

September 2023

Worthington Women's Club
4th Tuesday, 12:30 p.m.
Worthington Hills Country Club
920 Clubview Boulevard South



*I shall plant a garden of friendship
And pluck from it flowers of love and service which never fade.
Marie Vandergrift, President 1942-43*

A Message from WWC President Pam Clawson

I am very excited to begin the 2023-2024 season of the Worthington Women's Club as your President. We are going to have a sensational year.

My favorite perk of the WWC is the interest groups. We are introducing four new interest groups this year, including two evening groups: Game Night and Friendship Table (dining) plus a new Wednesday lunch group and a Wine Tasting group. Knit 2Gether is being given a new life as Stitch-N-Knit and will welcome all needle crafters. Details of these groups can be found in the Yearbook or on our website. Interest has been expressed in starting another book club (contact Jutta Wait) and euchre group (contact Mary Lang), but we haven't yet gotten the requisite ten names to create those groups. **You** could be the one extra they have been waiting for.

Mary Steed-May, our Program Director, has an interesting and diverse line-up of programs for us this year. Make sure to look at the program pages of the Yearbook or visit our website to see what she has arranged for us

This year's Presidential Invitational Event (PIE) will be a walk in the Walnut Grove Cemetery, led by the Worthington Historical Society on Sunday, October 8, 2023 beginning at 2:00 PM. A \$5 fee will be charged for the event. In addition to their regular tour, we will be stopping by the graves of a couple of our past presidents to honor them.

I am thrilled to announce a new communication system we will be rolling out this year. All those who have an e-mail address in the yearbook will be receiving updates to the yearbook, important notices, interest group information and eventually newsletters, by e-mail. Newsletters will continue to be mailed to those without e-mail. It is important that you make sure your e-mail is accurate in the 2023-2024 yearbook. If it is not correct, contact Jody Ort.

Just as you are seeing your costs of living rising, so the WWC is seeing its costs increase. This year the Worthington Hills Country Club has raised the cost of renting the room for our general meetings from \$200 to \$300 and the cost of each dessert at the general meetings from \$6.61 to \$8. So, an average general meeting will cost just under \$1,200 or \$7,200 for all six meetings. If we have 230 paying members at \$30 annual dues, we will bring in \$6,900; we can already see a budget shortfall. In response, the Board met and considered at least a dozen suggestions to improve our fiscal situation. As the year progresses you will see those ideas implemented, including cancelling the January meeting, charging \$2.50 to mail the directory, having a donation basket on the dessert table to help defray the costs of the desserts, etc. Even with these savings, the costs are not sustainable into the future. The Board will need to request spending some of our savings and eventually request raising dues. **An explanation of the budget and the costs savings being implemented will be held AFTER the September General Meeting.**

Finally, I want to thank all of you for the warm welcome I received in the interest groups I visited over the past year. I enjoyed meeting so many of you I did not yet know. I learned a lot from those visits and hope, from your comments, I can help make the club more enjoyable for us all.

Pam

Pam Clawson, President, 2023-2024
Worthington Women's Club

WWC Elected Officers 2023-2024

President
President-Elect
First Vice-President
Assistant First Vice-President
Second Vice-President
Recording Secretary
Corresponding Secretary
Treasurer
Assistant Treasurer
Past President
First Year Director
Second Year Director

Pam Clawson
Jody Ort
Mary Steed-May
Kathleen Pfendler
Merci Katz
Barbara Barnhart
Barb Keister
Karen German
Jeanne Earhart
Mary Lou Luebbe-Gearhart
Jutta Wait
Mona Deringer

WWC Appointed Board

Decorating Chair
Membership Chair
Assistant Membership Chair
Publicity Chair
History Chair
Newsletter Chair
Parliamentary Chair
Website Chair

Robin Somers
Mary Lang
Margaret Strosky
Barb Hadden
Dru Wielonski
Mary Ellen Rittel
Bonnie Michael
Ellen Randall

Help us keep in touch!

Report any address, phone or email changes to

Membership Chair Mary Lang
langme@gmail.com 614-974-4047



Please report deaths or illnesses to Barb Keister at (phone/text) 614-743-9111 or Barbkeister65@gmail.com.

Meeting Reservations



We will continue taking reservations for you and your guest for our General Meetings, as well as the luncheons. If you plan to attend, please call or email Merci Katz by the Thursday before the meeting at

j.katz@att.net or (phone/text) 614-565-6550.

Let her know if you plan to have dessert. There is a \$5.00 donation requested for each dessert.

If you cannot attend in person, but wish to view the meeting on Zoom, please email Karen German at kgerman3343@gmail.com. She will send you the Zoom link for the meeting.



Meeting Change!

Our September meeting will be held on September 19th this year. Worthington Hills Country Club will be having a golf tournament when we would normally meet.

DUES



Just a gentle reminder that dues are due by September 30th. They are \$30 for the year. A payment slip is enclosed with this newsletter. Add \$2.50 to have your directory mailed to you.



In Memoriam

Sharon Chadwell
Mary Damsel Coralie Caron



WWC Memorial Fund. Donations may be made in memory of a deceased member. Funds are used for local charities. They are not tax deductible.



Don't forget to check for WWC information on our website. The newsletter, photos of recent events, a sample membership application, and other information relevant to members or aspiring members are posted here:

www.worthingtonwomensclubofohio.com



Acquaintance Group

We would like to welcome all new members to participate in the Acquaintance Group for the first two years after joining the Worthington Women's Club. Chairs for 2023-2024 are Lisa Aspery and Joyce Lohner. The Acquaintance Group is scheduled to meet on October 4th in Worthington at Le Chatelaine, after which the group will tour the doll museum. They will also meet the first Wednesday of February and April between 11:30AM and 1:00 PM.

Location and specific time will be determined closer to the date of the meeting. Chairs will contact all new members with an invitation to attend the meeting and all necessary information.

Interest Groups



Acquaintance Group

Lisa Aspery
Joyce Lohner

TBA

614.841.1846
614.848.6349

Armchair Travelers

Paula Cross

2nd Thursday, 10:00 am

614. 596.3430

Art Study

Paula Cross

3rd Monday, 12:30 pm

614. 596.3430

Book Group

Peggy Foster
Karen Holbrook

614.395.2228
614.486.2802

Bowling

Beth Ault

Mondays, 9:30 am

614.436.6186

Bridge-O-Rama

Marilou Beachler
Carolyn Owens

Arranged

614.826.5849
614.888.7265

Round Robin Bridge

Peggy Foster
Jane Moore

2nd Monday, 1:00 pm

614.395.2228
614.888.4688

Current Events

Mona Deringer

1st Friday, 12:30 pm

614.804.4068

Domino Damsels

Linda Figula

3rd Wed., 11:00 am

614.562.0106

Euchre Card Sharks

Margaret Strosky

4th Monday, 12:30 pm

614.890.3778

Feathered Friends

Robin Somers
Jody Ort

1st Thursday, 9:00 am

614.315.5489
614.519.6736

Friendship Table

Pam Clawson

3rd Tuesday, 5:30 pm.

614.783.3561

Game Night

Pam Clawson

1st Tuesday, 5:30 pm

614.783.3561

Great Discussions

Judy Walker

1st Tuesday, 9:30 am

330.518.3495

More Great Discussions

Jutta Wait

1st Tuesday, 10:00 am

614.563.7884

Happy Hour Group

Lisa Everton

TBD

614.519.6219

I Love a Mystery

Dot Mager

2nd Thursday, 1:00 pm

614.846.9233

I Love a Mystery, Too

Therese McLean

2nd Thursday, 1:00 pm

614.889.7944

Mah Jongg 101

Joyce Ubert
Ellen Randall

2nd Fri., 11:30 am

614.436.4844
614-433-7278

Mah Jongg Friday

Ellen Randall

4th Fri., 11:30 am

614.433.7278

Mah Jongg Mavens.

Janet Mount-Campbell

4th Thursday, 12:30 pm

614.486.2045

Past Presidents

Mary Ellen Rittel

5th Wednesday

614. 940.5324

Scrabble

Cathie Dotzauer
Janice Yarrington

3rd Friday, 1:00 pm

614.638.2436
614.436.6737

Stitch n' Knit

Sue Pukay-Martin

1st Monday, 1:00 pm

614.940.8313

Travel Troop

Sandy Cornett
Patti Shilling

e-mail updates

614.325.0008
419.573.1106

Walk in the Park

Barb Keister
Jody Ort

3rd Wednesday, 9:30 am

614.743.9111
614.519.6736

Wine Tasting

Mary Steed-May

1st Monday, 4:00 pm

614.440.5479

Lunch Groups

Gourmet Gals

Mona Deringer
Betty Makely

2nd Tuesday, 11:30 am

614.804.4068
614.580.7071

Global Cuisine I

Sue Harman

4th Thursday, 11:30 am

614.436.5192

Global Cuisine II

Jackie Kaps

4th Thursday, 11:30 am

614.634.2688

Global Cuisine III

Mary Lang

4th Thursday, 11:30 am

614.974.4047

Ladies that Lunch

Pam Clawson

2nd Wednesday, 11:30 am

614.783.3561

Lunch Bunch

Sharon Rush

2nd Wed., 11:30 am

614.436.4134

Lunching Ladies

Nancy Haller

2th Wed., 11:30 am

614.888.1995

New groups of 10 or more are welcome. Contact Mary Lou Luebbe-Gearhart (614-565-4327) for details.



WWC Holiday Luncheon

Worthington Hills Country Club

Tuesday, December 12, 2023

Cash Bar 11:00 am

Plated Lunch: 11:30 am

Menu

GRILL ROOM HOUSE SALAD WITH HOUSE DRESSING
ROLL AND BUTTER
HERB ROASTED PORK WITH APPLE & CHERRY CHUTNEY
WHIPPED POTATOES, GREEN BEANS
PECAN BALL WITH HOT FUDGE
(PLAIN SCOOPS OF ICE CREAM AVAILABLE)

VEGETARIAN: STIR FRY VEGETABLES (VEGAN: GLUTEN FREE)

Program: Holiday Music Performed by The Worthington Kilbourne High School Choir

Reservations \$27

Available at the September and October General Meetings or send a check to:

WWC Assistant Treasurer
Jeanne Earhart
123 Brookstone Blvd.
Westerville, OH 43081-4560

To help us with our bookkeeping, if you send your dues with your luncheon payment, please write separate checks.
Specify on your check whether you want Vegetarian or have an allergy requirement.

Deadline for Reservations is Tuesday, December 5, 2023

Tickets will not be issued. Your ticket is your name tag to be picked up at the reception table.
Please notify Jeanne Earhart (614-562-8093) if there are any changes prior to the luncheon.
*We will be collecting personal items for the Worthington Resource Center at the Luncheon.
In addition, we will be having our raffle to raise money for Allocations.*



Programs 2023-2024

September 19, 2023
October 24, 2023

December 12, 2023 (11:00 am)
January 23, 2024
February 27, 2024
March 26, 2024
April 23, 2024 (12:00 pm)
May 14, 2023 (11:00 am)

Dru Wielonski: Highlights of 90 Years of WWC Friendship
Joyce Geary: Haunting Tales & Stories for the Season
Dress for Halloween
Worthington Kilbourne High School Choir: Holiday Music
No Meeting
Tisa Watts: Gardening with Hungry Deer
Panel: Getting to Know Our Community Resources
Interest Fair and Fashion Show presented by Mode Alise
Spring Luncheon: Hats on for Spring

Please note: The January meeting will not be held this year.
Meetings will be cancelled when Franklin County declares a level two snow emergency.