



# Mauldin Civitan Club

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## NEXT MEETING

Mauldin Cultural Center  
April 18, 2019 @ 6:00pm

## Dues

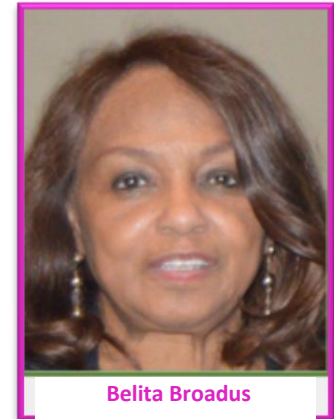
Membership Dues for  
Apr, May, Jun may be  
mailed to:

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## President's Message

My Fellow Civitans,

The Civitan International Research Center is a cutting-edge facility focused on finding cures and developing treatments for issues such as autism, Rett syndrome, Down syndrome, and many other brain-related disorders. Today Civitan International is the only service organization dedicated to serving people with intellectual and developmental disabilities. In addition to clinical research, Civitan scientists provide training and treatment through the Civitan-Sparks Clinics and the Civitan International Neuroimaging Laboratory. \*\*



Belita Broadus

Mauldin Civitan Club members will be about the Mauldin Community placing and servicing the blue candy boxes to support Civitan's flagship project, the Civitan International Research Center. The boxes contain peppermint candies. Civitan Coin boxes will be placed in establishments that do not wish to have food products present. Patrons are encouraged to enjoy the candy and leave a donation in the boxes to support the Civitan Research Center.

The 2019-2020 officers will be elected at the April 18<sup>th</sup> meeting. Anyone interested in a leadership positing in the club should contact President-Elect Jimmy Durante to be placed on the ballot.

President-Elect Durante distributed new meal schedule at the last meeting. Everyone should consult the schedule to determine when you are responsible for the meal.

Because the May 16, 2019 meeting has been cancelled; a meal will be served at the May 2, 2019 meeting, We will resume the regular meeting schedule on June 6, which is scheduled as a “seek” meeting; meaning the meeting is structured to strongly encourage prospective members to join the club. People who are looking for ways to unselfishly give back to the community are ideal Civitan candidates.

\*Information taken from Civitan International website.

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*Happy Birthday!*

<i>Curtis Pressley</i>	<i>April 11</i>
<i>Joyce Chavis</i>	<i>April 12</i>
<i>Ybrahim Pinto</i>	<i>April 14</i>
<i>Bernice Rhodes-Dessaure</i>	<i>April 16</i>
<i>Allen Chavis</i>	<i>April 26</i>

# CIVITAN

NEWS AND UPDATES

## SERVANT'S HEART AWARDS

Last month I mentioned that the Servant's Heart Awards was a great project to plan for this spring. This month I want to share some ideas on how you can celebrate the advocates in your community through the Servant's Heart Awards.

### TOOLKIT

There is an entire toolkit full of great collateral to use for your Servant's Heart Awards project available on the website. Just a few items included in the toolkit:

- \* Award invitations
- \* Event posters
- \* Media releases
- \* Logos

Use the following link to access everything in the Servant's Heart Awards toolkit  
<https://mycivitan.org/club-project-resources/>



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### PROJECT IDEAS

There are many ways to recognize advocates in your community:

- \* Sponsor a Special Education classroom - bring them classroom supplies and fun goodies
- \* Provide a nice breakfast for the support staff at your local Arc or United Ability
- \* Plan a family night out for parents and siblings of children with disabilities
- \* Host a banquet honoring your community's unsung heroes

### PROJECT SPOTLIGHT

The Arab Civitans delivered 58 bags to Special Education aides and teachers at the Arab schools and Brindlee Mountain Schools. The bags were compliments of the Arab Civitans, Zax's Eats and Sweets and BancorpSouth.





# SHOW ME YOUR SERVICE

## Civitan Club of the Berkshires Soupfest



## Auburn Civitan Club Special Olympics Bowling



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## Tri-State Civitan Club Disability Awareness Art Show

"For the past three years, Tri-State has been having an art contest in celebration of Disability Awareness Month in March. We believe strongly that it is our responsibility to increase an awareness in the young people of Washington County, Maryland to make a more inclusive world. We hoped that it not only would have an educational aspect for the students but would allow their creativity to show the world the beauty, love and potential in individuals with a disability. We were not disappointed with 26 middle school entries. Below are some pictures from the reception held at the Washington County Free Library on Monday, March 11, 2019." - Pat Kurtz, President Tri-State Civitan





Have you been thinking about building a new club in your district? Call me and let me know what you are working on! First, so I can help create recruitment tools, and second, so we can make sure that you become a member of the Civitan All Stars Team!

Any Civitan who is a member of a club building team that completes a club build by July 1 will be a member of the Civitan All Stars and receive lots of fun goodies at the International Convention in Greenville including:

1. Civitan All Stars t-shirt to be worn during Membership Extravaganza
2. Recognition at the club builder "Breakfast of Champions"
3. Special box seating during Membership Extravaganza
4. Civitan All Stars introduction at Membership Extravaganza
5. Participate in the All Stars Wheel of Champions Grand Prize event!

\*\* Can't make it to Greenville? No worries, finish your club build by July 1 and you'll still receive your All Stars shirt.\*\*

**CURRENT MEMBERS OF THE ALL STARS TEAM:**

- Jo Roper, AGAPE
- Chuck Rice, AGAPE
- Meg Smith, AGAPE
- Julia Floyd, Phil Campbell
- Walt Floyd, Phil Campbell
- Elizabeth McDowell, Phil Campbell
- Nancy Horton, Phil Campbell

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# OFFICER TRAINING

During the March 2019 International Board meeting, the board of directors voted to change the officer training policy. From now on ALL OFFICERS MUST GET TRAINED ANNUALLY! This applies to the offices of president, president-elect, secretary and treasurer. Even if you were trained last year, you must get trained again this year. This change is to ensure that club officers are being provided with the most up-to-date information from International and can lead their clubs with all readily available resources. Please see the training dates below:

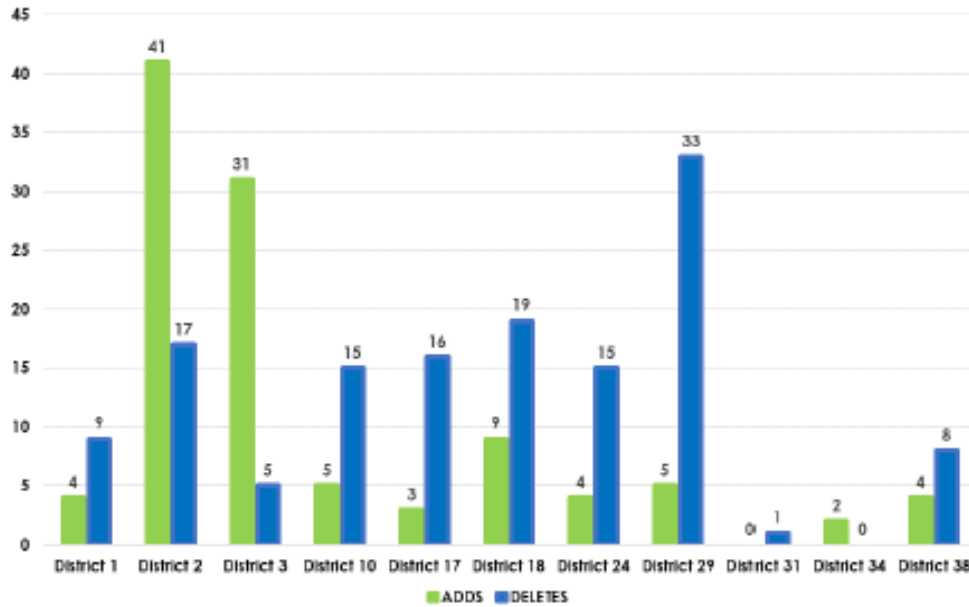
- June 29, 2019 - - Dulles, VA
- July 4, 2019 - - Greenville, SC
- July 27, 2019 - - Greensboro, NC
- August 3, 2019 - - Raleigh, NC
- August 10, 2019 - - Atlanta, GA
- August 10, 2019 - - Huntsville, AL
- August 17, 2019 - - Nashville, TN
- August 24, 2019 - - Orlando, FL
- August 24, 2019 - - Charlotte, NC
- August 24, 2019 - - Chattanooga, TN
- September 7, 2019 - - Birmingham, AL

If there is not a training available in your district, you will be provided the opportunity to attend officer training electronically. Those dates will be provided in the coming weeks. Please stay tuned for the opening of registration for officer training.



# MARCH 2019 BY THE NUMBERS

## ADDS & DELETES



# HOT TOPICS



Hot Topics webinars are for you, led by you - the member. Join us for our next call on April 28. This month's topic, "What's Working: Young Professionals and Civitan."

The call will be led by members of the Triangle YP Civitan Club of North Carolina who recruited over 30 new members last year.

Stay tuned for a time and Zoom link.

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## CUSTOMIZED RECRUITMENT TOOLKITS

Complete a club intentional recruiting form and return it to me in order to receive your customized toolkit. Each toolkit includes:

1. Social Media Posts
2. Fliers
3. New collateral
4. Recruitment ideas
5. Tips & tricks
6. Recruitment letter
7. Business card
8. So much more!





## 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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