

LISLE WOMAN'S CLUB NEWSLETTER



GENERAL FEDERATION
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March 2022

Message from the President

Hi!

Yes! Spring is right around the corner!

We have an exciting program for our March meeting, read the details from our VP, Nancy Oij. Looking forward to seeing you as we plan on meeting fully in person at the Police Station. Say it with me...No More Snow!!! We will begin with social time at 6:30 and our presenter will start at 7:00.

As you read through this newsletter you will see that many of our committees have been busy as they have been riding out the winter. Thank you all for the **volunteer work ethic** you have. This is what makes LWC strong.

Be sure to sign up and join us at the **GFWC IL Blue Ribbon High Tea**, see attached flyer. A sign up sheet will be at the meeting. The cost is \$35 and can be paid at the meeting. We plan on carpooling. If interested, let me know.

Join me as we say goodbye to Winter and hello to Spring!

*Sincerely,
Karen Burris
LWC President*

*Lisle Woman's Club (LWC) is a member of the
General Federation of Women's Clubs (GFWC)*

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

Programs

March is Women in History Month.

To celebrate, Rebecca Tulloch of Prairie Star Productions will be presenting "The Fly Girls of WW2". During WW2, over 1100 women, led by Jackie Cochran, the "Speed Queen"; served their country by flying every military aircraft in the American Armed Forces from the PT-17 Stearman to the P51 Mustang and the B-17 Flying Fortress. Air ferry missions, target practice for artillery crews, and the aircraft maintenance shakedown flights are just a few of the types of missions flown by these American Heroines. I'm very excited to have Rebecca, a certified FAA pilot herself, tell the story of the Fly Girls of WW2 as only a pilot can.

If you haven't started your plant for the May meeting, now is the time to do so. Our May meeting is all about Garden Gait and to start, we'll be having a **Member Plant Exchange**. If you'd like to join in the exchange, start a cutting from one of your plants in a small cup of water. Change the water every few days and watch the roots grow. If you'd like, once the roots are established you can transplant your plant into a small pot. There's a lot of information on propagating plants on the internet.



*Nancy Oij
Vice President*

Garden Gait

Committee meetings are starting in March. Notices will be sent to all club members in case you missed the February 24th meeting.

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



To learn more, go to

<https://www.lislewomansclub.org/garden-gait>

or contact Eileen Briggs at

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Kelly Dixit at kelly_dixit@yahoo.com

Home Life

Nothing makes a day go smoother or lifts a mood better than a little pampering. We all know that Moms are last on the list of priority.



I am happy to say that we will be collecting toiletries for our annual **Mother's Day bags**. If you collect the hotel samples on your trips, those are ideal for our bags or if you have been given a gift you have not used or will not use, we are happy to pass it on. If you are making a trip to the dollar store, there are terrific choices

for our gift bags. Anything you think will lift a woman's spirit; there are many women who are in need of our help and I am so grateful for all that Lisle Woman's Club ladies do to help.

Please don't give any item that has been opened or used.

I would like to have the donations by the April meeting. If you are unable to bring them to the meeting, please let me know and I will make arrangements for pick up. If there are any ladies who would like to help on this project assembling the bags or doing pickups, please let me know. As always suggestions are welcome. Thank you for your thoughtfulness and generosity ladies!

*Mary Kilroy
Home Life Chair*



Membership

Membership has received 27 requests for club information since September; sources listed below:



Social, Shop, and Paint Event	5
Merry on Main Street	5
Prior members	3
Nextdoor Meeting Invites	5
Member Referral	1
<u>Unknown – request thru website</u>	<u>8</u>
Total	27
New Members	4

Recruitment Methods Being Used:

- Monthly emails sent with a copy of the newsletter and the LWC brochure to women who have requested information plus an invite to meetings.
- LWC meeting invitation posted on Nextdoor the weekend prior to the general meeting.
 - Note to Members: Please accept my request to connect on Nextdoor.
 - Please “like” and “share” my posts so people in your neighborhood are able to see the post.
- Next Recruitment Step: Send personally written post cards to 5-10 Lisle women per month inviting them to attend a meeting.
- Next Fall: Members and Potential members' Social event.
- Member Welcome: Develop New Member Orientation and Mentoring Program.

With Illinois vaccinations at 70% of the population, we hope that more women will be coming to LWC meetings and be interested in joining the club. Invite your friends and neighbors to a meeting. You are our best ambassadors!

*Kathy Palia
Membership Chair*

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Environment

The Environment Committee is organizing a

COMMUNITY CLEANUP EVENT

When: **Saturday, April 2**
Time: **10:00 until 12:00 noon**
Where: **Community Park**
1925 Ohio Street



Please bring a picnic lunch & something to drink as we enjoy comradery afterwards at the picnic pavilion. If you like, bring a dessert to share.

Be sure to bring: Gloves, lawn chairs and anything you may need for the cleanup. Garbage bags will be provided. Feel free to invite your children, grandchildren, husbands, boyfriends, girlfriends, sisters, brothers, and anyone else to help make Lisle Community Park a cleaner place to visit. See attached flyer for more information.

Rain Date: Saturday, April 9

Dot Battle
Environment Chair

Shopping for Mother's Day yet?

Why not shop AmazonSmile and leave the packing and shipping to them while **earning .5% of your purchase for LWC?** And, Amazon has a gift wrap option, too.

AmazonSmile is simple. It takes about 1 minute to setup. Once you activate it, you shop as usual and it works automatically. Every time you login to your AmazonSmile account, the .5% automatically accrues for LWC. Nothing more for you to do, it works automatically, **at no cost to you.** AmazonSmile is available at smile.amazon.com on your web browser and Apple or Android cell phones. Have husbands, children, grandchildren, nieces, nephews, and others signup, too!



Website



We've made a lot of exciting updates to the Lisle Woman's Club Website!

Be sure to sign up for a login at the **"Member's**

Only" page. Our club's calendar, newsletters, minutes, Membership Directory, and other valuable information can be found under "Member's Only." If you're having difficulty signing in, contact either of us. The website is at www.lislewomansclub.org.

Eileen Briggs is at briggs1295@gmail.com and Nancy Oij is at noj@emo.com

Eileen Briggs and Nancy Oij
Website Co-Chairs

The Women's Club of Ukraine Endures through Challenging Times

GFWC Website
February 10, 2022

Members of the International Women's Club of Ukraine (Kyiv) are staying strong as they endure trying times. In January, Russia stationed more than 100,000 military troops near the Ukrainian border, despite warnings from other world leaders.

Clubwoman Lora Pavlenko explained club members and other citizens are once again in a strict quarantine zone and are facing fear over what the future holds. In addition to the possibility of invasion, the price of food and medicine has risen several times. Clubwomen are urging everyone to stand together and offer help to those in need when they are able. During these times of uncertainty, international members have been doing what they can to give people hope, including meeting monthly with women survivors of domestic violence, providing gifts to children at the holidays, and supporting children with disabilities.

Arts & Culture
Proposed Member Outings
One in April & One in May



Ladies, are you interested in supporting local high school theatre programs? If so, Spring is the time of year that high schools put on their musicals, so I have two proposals. Lisle Senior High School is performing "**Sister Act**" on March 18, 19, & 20. If there is interest in attending this production, I will check into ticket prices, which should be very reasonable.

Additionally, Wheaton North High School is performing "**Chicago**" on April 21, 22, & 23. The ticket prices are \$10 for adults and \$5 for seniors. Wheaton North is known for its fabulous show choir that always get selected for downstate competitions, so it should be a wonderful production.



We can gauge club member interest in both of these productions at the March 2 meeting. I'll get more details if members are interested.

Submitted by
Lorna Turner

Mats for the Homeless



Plastic grocery bags are still being collected, made into plastic yarn, and crocheted into sleeping mats to put under homeless persons' sleeping bags.

Please drop off **FLATTENED plastic bags** between Bea's house doors. We are approaching the **5,000 bags recycled** mark! Good job!

Submitted by
Bea Fodor

Arts & Culture



The LWC Arts & Culture Committee invites all 6th, 7th, and 8th Graders who are legal residents of zip code 60532 to participate in its annual writing contest. The story submitted should be about a Lisle person who has had a positive or challenging impact on the student's life. The committee has been working with local schools to promote the contest. Rules and a permission form are available on our website at <https://www.lislewomensclub.org/events>. Submissions must be postmarked by April 8th, 2022.

Pat Briggs
Arts & Culture Chair

Philanthropy

Our committee has been busy publicizing the annual Scholarship Program and working on additional annual donation recommendations.



Scholarship applications are due on March 25 and the winners will be announced in early April. Links to applications for both youth and adults can be found on our website at: <https://www.lislewomensclub.org/philanthropy-1>

The list of donations approved by members for the 2021-2022 fiscal year are also on the LWC website. Please look in the **Members Only/Financial/Philanthropy** section of the website for this list.

Marie Hasse
Philanthropy Chair

Origami Greeting Card Project

The Greeting Card Project was a huge success! 25 cards went to Tomah Veterans Administration in Wisconsin, Seven Christmassy cards to a nursing home in Wisconsin, and 30 cards went to Operation Support our Troops.



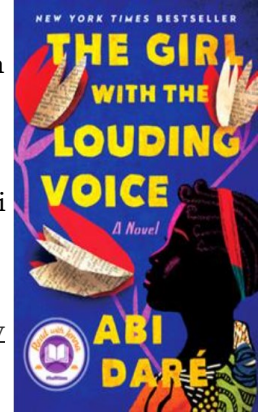
The hospital aides at Tomah Veterans Administration passed out the artsy greeting cards to 25 residents of one unit on February 14th. Residents were thrilled, especially with the word search games inside. Many also went to a rec area to play games and have ice cream.

I got a FaceTime call from Bob Pearson later and he was a very happy man. He is an agent orange stroke victim and was assisted by his wife Sue. His poor health is a result of his heroic helicopter pilot service in Vietnam. Can't thank you guys enough for helping to uplift spirits all around!

*Submitted by
Bea Fodor*

Book Club

The Lisle Woman's Book Club meets the third Monday of each month over Zoom. The March meeting is on Monday, March 21st and the book is **The Girl with the Louding Voice** by Abi Dari. Grab a friend and join in a lively discussion!



In April we are reading The Day the World Came to Town by Jim DeFede. In May, The Midnight Library, by Matt Haig, and in June, All You Can Ever Know, by Nicole Chung.

The zoom link is

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86744834413?pwd=VjZoY3FORWs3ZWZjYnRSUWJzemRBZz09>

Remember that our list of meeting dates, books and zoom link are all available on our **website** under the **Meeting/Events tab, Book Club**.

*Barbara Green
Book Club Chair*

March 2022 Calendar

March 2 — LWC General Membership Meeting
March 8 — International Women's Day
March 9 — 2022 Women's History Month Event,
GFWC Headquarters, Washington, DC
March — National Reading Month, GFWC Promoted

April 2 — Community Park Cleanup Event
April 3 — Blue Ribbon High Tea, GFWC Illinois
April 6 — LWC General Membership Meeting
April 14 — Board of Directors Meeting

May 4 — LWC General Membership Meeting

June 1 — LWC End of Year Dinner
June 12 — Garden Gait!

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

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

Sept 7 — LWC General Membership Meeting

