



# FairViews

September 2025

## President's Message

*Lori Paximadis*

As another club year gets underway, I'd like to thank you for choosing to continue your membership and for all you do to support your club.

When I first joined FPWC nearly a decade ago, I was floored by how much this small but mighty club accomplishes in our community. Your contributions — time, effort, talent, donations — truly make a difference in the quality of life in Fairview Park and our surrounding area.

It is a pleasure to serve as your new president, and I look forward to a great club year ahead.

## Treasurer's Report

*Carrie Battiato*

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| Balance in checking 6/30/25  | \$8,855.68 |
| Receipts:                    | 0.00       |
| Disbursements:               | 2,970.00   |
| Balance in checking 07/31/25 | \$5,885.68 |

Updated balances and activity will be available on the September general meeting agenda.

## Calendar of Events

**September 1 – October 15**

**Fall Plant Sale**

*Dean's Greenhouse*

**September 11 • 7:00 pm**

**Board Meeting**

*Carrie's home*

**September 15 • 6:30 pm**

**General Meeting & Potluck**

*Bain Park Cabin*

**September 22 • 7:00 pm**

**Book Beat**

*Lori's home*

## Birthdays

September 12: Carol McAlonis

September 15: Mary Jane Riddlebaugh

## Board Member at Large

*Marie Chambers*

The board member at large is the membership's representative on the board. If you have any concerns you would like me to bring up to the board on your behalf, please get in touch.

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## Support Our Club & Community

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### Helping Hands

*Robin Munoz*

Helping Hands will be collecting for the **Fairview Hunger Center** at our September meeting. Requested items: (non-perishables) canned vegetables, soups, tuna, peanut butter, jelly, spaghetti sauce, pasta noodles, ketchup, mustard, cereals. Also accepted cash or checks made out to **Fairview Hunger Center**.

### Seasonal Plant Sale

**September 1 – October 15**

*Ellen Papadimoulis & Nancy Shucofsky*

Our fundraiser at Dean's Greenhouse at 2984 Porter Road in Westlake is on! Dean's will donate 20% of our purchases (other than gift certificates) to the club from September 1 through October 15. It's a great time to get those fall plants, decorations, or any other items from their greenhouse. Go as often as you'd like! Tell them you're from the Fairview Park Women's Club before they ring up the sale.

### Lunch with Santa

**Saturday, November 29**

*Sally Lisowski, Mary Jane Riddlebaugh, & Michelle Kramer*

In a few months (three to be exact), we will be hosting our Lunch with Santa fundraiser at Bain Park Cabin. We will once again have our wonderful Santa (Dave George) come and listen to the children's Christmas Day wishes. Such a wonderful way to start the holiday season. A sign-up sheet will be available at our October meeting; I'm hoping everyone will help make this another successful year.

### Wine Tasting Event

**Saturday, February 21, 2026**

*Sally Lisowski & Diane Faile*

Hope everyone has set aside the date of February 21, 2026, for our fun fundraiser! The theme is the 250th anniversary of our country in 2026, but rather than going with all red, white, and blue (of which there will be plenty as the year progresses), we've decided to feature the many beautiful, unique, and interesting places that make up this land. Thus, it will revolve around the phrase "From Sea to Shining Sea."

We have been working on plans this summer and are pleased to announce that we have three wineries confirmed for our event: Das Weinhaus, Melted Wings, and Firelands. We are awaiting word from another, who is seriously considering it. Fingers crossed!

We are grateful to those ladies who have stepped up to either chair or serve on a committee. If we haven't heard from you and you are willing to add whatever time you can to the planning of this event, we would love to have your help. We always need fresh and fun ideas!

We have heard from several about chairing table decorations. If you recall, rather than having the same centerpiece on each table, we agreed it would be fun to represent the various areas of our wide and wonderful country with a variety. Here's what we've got so far:

Mount Rushmore: Anne Durno  
 Ohio: Sally Lisowski  
 New Mexico (Rte. 66, Albuquerque,  
 Santa Fe): Lynda Kovach

Ocean Beaches: Diane Faile  
 Hawaii: Carol McAlonis  
 Boston: Theresa Zarnoski

As you can see, it doesn't have to be a state, just part of one or an area. We know you can come up with some more great ideas! And if you don't have enough for an entire display (it shouldn't be huge anyway), then put the idea out there and perhaps someone has items to add to it, or we might be able to purchase a few more things to complete it. We purchased some old postcards and a few other things from a garage sale this summer, for instance. Plus, there are some items from previous fundraisers and programs that have been saved over the years that might just be what you need. Just let Diane (bdfaile@cox.net) know what you're thinking, and we'll work with you. Looking forward to a great year and event!

## Silent Auction

Sally Lisowski

Yes, it is only August, and February seems so far away. But it does come fast, and I just wanted you to start thinking about the silent auction. For those of you who like to help us, homemade, solicited, and purchased items are always welcomed. We will probably be taking donations right after the Lunch with Santa fundraiser (any time after December 1). I plan on doing something like last year, asking members to deliver letters to prospective businesses starting in October. If you have any organization or places of business you plan to solicit, please let me know the contact information IN ADVANCE so we don't duplicate our request.

The donation letter and forms are attached, and copies will also be available at our meetings. If you are unable to print the attachments, please let me know and I will be more than happy to deliver them to you. My sincere thanks to you all for making last year's auction such a success and I know this year's will be just as fabulous.

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## Activities

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### Book Beat

Nancy Shucofsky

Here are our books for the upcoming club year:

**September 22:** *The Lost Summers of Newport*, by Beatriz Williams, Karen White, and Lauren Willig (<https://tinyurl.com/mr3e73jr>), at Lori's house.

**December 1:** *Long Division*, by Kiese Laymon (<https://tinyurl.com/4a3462jd>), at Rosanne's house.

**January 26:** *Fight Night*, by Miriam Toews (<https://tinyurl.com/mr2ma6ah>), at Pat's house.

**April 27:** *Trust*, by Hernan Diaz (<https://tinyurl.com/2vner2tu>). Meeting location TBD.

## Officers and Committee Chairs

**President:** Lori Paximadis

**Vice President:** Marie Kay

*Plant Sales:* Ellen Papadimoulis & Nancy Shucofsky

*Lunch with Santa:* Sally Lisowski, Mary Jane Riddlebaugh, & Michelle Kramer

*Wine Tasting:* Sally Lisowski & Diane Faile

*Silent Auction:* Sally Lisowski

*Decorations:* Mary Jane Riddlebaugh

*Food:* Theresa Zarnoski & Lynda Kovach

*Desserts:* Christy George

*50/50 Boards:* Kathy Yarian

*Partnership Fundraising:* Lori Paximadis

**Treasurer:** Carrie Battiato

**Recording Secretary:** Pam Beamer

*Historian:* Carol McAlonis

*Black Book:* Christy George

**Corresponding Secretary:** Anne Durno

*Publicity:* Lori Paximadis

*Newsletter:* Pam Beamer

**Board Member at Large:** Marie Chambers

**Parliamentarian:** Rosanne Kelley

**Activities:** Kathy Yarian

*Book Beat:* Nancy Shucofsky

*Impromptu Activities:* Kathy Yarian

*Programs:* Kathy Yarian & Hilary Schuerger

**Community Service:** vacant

*Adopt a Family:* Theresa Zarnoski

*Community Council:* Rosanne Kelley

*Fairview Assistance:* Patti Smith & Diane Ward

*Rec/Youth Program Assistance:* Sally Lisowski

*Favors on Trays:* Mary Jane Riddlebaugh

*We Do Care:* Carrie Battiato & Betty Petitt

*Helping Hands:* Robin Munoz

*High School Scholarships:* Nancy Shucofsky

*Marion Cook Grant:* Barb Gillmore & Ellen Papadimoulis

**Membership:** Kathi Kowalski

**Hospitality/Social:** Rosanne Kelley