LISLE WOMAN'S CLUB NEWSLETTER



December 2021

Message from the President

Hi!

As the calendar page turns to December, I am surrounded with Christmas memories and the loving family traditions of my childhood. The best LWC holiday tradition I have shared while with the club is when we sponsor children. Knowing that we can do a random act of kindness especially for a child at Christmas makes me feel so happy. And Ladies, you may not hear it often enough, but thank you for your involvement in this generous tradition.

I'm sure everyone in the club joins me in saying thank you to Bea for organizing our origami project last month for the veterans. We made 30 cards. I'm sure it will bring a smile to their hearts. Plus, it was a fun activity for us to do together.

Looking forward to 2022, it will be exciting to see what we accomplish together. Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas, a Joyous Holiday Season, and a Safe Happy New Year!

Sincerely, Karen Burris LWC President

"I have found that among its other benefits, giving liberates the soul of the giver."

- Maya Angelou

Programs

Wednesday, December 1 is our Holiday Dinner at Yerbabuena Mexican Restaurant in downtown Lisle. The cost of the dinner is \$32. If you have not paid, please drop off your check at Nancy Oij's house at 2851 St. Anton Ct, Lisle. Don't forget to bring your Christmas Sock filled with a gift/goodies! Please keep your gift under \$10. Our next meeting will be January 12th at the Police Station. Be sure to attend and learn about the Magic of Mosaics. If you are participating in buying a Christmas gift for a child whose parent/s or guardian visit the food pantry, please also bring the gift to the Holiday Dinner and give to Mary Kilroy or see her article for drop off options.

Nancy Oij Vice President

Fundraising

A new donation has come to us recently! One of our raffle prizes for Garden Gait was a home wine tasting from Wines for Humanity. Diane Ancede won the prize and had a wine tasting party. Wines for Humanity made a donation to a 501c3 of her choice and she named LWC, which resulted in a

donation of \$139.66. We are thrilled!

Joanne Ehrhardt Fundraising & Development Chair

Membership



Happy Holidays!

Dues were received from two additional members, Penny Giza (Living in Florida) and Diane Ancede (New Member). Please welcome Diane to LWC.

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

I will be sending a revised Membership Directory shortly.

Kathy Palia Membership Chair

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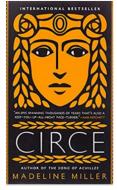
Book Club

The next book club meeting is *Monday*, *December 13 at 7 pm*. The book is Circe by Madelaine Miller.

It will be a Zoom meeting. The zoom link is:

https:// us02web.zoom.us/ j/86744834413? pwd=VjZoY3FORWs3ZW ZjYnRSUWJzemRBZz09

Barbara Green Book Club Chair



Civic Engagement & Outreach / Home Life

Holiday Children's Gifts

You may bring your children's Christmas gifts to the Christmas Dinner on December 1st. Or you may drop it off at my home the weekend of December 11/12. I only ask that if you are

dropping off on Saturday December 11th, that you do so after 1pm. I will be hosting appointments that morning.



Mary Kilroy Home Life Chair

Public Relations

On **Saturday, December 4** Lisle is going to be celebrating the holidays with local traditions. Those traditions include a Parade and tree lighting, Once Upon a Christmas, and Merry on Main.

Lisle Woman's Club will be downtown to greet visitors at Poundcake Bakery on Main Street from 2 pm to 6 pm. Stop in during those hours and say hello to Marie Hasse, Dot Battle, Mary Costello, and Kathy Palia. Thank you ladies for representing the club. In addition to answering questions about the club, they will be collecting names for potential new members and/or for those wanting to be on the Garden Gait mailing list.

LWC will have a drawing for a plant and 2 Garden Gait tickets. Come out for the festivities!

Joanne Ehrhardt Public Relations Chair





Who Wants to Finish their Holiday Shopping and

- Avoid the Bad Weather?
- Avoid Waiting in Lines?
- Have Someone Else do the Shipping?
- Shop from the Comfort of their own Home?
- Have one of the Largest US Companies make a (small) Donation to LWC?

.5% of your Amazon Purchases can Go to *Lisle Woman's Club* at No Cost to You!

AmazonSmile is a simple way for you to support LWC every time you shop, **at no cost to you**. AmazonSmile is available

at **smile.amazon.com** on your web browser and can be activated in the Amazon Shopping app for iOS and Android phones.

When you shop AmazonSmile, you'll find the *exact same low prices*, vast selection, and convenient shopping experience as Amazon.com, with the added benefit that AmazonSmile will donate .5% of your eligible purchases to the Lisle Woman's Club. You do not need to be an Amazon Prime member to participate.

The Six Wives of Henry VIII



Garden Gait

There is a Garden Gait Kick off meeting on **6:30pm on Wednesday Dec 15th** at the Lisle Police Station. We hope to see everyone there!

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 briggs1295@gmail.com or Kelly Dixit at kelly_dixit@yahoo.com



Save the date for Garden Gait!!!

Environment — PRESERVE THE PLANET

I recently had the opportunity to visit SCARCE in Addison. Their mission, stated on their website, is that "We help people discover how easy it can be to make a meaningful difference for our kids, for our environment, for our future...and often for all three at once."

The visit included a tour by Executor Director Kay McKeen, who started SCARCE (formerly SCRAP) in 1990. It was apparent that she has made it her life's work to do all things good for the environment.

SCARCE works with people and organizations all across the country. For example, they send school supplies to two Native American reservations, one of which is the Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota. Because of the high cost of postage, they have volunteers drive the supplies and deliver them without cost to the organization. I wish I had known this before last summer's road trip as we went right through South Dakota.

Another trip made by volunteers is to deliver medical supplies to a doctor in rural Georgia, who has no supplies. When we visit my sister in early March, we will be delivering medical supplies on the way to Savannah.

We then learned about the amazing number of wheelchairs that have been purchased for individuals as a result of the simple act of saving bread tags. Thank You From the Lisle Township Food Pantry

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Dear Ladies,

Thank you very much for your generous donation to FFLT. Each dollar donated buys six dollars in food assistance for the needy of our Township. The Lisle Township Food Pantry is grateful for partnerships with the Northern Illinois Food Bank, area businesses, civic groups, and individuals that donate their time, food, and money like you. The Pantry is operated for the benefit of township residents who are in need and the FFLT Board is staffed by a group of dedicated volunteers. It is our goal that no person goes hungry.

Friends for Lisle Township is a not-for-profit organization that supports the funding and operation of the Lisle Township Food Pantry. As a registered 501 (c) (3) charitable organization, monetary donations to Friends for Lisle Township are tax deductible.

Our Tax ID# is 262321497.

On behalf of the FFLT Board, Staff, and those we serve, thank you again.

Sincerely,

Jamie Lowe

President

Friends for Lisle Township

"Food is symbolic of love when words are inadequate." -Alan D. Wolfelt

SCARCE also works with an organization that provides guitars to veterans with PTSD. Additionally, SCARCE collects used plastic gift cards and makes guitar pics from the cards instead of having them end up in a landfill.

SCARCE sells school supplies, books, records, CDs and even toys; many which are new and have been donated. It is a great place to shop as I was able to get 3 beautiful used puzzles for under \$8. Anyone want to do a puzzle exchange?

SCARCE also conducts educational programs with school groups. One program, for example, teaches students about the species of mussels lost due to poor water quality. We spoke with Kaye about having her come and present to the club in the future, but the way to understand the real impact of what SCARCE

does is to visit the facility. I hope we can organize a caravan to make a trip sometime in the future.

In the meantime, keep on thinking about what more we can do, or not do, to help Mother Nature heal and preserve this wonderful planet on which we live.

Dot Battle Environment Chair





Every Wednesday GFWC Illinois Epsilon Sigma Omicron (ESO) features an Illinois ESO Reader's Book Report on its Facebook page. Pat Briggs was the featured reporter for Wednesday, Nov 17, 2021. Perhaps there might be other LWC members who love reading and might like to participate in ESO.

All club members are invited to be a part of the GFWC Illinois Readers Facebook page, whether they participate in ESO or not. For your info, ESO is run by Judy Rader. Judy can be reached at jrader51@gmail.com.

For more details about the GFWC Illinois Epsilon Sigma Omicron (ESO) Reading Program, please do a Search on **ESO** at: https://gfwcillinois.org/

Also, Please *Like* the GFWC Illinois FB page: https://www.facebook.com/Illinois.GFWC

Karen Burris LWC President



Website



We continue to update our website. Be sure to check out the *Member's Only* (MO) tab. You'll need to create a log-

in. Once you've done so, a request will be sent to the website admins (Eileen & Nancy) who will accept the request. This will enable you to access the MO tab, which includes club information, our calendar, the membership directory, newsletters, forms and many other items. Go to: www.lislewomansclub.org.

If you have questions, we'll be happy to assist. Check it out. Send us your suggestions.

Eileen Briggs is at briggs 1295@gmail.com and Nancy Oij is at noij@emo.com

Eileen Briggs and Nancy Oij Website Co-Chairs

Health & Wellness

Cold or Covid ???

Many symptoms of a Cold and Covid-19 are similar; so how do you tell the difference?



Knowing which is which is getting harder now because many people are vaccinated. As a result, if someone gets a breakthrough case of Covid his or her symptoms are milder. Following is a list of symptoms for both.

Similarities of both include: cough, sore throat, runny or stuffed nose, and loss of taste and/or smell. Covid's main symptoms are fever, persistent cough, fatigue, muscle aches, and loss of taste & smell without a stuffed or runny nose.

If in doubt, there are Covid at-home testing kits available at many drugstores. Or you can schedule an appointment to be tested at various drug stores and other nearby locations. The best defense is still to get vaccinated, get the booster, and keep wearing masks while indoors.

Mary Costello Health & Wellness Chair



CAUTION:

Dates on calendar are CLOSER than they appear.

December 1—LWC Holiday Event

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





2022 Calendar

January 12 — LWC General Membership Meeting

February 2 — LWC General Membership Meeting

March 2 — LWC General Membership Meeting

April 6 — LWC General Membership Meeting

May 4 — 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"