



Geneva Lake Women's Association

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June 2015 Newsletter

Next meeting: June 1, 2015

Please join us for our June Meeting

Next Door Pub

411 Interchange N

Lake Geneva

(262) 248-9551

Pizza, Salad and Soda, water, coffee for \$10.00

Social 5:30 - 6:30

Meeting at 6:30

You will pay at the door!

Please respond to your evite!

Cash Bar!

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hey Hey the Month of May...

Many thanks to Shelley Perry for standing in for me at the May meeting. I was so sad to miss my inaugural meeting but, alas, I had a trip that was long planned for that week. I know Shelley did an amazing job and the meeting was short and sweet – my favorite kind!

May 9th was the date of the Children's Art Show and by all accounts it was another huge success.

Bouquets to Missy Sell and Mary Scott for organizing, implementing, and working hard on this event. The art was inspiring!

Safety Town is well under way. Please mark your calendars for JUNE 5th which is set up day. All hands should be on deck. As of the May meeting 57 children had signed up. Julie Stern will inform us as to the time of set up. Please support Julie and her team as much as possible as this is an enormous effort. The Cookbook Committee is in desperate need of a chairperson (co-chair) to work with Angie Mack. Angie handles the retail side and we need someone ASAP to handle the logistics. This is a perfect role for a new member. Just bring 3-5 cookbooks to each meeting and ask, "Who wants to buy a cookbook?"; oversee the Venetian Festival Cookbook Sale (pick up/set up portable tent top, 2 tables, bring 2 boxes of cookbooks, and handle petty cash for the sale). Carol Townsend has offered to help so we need a co-chair and we need one other helper for Venetian. New members, this is a golden opportunity to make friends, meet people, and help our organization. Please email me if you are willing to step up to the (pie) plate!

Ladies Day Luncheon donation request letters will go out this month. Great plans are in the works for this highly anticipated event.

Thanks to new member Donna Egly for stepping in to co-chair the Twin Oaks golf outing which will be held July 20th at Abbey Springs. Your help is much appreciated Donna!

The 12"x12" memorial brick was ordered last Thursday. We assume it will be installed at the first installation, however, Clara Jacobs indicated in an email to me that it might take 2 months. I've asked for clarification. Due to restrictions on line and character limits, the inscriptions reads:

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Raising Hopes, Raising Funds, Raising Spirits...

50 Years Serving Walworth County

Followed by the logo.

Finally, a round of applause to Amy Giovannoni for stepping up as Publicity Chair. This is so important for our organization and we truly appreciate Amy's enthusiasm and willingness to step forward. Please be sure to take photos of your events and forward them to Amy G OR ask that she take photos. Every event should be covered in some way so the community becomes even more familiar with our service.

Sending all of you warm wishes for a month filled with flowers and sunshine, Janis

Reports from Committee and Project Chairs

Safety Town: – Julie Stern

Big THANKS to the volunteers who are calling the parents to ask them to supply their own bike helmets this year. I really appreciate your help! Trish is doing an amazing job, as always. Our speakers have all confirmed. Donations have been received. The new buildings are underway. Photocopies of materials are being made, and people have stepped forward to help during the actual week of Safety Town. Thank you also to the GLWA members who are getting my postcards and doing my shopping – this will also save me lots of time so Thank You!! Please bring those items on June 1 to our meeting or call me so I can arrange to get them before Training Day on Friday, June 5. Special thanks to those women helping me search for additional funds. Big thanks to Kathy Papcke for the wonderful donation from the Walworth County Farm Bureau Women's Committee. When people come together for a cause, amazing things happen.

I have some additional great news! Come to the meeting June 1 to hear all about it!

Internal Director's Report: Francine Jacobs

The team hostessing continues to work well. But, to make it work, we need everyone's participation. It's really easy. If you cannot be a hostess, please trade with someone else. If that doesn't work, simply contact your month's Team to find out how much the others are contributing. GLWA contributes \$50 to each month's meeting, and if we go a venue that allows us to bring in our own food -- or to a member's home -- it's very nominal.

The most important thing to remember is this is a great opportunity to plan a meeting -- make new friends -- and have fun!

Lake Geneva School of Cooking

Thanks to Kelly Braid, Penny Hallett and Laura Shimkus who volunteered to be part of the Planning Team for another great adventure. Stay tuned for details.

Ladies Day Luncheon: Shelley Perry

Ladies day luncheon: Donation letters have gone out. If you have a connection to a possible donor - we always welcome more! Invitations are in & will go out soon. We will have some at the June meeting - pricing is the same with a "early bird" table reservation - call your girls & get a table!

Lakeland Animal Shelter: Missy Putnam

The Second Chances Charity Dinner was a huge success. It raised \$10,000 more than last year and the final count is not in yet! Digging starts on the new building Monday. You will be able to see the progress from route 67 as you pass the Shelter.

Shelter Scramble – Monday, August 3, Hawks View Golf Club

Get your scramble foursome together now! Registration starts at 10:30 am. The event includes a hot buffet lunch, fish fry dinner, awards, raffle, and auction. All skill levels are welcome. Check out the flyer at the end of the newsletter. You can register online at: www.lakelandanimalshelter.org.

Missy

Food Pantry: Trish Schmelzer

As you know the W.C. Pantry moved to a larger location this past January, 205 E. Commerce Court in Elkhorn. This is the old Aurora Clinic on Hwy. 67. With the additional space we are planning to open a Thrift Shop. We are looking for donations of merchandise. When

you are doing your spring cleaning check your closets, basements, and attics. When you find things you no longer wish to keep please think of donating them to the Thrift Shop. We will be selling clothing, small appliances, collectibles, costume jewelry, kitchen items, holiday items, etc. We are looking for volunteers. Anyone interested in giving a few hours a month to do sorting, pricing, sales. We are looking for buyers. When we open we invite everyone to come in and shop. It will be a unique experience. Please help us spread the word. If you are anxious to have your donated items out of your home please contact us and we will make arrangements. You can reach us at W.C. Resource Center and Food Pantry 262-723-4488. Thank You!

Children's Art Show: Mary Scott / Missy Sells

Annual Children's Art Show

I am pleased to report that the Annual Children's Art Show was a success again this year!

We had 13 schools participate in the event. Our attendance for the show was the largest ever. The total number of children and adults attending the art show was 610.

The art work was phenomenal! We had paintings, copper art work, sculptures, mummies (paper mache'), ceramics and much more.

It was very rewarding to walk around and look at the huge grins and smiles on the children's faces as their pictures were being taken next to their art work.

Our guest artist was Cindy from Cindy's Creations. Cindy is a Chip Carver and Wood Burner. She demonstrated her talents between the shows and the children loved watching her work. Each session had questions for her after she spoke, the kids were truly interested in her work.

I also want to thank everyone that helped! It was a group effort, Missy and I appreciated all your extra support. As most of you know I helped in the beginning and then left Missy to finish up. Therefore, I also want to give a huge thank you to Missy Sell!

I have received many thank you's from the teachers both the day of and email's after the event. Missy and I are looking forward to doing it again next year!



Prayers and Proud Moments

To the lovely ladies of GLWA:

My deepest and most sincere thank you for the beautiful pearl bracelet I received in April. It seems like just yesterday when I first joined and knowing only 3 people. I was shy and nervous, not sure what to expect. Silly to think that now, with so many wonderful friends and the lives that I've been able to touch through GLWA. When I say that it has truly been my pleasure and honor to have served as your President, it comes from the bottom of my heart.

Thank you. Cathy Stoodley

I wanted to thank everyone for the lovely flowers from my hip replacement surgery. The bouquet contained many shades of pink, perfect for spring! Last July, our daughter Katie made the courageous move to join us in WI from Minnesota. It's wonderful having her here! I am thrilled to share that Katie's sister Val, is also moving here from Missouri. She will be moving to Elkhorn mid-June along with Val's husband Keith and our 8 1/2 year old grandson. It's been 20 (long) years since my girls & I have lived near each other. Now we only have to travel to Texas to see our other daughters & their families ;) This was truly a God-sized prayer!

Gisela Witt

Hi Penny,

Thank you for the donated items you brought to Delavan. They were good quality items that our people really enjoyed receiving. I know you have been helping with the golf outing too. You had sent me the email below while you were in Florida. We did receive a nice donation recently from GWLA but I wonder if they would be interested in a presentation? Otherwise just meeting with the president or any of the women would be nice too.

Thank you,

Rena Mitchell

Program Manager

Twin Oaks Shelter for the Homeless