



FairViews

April 2021

President's Message * Carrie Battiato

Happy spring, ladies!! We are in the home stretch of another unprecedented Club year, and we are gearing up for a strong finish! I hope many of you were able to make it out to Jilbert for our wine tasting fundraiser. Thank you so much to Diane Faile and Sally Lisowski for making that possible!! And be sure to check out the spring plant sale and spread the word to your friends, family, and neighbors. Every little bit we can make going into our disbursement month means so much, especially in these hard times.

Also, I want to strongly encourage everyone to attend the April general meeting, at which time we will be voting for the incoming board, including taking nominations for board member at large, as well as voting on a by-law change proposed by Kathi Kowalski. This is an important meeting, and we want to hear everyone's voices on these matters.

Finally, now is the time to be thinking of positions and roles you are interested in for next year. Interest sheets are attached, and I really hope that you all are able to fill them out—they are immensely helpful for planning and organizing our future efforts.

Thank you,
Carrie B.

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Recording Secretary * Carrie Sullivan

No report.

Historian * Carol McAlonis

If anyone went to the Jilbert Winery over the week-end and has any pictures you'd like to share for our scrapbook, please forward them to me. Our scrapbook this year is going to be pretty skimpy, so I'm looking for pictures of anything you have, including Zoom screen shots, so that it contains more than flyers. I'll finish the scrapbook at the end of May and will notify you when it has been posted to the Members Only section of our website. Thank you.

We'll continue Looking Back via the November 1958 FairViews Newsletter. The various Ways & Means committees have a lot of activities planned for the upcoming holiday seasons. The Fairnighters are planning their Turkey Trot dance in late November. Check out Carol's Clippings on page 5 for the judging results of the Fairnighters Masquerade Dance in October. It sounds like they had a blast!

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Black Book * Christy George

No report.

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Treasurer * Sally Lisowski

Balance in checking 1/31/21	\$11,706.97
Receipts:	\$328.38
Disbursements:	\$854.38
Balance in checking 2/28/21	\$11,180.97

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Corresponding Secretary * Stephanie Sandle

Please let me know if a card needs to be sent to any member of our Club (sympathy, get well, thinking of you). Please don't hesitate to let me know if you need any stamps or stationery for your committee.

Publicity * Carrie Battiato

If you need publicity for the Club's fundraisers, announcements of the meetings, membership, or any Club projects, please let me know. I will submit them to the newspapers and the City Hall marquee.

Publications * Lori Paximadis

The deadline for items for the May newsletter is April 26.

Facebook Page * Carol McAlonis & Lori Paximadis

If you are on Facebook, be sure to like and share posts about our club. The more likes and shares we get, the more visible our posts are. Visibility helps with our fundraising and membership efforts, and it lets the community know about all the things we do. Feel free to post pictures and comments there, or send them to Lori, and she will post them. If you belong to other community FB groups, please share news and fundraising information on those group pages as well.

Website * Carol McAlonis & Lori Paximadis

No report.

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Ways & Means * Sharon Bowles and Rosanne Kelley, Co-Vice Presidents

We cannot thank our chairpersons enough for our successful fundraising events and their creative ways to make them happen despite the pandemic. We are grateful for their hard work and perseverance.

Once again, we would like to acknowledge the wonderful team of Barb, Carol, and Sharon for executing the silent auction. To move from a live event to an online one required much research in a short time, and they pulled it off with their dedication, competence and artistry in presentation. Thank you! The final results will be posted, but we did exceed our goal for that. If you have any feedback to give, please send it to Diane or Sally.

Jilbert Winery in Valley City graciously hosted our wine sale event on the weekend of March 27 and 28. It turned out to be a beautiful spring weekend! Many members enjoyed the quaint venue sipping wine and munching on delicious food. Bottles were purchased to enjoy later at home. The hosts were friendly and gracious to all in attendance. We are confident final numbers will once again show success that will be of great benefit to our community.

Coupon Books * Carrie Sullivan

No report.

Amazon Smile * Barb Kadleck

If you are an Amazon Prime member, we are able to get 0.5% back from Amazon for your purchases. Just go to **smile.amazon.com** instead of Amazon.com and select Fairview Park Women's Club for the charitable organization. They will remember our organization for any other purchases you make again. We will receive a check for all of the purchases quarterly. So, ask everyone you know who has Amazon Prime to use smile.amazon.com and donate to our great organization without it costing them anything!

Cookbooks/Addendum * Diane Faile

As it turns out, we are still in the cookbook business! We had sold all of the ones that I had at my home recently, including several at the silent auction. But we were able to get into Bain Cabin recently, and there were 14 more there, which are now at my home. I also have two addenda printed but not assembled. As always, the prices are \$6/\$5/or \$10.00 for both.

Lunch with Santa * Lynn Coletto, Sally Lisowski, & Mary Jane Riddlebaugh

No report.

Wine Tasting * Sally Lisowski & Diane Faile

The Jilbert Winery event went very well! Dave Jilbert was very organized and accommodating to our group and was thrilled with our support. It was a beautiful Saturday afternoon for outdoor enjoyment. The facility has a cozy pub area and a bright open-area room, so something for any preference, and no shortage of social-distancing space. And plenty of different wines for various tastes! We do not know the results at the time of this writing, but we're excited about them and hope to hear soon.

It does not appear we will be able to make a similar arrangement with any other wineries as of this writing, but we're glad at least one was open to this idea.

Thank you to all members who contributed to all of these Wine-related fundraisers this year, and to their friends and family who did so as well. Every little bit helps!

And by the way, **SAVE FEBRUARY 19, 2022** for next year's Wine Tasting and Silent Auction at the Gemini Center!! Hopefully we will be back there then!

Silent Auction * Barb Gillmore, Carol McAlonis, & Sharon Bowles

No report.

Decorations * Amber Kaufman & Mary Jane Riddlebaugh

No report.

Food Committee * Theresa Zarnoski

No report.

Plant Sale * Nancy Shucofsky & Ellen Papadimoulis

The plant sale continues at Dean's Greenhouse in Westlake through April 19. The sale flyer includes a link to the website for ordering. Plant pick up will be at the Bain Park Gazebo on Saturday, May 8. Gift certificates are also available in increments of \$50, \$25, or \$10.

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Parliamentarian * Kathi Kowalski

PLEASE make an extra effort to attend our April general meeting via Zoom or phone. We will be electing officers for the 2021 - 2022 club year.

We also will be voting on a proposed bylaw amendment, the text of which follows below. A two-thirds vote of the members present and voting is necessary for passage.

If you have any questions about the current nominations or about the proposed amendment, don't hesitate to call or email. Thank you, all!

Proposed Bylaw Amendment

ADD the following sections to Article III on Membership:

Section 4: The Corporation welcomes as members all women who meet the membership requirements set forth in Section 1 and does not discriminate on the basis of race, ethnicity, national origin, religion, disability, marital status, sexual preference, or military status. The Corporation is committed to providing an inclusive and welcoming environment for all and expects members to comport themselves in ways consistent with that goal.

Section 5: Members may terminate membership voluntarily at any time or by not renewing their membership by payment of dues. The Board of Directors, after an appropriate hearing, may by a majority vote of those present at any regular or special board meeting, terminate the membership of any member for cause, including failure to pay dues or conduct prejudicial to the interests of the Corporation. Conduct prejudicial to the Corporation would include, but isn't limited to, harassment or discriminatory conduct inconsistent with the Corporation's commitment to diversity, equity and inclusion.

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Board Member-at-Large * Leslie Rayle

The letters to various charitable organizations were mailed on 2/17/2021 and requests for funds have been coming in. Thanks to the hard work and generosity of our club and friends of FPWC, we will be able to help these various organizations. All members of the club are welcome to attend the May Zoom meeting to see where our funds will be put to work.

Telephone Committee * Nancy Cause

No report.

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Activities * Lori Paximadis

Book Beat * Lori Paximadis

Our next discussion will be April 26 at 7 p.m. via Zoom. The book is *Olive Kitteridge* by Elizabeth Strout. It is a novel made up of a series of interrelated short stories, and it won the Pulitzer Prize for fiction in 2009. From the publisher: “Olive Kitteridge is a complex woman. Described by some as indomitable and by others as compassionate, she herself has always been certain that she is absolutely right about everything. A retired schoolteacher in a small coastal town in Maine, as she grows older she struggles to make sense of the changes in her life. Through different narratives, telling the triumphs and tragedies of those around her, and spanning years, Olive’s story emerges. We meet her stoic husband, bound to her in a marriage both broken and strong, and a young man pained by loss — whom Olive comforts by her mere presence, while her own son feels overwhelmed by her sensitivities.”

Everyone is welcome to join! The Zoom link will go out via email a day or two before the discussion.

Impromptu Activities * (vacant)

Because of COVID-19, we are taking a hiatus from impromptu activities.

Ladies’ Bowling League * Nora Dulay, Secretary; Linda Hamaoui, Nancy Cause, & Jane Ball, Treasurers

No report.

Fun Bridge * Linda Hamaoui

Fun bridge is on hiatus for the 2020–2021 club year.

Programs * Kathy Yarian

No report.

Social * Lynn LaMore & Julie Waddell

No report.



Community Service * Deb Renkel

No report.

Adopt-A-Family * Deb Renkel

No report.

Community Council * Helen Davis

No report.

Fairview Assistance * Kathy Yarian & Carrie Sullivan

No report.

Favors on Trays * Leslie Rayle & Patty Beard

Take me out to the ball game! We will be ending our Favors on Trays year with a baseball theme. Our seniors will be receiving Cracker Jacks, an Indian’s schedule and some other surprises in their bag. Patty and I have truly enjoyed co-chairing this committee.

God & Country Letter-Writing Contest * Carrie Battiato

No report.

Helping Hands * Jane Ball & Kathy Rosol

We will be taking up a collection the month of April for Mother’s & Infants. Emails will be sent out during the month of April.

High School Scholarships * Lori Paximadis

The scholarship application is live, and the due date for applications is April 15. If you know a high school senior who lives in Fairview Park with a 3.5 or higher GPA who would like to apply, please direct them to our website for information.

If you’re interested in serving on the Scholarship Committee this year, please let me know. The commitment involves a few hours to read essays, look over applications, and score applicants on your own according to a provided scoring system, and then a Zoom meeting with the rest of the committee to compare rankings and determine the recipients in late April/early May. The only restriction is that we ask you to not sit on the committee if you personally know a student who is applying or is likely to apply this year.

Marion Cook Education Grant * Ellen Papadimoulis

No report.

Youth Program Assistance * Kathy Yarian & Carrie Sullivan

No report.

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Membership * Leslie Rayle

No report.

Hospitality * (Kathy Rosol)

If anyone knows of a member who is in need of a meal, please let me know.

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News & Notes

Angel Gown Project * Deb Renkel

I would like to share with you a mission project I am involved with through my church, Westlake United Methodist. We are working in conjunction with UH Hospital to make Angel Gowns. We repurpose wedding dresses into baptismal or dedication gowns. The gowns are then given to families with terminally ill babies or critically/chronically ill children who would be in the hospital for a long period of time and wish to have their child baptized/dedicated. The gowns are made in a variety of sizes from small to extra large, including wraps for the tiniest babes. Our dedicated group of sewists are looking for dress donations. If you, or someone you know, is interested in donating a wedding dress for this wonderful mission, please contact me. From my dress I was able to make five gowns and three wraps, so one dress goes a long way!



Bain Cabin Closet * Diane Faile

I made arrangements to get into Bain Cabin so I could check for Cookbooks, and several members had emailed me that they had Wine Tasting items (from last year) that they had been storing at their homes. We accomplished all that on Thursday, March 25, and I'm happy to report that the closets are in good shape, add the following ladies organized/stacked the items nicely so that everything fits! Thank you to Leslie Rayle, Sharon Bowles, and Barb Gillmore for meeting me there and doing the lifting and sorting to get it done!

Happy Birthday

April 2 * Pam Beamer

April 13 * Angela Hixon

April 20 * Kathy Yarian

April 29 * Jane Ball

April 30 * Lisa Morrison

Calendar of Events

April 7, 14, 21, 28 • 9 a.m.

Fairview Lanes

Ladies' Bowling

April 15 • 7 p.m.

Zoom

Board Meeting

April 19 • 7:30 p.m.

Zoom

General Meeting

April 22 • 7 p.m.

Zoom

Book Beat

**Due to the current situation with COVID-19,
many activities have been suspended.
Please continue to check your email.**