

The Woman's Club of Winter Park, Inc.



October 2025 HIGHLIGHTS

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President's Column

Mother Teresa said "I can do things you cannot, you can do things I cannot. Together we can do great things." And boy have we done great things! The Rummage sale made over \$20,000! Thank you to Cindy Abeel, who chaired this committee, and to all those who had a hand in its success. It was a magnificent team effort!

Our Membership Tea was outstanding! Under the leadership of Judi Andrews & Ceil Slavish, we signed up 11 new members! Welcome to Collette Davis, Charlotte Hattaway, Patricia Jones, Kenneithia Mitchell, Maggie Parker, Melody Roadman, Linda Thornton, Ann Clement, Tamila Kearney, Amy Roderick, & Jackie Byrd Thompson.

Our Preservation fundraising campaign is kicking off at our October 2 meeting. Our goal is \$200,000.00. It has been 10 years since our last fundraising campaign. Over the next 2 years, we will incur approximately \$150,000.00 in expenditures for the preservation of the house. At 104 years old, this old house needs some TLC. To achieve our preservation goal, we are reaching out to our committed members for support. We kindly ask you to consider donating to the Preservation Campaign. Every contribution, regardless of the amount, brings us one step closer to our goal of preserving & enhancing our House for the enjoyment of all current & future members. Please refer to the article below for more details.

Thank you for your continued commitment to the Woman's Club of Winter Park. Together, we can ensure that our beloved House remains a cherished part of our community for years to come.



All the best, *Chris*

Christine Bush, President

Preservation Campaign 2025 – 2026

We are excited to announce the launch of a **Preservation Campaign** dedicated to maintaining and enhancing the historical integrity of our House. This initiative will help ensure that future generations can continue to enjoy the House that we treasure today. To achieve our preservation goals, we will be reaching out to our committed members for support. The Preservation Campaign will be introduced at the October 2nd meeting followed by a letter mailed to all members. We kindly ask you to consider supporting the Preservation Campaign. Together, we can ensure that our beloved House remains a cherished part of our community for years to come.



Happy October Birthdays

Kristy Dunlap-Piecuch	10/3
Ceil Slavish	10/5
Sue Luongo	10/8
Karen Rodda	10/9
Annette Zielinski	10/9
Lindsay Peloza	10/16
Susan Talcott	10/17
Bette Blanchfield	10/29
Betty Wanielista	10/29
Laura Jensen	10/30



Judi Andrews and Cecelia Slavish, Membership Co-Chairs

Ways and Means

Hold on to your hats, because thus far, the Rummage Sale has made \$21,209.14! That is over \$7000 more than we have made from any other past sale. Besides our members, many neighbors, members of organizations we belong to and the general public stopped by to contribute items to sell. Advertising went on Facebook, local venues and Ricky found even more places to publicize our sale. That brought the buyers in. Thank you to the over 50 members who helped in big ways and small. My job was so much easier with the great support you provided. As I have said in the past, you are the stars of the show! And we are not done. We have placed items on eBay, are taking clothes to consignment, and have two major items to find homes for: a very large oil painting by German artist Peter Nottrott, valued at over \$2000, and a small Asian piece, believed to be agate, which, if authentic, and we believe it is, is valued over \$2000. I will be looking for homes for these pieces; if you are interested in them, know someone who might be, or have a suggestion who I should contact, please get in touch with me. For any new members - welcome!! - and know that all proceeds from this sale will be awarded to worthy organizations at the end of the Club year. And just remember - it's not too soon to start setting aside next year's donations!!

Cindy Abeel, Ways and Means Chair

Charitable Giving

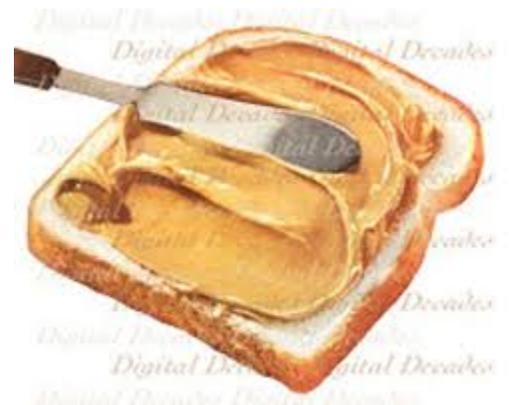


Salvation Army Christmas Stockings

Please visit the Charitable Giving table at the Thursday meetings in October to pick up your stocking(s). The deadline to return your filled stocking(s) is October 30. Please remember to submit your receipts.

Peanut Butter and Bags for Killarney Elementary

As a reminder, donations of peanut butter (12-16 oz. only) and plastic bags for the children at Killarney Elementary will be ongoing throughout the school year. Donations can be dropped off at the Thursday meetings or in the club office on Monday – Thursday from 9:30 am – 1:00 pm. Please remember to submit your receipts.



~Looking Ahead~



Adopt-A-Family Christmas Gifts

Starting in November, we will once again participate in the Adopt-A-Family program, collecting Christmas gifts for families at The Meadows, a Winter Park Housing Authority facility. The Christmas wish lists will be available at the November meetings, with gifts (and receipts) to be returned to the Club by December 11.

As always, thanks for your support of the Club's charitable giving mission!

Debbie Kirkwood & Kathy Parham, Charitable Giving Committee Co-Chairs

Historian

Thank you to everyone who stopped by The Woman's Club of Winter Park Archives display at the recent Membership Tea. Our Archives holds many fascinating artifacts, documents, old letters and photographs, and several interesting local history books. I always love sharing it all with members, new members, and guests, especially when I meet someone who has a "generational history" with the Club. New member Suzanne Bliss introduced herself to me, and we shared a great conversation about when her mother, Ruth Bliss, was Club President for two terms, 1995 – 1997 and 2000 – 2001. I remember Mrs. Bliss when I first met the "ladies of the club" in 1999, and I am looking forward to sharing more of her collection with both her daughters in October.



Kim Mould, Historian

House and Grounds

As you all may have noticed, Rollins College has begun site work on their property across from our Lyman Street entrance. This has resulted in fewer parking spaces for folks in the area. A perk of our Women's Club membership is the ability to park in our lot when you are in the area. In order to preserve your spaces, we are placing notes on vehicles who don't display our WCWP Parking Sticker. A second unauthorized parking occurrence will result in towing of the vehicle, as per our sign.

If you don't have your parking sticker, or may have misplaced it, please see our Club Administrator Roy. You are always welcome at our Women's Club of Winter Park! Let's display our stickers proudly.

And a huge thank you to our House Team of Roy, Chip and Ricky for keeping our clubhouse running smoothly and looking fabulous. We are fortunate to be hosting so many wonderful events.

Katie Campbell, House and Grounds Chair

Hospitality



Alas, our 2025-26 season has begun. Each week when you arrive, please sign-in at the Hospitality card table. Also, you will find the monthly charts for volunteers needed each week-2 greeters, 2 pourers, 2 cookie bakers and 2 sandwich makers. We encourage you to find a blank space and write your name. The Tuesday before your turn, you will receive a reminder text.

We thank you "for your service" ahead.

Natalie Hill and Fran Myklus, Hospitality Co-Chairs

October Programs

Thursday Oct. 2nd at 2PM – Welcome Back Party!

Get ready to kick off the season with fun, friendship, and celebration! We are excited to invite all new and returning members to our Welcome Back Party. It's the perfect way to reconnect and start the year off on a high note. Whether you're a seasoned member or joining us for the first time, everyone is welcome! We can't wait to see you there!



Thursday Oct. 9th at 2PM

1 Up Martial Arts – Self-Defense

1UP Martial Arts has been servicing families in Winter Park for 10 years! They take on a modern approach to martial arts by using a gamified curriculum while keeping the respect, structure and discipline kids need grow into the best versions of themselves. 1UP often gives back to the community with free services, workshops and sponsorships. They have recently joined a 501c that sponsors families to keep their training going when financial hardships happen. By covering tuition for kids in need, they provide access to structure, self defense, and positive role models a supportive environment. Your donation helps create lasting impact on and off the mat, building stronger, healthier, and more resilient futures.



Description for the event:

Join us for an empowering and practical self-defense workshop led by an experienced instructor from 1UP Martial Arts. This session will cover simple, effective techniques to escape common holds, strategies to respond if you feel targeted, and a discussion of current safety statistics and trends to help you avoid dangerous situations before they happen. The workshop is movement-based but beginner-friendly—no prior experience required.

Thursday Oct. 16th at 2PM

Jeff Briggs – History of Winter Park

The Founding of the City of Winter Park, as told by one of the founding fathers, Loring Chase.

Please join us for an extraordinary view taking us all back into the History of Winter Park. Instead of just telling the story of the founding of the City of Winter Park (as told by Jeff Briggs), Jeff will assume the character of one of the founders, Loring Chase. Jeff will tell the story in first person with Jeff as an actor impersonating Loring Chase.

(Here is what my friend Oliver Chapman and I, Loring Chase, did to give birth to this City and what in my life led me to those events.)



Tuesday Oct. 21st at 5:30PM

All are invited to Taco Tuesday Fiesta – please RSVP Lindsay
(330) 608-7159

Join us for an evening packed with delicious tacos, exciting games, music and a wonderful opportunity to get to know each other better. Let's build our relationships and have fun together!



Thursday Oct. 23rd at 11:30am - Fall Luncheon

Musical Performance by: Elizabeth Fullington RHFA 2025 Outstanding Young Artists

The Ruby Holland Foundation would like to thank the Woman's Club of Winter Park for affording this performance opportunity to our awesome line up of top performers from this year's international music competition.

This exercise has proven to be a great source of motivation and it is an honor for our contestants to perform for members of the historic Woman's Club of Winter Park.

Hope you enjoy the program.

Sincerely, Ruby Holland



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PERFORMERS:



Aiden Williams 14 years old Jacksonville FL - Piano



Ethan Wu 17 years old Orlando FL – Piano



Analaya Muneeppeerakul 14 years old Gainesville, FL - Piano



Flora Liu 8 years old Orlando FL - Violin



Daniel Panaherrera 17 years old St. Augustine, FL - Piano



Petar Dell'Olio 7 years old Orlando FL - Violin



Emilly Chen 13 years old Nottingham, U.K. – Piano

Thursday Oct. 30th at 2PM – Cozy Mystery Author Nancy Cohen

MURDER PAYS A CALL

Murder Pays a Call

By: Nancy J. Cohen



Can you figure out who did what?

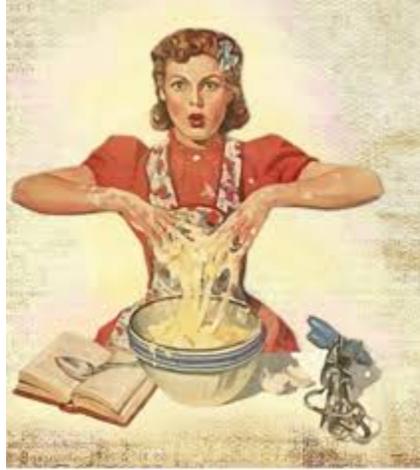
NANCY J. COHEN WRITES THE BAD HAIR DAY MYSTERY SERIES AND THE KERI ARMSTRONG COZY MYSTERIES. HER TITLES HAVE BEEN NAMED BEST COZY MYSTERY BY SUSPENSE MAGAZINE AND HAVE WON THE READERS' FAVORITE AND FAPA PRESIDENT'S BOOK AWARDS, THE RONE AWARD, THE ROYAL PALM LITERARY AWARD, AND IAN BOOK OF THE YEAR. SHE'S PLACED FIRST IN THE CHANTICLEER INTERNATIONAL BOOK AWARDS AND THIRD IN THE ARIZONA LITERARY AWARDS. HER NONFICTION TITLE, WRITING THE COZY MYSTERY, WAS ALSO AN AGATHA AWARD FINALIST. ACTIVE IN THE WRITING COMMUNITY, NANCY IS A PAST PRESIDENT OF MYSTERY WRITERS OF AMERICA FLORIDA CHAPTER AND THE CURRENT VICE PRESIDENT OF CITRUS CRIME WRITERS. WHEN NOT BUSY WRITING, SHE ENJOYS READING, FINE DINING, CRUISING, AND VISITING DISNEY WORLD. FOLLOW HER AT NANCYJCOHEN.COM



October 30, 2025 – Come as your favorite mystery character (optional)

Lindsay Pelosa and Elaine Ellman , Programs Co-Chairs

From the Cookbook Committee...



Our Cookbook Committee is now collecting recipes. Please read the directions carefully. This is the beginning of a new legacy of our family recipes. It is optional, but please consider including a sentence about the recipe.

For example,

“Mother used to bake these cookies every holiday.”

“This recipe is a family favorite of Texans.”

“This recipe is from a famous restaurant.”

We will also include many historical facts about our club.

This is what makes the WCWP cookbook special! There will be plenty of hard copies of the recipe collection sheets at every meeting.

I have also attached a copy of the collection sheet for you to work on at home. Please email copies to Dreellman@gmail.com or bring it to the meetings.

Warmly,
WCWP Cookbook Committee



Mark your calendars!

Fall Luncheon

Thursday, October 23, 2025

Wine and punch social time 11:30 - 12:00, Lunch at 12:00

Catered by George's Catering.

Fresh Fruit

Fresh golden pineapple, honeydew and cantaloupe garnished with fresh Driskoll strawberries, raspberries, blackberries.
Accompanied with French Cream Sauce

Salad Trio

George's Homemade Chicken Salad, White Albacore Tuna

Fresh Egg Salad with Dill

Fresh Tomatoes, Kosher Dill Pickles, Black Olives and Carrot Curls

Fresh Baked Banana Bread

George's Gourmet Cookies

Chocolate Chip, Oatmeal Raisin, Peanut Butter,

**Musical program by
the Ruby Holland Foundation**

Cost: \$25 per person

RSVP to Roy by October 10

Checks to The Woman's Club or

look for payment link on our website.

Need a vegetarian meal? Just let us know.