Acceptance Speech

May 14, 2024

I’m excited to transition into the role of President for the Worthington Women’s Club. I’d like to thank you all for having the faith in me to run this club and express my heartfelt gratitude for your trust and support.

It takes a village to run this organization. There is a lot of people working behind the scenes. I’d like to thank the 2023/2024 Board members under the leadership of Pam Clawson for their hard work and tireless dedication. They did a fantastic job particularly after being thrown a few financial curveballs. Their work will make life little bit easier for me and the 2024-2025 Board.

Worthington Women’s Club is a fabulous organization that I am very happy I joined when I retired. I joined mainly to learn the game of Mahj Jongg, but have ended up like many of you involved in many of the Interest Groups. I spent the past year visiting most of our 34 Interest Groups. I missed a few. I met many amazing women. Everyone was so welcoming. They all shared their wisdom, knowledge and humor. I had so much fun that at the Interest Fair this past April, I had to stop myself from signing up for all the groups. Interest Groups are truly the lifeblood of our club.

Aside from being this incredible brain trust, I observed that this club also has quite an economic impact on the community. We have 8 official lunch and dinner groups, but almost every interest group frequents restaurants or coffee shops. Back of the napkin math, approximately 10 people at $20 per lunch or $60 per dinner, WWC spends about $3,000 per month at local restaurants. We have some regular restaurants that are very good to us: welcoming us to sit for half a day and play euchre, mahj jongg, and dominoes. Let me give a shout out to Rusty Bucket -Clintonville, and in Linworth - Sbarro, Borgata and our newest friend Rodo’s. And I cannot forget to acknowledge the one store that does not involve food – Sew to Speak the cutest store in Worthington which offers up their space to our Stitch n Knit group. I’d also like to thank Christy Baker and her crew at the Worthington Hills Country Club that really go out of their way to meet our needs. These organizations are truly Friends of the Worthington Women’s Club.

I am looking forward to getting to personally know more of our 233 members. Feel free to contact me to just get acquainted and/or share ideas about how we can make our club even better!

Thank you once again for your trust and support.