



# FairViews

March 2020

## President's Message \* Carrie Battiato

Welcome to March, ladies!! The end of February is an important milestone in our Club year. Our biggest fundraiser is behind us, and we can all take a deep breath and pat ourselves on the back for a job well done. Moving forward, we have the Spring Plant Sale and then the most gratifying part of the Club year: the disbursement of all our hard-earned funds. It's an exciting time! But before I get ahead of myself, I want to extend one more heartfelt and sincere thank you to our Wine Tasting event and committee chairs for busting their humps and delivering a knock-out job. And another thank you to all the members who pitched in — it could not have been done without the efforts of all.

As we spring into the new season, please be thinking about which positions you might be interested in for the upcoming Club year. Interest sheets will be sent out in April, and I'll ask that they be returned in May so we can start planning another successful year. If you have any questions about any positions, please do not hesitate to ask. Many of our current members have held a wide array of positions through the years.

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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 October 1957 *FairViews*, vol. 2, no. 32, is highlighted for your enjoyment.

**October Program:** *Sarah Harding Hunter, noted Personality Analyst, will be the featured speaker. Miss Hunter will give each member a "self-analysis" report card so that the member may get to know her own personality better.*

**October Ways & Means:** *The Ways & Means Committee members will be calling all members to determine how many will be attending the Box Luncheon Card Party on November 14th at the Community Cabin.*

**October Civic Committee:** *Thirty members will be journeying to the Hearing and Speech Center at East 112th and Euclid on October 14th. This trip is in lieu of the regular committee meeting.*

**October Activities:** *The Dorothy Souche Charm Course began on September 30th and will continue for six weeks. Miss Souche will give lessons and hints on good grooming, posture, the art of make-up, and figure care. Classes are held from 8:30 to 9:30 p.m. on Monday evenings at the Fairview Town Hall.*

*Bowling season started on Wednesday, September 24th. There are 24 regulars and 10 substitutes in the ten-team league.*

*There are seven groups of regular Bridge players and 5 groups of beginning Bridge players. There are still openings for Canasta. Please call the chair if you are interested in joining.*

*The PTA is sponsoring a "Conference on Personal Living" in October. Mothers and their 9-13-year-old daughters may attend on October 21st and Fathers and their 9-13-year-old sons may attend on October 28th. The sex lectures and films will be presented by Ann Falther, Director of the Cleveland Family Health Association, so that those children approaching puberty can satisfy their healthy and natural curiosity.*

*The Committee for the Mentally Retarded were rained out of their planned picnic and softball game planned at Apple Creek State Hospital on September 21st, so instead had an indoor picnic and played indoor games. The ward members had a wonderful time, and are looking forward to another event in late October.*

*The Mental Health Committee were kept busy at the State Receiving Hospital. Eight members were literally going in circles while square dancing with the twenty-two men! Their planned picnic was also held indoors, and the men enjoyed helping to cook the hot dogs. A Halloween party is planning for the evening of October 28th.*

**News & Views:** *The Chryslers and the Everetts are moving from West 227th St. to homes nearer to the Community Cabin.*

**The Spotlight:** *Two "Southern Belles" were highlighted in October. Loretta Fleming just relocated to Fairview Park from Tiff, Missouri (she doesn't consider herself a "southerner" since the city is close to the Illinois border). Loretta loves to golf and sew. Pat Westfall was also highlighted. Her children Bill, age all (Historian note – my former councilman!), Mindy age 6 and Vicky age 3 keep her busy, but her*





## **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

A HUGE THANK YOU to everyone who participated in some way to making our major fundraiser a success. THANK YOU! to our chairs, Amber Kaufmann and Mary Jane Riddlebaugh, for doing a bang-up job with the decorations. We heard lots of compliments. Helen Davis, Carol McAlonis, and Barb Gilmore did an outstanding job getting donations, putting all of the baskets together, and making the auction tables look fantastic. And our food committee, Rosanne Kelley and Patty Beard, for working with the caterer to make us some delicious food as well as chairing the desserts. Thank you, Carrie Battiato, for getting us in contact with PHusion Catering and helping to work out an affordable menu. Thank you if you helped set up, helped at check-in and distributed bags and Hawaiian leis, worked the 50/50 raffle, sold raffle basket tickets, filled water pitchers throughout the night, replenished the desserts, pulled bidder sheets, were a runner at the end of the night, cleaned up, and of course made our guests feel welcome.

As we all know, it takes pretty much everyone in the club to make this work. From donating items for the auction, purchasing tickets, promoting the fundraiser, setting up, working the night of the event, and of course clean up. It's a huge undertaking, and it cannot nor should only be done by only a few. Unfortunately we had a problem filling slots during the event. We appreciate help before and after, but we always need help during as well. Don't be afraid to sign up ahead of time. It's difficult to track people down throughout the night and ask them to sit at the raffle table or pull bidder sheets or be a runner. We are all busy doing other things and it takes us away from our guests as well to have to hunt people down. Like several of our members have said, this is not a social event; this is our club's major fundraiser. We are supposed to work throughout the night to raise as much money as we can for disbursements in May.

We would like your feedback. What did you like? Where can we improve? We've had some feedback already. The food was a bit spicy, which we did not know was going to happen. Maybe next year if we use PHusion Catering again, have spicy food labeled and have both spicy and nonspicy choices. We needed more help throughout the night; some people worked quite a bit, while others did not. We had a suggestion to train people on Saturday afternoon during setup on how to pull sheets, be a runner, etc., so that there is less confusion at the end of the night. We heard a lot of positive feedback as well. Many liked the food, the caterers were very nice, the rooms looked great, the auction tables looked very nice, many loved the dessert room, and the people from the wineries were very friendly.

We don't have a total for what we made yet. We should know by the board and general meetings. If you are a committee member and have receipts to turn in, please do so as soon as possible so we can have a final figure and close the books on it.

Would you like to be one of the chairs next year? We'd love to have you come on board. We have lots of reports to pass along, and you will feel great knowing you are a large part of the major fundraiser. Don't be shy. Let one of the current chairs know you are interested.

We are already working on next year. We need to come up with a date, and start asking wineries to participate. We are open for suggestions.

Thank you again, everyone!

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

Thank you again to everyone for your generous donations and solicitations. We had 128 packages and made a total of \$7,069 before expenses. The addition of a charge payment option and a new set-up helped speed up the check-out process. We also want to thank everyone who helped us make the auction a success, whether it was donations, set-up, pulling bidder sheets, being a runner, a teller, or cleaning up.



## Activities \* Lori Paximadis

### Book Beat \* Lori Paximadis

On **Monday, April 6, at 7 p.m.**, we'll meet at Lori's home 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." This will be the last Book Beat of the Club year.

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

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

### Craft & Laugh \* Cathy Collings

Craft & Laugh is on hiatus.

### Impromptu Activities \* Lisa Morrison

**March 31, 7 p.m., Fairview Library**

#### Women for the Vote

Women in history actress will portray three suffragists — Susan B Anthony, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, and Sojourner Truth — who demanded equal rights for women. Register for the event on the library website and let Lisa know that you are going.

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

Fun Bridge will be at Claire Seeholzer's home on March 26.



**Programs \* Kathy Yarian**

Chief of police Erich Upperman will be our speaker for the March meeting . He will be speaking about the latest scams that have plagued our city and things we should watch out for. He will also discuss women's safety issues.

**Social \* Lynn Lamore & Julie Waddell**

Our appreciation/installation dinner will be held on Monday, May 18 at Houlihan's in Westlake. Happy hour starts at 5:15, and dinner is at 6:30. Cost is \$20 for the meal; beverages are on your own. See the attached flyer for more details. 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**

No report.

**Community Council \* Helen Davis & Maryanne Vandavelde**

No report.

**Fairview Assistance \* Darlene Howes**

No report.

**Favors on Trays \* Barb Gillmore & Leslie Rayle**

March will be a fun month and will provide some entertainment for our Meals on Wheels friends. They will be receiving a word search book to tease their minds, a glasses case that we have filled with candy, and some delicious cookies.

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

No report.

**Helping Hands \* Jane Ball & Kathy Rosol**

We want to thank everyone who so generously gave to the FP Hunger Center in February. They are always so grateful for everything we do for them. For March, we will be collecting for Meals on Wheels. We will send an email later to let you know what they need.

## High School Scholarships \* Lori Paximadis

Applications are available now, and the deadline is April 15. The committee will meet on Wednesday, April 22, at 7 p.m. to choose our scholarship recipients. If you are interested in being on the committee, please let me know.

## Marion Cook Education Grant \* Deb Renkel

Applications are available now, 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.

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## Membership \* Diane Faile

Our March meeting will feature Fairview Park’s chief of police, Erich Upperman, speaking about the latest scams and women’s safety issues. This would be a perfect meeting to bring a guest, so if there’s anyone you think might be interested in this topic, our Club, or both, please invite them! You can direct them to our website to learn more information about our Club prior to the meeting, but we’ll have our flyers there for them to look at, take home, or join that evening! Unfortunately, I will be out of town for the meeting, but I’m happy to speak with anyone at other times.

## Hospitality \* Patty Beard

No report.

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# Happy Birthday

March 7 \* Maryann VandeVelde

March 25 \* Cathy Collings



# Calendar of Events

March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 • 9 a.m.

Fairview Lanes

**Ladies' Bowling**

March 12 • 7:30 p.m.

Nancy Shucofsky's home

**Board Meeting**

March 16 • 7:30 p.m.

Gemini Center (*note change of location*)

**General Meeting**

March 26

Claire Seeholzer's home

**Fun Bridge**