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NEXT MEETING

Carolina Fine Foods

Simpsonville, SC

Thursday Apr. 21, 2022,

6:00pm

Dues

Membership Dues for
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BACK TOGETHER AGAIN!!!!



Mauldin Civitan Club finally met in person for our regular Club meeting at Carolina Fine Foods in Simpsonville on March 17, 2022 at 6pm. The color of the day for our decor was green, of course, for St. Patrick's Day. The eight club members in attendance enjoyed a delicious dinner and fellowship. We finally began our business at 6:45. We made plans for our March of Dimes March for Babies campaign and for Generations Group Home. We ended the meeting at 7:30. We will have to work on our time management but it sure was fun!

Spartanburg Civitan Club Turns 75

On March 10, 2022 at the Piedmont Club in Spartanburg, The Civitan Club of Spartanburg celebrated their 75th anniversary. Suzi Knebusch attended as Governor Elect and for the Mauldin Civitan Club. Anna Smith and Belita Broadus represented both Greenville Civitan Club and Mauldin Civitan Club. The program and food were awesome. All had a wonderful time. Mrs. Anna was showing off her dance skills. She's still got it!



President's Message



Hello Civitans,

Spring is here and the azaleas are gorgeous this year, but the pollen count is high and is attacking our allergies. I hope you all are doing well.

Our March of Dimes March for Babies is coming up on April 29, 2022 at 6:30 pm, at First Baptist of Greenville. They are planning a great time for the teams! This is a great way to show our Civitan Spirit and make our presence known! Come walk with us! We have had a slow start, but our team has raised \$340 so far. Our goal is \$2,000. We can still do this! We can raise funds until June 30, 2022 so let's direct our friends and family members to our March of Dimes page at this link: <https://www.marchforbabies.org/team/mauldincivitans>. You may also mail donations to our Mauldin Civitan PO Box or to me at 3 Rose Wood Drive Greenville SC 29607.

I am excited to help with the Generations Easter Dinner today and am getting ready as I write this. We are sponsoring a STAR Party for them on April 22, 2022 and need more volunteers, please. We can finally get back on campus with the boys! This will be my 1st Star Party and I am eager to go.

Many things are happening at the new Civitan International headquarters. Our SC District meeting is coming up on May 14th in Columbia. We will be talking about the changes being proposed and those already taking place. So this would be a good meeting for Mauldin Civitans to attend.

Also, the Civitan International Convention is in San Antonio, TX the week of July 4th. The Convention area is beautiful and there is plenty to see and do. I can't wait to go and would love to see some of you there!

Our next Mauldin Civitan Club meeting is Thursday, April 21, 2022 at 6:00 pm. We are meeting at Carolina Fine Foods in Simpsonville again for good food, fellowship, and a program about my YMCA RECESS group. I hope to have some of my sweet RECESS friends there for you to meet. Come join us at 6:00 pm. See you Thursday!

Yours in service,

Suzi Knebusch

MARCH FOR BABIES 2022



MARCH WITH US

TO FIGHT FOR THE HEALTH OF ALL MOMS AND BABIES

FRIDAY, APRIL 29 6:30 pm
FIRST BAPTIST GREENVILLE
847 CLEVELAND STREET



BE A PART OF SOMETHING BIG

Join the movement to fight for the health of all moms and babies. The U.S. remains among the most dangerous developed nations for childbirth, especially for women and babies of color—but together we can make a difference.

By joining March for Babies: A Mother of Movement™, you're lifting up communities, creating connections and taking action to make America a more equitable place and ensure that every family is healthy.

BY FUNDRAISING YOU'RE:

- **Supporting research** to find solutions so every family gets the best possible start
- **Advocating for policies** that prioritize the health of moms and babies
- **Providing resources and programs** to support people in their journey to become parents
- **Training and educating** health professionals to improve mom and baby care



MEET THE MORGAN FAMILY

Anthony and Megan welcomed their son, Luca, into the world at just 28 weeks. His battle began while only weighing 1 lb 9.4 oz. Luca faced multiple large surgeries during his 167 day NICU stay at Prisma Health in Greenville. Luca is now an incredible 20 month old full of so much joy. His story exemplifies the urgency of March of Dimes mission.

JOIN THE MOVEMENT

1. SIGN UP TO BE PART OF THE MOVEMENT

Sign up as a team captain, team member or individual.

2. TAKE ACTION—CONNECT, SPREAD THE WORD AND FUNDRAISE

Rally with millions of Americans in the collective effort to transform the health of all moms and babies.

3. JOIN THE FUN!

Be a part of march for babies through an in-person experience, by joining the Step Up Challenge, or creating your own 'March Your Way' celebration and fundraiser through our march for babies 'Do-It-Yourself' platform!

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

As part of our 2022 March for Babies: A Mother of a Movement, we'd like for you to join us for an all new in-person March for Babies experience.

At our "block party" you'll visit our unique neighborhoods where we come together to honor your experience and celebrate your March for Babies fundraising with all new activities.

In our March for Babies neighborhoods, you'll honor those born preterm or with birth defects, remember and pay tribute to those lost and band together with others who share your commitment to helping all families be healthy and strong.

We can't wait to see you there.

marchforbabies.org/event/GREENVILLESC

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COMMUNITY NEWS

**CITY OF MAULDIN POLICE DEPARTMENT
PLANS TO LAUNCH COMMUNITY CANINE PROGRAM**

The City of Mauldin Police Department is growing to meet community needs – including four-legged team members! City of Mauldin City Council voted on March 24 to approve the Community Canine Program that will utilize therapy dogs to assist the Police Department in bridging the gap between the community and law enforcement.

The first canine team member has been donated to the City by Lesia’s Goldendoodles in Charleston, and all materials that will be needed were donated by a variety of community partners- making it free of cost to taxpayers.

“Therapy dogs can be a beneficial tool to serve the community in a unique way,” said Police Chief Miller. “The dog will assist our team in connecting with area residents during times of duress, while also allowing for increased opportunities of community involvement and interaction with residents of all ages, including our youngest members through visits to schools.”

Therapy dogs are instrumental in engaging with the youth and working with individuals who have special needs and those who have experienced trauma. Therapy dogs also make police officers more approachable and their presence more comforting during critical incidents.

In efforts to make this dog part of the City of Mauldin, the community was invited to help name the dog via social media. Margo is the name selected.

Margo is a goldendoodle that was born in March 2022. She will join the team later this month.

NEXT MEETING

In-person meeting April 21, 2022, 6:00pm at Carolina Fine Foods, 625 SE Main St (Hwy 417) Simpsonville, SC 29681 – 864-976-3335

Happy Birthday!

<i>Janice Thompson</i>	<i>April 1</i>
<i>Rosia Gardner</i>	<i>April 1</i>
<i>Curtis Pressley</i>	<i>April 11</i>
<i>Joyce Chavis</i>	<i>April 12</i>
<i>Bernice Rhodes Dessaure</i>	<i>April 16</i>
<i>Allen Chavis</i>	<i>April 26</i>