Geneva Lake Women's Association



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April 2015 Newsletter

Next meeting: April 13, 2015

Please join us for our April Meeting 2015 Installation Dinner

Hawk's View Golf Club 7337 Krueger Road, Lake Geneva

Social at 5:00 - 6:00

Dinner at 6:00

Meeting at 7:00

RSVP to Kelly Braid (262) 203-5369 Cost for Dinner is \$25.00



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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Spring Awakening, a breath of fresh air and hints of surprises to come. The month of April brings in a new Board of Directors and a warm welcome to incoming Board members Janis Hartley, Shelley Perry, Laurie Hallmark, Francine Jacobs and Kathy Papcke.

As President one of my favorite projects is writing the annual disbursement letters and checks. Sometimes they are delivered in person, other times a personal note to the director. Just this alone has given me a huge connection to the community and how rewarding it is to meet them and hear their stories. But you all already know I am a "how can I help you person." With that said, disbursements have been made, the YMCA auction check for over \$4600 has been put into the coffers and the bank accounts are healthy. The Children's Art show will need art picked up in April to be displayed at the Geneva Lake museum, Safety Town registration is in process and a campaign to secure bike helmets, plus the Ladies Day Luncheon committee is planning a spectacular event. If you are looking to get involved in an upcoming project, Venetian Fest is in August, Ladies Day Luncheon in September, and GLWA will need to create and host a scholarship fundraiser within the next year. So let's bring your ideas to life. Our community continues to need our help and there's no better high in life than making a difference while having a great time. It's a win win situation!

Being President is not an easy task and often times I have made mistakes, said the wrong things, offended, omitted or ignored someone and I apologize if you were one affected. (Amy G was my latest victim) I owe a huge debt of gratitude to those that served with me. Interestingly enough, when I think back to how I met many of these

women it was purely by chance and a conversation. They know who they are when I say one was bemoaning a child's struggles with schoolwork, another an avid cookbook collector stopping by our booth, chatter at a fitness facility, a Geneva Idol judge, and a wardrobe consultant who won my heart when she showed up in a baseball cap. Bottom line, Janis, Laurie, Francine, Kathy and Nancy are women whose friendships I will always cherish. Thank you, girls for serving on the Board, the howls of laughter, the wisdom and dedication. It bears repeating when I say try a new committee, sit with different people, extend a hand of friendship to a new member or guest. The women of GLWA have been with me through some of the worst and best moments of my life and I will forever be grateful to GLWA for I don't know how I might have met some of my best friends if not for those Monday night meetings.

It has truly been my honor to be your President. So long.. farewell.

~Be the Change you Wish to See in the World~

Peace,

Cathy

Reports from Committee and Project Chairs

Social Committee: Kelly Braid

Our Installation Banquet & Meeting will be held on April 13, 2015 at

Hawk's View Golf Club 7377 Krueger road lake Geneva, WI

phone # <u>262.348.9900</u>

Dinner and meeting to be held in the Hawk's view Banquet Room, Social 5:00 - 6:00 pm
Dinner 6:00 - 7:00 pm
Meeting 7:00 pm

Dinner will cost \$25 per person

Will include: Salad, Rolls, Entrée, Dessert and Coffee, Cash bar available for any other drinks. You will have a choice between 3 entrees.

Please make checks payable to GLWA.

If you have any questions, please call Kelly braid at <u>847.707.0009</u>.

Twin Oaks - Penny Hallett

Wish List

- Critter-proof, large locking plastic totes (30 gallons)
- Sidewalk salt
- Washcloths
- * Kitchen towels
- 50-55 Gallon Garbage Bags
- Full-size refrigerators
- Cooking oil
- Coffee and sugar
- * Pots and pans
- Spoons, forks, plates, and bowls
- Dísh soap
- Shampoo and conditioner

- Shampoo & conditioner for African Americans
- * Toilet paper and paper towels
- Laundry detergent
- * Shower Heads & Toilet Repair Kits
- Díapers (all sízes)
- * Baby wipes
- \$25 gas gift cards
- Stamps
- ❖ Used VCRs & DVD players
- * Coax cables
- * Quarters for laundry

Getting Organized! A New Workshop

I am ask our donors to help our residents with organization of their important papers, applications, and belongings by providing the following items:

- 1) Plastic multi-file folder cases
- 2) Hanging files and manila file folders (Used are OK if labels are also provided)
- 3) Large plastic see-through totes with locking lids so that items can be safely stored in rooms, cars, and sheds.

Food Pantry: Trish Schmelzer

As always we are in need of feminine hygiene products at the pantry. We could also use deodorant and other girlie bag items.

I will keep you posted on the upcoming opening of the Thrift Shop

<u>Children's Art Show:</u> Missy Sells and Mary Scott

Once again, we are writing to invite you and your students to be a part of the Annual Children's Art Show. It will be held at the <u>Geneva Lake Museum</u> and sponsored by the Geneva Lake Women's Association. Your participation, careful Artwork selection and display preparation is integral to the success of the show. We wholeheartedly appreciate your efforts and cooperation.

All entrants will receive a special participation ribbon and have their Art viewed by the public. The participating schools will attend one of the 3 ceremonies and photographs will be taken. The show will include entries from all grades with a total of no more than 14 entries per school. Hanging Artwork is limited to 24x18" in size. Please make sure the Art does not exceed this size so that we have room to display everyone's pieces.

THE CALENDAR DATES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

| April: | Artwork will be picked up at your school by a GLWA member at the Front Office |
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| April 23 rd -May 9 th | Artwork will be on display at the Geneva Lake Museum |
| Saturday, May 9 th Christian, | 9:30am Recognition Ceremony I (Brookwood Elementary and Middle, Faith Fontana, Traver) |
| | 10:30am Recognition Ceremony II (Central/Denison, Eastview, Star Center, Lakeland, Mount Zion, Lake Geneva Middle) |
| | 11:30am Recognition Ceremony III (St. Francis, Woods, Reek, Williams Bay Elementary and Middle, WI School for the Deaf) |

We will be looking for assistance with picking up the Artwork the week of April 13th, Set-up April 22nd from 3-6. On May 9th, we will need help and someone to take photos of the groups for the paper. If you are interested and would like more information, please do not hesitate to ask Mary or Missy. Thank you in advance for all your help!

Mary and Missy

Safety Town: Julie Stern

The Safety Town committee is gearing up for another wonderful year. This summer we are considering the option of running Safety Town the week before summer enrichment so the children can participate in both activities. That would make the Safety Town dates June 8-12, with summer enrichment running June 15 through July 10.

We do need some additional help because some key committee members are moving on to other activities within our group. Please come to the February 2nd GLWA meeting where we will offer some volunteering opportunities! If you have any questions or need additional information beforehand, please call me at 262-661-9502.

Thank you! Julie Stern.

Ladies Day Luncheon: Shelley Perry

We are now working on our printing material (exciting!) and should have it narrowed down in the next week. Donation letter requests will be done by that time as well & mailings to go out later. Cost will be the same. Early bird special again this year (\$525 for table of 8) July 31st being the cut off. August 1st it will be back to \$560/table of 8. We do ask that one check (or 8) for your table be submitted at one time instead of sending them in separately asking to sit with so & so. This keeps it easier when assigning tables. See you September 21st!

Lakeland Animal Shelter - Missy Putnam

Basics needs: Clay cat litter, kitten food, dry cat food, canned dog food, canned cat food, kitten milk replacement (KMR or Mother's Helper)

*Please remember to help stock the donation barrels while you are grocery shopping. It's so easy. No need to make a separate trip.

Pet Wellness Expo 2015

April 18, 2015 Elkhorn Area High School

www.petwellnessexpo.com

Join us Saturday April 18th for the 11th annual Pet Wellness Expo. For over a decade this has been a valuable resource for pet parents and we are excited to once again be part of it. This year the event is being held at Elkhorn High School. This event includes pet related businesses and products of all kinds. Education is what sets this expo apart. Vendors will be giving short lectures related to their product or service throughout the day. 100% of the ticket sales, \$5 per person, will be donated to Lakeland Animal Shelter. Entry is FREE when you bring 2 items from Lakeland Animal Shelters wish list.

Internal Director's Report: Francine Jacobs

Our Team Hostessing continues to work well, and everyone is having a great time planning out meetings. Kelly Frazier, Laurie Gianitsos, Amy G, Janis Hartley, Bonnie Hawkins and Lois Heil delighted our taste buds with their culinary treats and requests for recipes were heard around the room.

Our first Sip and Paint at Studio Winery was a whole lotta' fun for everyone. It turned out to be a friends and family event, and we will do it again later this year when our snowbirds return and for those of you who missed it this time.



I have three requests for new name badges. If any of you would like a new badge with a magnetic back, please let me know soon as there is a minimum order requirement.

Upcoming Events:

Children's Art Show - April 23 - May 9 Safety Town - June 8-12 Ladies Day Luncheon September 21

April Birthdays:

Deb Besenhofer April 14
Carole Townsend April 21
Gwen Faust April 25
Judy Powell Miller April 29

Prayers and Proud Moments

Gisela Witt is having a Hip Replacement, please keep her in your prayers for a speedy recovery.