

LISLE WOMAN'S CLUB NEWSLETTER



October 2021

Message from the President

Hi!

Are you ready to get your "BOO" on? Join in some Halloween Fun at our next General Meeting on October 6th. No time to completely dress up? (Me either!) No problem! Find a fun Mask, Eye Make-up, Hat - or if you do have the time....go all out and dress up to scare us! Expecting to have some Spook-tacular fun!

Plus we will hear more about what the Library is up to this year and how you can have input as we welcome Tatianna Weinstein, Lisle Library Director. She will be discussing the Lisle Library District's (LLD)'s Capital Project/Renovation objectives in addition to how LWC and the Library can continue to work together in the future.

Thank you to all the LWC women who are already working hard within the following committees: Civic Engagement & Outreach, Philanthropy, Fundraising & Development, Membership, Environment, and Logo. At our meeting you will learn more about how you can help with the winter scarf drive; how we are putting our hard earned donations to work in the community of Lisle; when and where we will be meeting new members; how we are working to raise funds for this year; what will be the look of LWC. Remember, you are invited to participate on all of our committees and in all of our activities.

*Respectfully,
Karen Burris
LWC President*

*"Happiness is not a goal,
it's a by-product."
Eleanor Roosevelt*

Committee Updates

Programs

Meetings are held at 7 pm on the first Wednesday of the month. Best to arrive by 6:30 pm to catch up with everyone. We will have hybrid meetings for the foreseeable future. This means some members will choose to meet in person and some will be joining us via Zoom. Don't miss our next meeting on October 6th! Hope to see you in your Halloween best!

The link to Join the Zoom Meeting is:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87512127821?pwd=RVpWYitoOUZmU2tuZjArNzlybHlydz09>.

As President Karen Burris mentioned, during our Oct 6th meeting Director Tatiana Weinstein will present the Lisle Library District Strategic Plan for 2019-2022. The Lisle Woman's Club started a Volunteer Public Library in 1964 in a basement on Main Street. LWC continued to operate the Library, while working with other groups and individuals for the formation of a tax-supported Lisle Library District. The Library District was approved by Referendum in December 1965 and opened in September 1967. Throughout the Library's progress LWC has remained vitally interested and we maintain our close relationship with the Library staff and programs.

*Nancy Oij
Lisle Woman's Club Vice President*

Anyone wishing to learn more about Programs or to join the Programs committee, please call or text me at 630-531-3391.



Sleeping Mats for the Homeless



So far, LWC members have recycled 3,871 plastic bags, which are made into “plarn balls,” and ultimately crocheted into sleeping mats for the homeless.

I collect color-sorted, trimmed, and flattened plastic bags, which you can bring to one of our monthly meetings or drop by my house. With the help of other LWC members, I make them into “plarn balls.” Once I have 50 of these balls, I drive them to Peotone, where another group crochets them into mats and distributes them. It takes 500 to 700 bags to make one mat.

I am looking for plastic bag donations and for someone to help me create “plarn balls.” Please bring your color-sorted, trimmed, flattened plastic bags to the next meeting and let me know if you’d like to help. Thank you Lorna Turner and Janet Heep for your continued assistance.

*Bea Fodor
2198 Stonehaven Way, Lisle
Sleeping Mats Project*



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can Go to *Lisle Woman’s Club*
at No Cost to You!**

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Fundraising

Hello ladies! We’ve put together a joint Membership & Fundraising event for October 13th and we think it will be a good way for all members to come out with a friend. We need everyone to share this flyer with friends. We’ll also post it on Facebook and other social media sites. Send any questions or ask me at our general meeting. Thanks in advance for your support! The Fundraising and Development Committee.

*Joanne Ehrhardt
Fundraising and Development Chair*

Sip, Shop & Paint
The Lisle Woman's Club
Invites you and your friends to
an open house social night of
Sip, Shop & Paint!

Wednesday, October 13th
6pm-8pm
The Collective
4724 Main St., Lisle
****Masks required****

Lisle Woman's Club is a non-profit 501-C3 organization dedicated to serve the community through fund-raising and philanthropy and to promote friendship among women through club activities.

For more information: www.lislewomansclub.org



Garden Gait

Kelly, Karen, and Eileen have done a preliminary drive around Lisle for potential gardens. We will be sending out letters of introduction this week. **Mark the date for Garden Gait!!!**

*Eileen Briggs and Kelly Dixit
Garden Gait Co-Chairs*



Membership

Happy Fall!

Please give a warm welcome and meet our two new members, **Colleen Metzger** and **Lorraine Krzywosz**.

Additionally, this is a reminder (if you have not already done so) to fill out the attached Membership form, even if all your information is the same.

Please also answer the questions and indicate on which committee(s) you want to participate. Our annual dues are \$40 again and need to be paid by the October 6th meeting. Please make checks payable to Lisle Woman's Club (LWC). If you cannot attend the October meeting, please mail the completed attached form and a check to me at the address below.

This year we would like to include a picture of each member in the directory along with each member's information. This will help new members recognize current members. Please forward me your favorite pic of yourself or I can take a pic during the meeting.

Membership has received a \$50 Grant from GFWC towards Membership Packets. These packets were distributed at a golf outing by Louisa and will be distributed at future Membership Events. Thank you, Louisa!

Do you know anyone who might be interested in joining? Bring them along to a meeting!



*Kathy Palia
Membership Chair*

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Lisle, IL 60532*

Health & Wellness

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month. It's time to schedule your yearly mammogram! The screening gold standard is 3D Tomosynthesis, which is being offered at many local hospitals and imaging centers. Statistics state breast cancer strikes one in eight women during one's lifetime. Early detection is the best way to effect a cure.



For more information here are some trusted sites:

www.komen.org
www.cancer.org
www.breast360.org

*Mary Costello
Health & Wellness Chair*

Website



We continue to add to and update our new website, www.lislewomansclub.org. The **Sip, Shop, and Paint** flyer can be found under the Meeting/Events page under Club Activities. Also, be sure to check out the *Member's Only* (MO) tab. You'll need to create a login. Once you've logged in, a request will be sent to the website admins and we will accept that request. This will give you to access MO, giving you club information, our calendar, membership directory, newsletters, forms and many other items. If you have any questions, we'll be happy to assist. Check it out at www.lislewomansclub.org and send us your comments and suggestions. Eileen Briggs is at briggs1295@gmail.com and Nancy Oij is at noj@emo.com.

*Eileen Briggs and Nancy Oij
Website Co-Chairs*

Education & Libraries



Projects in the Education and Libraries Community Service Program are designed to foster schools, in addition to other educational institutions and opportunities. These projects promote libraries, literacy, and the love of a good book. The Chairwoman of this committee typically runs the LWC book club. Please let President Karen

Burriss know if you would like to be a member of this committee.

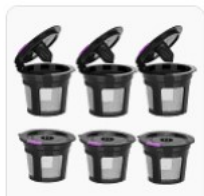
Environment

COFFEE WITHOUT THE WASTE

Most folks love their morning coffee. With single serve coffeemakers we can conveniently make coffee or tea any time of day with the flip of a switch. We can have flavored coffee or teas or make it light or dark all within minutes. We are a quick-serve, disposable society and there is no doubt that single serve coffee makers are downright convenient; BUT we need to consider the waste we create with this type of use. Those wonderful pods that make our lives easier and more enjoyable have a down side and that is the waste they create.

The #1 producer of those single serve coffee makers is Keurig. Keurig is aware of the waste problem and wants to improve the situation. They now make their k-cups out of polypropylene, which is a form of plastic with a #5 resin code. Unfortunately, even IF your municipality takes k-cups in their recycling program, the pods need to be taken apart in a certain way and how many of us are really going to do that? There is a mail-in service for the pods but there is a fee. Again, how many of us are really going to use that? We have already paid a high price for the cups initially and now we have to pay to have them recycled? I don't think so! And, there are compostable pods, but evidence shows they are unlikely to break down in a backyard compost bin.

So, what are your options? Believe it or not we have options that are both economical and waste-free. You can invest in a French press. When my family was last in Europe, that is all we saw. No waste there and you use coffee that you buy in bulk, which is a LOT cheaper than pods. You can also use a reusable coffee pod and employ your Keurig the same way you would if you were using a store-bought pod. With the reusable pod, I save the grounds in a compost bin I keep on the kitchen counter. When that gets full, I throw the grounds in the garden. The Internet lists many flowers that would love your coffee grounds!



Sometimes I also make a pot of coffee in the morning, leave the leftover coffee in the pot in the refrigerator, and have iced coffee in the afternoon. *Don't tell my MD! Decaf or Caffeinated? I'll never tell!* Also, with winter coming, I'll use the same reusable coffee pod process with hot chocolate and it turns out great! **Again, no pod and no waste.**

SAVE SOME MONEY, SAVE THE PLANET!

*Dot Battle
Environment Chair*



Environment—Recycling

Please don't forget about recycling! We are currently collecting:

- ◆ Pop-tops
- ◆ Eyeglasses
- ◆ Sunglasses
- ◆ Bread bag tags
- ◆ Gym shoes
- ◆ American flags
- ◆ Eyeglass cases
- ◆ Hearing aids
- ◆ Hearing aid batteries
- ◆ Clean styrofoam containers
- ◆ Crayons
- ◆ Cords (phone, computer, etc.)
- ◆ Keys (household, luggage, car)
- ◆ Wine corks
- ◆ National Geographic magazines
- ◆ Clean snack and candy wrappers



*Dot Battle
Environment Chair*

Civic Engagement & Outreach— Voter Registration

LWC has been registering voters since 2019, when we earned the designation of Bona fide Civic Organization from the IL State Board of Elections.



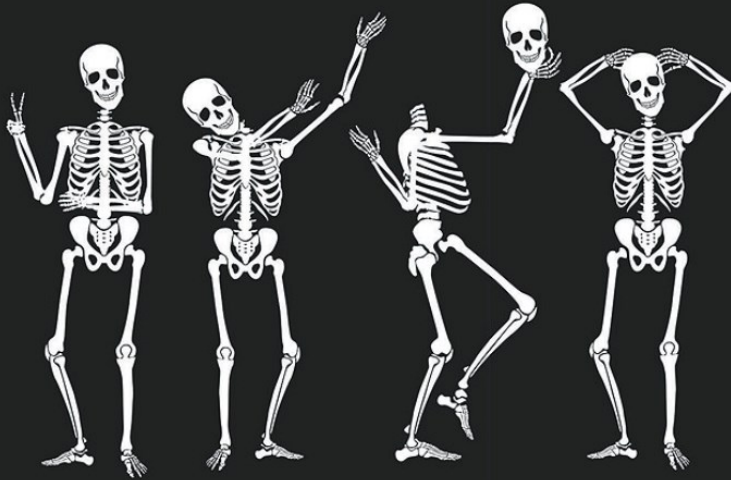
In conjunction with the League of Women Voters, LWC Deputy Registrars most recently participated in the 2021 National Voter Registration Day (NVRD) on September 28, when we registered local junior and senior high school students and college students.

Any LWC member can become a Deputy Registrar by completing a one-hour training course, either in-person or via Zoom. It's very exciting to help a youngster get ready to exercise his or her right to vote. For LWC members who do not want to go through the training or complete the registration forms, but still want to be involved, there is a need for people to assist during Registration Events.

Please talk to me at the meeting about becoming a Deputy Registrar or assisting at a Registration Event, or send me an email at lzsullivan01@gmail.com. Alternatively, talk to Bea Fodor or Kathy Palia as they are also Deputy Registrars and can fill you in.

*Liz Sullivan
Voter Registration*

Don't Lose Your Head
 Searching for a Time & Date.
 Mark Your Calendar
 So You Won't be Late!



2021

Hope to See You in Costume...

**October 6 —
 LWC General Membership Meeting**

October 7 to 10 —
 (Oct 7, 5 pm to Oct 10, 2 pm)
**GFWC GREAT LAKES REGION
 CONFERENCE 2021**
 DoubleTree by Hilton, Lisle/Naperville

<https://gfwcillinois.org/event/great-lakes-region-conference-2021/>

**November 3 —
 LWC General Membership Meeting**

**November 15 —
 LWC Executive Board Meeting**

November 19 — LWC Board Meeting

December 1 — LWC General Membership Meeting

**December 8 — The Holiday Open House
 GFWC HEADQUARTERS IN WASHINGTON, DC**

hosted by GFWC International President Marian St. Clair, who will welcome you into the historic GFWC Headquarters to experience a bit of holiday magic!

2022

January 12 — LWC General Membership Meeting

June 12 — Garden Gait!

June 25-28 — GFWC Annual Convention
 2022 Annual Convention in New Orleans,
 Louisiana

July 20-29 — The Best of Britain
 Travel Opportunity: Join International President
 Marian St. Clair for the "Best of Britain"



Happy October Boo-day!

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| 6 th | Diana Nemes |
| 8 th | Sheri Andounian |
| 8 th | Deidre O'Malley |
| 19 th | Lorna Turner |
| 21 st | Sandy Seastrom |
| 24 th | Erene Panos |
| 25 th | Nancy Burke |
| 25 th | Bea Fodor |
| 31 st | Mary Kilroy |

**Civic Engagement & Outreach—
 Operation Stand Down**



We are hopeful that we will be participating in another year of collecting scarves for homeless Veterans who have given so much for our country. We are awaiting a

response from the head of Veterans Affairs and hope to have more info at the October 6 meeting.