



FairViews

February 2020

President's Message * Carrie Battiato

February is the busiest month for the Club, with our biggest and most important fundraiser, our wine tasting, right around the corner! Be sure to check out those articles and check your emails for information on how you can help! I'm looking forward to the event and all its success for the Club, and I thank everyone who has been working so hard to ensure it!

Don't forget to let Nancy Cause know if you are interested in a board position for next year. The Nominating Committee will be meeting soon, and we are always looking for volunteers for a rewarding position on the board.

Finally, thanks again for the Social Committee for organizing and everyone who contributed to our soup and chili night. The food was excellent, and it was wonderful catching up with everyone after the holidays.

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Recording Secretary * Rosanne Kelley

No report.

Historian * Carol McAlonis

Please remember to forward any pictures you take at any of our fundraisers, meetings, or impromptu events so that they can be included in the year-end scrapbook.

Looking Back

This month, the September 1957 *FairViews*, vol. 2, no. 2, is highlighted for your enjoyment.

September Program: Kick-off meeting. Election of two Board Members-at-Large is scheduled. New President Virginia Mayberry welcomed everyone, and teased a look ahead of coming programs and events.

Ways & Means: The biggest event of the year – the Smorgasboard Dance, will be held at the American Legion Post 421 on Saturday, October 12th. Ronnie Barrett, (local radio and TV

personality) will emcee the dance and will furnish the music and entertainment. He announced that he will be giving away many records. Tickets will be \$3 per person.

Ways & Means asked that members put the Card Party and Box Luncheon on their calendars for November 14th. The event will take place at the Community Cabin. Further details to come.

The Civic Committee will hold their first meeting on September 9th at 8 p.m. Pat Westfall's home on Mastick Road.

The entire 11-woman Social Committee will serve at the September meeting.

A new Bowling Committee has been set up. Bowlers will meet at the Olympic Recreation center on Wednesday afternoons at 1 p.m. Interested bowlers should contact the chair.

The Fairnighter's Dance Club will hold its first dance on Friday, September 13th at the Olmsted Lodge. Music by Ebert Libby from 9 p.m. until 1 a.m.

Bridge and Canasta groups are now being formed. Please contact the chair to sign up.

The Golf season closed on August 29th at the home of Pat Koss. Engraved bracelets were awarded for most pars and most improved game.

The Mental Health Committee will visit the State Receiving Hospital on September 30th, entertaining the ward of 20-30 men.

The Committee for the Mentally Retarded will visit Apple Creek State Mental Hospital and have a picnic with the 100 or so men. Members were asked to contact the chairs if they wished to donate old record players, records, radios or old clothes for the Apple Creek Hospital, please contact the chairs.

News & Views: Elaine Kelty had a great golfing summer. She won the Springvale Plain Dealer tournament, shot her all-time low of 80 there during league play, and was a member of the team that won the Springvale Suburban Ladies tournament.

Midge & Bill Strong and their children vacationed in Michigan in August. Bill caught a six-pound trout one day. Dottie & Ebby Scheer will soon take their daughter to Ohio Wesleyan to begin her freshman year.

Two newly formed Recreational Activity Courses are being formed. Contact Elaine if you are interested in either a 6–8 week charm course taught by the Patricia Stevens Beauty School, or a dance instruction taught by the Beaucaire Dance Studio.

[Historian’s note: Two new columns were added to pass on even more member information.]

Ginny’s Jottings: *Two members welcomed babies this summer. Three members are on the PTA Board. Vacations were taken by several members to visit friends and/or family in Maine, Florida, and Wisconsin. A sad good-bye was said to a member who relocated to Philadelphia.*

Tattle and Chatter: *Two members and their families visited New York City and took in Broadway plays, visited the museums and other sights, and toured the city. One member went to Miami, Florida for her sister’s wedding. Two members and their families visited Chicago. Sandusky and Catawba were also popular destinations. Others visited the New Jersey shore and Worcester, Massachusetts. Another member and family flew, on her husband’s Beechcraft Bonanza, to LA, a flying time of 16 hours and 21 minutes. Many members stayed in Fairview Park and enjoyed their backyard pools throughout the summer.*

SELLING OR BUYING? *Wanted to buy – baby crib, maple preferred.*

Black Book * Christy George

No report.

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Treasurer * Nancy Shucofsky

Balance in checking 10/31/19	\$6,577.82
Receipts:	\$2,226.14
Disbursements:	\$1,539.92
Balance in checking 12/31/19	\$7,264.04

Carrie Battiato (as president) and I went over the budget, which we do each January. We did reallocate some of the monies to other accounts.

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Corresponding Secretary * Sharon Bowles

Please let me know if I need to send a card to any member of our Club (sympathy, get well, thinking of you). I don’t always hear what is happening to one of our members and I want to make sure that a card is sent to them from the Club. Please don’t hesitate to let me know if you need any stamps or stationery for your committee.

Publicity * Beth Lampe

If you need publicity for the Club's fundraisers, announcements of the meetings, membership, or any Club projects, please contact me at least two to three weeks in advance. I will submit them to the newspapers and the City Hall marquee. I can help in any way, but I am unable to pass out flyers.

Publications * Lori Paximadis

The deadline for March newsletter items is **Monday, February 24**.

Facebook Page * Paula Deal

If you are on Facebook, be sure to like and share posts about our club. Feel free to post pictures and comments there or send them to Paula Deal, 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. The more people see our name, the more community involvement we will have.

Website * Carol McAlonis & Paula Deal

We have reached out to our new members for bio information and pictures to add to our Members Only section. Instructions for using the section were provided.

A reminder to all members to let us know if you want to update your bio or picture. Forward the bio update or new picture and we'll be happy to take care of that for you.

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Ways & Means * Barb Kadleck & Sally Lisowski, Co-Vice Presidents

Summerfest/Oktoberfest * Sally Lisowski

No report.

Applebee's Flapjack Breakfast * Paula Deal & Theresa Zarnoski

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 * Barb Gillmore & Diane Faile

Don't forget our cookbooks when you need a small gift! \$6.00 each, an addendum for \$5.00, or \$10.00 for both.

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

No report.

Wine Tasting * Nancy Cause, Carrie Sullivan, & Sally Lisowski

We are coming down to the wire. Please come to Sally Lisowski's home on **Wednesday, February 5, at 7:30 p.m.** to put the bags together that everyone gets at check-in. Thank you to Sharon Bowles for helping to make the favor that goes in the bags. You did a really nice job on them. If our decorations committee needs a work night, they will let everyone know. Check your emails for any updates that may come up.

We are looking to sell out again this year. Please let all of your friends, co-workers, other clubs, neighbors, etc. know about our event. Hand out flyers. We need everyone's help to sell the tickets. Should we sell out, we can start a waiting list. We have advertised in both the *Sun Herald* and *West Life* newspapers as well as placing flyers at the Gemini Center and the Fairview Library. Thank you, Helen Davis, for taking our flyer to the Community Council meeting, and to Dick Cause for taking flyers to both the FP Youth Association meeting and the Education Foundation meeting, and anyone else who have taken flyers to work or to other clubs or events. We have also contacted people who are not in the club and are not friends of our members who have come to the event in the past. Hopefully we have adequate publicity about our major fundraiser.

Remind your guests to bring their tickets with them and to be **on time**, arriving between 6:30 and 6:45. We need to get started as close to 7:00 as possible. We can't start if there is a long line in the hallway waiting to check in and that cuts into the evening. Doors open at 6:30, but we will not serve any wine until 7:00, or until after the speeches. Everyone is anxious to get started. Let them know we are catering the event this year, still having appetizers and desserts. Also know is that we will accept most credit cards for silent auction items, as well as cash or checks. 50/50 raffles and raffle baskets are cash only. Tell people to dress in the Hawaiian theme if they wish. They will be getting Hawaiian leis at check-in.

We are so looking forward to having the event catered this year. This will free up a lot of people to help out during the event. We still need people to work shifts at the raffle table. Each winery donates two bottles of wine which we put in two baskets along with other items

to be raffled. Let us know if you are willing to work a shift. Shift 1 is from 6:30 to 7:30. Shift 2 is from 7:30 to 8:30. Shift 3 is from 8:30 to 9:30. First come, first serve. We'll fill in as we hear from you.

Also needed are people to pull sheets at the end of the auction. Only two people signed up at the general meeting. We need at least eight to ten people. The auction is spread out throughout the back wall and into the coat room. Every item has a bidder sheet that needs to be pulled. We need people as soon as we declare the auction closed, to grab the auction bidder sheets so no one tries to put bids in after it's over.

During the evening, we need everyone to refill water pitchers that will be on all of the guest tables. If you see a pitcher low or empty, please grab it and fill it up in the kitchen. Just remember which table it belongs to. There is no sign-up sheet for that. If you see it needs to be done, please do it.

From time to time, please check the dessert room. Condense items as the night progresses. Take the empty trays into the kitchen to be washed. We will need people to wash and dry trays. Let's keep the dessert room stocked and clean.

And of course, we need everyone's help at clean-up time. The more people helping, the sooner we can go home.

We cannot instill enough that this is the **club's** major fundraiser. **WE** (all club members) are the hosts, not just the chairpeople. Please greet people, thank them for coming, ask throughout the night if anyone needs anything. Make sure they are having a good time. We want them to come back next year. We want them to tell their friends what a great time they had and how friendly our club members are. We know you all are fantastic, show them we are.

Last but not least, *thank you*. Thank you for your donations, thank you for selling tickets and buying tickets. And to our chairs, *thank you* from the bottom of our hearts. It's going to be a spectacular night!

Silent Auction * Helen Davis, Carol McAlonis, and Barb Gillmore

Thank you to all who have donated or solicited items for this year's auction. We have a good variety of wonderful items, but can always use more. Several people have donated lottery tickets or cash to purchase tickets, and we are on our way to preparing a couple of lottery ticket auction items, but we can still use more tickets, in any denominations. We are also in need of baskets.

If possible, we would love to have your donations by the end of the first week of February. Feel free to contact us to pick up your items or arrange for delivery. Thank you again.

We are looking forward to another profitable auction.

Decorations ✨ Amber Kaufman & Mary Jane Riddlebaugh

Thank you to everyone who is gathering warm tropical decorations for the Wine Tasting Event. You are awesome!!! We will be sending out an email in February with a workshop date for anyone and everyone who can join us (no skill set necessary). Please join us, if you can, the night before the event to help set up. Looking forward to seeing you.

Food Committee ✨ Rosanne Kelley & Patty Beard

With the wine tasting fast approaching, the food committee still needs just a little help! We could still use a few ladies to bake a batch of mini cupcakes. And we are in need of a lady or two to take charge of the dessert room, which would involve getting the desserts onto the trays, making coffee, and setting out the other stuff, like the pop and candies. They would also need to check on the desserts to see if they need to be restocked. If interested let Patty know.

Spring Plant Sale ✨ Nancy Shucofsky & Rosanne Kelley

Dean's Greenhouse has confirmed the date of Saturday, May 9 for delivery, and I just heard back from Mary Long from the city. Although the cabin is being rented, we will be allowed to use the gazebo that morning as well.

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Parliamentarian ✨ Nancy Cause

Thank you to our Nominations Committee: from the board, Sally Lisowski, Barb Kadleck, and alternate Rosanne Kelley, and from the general membership, Kathy Rosol, Jane Ball, and alternate Carrie Sullivan. Please read your bylaws to see who is qualified for what positions and jot down some ideas. In the meantime, to our general membership: serving on the board of directors is an honor. We really enjoy each other's company while working on the business side of the club. It's the perfect place to get to know our members. Review your black books and let me know what position on the board you would like to have. We will be nominating a president, vice-president, treasurer, recording secretary, and corresponding secretary. In April, we will nominate a board member-at-large and vote for all.

On a personal note, I have served on the board in every position over the years, some positions more than once. It is very rewarding, very interesting, and fun. You get out of the club what you put into it. Our club is needed in the community more than ever. But we can't do it alone. We need to rotate the board from time to time. We need people to step up, not sit

back and watch. Don't think you can do it? Don't sell yourself short. I didn't think I could do it, either. I proved myself wrong, over and over again. Everyone made me feel welcome. Not once did I feel inferior. This is where I feel I am an equal. You are, too. But you have to tell me. I don't know unless you let me know. Please come on board and hold a board of director's position. You will never regret it.

Any bylaw revisions need to be turned in to me in writing, no later than the February general meeting.

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Board Member-at-Large * Deb Renkel

No report.

Telephone Committee * Kathy Kazaroff

No report.

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Activities * Lori Paximadis

Book Beat * Lori Paximadis

On **Monday, February 3, at 7 p.m.**, we'll meet at Lori's home to discuss *We Are All Good People Here* by Susan Rebecca White. "Spanning more than thirty years of American history...[this book] is 'a captivating...meaningful, resonant story'...about two flawed but well-meaning women clinging to a lifelong friendship that is tested by the rushing waters of history and their own good intentions."

An RSVP is not required, but a heads-up that you're planning to come is appreciated so the host can gather enough chairs.

Craft & Laugh * Cathy Collings

Craft & Laugh is on hiatus.

Impromptu Activities * Lisa Morrison

If you have an idea for an event, please let me know.

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

Our league bowls at 9 a.m. on Wednesdays. This is fun bowling. We are not a sanctioned league. You do not have to be a good bowler to join us. We have begun the season and can take new teams and/or subs. If interested in joining us, please give Nora Dulay a call.

Fun Bridge * Linda Hamaoui & Kathi Kowalski

There will be no fun bridge in February.

Programs * Kathy Yarian

No report.

Social * Lynn Lamore & Julie Waddell

Thank you to everyone who helped make our 2019 soup and chili night event a success. Thank you to all who brought our delicious food and those who helped set up and clean up our event. It was great to see everyone and start our new year.

Our next meeting on Monday, February 17 will feature Valentine treats. Thanks to all who signed up to bring something. I will send out a reminder prior to the meeting.

Our appreciation/installation dinner will be held on Monday, May 18 at Houlihan's in Westlake. Please put the date on your calendars and additional information and a signup sheet will be available at our March meeting.

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Community Service * Carrie Sullivan

No report.

Adopt-A-Family * Deb Renkel & Carrie Sullivan

A big thank-you to everyone who helped, made donations, and shopped for this season's Adopt-A-Family. With your help, added to our budget, we were able to give to the following people:

- Gifts for a mom and three kids
- Gifts for a grandmother and three grandchildren
- A lady recommended by the senior center
- Christmas meals for two families, plus some items for their pantries
- Joining with Fairview Schools, a family struggling to have gifts for their children

Community Council * Helen Davis & Maryanne Vandavelde

Community Council met on January 15. Below are some items from the meeting:

- FP Library — Some programs coming up are:
 - Essential Oils Basics — February 18, 7 p.m.
 - Black Women of Jazz (Holiday, Fitzgerald, Horne, Vaughn and Washington) — February 29, 2 p.m.
 - Women for the Vote (Women in History) – March 31, 7 p.m.
- Board of Education — There will be a grand opening with walk through the building projects sometime in April. A date will be announced later.
- Historical Society — They will distribute a listing of dates and speaker at a later time.
- West Shore Rotary Club — Bob DiBiasio luncheon and a reverse raffle are scheduled for April
- Youth Association — Night at the Races — March 14
- Chamber of Commerce – They are planning a meet and greet for the new mayor. Date will be announced later.
- The Shade Tree Committee is looking for a new committee member. They meet on the 2nd Thursday each month in the Dunson Room. There are six members on the committee.
- Garden Club – Meeting February 11. Dunson Room, City Hall at 6:30. There will be a social with meeting and program to follow. The program talk will be Gardening for a Healthy Biome. (An alternative title might be Backyard Habitat for Wildlife.)
- The 2020 Citizen of the Year dinner will be held on May 6. Nomination forms will be coming out soon.

Fairview Assistance * Darlene Howes

No report.

Favors on Trays * Barb Gillmore & Leslie Rayle

Our “hearts” go out to our Favors on Trays recipients for February. Included for this month are heart-shaped fabric lavender sachets, lots of yummy candy in a heart-shaped wicker basket, and a decorated pencil can containing a pencil and lip balm. Just the thing to put everyone in the Valentine spirit.

God & Country Letter-Writing Contest * Carrie Battiato & Nancy Cause

We are happy to report that at least one group of letters that we sent to the servicemen and women reached their destination. Maryann Vandavelde’s son wrote her that he received the letters and he showed them to his troop. He really appreciated receiving the letters. We usually don’t hear if they ever receive the letters, so this is good news indeed! Hopefully they

will write back to the students. How nice would that be? This is a very rewarding committee to chair. We hope we made some servicemen and servicewomen smile for just a short time while keeping us all safe here at home.

Helping Hands * Jane Ball & Kathy Rosol

The Helping Hands Committee will be having a collection for the FP Hunger Center at the February meeting. An email will be sent a week or two before the meeting concerning what items they might need.

High School Scholarships * Lori Paximadis

Applications will be available the first week of February. I will coordinate with Deb for publicity for both scholarships. If you're interested in being on the committee to evaluate scholarships, please let me know. Once we have a committee together, we'll find a date we all can meet to make our selections.

Marion Cook Education Grant * Deb Renkel

Applications will be made available the first week of February, and the deadline for submission will be April 15. We will begin review of applications in April. If you are interested on serving on the review committee, please contact Deb.

Youth Program Assistance * Darlene Howes

No report.



Membership * Diane Faile

We have a wonderful group of women in our Club. If you have friends, family, co-workers, or acquaintances that might be another great addition to the group, let me know. I'm happy to get them information and speak with them.

Hospitality * Patty Beard

No report.



Announcements

Rosanne Kelley thanks everyone for the cards and support after the death of her mother. It was very much appreciated by her and her family.



Happy Birthday!

February 7 * Nicolina Dzurnak
February 11 * Amber Kaufmann



Calendar of Events

February 3 • 7 p.m.
Lori Paximadis's home
Book Beat

February 4, 11, 18, 25 • 9 a.m.
Fairview Lanes
Ladies' Bowling

February 5 • 7:30 p.m.
Sally Lisowski's home
bag stuffing for wine tasting

February 13 • 7:30 p.m.
Carrie Sullivan's home
Board Meeting

February 18 • 7:30 p.m.
Bain Park Cabin
General Meeting

February 22 • 6:30 p.m.
Gemini Center
Wine Tasting