



Florence Area

April e-news

KUDOS

Handing out a lot of these lately. Excellent program thanks to Karen Herbert and several members of the NAACP. Learned a lot about several women who have made a difference in our community. What a great way to celebrate Women's History Month.

ANOTHER DON'T MISS THIS—celebrating Earth Day

MONDAY April 24 5:30 pm this time at St. John's Church Fellowship Hall with Dr. Matt Smith, the Resident Director of the Pee Dee Research Center. Dr. Smith will present the exciting programs being undertaken following a \$7 million-dollar renovation of the main laboratory building and recent hiring of four new faculty and research scientists and plans for the future. The Pee Dee REC seeks to make farming in South Carolina economically and environmentally sustainable.

Welcome back to returning member Jennie Williamson Peze.

Other important dates

April 29-30 LWVSC Convention 2017 Call to Convention

The Clemson League worked with the state League to plan LWVSC convention. Dates are April 29th - 30th, in Columbia to make it as affordable and centrally located as possible. We've reserved The Inn at USC, a boutique hotel located in and around a 1910 home adjacent to USC. speakers for the Send your responses to **WE NEED TO SEND AT LEAST 3 PEOPLE**. Please let Frances Elmore know if you would like to attend. djmfle@aol.com League will pay registration fee and travel for those interested in attending.

May 8 6 p.m. Annual meeting at the Clay Pot. Dinner at 6 p.m. followed by election of new board and adoption of 2017-18 Budget. Sarah Shelley, Director of the Eastern Carolina Community Foundation, will present the program. **Make Reservations now by contacting Edith Robertson edithandphillip@gmail.com** Please let us know if you prefer vegetarian. Invite a prospective member.

Menu: Chicken Pot Pie or Veggie Pot Pie, Salad, sweet potato biscuit dessert, beverage (we will have wine available) tax, and tip \$25 Bring check or money to the event.

The Nominating Committee (Hannah Reig, Chair; Josephine Jupiter and Amy Wood) offers the following slate for election at our annual meeting:

2nd VP Josephine Jupiter 2017-19 Secretary Rosie Holder 2017-19 Directors Teresa Anderson, Sam Dargan,
Judy Kern, Marty Hucks
Barb Thayer 2017-19

Nominating Chair, Amy Wood and member Hannah Reig 2017-18

Serving 2017-18 Karen Herbert 1st VP, Treasurer Frances Elmore Directors Edith Robertson, Sarah Shelley

The Budget Committee (Charlene Wages, Chair; Rosie Holder and Frances Elmore) offers the proposed budget for your adoption at our annual meeting:

Income

Dues (40@\$50; 4@\$20)	\$2,080.00
Fundraiser	400.00
In Kind	<u>100.00</u>
Total	\$2,580.00

Expenses

State Dues (32@ \$14; 4@\$7)	476.00
National Dues (32@\$32; 4@\$16)	1,088.00
Bulletin	75.00
Website	200.00
State Council	250.00
Educational Activity	200.00
Board Expenses	60.00
President's Expenses	150.00
Miscellaneous	<u>81.00</u>
Total	\$2,580.00