

# Guild Gazette

#### **December 2022 Dinner Meeting**

Business, Dinner and Laughter to close out the year!





Junior Guild members and provisionals closed out 2022 bell ringing for the Salvation Army Bell Ringing, completing Christmas cards for the Red Cross, and donating items and serving at the I-Moms Breakfast of our adopted school, D.S. Johnson Elementary.









## **2022 Community Trust Recipients**

The Junior Guild of Rocky Mount is proud to announce their 2022 Community Trust Recipients. Community Trust Recipients are local, nonprofit organizations selected each year to receive donations raised from our annual fundraising events. The 2022 Community Trust partners include Peacemakers, Down East Partnership for Children (DEPC), United Community Ministries, Tackle the Tar, and The Wright's Center. Each non-profit received \$1500 towards their programming efforts. These funds will be applied as follows:

- Peacemakers aftercare programming, provided at no-cost to students and families.
- DEPC's Family Resource Center early learning and family support programs.
- United Community Ministries individuals and families experiencing homelessness support programs.
- Tackle the Tar obstacle course improvements and marketing expenses to support scholarship fundraising efforts.
- The Wright's Center adult day health care programming, including meals and transportation.

The Junior Guild is proud to support these nonprofits as they contribute invaluable services to the Rocky Mount greater area.

## **Provisional Class Meet & Greet**



The prospective candidates for provisional membership, members, and sustainers met at local Vino Market in Nashville, NC in October. The ladies were able to fellowship and get to know Guild members while supporting a woman owned business.





### **Black History Month - February**



Anna Easter Brown was a spokeswoman for educational literacy, preservation of Black History, women's rights, and equal rights for African Americans.

In 1908, while attending college, she was one of nine founding members and first treasurer of the first African American sorority in the United States, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Incorporated®. Sorority membership is 325,000 worldwide. She was later a charter member of Chi Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Incorporated® in Rocky Mount and was a charter member of the Rocky Mount YWCA. Ms. Brown graduated from Howard University in 1909, at a time when only a third of one percent of African Americans attended college. She also earned her graduate degree in social studies from Columbia University. She was a NC social studies teacher for more than 50 years, first at Bricks Junior College, then Lincoln High School and Booker T.

Washington High School in Rocky Mount. She annually displayed a black history exhibit and traveled around the country to show it to other communities. In 1951, her exhibition, in its 25th anniversary, was recognized in a national magazine, "Opportunity," published by the National Urban League. She was also active in the NAACP, North Carolina Teacher's Association, American Red Cross, and the Tuberculosis drive. She served in several ministry positions at Holy Hope Episcopal Church on Ivy Street in Rocky Mount where she was a member for 30 years until her death in 1957.

Source: Twin County Museum & Hall of Fame

# FEBRUARY IS AMERICAN HEART MONTH

February – American Heart Month – a time when the nation spotlights heart disease, the No. 1 killer of Americans. President Lyndon B. Johnson, among the millions of people in the country who'd had heart attacks, issued the first proclamation in 1964. Since then, U.S. presidents have annually declared February American Heart Month.

Throughout the month, the American Heart Association's "Heart to Heart: Why Losing One Woman Is Too Many" campaign will raise awareness about how 1 in 3 women are diagnosed with heart disease annually.

The first Friday of American Heart Month, Feb. 5, is also National Wear Red Day as part of the AHA's Go Red for Women initiative. Coast to coast, landmarks, news anchors and neighborhoods go red to raise awareness and support for the fight against heart disease. For more information on the event and other activities during the month, visit goredforwomen.org.

Source: https://www.heart.org/en/around-the-aha/february-is-american-heart-month

## Know someone interested in joining the Junior



**Interest Form:** 

https://forms.gle/jpq4QMahC3JNhh5R6

#### **Stay in Touch**

Items for newsletter?

We would love to hear your ideas!

Items for correspondence?

Please help keep us informed of births, deaths, and marriages involving our members and Sustainers.

Address change?

Contact us at juniorguildrockymount@gmail.com





Check social media for pop-up socials throughout the year.

www.facebook.com/jgrockymount @JGROCKYMOUNT on Instagram

And be sure to tag "Junior Guild of Rocky Mount" in any posts you make of JG events or photos!

For more information, go to http://www.jgrockymount.org

## Upcoming General Membership Meetings:

February 2, 2023 March 2, 2023 April 6, 2023

May 4, 2023 June 1, 2023 **Treasurer's Report as of January 5, 2023** 

Administrative Balance: \$19,164.29

Fundraising: \$4,227.99

Discretionary Fund: \$9,040.33

Community Trust: \$3,033.44

### **Notes**

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