



Geneva Lake Women's Association

Raising Funds

Raising Hopes

Raising Spirits

Feb 2014 GLWA Newsletter

Next meeting: February 3, 2014

**Creative Expressions, 750 Veterans Parkway, Suite 105-106
in Lake Geneva in the business park near Geneva Lake Brewing Company,
past Wal-Mart**

Spa services 4:30, Social Hour 5:30, Meeting 6:00 pm

Culinary Hostesses: Edna Anderson and Debbie Besenhofer

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

HEART. Is there a more visible decoration found in the month of February? Such an appropriate symbol as we contemplate how many organizations GLWA funds can help this year. We have an opportunity to grace our community with thousands of dollars in donations and the Feel Good Factor will be high. Yes, the feel good factor is highly important to me and again, ladies, thank you for all you do.

The January meeting threw us a few curveballs with the frigid temperatures requiring a meeting to be rescheduled, but the Bootz household kept those holiday lights shining brightly for us and great member participation through attendance and proxy voting. Thank you for caring and a special shout out and thank you to Sandy and Angie for last minute hostess help.

February brings the final push for the YMCA Auction taking place on Feb 22. As team procurement, we will truly reap the benefits of our hard work. GLWA gets 10% of the auction proceeds, so if you have time available to help follow up with donations please let me know. The nominating committee will be calling all active members to see what projects or committees you might be interested in as well as Board positions. Being involved is the best way to make new friends, don't be shy.

There appears to be a new energy in the group: smiling faces, laughter, sharing with your friends who and what we are, and a renewed sense of camaraderie. I sound like a broken record, but this is why I personally love GLWA. Please do not ever be afraid to suggest a new project or fundraising idea. Sometimes it's the tried and true, thinking outside the box or just keeping it simple and real. All have been and will continue to be successful. The more opportunities I have to meet people and talk about the group or people I know from the group, etc., the clearer it becomes just how far reaching we women are and what we are capable of.

Creative Expressions is offering GLWA members a special opportunity to be pampered before the meeting. Fifteen minute chair massages are available for a \$10 gratuity and complimentary foot soaks and polish changes will also be offered. Services will be available starting at 4:30. Social hour will begin at 5:30 with the meeting at 6 PM and a new member orientation will immediately follow the meeting. If you've not been to one it's probably time. If interested in a service please email me and I will relay.

Let's hope for cooperative weather as we head into February. Enjoy Winterfest in Lake Geneva, root for your favorite Superbowl team and let your heart shine everywhere you go.

"A heart that reaches out with Love, can heal a soul, and change a life " -Kiran Shaikh

Peace,

Cathy

Reports from Committee and Project Chairs

Safety Town – Julie Stern and Judy Powell Miller

We have the dates for Safety Town - June 23-27th. Judy Powell Miller, herself the Safety Town chair in the past, has rejoined our group and will co-chair with Julie Stern. We can still use some committee chairs, as well as volunteers for the week of the event.

Children's Art Show – Please help coordinate this fun event if you can!!!!

This is a fun event each year that used to be chaired by Grace. Grace is willing to walk someone through the entire process, but simply cannot chair this event this year. We will have to drop the event if someone is not willing to take it on. There is nothing new, no fundraising at all, and no artistic talent is required! And Grace is a dream to work with, so please give her a call SOON if you have a little time to devote to this wonderful cause.

Lakeland Animal Shelter – Missy Putnam

Lakeland Animal Shelter is having a fundraiser, see attached flyer.

“Help Wanted” for our Nominating Committee We still require 1 volunteer to help contact members to see if anyone would like a position on our board or possibly to chair one of our committees. Please let a board member know if you can help us out!

Member Requests

- Missy Putnam requests \$400 sponsorship of fiberglass dog or cat for Lakeland Animal Shelter (see flyer attached) Animals in the Arts.
- Cheri Neiman requests \$500 towards the Lakeland Benefit Ball goal to outfit all area ambulances with cardiac pumps.

Meeting dates (all locations to be determined)

March 3	June 2
April 7	July 7
May 5	August 4

February Birthdays

Feb 2	Laurie Finn
Feb 6	Julie Stern
Feb 12	Joan Dee
Feb 19	Kathy Papcke

Prayers and Proud Moments

Please keep Kelly Frazier and her daughter Hannah in your prayers and thoughts as they adjust to the new normal after the passing of Kelly's husband Dave on Dec. 28th.

What to bring to the February Meeting:

- Pop tabs from any kind of cans (soups, sodas, cat food, etc.)
- Girlie bag items, feminine hygiene products, boys' toys for food pantries



The GLWA gals have the warmest hearts in town, and spread their love over all of Walworth County!

Geneva Lake Women's Association
General Membership Minutes
Jan 13, 2014
Sandy Bootz' home

- I. Welcome and Call to order:** Cathy Stoodley called the meeting to order at 6:01
- II. Members Present:** See attached meeting sign-in sheet.
- III. Proxy votes:** Prior to the meeting, proxy votes were received from Maggie Martens, Francine Jacobs, Penny Hallett, Terry Moldenhauer, Shelley Perry, Edna Anderson, Kathy Seeberg and Kelly Frazier. All members voted "Yes" to:
 - a. **Approval of the December 2013 general meeting minutes as posted in the January newsletter;**
 - b. **Approval of the Treasurer's report as posted in the January newsletter; and**
 - c. **Approval of the VIP Bowl-a-thon sponsorship of \$100.00.**
- IV. Introduction of Guests:**
 - a. Vickie Dodge – Vickie visited us once before. She has retired and wants to give back to the community. She has a background in medical studies.
- V. Installation of New Members**
 - a. None tonight.
- VI. Approval of the December General Membership Minutes**
 - a. Bonnie Hawkins made the motion to approve, and Cheri Neiman seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.
- VII. Officer's Reports**
 - a. **Treasurer:** Laurie was a late arrival, so this section is out of sequence. We paid the first of 4 scholarships yesterday; we have 3 more for this semester. We plan to present the \$5,000 check to Open Arms. Motion to approve the Treasurer's report made by Bonnie Hawkins and seconded by Marcia Counihan. Motion carried. (Report attached)
 - b. **Secretary:**
 - c. **Internal Director:** A hostess sign-up sheet is being circulated. For our next meeting, no one has signed up to hostess! If you are not available and you are a scheduled hostess, please find someone to cover for you, bring your contribution in for you, or possibly trade dates with them.
 - d. **Parliamentarian:** Nancy was not present. Cathy Stoodley reported that Nancy is redoing the handbook and Julie Goril will be assisting with the website. If there are any changes to the membership roster, contact Julie Stern.
 - e. **VP:** Kathy was not present. Kathy's job is to do orientation for new members. Our by-laws require orientation at the end of a guest's second meeting, or every alternate month.
 - f. **President:**
 - i. Big thank you to Sandy for hosting us in her beautifully decorated home, and for keeping the decorations up for us to enjoy even though we had to reschedule our meeting. Also, thanks to Angie who was our hostess and to all who brave this winter weather to attend our meeting tonight.
 - ii. A note on general housekeeping GLWA rules: We do not distribute lists for solicitations, only group communication. If you are friends with individual

members of our group and you have their permission to email them that is perfectly okay. But you cannot use our member list to send personal emails to the entire group. That is why our member list is not on our website. When people visit the website they only have access to the current President's information. Also, when using social media too, please keep in mind that we want to project a positive image of our group and only post positive things. If you have any problems with anyone in our group contact Cathy but do not use social media to vent your grievances.

- iii. The YMCA auction is Feb 22nd. We can still use some help!
- iv. We received some thank you notes and invitations in the mail.
- v. Regarding the February distributions of funds: We have raised \$25,000 and we are required to give over \$17,000 in the greater Walworth County area. We had a discussion of some options, like Mary's Room in Delavan which offers all free items for young mothers and their babies up to 1 to 2 years old. They offer clothing, and some furniture (which is not accepted at Good Will). We saw many options of good causes when we held our board meeting at the Walworth County Visitors Bureau.
- vi. Our member Kelly Frazier is recovering after the passing of her husband Dave on Dec. 28th. He died 15 or 16 months after receiving diagnosis of a rare and aggressive cancer. Kelly has been the head of our scholarship committee. We are thinking of possibly creating a scholarship for her young daughter, Hannah.
- vii. Our member Diane Purcell passed away recently and we had been discussing getting her and her husband Jim a commemorative brick at the Riviera for all their contributions to the community. The brick must be ordered by March 15 for installation in May. The cost is \$250.

VIII. Financial Requests

- a. Missy Putnam requested \$100 sponsorship for the VIP Bowl-a-thon in Delavan. VIP provides help to adults with disabilities. The Bowl-a-thon is Saturday, March 15th at 1 pm and 4 pm. They also need more teams who are willing to take pledges to help raise money. Grace Shields made the motion to sponsor the event with a \$100 donation and Kathy Papcke seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion carried.

IX. Standing Committee Reports

- a. **Meals on Wheels:** It seems that Health and Human Services are discontinuing 1 week. Normally there is a 5 week rotation but it has been eliminated. Marcia Counihan will look over her schedule at home to verify this. Maybe they have enough regular volunteers (as opposed to groups) to cover it. We are still trying to understand what happened. For now, there is no sign up sheet.
- b. **Paws Cause:** See attached flyer for information on Animals in the Arts public exhibition and auction. The animal shelter is offering fiberglass cats and dogs for sponsorship for \$400. Artist volunteers create unique works of art. The cats and dogs will be auctioned off at the Sip and Purr event in November. This is the newsletter listing as required before we can vote on this donation.

- c. **Food Pantries:** Trish is not present, but Cheri Neiman reports that the food pantries always need items for the girlie bags, feminine hygiene products and generic toys such as Slinkys or small cars are needed for the boys.
- d. **Twin Oaks:** Penny is not present as she was hurt today in a fall while delivering Meals on Wheels.

X. Old Business

- a. **Cookbooks:** Bonnie coordinated all the recipes, Edna has ideas for marketing, Angie and Sandy will make the rounds, you are all here tonight! Please get together and share ideas. We sold \$1800 at VenetianFest thanks to Carole Townsend and the gang who presented a lovely table-setting and delicious cookies to sample. Thanks to our success there, we need this committee to recommend whether or not we should reprint volumes 1 and 2 of the cookbooks. Volume 1 has chef recipes, version 2 was so good we already had a reprinting, volume 3 had gluten-free recipes (our 1200 copies have lasted 3-4 years) and volume 4 has recipes suitable for diabetics. Cathy has 4 cases in her garage, with 24 books each. We originally committed to 1500 books so we have 1000 to go. We need to pay for those and bring them in. Anyone with ideas for selling the cookbooks should speak with Bonnie or Cathy Stoodley.

XI. New Business

- a. **Nominating committee:** We have 1 current board member (Nancy Douglass) 1 past board member (Kelly Braid) and need 3 members at large. Kathy Papcke volunteered. Our fiscal year runs from May to April. We need some committee chairs to step forward, and we need to fill the slate of officers by the Feb. meeting for elections in March. Board members make a twice a month commitment.
- b. **YMCA Spring Fundraiser:** Set for Feb 22nd. We earn 10% of the proceeds, which last year turned out to be an easy \$4900. Cathy Stoodley is the co-chair. This is the 28th year for this event. We need some volunteers to make follow-up phone calls and pick up some donation items. We need 4-6 people next week, and we encourage you to go where you know people. We will be selling 50/50 raffle tickets at the event, and need 8 people working in pairs to sell them. If you are working the event, you can still eat and drink but you are not required to buy a ticket to get in. The event opens at 5 and the live auction is at 8 pm. So if you work for 3 hours you get to attend, eat and drink for free! But you must commit to be there. The committee meets every Wednesday at noon. If you are attending, please come in costume. The Thursday before the event, and that Friday and Saturday before it begins is for decorating. We also need to tear-down afterwards. This year there is an after party at the Maxwell Mansion. It only holds 150 people. If any tickets are left unsold, they may be offered for sale at \$30 each.
- c. **Children's Art Show:** Grace will work with anyone who is willing to take over this fun project but we simply must find a new chairperson. Since we must reserve the Geneva Lakes Museum soon, Grace will make the call. PLEASE let us know if you are willing to coordinate this event!
- d. **Safety Town:** We have dates: June 23 -27th. The group seems interested in having a bake sale during safety town to help raise money. Judy Powell Miller has volunteered to co-chair the event with Julie Stern. THANK YOU JUDY!

- e. **Scholarship Committee:** Kelly Frazier is still chair of this committee. We award 4 yr. scholarships at \$500 per year to young women who reside in the greater Walworth County area. The committee needs people to help determine WHO gets the scholarship from those applications we receive. If you are interested in this committee, please let Kelly know. Edna, Angie and Laurie volunteered at the meeting.
- f. **Miscellaneous:** The Lakeland Benefit Ball is Saturday, May 10th. We have donated to this many years, but this year they want to purchase 16 cardiac pumps so that each ambulance in Walworth County will be equipped with one, no matter which hospital they serve. They are automatic CPR machines that cost \$15,000 each, for a total need of \$240,000. Cheri Neiman is making a member request to donate \$500 and asks that members who are also members of other area service organizations ask their groups to donate too and help spread the word. This is the newsletter listing as required before we can vote on this donation.

XII. Good of the Order

- a. **Happy Birthday:** to Sandy Bootz, Bonnie Hawkins, and Marcia Counihan
- b. **Upcoming events:**
 - i. January 31st is Winterfest with events all weekend and next weekend, including kids ice sculpting, human dog sledding, and more. Go to the WCVB website for more details.
 - ii. Wednesday at the YMCA at noon for our volunteers
 - iii. Inspiration Ministries on March 7
 - iv. Lakeland Benefit Ball on May 10th
 - v. Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church chili to benefit Open Arms on Jan. 25th from 3:30 – 6:30 pm.
 - vi. We have 2 upcoming check presentations: Open Arms and Tree House. All are welcome to attend and you'll get a great tour. Cathy Stoodley will email us the dates and times. See it and be seen.
 - vii. Kathy Papcke reports that the Farm Bureau is having a challenge to benefit the Ronald McDonald House in Milwaukee. They are collecting pop tabs from soda, cat food, soup, beer, whatever until May 3rd. Last year this fundraiser brought in \$27,000.
 - viii. Cathy asked about anyone collecting wine corks since the YMCA raffle involves pulling a wine cork to see how many tickets you get for your \$5. Judy Powell Miller has a large garbage bag full she is willing to donate.

XIII. Adjournment: Angie Mack made the motion to adjourn and Cheri Neiman seconded the motion. All were in favor and the meeting closed at 7:38 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie Stern
Secretary, GLWA

(See Treasurer's Balance sheet and meeting sign-in sheet attached)

4:59 PM
01/12/14
Cash Basis

Geneva Lake Women's Association, Inc.
Balance Sheet
As of January 12, 2014

	<u>Jan 12, 14</u>
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
BMO Bank	
General	3,863.98
Philanthropic	19,194.22
Scholarship	2,626.16
Total BMO Bank	<u>25,684.36</u>
BMO Diabetes Outreach	215.80
BMO Safety Town	2,242.54
CBD CD	47,942.53
Total Checking/Savings	<u>76,085.23</u>
Total Current Assets	<u>76,085.23</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>76,085.23</u>
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Equity	
Opening Balance Equity	87,001.68
Unrestricted Net Assets	-14,281.39
Net Income	3,364.94
Total Equity	<u>76,085.23</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u>76,085.23</u>



Geneva Lake Women's Association

Meeting Sign-In

Date JAN 13, 2014 Location SANDY BOOTZ

Please initial next to your name.

Anderson, Edna	<u>EA</u>	Mack, Angie	<u>AM</u>
Besenhofer, Deb	<u>DB</u>	Martens, Maggie	_____
Bootz, Sandy	<u>SB</u>	Martin, Toni	_____
Border, Jessie	_____	Moldenhauer, Terri	_____
Braid, Kelly	<u>KB</u>	Mrozynski, Joanie	<u>JM</u>
Christian, Andrea	_____	Neiman, Cheri	<u>CN</u>
Connley, Susan	_____	Palm, Iris	_____
Counihan, Marcia	<u>MC</u>	Pankus, Pat	_____
Curtiss, Ellie	_____	Papcke, Kathy	<u>K.P.</u>
Dee, Joan	_____	Perry, Shelley	<u>SP</u>
Diettrich, Barbara	_____	Pohle, Kathy	<u>KP</u>
Douglass, Nancy	_____	Powell Miller, Judy	<u>JPM</u>
Faust, Gwen	_____	Putnam, Missy	<u>MP</u>
Finn, Laurie	_____	Rodriquez, Laura	_____
Frazier, Kelly	_____	Schmelzer, Trish	_____
Gianitsos, Laurie	<u>LG</u>	Scott, Mary	_____
Goril, Julieanne	<u>JG</u>	Seeberg, Kathy	_____
Hallett, Penny	_____	Shields, Grace	<u>GS</u>
Hartley, Janis	_____	Stern, Julie	<u>JS</u>
Hawkins, Bonnie	<u>BH</u>	Stoodley, Cathy	<u>CS</u>
Jacobs, Francine	_____	Townsend, Carole	<u>CT</u>
		Witt, Gisela	_____

Honorary Members and Guests – Sign-In Here

Archie Dodge _____



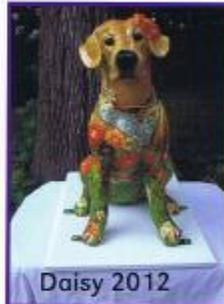
animals in the arts

l a k e l a n d a n i m a l s h e l t e r

In 2014 we will once again be having a Public Art Exhibition and Auction of Fiberglass Cats and Dogs called Animals in the Arts (formerly called "They Don't Need a Castle")

The art pieces will be displayed for public enjoyment June through September 2014. Artists will decorate the cat and dog pieces before they are displayed in their "foster home" location throughout the Southeastern Wisconsin community.

In November 2014 the pieces will be available to the highest bidder at auction at our Sip & Purr Wine Tasting Event. All proceeds from the auction benefit the Lakeland Animal Shelter in our mission of enriching the lives of both animals and people throughout our community.



Daisy 2012

We are currently seeking Sponsors and Artists for the Project. Please let us know if you are interested. For more information see our Animals in the Arts page at www.lakelandanimalshelter.org

Yes, I want to sponsor a fiberglass Animal in 2014

Sponsor Name _____
Business Name _____
Address _____ City _____
State _____ Zip _____ email _____
Credit Card (mc,v,d)# _____
Exp.Date _____ CID _____

- \$400 cat sponsorship
- \$400 dog Sponsorship
- I am interested in being an artist on this project

Please return to: Lakeland Animal Shelter
PO Box 1000 Elkhorn, WI 53121



www.lakelandanimalshelter.org