

# Serving You - It's What We Do!



By Susie Taffoni, local resident



The mission of Chapin Women in Service is to enhance the quality of life for all citizens in our community through individual and group-related service, community programs, and partnerships with other organizations. We have service programs in which we routinely participate, fundraising projects, and social activities for our members.

We participate monthly by helping with bingo at Crooked Creek, Lowman Home, and Generations. We help with anything needed, such as calling bingo numbers, providing prizes, and assisting seniors as needed. We also continue with our weekly visits to seniors in Assisted Living at Lowman Home. This service project began in late 2022. The welcome we receive from the residents and the friendships that we have formed make every Thursday a very special day.



Our project, Paint Chapin Red, White, and Blue for Our Veterans, is in full swing. We have had several bow-making days as the demand has grown. We meet at American Legion Post 193 and make an afternoon of creating beautiful bows. The bows sell for \$10.00 and are being sold at various locations around Chapin, as well as members selling to friends and neighbors. You will find us at Bolands every Saturday until the end of May and at the Farmers Market at the Barn, 833 Old Lexington HWY, on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays in April and May. PLEASE buy a bow or if you don't want a bow, donate to help these veterans build their new home. Remember- American Legion receives no money or grants from the federal government. They raise money from contributions and donations.

In late March, many of our members enjoyed a beautiful lunch at McCutcheon House on the historic horseshoe on the University of South Carolina campus. Students in the Hospitality and Tourism Management program created and served the meals. Meeting the students, hearing about their plans after graduation, and enjoying a delicious lunch was so much fun. Our members made a monetary donation to the University with the designation of their program, and we received a lovely thank-you note.



Several of our members also participated in a fun afternoon, creating lovely pieces of resin art and just enjoying time together. As mentioned in a previous article, we believe that friendship and service go hand in hand.

Chapin Women in Service is an IRS and state-recognized charity. To learn more about CWS, contact Julie Creathorn at 585-802-8122 or email: [Chapinwomeninservice@gamil.com](mailto:Chapinwomeninservice@gamil.com).

*We would love to include more stories of organizations and residents who help to support our Chapin community. Submit your information to [aprilrobinson@bestversionmedia.com](mailto:aprilrobinson@bestversionmedia.com)*

A portrait of Dr. Ricky Brannon, a man with a beard wearing a blue patterned shirt.

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