

THE WOMAN'S CLUB OF WINTER PARK, INC.

MAY 2024 HIGHLIGHTS



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President's Column

Once again, we close another chapter in the archives of the Woman's Club season, 2023-2024. The final meeting was the Silver High Tea and Installation of officers with 58 in attendance. Outgoing President, Katie Campbell opened the festivities with announcements and introduced our Outreach Chair, Sue Luongo, who read off the names of our "Golden Girls" (an exclusive group of 90-year-olds) who were presented with a gold cup. Katie then invited each table to go to the Dessert table and to get their beverage and enjoy a visit with harp music in the background.

Prior to the installation, each retiring board officer was presented with a goody basket with a special token of appreciation:

Shannon Harris and Jacqueline Stewart-Hospitality
Kathy Dunn and Sue Luongo-Corresponding Secretaries
Churchill Thompson- Programs and much more.
Kathy Parham-Charitable Giving and much more.
Elizabeth Fullington-Recording Secretary and
Katie Campbell- President

There was one other retiree, our Club Administrator Julie Wadsworth, who would be receiving her basket the following week. Roy Clement is filling her seat in the office as some of you may have seen his name on the WCWP emails. Roy is also our talented Harpist.

Next came the Installation and the reading of bios by past presidents, JoAnn Palmer and Nancy Miles. As each name was read, the ladies walked up to the stage receiving a yellow rose. Once all were read, past president Gerry Liff made it official. - The 2024-25 Board members are:

President -Natalie Hill
Recording Secretary-Meredith Murphy
Corresponding Secretary-JoAnn Palmer
Membership – Chris Bush
Ways & Means- Cindy Abeel
Charitable Giving- Lucy McDonough
Yearbook- Barbara Hughes
Scholarship-Sue Grafton & Patty Munsey

Vice President- Linda Rinker
Treasurer- Judy Allen
Asst.Treasurer -Sue Busby
Finance- Nancy Miles
Programs- Lindsay Peloza
House- Karen Rodda
Historian- Kim Mould
Parliamentarian- Meredith Murphy

A special thanks to the following for helping me to plan and set up for this special day: Kathy Parham, Linda Rinker, Jacqueline Stewart, Shannon Harris, Karen Rodda and Sue Luongo.

Have a great summer, save your goodies for the Rummage Sale on Labor Day Weekend and be safe.



Natalie Hill, President

Announcements & Updates

Charitable Giving

Awards to Non-Profit Organizations in 2023-2024



Thanks to Cindy Abeel, Ways and Means Chair, for her leadership on the annual rummage sale, and the numerous club members who volunteered at the rummage sale or donated items. The proceeds from the rummage sale are the major ongoing source of funds available for our annual awards to non-profit organizations. In addition, two generous club members added to the funds

available for awards this year. For our 2023-2024 club year, the Charitable Giving Committee voted to award \$24,500 to the following non-profit organizations:

Adult Literacy League
A Gift for Teaching
Central Florida Vocal Arts
Conductive Education of Orlando
Family Promise of Greater Orlando
Girl Scouts of Citrus Council
Historical Society of Central Florida
IDignity
Jewish Pavilion
Neighbors Network
Ruby Holland Foundation
Samaritan Village
The Sharing Center
Welbourne Avenue Nursery & Preschool
Winter Park Playhouse

Other Charitable Giving in 2023-2024

Our club's generosity resulted in in-kind donations of **\$6,071**, as well as monetary donations of **\$3,110** to the following:

Back-to-School (WP Housing Authority)
Salvation Army Stockings
Adopt-A-Family (WP Housing Authority)
Valentine's Day Boxes
The Finley Project
Freedom Ride

Thanks to the support of our club members, the WCWP donated a total of \$33,681 in 2023-2024 in support of the club's charitable giving mission.

****A special **thank you** to Kathy Parham for serving as co-chair of charitable giving for the past two years! Her leadership was key to the success of the committee!****

**Lucy McDonough,
Charitable Giving Chair**

Ways and Means



I am honored to continue as Ways and Means Chair for 2024-25. That means in June, July and August I will continue to pester you to put aside new and gently used items for our **August Rummage Sale** and to set aside time to work at the **set-up, August 25-29, and sale, August 30 and 31**. The Rummage Sale is our biggest fundraiser of the year and funds go to the Charitable Giving Committee who will donate the money to local organizations. For any of you who are not able to store items, please contact Lucy McDonough, who graciously has volunteered to store items till the sale. Please contact me if you have any questions.

Cindy Abeel,
Ways and Means Chair
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Happy Birthday!



Carol Nawrocki	5/3	Meriam Chedli	5/20
Rose Walleze	5/5	Joan Flewelling	5/21
Kim Mould	5/8	Nancy Williams	5/21
Patricia Lancaster	5/12	Nancy Miles	5/26
Kay Simmons	5/12	Judy Allen	5/27
Tiffany Howell	5/18	Sharyn Jontz	5/29
		Susan Howard	5/31

May Programs



Wow, what a fantastic year of Programs! As we reflect on the season that just passed, I find myself filled with gratitude and joy for the incredible experiences we shared together. From the laughter that echoed through our gatherings to the new friendships that blossomed, each moment was a treasure that I will

forever hold dear.

Thank you to my Programs Co-Chair Churchill, for your unwavering dedication in helping me navigate through this season. I couldn't have done it without you. Your hard work and commitment have truly made this season one to remember.

As we look ahead to the future, I am filled with excitement at the thought of continuing my Program Chair journey with such an amazing group of women. Together, I know we will create even more beautiful memories.

If you are interested in joining the Programs Committee – Please RSVP Lindsay at (330) 608-7159

We will meet on Wednesday May 8th at 1pm in our Boardroom at The Woman’s Club.

**Lindsay Pelozo,
Programs Committee Chairs**

House and Gardens



May 1, a very fond tradition so many of us remember as children, when we prepared baskets of flowers and goodies to leave at the front door of family and friends, then quickly hiding to make it an even better surprise! What a fun way to Celebrate the arrival of spring and summer, while sharing our Thank Yous and appreciating those so dear to us.

Thank you for your vote of confidence in giving me the privilege of continuing as your House & Gardens Chair! I will continue to honor and uphold the traditions our founders carefully created as The Woman’s Club of Winter Park’s mission. I will continue working with the staff and each of the committee chairs, to successfully join in meeting the needs for our weekly programs, rental events, and help to preserve our history and premises for future generations of the members and the community!

While bringing our 2023-2024 season to a close, please join me in thanking Julie, for a fabulous three years as our Office Administrator!! As she prefers to say “this is not good-bye, “ but rather a stepping back from her office position and we’ll look forward to seeing her sunny smile, perhaps some Thursdays in the fall?!



With that said, please meet Roy Clement! You may have seen his name on some the office emails or had the pleasure of already meeting him in the office as he will be filling that position ...or perhaps you first met him when he shared his musical talents as a harpist for our Spring Fashion Show and most recently our Silver Tea and Installation. His career includes Orchestra Musician, Hospitality, Non-Profit Office, and grant writing, to name a few!

Our summer months will be a bit quieter with no Thursday programs, however, please stop in to say hi when at the Club for Board or Committee meetings. The Office hours will remain the same: Mon -Thurs and Fri by Appt. 9:30-1:30.

I will have a year-end review and several updates to share in the June/July Highlights. Many exciting projects will be underway when the Clubhouse and Grounds are not so busy. Meanwhile, wishing all of you a fun, relaxing, safe, summer!!

**Karen Rodda,
House & Garden Chair**

Outgoing Corresponding Secretary Message

For the past two years, it has been my pleasure, on behalf of all our members; to celebrate your birthday, to console you in sorrow, to wish you well during illness or after injury and your happiness in your new marriage!!

Kathy Dunn

2023 MEMBER RENEWAL

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Name _____

Today's Date _____

Address _____

Home Phone _____

Cell Phone _____

E-Mail address _____

Birth month _____ Day _____

Please check if you **DO NOT** want your information published in the directory:

Phone _____ Cell _____ E mail _____

Emergency contact: _____ Phone _____

Have there been any changes to your information-new address, new phone, new e-mail? _____

It has been our custom that each member participate 2 or 3 times each year on the Hospitality committee for our teas: greeters, kitchen help, pourers, cookies, sandwiches, centerpieces, etc.

Please indicate your interest in other committees:

Please return this form and a check for \$100.00 for your dues. Thank you.