



FairViews

December 2019–January 2020

President's Message * Carrie Battiato

Happy Holidays, everyone!! It's the busiest, most wonderful time of the year, and that's no exception for our Club. In December we have a lot to look forward to between the Lunch With Santa and our Club Christmas party at Lori's home on Monday December 16. Also, be sure to check in with Deb Renkel and Carrie Sullivan to see how you can help make Christmas more special for local families and seniors through our Adopt-a-Family program.

Once we ring in the New Year, it will be time to regroup back at the cabin for our annual soup and chili potluck dinner and start really gearing up for our biggest event of the year — our wine tasting in February. Be on the lookout for emails on how you can help!

Finally, a special thank you to everyone who helped out and attended our We Do Care God & Country letter award program in November. It was a special night, and it's events like those that make me truly honored to represent this Club.

Merry Christmas from the Battiato family to yours, and a very Happy New Year!

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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 April and May 1957 FairViews, vol. 1, nos. 8 and 9, are recapped.

April Program: Music-Dancing-Comedy – A "Roaring Twenties" entertainment night featuring fellow club members.

May Program: *Member's Only May Luncheon on Wednesday May 8th at Westwood Country Club. Dorothy Fuldheim will be our guest speaker. Tickets are \$3.10 per person.*

April Ways & Means' Spring Dance *will be held on Saturday, May 11th at the Hotel Statler from 10 p.m. until 2 a.m. Music by Willard. Tickets for \$5.*

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April Civic Committee: *The Civic Committee reports that the proposed day nursery for Fairview Hospital personnel has been temporarily shelved until the hospital can find a suitable area. In the meantime, they are looking at a project to improve the Community Cabin, and also are working on a scholarship program.*

May Civic Committee: *The Civic Committee is looking forward to hosting the Fair 'N Share booth this year on June 8th.*

April Nominating Committee: *The Nominating Committee presented their slate of candidates for office at the March meeting. Members may also nominate candidates at this month's meeting, followed by the election.*

The By-Laws Committee has attached the proposed revisions to the Newsletter, and voting will take place at the April meeting.

May Nominating Committee: *The 1957-1958 officers were announced, along with Committee chairwomen.*

April Activities Committee: *The Activities Committee reported on the Bridge and Canasta monthly totals. Tournaments are continuing throughout the month. Trophies will be awarded at the May meeting.*

May Activities Committee: *The Activities Committee announced the Bridge Tournament winner and runner-up. The Canasta Tournament is in its final found, and the winner will be announced at the May luncheon. Trophies for both tournaments will be handed out.*

The Fairnighters Dance Club *announced its new officers. Their next dance will be a Supper Dance on May 24th. There was enough interest to also schedule a July 12th dance.*

All Committee chairs gave thanks to their members and highlighted what they accomplished throughout the year.

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 February newsletter items is **Monday, January 27**.

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

Christmas is coming! If you are making your list, check to see if our cookbook and/or addendum might be just the thing to complete that gift. Or how about a hostess gift? Give us a call or email if you'd like one. The cookbook is \$6.00, the addendum is \$5.00, or it's just \$10.00 if you purchase them together. Happy holidays!

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

Our Lunch with Santa fundraiser is Saturday, and things are falling nicely in place. A huge thank you again to all the "elves" that have helped prior to December 7, and to those that will be crunching the week before and that day! The number of guests is looking good: Seatings 1 and 2 are currently at 66 guests each, and seating 3 is at 30 guests. Still plenty of room available for any of the seatings! Leslie, Kathy Rosol, and Jane: We will be getting you the cookies the week prior to the lunch; all that needs to be done is baking them. Children will decorate cookies that day. Carrots/cucumbers will also be delivered to Lynn, Helen, and Barb the week prior to the lunch. Mini cupcakes (total of about 270, enough for guests and volunteers) are being provided by Patty, Linda Klotzbach, and Theresa. These can be delivered the morning of December 7 at the cabin. If anyone needs items picked up, please let Lynn, Mary Jane, or Sally know and we will make arrangements to do so. Also attached to this newsletter are the times and members that have volunteered for Saturday. Great numbers of the membership turn out to help all shifts. You ladies are wonderful!!! Have a great Thanksgiving holiday.

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

February 22 will be here before we know it. Please start thinking about what you are going to donate to the silent auction. It's not too early to get it to Carol McAlonis or Helen Davis. Make sure you fill out the description paper that is attached to the newsletter. Give as much detail as you can. It'll save the ladies a lot of time later.

We will email everyone a flyer to hand out at your holiday parties for your friends and family. Tickets will go on sale in January.

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

Our Wine Tasting fundraiser will be here before you now it. Every donation makes a difference, as the more items we have, the more funds we can raise for disbursements at the end of the year. You can make something, put a package together, or solicit a business. Please check with us if you plan to solicit a business, so that we don't duplicate a request to them.

Thank you to those of you who have already donated or solicited items. We are off to a great start.

A copy of the letter and form is attached to this newsletter.

You can drop your donations off to any of us or contact us and we will be happy to pick up your donations. Please contact us if you have any questions. Thanks for your help!

We are looking for new ideas. Nancy C. saw a lottery apron versus a lottery board. Also, a birthday board. Lori P. suggested trying a credit card option for payment. She has seen personally in other events that it increases bids because people do not have to rely solely on cash or checks. There is usually a 3% charge involved.

Decorations * Amber Kaufman & Mary Jane Riddlebaugh

No report.

Food Committee * Rosanne Kelley & Patty Beard

No report.

Spring Plant Sale * Nancy Shucofsky & Rosanne Kelley

No report.



Parliamentarian * Nancy Cause

January brings us a new year, and that includes thinking about our next club year's board. We will be forming a nominating committee in January. Please review your black books to see what you would like to do next year. It is a real honor to serve on the board. We will be looking for president, vice-president, treasurer, recording secretary, and corresponding secretary. In April we will nominate and elect a board member at large. I have served on the board for many years. It is very interesting and you get to know some of our members better. Please say YES when asked to be on the committee to find next club year's board. We pick a date, you come to my house, and we come up with a slate for our next club year.



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 might meet the first week of December if help is needed making things for the Santa Lunch. Watch your email for an announcement. There will be no regular December meeting.

Impromptu Activities * Lisa Morrison

It's always such a great time when we get together! I really enjoy planning our impromptu events. 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

The next Fun Bridge get-together will be **January 23** at Marjory Heyd's home. There is no Fun Bridge in December. Please contact Linda Hamaoui for more information.

Programs * Kathy Yarian

No report.

Social * Lynn Lamore & Julie Waddell

Thank you to all who brought the delicious food to share for the November meeting. Everything was great. Also, thanks to all who helped us clean up in record time. It sure makes our job easier with so many helping hands.

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Community Service * Carrie Sullivan

No report.

Adopt-A-Family * Deb Renkel & Carrie Sullivan

Thank you to everyone that signed up to assist with this year's Adopt-A-Family. We hope to have all the needed information by the end of November. On December 7, at the Lunch With Santa, we will collect any monetary donations and let you know what needs to be purchased.

Community Council * Helen Davis & Maryanne Vandavelde

No report.

Fairview Assistance * Darlene Howes

No report.

Favors on Trays * Barb Gillmore & Leslie Rayle

Our January favors will hopefully add some warmth to this long, cold, snowy month. To provide some coziness for our recipients, they will be receiving neck scarves. Added to their bag this month will be an indoor s'mores kit and hot chocolate — yum!

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

What a wonderful night it was! It couldn't have gone better. Thank you to everyone who came to watch us do our thing.

Go back a few months, and thank you to everyone who helped screen the letters, and to those who helped judge the letters. We had 91 letters to read and whittle down to our final six winners, two from each school.

We gave each winner a plaque, paid for by the FP Youth Association, and a certificate. All of the other students who participated received a certificate of participation. It was very nice seeing not only the winners but also the support of their teachers and principals.

The winners also received proclamations from Nan Baker, who was in attendance, and Senator Dolan.

Thank you to our set up, serving, and cleanup committee for the reception — Deb Renkel, Sharon Bowles, and Christy George—and anyone else who stepped up to give a hand. And thank you to our bakers, Leslie Rayle, Kathy Rosol, Paula Deal, Patty Beard, Nikki Dzurnak, Sally Lisowski, and Barb Kadleck. Thank you to Linda Hamaoui, who brought a wonderful veggie tray and cheese and cracker tray with fruit for our general meeting. You all saved us a lot of extra work.

And a huge thank you to Sally Lisowski, who made sure Harriet Beekman came to the event. Harriet is 99 years old. We are so grateful that she wants to come out and support us. That's how much she believes in this program and in us. We are very happy the students were able to meet her.

Helping Hands * Jane Ball & Kathy Rosol

Thank you, everyone, for participating in the signing of Christmas cards for our veterans at the VA hospital and O'Neill's Skilled Nursing Home during our November meeting.

There will be no collections during the month of December; however, we may do a collection of some sort for January. If we should decide on anything for that time, we will send out an email before the January meeting.

We want to take the time to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! See you in January for our soup and chili night!

High School Scholarships * Lori Paximadis

No report.

Marion Cook Education Grant * Deb Renkel

No report.

Happy Birthday!

December 27 * Kathiann Kowalski

December 28 * Theresa Zarnoski

December 28 * Carrie Sullivan

December 31 * Lori Paximadis

January 4 * Susan Filipic

January 5 * Sally Lisowski

January 9 * Diane Faile

January 28 * Patty Beard



Calendar of Events

Dec. 3, 10, 17; Jan. 8, 15, 22, 29 • 9 a.m.

Fairview Lanes

Ladies' Bowling

December 7 • 11 a.m.–3 p.m.

Bain Park Cabin

Lunch with Santa

December 16 • 7–10 p.m.

Lori Paximadis's home

Holiday Open House

January 16 • 7:30 p.m.

Roseanne Kelley's home

Board Meeting

January 21 • 6:30 p.m. (note earlier time)

Bain Park Cabin

General Meeting — Soup & Chili Night

January 23

Marjory Heyd's home

Fun Bridge

January 28 • 6:30–9 p.m.

Panera, Rocky River

Craft & Laugh