

Geneva Lake Women's Association



May 2014 GLWA Newsletter

Next meeting: May 5, 2014

Please join us for our Cinco De Mayo Meeting at Pioneer Estates, N2020 County Road H in the office. The sign says "Welcome to the Fort" and you can park near the pool or on the street.

Culinary Hostesses: Carole Townsend, Marcia Counihan, Kathy Pohle

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Raising Funds Raising Hopes Raising Spirits

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Can it be that with the bright sunshine and warmer temperatures spring has finally arrived? Signs of rebirth and new growth are everywhere, including here in GLWA.

We say farewell to Missy Putnam, Kathy Seeberg, Julie Stern and again thank them for their tireless commitment to the Board of Directors. A very warm welcome to our new officers Vice President Janis Hartley and Secretary Kathy Papcke.

Thank you to Grace Shields for all her planning, Edna Anderson for our lovely floral coasters and Julie Stern for our sweet treats at beautiful Pier 290. Even Mother Nature cooperated and allowed us to enjoy a great night out on the deck. A truly lovely Installation Banquet. One of the highpoints of Installation Night is when we recognize our Member and New Member of the Year. These are women who truly upped the bar when it comes to time, energy, talents or ideas. It is never easy to single out individuals as we all give of our time, talents, energy, thoughts and ideas.

MEMBER OF THE YEAR did an unbelievable job chairing Ladies Day Luncheon. Shelley and her committee helped raise over \$15,000 in profit (our largest money maker!) Thank you Shelley. NEW MEMBER OF THE YEAR ... OR MEMBERS .. EDNA AND MELISSA ANDERSON. Here's a woman who was off selling cookbooks before she even left her first meeting. Laid up with foot surgery, yet she and Melissa were there for Venetian Fest. Thank you for taking on the Children's Art show.

Feel Good factor for the Night 10! We voted to give away over \$14,000 in our annual disbursements. As I was writing out those checks and letters, it struck me just how wide our reach is in our community. This year we are literally able to help people from birth to the end of life. From the Pregnancy helpline and Mary's' room, Big Brothers and Big Sisters, Girl Scouts, Agape House, Side by Side, Visiting Nurses Hospice Care and so many more. Thank you Geneva Lake Women's Association members for all your hard work this makes it all worthwhile.

Get out your calendars ladies as there is much upcoming and many opportunities to be involved.

The Children's Art show begins with art hanging at the museum Tuesday, April 29. The presentation for students and parents is Saturday May 10th. There are 3 sessions and I am sure we could still use your help. Leadership Dynamics is looking for volunteers for their festival that same day if that's more your style or you don't have daughters getting married. VIP dance is Friday June13th. Safety Town starts June 23rd, so don't be shy, find out how you can help with Julie and Judy. The cookbook queens are hard at work and very soon you will be seeing our books ALL over the area (Angie rocks). Dairy breakfast cookbook sellers are needed. Venetian Fest, Ladies Day Luncheon Lots of opportunities for EVERYONE so step right up!

On a serious note, we need to fill the Social chair position, Silent auction co chair, and the Internal Directors position as our incoming is unable to join us. If you're interested, please let me know.

We are off on another adventure. Let's see where the path takes us this year.

Peace,

Cathy

Reports from Committee and Project Chairs

Safety Town - Julie Stern and Judy Powell Miller

Safety Town will be June 23-27th. We are so thrilled with the results of our sugar-free no bake sale (no sugar, no baking, no transporting or selling, no sit ups, no regrets). We collected \$121 in our impromptu event! Some of the ladies did not have cash on hand, and asked if we could do this at next meeting too. Why not?! Bring your pocket change to the meeting and make sure we Never Ever have an actual bake sale!

Children's Art Show - Edna Anderson

All the artwork has been picked up and taken to the museum. The installation will take place **April 29** (Tuesday) from 4-7 pm. The artwork will be on display from April 29^{th} through May 10^{th} . And the show is set for May 10^{th} (Saturday) at the Geneva Lake Museum. All hands are welcome to help set up or help during the show. The guest artist is Brady Lueck – see his work at SculpturalSteel.com.

Twin Oaks - Penny Hallett

Some of our current needs are:

- Pillows
- Toilet Bowl Cleaner and Brushes
- Laundry Soap
- Dish Soap
- Paper Towels
- Napkins
- Liquid Body Soap
- Shampoo
- Conditioner
- Baby Wipes

- Diapers (Size 3-6)
- Gas Cards (\$10 to \$25 preferred)
- Fans

We also accept used clothing and household items. When our residents move out they are allowed to "shop" from the shed because many of the residents do not have all the items necessary for furnishing their homes. Some of the household items that we are low on are dishes, pots and pans, baking dishes, spoons, and other cooking utensils. The items do not need to be new and if anyone has these items that they are going to be getting rid of we would greatly appreciate having them. If you have any questions please feel free to email Elizabeth (eknapp@community-action.org) or call her at 262-882-4143.

Lakeland Animal Shelter - Missy Putnam

- 1. Second Chances Annual Dinner Abbey Ballroom Friday May 9th at 6:00. Reserve your spot no later than May 3rd. Individual tickets are \$65.00. Tables of 10 are available. www.lakelandanimalshelter.org
- 2. **9-Lives Boutique**, 835 Geneva Street, Lake Geneva is a distinctive resale boutique featuring quality and antique furniture, designer clothing and accessories, jewelry, artwork, and home furnishings. 100 % of all profits go directly to the Lakeland Animal Shelter. Donations are tax deductible and your pets are welcome to visit. Keep them in mind while doing your spring clean out. 9-Lives is a fun place to shop too!
- 3. Animals in the Arts: Our artist is Julia Hillman, who did the two most popular dogs last season, Daisy and Prince. The display location is still pending.

VIP Services - Missy Putnam

VIP Services Summer Dance June 13th - Volunteer Sign-Up

The Dance runs from 4:00 to 6:00 pm. Upon arrival, Volunteers report to Lynne Dempsey in the main lobby. The dances are held in the cafeteria at VIP. Volunteers would need to arrive at 2:30.

Food is served at 3:30 and the dance runs from 4:00 to 6:00 pm. Duties include helping clients find a seat, plating food (most of the prep work is pre-done), loading

plates on carts, preparing Crystal Light drink mix, delivering plates and beverages, bussing tables and helping with clean-up. We also put up decorations provided by VIP. VIP staff will be on hand during the event. The clients love to dance and are thrilled when others join them so we are invited to participate in the fun. It's a wonderful experience so come and join us! Contact Missy Putnam to sign up.

Reserve these Meeting dates (all locations to be determined)

Our next meeting is June 2.

*NOTE: July 7 is the first Monday after the 4^{th} of July. We would like as many people as possible to attend our July picnic and since many people may be out of town, our meeting for July will be moved to **July 14**th.

May Birthdays

May 5	Jimalee Binn, Vickie Dodge
May 7	Gisela Witt
May 8	Janet Miller
May 10	Kathy Seeberg
May 16	Iris Palm
May 18	Deb Mayo
May 20	Kathy Pohle
May 22	Missy Putnam

Prayers and Proud Moments

Big *congratulations* to Jack and Bonnie Hawkins who are celebrating their 50^{th} wedding anniversary on May 23^{rd} .

Edna writes: My heartfelt appreciation for honoring me as your New Member of the Year! It was an amazing surprise and so very thoughtful. Joining GLWA has been a delightful experience. It can only get better!

What to bring to the May Meeting:

- Your annual dues! To be an active member of our group, please bring your
 \$50 dues as our new year begins on May 1.
- Bring your money for our Sugar Free Bake Sale for Safety Town
- Used cookbooks for the Walworth County Food Pantry

Geneva Lake Women's Association General Membership Minutes April 7, 2014 Pier 290

- **I. Welcome and Call to order:** President Cathy Stoodley called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. Cathy thanked Grace Shields, Edna Anderson and Julie Stern for hosting the meeting.
- **II. Members Present**: See attached meeting sign-in sheet.
- **III. Proxy votes**: Prior to the meeting, proxy votes were received from several members. We had enough members in attendance to have a quorum present. All proxy votes will be included in the binder containing other official GLWA secretarial paperwork.
- **IV. Introduction of Guests:** Jenny Anderson, Tammy Schmidt (award winning author aka Tamara Lyon), Carol Wysocki, and Edna daughter Melissa Anderson.
- V. Installation of New Members None
- VI. Installation of New Board: Janis Hartley and Jessie Border were not present. Nancy Douglass reinstalled Cathy Stoodley as President, and Cathy installed Kathy Papcke as secretary, Laurie Hallmark- Gianitsos as treasurer and Nancy Douglass as parliamentarian.
- VII. Approval of the February General Membership Minutes

VIII. Officer's Reports

- a. **Treasurer**: (Report attached) Laurie pointed out the philanthropic total on the report distributed did not include the \$4,700 from the YMCA auction. Motion to approve the report was made by Julie Stern, seconded by Bonnie Hawkins and with full approval was carried.
- b. Parliamentarian: Nancy had new membership lists and guides for everyone.
- c. **Secretary**: Nothing to report today. Motion to approve the minutes from the March general meeting was made by Gisela Witt and seconded by Mary Sell. Motion carried.
- d. **Internal Director**: Missy Putnam circulated a new form to sign up for hosting the meetings or using your location. A sign-up sheet to volunteer to work at the VIP dance coming up in June was also circulated.
- e. **VP**: Nothing to report.
- f. **President**:
 - Diane's brick was ordered, and installation should be around May 15 depending on the weather. There was room to include both Diane and Jim's names on the brick.
 - ii. We received a nice thank you note from Sofia Lazaroni for our help with her composting project.
 - iii. Saturday May 10 is the Run with Open Arms fundraiser with music, food, etc. Please help spread the word.
 - iv. This Wednesday there is an event in memory of Dave Frazier. Watch a dodgeball tournament for just \$3.
 - v. This Saturday there is an Egg Drop at the Lake Lawn airport; please register if you are planning to attend.

IX. Financial Requests

- **a.** The proposed annual distributions had some changes, and you received a copy. Kathy Papcke made the motion to approve the revised list and Shelley Perry seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion carried.
- **b.** Kathy Papcke made the motion to donate \$500 to Barnyard Adventure for their new garden club for kids. Cheri Neiman seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- c. Cheri Neiman mad a motion to donate \$400 to Animals for the Arts and Grace Shields seconded the motion. We had a show of hands in which the dog-lovers in our group greatly outnumbered the cat-lovers and so we will choose a dog. There followed a short discussion of where to display the finished dog, with China West being a favorite especially if we can "bling out" the dog.
- **d.** Candice Olson, the teacher who requesting funds to go to Costa Rica with her student received a recommendation from the board to receive \$150. Judy Powell Miller made the motion to donate \$150 which was seconded by Deb Besenhofer. Motion carried.

X. Standing Committee Reports

- **a.** Paws Cause: nothing more to report
- **b.** Food Pantry: Golf Fore outing on August 11. The Walworth County food pantry is requesting used cookbooks.
- **c.** Twin Oaks: again partnering with the food pantry for the August 11 Fore golf outing. Also, there is a new fundraiser in the works, more details to follow next month.

XI. Old Business

XII. New Business

- **a.** Cookbooks: Angie has cookbooks for sale at Pier 290, Popeye's, Cornerstone (who is requesting samples for the Taste of Lake Geneva), Pesche's, Lilypots, Geneva Inn, Le Cookery, Lake Geneva Country Meats and is in conversation with Lakelawn and Grand Geneva.
- **b.** Ladies' Day Luncheon: Shelley reported we have a huge head start over last year, with the location at the Geneva National Clubhouse. The group is having lots of fun and we should expect lots of changes. The ticket price will be the same. A table of 8 will be \$565 by July 31. They are beginning to work on donations.
- **c.** Childrens' Art Show: Edna needs people to help pick up art on April 15, 16, and 17th. Set up is April 29th.
- **d.** Safety Town: Julie Stern reported that over 30 children have registered, and a bake sale has been talked about to help with fundraising. Julie explained the idea of a "Sugar free bake sale" which involves asking the people who would do the work (baking, selling, etc.) if they would prefer to make a cash donation instead. We collected \$121 on the spot.
- e. Scholarships: Thank you to the committee members.

XIII. Good of the Order

- a. Birthdays: Happy birthday Carole Townsend, Deb Besenhofer, and Judy Powell Miller
- **b.** Honor our New Member of the Year: Congratulations to Edna Anderson!
- c. Honor our Member of the Year: Congratulations to Shelley Perry!
- d. Miscellaneous: None
- **XIV. Adjournment:** Kathy Seeberg made the motion to adjourn the meeting, and Angie Mack seconded the motion. All were in favor and Cathy Stoodley officially adjourned the meeting at 8:23 p.m.