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A Note From Our Executive Director, Patti Harris

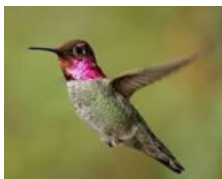


Good Morning Beautiful SCWN Ladies!

This is the day that the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it!

As I was sitting on my back porch this morning enjoying a warm cup of tea on this brisk morning praying for the day, I was reminded that fall is just around the corner. I love to feed the birds and watch them daily. Every few seconds a couple of beautiful hummingbirds would whiz by my head chasing each other. I just know one day they are going to collide with me! I am just fascinated by those little jokers. They are so beautiful and amazing!

However, have you ever seen them fight and chase each other? Around our feeder, there are usually two to four, and they certainly do **NOT** know how to share. They are selfish little creatures! Even today one was sitting on a nearby limb "guarding" the feeder. As soon as another came to drink, it swooped down and attacked, chasing the other away from "its" food. Now, of course, this is part of their nature to survive, but it reminded me that it is definitely not our nature as followers of Christ.



Are we ever like a hummingbird - busy flitting around beautiful on the outside, but only concerned with what we have and can achieve for ourselves? Are we in the mindset of "me" and "mine" or do we follow the "J.O.Y." principle for priorities in our life - **Jesus first, others next, yourself last.**

I hope you had a wonderful summer and enjoyed some special time with family and friends. Now that school has begun and October has finally arrived, we are already experiencing some cooler weather and with cooler weather comes new things this fall for SCWN. We have 10 new Bible studies that have or about to begin. We are going to launch some monthly webinars soon that you can listen to at your desk, we have a "members only" networking event that is coming up on Tuesday, November 3 at Heritage Landing Clubhouse and Thursday, November 19 we are having an "Evening with Jan Silvious". Mark your calendar because these things are just around the corner!

Join us for our October 22 Luncheon featuring Nita Tin at The Mountain City Club. Don't forget that we have also added a special Networking time from 11:30-12 at every luncheon. Come for a wonderful time of worship, food and fellowship!

SCWN ladies... we want you to join us so that we can encourage, equip and energize you! Who has God laid on your heart to invite to an event this fall? Be a blessing to someone in your sphere of influence! Remember, we need your participation to keep SCWN vibrant and growing!

"...We are all one body in Christ, we belong to each other, and each of us needs all the others." Romans 12:5

Praying for you! Please pray for me!

Patti Harris

SCWN Executive Director

October Member Birthdays



Gladys Edwards-1
 Becky Murphy-2
 Hattie Riley-4
 Sharon Cannon-13
 Vel Keplinger-14
 Chele Bible-15
 Sally Worland-17
 Barbara Murnan-20
 Amanda Jelks-22
 Cara Hicks-24
 Susan Hargis-30
 Nell Mohney-31



MARKETPLACE BIBLE STUDIES beginning SOON

Tuesday's 12-1

Beginning Sept 29

Patti Harris
 Fearless
 SunTrust Downtown

Beginning Oct. 5

Janice Meissner
 Wally's East Ridge
 The 7 Experiment Staging
 Your Own Mutiny Against
 Excess

Beginning Oct. 6

Flo Samuels
 Lee Hwy/ Hickory
 Valley Retirement
 Center
 (Twice Monthly)

Beginning Oct. 6

Titus 2
 Rosalyn Hickman
 AIM Center Downtown

Wednesdays

SCWN Member Spotlight



Name: Deborah Gunn

Occupation: Project Director @ First Things First for 8 years

Family: I have been married to Alex Gunn for 29 years. We have a son, Courtenay and also for a short time, raised my sister's daughter, Latrice

Years involved with SCWN?: I can't remember the date but my first luncheon was at First Centenary

Most memorable experience with SCWN? I have several memorable experiences. I've attended several prayer breakfasts, luncheons and I think one holiday event, each opportunity has been a blessing. Everyone is warm, inspiring and encouraging.

What do you like to do in your spare time? Watch Western Movies, study scripture, spend time with Alex and go walking at River Park not necessarily in that order. :)

Who is a woman that inspires you most? Why? The woman I admire most is my mother. Despite losing a son when he was 16 years of age in 1980, a daughter who passed away at my mother's home when she was 44 years of age in 2006 and my father committing suicide in 2008, mama says that "God is still good!!". In addition to these devastating events she encountered many difficulties in life including cancer in 2011. As a pastor's wife she encountered ups, downs and disappointments. But today, she is as vibrant as ever. My mother inspired and encouraged my love for singing gospel music. She'd rather sing than eat. As a child she would always say, "As long as we live in my house, you goin' to church. Because of this she along with my earthly father inspired my love and devotion to Jesus Christ and to my Heavenly Father.



Name: Gladys Edwards

Occupation: Assistant in the library at Richmond Graduate University/Chattanooga Bible Institute for 33 years

Family: My husband of 53 years, 3 grown sons, 3 Daughters in law, and 7 Grandchildren ranging in age from 7 months to 20 years old, Two boys and four Girls. They are all, of course, perfect and wonderful.



Years involved with SCWN? I have been involved with SCWN from the very beginning. We started off meeting at the Chattanooga Bible Institute when it was at the corner of Central and McCallie. I worked in the library then and I just had to walk down to the Fellowship Hall for the meetings and I have been coming back ever since..

Most memorable experience with SCWN? I don't have One most memorable time but I have memories of many good times spent on road trips to go to conferences with outstanding speakers, Members only events, prayer walks, fun fund raisers, inspiring speakers and wonderful and rich fellowship at the luncheons with sister pilgrims travelling on the same road as I.

What do you like to do in your spare time? I enjoy reading, walking, dining with family and friends, spending time with our Grandchildren and their families. I also enjoy Bible Studies with friends and just gleaning more knowledge about God and growing closer to Him. The meetings help me to do that also.

Who is a woman that inspires you most? Why? God has enriched my life with many wonderful and inspiring women. I wouldn't try to list them all but one special lady in my life is my sister-in-law, Liz Moore. She has been coming with me to SCWN from the beginning and we have shared our lives for many years. Liz is an example to me of patience, love,

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**Beginning
Sept. 2**

Cara Hicks-
Women in the Word
SunTrust Downtown

**Beginning
Sept. 23**

Pauline Field--7 am
Calvary Chapel Cafe
Hebrews/St. Elmo

Beginning Oct 7

Marcia Phillips
Lies Women Believe &
The Truth that Sets
Them Free
YMCA Downtown
11:15 am- 11:45 am

Call 698-6262 or email
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Bible Study today!



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**Welcome
New & Renewing
Members!**

Nancy Anderson
Harriet Cash
Sylvia Colvin
Tamara Davenport
Sandy McKenzie
Deb Miller
Helen Scott Hixon



forgiveness and kindness. She has a gentle spirit and has been my close friend as well as my relative. I see Jesus shining thru her and I am thankful.

"MEMBERS ONLY EVENT"
Heritage Landing Clubhouse
November 3 --5:30-7:30

Come for an evening full of food, fun, and fellowship.
You will have time to share your job, ministry or passion.

Reservations are needed—Deadline Oct. 29th

Call 423-698-6262 or email anita@scwn.org



"An Evening With Jan Silvious"
November 19
6:30-8:30 p.m.
Morning Pointe

7719 Shallowford Road

Come and enjoy an evening with Jan Silvious.

It will include a Silent Auction, singing, Jan Silvious
coffee, tea and dessert.

Tickets go on sale next week-\$15



Thursday, October 22
Luncheon Speaker

featuring

Nita Tin



Mountain City Club

729 Chestnut Street, Chattanooga, TN 37402
(free parking)

• 11:30 - Noon Networking

• Noon - 1:00 Lunch

To make reservations:

reservations@scwn.org or 423.698.6262

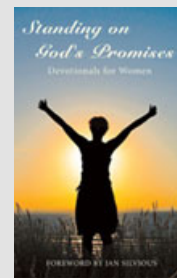
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- 42 in. TV
- DVD Player

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Our vision is to Encourage women with a sense of belonging to God and each other;
Equip women to develop spiritual maturity and to become all they are to be in Christ; and
Energize women to bless others with the love, grace, and truth of Jesus Christ. (drawn from Eph. 4:11-13)

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