



FairViews

May 2020

President's Message * Carrie Battiato

Happy May, ladies! This is our last newsletter for the 2019–2020 Club Year and with any luck the last one detailing any committees or events impacted by the Coronavirus. This spring has brought unprecedented and disheartening circumstances that have affected nearly every facet of our lives, with this Club as no exception. But through it all, we have remained positive and have kept moving forward.

While the means by which we're conducting our end of the year business is not ideal, I'm so grateful and encouraged by everyone's willingness to nevertheless get the important work done. Thank you to everyone who've been participating in our virtual nominations and elections, and a special thanks to Lori Paximadis and Nancy Cause for making it happen. Next up is our virtual Disbursement of Funds meeting on May 5. The Zoom link will be emailed along with the agenda by Monday May 4. I hope you all can attend to discuss how all our hard-earned proceeds from the year will be distributed and hear a little about all the deserving community organizations and scholarship and grant winners.

I cannot thank you all enough for all the time, effort, creative thinking, compassion, generosity, and friendship you've all put into the Club this year and I'm looking forward to picking back up in the Fall. Please stay safe and take care of yourselves and your families.

With Love,
Carrie Battiato

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Recording Secretary * Rosanne Kelley

No report.

Historian * Carol McAlonis

If you have any pictures from past fundraisers, meetings or impromptu events that you'd like to have included in the year-end scrapbook, please forward them to me. I plan to finish

making the scrapbook in the next few weeks and will have it posted to our website when it's finished.

Looking Back

This month, the December 1957 *FairViews* newsletter, vol. 2, no. 4, is highlighted for your enjoyment.

December Program: *The Male Quartet of the Ohio Bell Men's Chorus will sing various selections including Christmas music. Also, please bring at least one item of food so that a Christmas Basket can be assembled for a Needy Fairview Park family.*

December Mental Health Committee: *In November, a card party was held where the men at the State Receiving Hospital played Hearts, Casino and Tripley. The men enjoyed themselves and help prepare a meal of Sloppy Joes and coffee. Committee members will help brighten the men's Christmas by giving gifts of another year's subscription to The Plain Dealer, candy, cigarettes, cards, poker chips and a new needle for their record player.*

December Committee for the Mentally Retarded: *The women and several husbands brought Christmas cheer to the ward at Apple Creek. An artificial tree was decorated with Christmas cards, and each man received gifts and holiday candy. A magician entertained the men and the strains of traditional Christmas carols rounded out the party.*

December Ways & Means: *The chairs would like to thank everyone for making the Box Luncheon and card party a success. Everyone who attended had a very enjoyable afternoon.*

Fur Raffle tickets will be distributed at the December meeting. The drawing for the furs will be February 25th at our annual dessert card party to be held at Rocky River Memorial Hall. Higbee's will furnish the style show and Helene St. Andrews will commentate.

The White Elephant Sale originally scheduled for the December meeting has been changed to a Rummage Sale in April. Hold on to those things you dig up during your Christmas and Spring cleaning!

December Activities:

Ice Skating is held at Winterhurst every Wednesday afternoon from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Call Kay if you are interested in attending.

Bowling, Bridge and Canasta scores were reported.

The Fairnighter's Christmas dance will be held on Friday, December 13th at the Olmsted Lodge.

Ginny's Jottings:

Reva & Dusty must be the "travelingest" pair in town: They toured Quebec and the Laurentian Mountains in October. They're flying to New York this month to see some plays and cheer the Browns at the Browns-Giants game. When the Lake Erie breezes blow hard in January, they'll head south.

Pat & Dan had an extra reason for giving thanks when long awaited baby David arrived Thanksgiving week.

Lil is walking a fluffy French poodle puppy named Mitzi these cold winter mornings.

Yvonne & Walter are busy with a do-it-yourself basement finishing job, and getting lots of help (?) from their three young sons.

News & Views:

Did you see June S. and Jean K. and their daughters' photos in a recent Plain Dealer story? Also in newsprint was Mary Lou's daughter Pam in a pre-Thanksgiving Press photo story about Grandad's turkey farm.

Betty & Bruce have a wonderful way to teach the spirit of St. Nicholas to their children. A small Christmas tree is completely decorated by their two boys and their neighborhood friends. Betty & Bruce ask the parents and their children to a tree trimming party. All the parents watch while the kiddies make paper ornaments and hang them on their very own tree.

To celebrate the Christ Child's birthday, Lois bakes a many-layered cake in a Christmas tree mold and places a candle on it. The whole family celebrates and honors Christmas and the children love the tradition.

We asked Lorraine what the multitudinous Flash family do on Christmas Day. She said they all gather from various parts of Greater Cleveland - - this procedure must cause a terrific traffic jam!

Chatter & Tattle:

Members visited family and friends for the Thanksgiving holiday in Wooster, Wisconsin, St. Louis, New Jersey, New York, and Philadelphia.

Have you heard about Elaine & Bill's Scavenger Hunt party? One of the husbands and his partner brought back 15 gal teenagers clad in p.j.'s from a slumber party as "the funniest thing you can think of!"

Alice is a gal real handy with paint brushes. She's been decorating a bedroom. Ever seen Alice's interesting coffee table in her living room?

Phyllis recently participated in an art exhibition at the YWCA. She showed some of her paintings and prints.

Two new babies arrived in November. Lu & Pete welcomed baby Kathy Lee, and Betty Lou & Eugene are the happy parents of Cynthia Susan.

Fifteen new members were welcomed to the Club in November.

Black Book * Christy George

No report.



Treasurer * Nancy Shucofsky

Balance in checking 2/29/20	\$19,804.22
Receipts:	\$0.00
Disbursements:	\$734.01
Balance in checking 3/31/20	\$19,070.21

The dues notice for the 2020/2021 Club year is attached. We have voted on and approved that the dues be reduced this year to \$25. Please make sure that your dues are returned either via mail or front porch cooler 🧊 by Friday, May 29.

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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 Beth Lampe 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

I'll be in touch with the new committee chairs in August for newsletter items for next club year.

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

A few changes were made to the Contact Us page after we experienced some issues. The form that was previously on the page has been eliminated, and contact information for our email, mailing address, and Facebook is now provided. We hope this will lessen our chances of multi-spamming or hacking.

Because of the issues, it was necessary to change the password to our Gmail account. Anyone needing access to the account in order to send an email to members should contact Carol, Paula, or Carrie B. for the new password.

Also, to be on the safe side, please do not open any emails shown on the Social or Promotions tabs. Emails found there are mostly spam that made it through our spam filter, or could possibly be from a hacker. Carol, Paula, or Carrie B. will review any of the emails there and delete them.

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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

With social distancing, and events canceled, we're still stocked with cookbooks and addenda, if anyone needs them!

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

No report.

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

Saturday, February 20, 2021

Thank-you letters have been sent to the wineries along with asking them if they would like to return next year. We for sure have two wineries coming back, Thorn Creek and Paper Moon. Again, it is a French theme with decorations secured. The date for next year is set, and place of course. Anyone wishing to co-chair with her, let Sally know know. Thorn Creek was a higher cost but very popular. There was discussion to try and get some new wineries to keep interest and variation for the attendees.

Please start saving any blue wine bottles you may have for décor.

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

No report.

Decorations * Amber Kaufman & Mary Jane Riddlebaugh

No report.

Food Committee * Rosanne Kelley & Patty Beard

No report.

Spring Plant Sale * Nancy Shucofsky & Rosanne Kelley

The spring plant sale through Dean's Greenhouse has officially closed and the bulk order has been sent! Our estimated profit is over \$1,500! Way to go everyone! The delivery date will be the morning of May 9 in the parking lot of the Bain Park Cabin and Gazebo. We will be asking anyone who is helping to please wear a mask and bring gloves! The tentative times will be sorting from 7:30 to 9:30 a.m. and pickup of orders from 9:30 to 11:00 a.m. We shouldn't have to worry about the cabin use as it is not being rented at this time.

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Parliamentarian * Nancy Cause

Thank you to everyone for your patience and cooperation in voting online or over the phone. It definitely is one for the books. LOL

A huge thank-you to Lori Paximadis for creating ballots and putting them online for us all so we can vote as anonymously as possible.

The 2020–2021 board of directors are:

Carrie Battiato, President

Sharon Bowles and Rosanne Kelley, Co-Vice Presidents

Sally Lisowski, Treasurer

Carrie Sullivan, Recording Secretary

Stephanie Sandle, Corresponding Secretary

Leslie Rayle, Board Member-at-Large

Congratulations to all!!! We will have our installation via Zoom on Monday, May 18 at 7:00 p.m. We will remind everyone closer to the date.

There are still openings for the board. Review your black books, fill in your Interest Sheets, and turn them in to Carrie Battiato. There will be a need for an Activities Chair, a

Community Service Chair, and a Membership Chair. Try to attend any board meetings if you can. It is very interesting to see how our club is run behind the scenes, and it's a great way to get to know our members better.

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Board Member-at-Large * Deb Renkel

The disbursement meeting will be held Tuesday, May 5 at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom. Watch your email for the invitation.

Telephone Committee * Kathy Kazaroff

No report.

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Activities * Lori Paximadis

All in-person activities are on hiatus until further notice, and the May installation dinner at Houlihan's is canceled. Hopefully we'll be able to meet again in person this fall.

Book Beat * Lori Paximadis

On Monday, May 4, at 7 p.m., we will meet via Zoom to discuss *Born a Crime: Stories from a South African Childhood* by Trevor Noah. "The compelling, inspiring, and comically sublime story of one man's coming-of-age, set during the twilight of apartheid and the tumultuous days of freedom that followed." Members who have read it already really enjoyed it; if you haven't participated in Book Beat before, we encourage you to join in. Just email Lori so we can add you to the Zoom invite list.

The first book of the 2020–2021 Club year will be *The Power* by Naomi Alderman. At the next Book Beat meeting, we will set a date for that discussion.

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Community Service * Carrie Sullivan

No report.

Adopt-A-Family * Deb Renkel & Carrie Sullivan

No report.

Community Council * Helen Davis & Maryanne Vandavelde

No report.

Fairview Assistance * Darlene Howes

No report.

Favors on Trays * Barb Gillmore & Leslie Rayle

Meals on Wheels service is suspended for the time being. We will resume favors on trays when service starts again.

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

No report.

Helping Hands * Jane Ball & Kathy Rosol

We want to thank the members who so generously gave money to the Metro Health Friends of Mothers & Infants. We don't have a final total yet. The deadline for donations is April 30. Once we do have the final total, we will send an email to everyone.

Also, thank you for everyone's generosity during this past Club year. Even though we didn't have meetings in March and April, we were still able to drop donations off to FP Meals on Wheels in March and money to the Metro Health Friends of Mothers & Infants. This is one awesome group of women! While this health situation has been trying, this too shall pass. Maybe not as fast as we would like, but it will!

High School Scholarships * Lori Paximadis

The committee met on Wednesday, April 29, to choose our scholarship recipients. We will present our proposals to the board at the disbursement meeting on May 5.

Fairview HS is not having a scholarship ceremony this year, but they are preparing a video announcement and have asked us to be a part of it. Carrie B. will record a short message on behalf of the club, and Lori will record the announcement of winners and put it all together and send it over to the high school. All certificates and information letters will be mailed to scholarship recipients this year instead of handed out in person.

Marion Cook Education Grant * Deb Renkel

The committee "met" on April 21 to review grant applications. Deb will present the recommendation to the board at the disbursements meeting May 5. A big thank you to Lori Paximadis, Rosanne Papadimoulis, and Kristyn Webber for their help with the review.

Youth Program Assistance * Darlene Howes

No report.

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Membership * Diane Faile

I am hoping all of our members are well and tolerating the conditions in which are living these days. Please continue to reach out to each other and give me, or someone, a call if you need something. We're a strong group of women who can do much, and we can show that to our community in what we do and how we react to these situations.

Hospitality * Patty Beard

No report.

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Happy Birthday

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| May 1 * Kathleen Kazaroff | May 17 * Barbara Gillmore |
| May 2 * Ellen Papadimoulis | May 18 * Patti Smith |
| May 2 * Leslie Rayle | May 19 * Elizabeth Lampe |
| May 8 * Helen Davis | May 20 * Mary Jo Campbell |
| May 14 * Lynn LaMore | May 30 * Christy George |



Calendar of Events

Please note that due to the current situation with Covid-19, all in-person meetings are canceled. Please continue to check your email.

May 4 • 7 p.m.
via Zoom
Book Beat

May 5 • 6:30 p.m.
via Zoom
Board Meeting/Disbursement of Funds