

The Woman's Club of Winter Park, Inc.



August 2026 HIGHLIGHTS

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President's Column

August is upon us, starting with an old harvest holiday. August 1 is Lammas Day. It was an old festival to mark the annual wheat & corn harvest. It also marked the mid point between the summer solstice & the autumn equinox. August was named after Augustus Caesar in 8 B.C. He was the first Roman emperor & the grandnephew of the previous ruler, Julius Caesar, who named July after himself. August is also the hottest month of the year, to which we can all attest to!

Our big event this month is prepping for our annual Rummage Sale, September 4-5. Beginning August 29, there will be pickup of the stored items in various locations around the city. Sunday, August 30, begins our "drop-off" days which continue through Wednesday, September 2. We need lots of help during this time, unpacking, sorting, & organizing. It is a great way to immerse yourself in the Woman's Club, meeting new friends & having FUN! So please check your calendars and come for a couple hours or all day to work. Many hands make light work! Zina Harrington wrote the following:

The more stuff I donated, the more I was able to breathe.
The more trash I threw away, the more weight I felt lifted.
The more stuff I took out of our home, the more I was able to see a new life.
The more uncluttered I lived, the more joy I found.

I hope you all are having an enjoyable summer, whatever you may be doing or wherever you are going. Be safe in your travels & I look forward to seeing many of you at the Rummage Sale!

All the best, *Chris*

Christine Bush, President



Happy August Birthdays

Sandy Lee	8/1
Arlene Wroblicky	8/1
April Douglas	8/2
Sue Chapman	8/4
Bonnie Mizell	8/5
Pamela Naplachowski	8/9
Cindy Abeel	8/10
Kennethia Mitchell	8/15
Dr. Beth Phillips	8/20
Jean Rife	8/22
Shannon Harris	8/23
Frances Tomcavage	8/24
Patty Munsey	8/28
Linda Heinl	8/29



JOIN US IN WELCOMING OUR NEWEST MEMBERS TO
OUR WINTER PARK WOMAN'S CLUB !

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Judi Andrews and Cecelia Slavish, Membership Co-Chairs

Charitable Giving

Back-to-School Donations

Wow! A huge thank you to everyone who donated school supplies and monetary gifts for the children at The Meadows, a Winter Park Housing Authority community. Thanks to your incredible generosity, we collected a **record-breaking \$2,620!** The staff at The Meadows were so appreciative, and your donations will help children head back to school with backpacks, crayons, paper, pens, and other much-needed supplies. Your kindness makes a real difference as these students begin a new school year. Thank you for your continued support!



Rummage Sale

In partnership with the Ways and Means Committee, the Woman's Club Rummage Sale, to be held Friday, September 4, and Saturday, September 5, is the Club's primary fundraiser for charitable donations distributed to local nonprofits each spring. There are so many ways to help, including donating gently used items, volunteering during the sale, and stopping by to shop. Additionally, it's a great way to get to know your fellow WCWP members! Every donation, every volunteer, and every shopper helps us continue supporting organizations that make a difference in our community. We hope to see you there!

Peanut Butter Drive for Killarney Elementary

School starts for Orange County Public Schools on August 11, and we're once again collecting donations to help stock the food pantry at Killarney Elementary. The pantry provides groceries for local students experiencing food insecurity. They are in need of 12–16 oz. jars of peanut butter and clean plastic grocery bags. If you happen to shop at Publix, watch for their BOGO peanut butter sales—they're a great opportunity to give a little extra! Prefer to make a monetary donation? We'd be happy to do the shopping for you. Please drop off donations (and receipts with your name attached) at the Club office Monday through Thursday between 9:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. Thank you for helping us support our neighbors and local students.



Charitable Giving Meeting

We're excited to kick off another year of giving! Our first Charitable Giving Committee meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 23, at 10:00 a.m. in the clubhouse. Whether you've been involved for years or are thinking about joining for the first time, we'd love to have you with us. It's a wonderful way to meet fellow members and help support the many charitable programs sponsored by The Woman's Club of Winter Park. If you'd like more information, please contact Kathy at Parhamkathryn@gmail.com or Julie at jpwadsworth10@gmail.com.

**Kathy Parham & Julie Wadsworth,
Charitable Giving Committee Co-Chairs**

House and Grounds

In case anyone missed it in one of our Monday emails, our Clubhouse was chosen by a Mama cat as a safe haven to birth her 2 kittens. Your House Team noticed them when they were approximately 5 weeks old and began walking. They were named Helen Morse (the Mama), and the babies Lachen and Lyman (*pictured to the right, admiring their giant red roommate Dash*). All were kept safe and fed. Once the babies were old enough, all were captured safely, they received proper vet care and they have wonderful loving homes. Natalie Hill and Roy Clement have the babies and Ricky Reasner has Helen (below).



Nancy Miles placed a story about them on our Facebook page and it has received a record amount of attention and views. They are famous! And they are all just so cute and happy. Helen even has her own high tech palace and her own website. helencam.com

A happy ending, but also a joyous start. Full of love and fun. We wish you all the same joy for your August.

Katie Campbell, House and Grounds Chair

Programs

The Programs Committee has been hard at work planning an exciting and fun-filled season for our members! We have a wonderful variety of activities scheduled throughout the year, offering something for everyone. Our programs will include beauty and wellness, interactive experiences, music, educational presentations, games and much more.

Mark Your Calendars!

Thursday September 17 at 2:00 p.m

Membership Tea

Join us for our Membership Tea, where we'll unveil the new program calendar and share all the ways you can become more involved in the Woman's Club of Winter Park. Whether you're looking to volunteer, attend special events, or simply enjoy the fellowship with friends, there are many opportunities to participate.

We hope you'll make plans to join us as we kick off another wonderful year together.



Thursday October 1 at 2:00 p.m.

Welcome Back Party!

Let's Flamingle!! (**Wear Pink**)

Until then, enjoy your summer, have safe travels, and thank you for your continued support of the Woman's Club. We appreciate each and every one of you and look forward to seeing you in September!



Lindsay Pelosa and Elaine Ellman, Programs Co-Chairs

Ways and Means

Sales Days: Friday, September 4th, 9 am - 4 pm and Saturday, September 5th, 9 am - 3 pm

Set Up Days: Saturday, August 29th through

Thursday, September 3rd

Rummage Sale 2026:

This sale is the premier fundraising event for our Club. The Charitable Giving Committee will disburse funds to approved organizations at the end of the Club year, and a portion will go towards operating expenses to pay for the Club resources we are using and lack of rental income during the sale. **Last year was a banner year where we raised over \$20,000. Let's do it again!!**



Donations: Saturday, August 29th, 1 pm -4 pm, through Wednesday, September 2nd , 9 am-4 pm.

Donations may be “Dropped Off” or “Pick Up Available” on these dates.

Please reach out to your neighborhood of friends, family, other organization members, etc., let them know they can bring donations on those days, and that we can pick up items prior to the sale. **The sky's the limit!**

Household goods: kitchen, dishes, glass and barware, small appliances and electronics, linens, rugs. Small furniture in and outdoors, lamps, antiques, collectables, art, seasonal, sports, tools, luggage, and pets. Men's, Women's & Children's, clothing (boutique, sports, and everything in between), accessories, purses, shoes, jewelry, hats, belts, and scarves. Crafts, office, books, puzzles, games, toys for all, baby/ toddler through adult! **Valuables: please keep these items together and let us know about them; we have members who will examine and price those items, to go in our boutique.**

Special Request: As you box/bag, please keep similar items together when possible and label (kitchen, linens -ex. king size sheet set, etc.); note clothing & shoe sizes on bags.

Need help with storage before sale??: Please, if at all possible, keep things stored at your home until set up. If you need help transporting to Club at that time, let us know. Otherwise, please contact first Karen Rodda, kkrodda@cfl.rr.com, text 407 276-1843, who has a neighbor's garage available, second Jacqueline Stewart, mikjacstew@aol.com, who has air conditioned space, 954 873-2967, third Jane Koubek, janekoubekpmp@gmail.com, text 831 215-7563, fourth Lucy McDonough, lucymcd3@aol.com, text 407.766-1784.

Set Up Days: Saturday, August 29th, noon - 4 pm; Sunday through Thursday, August 30th – September 3rd, 9 am - 4 pm, Sale days. Friday, September 4, 8:30-4 and Saturday, September 5, 8:30-3, plus after sale to box up leftover items.

Volunteers: You may work any or all hours for set up and sale days; sale day shifts for specific jobs will be Friday, 8:30-11:30, 11:15-2:15, 2-4:30; Saturday the same, however the sale ends at 3:00 and we will need help bagging/boxing leftover items.

Specific Sale Day Jobs: areas to assist and cover: greeters/boutique, cashiers/baggers, jewelry, clothing, stage- children/ seasonal, rovers, etc. **Please let me know days/times and any preference for a position so I can start making a schedule, asap.**

*Please Note: You may shop any day you are working set up, and there will be a sheet on the buffet to note your name, purchases and that they were paid. Cindy will be collecting money for items purchased. **All members may hunt for bargains Thursday prior to the sale.**

Some other details to note:

1. There will be sign in and out sheets each day as we need these figures for non-profit status.
2. A light lunch will be served Friday/Saturday, and water will be available all week.
3. On Sale Days, please **wear your badge** and your yellow, green, or white artisan Club shirt if you have one. If you do not have a club shirt, perhaps wear a combination of red, white, and blue in honor of our Nation's 250 birthday! Please wear closed toed shoes during set up and sale to prevent injuries.
4. Sale Day Parking will be off-site across the street at All Saints Episcopal Church, make sure you have your parking pass/placard to place on your windshield, or stop into the office to obtain one.
5. Bring small and medium boxes, paper and plastic bags, totes, newspapers, bubble wrap for bagging.

Publicity: is key, let the world know!! Please promote the sale on your social media, to friends and neighbors, to any clubs/organizations you are a part of. Plenty of flyers will be available in the Club office, take them wherever you go, church, hairdresser, Dr., dentist, businesses, all public places. The best publicity is word of mouth and that comes from you! If you know anyone who has a large following on Instagram or Tik Tok, and would do a promotional video, let me know as a video would be an added bonus.

Contact me with work preferences, good ideas and questions.

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Cindy Abeel, Ways and Means Chair

Preservation Campaign

Thanks to the extraordinary generosity of our donors, we have successfully restored our Clubhouse exterior to its original 1921 design with the installation of the balustrade. This installation honors the architectural vision established at the building's dedication and ensures our historic home remains preserved for generations to come.



A special thank you to Karen Rodda for her leadership and guidance throughout this project. In addition to the exterior restoration, your contributions have allowed us to purchase 170 elegant banquet chairs. The new chairs will enhance the comfort and atmosphere of our weekly meetings and rental events.



Many thanks to Ricky Reasner, Katie Campbell, Churchill Thompson, and Fran Myklusch for their invaluable assistance with this project.

Thank you for supporting the Preservation Campaign. If you haven't contributed, please consider doing so—every gift helps preserve our beautiful historic clubhouse.

Hospitality

Dear and Lovely Ladies,

Hospitality is now better than ever!

We are launching a new sign-up of helpers and streamlining our duties as well.

Each month we will have up to **4 Hospitality Helpers** to share the kitchen duties.

Responsibilities will consist of set up and cleanup of the kitchen, tea service, and arranging the delectable sweets and sandwiches our members provide. Table decor has moved over to Programs. Their duties will be table decor setup and take down. They will continue our tradition of lovely and welcoming tables for our meetings. All program chairs are encouraged to co-ordinate with them if special decor is desired. Kim Volpe has generously volunteered to be in charge of this task for the coming year.

We are very excited and happy to begin our new partnership and know it will be a fun and fabulous coming year. Looking forward to seeing you all soon!



Natalie Hill and Fran Myklusch, Hospitality Co-Chairs

