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**OFFICERS' SPOUSES' CLUB**  
– the cherry chatter

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*PRESIDENTS CORNER*

Happy “Rock-tober” divine ladies of the OSC Sisterhood! I have to say: I am absolutely thrilled with our two kick-off events in September and am looking forward to the year ahead with this great group of women.

For those of you who were able to attend the Vendor Blender, I’m sure you will agree that Joy Harmon deserves some serious kudos for organizing a fantastic event. From the unique mix of businesses represented to the eye-catching displays and well-planned flow of foot traffic, I heard great things from vendors and attendees alike. A HUGE thank you to Joy and all of our volunteers who made our “First Annual” a success. Really well done.

Another shout out goes to our social committee and membership divas for planning and executing a great membership drive later that same night. The food was fab, the conversation even better, and I really enjoyed meeting our new members. We are blessed with a super group of energetic, sharp women who made it a really fun day and night.

Welcome back to continuing members and a warm welcome to our new ladies; I look forward to seeing you all soon!

Cheers,  
Abby

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## ***2011 – 2012 OSC Board Members***

### **Executive Board**

Honorary President – Carol Davis

### **Elected Board**

President – Abby Gore

Vice President – Chandra Williams

Treasurer – Tracy Schnelle

Secretary – Holly Wirth

### **Committee Chairpersons**

Advertising/ Publicity - Katie Shorter and Rachael Banton

Assistance – Jen Krivohlavy

Membership – Heather Moses & Pam Nichol森

Parliamentarian/Nominations – Caroline Siary

Publishing Committee - Jessica Felter (Newsletter)

Scholarship – Shelley Goulette & Shari Bajus

Social Events Committee –Maggie Potts

Retired Spouses - Phyllis Harke

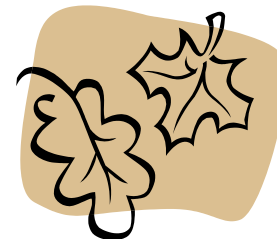
Whistle Stop Manager - Sandy Arturi

Treasures of the Point - Joy Harmon

Web Master – Autumn Manka

## 2011-2012 Calendar of Events

Mark  
Your  
Calendar



### October

- 5 Membership Meeting – Officers’ Lounge,  
Miller’s Landing 9:30am
- 7 Cocktails & Cammies – Officers’ Lounge,  
Miller’s Landing 4:30pm
- 15 Shopping Trip to Wilmington Meet at  
Whistle Stop at 0730
- 29 Holiday Arts and Crafts Show  
(Trade show) @ TOP Gift Shoppe

### November

- 2 Membership Meeting – Officers’ Lounge,  
Miller’s Landing 9:30am
- 4 Cocktails & Cammies – Officers’ Lounge,  
Miller’s Landing 4:30pm
- 4 Deployed Spouses’ Cammie Formal—  
Camp LeJeune
- 19 Spa Day (Dun’Artie)/Denim & Diamonds  
Girls’ Night Out

### December

- 2 Ornament Exchange—CG’s House
- 7 Membership Meeting – Officers’ Lounge,  
Miller’s Landing 9:30am

### January

- 4 Membership Meeting – Officers’ Lounge,  
Miller’s Landing 9:30am
- 6 Cocktails & Cammies – Officers’ Lounge,  
Miller’s Landing 4:30pm

### February

- 1 Membership Meeting – Officers’ Lounge,  
Miller’s Landing 9:30am
- 3 Cocktails & Cammies – Officers’ Lounge,  
Miller’s Landing 4:30pm
- 16 Sweethearts Social

### March

- 2 Cocktails & Cammies – Officers’ Lounge,  
Miller’s Landing 4:30pm
- 7 Membership Meeting – Officers’ Lounge,  
Miller’s Landing 9:30am
- 16 Time Talent & Treasure Auction @ Miller’s  
Landing 6-11pm  
*(Set-up: 10-4; VIP Cocktail  
5PM, Officers’ Lounge)*

### April

- 4 Membership Meeting – Officers’ Lounge,  
Miller’s Landing 9:30am
- 6 Cocktails & Cammies – Officers’ Lounge,  
Miller’s Landing 4:30pm
- TBD Joint Luncheon (Off-site)

### May

- 2 Membership Meeting – Officers’ Lounge,  
Miller’s Landing 9:30am  
*\*\*Election and Installation of New Board*
- 4 Cocktails & Cammies – Officers’ Lounge,  
Miller’s Landing 4:30pm
- 20 Scholarship, Assistance, and Volunteer  
Reception @ Miller’s Landing; 2 PM





## H-A-P-P-Y B-I-R-T-H-D-A-Y

Just as various birthstone lists differ, so too do descriptions of the symbolism of the gemstones. Here are a few fun facts.

The birthstone for **October** is the Opal, which are thought to inspire emotion and passion. They are often white, but you can find black opals, blue and even orange. Shakespeare considered the opal as a symbol of inconstancy, but rather Christians used to associate it with the faithful, prayers and religious fervor

Happy Birthday to the following OSC Members celebrating a birthday in October:

Carol Davis 10/5

Maggie Potts 10/22

Kristina Spillman 10/28



November's birthstone, **Yellow Topaz** It's golden color was believed by the Egyptians to be the glow cast by the sun god Ra. Yellow Topaz ranges in color from a peachy blush to a deep cognac. A gift of this gemstone is said to symbolize friendship and to strengthen one's capacity to give and receive love

Happy Birthday to the following OSC Member celebrating a birthday in November

Katie Swift 11/29

*Your life is a gift from the Creator.  
Your gift back to the Creator is what you do with your life. ~ Billy Mills*



We are looking for volunteers to make a meal for the Whistle Stop volunteers on each Tuesday the store is open. To volunteer contact Chandra at [cherrypointosc@gmail.com](mailto:cherrypointosc@gmail.com)  
Thank You!

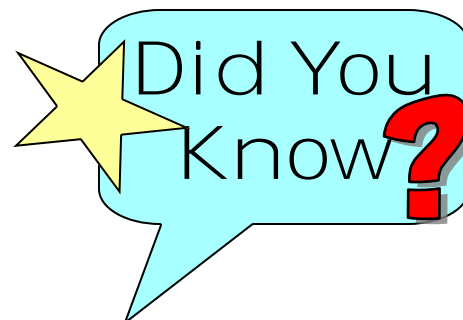
**Did you know** that your spouse doesn't have to be deployed for 6 months or more to take advantage of the TAKE 10 Program offered thru MCCS?

Anytime the service member is away for 30 days or more you can have your FRO send a letter via fax, see number below, to the Resource and Referral Office stating which unit or squadron, the length of time they will be away, and those dates. Once that is done, simply stop by the Resource & Referral Office to pick up your TAKE 10 card.

Your child must already be registered at the CDC, (registration is free) in order to use the TAKE 10! These 10 hours can be used for hourly care and Parent's Night Out too!

SO...Go Ahead ! Enjoy some down time in that next month long workup or DET!

Resource and Referral Fax #: 252-466-6985



**Did you know ...**

This is the newest portion to our OSC Newsletter?

Do you have some bits of information that you would like to pass on? Like the best way to clean something, or the best place to get \_\_\_\_\_?

Then please send complete details to Jessica Felter at [jesamom2@hotmail.com](mailto:jesamom2@hotmail.com) and we'll include it in the next issue of the newsletter!



Interested in Learning or playing Bridge?

It's a great activity that is fun mentally and socially! Hi! I am your retired officer's rep. I am also in charge of the *Cherry Point Officer's Spouse's Bridge Club*. I am offering to teach what I know, and then to play 'dummy' hands (open) to practice.) I'm open to times that will be convenient for you! Contact me at 252.636.2995 (hm.) or 252.675.8117 (c.). I would LOVE to spur interest in the game. Phyllis Harke



Cherry Point OSC on Facebook!  
You can search for us on Facebook by typing in any one of the following:

Whistle Stop Thrift Shop  
Treasures of the Point Shoppe  
Cherry Point OSC



# MACS-2

## Greetings from MACS-2

Darry and I have been busy getting acquainted with our MACS-2 family since his Change of Command in June. The end of the summer was hectic with preparations for the return of about 140 MACS-2 Marines from Afghanistan. The Squadron held a banner making party and potluck prior to their arrival, and all the families were anxious to welcome home their loved ones. Sadly, we had to say goodbye to 150 of our Marines as they deployed to Afghanistan in August.

In September, MACS-2 wives got together at Hancock Marina for a 4- Lenses workshop presented by MCFTB. We had such a great time learning about our personalities and getting to know each other. The chocolate fondue was a great end to a yummy meal shared together.

We are looking forward to the cooler weather and our Command Team has planned a few fun events this fall. In October, the families are looking forward to a *Trunk or Treat* and *Haunted Trail* at the Squadron on **Oct. 28**. That morning, the Marines will be participating in the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Beat the Old Man Run. The Marines have been preparing to beat the CO at a 3-5 mile run. After the run, the Marines will be treated to a pancake breakfast. We are looking forward to celebrating the Marine Corps Birthday on **Nov. 9<sup>th</sup>** at the Crystal Coast Civic Center in Morehead City.

**Till next time,  
Nancy Grossnickle**



# WANTED

Nice Clear Logo images for all units and squadron's aboard Cherry Point to be used in the newsletter. Please email JPEG formatted images to [jesamom2@hotmail.com](mailto:jesamom2@hotmail.com) THANK YOU



## VMA-223



Proud to be a Bulldog! Check out our Sept. 2<sup>nd</sup> Dining Out: a HUGE success with the help of the always-awesome Miller's Landing staff. It was a great night of tradition, fellowship, and...karaoke? Ooh-Rah!



## VMA-542

Greetings from the VMA-542 Tiger Families!



It appears as though the cooler days of Fall are quickly approaching and I find myself wondering where the relaxed lazy days of Summer have gone. Like many of you, we began a new school year with our children, made it through hurricane Irene and managed to find a bit of "me" time over the past month.

Our September Meeting kicked off with welcoming 4 new Lady Tigers. **Ashly Olsen, Pam Nicholson, Melissa Dow & Jami Longwell**, we are thrilled to have you ladies join our Tiger Family. We enjoyed a fun & feisty evening of fellowship at our potluck & Bunko night. Also this month our "Playground and Picnic" group meet at the Havelock Park for an afternoon of play.

Our Families and Marines had a wonderful time at our Family Day event held at Hancock Lodge this month. We enjoyed delicious food, bounce houses, and our own version of "Minute To Win IT". The Marines certainly outdid themselves and fun was had by all.

As our Marines prepare to participate in Mojave Viper in 29 Palms this month, we find ourselves preparing for the 236<sup>th</sup> Birthday of the Marine Corps. Looking forward to celebrating on 11-11-11 with our Tiger Families. Have a Fantastic Month!

*Valerie Perez*





## T.O.P. Gift Shoppe Craft Show

Treasures of the Point Gift Shoppe (TOP) provides hand crafted merchandise created by our military and military dependent local artists and crafters. All Treasures of the Point Profits go toward scholarships for military dependents and community assistance grants as distributed through the OSC of Cherry Point. Shop for your custom decorations, gifts, and must-haves such as:



Hooded Children's Towels, USMC Uniform Button Jewelry and Gifts, Oil Painted Home Accessory Plaques and Trays, Watercolor Art, Retirement Gifts, Baby Gifts, Jewelry, Military Themed Pieces, Family Tree Plaques, Children's Art, Hand Stamped and Embellished Cards, Ladies' and Children's Fashion Accessories, Woodworked Pieces

Also check us out on our Facebook page/events

**Hours of Operations:**  
Tues & Thurs. 10am-2pm  
Sat 10am -2pm  
(after mid-month pay)

**TOP is conveniently located in Building 1691  
One Street, Cherry Point MCAS**  
(Inside the building housing the Whistle Stop Thrift Shop)  
We are proud to have an all-volunteer workforce for our gift shop.  
Hours are dependent on volunteer availability.  
252-444-0949

**CONSIGNORS WANTED:** If you are an active duty or retired military member or dependent of a military member and are interested in being a consignor, please contact us at [cherrypointtop@gmail.com](mailto:cherrypointtop@gmail.com).

### Whistle Stop Thrift Shop



#### WHISTLE STOP THRIFT SHOP

The Whistle Stop offers a wide variety of quality pre-owned clothing, house wares, toys, and other merchandise to our service men and women and their families.

Profits generated by sales provide scholarships for military dependents, as well as financial assistance to local, regional, and national organizations.

**Normal Shopping Hours**  
Tuesday 10am -2pm  
Thursday 10am -2pm

The Whistle Stop Thrift Shop is the OSC'S main fundraiser and has been a great success! Thank you!

Volunteers always needed and welcomed Mondays are best for training! Call me if you have questions or are interested in giving it a try.

Sandy Arturi, Manager  
(252) 447-1295 or  
(252) 514-3639 (c)

*Serving our military community at MCAS Cherry Point since 1975*

**Normal Volunteer Hours**  
Monday, 9am-2pm  
Tuesday, 9am-2pm  
Thursday 9am-2pm

*(welcome to work whatever hours  
best suite you during those times )*



*Winners will be announced in next months issue!*

## WIN IT FOR YOUR UNIT! CONTEST

*It's easy! Have the most OSC members (by Oct 15) and begin the celebration!*



## WINE BASKET

Who: OSC members  
 What: Shopping Day!  
 Where: Mayfaire  
 Town Center,  
 Wilmington NC  
 When: 10/15 /11  
 0730-1800



Join the Cherry Point OSC on Saturday October 15<sup>th</sup> for a day of fun, food & Shopping at the Mayfaire Town Center in Wilmington! We will meet at "The Whistle Stop" at 0730 & will leave at 0800. We will return to the same location by 1800.

Please RSVP [cposcsocial@gmail.com](mailto:cposcsocial@gmail.com) by 10/10 so we can line up transportation!

# Dun'Artie



Please join the Cherry Point OSC for a day of pampering! We will be providing snacks & beverages all day. You can book your appt. solo or with a friend!

**Dun'Artie** offers many services. Check out their website to see! The sooner you call, the better the chance of you getting the time & service you'd like!

[www.dunartiespa.com](http://www.dunartiespa.com) (252) 637-5507

Who: Fabulous ladies of the OSC  
 What: A day of pampering!  
 Where: **Dun'Artie Spa in New Bern**  
 When: 11/19/11  
 10am-5pm





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## MCAS CHERRY POINT OFFICERS' SPOUSES CLUB

### Membership Form

\*Annual Membership Dues: \$20

Annual Year runs from June 1 – May 31

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Birthday (month/day): \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse: Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Rank: \_\_\_\_\_

Branch of Service: \_\_\_\_\_

Active or Retired: \_\_\_\_\_

Unit Assignment: \_\_\_\_\_

May we include your information in our membership directory? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

May we include your e-mail in our group e-mail list? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No: \_\_\_\_\_

Newsletters will be distributed to the membership by email unless otherwise requested.

Please mail this form and your dues (checks payable to OSC) to:

Cherry Point OSC/Membership  
P.O. Box 2201  
Havelock, NC 28532

For more information visit our website: [www.cherrypointosc.org](http://www.cherrypointosc.org)

For OSC Use Only : Date Paid \_\_\_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_



## *OSC Member Inventory List*

Are you planning a party? Add to your party's atmosphere by borrowing any of the OSC Inventory items listed! Stop by the conference room at the Cherry Point Inn to see our inventory or the Whistle Stop. This service is provided to ALL OSC members FREE of charge. Reserve your items today. Call us at 252-444-0949 or email: [www.cherrypointosc@gmail.com](mailto:www.cherrypointosc@gmail.com).

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| 2 Silver Tall, Footed Punch Bowl            | 1 Silver Ice Bucket with Tongs                    |
| 3 Silver Candy Dishes                       | 1 Extra Lid Handle Silver                         |
| 12 Large Glass Serving Bowls                | 54 Wine Glasses                                   |
| 3 Silver Ladles                             | 64-Piece Utensil Service for twelve               |
| 5 Silver Guest Card Trays                   | 1 Silver Candlestick 10"                          |
| 1 Med Glass Bowl - Floral Design            | 2 Oblong White Lace Tablecloths (60"x109")        |
| 1 Silver Coffee Urn                         | 3 Silver Serving Tongs                            |
| 1 Silver Tray 10"                           | 3 Silver Candlesticks 4"                          |
| 1 Med Glass Oval Bowl - Floral Design       | 3 Oblong White Damask Tablecloths (60"x109")      |
| 3 Silver Tea Pots                           | 1 Meat Fork Silver                                |
| 2 Round Silver 17" Trays                    | 2 Silver Candlesticks 8"                          |
| 1 Oblong Glass Tray 17" Floral Design       | 2 Round White Tablecloths Large                   |
| 1 Silver Water Pitcher (1qt)                | 2 Serving Spoons Silver                           |
| 1 Round Silver Tray 21"                     | 3 Round Chaffing Dishes with glass insert (2 qt.) |
| 2 Glass Footed Sherbet Dishes Floral Design | 1 Round White Tablecloths Small                   |
| 1 Silver Coffee Part                        | 1 Pierced Spoon Silver                            |
| 2 Silver Footed Rectangular Trays           | 14qt Round Chaffing Dish                          |
| 1 Glass Olive Dish                          | 1 Oblong Blue & White                             |
| 1 Silver Hot Chocolate Pot                  | 2 Gravy Ladles 8" Silver                          |
| 2 Display Easels                            | 19-qt or two 4-qt Large Chaffing Dish             |
| 3 Glass Serving Platters                    | 9 Square Blue & White Floral Tablecloth           |
| 2 Silver Sugar Bowls without lids           | 1 Spaghetti Server Silver                         |
| 1 Metal Bowl Med Size                       | 2 Crystal Champagne / Wine Coolers                |
| 52 Glass Dinner Plates                      | 1 Oblong Blue & White Check Tablecloth            |
| 1 Silver Sugar Bowl with lid                | 1 Pie/Cake Server Silver                          |
| 1 Silver Frame                              | 1 Glass Water Pitcher 2-qt                        |
| 51 Glass Dessert Plates                     | 1 Table Runner (red, blue, green & gold)          |
| 4 Silver Creamers                           | 1 Silver Chip & Dip                               |
| 2 Silver Punch Handles                      | 1 Glass Water Pitcher 1-qt                        |
| 29 Glass Salad Bowls                        | Silver Candlesticks (three-4", two-8", one-10")   |

Holiday Suits: There is a \$35.00 refundable deposit to reserve holiday suits and a \$5.00 non-refundable fee for dry cleaning upon pick-up.

3 Santa Suits (suit, beard, wig, toy bag and belt)

1 Mrs. Santa Suit (suit, wig and glasses)

2 Bunny Suits (full body suits)

Celebration: 1 Blow-Up Stork (available for use)

