

THE WOMAN'S CLUB OF WINTER PARK, INC.

# FEBRUARY 2023 HIGHLIGHTS



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## President's Column

Month two of the New Year is upon us and we are looking forward to new programs and a **Mardi Gras Luncheon** on the 16<sup>th</sup>. Circle your calendar and make your reservations.

Reflecting back for just a second. Our Board was thrilled with the response to the changes in the **Founders Day** program. The 2:00 o'clock agenda met with more ladies able to attend, especially those who don't drive at night. YOU provided the refreshments and WE did the tea and coffee (and water, of course). Thus, there was no fee, just your names! We had 65 in attendance and the "Tea Program", taught us all the history of one of our club's favorite pastime.



The February luncheon, which had been planned as a Taster's Choice is switched to one of our Publix special buffets. Lindsay and I chatted upon her return and went over a menu that we felt would be fitting for the Mardi Gras theme. Like our last time, we came up with a very reasonable selection, which will cost us only \$20 per person as before. We will have a wine social hour and a musical program while we dine. Please join us and check out details through our emails.

As we move closer to the end of the 22-23 year, we encourage those of you who have a talent or experience in any of our board duties to please step up and offer your time and energies. First and foremost is the position of Vice President for 23-24. It's a two-year position where you get to assist the President and be chairman for the Artisan's Showcase in the fall. There will be a committee of WCWP members and some of the vendors who will work together with the VP on the Artisans event.

So, ladies, on we go to February also known as the Valentine month. Please read through your Highlights and check out the Thursday Programs and "get involved".

*Natalie Hill, President*

## Announcements & Updates

### Charitable Giving

#### **Charitable Giving Project for February – Valentine’s Boxes**



For our February project, we will be collecting wrapped candy, preferably Valentine’s candy, to include in Valentine’s boxes for our member outreach. Please bring your donations and receipts to the Club by Wednesday, February 8. The Charitable Giving Committee will be assembling approximately 30 Valentine’s boxes starting at noon on Thursday, February 9 in the boardroom prior to our 2:00 pm program. Club members attending the program on February 9 are encouraged to stop by the Charitable Giving table to pick up a few boxes for delivery to our Club’s outreach members (delivery from February 9 – 14). Thank you for helping to let our members know that they are remembered!

#### **Application for Awards to Non-Profit Organizations**

We are currently accepting applications for our “Awards to Non-Profits”. Information about the program and the application for an award is available on our website. The application deadline is March 1. Please note that this is a change from our prior year deadline of March 31. Applicants should also attach a copy of the following to the application: 1) 501(c)(3) tax exempt letter and 2) a copy of the most recent Form 990 or most recent financial statements. Decisions on awards will be made in the mid-March timeframe. Eligibility is extended to 501(c)(3) organizations in Orange and Seminole counties. In recent years, the awards have ranged from \$100 - \$3,000 based on need and the amount raised by our Club from the Rummage Sale, Holiday Luncheon Bake and Craft Sale, and other fundraising. If you know of a non-profit organization doing good work in our community, please let them know about this opportunity.

#### **Looking Ahead – Charitable Giving Project for March**

A representative of the Audubon Center for Birds of Prey will be speaking at the Club on March 30. In lieu of a speaker’s fee, we will be collecting donations for their organization. More information will follow later in February, including the specific wish list of items requested by the Audubon Center for Birds of Prey.

**Lucy McDonough & Kathy Parham,  
Charitable Giving Committee Co-Chairs**

## Happy Birthday



Lucy McDonough	2/3	Peggy Rogers	2/16
Roberta Willenkin	2/9	Leslie Thomas	2/16
Julie Wadsworth	2/11	Heather Frazee	2/17
Marilyn Shepardson	2/12	Margaret Griffith	2/17
Kathy Seyfried	2/13	Monica Clarke	2/22
Annette Kelly	2/14	Jeanie Freeman	2/25
Lynn Wiley	2/15	Kathy Dunn	2/27



**Please add the following member renewals and new members to your 2022-2023 Directory:**

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## February Programs

February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2 pm

### Pause for the Cause



#### MEET: Rebecca Fox



Rebecca Fox is an Orlando-based author, artist, and nonprofit professional. She works as the Development Manager for Samaritan Village, Inc., a ministry that serves survivors of sex trafficking along their journeys to hope, healing, and freedom. Rebecca is passionate about the power of stories to create connections and inspire action.



#### MEET: Carin Anderson, Development Manager



Carin Anderson is the Development Manager for Family Promise. In this role for the past seven years, Ms. Anderson cultivates individual and corporate donors as well as oversees initiatives such as events, direct mail campaigns, and grant writing and agency communication.

She attended Emory University and received a Bachelor's Degree in English and obtained a Master's Degree in Communications from the University of Florida.



#### MEET: Tarena Grant, Winter Park Housing Authority



Tarena Grant joined the Winter Park Housing Authority staff January 2020 and quickly transitioned into her role as the Resource Coordinator. Driven by a personal passion to intentionally impact the lives of others makes her role as our ROSS Service Coordinator essential for our communities.

Prior to her tenure with the Housing Authority, she was an educator in the private school sector for about 7 years and a former Prevention Specialist with The Center for Drug Free Living, Inc. for 5 years. Her commitment and dedication within these roles profoundly influenced her experiences leading to a life of leadership, service, and community engagement.

Ms. Grant's role as the ROSS Service Coordinator is to build a relationship with residents to help eliminate any barriers that may prevent them from achieving personal, financial, educational, and/or career goals.

Ms. Grant holds a Bachelor of Applied Science in Business and Organizational Leadership from Valencia College where she also accomplished and received a Paralegal Degree along with several Business Certificates focused on Entrepreneurship, Management, Operations, Operation Support and Service, and Business Specialist.

Quote to live by: "Our deepest fear is not that we are inadequate. Our deepest fear is that we are powerful beyond measure. " – Marianne Williamson

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February 9<sup>th</sup>, 2 pm



#### **MEET: Nikki Coppola**



Hi, my name is Nikki Coppola. I am the new Southeast Regional Manager for the National Ovarian Cancer Coalition. I cover FL, GA, AL, MS, NC, and SC. I will be supporting our efforts to grow the Southeast Region and Florida market, specifically Orlando where I reside.

I come from The Muscular Dystrophy Association, where I served as a Development Specialist. During my time there I managed events, peer-to-peer fundraising, development opportunities, and volunteer programs for the region. My experience with programs, driving revenue, and relationship building will be what I use to help educate, spread awareness and raise much-needed funds to support our free Programs and Resources that we provide to women with Ovarian Cancer.

The mission of the NOCC is to save lives through the prevention and cure of ovarian cancer and to improve the quality of life for survivors and their caregivers.

There is no early detection test for ovarian cancer; a Pap test cannot detect the disease. So, women need to know their bodies, be aware of the signs and take early action.

Through national programs and local NOCC market initiatives, our goal is to educate communities and increase awareness about the symptoms of ovarian cancer. The NOCC also provides information to assist newly diagnosed patients, gives hope to survivors, and supports caregivers. Our commitment extends to the advancement of ovarian cancer research.

Our programs are possible only with the help of our staff and volunteers – committed men and women in communities nationwide who are dedicated to the mission of the NOCC. We encourage you to join them. Together, we can make a difference in the lives of women, families, and communities touched by ovarian cancer.

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**February 16<sup>th</sup>, 11:30 am**

**Let's Celebrate Mardi Gras!!**

- **JAZZ Performance by Chris Padgett -**



**MEET: Chase Padgett, local artist turned national TV star**



Chase Padgett has toured performing arts venues all over North America as a Singer, Guitarist, Actor, & Storyteller. His array of one man shows such as 6 Guitars, Nashville Hurricane, and more blends his talents into unforgettable musical experiences. He has been a guest entertainer for Disney Cruise Line and was even a semi-finalist on Fox's avatar based singing show Alter Ego.





February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2 pm

## GRAIL



### SPEAKER NAME

Gregg Bullion

Bio: GRAIL Galleri - Consultant

34 year Orlando Resident - 25 year Career Healthcare Industry

University of Texas at Austin Graduate

Wife Jennifer - Daughter Karlie -Son Jarrett

- **Who is GRAIL**
- **What is Galleri MCED**
- **How is Galleri different**
- **Why Galleri now**

### *Did You Know?*

As a Winter Park landmark since 1921, the Woman's Club of Winter Park's clubhouse gracefully reminds all who pass by the elegant building, or enter its doors as members or guests, of our deep commitment towards the preservation of our Classical Revival style building as a symbol of the rich history of the American Woman's Club Movement in Winter Park. With its beautiful interior rooms and archival spaces, the Woman's Club is both a warm home for our vibrant members and a distinctive rental venue.



From the beginning, Woman's Club of Winter Park members, and their spouses, families, and friends, have been exceptionally generous in donating time, energies, monetary funds, furniture, paintings, prized personal possessions and furnishings, silver tea sets and beautifully inscribed silver bowls, books, and, in the case of Mr. Charles Hosmer Morse, the husband of Helen P. Morse, the club's first president, the very land upon which the building resides. According to a brief club history written in 1993 by Rollins College student Haynes Willson, "Mrs. Morse donated several pieces of furniture to the club (table, credenza, chairs, etc.)...the furniture was put in the north lobby dining room, now called the Board Room, and is still there today" (Woman's Club of Winter Park Archives). Unfortunately, the student does not clearly document the original source crediting Mrs. Morse for this generous gift. However,

according to an official "Inventory of Woman's Club of Winter Park, Inc. as of February, 1993," several substantial pieces of heavy oak carved furniture, including a 7 foot long Court Cupboard, a 4 foot long Oak Server, an Oak Gateleg Table, six Oak Side Chairs, and two Antique Oak Chairs with arms, all circa 1870, are listed. These Jacobean Revival style items, including the Court Cupboard and Oak Server each with an interior drawer tag noting the items were "Designed and Made By The Hayden Company, 523 Fifth Avenue, New York," grace our Board Room today in 2023.



In 2016, in an effort to confirm the provenance of these items, I contacted Jennifer Thalheimer, Curator and Collection Manager at the Charles Hosmer Morse Museum of American Art in Winter Park. Charles H. Morse preferred to furnish *Osceola Lodge*, his beautiful lakefront home on Interlachen Avenue, in the Craftsman style Gustav Stickley furnishings popular in the early 1900's. The Museum Archives has no record of the Woman's Club of Winter Park Jacobean Revival style furniture as having been owned, or donated, by Charles or Helen Morse to the club, however, the Museum Archives has several packing crate labels in its collection from New York City. My research indicates the strong possibility that the furniture was owned by Helen Morse, shipped to Winter Park upon her marriage to Charles Morse in 1911, and given to the Woman's Club. The Hayden Company, the designer and builder of the Board Room furniture, was founded in 1846 by C. J. and J. E. Hayden

in Rochester, New York as a chair and cabinet factory. The second Mrs. Morse, the widow Helen Strong Piffard Morse, was born and raised in New York City and spent the years of her first marriage to Dr. Henry G. Piffard in New York City, thus remains the possibility the furniture was hers. Helen Morse was well-known for her generosity and, as a Woman's Club of Winter Park "In Memoriam" upon her death notes, deeply beloved for her "unswerving loyalty, a neighbor who loved others as herself and a leader who ruled with kindness, tolerance and charity," and it's a lovely idea that "some ray of that spirit remains enshrined in this building" (Winter Park Herald Newspaper, December 12, 1929).

As part of our archival space, the History Committee has created a notebook with Donation Forms documenting material donations to the Woman's Club. If you have generously donated an item, or wish to donate an artifact, including historic photographs, please contact Kim Mould, History Committee Chair, at [kmould04@gmail.com](mailto:kmould04@gmail.com) or 407-221-8538.

**Kim Mould,  
Historian**



We are excited to announce our second Art Auction on February 28th, 2023.  
Some works donated by a formerly local artist will be featured and we welcome donations of artwork, framed posters and other art related items that you might like to "re-home".

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

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**LIVE AUCTION**

**A fun fundraiser for our historic building!**

Tuesday, February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2023

From 7:00 pm until....

419 South Interlachen Ave, Winter Park, FL 32789

Wine & Hors d'oeuvres • Admission \$35