

Geneva Lake Women's Association

April Newsletter

Next Meeting: April 4, 2016

Shore Club

2 West Geneva Street

Williams Bay, WI

Orientation

Social 5:30

Dinner 7:00

Meeting & Installation to follow dinner.





Geneva Lake Women's Association

Raising Funds

Raising Hopes

Raising Spirits

Letter from the President

Dear Fellow GLWA Members:

Writing my last President's letter is bittersweet. There's a sense of having accomplished much, as well as a sense that there is still much to be accomplished. I was supported this past year by a wonderful board: Shelley Perry, Kathy Papcke, Laurie Hallmark, Francine Jacobs and Catherine Stoodley. We didn't always agree – and that was crucial as it forced all of us to think carefully about the topics at hand. We always had the best interests of the Geneva Lake Women's Association at heart and that was most important. Thank you to each and every one of my board members for your unselfish contributions to our organization.

I'm thrilled that during my term our membership has grown. Friendships were planted and are thriving and hopefully each of you feel inspired by the work we are doing in the community. We held a successful Ladies Day Luncheon that raised epic donations; kicked off the Super Bowl 50 Raffle that also contributed to our philanthropic coffers; taught children in Safety Town and now have an on-line registration and payment program for this as well as our other events; inspired young artists through the Children's Art Show; fed, clothed and gifted families through Holiday Helping Hands; acted compassionately and donated to the Walworth County Food Pantry (and other similar organizations); sold cookbooks at Venetian Festival; and of course we did so much more!

After 24 years in GLWA I have so many memories for which I am grateful. When I knew no one in the area, the women of GLWA became some of my dearest friends. I've been through the ups and through the downs, and at the end of the day, caring for our community is what has kept us moving forward.

As I step down, I leave knowing we are in good hands. Your new President-elect and her Board have exciting new plans and I know they will do an outstanding job. She, and they, need your support. Remember to give them your positive feedback.

I thank all of you for your support this year. I truly appreciated each person who took the time out of their busy schedules to send me an email or call me when they had questions, concerns, or input. I've loved serving as your President and I thank you from the bottom of my heart.

I would be remiss if I didn't thank the March hostesses for the Pizza Party and the entertaining Election décor! Thanks also to Francine Jacobs for organizing the Corks and Canvas at Studio Winery last Monday. It was a wonderful evening and fun to paint with our GLWA friends.

I look forward to the Installation Dinner and I hope to see many of you there!

Janis

Reports from Committee Chairs

Report From Our Internal Director: Francine Jacobs

Attached is the Hostess Grid for the remainder of the year. We need two hostesses for August and two for November. Being a hostess is a great way to make new friends. And it's fun!

Speaking of fun ~ I truly enjoyed my role as Internal Director. It gave me an opportunity to get to know so many of you and to make many new friends. The women of GLWA are truly remarkable in every way. Each of you is awesomely awesome, and I feel very blessed to be a part of this wonderful organization as we raise hopes – funds and spirits!

MARCH ANNIVERSARIES

Janis Hartley ~ 24 Years

Maggie Martens ~ 15 Years

Nancy Douglass ~ 10 Years

Shelley Perry ~ 10 Years

Laurie Gianitsos ~ 5 Years

APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

Grace Shields ~ 13 Years

Susan Krinn ~ 1 Year

Safety Town: Julie Stern

Big thanks to those who volunteered to help out with our largest service project of the year!

We are Live for registration and instructor application at GLWA.net! We are working on scheduling the presentations, requesting our needed funds, getting our information out to the schools for enrollment, etc. Also big thanks to the group for approving the funds to buy the new software. This is going to streamline so many areas – thanks so much!

The teachers are requesting hand-held stop signs for use in Safety Town. Is there anyone who could make this? Picture an aide standing at a corner stopping traffic while it continues crosswise. We have 1. We would like to have 2-3 more. Safety Town is held indoors, so we don't need waterproof or wood; I think foam core would work fine.

If you would like to get involved, please let me know. There is still plenty to do!

Children's Art Show – Missy Sell

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 Geneva Lake Museum 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 29th & May 2nd Artwork will be picked up at your school by a GLWA member at the Front Office

May 6th thru 14th Artwork will be on display at the Geneva Lake Museum

Saturday, May 14th 9:30am Recognition Ceremony I (Brookwood Elementary and Middle, Faith Christian, Fontana)

10:30am Recognition Ceremony II (Central/Denison, Eastview, Star Center, Lakeland)

11:30am Recognition Ceremony III (St.Francis, Woods, Reek, Williams Bay Elementary and Middle)

12:30pm Recognition Ceremony IV (Traver, Lake Geneva Middle, Wis. School of the Deaf, Mount Zion)

We will be looking for assistance with picking up the Artwork April 29th & May 2nd Set-up May 4th 9:30a-12:30p. On May 14th, 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 Missy. Thank you in advance for all your help! 815-342-5660

Missy

April Installation Dinner – Carol Townsend

Ladies, Our Social Chair thanks everyone that has responded for the Installation Dinner and that we are looking forward to seeing all for a lovely dinner. If anyone has questions, you can call Carole at 414-303-7664.

Ladies Day Luncheon: Shelley Perry

Ladies Day Luncheon is underway! We have Recruited (a nice way of saying begged!!) a couple of members so we can use their talents for our event!!! Yahoo! We will utilize each committee member's talents that appear to be blending beautifully to the fullest! Our next meeting is March 30th and our topic this year is "Babe Didrikson Zaharias: The Greatest Female Athlete in History".

As usual: Expect The Unexpected from this committee and for the event!

Requests:

Holiday Home Camp: \$1,000.00

As you know, our goal here at Holiday Home is to provide an outdoor fresh air camp experience and leadership programming to as many deserving youth as we can. While it's certainly true that our historical roots allow us to serve the children from Chicago, as we fast forward to present day our mission and service area has grown! As a leader my outlook is that a good non-profit includes its local community in its target base. With your team's mission you are in tune with the fact disadvantaged kids don't only live in the large metro cities, but also right here in our own backyard. That's why as a staff, we volunteer with other non-profits in our area every month to ensure we have a part of our communities success. We also provide free services to our local Boy/Girl Scouts, Agape House, the Food Bank, Big Brothers and Big Sisters, and more.

Additionally -We work with local schools, housing projects, shelters, service providers, and community members to ensure that our local kids have opportunities to attend our camp programs. We have even set up scholarships for local youth! When local civic and philanthropist groups donate they can earmark their contribution to support Walworth County campers specifically!

Here is a brief breakdown of our service numbers in Walworth County for 2015

-Nearly 6% of our 2015 campers live in Walworth County. That may not sound like a lot, however that's 3 full cabins of local kids!

That number of campers represents a \$38,400 commitment of support in resources and funding from Holiday Home Camp!

-10% of our year round ELITE Teen mentorship program participants are also from Walworth County.

We are proud to be part of the history in this area and will continue to reach out to children in as many areas as we can, both locally and from surrounding areas.

Thank you. I appreciate the support and dedication to Holiday Home Camp!!

If you need anything else, please let me know.

Bradley Cripe Executive Director

Lake Geneva Fresh Air Association, Inc.

Holiday Home Camp and OWLS

Woods School: \$200.00

Please see attachment. Thank you

Things to share:

Open Arms Free Clinic is having their Annual Golf Outing in Tuesday June 7 @ Hawks View

Raffle, live auction, & dinner too.

All info is on the website www.openarmsfreeclinic.org

Thanks so much

Cathy Nemerovski

Never Say Never

Good Afternoon-

I'm excited to welcome all the new volunteers to our playland project committee! The growth of this project is very exciting to me!

A few notes about current happenings.

A board member has hand crafted a gorgeous key chain that has our tree and swing on it from our logo. We are wanting to get a group together to help craft these, so we can have more on hand at events. I have attached a picture. If you are interested in helping with this please let us know right away, so we can get a group together as soon as possible. (These are available to anyone for a \$15 donation).

Champ's is hosting a pig roast for us on May 5, 6:00pm to 8:00pm I will have tickets available if anyone is interested in helping to sell them.

We have our first BIG fundraiser set for July 9th, a Color-A-Thon that will be held at Veteran's Park in Lake Geneva, where the playland will be built. We need volunteers for this committee so we can start planning and organizing, as well as dedicated volunteers to help us the day of the fundraiser.

There will be a spaghetti dinner fundraiser in October of 2016 (exact date TBD) We are in need of committee members to help get fundraiser planned. The first meeting to begin discussing

plans will be tomorrow night, March 22, 6:30pm at Gino's East. Meet in the bar at the back table. We will again need committed volunteers the day of as well.

Our next playland project committee meeting is April 13th, 6:00pm at Anchor Covenant Church, 1229 Park Row, Lake Geneva. I look forward to seeing many new faces and sharing project details with you all. ALL are welcome to this meeting. Bring your families, friends and neighbors! I have attached a flyer that you are welcome to distribute as well.

If you are interested in any of these committees please let me know and I will get you directed to the head committee member.

Lastly, if you know of some experience in WordPress, I need help with our website. I have it up and running, but it's not quite the vision I have in my head.

If you know of a business or organization that would like to learn more about the playland project, I will happily give a presentation about the project.

Thank You!

Please remember to like our FB page facebook.com/neversayneverplayland

Please see additional attachment in email.

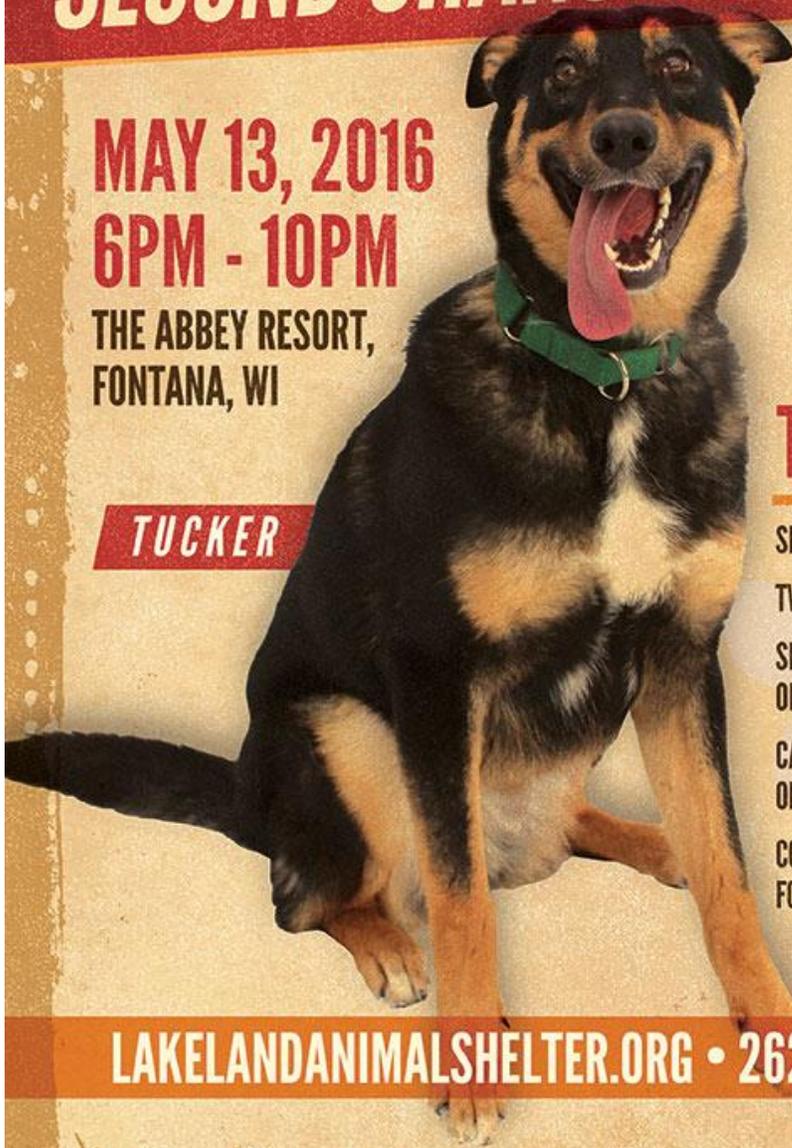


SECOND CHANCES DINNER

MAY 13, 2016
6PM - 10PM

**THE ABBEY RESORT,
FONTANA, WI**

TUCKER



TICKETS

SINGLE TICKET: \$75

TWO TICKETS: \$140

**SPONSOR A TABLE
OF 10: \$700**

**CAPTAIN A TABLE
OF 10: \$725**

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