### THE WOMAN'S CLUB OF WINTER PARK, INC.



# JUNE 2016 HIGHLIGHTS

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## President's Message



Dear Ladies of the Woman's Club,

Although we are officially on vacation for the summer, there is some work going on behind the scenes. This month we are finalizing approval with the City of Winter Park and next month we will begin renovation of the north entrance to the club. We will be able to accommodate those July rentals that are agreeable to using the south entrance, as the construction will not interfere with the club interior. The new entrance is the result of planning by the Preservation Committee and is the last project of the restoration, which began in July 2015.

The Program Committee is working on our programs for 2016 - 2017. I know the committee has received suggestions from members and is busy securing speakers and making plans for some programs outside of our clubhouse. I am sure it will be another exciting and educational year for us.

The Scholarship Committee has plans to go through several years of applications this summer and to purge files that are not relevant to our history. Charitable Giving is once again looking for underserved groups that may need our assistance. The Scholarship Committee and Charitable Giving 2015 – 2016 annual reports are included in these Highlights.

Our Board and current chairpersons cannot do everything. We are still looking for volunteers from the membership. We need ladies to plan the Fall Luncheon, the Holiday Luncheon, and Founder's Celebration. This involves meeting with the caterer, planning the table décor and having the program printed. For the Holiday Luncheon it also includes planning the entertainment and working with Ways and Means to provide space for a fundraising activity. For our Founder's Event there will also be entertainment. To make things easier this year, each of these events will have it's own budget. We do have some resources for entertainment and can give suggestions. Please contact me if you would like to help with these events.

I want to remind our members to complete the renewal membership form and send in dues for 2016 – 2017 prior to June 30. The form is in this Highlights or on our website. You may also pay your dues on our website but we ask that you complete the membership form as well.

I hope everyone enjoys the summer days whether traveling, staying at home or entertaining visitors.

Cynthia

#### 2015-2016 Scholarship Annual Report

#### Prepared by Barbara W. Hughes

I am honored to have served as Chairman of the Woman's Club of Winter Park, Inc. Scholarship Committee for a second year.

This year the following members served on the committee:

Sharyn Jontz, Patricia Johnson, Elaine Laegeler, Karen Rodda and Diane Sandquist were returning members. Sharyn Jontz served as Secretary and Patricia Johnson served as Treasurer. Our new members were Barbara Bergstrom, Arlene Bridges, Marilyn Cromer, Beverly Cox and Bonnie Mizell.

Our first meeting was on September 14, 2015, and we hosted a Scholarship Table for the Membership Tea on September 17<sup>th</sup>. In November we began in earnest to plan for the Scholarship Reception to be held on December 17<sup>th</sup>. Both December 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> we were very busy decorating the Woman's Club and preparing food for the Scholars' Reception.

We had a very well attended Scholars' Reception on December 17<sup>th</sup>. Anna Olsen's students entertained us and Dean David Richard of the Rollins Evening Hamilton Holt shared words of wisdom laced with humor. Two student scholars also shared about their college experiences. We ended the evening with a number of Raffle winners - thanks to generous donations of members and others.

In January I prepared a report of last year's scholarships for the Central Florida Foundation. We receive earned income annually from the Pauline Mossman endowment housed at the Central Florida Foundation to utilize towards our scholarship awards.

Applications were due on March 1, 2016. On March 7, 2016, the committee met to study the applications of both new applicants and renewal applicants. The committee diligently examined the material received from each applicant and narrowed down the number to actually interview. There were 23 new applicants and 13 renewal applicants. The committee interviewed new applicants on April 2, 2016. The Renewals do not need to be interviewed again.

On April 4, 2016, the committee met to determine the actual scholarship awards for 2016-2017. We are proud to be awarding 13 Renewal Scholars in the amount of \$1,000 per scholar and 11 New Scholars in the amount of \$2,000 per scholar. The total awards are \$35,000. The Committee hopes you will join us in December of 2016 to have the opportunity to meet The Woman's Club of Winter Park, Inc. outstanding Scholars at a reception held to honor them.

The moneys awarded to the students are derived from the income earned from the Pauline Mossman endowment at the Central Florida Foundation, the Morse Genius Foundation, and the earnings from a capital fund at Morgan Stanley. This capital fund at Morgan Stanley has been built and sustained by members who have made donations over the years or by bequests that have been made by members or their families and friends. We thank each and every one of you who have made our scholarships possible.

A list of the Scholar recipients will be shared in the May 2016 *Highlights*.

#### The following students received scholarships:

Renewals

Amanda Bhanote University of Central Florida Huong Dang University of Central Florida

Zachary Dyce Florida State

Paul Gill University of Central Florida

Nicole Martell

Amir Nickell

Shannar O'Connor

Donald Phan

University of Florida

New York University

University of Miami

Rollins College

Jack Henry ReckmeyerUniversity of Southern CaliforniaAlexander ScheinerUniversity of Central Florida

Gregory Seel Florida State

Mariah Trainor Assumption College

Angela Zhu University of South Florida

New Scholars – Some have not made their final decision on college of their choice

Nikhile Anand Oviedo High School Jasmine Cabrera Apopka High School

Lauren Culbreth Hagerty High School University of Florida

Kristina Groetsch Oviedo High School University of Central Florida Jontae Hohn Seminole High School University of South Florida Silvia Huaman Seminole High School University of Central Florida

Madelyn Martin West Orange High School Baylor University

Allyson Reinneck

Nolan Seel Winter Park High School University of Central Florida

Julie Sparks Seminole High School

Antoinette Thomas Olympia High School Florida State University

University High School

In July checks will be sent to the colleges and universities of our scholars.

Our committee will be meeting on August 15, 2016, to evaluate this year and to prepare for our upcoming year – perhaps with some new ideas!

It has indeed been an honor to serve with some amazingly dedicated woman over the past two years.

Respectfully submitted, Barbara W. Hughes

#### **Charitable Giving Year End Report 2015-2016**

Thanks to the extraordinary efforts of all the members who contributed in any way to the success of the fundraising for our club, Charitable Giving began the year with a budget of \$5,000.00.

We approved donations to the following organizations from this budget:

A Gift for Teaching ---- \$200.00

Orlando Union Rescue Mission ---- \$200.00

Feed the Need ---- \$100.00

Adult Literacy League ---- \$600.00

Eti-keys ---- \$600.00

Central Florida Vocal Arts ---- \$600.00

Pathways to Care ---- \$600.00

Southeastern Guide Dogs ---- \$600.00

Lighthouse Central Florida ---- \$600.00

Neighbors Network ---- \$500.00

Monetary donations totaled \$4,600.00.

The remaining \$400.00 is designated for a special need.

Our in kind donations of food, clothing, and seasonal projects amounted to \$7,759.00. The total of our donations this year is \$12,359.00.

Respectfully submitted, Nancy Vicars April 21, 2016

#### **Honoring Our Past Presidents**

On April 28, we gathered to not only install our new officers, but to pay tribute to our past presidents.



Front Row: Molly Magee 2001-2003; Eleanor Irvine 1998-2000; Gerry Liff 2003-2005 Back row: Jo Ann Palmer 2005-2007; Susan Talcott 2007-2009; Linda Castle 2011-2013; Sandra Blossey 2013-2015



#### Wishing a Happy Birthday to:

Carolyn Cooper 6/3 Cynthia Gerken 6/29 Barbara Koehne 6/16 Elizabeth Phillips 6/3 Midge Ruff 6/22 Susan O'Sullivan 6/5 Sarah Eagan 6/21 Winifred Hartsock 6/13 Linda Manzonelli 6/11 Ann Polasek 6/29 Eileen Schiavo 6/21 Maxine Gay 6/9 Ann Hunter 6/10 Marie-Claire Penot 6/30 Shelby Roberts 6/23 Shawn Shaffer 6/26



Mark your calendars! Our Annual Rummage Sale is on September 3, 9am-4pm!!

Beginning August 29 until September 2, we will be receiving donations, pricing items, etc.

Don't forget to start saving your items to sell!

Please be sure to fill out our membership registration form and return it by June 30<sup>th</sup>. The form is on the back of this page.

We are looking forward to a wonderful 2016-2017!

## MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION WOMAN'S CLUB OF WINTER PARK, P.O. BOX 1433 WINTER PARK, FL 32790

Your Name	Today's Date
Address	
Home Phone	Cell Phone
Email Address	Birth Month and Day
Please check if you do no	t want published in directory: PhoneCellEmail
Please list professional ex	xperience and volunteer interests:
	h member participates 2 or 3 times each year on the Hospitality rs, kitchen help, pourers, cookies, sandwiches, centerpiece, etc.
Please indicate your interest in	other committees:
<b>Ways &amp; Means</b> : Labor Day Ru Bake SaleAuctions Bing	mmage SaleSpring Woman's ShowFounder's Day goRaffles
	eracySalvation ArmyOrlando Rescue Mission for SuccessOther?
<b>Programs:</b> Music Art L	iteratureTravelHealthDramaOther?
Lunches: FallHoliday	_Fashion ShowDinner on the Avenue
Scholarship: Review application	ons, Interview Candidates & Make Decisions
Publicity: Web site &	FacebookFinance Chair or Treasurer
Fundraising CommitteeI	House Preservation CommitteeClub History
Membership Committee	HouseLandscapingLegal Issues
Holiday Parade Holiday Tree in the Park	
Please add check for your dues(\$95) New member initiation (one time)	