



**Next Meeting: Monday, February 1, 2010! Pizza Night at Gino's East
300 Wrigley Drive, Lake Geneva.**

Social time and New Member Orientation 6:00pm, 6:30pm Dinner, 7:15pm Meeting.
We are asking for an RSVP for this meeting to get a head count. Please call Carol Morem at 262-325-5119
or email cmorem@wi.rr.com \$7.00 per person.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Valentine's Day is a major holiday in our country and around the globe. The U.S. Greeting Card Association estimates that approximately 25% of all cards that we send in America each year are valentines. One of the earliest valentines on record was sent in 1415 AD by Charles, Duke of Orleans. While being imprisoned in the Tower of London, he sent a valentine to his wife. This card has been preserved by the British Museum.

Like on Valentine's Day, love and good will are in the air with the Geneva Lake Women's Association. Ideas are flourishing, plans are being made, and committees are meeting as 2010 evolves. These activities, that will benefit the people of our community, were brought into focus at the January general meeting.

I asked for a motion to have the proceeds used from the "Lady of the Lake" boat cruise to fund a diabetes project(s). This motion was unanimously passed. Nancy Douglass gave an update on the February 19 "Geneva Idol" fundraiser. And, "Dancing with the Stars, Lake Geneva Style" was discussed.

A special guest for the evening was accountant Michael Roberts, who helped us obtain a tax-exempt status from the Department of the Treasury. After thanking Mike for his assistance with the project, he addressed the group and answered questions.

Susan Connley was named member of the month for her noteworthy achievements with our association. Thanks, Susan, for setting a shining example for all of us.

I stated with regret that Kelly Braid had resigned her position as internal director on the board due to other commitments. Thank you, Kelly, for your outstanding contributions as internal director. We will miss you on the board, but look forward to seeing your smiling face at future GLWA happenings. Board Vice President Nancy Douglass will assume the responsibilities of internal director for the remainder of Kelly's term.

The setting for this meeting was in Joanne Wright's new store location for "Lilypots." Thank you, Joanne, for your warm welcome. We also were grateful for the goodies that were provided by Grace Shields, Cathy Stoodley, Bonnie Hawkins, and Diane Purcell. After the business meeting, we were treated to a wine presentation at "Pop More Corks."

Our February 1 "Pizza Night" meeting will be held at Gino's East of Chicago with Donna Peyer as our hostess. Bonnie Hawkins, chairperson of the nominating committee, will give a report. Other members of the nominating committee are Janis Hartley, Grace Shields, Ellie Curtiss, and myself. When someone contacts you from the committee about board positions and/or committee chairmanships, please consider volunteering for one or more of these important positions. Nominations also will be taken from the floor at the February meeting. Thank you. Looking forward to seeing each of you at Gino's.

Gwen Faust
President

Member News



February Birthdays

Sue Cole, Feb 3rd

Joan Dee, Feb 12th



January Member of the Month

Susan Connley

Her willingness to serve often at the last minute!
She is involved with Meals on Wheels and Geneva Idol.
Thank you Susan!

GLWA Member Request for Donation

No member requests for February

GENEVA IDOL

Where can you find an evening of fabulous singing entertainment, delicious appetizers, your favorite cocktails, fun with friends and family

AND

Join the excitement surrounding the crowning of this year's Geneva Idol?
at the Lodge at Geneva Ridge, that's where!!

Get your tickets to the area's most enjoyable talent show, Geneva Idol, today!

Tickets are just \$25.00 for adults and \$15.00 for children under 10!

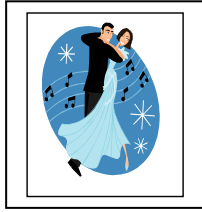
Join us on Friday, February 19th - doors open at 6, the show starts at 7:00pm.

Be there when your 2010 Geneva Idol is named

Member support is crucial to the success of our events, so call Susan Connley at 262-249-0069,
or visit www.genevaidol.com today!



Dancing with the Stars Lake Geneva Style



Friday, April 30th, marks the 4th Annual Dancing with the Stars event at the Riviera Ballroom.

Travel back in time as this year's contestants dance to their favorite movie dance scenes, from Gene Kelly to Dirty Dancing, maybe some Pulp Fictionwho knows?

The evening promises to be as entertaining as always.

A kickoff committee meeting was held last week January 20th.

More committee members are needed please!

Anyone who would like to be involved in the event, please contact Cathy Stoodley (262)215-0002 or at vitaccastoodley@yahoo.com.

The next committee meeting will be February 28th and more information will

Be divulged at the general membership meeting February 1st.

Lake Geneva Meals on Wheels

Tuesday, February, 16: Need Two Volunteers Please!

Wednesday, February, 17: Trish Schmelzer and Penny Hallet
Thank you Ladies!

We have received our New Commitment Calendar for 2010
from Walworth County Health and Human Services
I will have the signup sheet for 2010 at our February Meeting!

Proud Corner

We are proud of all our ladies and wish them a Happy Valentine's Day.
They are the "sweetest" group around!



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 20th of every month. Remember our **“Proud Corner”**. Share milestones, announcements, awards. 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

Thank You!

Future Meetings

February 1st, 2010 Pizza Night! Gino's East

March 1st, 2010

April 5th, 2010? TBD Easter is April 4th.

May 3rd, 2010

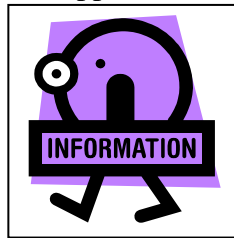
June 7th, 2010

July 5th, 2010? TBD July 4th is Sunday

Details to follow in future newsletters.

GLWA Membership Table

Please bring and share your businesses information, promotions, specials, brochures and your business cards to your fellow members! Look for the Membership table at the entrance of all of our meetings to view as you come in and go out. Thank you for your support of GLWA businesses!



Twin Oaks has a need for
laundry and dish soap.
Please consider bringing these items to our meeting!
Thank you for your generosity once again!
Penny Hallet
Twin Oaks Committee Chair

GENEVA LAKE WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
JANUARY 4, 2010
Joanne Wright's Store Lilypots

I. **Gwen Faust called the meeting to order** at 7:13 pm.

II. **Guest of Honor:** *Michael Roberts, Attorney and CPA. He was the catalyst for us to receive our 501(c) (3) status. He was here for a questions and guidelines for the general membership.*

III. **Introduction of Guests:** Jean Shaben, former member of GLWA and guest of Gwen and Janis Hartley.

IV. **December Minutes of the General Membership Meeting: Motion to approve minutes as posted in the January Newsletter was made by Donna Peyer and Seconded by Bonnie Hawkins. No discussion. No Corrections. All in favor, none opposed, motion carried.**

V. **Financial Report** given by Carol Morem. No handout given at this meeting. **Motion to approve Financial Report made by Grace Shields and seconded by Deb Tisa. No discussion. All in favor, none opposed, motion carried.**

VI. **Old Business**

- a. Silent Auctions Results! \$1,334.00. Special Thanks to all members and committee chairs: Donna Peyer and Joanne Wright. Great items and large volume of items donated.
- b. Needy Family Review: Janis Hartley posted report in the Newsletter and also stated that she had received a thank you note from the mother of that family.
- c. Geneva Idol Update: Report given by Nancy Douglass. February 19, 2010 at the Chalet at Geneva Ridge. \$25 for adults, \$15 for children 10 and under. Competition starts at 7pm. Geneva Idol.com has all the information. \$50 registration fee and 2.5 minute limit for song choice.
- d. Member Table report given by Gina Behr: Will be at all meeting for members to share their business promotions, business cards etc.
- e. Web Site: Our NEW and improved website is up and running! www.glwa.net
- f. Committee Reports
 1. Meals on Wheels: Signup sheet went around the room and instruction sheet offered to members.
 2. Twin Oaks meeting is 1-17-2010. Penny Hallet will report back what needs they may have.
 3. Scholarship: report by Kelly Frazier. Applications to go out. Donna Peyer is co-chair of this committee

VII. **New Business**

- a. **Lady of the Lake:** GLWA event on that boat is August 22, 2010 Venetian Fest. Membership vote needed to use the funds raised from that event for Diabetes Testing and Information for Greater Walworth county. Parliamentarian, Diane Purcell asked for a show of hands of "dues paying members in attendance". That count showed 21 members. Letter from Ellie Curtis asking for her vote to be accepted in her absence from this meeting to be counted as a yes to go forward with the Diabetes project.

MOTION: Made by Donna Peyer :GLWA Lady of the Lake's Cruise funds to be allocated for the Diabetes Testing and Information for Greater Walworth County. Seconded by Grace Shields. No discussion. Verbal: All in Favor, none opposed, motion carries.

- b. Dancing with the Stars: Cathy Stoodley not in attendance but she sent an email and Gwen made the announcement to contact Cathy by phone or email to be on that committee.
- c. Martin Luther King Jr. Day: Our Member Shelly Poteraki is asking for ideas from us for a charitable group to which the employees of Johnson Bank of Lake Geneva may volunteer their time that day. Ideas suggested: Twin Oaks and Agape House.
- d. Announcements
 1. Kelly Braid resigned from the board as internal director. Nancy Douglass, VP of GLWA, will step in to fill that position until our new year of May 1, 2010.
 2. Nominating Committee to be put in place: Members can expect an "Email Blast" from Gwen to "exercise negative option".
- e. February's Meeting: Pizza Night! Gino's Dining Room. \$7 per person includes Soda. Cash Bar. Look for email blast from Carol to RSVP so we can get a head count. Social Time: 6:30. Dinner 6:45 and Meeting 7pm. New Member Orientation at 6pm.

VIII. **Good of the Cause**

1. Member of the Month: Susan Connley for her willingness to serve often at the last minute. Thank you Susan for all you have done and continue to do!
2. January Birthday's were recognized with a gift and chorus of "Happy Birthday".
3. Door Prize drawing: No nametags this month.

IX. **Silent Auction Results: \$1,334.00! Awesome Ladies! Thank you for your generosity!**

Thank you to Donna Peyer and Joanne Wright for chairing our Silent Auction committee.

X. **Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn our meeting at 8:36pm was made by Bonnie Hawkins and seconded by Sandy Bootz. All in favor, none opposed, motion carried.

Members were invited next door to "Pop More Corks" for a wine presentation and tasting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gina Behr

Secretary

FEBRUARY GENERAL MEETING PROPOSED AGENDA

February 1, 2010, 7:15 p.m.

Gino's East of Chicago
Second Home of Donna Peyer

- I. Call the Meeting to Order**
- II. Guests and New Member Installation**
- III. Minutes from the January General Meeting**
- IV. Financial Report**
- V. Old Business**
 - A) "Geneva Idol" Update
 - B) "Dancing with the Stars, Lake Geneva Style" Review
 - C) Food Pantry
 - D) Committee Reports
- VI. New Business**
 - A) Nominating Committee
 - 1. Report
 - 2. Nominations from Floor
 - B) Suggested Vendor List
 - C) Grants
 - D) March Meeting
 - 1. Location
 - 2. Hostesses
 - E) Announcements
- VII. Good of the Cause**
 - A) February Birthdays
 - B) Member of the Month
 - C) Door Prize Drawing
- VIII. Adjournment**

Please contact Gwen Faust to make additions to the agenda. Also, please contact her, if you will not be in attendance, and you are responsible for one or more of the agenda items listed above. Thank you.