



MIWC UPDATE



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President's Message

HOPE

*is the little voice you hear whisper "maybe"
when it seems the entire world is shouting "No!"*

Dear Friends,

As our MIWC 2020-21 season is about to begin we find that Covid-19 is still playing havoc with our plans.

[Your Board of Directors](#) met for a special Zoom meeting to look at the current situation. We decided that the best course of action was to proceed with caution. We have postponed the beginning of our luncheon season and will meet monthly and continue to make plans, but we must remain flexible to ensure the safety of our members. Please look at Future Events section below for current event information.

Our Club will endure these uncertain times and we are determined to resume our activities as soon as we can safely do so.

I hope to see each of you soon,
Debbie Rago,
President

An Update for UPDATE

A New Look for the Newsletter –

You probably noticed a change in the newsletter masthead and in the newsletter itself. This New Look marks a Changing of the Guard.

After 20+ years serving as Editor of UPDATE, our MIWC Newsletter, Dorothy Harkness has decided to retire from the news desk. Since 1999 Dorothy has kept us current with MIWC happenings, never missing an issue. We thank her for her incredible dedication and service, and look forward to seeing her at future luncheons and Club activities.

Lenore Yale assumes the role of editor and she welcomes news, updates, and items of general interest. You may contact her at: [Lenore Yale](#) or 203-506-5075.

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How Your "Lunch Money" Can Help

During these difficult and uncertain times, many in our community are facing financial and emotional hardships. In July alone *Our Daily Bread Food Pantry* helped nearly 10,000 people put food on their tables. For those at risk for domestic abuse, the stress created by the Pandemic has only increased their vulnerability.

Many of our members are searching for ways to help and have come up with the following suggestion: For safety reasons MIWC has canceled our scheduled luncheons for October and November. These members are planning to donate the money they would normally spend on the luncheons to be used to benefit the Food Pantry and the Center for Abused Women and Children. These are two charities the Club normally supports. October Luncheon contributions will be directed to the Food Pantry and the November contributions will go toward the Shelter.

If you would like to contribute, just as for the luncheons, there are two ways you can do this: Electronically with your credit card or via check and snail mail.

To contribute by credit card:

[Click Here](#)

To Contribute by check:

Checks should be written to: MIWC Charitable Foundation

And mailed to: Marco Island Woman's Club, P.O. Box 604, Marco Island, FL 34146

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Club Motto

Why you were born and why you are living depends on that you are getting out of this world and what you are giving

This Month's Luncheon Program and Menu

Over the summer, Club Vice President Joyce Frame has been lining up presentations for our Monthly Luncheons. Unfortunately due to Covid-19 the first two luncheons of the season, October and November, have been canceled. We are hopeful December will see an improvement in the situation and we will once again be able to meet in person. As time gets closer, the Board will decide if the December luncheon will proceed as planned.

How to Reserve for the Luncheons

Luncheon Cost: \$39

Luncheons are scheduled for the first Wednesday of the Month - October through May

Reservations must be received by the Thursday before the luncheon

To Register using your credit card click here

(There is a small fee to sign up electronically)

You may also send your check to: Marco Island Woman's Club, P.O. Box 400, Marco Island, FL 34146

Important Note: The vegetarian Meal must be pre-ordered.

If you register online you will be given a choice of a regular or vegetarian meal.

If you register by mail, be sure to indicate on your check if you want the vegetarian option.

Questions: Shirley Thayer 239-642-0733

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Future Events

[Click here for link to Club Calendar](#)

Saturday, November 7, 2020

Annual Beach Clean Up – Meet @ 8:00 / S. Beach Boardwalk – Volunteers Needed

Questions: Debbie Roddy – [Debbie Roddy](#) or (239) 394-4832

Tuesday, December 8, 2020

Annual Holiday Party at the Island Country Club with Music by Rosetta Stone - Subject to Change

Tuesday, January 19, 2021

Annual Luncheon/Fashion Show* - See notes below from Chair, Sharyn Kampmeyer

Thursday, February 11, 2021

Annual Cards & Games Party – Subject to Change

Home Tour – If and When To be Determined

*A note from Sharyn: At this time, we have decided to hold onto the date of January 19, 2021 at Hideaway Beach Club for the luncheon/Fashion Show. The Board will evaluate the situation monthly and advise membership on the status of the event and if and when tickets go on sale. Any questions, contact Sharyn Kampmeyer: (239) 389-0988 or [Sharon Kampmeyer](#). Stay well everyone!

Got Any Good Photos?

If you take pictures at any of our events, please email them to [Austine Frawley](#).
Be sure to include captions including the events and names of people in the photos

Special Interest Club News

Book Club

The Book Club has continued meeting monthly via Zoom. Our August book was "American Dirt," by Jeanine Cummins; the September and October selections are: "The Book of Longings," by Sue Monk Kidd, and "And the Mountains Roared," by Khaled Hosseini.

Given the current uncertainties, the club will continue limiting acceptance of new members. Questions: Contact Cristina Leske (239) 394-1088 or [Cristina Leske](#)

Stitch Makers

Women who like to crochet and knit, you may have your work donated. Using your own yarn, proceed at your leisure or at the monthly "Stitch Session". Stitch Makers sessions are canceled until further notice for the protection of our members. Please continue to work on your projects (blankets and hats) in the comfort and safety of your home. As always, thinking of you all. Please be safe and healthy! Please contact Anne Marchetti: 201-321-0801 or [Anne Marchetti](#).

Theater-Goers

Artis-Naples will evaluate the Broadway series in September, so Chair, Sharyn Kampmeyer will be reaching out to current subscribers at that time. Anything else, individual ticket or other shows - we should be hearing at that time as well. We do still hold credits from last season. Sharyn will keep everyone updated. Questions to Sharyn Kampmeyer: 239-389-0988 or [Sharon Kampmeyer](#).

Travel Group

This group was just about to get started when Covid-19 began its rampage. All planning and activities are on hold pending safer times. Chair Elisabeth Rechten has traveled extensively and also has worked professionally in the industry. Anyone interested in joining this group should contact Elisabeth at: (239) 389-1456 or [Elisabeth Rechten](#)

Volunteers Needed

Beach Clean Up

Be outside – It's Safe – Get Healthy – Do Good. Join Debbie Roddy for MIWC's Annual Beach Clean Up. Volunteers will meet at 8:00 a.m. at the South Beach Boardwalk on Saturday, November 7

Monthly Luncheon Table Décor

Love flowers? Have an artistic flair? Pam Sperring is seeking volunteers to help design and prepare table décor for the monthly luncheons. You only need to volunteer for 1 luncheon. This is a great way to get involved without over taxing your busy schedule. If interested contact Pam: (215) 880-9034 or [Pam Sperring](#)

Club Information

In addition to our website, you can "Friend" us on Facebook at Miwc Marco.

Have a Friend Interested in Becoming a Member?

Contact Anne Marchetti: 201-321-0801 or [Anne Marchetti](#).

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