

The Woman's Club of Winter Park, Inc.

February 2024 HIGHLIGHTS



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President's Column

A very happy February to all! This, the second month of 2024 is a very special one in that it has 29 days. Years in which February has 28 days are called common years, so our 2024 is a very special one, a Leap Year.



Reflecting back a week, our Founder's Day celebration held January 25, 2024, was also a very special one. Our Historian, Kim Mould gave an excellent speech on our history and our time capsule was installed. Our evening was an historic one and a celebration of our current friendship with a positive outlook for our wonderful future.

We begin our February on the 1st with a program presented by our very own Winter Park Fire Department, Engine Company 61. We will learn about our AED, which is a heart defibrillator. The equipment was originally donated by Past President Judy Allen, and has received a recent update. Thank you, Judy, for thinking of our hearts.

In addition to our watercolor class on the 8th, we will have a Taster's Choice Luncheon on the 15th with a program presented by the Happy Hoofers. This is always a well-attended event, thanks to your participation. These luncheons are a particular tradition of our WCWP, and a favorite for many of our members. The colors of all of the lovely dishes fill our ballroom. Mixed with good cheer, friendship and the heart beating rhythm of energetic tap dancing, the day is sure to be grand. Please sign up at our welcome table during our next meetings.

We then have Blue Bamboo Jazz on Tuesday evening the 20th, the Finley Project on the 22nd and finish February with a flourish on the 29th with "Everything's Coming Up Roses".

As we move closer to the end of our 23-24 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, energy and talent. We are looking for someone who will be interested in working with our Charitable Giving Committee, so please consider this opportunity to serve our WCWP and our community.

February is also a Valentine Month, so please accept my best wishes to each of you. I ❤️ the WCWP, and send you all warm Valentine wishes,

Announcements & Updates

Charitable Giving

Charitable Giving Project for February – Valentine’s Boxes



For our February project, we will be collecting wrapped Valentine’s candy and small packages of cookies to include in Valentine’s boxes for our member outreach. Donations (and receipts) can be dropped off at the Hospitality/sign-in table at our February 1 and February 8 meetings. Donations (and receipts) can also be dropped off at the office on Monday – Thursday anytime from 9:30 am – 1:00 pm through February 8.

The Charitable Giving Committee will be assembling the Valentine’s boxes in the boardroom on Thursday, February 8 before our 2:00 pm program. *Club members attending the program on February 8 are encouraged to stop by the boardroom after the program to pick up a few boxes for delivery to our homebound and other members (delivery from February 8 – 13).* Thank you for helping to let our members know that they are remembered!

Awards to Non-Profits

We are currently accepting applications from local non-profits for funding awards. Information about the awards program and the application for funding is available on the Charitable Giving section of our website. The deadline for receipt of applications is March 1, 2024, with decisions on awards to be made in the mid to late March timeframe. The proceeds from the 2023 rummage sale and holiday luncheon bake and craft sale are the primary sources of funding for the 2024 awards to non-profits. If you know of a non-profit organization doing good work in our community (Orange County or Seminole County), please let them know about this opportunity.

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

Scholarship

The scholarship committee has sent E-mails to all the schools in Orange and Seminole making them aware of our scholarship and where students can go for the application. If you know of any deserving students, please give them our website where they can fill out the application.

Historian

On January 21, 1921, the Woman's Club of Winter Park held its first official meeting in the club's beautiful, brand-new clubhouse by dedicating the building's gorgeous auditorium to Mrs. Helen Morse, the club's first President and wife of Mr. Charles H. Morse, well-known Winter Park benefactor. Mr. and Mrs. Morse had generously donated the five town lots on which the clubhouse sits and the elegant antique furniture that today graces the Boardroom and the Helen Morse Hall.



On January 25, 2024, we commemorated this momentous event with our yearly Founders Day Celebration. After cocktails and a wonderful dinner, members and guests listened to a presentation given by Club Historian/Archivist, Kim Mould, recalling our club's founding and rich history, with a particular focus on the challenging Covid Years - 2020 - 2021. Kim's presentation spoke of the many ways the club has faced adversity throughout our history, but we faced an entirely new type of adversity with Covid. Two particularly fabulous club members, President Nancy Miles and House Chair Karen Rodda, were recognized, but truly it was only with the committed "perseverance and resilience" of all club members that we were successful in not allowing the Woman's Club of Winter Park "to die or fail on our watch." Our Founders would be so proud!

A time capsule documenting the Covid Years - 2020 - 2021 was finally officially placed in a permanent space in the Helen Morse Hall with a stunning cover to mark the location. The time capsule will be opened in 2070 with 4 year-old Tessa Rodda Stowe, who will be 54 in 2070, as our Ambassador to the Future.

Kim is profoundly grateful for all the effort and support given by so many in the pursuit of an official time capsule on our club property. And, as she said in her presentation, "I love this club. I love its members. I love its clubhouse. And I absolutely love its **history**."

Kim Mould,
Historian

Member's Wanted!



Ladies! On March 14, we will be having our Fashion Show luncheon with outfits from Siegel's on Park Ave. We are to provide about ten models sizes 2-14. If you are interested, please contact Natalie at 740-503-8057 by phone or text.

Natalie Hill,
Yearbook/Website Co-Chair

Ways and Means



Although the Rummage Sale is months away, please begin to save any items you may have for donation. **We need ladies to offer storage possibilities in a garage or spare space in your homes for members who have items but must get them out of the house.** Hopefully, that won't be many. Our two lovely ladies who helped last year have other obligations for their space at this time.

Please let me know if you can assist in this area by calling/texting or emailing – 407 690-0086, zsuzs1@earthlink.net. If a few folks help, we can limit the space needed. Thanks in advance.

Cindy Abeel,
Ways and Means Chair
Zsuzs1@earthlink.net
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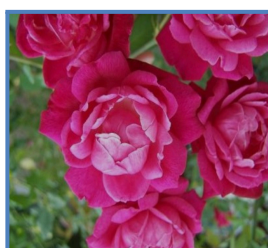
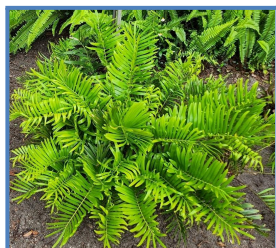
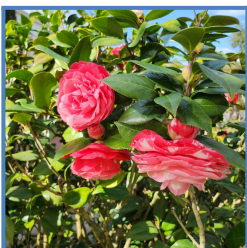
House and Gardens

Please join us February 29, 2:00 p.m. to celebrate this special “extra” day as we begin plans to make our Gardens even more beautiful. Elaine Ellman, a new member, will share her love and knowledge of Historical Roses, and we are excited she has joined our Garden committee. She and her husband Ron have kindly donated two Louie Philippe Rose bushes to further enhance our front Terrace entrance. They have been planted near two special Gardenia plants donated by former Club President, Sandra Blosssey. What beautiful additions they make to our favorite stately Camellias!!

We will continue to address areas throughout our grounds, still waiting for our attention following some mother nature setbacks. However, our focus is much grandeur while we strive to research the Historical vision and path our Woman’s Club Founders followed in creating our original gardens. In doing so, we would also like to honor Florida’s native vegetation when possible. We currently have several native species and recently planted Coontie Palms at the Lyman Dr. entrance.

We would love to have you join our grounds committee. Our newest staff member, Ricky Reasner, has already jumped on board and is anxious to help and share his love of gardening, and he does most of the digging! Yeah! cell/text 407.276.1843 or Email kkrodda@cfl.rr.com

Hoping to see you February 29th, interesting, fun and tasty!



**Karen Rodda,
House Chair**

Membership



Welcome to our new

members!

Please add the following new member information to your directory:

Sarah Grafton (1/2)
1865 E. Adams
Maitland, FL 32751
407-920-2043 c
sarahegrafton@gmail.com

Nancy Ludin (3/23)
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Ste 131
Altamonte Springs, FL 32714
407-975-3335
407-739-0205 c
nancyludin@jewishpavilion.org

Cynthia Nugent (9/10)
664 Osceola Ave.
Apt 302
Winter Park, FL 32789
407-963-0408 c
cnugent70@gmail.com

**Meredith Murphy,
Membership Chair**

Happy Birthday!



Lucy McDonough	2/3	Margaret Griffith	2/17
Marilyn Shepardson	2/12	Monica Clarke	2/22
Annette Kelly	2/14	Jeanie Freeman	2/25
Lynne Wiley	2/15	Kathy Dunn	2/27
Peggy Rogers	2/16		

February Programs

February 1st, 2:00 p.m. First Aid



Thursday's program will be presented by a representative from our very own Winter Park Fire Department.

We will learn about our own AED, it's function, capabilities and receive instructions on what to do in case of a heart emergency. We ❤️ our WPF.

February 8th - 2:00 p.m. Watercolor Class – RSVP required

Fabiola will supply all materials and the cost will be \$15 (\$16 if paying by credit card). *Your payment will hold your space. We are limited to 25 people, and you must sign up and pay by Monday, February 5th. Please give Julie, in the clubhouse office, payment by February 5 to guarantee your spot!*



MEET: Fabiola Hansen

Born in Sao Paulo, Brazil, Hansen received a Bachelor of Cinematography at FAAP Arts and Communication College, São Paulo, Brazil in 1995. She came to the United States in 1996. She studied Painting and Figure drawing at the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston, and at Fortman Studio in Florence, Italy. In 2008, she earned her degree in Art Education from the University of Central Florida.

Hansen has worked as an art teacher in the central Florida area for private schools, after-school, home-school and other outreach programs. She also taught workshops at the Mennello Museum of American Art and Crosby Wellness Center.

She has served on the faculty at Crealde School of Art since 1998. Hansen also has years of experience teaching art to Senior citizens, as well as people with disabilities. In addition to English, she is fluent in Portuguese and has some knowledge of the Spanish and Italian languages.

As an independent artist she displayed her works of art in the Casselberry City Hall, the Orlando Science Center, Barnett Bank, and art galleries in the US and Brazil.

Artist Statement



To share my knowledge and love for art with my students and help them learn processes and techniques not only through observation, but through experimentation and interpretation of the world that



surrounds them.

February 15th – 11:30 a.m.

Taster's Choice Luncheon with a performance by The Happy Hoofers

RSVP required by February 13th

An invitation card for a Galentine's Day Party. The card has a white background with a decorative border of colorful stars and swirls. The text is centered and reads: "YOU ARE INVITED TO OUR Gal-entine's Day PARTY FEBRUARY 15 AT 11:30 AM Please join us for Our Taster's Choice Luncheon and a Performance by: The Happy Hoofers -Located at The Woman's Club- Please RSVP by Tuesday, February 13th using the signupgenius link provided in the email or scan the QR code below." A QR code is located at the bottom right of the card.

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<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4AA4AC2AA1F9C16-47585179-youare>



MEET: The Happy Hoofers

The Happy Hoofers dance group began over 30 years ago under the direction of the late Evelyn Chester; when Evelyn retired in 2018, we did not want to stop dancing.... so, under the direction of Ida M. Condry, in 2024, we are still dancing. If you are wondering what is a HOOFER? Well....in dance jargon...a HOOFER is a dancer, most specifically, a tap dancer!

Dancing is good for the soul and we Hoofers love to dance!

Tuesday, February 20th, 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

**The Blue Bamboo
Reservations required**

**The Blue Bamboo's
Chris Cortez & Bobby Koelble**



MEET: Chris Cortez & Bobby Koelble with The Blue Bamboo

A swinging guitar duo unlike any other! Virtuoso and off-the-cuff arrangements like listening to two guitars having a musical conversation. Each program of pop standards, jazz, and Cortez originals is inventive and a treat to the ears!

Free Admission but reservations required since seating is limited. Reservations can be made on the link provided below:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4AA4AC2AA1F9C16-47257674-thewomans#/>

**February 22nd, 2:00 p.m.
THE FINLEY PROJECT**



MEET: NOELLE MOORE, FOUNDER & EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

As an Orangetown Christian School and Rollins College Alum, Noelle has a heart to make Central Florida a more equipped place to handle infant loss and families experiencing the unimaginable, the loss of an infant.

In 2013, Noelle experienced the unimaginable, the death of her daughter Finley as a result of medical malpractice. When Finley died, Noelle struggled to find where to go or what to do next. Noelle knew she had to do something, so she founded the nation's only 7-Part Holistic Program helping mothers after infant loss, The Finley Project.

To date, The Finley Project has enrolled and supported over 450 families. The Finley Project is recognized across the country as an innovator in the Bereavement space because of its one-of-a-kind 7-Part Holistic Support Model.

Noelle is Board President of the *Winter Park YMCA* and is a founding member of the *Pregnancy and Infant Loss Resource Network of Central Florida (PILRN)*. She is a Grief-Share facilitator and an active member *Rotary Club of Lake Mary*. Noelle was awarded Art of Compassion Award by the *Pay It Forward Organization* in 2018, the *Paula Hawkins Lifetime Achievement Award* in 2019 and led The Finley Project to win the 2017 and 2018 *Winter Park Chamber of Commerce Ovarations Award*. April 2020, Noelle was awarded *Orlando Family Magazine, Top 15 Super Women Award*. Most recently, Noelle was featured in *People Magazine* as well as *Forbes Magazine*.

February 29th, 2:00 p.m.

A Special Leap Year Program "Everything's Coming Up Roses"



MEET: ELAINE ELLMAN

Standing next to Louie Philippe Roses, most popular in Florida

Please join Elaine Ellman, one of our new members – she will take us on a fun journey and share a beautiful passion for Historical Roses. Easy care, great to eat ...what more could you ask for?! Come see and taste for yourself! Seriously, save the date you will not want to miss!!

Born in Arizona and raised in Texas, as a lifelong learner, she thanks her family for her ambitions. Elaine has several degrees including a doctorate in education and was past President in the sorority for educators ADK. She has lived in Florida since the 1980's so considers herself a Floridian, and along with her career in teaching she has enjoyed several hobbies, one of which began in Texas, a passion to learn about- old garden roses, that flourish there and here in Winter Park as well!

In 1997, Elaine became Master Rosarian and co-founder of the Orlando Area Historical Rose Society. They meet the first Sunday of the month at the Leu House in Leu Gardens, their mission is to study the historical perspectives of old garden roses and the preservation of their heritage. "It is our hope old garden roses hold respectful places in our hearts and be enjoyed today as did our forefathers." Please be sure to check out the House & Gardens Report for additional information.

**Lindsay Peloza & Churchill Thompson,
Programs Committee Co-Chairs**

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Chris Cortez & Bo

A swinging guitar duo unlike any other! Virtuoso listening to two guitars having a musical conversation. Standards, jazz, and Cortez originals is invited.

Tuesday, Febru

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Fall in Love with Your Finances

Please join us for a women-only event, whether you are divorced, married, widowed or single.

We will discuss the keys to being lovingly and passionately in control of your investment goals.

Refreshments and supplies to create your 2024 vision will be available for all our guests.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14TH | 5:30 PM
THE WOMAN'S CLUB OF WINTER PARK
419 S INTERLACHEN AVE
WINTER PARK, FL 32789

Hosted by Cindy Price, CFP®
 Price Financial Services
 Presentation by Cindy Price & Benjamin Fazio, CRPC | 1290 Funds
 "Building a Fulfilling Future"

RSVP by February 12th
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