



# Geneva Lake Women's Association

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## **GLWA's Annual Christmas Party and Silent Auction Monday, December 7, 2009!**

**Carol Morem's Home W3262 Lake Forest Lane, Lake Geneva**

Hwy 50, to Forest Lane, Turn North. Go to the top of the hill. At the stop sign turn Left at McDonald. Turn Right on the first road on the right, Marshall Lane. Turn Left on Lake Forest Lane which is the first road on the left. Go past Lake Forest Circle and Carol's house is on the right. When you get there, you'll receive a "navigation award"!

**Please see page 3 for details for this fantastic evening!**

**Bring a folding chair or two and leave in the car just in case we need extra seating. Thank you.**

### MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Season's greetings! Here's hoping that these busy days are filled with everything you enjoy most. May you find that extra special gift on sale... may none of your cookies burn in the oven...and may your Christmas tree not tip over.

Also, when that magical day arrives, may you remember the words of American writer, producer, and humorist, Andy Rooney, "One of the most glorious messes in the world is the mess created in the living room on Christmas day. Don't clean it up too quickly."

To get you in the holiday spirit, the board of the Geneva Lake Women's Association joins me in inviting you to attend our gala party on December 7 at the lovely home of Carol Morem. Sure to be a festive evening, bring your appetite, your dish or beverage to share, per the sign-up sheet, and your donation and checkbook for the silent auction.

The upcoming holiday party follows on the heels of the November meeting that was held at the beautiful home of Joanne Wright. Not only was Joanne a gracious hostess, but also she was the star of the evening. She was named member of the month, an honor she richly deserves for her many contributions to GLWA. Following the business meeting, Joanne gave a delightful presentation on "How to Decorate Your Thanksgiving Table."

The food wizards for the evening were Gina Behr, Barbara Diettrich, and Mary Lew Thompson. Thanks, ladies. We also installed two women into our group that night, Trish Schmelzer and Shirley Smith. Welcome. We're so glad that you have joined us.

During the meeting, I proposed that GLWA adopt diabetes as a major fundraising cause. This would be in addition to the other charities that we support. I suggested that the diabetes campaign be kicked off at the Venetian Fest "Lady of the Lake" cruise that we will host. I distributed an information page that discussed diabetes. I also explained that diabetes is a growing health concern, and that it will affect one out of every three people.

Currently there is not a major diabetes fundraising effort being made in the greater Walworth County. We can fill this void and make a significant difference in both the prevention and treatment of diabetes. We can sponsor free testing clinics, furnish educational materials, provide necessary health supplies to diabetics, work with school lunch programs, and send diabetic children to specialized camps, to name a few projects. This discussion will continue with more information at the December meeting.

Please be sure to follow-up with your food donation, if you signed up, for the needy family. Chairperson Janis Hartley can be contacted with any questions.

May the beauty of the days ahead be joyous for each of you and your families...Merry Christmas, Happy Chanukah, and Happy New Year.

Gwen Faust  
President

# Member News

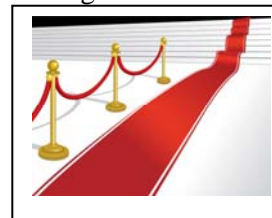


November Member of the Month

## **Joanne Wright**

For her involvement with Silent Auction Committee, her floral arrangements for Ladies Day Luncheon and for sharing her trade secrets on How to Decorate your Thanksgiving Table.

Thank You Joanne!



## **GLWA Member Request for Donation**

No member requests for December

**Congratulations to our Newest Members!**

**Trish Schmelzer  
&  
Shirley Smith**

**Welcome and Thank you for becoming part of our GLWA Family!  
We look forward to getting to know you better as we work together for our community.**



Geneva Lake Women's Association Annual Holiday Party  
 Monday, December 7<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 pm  
 Carol Morem's Home  
 W3262 Lake Forest Lane  
 Lake Geneva

*Come join in the laughter, come gather and mingle,  
 We'll turn up the fire and honor Kris Kringle,  
 Bring a gift for the auction; bring a morsel to share,  
 If you'd like your own seating, to be sure, **bring a chair!**  
 We'll have plenty of pillows for those on the floor,  
 And as a last request, leave your shoes by the door!  
 Come join in the laughter, come join in the cheer,  
 And don't get lost like some did last year!*



This year's party will be different...there are **4 Committees** each of which is in charge of a different course (and each can choose its own "theme"). Each committee is also responsible for the plates/utensils for that course.

**PLUS** a Setup and Clean up committee.

For those who would rather donate \$10 towards the party instead of bringing food or a beverage,  
 Please let Janis Hartley know (262)745-3630.

**Set Up at 5:15 pm:** Janis Hartley, Donna Peyer, Kelly Hutchinson

**1. Appetizers:** (Prepare enough appetizers for 12 people) Bonnie Hawkins, Kelly Frazier, Trish Schmelzer, Penny Hallett, Helen Johnson, Deb Tisa, Carole Townsend, Kathy Seeberg

**2. Main Entrée** **\*\*\*\*We need 4 more people to help here!!!!\*\*\*\*** - Please call Cathy Stoodley to let her know. **262-215-0001**

Club will pay for main meat/poultry and committee will decide what it will be, pick it up, and prepare it. In addition, committee members will each prepare and bring side dishes and or salads

**3. Dessert - \*\*\*\*Need 4 more people here!!!!\*\*\*\*** – Please call Nancy Douglass to let her know. **262-206-4654**  
 Grace Shields, Nancy Douglass

**4. Beverages**

Soda: Carol Cossitt, Susan Connley

Water: Gina Behr

Wine: Cheri N, Gina Behr, Helen Johnson, Gwen Faust, Janis Hartley, Mary Jorndt, Terri Moldenhauer

**Clean Up:** Responsible for cleaning up and picking up throughout the evening and at the end of the party  
 Gina Behr, Donna Peyer, Carol Long, Gwen Faust





**DECEMBER GENERAL MEETING PROPOSED AGENDA**

***December 7, 2009***

Annual Christmas Party and Silent Auction  
Home of Carol Morem

*No Official Proposed Agenda.*

*This is an evening of Celebration with friends, new and old!  
Please bring a silent auction item or two and your dish or beverage to pass.*

*Please call Gwen Faust before 12 noon on the day of our meeting to make additions to the agenda or announcements to be made of upcoming committee events. Thank you.*



***Cookbooks! Cookbooks! Cookbooks! Cookbooks! Cookbooks!***

*Our GLWA Cookbook makes an **AWESOME GIFT**. Hostess gifts, stocking stuffers, Secret Santa gifts, gifts for your employees, teacher gifts, pastoral staff gifts, gifts for mail carriers, your favorite anybody gifts and gifts for any time of the year!*

***NOW get SPECIAL PRICING of \$15 each!***

*Books will be available at our Christmas Party for purchase.  
Please call Diane Purcell 262-248-6809 to pre-order, make sure we have enough books on hand for all of us!*



## *GLWA News to Use*

### **Secretary's Note –**

If you have anything you have you'd like to have included in the newsletter, please get it to me by the 20<sup>th</sup> of every month.

Remember our **“Proud Corner”**. Share milestones, announcements, wards.

We'd love to celebrate with you!

**Membership lists** will be available at our next Meeting. We are adding our professions and employers to our list. Please remember if you have any email address or phone number changes please email or call Gina. 262-909-8872 or [gbehr@homewatchcaregivers.com](mailto:gbehr@homewatchcaregivers.com)

Thank You!

### **Future Meetings**

January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2010: Location TBD

February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010

March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010

April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2010? TBD Easter is April 4<sup>th</sup>.

May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2010

June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2010

July 5<sup>th</sup>, 2010? TBD July 4<sup>th</sup> is Sunday

Details to follow in future newsletters.

### Lake Geneva Meals on Wheels

We have received our New Commitment Calendar for 2010  
from Health and Human Services

I will have the signup sheet for 2010 at the December Meeting!

Thank you!

GENEVA LAKE WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION  
 POSTING OF NOVEMBER 2009 GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES  
 Home of Joanne Wright  
 Lake Geneva, WI



**I. Gwen Faust called the meeting to order at 7:20 pm.**

**II. Introduction of Guests: Eight Guests in attendance.**

Janis Hartley brought two, Gina Behr brought two, Helen Johnson brought one, Penny Hallet brought one and Gwen Faust brought one.

**III. Installation of two new members: Shirley Smith and Trish Schmelzer.**

**IV. October's Minutes: Motion to approve minutes as posted in the October Newsletter was made by Janis Hartley and Seconded by Bonnie Hawkins. No discussion. No corrections. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.**

**V. Financial report** given by Carol Morem. Balance Sheet handed out at the meeting. This Balance sheet will be attached to the original hard copy of the minutes. No details will be published in newsletter which is posted on our website.

**Motion to approve Financial Report made by Donna Peyer and Seconded by Grace Shields. No discussion. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.**

**VI. Old Business**

1. Lady of the Lake: Gwen has the contract for August 22, 2010. Details will be forth coming.
2. Walworth County Firefighters Association gave GLWA an Award for 2007 and 2009 for teaching Teaching children about fire safety. Gwen and Marisu Stier attended and received the award for GLWA.
3. Think Pink Update given by Nancy Douglass
4. Ladies Day Luncheon update given by Helen Johnson. No final numbers yet, but hoping for \$3000 profit. For 2010 Barbara Rinella has no Wednesdays open in September, and Helen suggested that we skip a year. Barbara Rinella has 2 Mondays available in September: 13<sup>th</sup>, and 20<sup>th</sup>. Helen has chosen not to chair this event for next year but is willing consult with Committee chair.
5. Meals on wheels: Gina Behr reports we have fulfilled our commitment for 2009 and is waiting for the 2010 calendar. Thank you to all of our volunteers!
6. Twin Oaks: Penny Hallett announces a fundraiser of note cards. The artwork is done by the Children of Twin Oaks.
7. Geneva Idol: Nancy Douglass has received several emails and calls of interest. Nancy need a Committee. After discussion of whether to have GI this year or not. **Grace Shields makes a Motion to start planning on another Geneva Idol event for 2010. Seconded by numerous voices in attendance. No further discussion. All in favor. Opposed, few. Abstained, few. Motion carried.** Nancy passed around a signup sheet that evening for volunteers for committee.

**VII. New Business**

1. "The Recommended Cause" Gwen opens: to give GLWA an identity. Handout of facts of Diabetes was passed. See attached to original and hard copy of these recorded minutes. No group in Greater Walworth County is doing fundraising for Diabetes. Not everything we do will be strictly for Diabetes, it would be designated donations and fundraising. This topic will be revisited at the Christmas Party.
2. Needy Family: Janis Hartley sent signup sheets around for food. It will be posted in the December Newsletter.
3. December's Annual Christmas Party and Silent Auction will be hosted in Carol Morem's home. All details will be posted in the Newsletter. Silent Auction items, please bring new items and gifts to be auctioned. This is a fundraiser for us, as a club, to go into our general fund.
4. 2010 Census for Kenosha County, Racine County and Walworth County is looking for volunteers to donate their time and staff to work for \$15/hour in the spring of 2010. For job information, go to 2010censusjobs.gov on the internet.

**VIII. Good of the Cause**

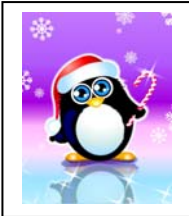
1. Member of the Month: Joanne Wright for her help with Ladies Day Luncheon, Silent Auction Committee, and for her sharing her trade secrets on How to decorate your thanksgiving table.
2. November Birthday's were recognized with a gift and chorus of "Happy Birthday".

**IX. Adjournment**

**Motion to adjourn our meeting at 8:46pm was made by Bonnie Hawkins and seconded by Grace Shields. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Gina Behr  
 Secretary



## GLWA's Needy Families Project

Please bring all items to the Keefe Real Estate Business Office, 751 Geneva Parkway, off Edwards Blvd, just past Wal-Mart east of Hwy 12.

Non-Perishable food items need to be dropped off December 13<sup>th</sup>-December 15<sup>th</sup>.

Perishable items need to be dropped off at the same place, on December 17<sup>th</sup> only.

There will be a marked bin "GLWA" in the front hall.

Office hours are 9-4, Monday-Saturday.

2 boxes of cereal	Trish S.
1 large container oatmeal	Donna Peyer
5 lbs sugar	Cheri N.
5 lbs flour	Cheri N.
1 bag brown sugar	Carol Morem
1 large bag chips/1 large bag pretzels	Donna Peyer
1 bottle canola oil (med or large)	Carol Long
2 boxes of cookies	Mary Lew Thompson
2 boxes of cake mix and 2 cans frosting	Kelly Frazier
4 boxes Jiffy muffin mix and 2 bags chocolate chips	Shirley Smith
4 cans tuna in water	Erica Strohm
1 large mayo	Cathy Stoodley
2 jars peanut butter/2 jars jam	Trish Schmelzer
1 bottle pancake syrup, 2 boxes pancake mix	Shelley Perry
1 large container clothes detergent	Nancy Douglass
1 large box largest size zip lock bags, 1 dish soap	Shirley Smith
4 boxes or large cans chicken broth	Grace Shields
6 cans asst hearty soup	Deb Tisa
6 cans asst hearty soups	Barb Dietrich
3 sleeves (pkgs) single serve puddings	Gina Behr
Ingredients for a taco dinner: tacos, salsa, cheese, seasoning	Janis H
1 lbs. frozen ground beef, sour cream	NEED****
1 large box instant mashed potatoes	NEED****
Mustard, ketchup, salad dressing	NEED****
3 Boxes granola bars	NEED****
Large can of hot cocoa (instant)	NEED****

**IF YOU MISSED THE NOVEMBER MEETING AND WOULD LIKE TO DONATE A NEEDED ITEM,  
PLEASE LET JANIS KNOW: CALL [262-745-3630](tel:262-745-3630).**

**THANK YOU, AS ALWAYS FOR YOUR KIND, GENEROUS SPIRITS!  
WE STILL NEED PEOPLE TO HELP DELIVER – PLEASE CALL OR EMAIL JANIS**



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## Proud Corner

### Missy Putnam

Our two year old Golden doodle, "Divot", just passed his Therapy Dog International Certification test. Therapy dogs provide comfort and companionship to patients in nursing homes, hospitals and other institutions. We have already started visiting two of the assisted living facilities in the area. It's been very rewarding to see the reactions of the residents and staff when "Divot" comes to see them.

*Congratulations Divot!*



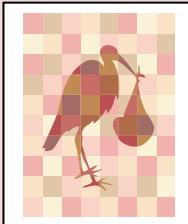
### DONNA PEYER FORWARDS A PRESS RELEASE ABOUT HER DAUGHTER!

#### OFFICER RECIEVES 2009 TOP COP AWARD

Virginia Beach, VA, October 10, 2009: Officer Ashley M. (Peyer) Dewart, daughter of Bob and Donna Peyer of Darien, WI, has been honored with the Virginia Beach, VA 2009 Top Cop Award, as well as selected as the overall 2009 Hampton Roads Regional Top Cop for outstanding police work. Officer Dewart, age 25 and just a four-year veteran of the department, was nominated for this award based on her exceptional efforts assisting the Green Run neighborhood in eradicating their neighborhood of drug and other suspicious activity by increasing citizen involvement in a neighborhood watch program. Officer Dewart also organized and managed a group of officers to work part-time to increase patrol level coverage in the area. She has organized fundraisers to assist needy citizens, and received a Letter of Recognition from her Chief for her exceptional work and proactive efforts. She has inspired other officers to take the first steps toward increased community involvement, and her commitment and compassion have truly made a difference in the lives of the citizens she's sworn to protect. For these exemplary efforts, Officer Ashley (Peyer) Dewart was honored with the Hampton Roads VA 2009 Top Cop Award.



*Congratulations Officer Ashley!*



GLWA Member Carolyn Ruby gave birth on November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2009 to a Baby Girl:  
**Siri Sophie Grace Ruby**, 7-lbs. 5oz., 19 ½ inches long  
 Mom and Baby are doing well.

*Congratulations to Carolyn and her bundle of joy!*

### Cheri Neiman

My first weekend Mah Jongg Tournament, Mah Jongg at the Kalahari, is this weekend **November 13 - 15**, in the Wisconsin Dells. I am very excited to have started this web based ([www.mahjonggkalahari.com](http://www.mahjonggkalahari.com)) tournament business this year and we have 48 people coming to our event and hope to grow at our upcoming 2010 events **April 30 - May 2, 2010** in Sandusky, Ohio and **November 12 - 14, 2010** back in the Wisconsin Dells. Any Mah Jongg players in GLWA...give me a call!