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**President's Message**

Season Greetings Delvers,

As we think on the reason for the season, let us also reflect on 2023 accomplishments and wait for the time to CELEBRATE 2024 in great anticipation. Let us CELEBRATE Art, Drama, Economic, International Relations, Music and Youth Conservation Interest Groups for their outstanding contributions to our communities in 2023.

In this issue, we CELEBRATE the JOY of OUR SISTERS who gave unselfishly their time in various ways throughout this year. Yes, it is the season to be jolly and attend the festivities associated with the holiday season; however, let's pause this merriment and observe the Advent season--"the arrival," The Advent season reminds us to Love, to Hope, to be at Peace and find ways to demonstrate the Love, the Hope, and the Peace, with our family, friends and people we meet in this uncertain world. King Solomon wrote, 'To everything, there is a season' ...There is an appointed time for every facet of your life and welcome the 'new' season with JOY and happiness.



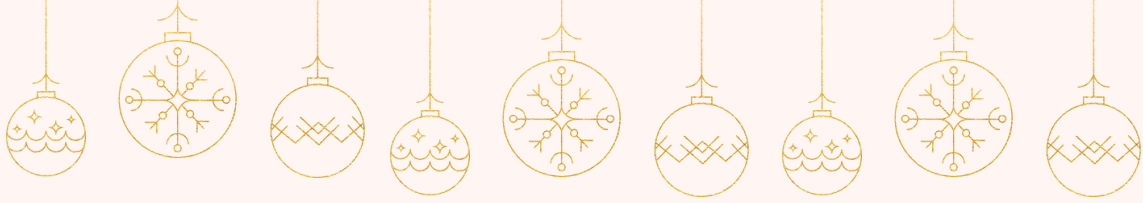
Please allow me to express my JOY by welcoming SIX NEW MEMBERS to the Delver Wolman's Club, Incorporated. Ladies, welcome and we are "over the moon" excited you joined us. Welcome, welcome, welcome!

I want to extend my sincere thank you to every member for your hard work, your prayers, and your immeasurable sacrifice this past year, I am looking forward to working with each of you in 2024.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year,

Lolita S. Moses





## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!



October 21, 2023: From left to right, are Mary A. Clark, Peggy E. Fox, Tanya Goode, Tori Smith, Lichelle J. White and not pictured is Esther Manns (pictured for Esther Manns is Rosetta Baugh-Manns).

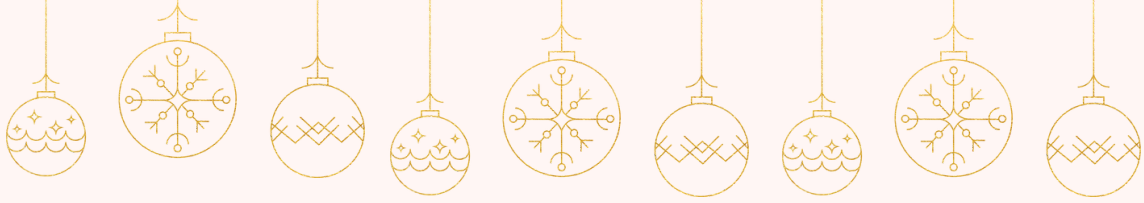
## ART INTEREST GROUP

SUBMITTED BY: ANNETTE MORRIS, CHAIRPERSON

The Art Interest Group has been on the move. Our group has grown, and we are making ourselves visible in the community.

In February we attended Museums in honor of Black History Month and in October we attended an Art Gallery, which supports local Artists. We're looking forward to more opportunities in the future to engage and make an impact on the lives of others.





## DRAMA INTEREST GROUP

SUBMITTED BY: PATRICIA SMITH AND VERLEAN RANDOLPH, CHAIRPERSONS

### MONTHLY MEETINGS/ EVENTS IN A GLANCE

In February, several members attended a play by the Triangle Players called "How Black Mothers Say I Love You".



We celebrated Women's History Month. Lynette Short hosted this meeting. Members had to share a snippet about a woman who inspired them. A quote from Michelle Obama was shared and discussed. "Don't let anyone speak for you, and don't rely on others to fight for you."

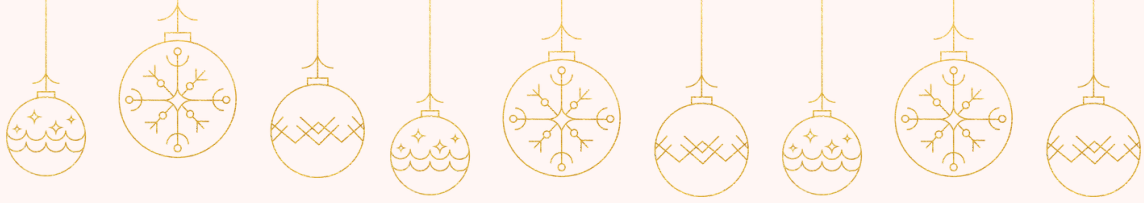
Pat Smith hosted April's meeting. She is from Goochland County and shared the history of Tuckahoe Plantation, which included her home church, First Baptist. It is the oldest African-American Church in Goochland.

Evelyn Rodriguez invited the group to her home church, for a play she wrote and directed. The play was called "Different Women's Walk of Life" and was about how God helped women to find strength and hope through his salvation. Barbara Powell, one of the members, was part of the cast.

The Drama Group (Evelyn Rodriguez, writer and director) in November presented a play regarding the importance of family during and after the holidays.





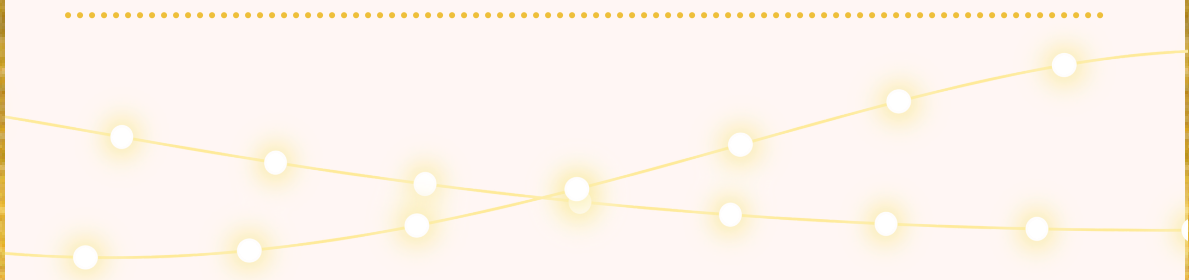


## ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are excited to announce that we have a new member Lichelle J. White. Please introduce yourself to her and welcome her to the Delver Woman's Club.

The Drama Group is looking for the support of the Parent Body for our first fundraiser of the year. We will be selling different flavored pecans through the months of December and January. Please contact any Drama group member to purchase an item.

Lynette Short celebrated her 60th "Milestone" Birthday traveling abroad.



## INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS INTEREST GROUP



SUBMITTED BY: MARY HERBIN, CHAIRPERSON

The International Relations Interest Group supported Caritas last year. We received a list from CARITAS suggesting items needed. Last year, we purchased gifts for 22 men. The items requested were men's pajamas, t-shirts, and underwear.

The gifts were wrapped and delivered by Carrie Crushon and I (Mary Herbin) to CARITAS. We absolutely love this project!

The International Relations Interest Group supports the mission of CARITAS... by supporting CARITAS, you play a valuable role in our active community of caring so that we can support the participants of our programs and continue to provide intentional, safe spaces where healing and recovery can happen. It is because of your support that our participants are never alone on their journey to rebuild their lives."



## INTEREST GROUP

SUBMITTED BY: VIVIAN A. MINOR, CHAIRPERSON

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The following members were selected as officers for the Music Interest Group for 2023-2026: Vivian A. Minor, Chairperson, Lolita S. Moses, Vice Chairperson, Paula K. Missouri, Secretary, Tanya Goode, Assistant Secretary, Bettie Gentry, Treasurer, Helena Lewis, Chaplain. Other Members, Goldie W. Settles, Rosa J. Gentry, Honorary Member.

Members Helena Lewis (91) and Bettie Gentry (90) want to say "THANKS" to all members of the Club for the birthday wishes and gifts bestowed upon them in October 2023.

The Music Interest Group was fortunate to have gained three (3) new members: Mary Clark, Peggy Fox, and Tanya Goode, respectively.

Welcome!!

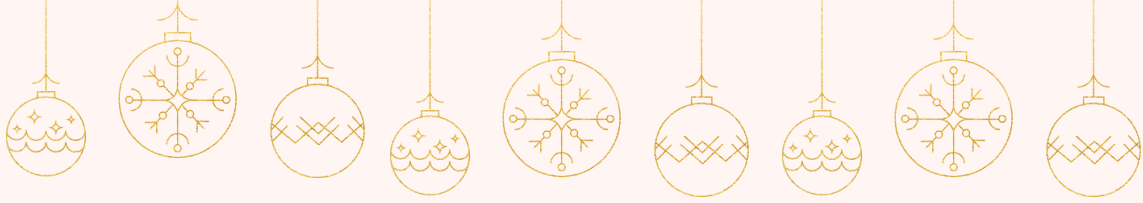
We were able to sponsor two elderly members of the community with a \$50.00 gift card for Thanksgiving and Christmas.

**Music is the host group for the meeting in January 2024.**



*Seasons Greetings*





## SOCIAL & CIVIC AFFAIRS INTEREST GROUP

SUBMITTED BY: SHIRLEY REID, CHAIRPERSON

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Mrs. Rosetta Manns- Baugh  
August 16,2023

Mrs. Rosetta Manns-Baugh 60 years ago attended the Lincoln Memorial where Martin Luther King, Jr gave the "I Have a Dream" speech. Mrs. Rosetta Manns-Baugh was able to return to the Lincoln Memorial with four generations of family members who participated with her on the 60th anniversary of the "March on Washington" in August. Mrs. Manns-Baugh also has a collection of memorabilia from the initial march in 1963 and the 60th anniversary.

The Associated Press news reporter asked Mrs. Manns-Baugh about what steps to take next regarding racial inequality. Her answer was to 'keep fighting'.

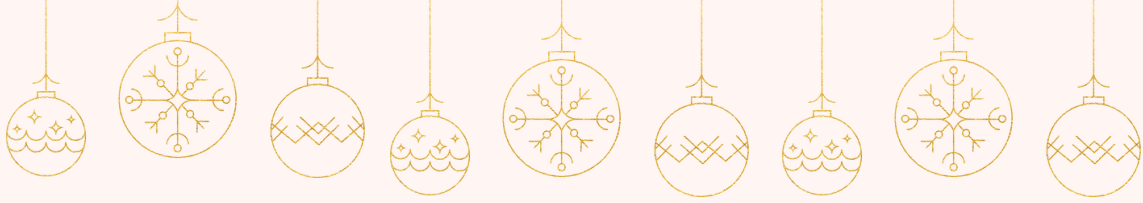
She added that much was accomplished but much was lost. Mrs. Manns-Baugh stressed that one must "do their own work of their history, events of the past, and culture".

Social and Civic Interest Group are strong advocates about the importance of voting. Our members exercised their voting rights on Tuesday, November 7, 2023, for their local and state elected officials.

We were able as a group to give monetary donations for the Thanksgiving Project.

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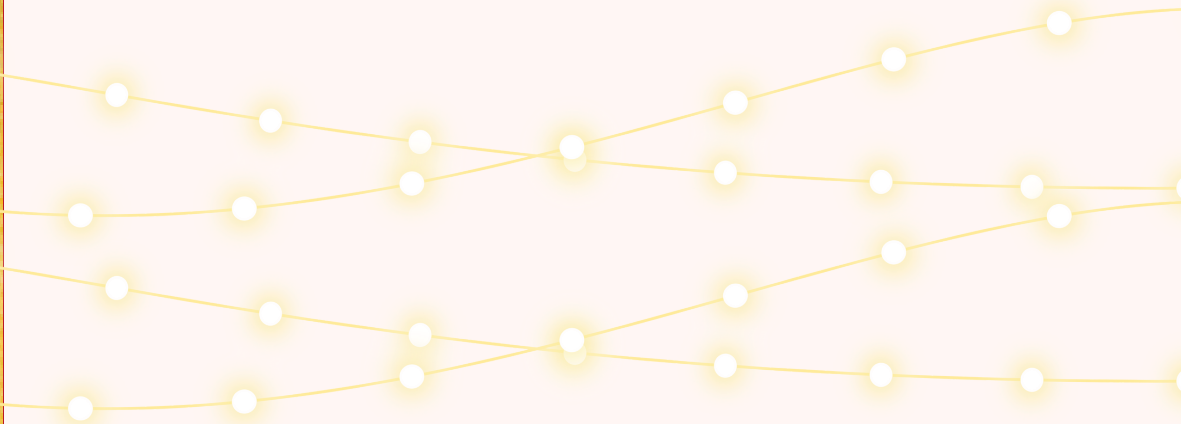


Ms. Shirley Reid presenting a check to Feed More

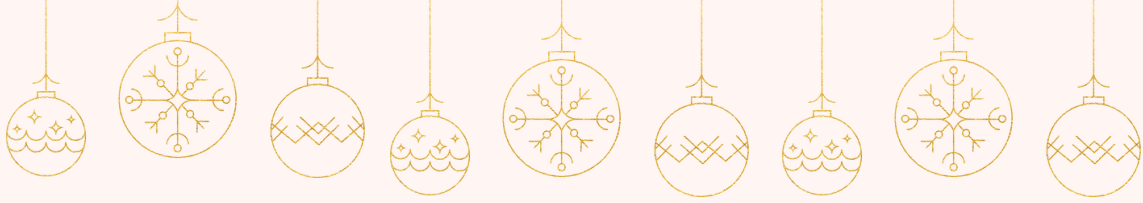
The donation was presented to Feed More by our Lolita Moses and Shirley Reid on Wednesday, November 22, 2023.

The Social Civic Interest Group Christmas donation was given to a child whose name was selected from the Angel Tree.

We have a new member to join the Social and Civic Affairs Interest Group. Mrs. Esther Manns is our new member; we are so happy she joined our group.







## YOUTH CONSERVATION INTEREST GROUP

### WELCOME OUR NEW MEMBER

SUBMITTED BY: VIVIAN ODEN, CHAIRPERSON

The Youth Conservation Interest Group would like to welcome our new member, Sister Tori Smith. She is the English as a Second Language Coordinator for the Adult Education Department with Richmond Public Schools.



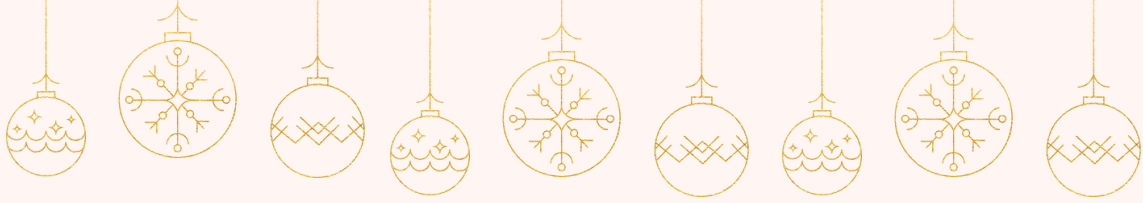
Tori loves making people laugh and her friends consider her a comedian because of her sense of humor. She will be an asset to the Delver Woman's Club, Inc. We are glad to have her as part of the Youth Conservation Interest Group and look forward to working with her.

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### TUTOR OF THE YEAR HONOREE

We congratulate Sister Vivian Oden for being recognized as a 2023 Tutor of the Year with the Life Enrichment Center on October 20, 2023. The Life Enrichment Center is a non-profit organization providing literacy tutoring and other life-giving initiatives for elementary students from Title I Schools across Virginia. As a dedicated tutor, she had the opportunity to give remarks representing the tutors during the organization's contribution ceremony hosted by Governor and First Lady Glenn Youngkin in September. Vivian will continue tutoring for another school year at Richard Bowling Elementary School in Norfolk, VA. She has been a faithful tutor for over nine years.





### **A DONATION IN HER HONOR**

The Association of Fundraising Professionals, Hampton Roads honored Sister Vivian Oden by donating a book in her honor to the Norfolk Public Library for presenting to the group in February 2023. The book donated was I Am Ruby Bridges by Ruby Bridges.



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Gifts come and go,  
what really matters is

*“Oh What a Wonderful Child”*

who is the Light for Christmas  
and the Grace for the New Year!

