

FairViews

September 2022

President's Message

I am excited to begin the new club year. The first year was a lot of learning and listening. I really want to make a difference this year and need everyone's help and support. We are so hopeful for another shift back to normalcy, no matter how incremental it occurs. I am looking forward to seeing everyone at our first meeting of the year and the return of the potluck! Please think about a friend or neighbor you may want to invite to attend and consider joining us. We still have a couple of open positions, so if you are interested in helping out with social/hospitality or activities, please let me know. Enjoy the rest of summer!

Treasurer's Report

If there is anyone who still has dues outstanding, please get them to me at our first meeting in September. It is not too late!

I will have reimbursement forms available at the meeting if you have any outstanding receipts. Tax-exempt forms will also be available.

The 2022–2023 approved budget along with the Accountant's Compilation Report are attached to the newsletter.

Helping Hands

Helping Hands will be collecting for Metro Health Mothers & Infants organization at our September meeting. Our contact person has requested monies (checks please) in place of items purchased. While they appreciated all the wonderful items bought in the past, they stated they can use the money to purchase bulk items. Please make out checks to Metro Health Friends of M & I. Also, as we go through the year, please let me know if there is someone in our community in need of outreach help. We will assist in whatever way is possible.

Historian's Report

For your enjoyment, I will continue Looking Back on our Club history through the old newsletters. I will forward them to members each month via email, and will make a copy for anyone who does not have a computer.

You will receive the November and December 1959 Fair-Views newsletters in September, and then we will be moving into the '60's. It will be interesting to see how the Club evolved during that decade.

Bowling

The first day of Bowling this year will be on September 7 at 9:00 am at Fairview Lanes. Anyone interested in joining the league can contact Jane ASAP. I will pass the information on to Marilyn at Fairview Lanes so she has you listed for our Wednesday league. Any questions, please give me a call.

Hoping to see some new faces, along with those already familiar with our weekly bowling. A great way to get in some exercise as well as socializing with your fellow friends from FPWC.

Book Beat

September 26, 7 pm • Lori's home

Our first book of the 2022–2023 club year is Klara and the Sun, by Kazuo Ishiguro. From the publisher: "Here is the story of Klara, an Artificial Friend with outstanding observational qualities, who, from her place in the store, watches carefully the behavior of those who come in to browse, and of those who pass on the street outside. She remains hopeful that a customer will soon choose her. Klara and the Sun is a thrilling book that offers a look at our changing world through the eyes of an unforgettable narrator, and one that explores the fundamental question: what does it mean to love?"

The picks for the remainder of the new club year are: November 7, 2022: Firekeeper's Daughter, by Angeline Boulley March 27, 2023: The Mystery of Mrs. Christie, by Marie Benedict May 22, 2023: While Justice Sleeps, by Stacey Abrams

Everyone is welcome to join us — you don't need to be an expert on literature. Just read the book and share what you think about it.

Summer in Our City

Swings-N-Things Fundraiser

A huge thank you to all of our members who were able to participate in this past summer's Swings-N-Things fundraiser. Hope you all were able to enjoy the 18 rounds of golf (putt-putt) with friends, family, and hopefully had some laughs and smiles along the way. We raised a little over \$300 for our disbursements in May. Nicely done ladies!

Fairview Park Summerfest

Fairview Park Summerfest was a great success. We had close to 100 vendors this year, which included non-profit, profit, and food trucks. Vendors were pleased with their sales.

It was a perfect weather weekend and the fireworks were a huge hit; 22 minutes long with an amazing finale. We had one lost child, two sets of car keys, and one phone; most were returned, including the child.

We used a new carnival ride company, Prime Time. They did a great job and brought us the most profit we've ever earned from a ride company. We signed a three-year contract with them. We appreciate the support from the mayor and city workers as well as the police and fire. Our volunteers did an amazing job. Dates for next year's Summerfest will be July 27–30.

Support Our Club & Community

Fall Plant Fundraiser

Once again, we will participate in a fall plant fundraiser with Dean's Greenhouse, 3984 Porter Rd., in Westlake. They will donate 20% of our purchases from **September 7 through October 31**. Please take the plant sale flyer with you when you make your purchase. This is a great time to purchase mums, kale, pansies, straw bales, cornstalks and anything else you need from their greenhouse. Go as often as you want and take the flyer with you. Thank you for supporting our fundraiser with this fall event.

Lunch with Santa

We are once again hosting the Lunch with Santa on **December 10, 2022**, at Bain Park Cabin. Sign-up sheets will start circulating at the end of October for help both on the day of, and prior to the fundraiser. I know it is only late summer, but we are getting excited to see the children and parents' faces when Santa and Mrs. Claus come down the steps of the Cabin. Please keep that date open. Thank you all for your continued support of this wonderful fundraiser.

Wine Tasting

Our major fundraiser is **February 18, 2023**, and we have been looking for wineries throughout the summer. We do not have any definite yeses yet, but we are working hard to get them by September's meeting. If anyone has any suggestions, leads or contacts with any winery, we would be very happy to follow up on them. We are going to keep the theme French; all decorations are in place and ready to exit Mary Jane's home. We are also working on revamping the Silent Auction, along with adding additional chance games, 50/50, etc. Ticket prices will be decided closer to the end of the year.

We are hoping for some big-ticket items for the auction, so if you are thinking of creating something with a larger value, or certainly if you have links to a business that could donate large ticket items, we would like to hear about them asap!

Amazon Smile

We receive 0.5% back for purchases made by Amazon Prime members who sign up for the Amazon Smile program. Go to **smile.amazon.com** and select Fairview Park Women's Club as the charitable organization — you only need to do this once. Bookmark smile.amazon.com and use that link to do your Amazon shopping, and our club will receive a donation from Amazon at no cost to you. Ask your friends and family who shop on Amazon to do the same to increase the impact.

Cookbooks

Cookbooks are available for anyone who needs a quick gift. They are great for birthdays, thinking of you, bridal showers or even for your children who are living on their own. They make a good gift on their own or add some kitchen utensils, a kitchen towel or a baking pan and you have a great gift. If you need a cookbook, text or call Barb Gillmore or Diane Faile.

Birthdays

September 12 * Carol McAlonis
September 15 * Mary Jane Riddlebaugh
September 27 * Rosanne Papadimoulis
September 28 * Linda Hamaoui

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Calendar of Events

September 7, 14, 21 & 28 • 9 am
Ladies' Bowling League
Fairview Lanes
Contact Jane for details

Thursday, September 15 • 7 pm Board Meeting

Rosanne's home

Monday, September 19 • 6:30 pm General Membership Meeting & Potluck

Bain Park Cabin

Note earlier than usual meeting time

Monday, September 26 • 7 pm Book Beat

Lori's house *Klara and the Sun,* by Kazuo Ishiguro

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Save the Dates!

December 10, 2022 • Lunch with Santa February 18, 2023 • Wine Tasting

Officers and Committee Chairs

President: Rosanne Kelley **Vice President:** Lori Paximadis

Plant Sales: Ellen Papadimoulis, & Nancy Shucofsky

Lunch with Santa: Sally Lisowski, & Mary Jane Riddlebaugh Wine Tasting: Sally Lisowski, Diane Faile, & Carrie Battiato

Silent Auction: exploring different options Decorations: Mary Jane Riddlebaugh

Food: catered

Cookbooks: Barb Gillmore, & Diane Faile Swings-N-Things Fundraiser: Sally Lisowski

Treasurer: Nancy Shucofsky

Recording Secretary: Pam Beamer

Historian: Carol McAlonis Black Book: Christy George

Facebook, Publicity & Publications: Lori Paximadis, & Carol McAlonis

Newsletter: Leslie Rayle

Corresponding Secretary: Leslie Rayle Board Member at Large: Robin Munoz Telephone Committee: Robin Munoz

Parliamentarian: Carrie Battiato

Activities: open

Book Beat: Lori Paximadis

Bowling: Jane Ball

Fun Bridge: Kathi Kowalski, & Linda Hamaoui

Impromptu Activities: Kathy Yarian

Programs: Kathy Yarian

Community Service: Marie Kay

Adopt a Family: Theresa Zarnoski

Community Council: Rosanne Kelley

Fairview Assistance: Sharon Bowles, & Barb Gillmore

Youth Program Assistance: Sally Lisowski

Favors on Trays: Patty Beard, Leslie Rayle, & Mary Jane Riddlebaugh

God & Country Letter-Writing Contest: Carrie Battiato

Helping Hands: Robin Munoz

High School Scholarships: Lori Paximadis

Marion Cook Grant: Barb Gillmore, & Sharon Bowles

Membership: vacant – Robin Munoz, & Paula Deal trying new ideas to attract members *Hospitality/Social:* vacant – Rosanne Kelley will ensure refreshments are scheduled