the statistics on the success of the Generations Program.

### *Generations Luncheon Attendees*



Sitting: Anna Smith, Lee Gray, Bernice Dessaure,  
Standing: Jimmy Durante, Betty Durante, Allen Chavis, Diane Staley, Belita Broadus

## DATES AND EVENTS TO REMEMBER

### SPECIAL OLYMPICS

Plan to join the Greenville Civitans for Special Olympics at Furman University on April 24<sup>th</sup>.

### LET'S WALK FOR THE BABIES!

Mauldin Civitan supports the March of Dimes by donating money and by walking on April 26<sup>th</sup> at the Fleur Field, wear your Civitan Shirt and Show up.

### CIVITAN INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

The international Civitan Convention will be in Greenville, We want to show up, and make this A memorable occasion for our fellow Civitans, so check the list and decide how you can serve and sign up. Registration fees increase after March 31<sup>st</sup>.

### MEMBERSHIP

A new member will be inducted into the club at the next meeting. Let's give her a hearty welcome. Everyone is encouraged to bring new members into the club.

### CIVITAN MAGAZINE

The March 2019 Issue of Civitan International is on line. Please inform me if you are not able to access it.

**Thank you** to all members for your dedication and devotion to Civitan. This month's memorable members are:

Jimmy Durante  
Anna Smith  
Diane Staley  
Bernice Dessaure  
Suzi Knebusch

Floyd Tidsworth  
Allen Chavis  
Lucinda (Phillip) Martin  
Joyce Chavis  
Betty Durante

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### *Happy Birthday!*

<i>Betty DuRante</i>	<i>March 2</i>
<i>Leonia Gray</i>	<i>March 11</i>
<i>Diane Staley</i>	<i>March 15</i>
<i>Virgil Sullivan</i>	<i>March 26</i>

**Hi Civitans!**

As you all know by now, the Civitan International Convention will be in our own Greenville, July 3-6, 2019. Many plans have been made for the convention by International, but has YOUR CLUB made any plans? Anne Lavelly has asked me to get the Hospitality Room up and going. I will definitely need your help!

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The South Carolina Civitans are the HOST for the Hospitality Room.

We need:

**VOLUNTEERS TO:**

1. welcome the attendees to the Hospitality Room
2. answer any questions, i.e.: directions within the hotel, the price of tickets, time of drawings, etc.
3. sell tickets-this will require a person who can really stay focused! We will have 3 different tickets to sell and keep straight.
4. refill refreshments (see below)

**MERCHANDISE:**

We will have 3 levels of gifts:

1. Large ticket items --> tickets will sell for \$ 10 each. These special tickets will need to be filled out by the buyer. Drawings will be at the end of the Convention and more often depending on merchandise collected. I would love to have daily drawings if possible. These items will have a price value of more than \$500! We have secured a certificate for a set of Michelin tires. These can only be shipped to an address within the United States proper. So ... we need more merchandise in this category that will be available to ALL attendees. Remember ... many of the attendees will be flying, so gifts either need to be certificates that can be redeemed once they get home, or items that can be put into a suitcase.
2. Anything donated that has an estimated value of \$200 - \$500 (weekend get-away; payment of dues for a year; registration fee for CI Convention ...repayment or prepayment) will be raffled through the sale of -->\$5 tickets. Tickets will be placed in a container and drawings will be held at specific times daily. Use your imagination when asking for contributions. Not every company has items available for gifts, but when talking with your contact person, suggest they pay for one of the above or something like those.
3. Items with an estimated value of \$25 to \$200 will be available by buying a -->\$1 ticket. Included in this category will be the BASKETS from your club. Please include in your basket, items which are grown, written, painted, sung, or made in your area of our district. Also, in this category will be items that can be sold by purchasing tickets. These could be jewelry, books, sweetgrass baskets (hint, hint), household decorative items, etc.

The second and third level donations will have different colored tickets. These tickets will also have two parts. The buyer will be given BOTH parts. They will separate their ticket and place one of the parts into a container in front of the prize they want to get. These two levels of prizes will be separated in the room and clearly marked as to what color of ticket they will require.

All winning names and numbers will be posted outside the Hospitality Room and will be available for pickup during the Hospitality Room open hours.

The more we can get from the raffle and ticket sales, the better off our SC District treasury account will be. A decision will be made at the next Board Meeting to determine where these funds will be used.

**ROOM DECORATIONS:**

Pictures of your clubs doing projects, events, fun times, anything showing the clubs in their activities. Make a great looking poster to showcase your Club. These will be put around the room for the attendees to look at while in the Hospitality Room. It would be nice to have beach music playing while the Room is open!

Does anyone know any good shaggers? We could possibly have a demonstration during one of the times the room is open, after all, it is our state dance!

**Food:**

We need snacks for the attendees. **Individually packaged** chips, crackers, cookies, and water. Since sweet tea is one of the state's favorite beverages, we need to have serving containers for tea. We should have at least one container of unsweetened tea and sweetener available and small disposable cups. Remember...we are expecting 400 and 600 people at this Convention and many will come through the Hospitality Room more than once!

**Supplies:**

A few supplies for a first-aid kit for the room would be great. These would be given to the person needing them. We will not be responsible for the treatment. If EMS is needed, we can place the call for them. Some Band-Aids, alcohol pads, just a few things to have to keep the attendees from having to hunt up a store outside the hotel. Maps of Downtown Greenville would be helpful. We had these for our District Convention last year. Greenville Club, do you think you could get us at least a hundred of these for this year? We also need to know which restaurants and stores will be open during the days of the convention. Remember, this is the week of July. We need schedules and locations for activities celebrating Independence Day being held in Downtown Greenville. We may need a good size white erasable board or a flip chart with an easel to post the winning names and numbers outside the room.

WHEN SPEAKING WITH PEOPLE TO GET DONATIONS FOR THE HOSPITALITY ROOM, MAKE SURE THEY KNOW THESE ARE FOR THE HOSPITALITY ROOM, NOT FOR THE CIVITAN INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ITSELF. ALSO, MAKE SURE THEY KNOW THAT THE MONEY MADE FROM THE RAFFLE AND TICKET SALES WILL STAY IN SOUTH CAROLINA OR AS THE BOARD DECIDES. ONE OTHER THING -- WE ARE A NON-PROFIT 501(C)3.

If you have questions, please send them to me via return email. I will address them and reply to you. I will certainly be available at the next District Meeting on May 18 in Columbia to discuss the goings on in the Hospitality Room. I hope to see you there too!

***Thank you for all you do for  
South Carolina Civitan***

**Patsy Finley, Secretary**

**The South Carolina District Civitan**

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