

The Woman's Club of Winter Park, Inc.



December 2024 HIGHLIGHTS

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President's Column

It's the Holiday Season and the clubhouse is getting a glow on with decorations. We tucked away the turkey and family time and now we prepare for the last month of the year with a shortened agenda. On the first Thursday, we will meet the Mayor Sheila DeCiccio presenting "Traits of Successful Women." The following week is our annual Holiday Luncheon, coordinated by our past Hospitality chair ladies, Shannon Harris and Jacqueline Stewart, the Dynamic Duo. Reservations and a check for \$25 are due by December 9th.

Preceding the Luncheon from 11-12 noon, there will be a Craft Sale and one for Baked Goodies. The musical entertainment will be provided by the Belles and Beaux and our Catered Buffet. Be sure to get your reservations ASAP as there are NO WALK-INS.



Our last gathering for the year is the Scholarship Reception on the 19th at 6 pm. This program is to recognize those young people who received a scholarship from the Woman's Club and are now in college. The students and their families are invited. WCWP members are invited to join the event.



On tap for the monthly Tuesday Evening will be held on the 17th. It began last year and turned out to be a fun event with a White Elephant gift exchange and refreshments. All are invited, including Hubbies. Please make you RSVPs to the office. The next two weeks will include many Christmas and holiday affairs around town and throughout the state. Wherever you go we will be praying for your safe return.

Happy Holiday to all and go in the Spirit of Christmas.

Natalie Hill, President

Happy DECEMBER Birthdays

Lauren Mickler 12/1
Sara Woodward 12/3
Christine Bucheli 12/8
Karen Buchan 12/9
Elizabeth Taylor 12/13
Michelle Farah 12/25
Pat Miller 12/25
Julia Rankin 12/26
Beverly Cox 12/27
Karen Berg 12/29
Mary Taylor Hill 12/29
Maureen Bell 12/31
Diane Breth 12/31
Chris Bush 12/31
Barbara Hughes 12/31



Chris Bush, Membership Chair

Ways and Means

Our Holiday Luncheon is December 12th - and you know what that means - our Annual Holiday Bake and Craft sale!! Some Club members are dusting off their favorite holiday recipes - be it sweets, jam or jellies, soup mixes, chocolates, and more. Others are busy crafting items to delight shoppers.

ALL members bring some extra dollars to purchase these tempting goodies. Not too late!!...still one more week to sign up for the Bake and/or Craft Sales, contact Cindy. The last two years we made over \$600 each year. Let's top that this year, as all proceeds flow from Ways and Means to Charitable Giving so that **we** can be extra generous to other worthy organizations.

Cindy Abeel, Ways and Means Chair

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Historian



On Sunday, December 1, Woman's Club Elaine Ellman, and Co-Founder of the Orlando Historical Rose Society held their very festive Christmas celebration at the Woman's Club. I was invited and honored to share some of the Club's early history by providing a table display of photographs, documents, and artifacts from our archives and introduced several interested Society members to our Archival Room.

Kim Mould, Historian

House and Gardens

Wow, December 2024 is here! .. I too was honored to be invited to this special party and finally met so many of the Rose Society members, Elaine has spoken so fondly of! As we soon bring 2024 to a close, it will be filled with many great new memories made, while researching new ways to enhance our Gardens. What a perfect answer to continue our efforts in recreating Historical Grounds, "Historical Rose Beds!"

More to come in 2025!

Karen Rodda, House & Garden Chair

Programs

December

Thursday, December 5th – 2 pm

Guest Speaker



City of Winter Park Mayor, Sheila DeCiccio

She will have an inspirational program highlighting important Traits of Women in Leadership and share her personal life journey.

Thursday, December 12th – 11:30 am

Holiday Luncheon –

Deadline for RSVP is 1:30 pm Dec. 9th!!

Musical Performance by: **Belles and Beaux**



Central Florida Vocal Arts, proudly announce their Belles and Bows are now enhanced with Beaux!

Jacqueline Stewart, Shannon Harris, Luncheon Co-Chairs

Tuesday, December 17th - 5:30 pm

Holiday Evening PotLuck

White Elephant \$10-\$20 Gift Exchange

Santa and Mrs. Claus will be here to celebrate!!

All are invited: bring your spouse, children, grandchildren and friends!!

Please RSVP – Lindsay (330) 608-7159 or Lucy (407)766-1784

PotLuck: click on the sign up genius below

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F044BA5A82BAAF49-53641093-holiday>



Thursday, December 19th - 6:00 pm

Scholarship Reception

All are invited! Reception is FREE but please RSVP to Patty Munsey, **Scholarship Committee Chair** *More information to follow!*

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Lindsay Pelozo, Elaine Ellman,
Programs Committee

Charitable Giving

Adopt-A-Family - Holiday Gift Program

The club's final charitable giving opportunity for 2024 is underway with the collection of gifts for five families at The Meadows, a Winter Park Housing Authority facility. Thank you to all who have either donated gifts or made a monetary donation.

The deadline for returning your wrapped gifts is Thursday, December 12th. Gifts and receipts can be returned to the office during business hours on Monday - Thursday from 9:30 am - 1:00 pm or at the club meetings. Your generosity is much appreciated by the club and will be equally appreciated by the five families at The Meadows.



Fill-The-Pantry

Thank you to the club members who donated needed supplies to the homeless students of Killarney Elementary.



Message from ***Diana Sidawi - Rotary Club***

"I hope this message finds you well. On behalf of Killarney Elementary School, Ann Clement, myself and the families we serve, I want to extend our heartfelt thanks for the food provided last week. Your generosity made a meaningful impact, bringing comfort and support to so many families in our community. The effort and care you put into this contribution did not go unnoticed. It's gestures like these that make a lasting difference, especially for families who may be facing difficult times. Thank you once again for your kindness and dedication to our community. We look forward to working together these upcoming weeks."

*Warm regards,
Diana*

Committee Meeting

The next Charitable Giving Committee meeting is on **January 17th at 1pm** at the club.
All are welcome!

**Lucy McDonough,
Charitable Giving Committee Chair**