

**WESTCHESTER COUNTY CHAPTER
OF
THE LINKS, INCORPORATED**
COMMITTEE REPORT FORM

COMMITTEE/FACET NAME: National Trends and Services

MEETING DATE- January 11, 2015

TIME: 9 PM - Conference Call

ATTENDEES: Links Yolanda Kelley-Cannick, Dozene Guishard, Ginger Waters-Grant, Brenda Jackson-Butcher, Joyce Turnipseed, Hillary Ann Flemming, Penelope Johnson-Moore

ISSUES DISCUSSED: (Please provide a brief summary of each issue discussed.)

The Facet Committee Members gave update about the projects and activities they were involved in during the December. As can be expected, there hasn't been much activity since the December facet meeting held on December 15th because of the holiday season.

NTS sponsored the Wartburg Holiday Activity on December 12. The Christmas tree ornaments provided at December's chapter meeting were donated to the Wartburg. The residents were entertained by the melodious caroling of one group of Link Sisters while gift bags of socks and other goodies were being distributed by another. The residents seemed to appreciate both the music and the gifts.

Link Diane presented the Wartburg with a Legacy Award from our Chapter.

The Facet has determined that music and art is to be an incorporated in future activities and projects for seniors with dementia and Alzheimer's. It was noted that researchers have found that music and art have positive impact. Music can reduce agitation and other behavioral issues that are common. Art can give a sense of accomplishment and purpose.

It was also agreed about the incorporation of youth volunteers in activities as much as possible. Intergenerational activities are being planned for residents of the Wartburg in either March or April which will be co-chaired by Links Hillary and Penelope. We are considering a day of pampering for the residents of the Walter Meade Facility. Some of the activities being considered are manicures and the dyeing of Easter Eggs. More details are to follow.

ITEMS REQUIRING DISCUSSION AT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING:

Clarification is needed of the Chapter's involvement with the National's Women Veteran's Initiative.

Identifying a NTS Facet Co-Chair

**ITEMS REQUIRING ACTION AT THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING:
MOTIONS FOR THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO CONSIDER:**

Submitted By: Yolanda Kelley-Cannick

Date: January 15, 2016