THE WOMAN'S CLUB OF WINTER PARK, INC.



## NOVEMBER 2017 HIGHLIGHTS

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Dear Ladies of The Woman's Club of Winter Park, Inc.



It's hard to believe that the month of November is here! And, of course, when I think of November, Thanksgiving is right at the top of the list – a time to be grateful for all our many blessings.

I consider the Woman's Club as one of my greatest blessings. Each of our October programs has been fantastic. A very special thank you to Natalie Hill, JoAnn Palmer and Jean Koivu for the wonderful Fall Luncheon. For those unable to attend the luncheon Natalie Hill made 13 dresses representing our founding members attending various activities in the early 1900's. Natalie, you are truly amazing and we're very grateful that you are a member of the Woman's Club of Winter Park, Inc.

I'm grateful for each one of you, for all that you do for so many and for your friendship. Each of you bring your individual time and talents to serve each other, our club and our community. During these last two months of the year there will be many opportunities to be an uplifting presence and to assist the needy: events with the Orlando Union Rescue Mission, Welbourne Day Nursery, Salvation Army, the Winter Park Housing Project. You will find more information in this Highlight's issue.

And lastly, I'm truly grateful for all the opportunities that we are able to enjoy by living in this great country of ours. We are all truly blessed!

Judy Allen

#### **November Programs**

#### November 2, 2017, 2pm Reading from Rail Walking: Linda Dunlap

The author will read pieces from her book *Rail Walking and Other Stories*, which invites readers into the lives of characters who struggle to stay hopeful in a troubled world even when the ground shifts precariously beneath their feet. It is this hope of a gift that saves them from despair as they struggle with grace and dignity to make sense of their imperfect world.

Linda Dunlap began her second career as a fiction writer after a successful career as a registered nurse. Her work has appeared in numerous literary and small presses across the country, with many awards and nominations. She lives in Winter Park, FL and tries to write every day.



#### November 9, 2017, 2pm

Training for Emergencies: Tim Millard & Javier Rodriguez

Tim Millard's program will teach us what to do in the first few minutes of an emergency. The training will cover CPR with or without the use of an AED. Javier Rodriguez will talk with us about programs available to seniors in our community. Javier will bring information about upcoming S.A.F E. training, designed especially for women, that focuses on ways to protect yourself should the unthinkable happen.

Tim Millard is the Winter Park Fire Department coordinator for

CPR, First Aid and AED training with 28 years of service with the Fire Department. Javier Rodriguez is a Florida Crime Prevention Practitioner from the Winter Park Police Department with over twenty years of experience working in Law Enforcement.

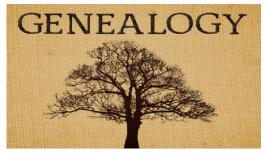
## November 16, 2017, 11:30am: New Eyes, Enduring Values Brooks Weiss

Bringing his 40+ years of living and working in Winter Park, together with his international career in planning and designing a wide variety of projects in Europe, Asia and across the US, Mr. Weiss offers a new perspective on what Winter Park is today and how it can be made better in the future.

Mr. Weiss and his family relocated to Winter Park to accept a position with Nils Schweizer's architectural firm, the Environmental Design Group, EDG. Mr. Weiss also joined the



City Senior Staff of the Planning and Community Development Department in June of 2017. Mr. Weiss' broad realm of living experiences and travels have enabled him to be exposed to the historic buildings of many major urban centers in Europe, Asia and the USA and allowed him to learn from other cultures.



November 30, 2017, 2pm: Finding Your Roots Through Genealogy: Maggie Winter

Maggie Winter is an active member of the local Genealogy Society and leads the genealogy study group at the University Club. She will show us how to use the various sources available for searching our ancestry. There will be time for questions.

#### Other Announcements | Events | Happenings

#### Evening at Eileen Fisher Sunday, November 19th, 5-7PM

Join us for an evening at Eileen Fisher located on North Park Avenue, Winter Park for wine, appetizers, games and drawings while previewing the holiday collections with your Woman's Club friends.

## Park Avenue Christmas Tree Decoration at the Park Thursday, November 30th, 9:00AM

Our annual Christmas Tree Decoration at the Park is around the corner. On November 30th, we will proceed with our tradition of decorating the beautiful tree on Park Avenue, on the east side of the rail road tracks. To join, please RSVP to Carol Card at carolanncard@aol.com





#### Santa Parade Saturday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 9AM

Please walk with us in the Santa Parade as we show off our Woman's Club spirit on Park Avenue. The parade is 1 mile in length and we do have a spot or two in our red convertible if you need to ride. If anyone with the Edwardian dresses or other period costume would like to join in that would be great! Parade starts at 9:00AM. We are lined up across from Casa Feliz on Whipple Avenue. The parade ends near the clubhouse so parking there is a great idea. Please email <a href="mailto:nancymiles@gmail.com">nancymiles@gmail.com</a> to join!

#### Paper Paintings Pet Class Sunday, December 10th, 1:00-4:00PM

Members please <u>sign up now</u> for the Paper Paintings class at the Woman's Club with Elizabeth St. Hillaire.

Club members get priority for this fun class. After Nov. 10<sup>th</sup> we will open it up to the public so grab your spot now.

Cost: \$30 for members, their children and grandchildren. \$45 for non-members. Please email Aycha to register at <a href="mailto:info@womansclubofwinterpark.com">info@womansclubofwinterpark.com</a>





#### Holiday Luncheon Thursday, December 14<sup>th</sup>, 11:30AM

The Woman's Club of Winter Park, Annual Holiday Luncheon is coming up soon.

Please reserve your spot by filling the form at the end of **this Highlights Newsletter.** The last day for reservations is Friday, December 8, 2017.

#### From The Charitable Giving Committee

We thank everyone for your donations to our Hurricane Irma Relief Project. We have given the Orlando Union Rescue Mission personal care items that have an in kind value of \$231.50. We have given the Meadows of the Winter Park Housing Authority non-perishable food valued at \$209.05. What a great response from our members! Both charities have voiced great appreciation.

Our next project is donating 50 Christmas stockings to the Salvation Army. The stockings are ready for pick up at our weekly meetings. Instructions as to suggested toys/goodies to purchase are available. Filled stockings need to be back to the club by our November 30th meeting. If anyone would like to support this project but isn't interested in the shopping aspect of it, a check can be written to the club with the designation of the Salvation Army Christmas stockings and members of our committee will do the shopping for you! If interested, please let me know by calling me at 407-4538-0398 or emailing me at gommy47@att.net.

We are also looking for volunteers to help with the following events for the Orlando Union Rescue Mission. Please contact Lucy McDonough if you are able to help at <a href="lucymcd3@aol.com">lucymcd3@aol.com</a> or at <a href="doi:10.1784">407-766-1784</a>
November 22 - Thanksgiving Banquet - Volunteers will meet at our Club House at 8:30AM to drive together to Central Blvd. We'll help serve a hot meal to hundreds of homeless. The event ends at 2:30PM.
December 16 - Christmas Wrapping Party - Volunteers will meet at the club at 11:30AM to drive together to Washington Street. We'll help wrap gifts for the families in the program. The event ends at 4:30PM.
December 22 - Christmas Banquet - Volunteers would meet at our club house at 8:30aAM to drive together to a location to be determined. We'll help serve a hot meal to hundreds of homeless. The event ends at 2:30PM.

We will also be supporting several families who live in The Meadows of the Winter Park Housing Authority. We should be getting the children's wish lists soon and will have them available at meetings so members can sign up for what they would like to purchase for this project. Again, committee members can do the shopping for you if you want to support this but would prefer not doing the actual shopping.

The holidays are special times. Our committee is so grateful for your support of our special projects that can bring joy to children. And, we wish each of you joyful holidays.

#### Marilyn Cromer, Chair



Wishing a Happy Birthday to:

# Lindy Freeman 11/18 Elizabeth Fullington 11/20 Shirley Osgood 11/29 Natalie Hill 11/14 Debbie Komanski 11/2 Elaine Laegeler 11/30 Jan Miller 11/23 Meredith Murphy 11/23 Ann Hicks Murrah 11/9

Churchill Thompson 11/7

JoAnn Palmer 11/11



## The Story and the History Behind the Fall Fashion Show in the Edwardian Era

#### By Natalie Hill

In the spring of this year, I talked to a few ladies during a Tea, about making some period outfits for the Founder's Day for a Fashion Show. My research for pattern companies lead me to Butterick "history" patterns and some others which allowed me to start on the project. Once some of our lovely ladies selected and volunteered to model for the patterns from my selection, I got to work.

Later, I travelled to Pennsylvania with fancy materials from my "stash", where I took my time to hunt for wide brim hats during the summer, found more of a variety of lovely materials, tons of thread and my sewing machine waiting to get used! I pressed and measured all the fabric so I would be able to match them up with the patterns and colors for the outfits. I love puzzles so this was a cakewalk for me! Once I got to work, each outfit took me two to three days to complete. I would sew them together but would wait to hem until they were fitted. I never had to buy anything except for one piece of scalloped cobalt blue lace. If you may wonder how, that is because, you see, my deceased husband's family had a store called Hill's Fabrics and guess who inherited the left overs when it closed! Thank you Lord!

When I had returned to Winter Park, I had made 13 outfits of the Edwardian era that I fitted whenever the gals could meet me at the club. My thanks to four lovely ladies that filled in for some of our models that had to step down in the middle of October and before I knew, we had an Edwardian Era Fall Fashion Show. There it is in a nutshell!

#### Look for Your Photos from the Edwardian Fashion Show

Our own *Churchill Thompson* has added her beautiful imagery of this most memorable luncheon to our website.

Please visit our website at www.womansclubofwinterpark.com/ and our Facebook Page for more photos from this and other Woman's Club events that took place in October.



## **Online Directory**

#### Online Access to Our Member Directory Made Easy!

To have access to the "Members Only" section of our website, for the member directory and more, use the following information: https://www.womansclubofwinterpark.com/membership-login/

Username: womansclub (all in small letters)

Password: Member2017@ (The letter "M" in capital letters)

**Churchill Thompson** 

**The Scholarship Committee** would like to welcome and introduce you to some of our newest scholar recipients.

By Barbara Hughes



Madison Tharp is a graduate of West Orange High School in Seminole County who is attending the University of Florida and plans to major in Molecular/Cellular Biology and Global Environmental Sustainability. Madison was an AP Ambassador serving as leader of Home Management Seminar and a member of both National Honor Society and the Science National Honor Society in which she received the Gold Shield award. Madison achieved Cum Laude on the National Latin exam as well as being an AP Scholar with Distinction while at West Orange. She also was on the Track and Field team and served as team captain of the Cross-Country team. Madison was in the top 1% of her class due to her persistence, diligent effort and focus.



<u>Day Toscano</u> graduated from Boone High School. She is attending Savannah College of Art and Design to major in Graphic Design. Day was described as being curious, creative, ambitious and caring by one of her teachers, and she described herself as being passionate about helping her community through art. She has served as Historian, Secretary, Vice President and President of the Art Club, a member of the National Honor Society, and served as Secretary of Savvy Seniors. She has her art displayed at the Downtown Gallery, City Arts Factory and won the Youth Artist Contest for two years in a row. In addition, she has received an honorable mention in the Maitland Art Show for her paintings and photography. An Autistic student at Boone has benefitted from Day's compassionate mentoring.



Brooke Woehr is a graduate of Lyman High School who is attending Palm Beach Atlantic University to major in Religion and Psychology. Brooke has been described as being respectful, hardworking, energetic, compassionate and giving as well as going above and beyond in all she endeavors. While at Lyman, Brooke served as an officer of FCA for three years, a member of the Leadership program and was awarded "Hardest Worker" award, a member of National Honor Society, and served as Secretary of Student Government. She also found time to be a cheerleader and a member of the tennis team. Broooke hopes that she might empower others to be leaders and to make a difference in our society.



### RSVP by Friday, December 8th:

Aycha Williams 535 N. Interlachen #202, Winter Park, FL 32789 Make checks payable to The Woman's Club of Winter Park, Inc.

Name:	
Guests & Seating Requests:	
Total Payment:	