



## **Barbara's Message From Her Balcony**

As our island is bathed in the sunset of summer, we turn to the onset of the 2022-2023 season. Having survived long hot days, threats of new Covid variants, continued war in Ukraine, and with a mid-term election coming up, we are coming together as caring, giving women looking for camaraderie, fun, and the opportunity to Give Back. Retaining our members and attracting new ones this year, and incorporating them into the operation of our club is vitally important to our future. Jill Dizio has done a fabulous job as Out-Reach Chair, partnering us with island organizations to give us more visibility. As more women have learned about our long-standing policy of 'Giving Back', it has resulted in over \$650,000 in scholarships being awarded to graduating high school seniors, plus our annual \$25 - \$35K donations to local charitable organizations, and increased membership.

**OPPORTUNITY TO GIVE BACK.** Over the next eight months, you will be giving the opportunity to Give Back to a selected charitable organization each month. A Rep from the charity will be our guest at lunch, and to collect our donations. Feel free to donate every month or just to your favorite charities. ***Each month we will publish a list of donation items that the charity needs.***

***October's Opportunity to Give Back***

***LACES OF LOVE***

***Shoes, Checks, or Cash***

Luncheons are scheduled for the first Wednesday of the Month - October through May. Reservations must be received by the **Thursday** before the luncheon. Except for Thursday, October 6.

**October Lunch** - Take a Trip Down Memory Lane via a Sock Hop!

We are thrilled to be kicking off the year for you and your guests with our first luncheon on **THURSDAY**, October 6th.

Join us for a Sock Hop! Drop your troubles at the door and kick up you heels! Put on your dancing shoes or not. Do the Twist and the Stroll or not, Come laugh with us or at us. But do come and have some fun at the Marco Island YACHT CLUB bring a friend. Please plan to arrive at 11:00 for a Photo Op, Trivia Quiz, and Musical Social Time

Speaker - The luncheon will feature speaker Dr. Jaclynn Faffer, Naples Senior Center, followed by a Sock Hop with Johnny B Good.

## 1950's Menu

Mama's Sunday Beef Pot Roast with Potatoes and Vegetables

For our vegetarian Rock and Rollers, A Special Lasagna, first featured in the 1957 Edition of the 'Bold and Fearless' cookbook, initiated by US military officers based in Italy during WWII.

Mom's Pineapple Upside-Down Cake for Dessert

Dress the Theme or Not. Wear your poodle skirt, your Dad's white shirt and pedal pushers. Or just be true to yourself. Kick off your shoes to dance. Bring shoes to donate to Laces of Love. *Be there or be Square!*

Luncheon Cost: \$48.50 for members or guest

To use your credit card, go to [marcowomansclub.com](http://marcowomansclub.com), (there is a small fee to sign up electronically). Or send your check to: Marco Island Woman's Club, P.O. Box 604, Marco Island, FL 34146. Please note your preferred menu item on the check.

Questions: Shirley Thayer 219-869-0785, 239-642-0733, or [sthayer701@yahoo.com](mailto:sthayer701@yahoo.com)

**Treasurer's Report** - Club Balance: \$.7,332.64

## **Volunteer Opportunities**

- **Chili Cook Off** Saturday, November 12, Noon to 4PM, CJ's on the Bay.

The Woman's Club is again partnering with Winn Dixie to participate in the Annual Jerry Adams Chili Cook Off, a community-wide event in support of the Marco Island Fire-Rescue Foundation to defend our 2021 win as Judges Choice. This is a great opportunity for us to interact with Club and community members. To Cook on Nov. 10<sup>th</sup> or Serve on Nov. 12<sup>th</sup>. Contact Jill Dizio 239-784-0838.

- **Meals of Hope**

Help package meals at 8am on Saturday, November 19, at Tommy Barfield Middle School. Contact Sue Purvis [@supurr97@aol.com](mailto:supurr97@aol.com) or 239-389-1265

- **Hostessing**

An easy one-day commitment. Be a hostess and greet attendees as they arrive at monthly luncheon meetings and special events; escort members and assist with seating arrangements. It's an easy way to be more active and make new friends. Sue Berenzweig: [susanberenzweig@gmail.com](mailto:susanberenzweig@gmail.com) or 312-320-1414

- **Decorations**

Another easy one day commitment is to embrace your inner designer and pick just one month to create the centerpieces for our luncheon. Be as simple or as elaborate as you want. There is a budget. Contact Pamela Spering at 215-880-9034 or [pamspering@yahoo.com](mailto:pamspering@yahoo.com) or Sue Berenzweig: [susanberenzweig@gmail.com](mailto:susanberenzweig@gmail.com) or 312-320-1414

- **Beach Cleanup**

One Day Beach Clean-up scheduled for Saturday, November 5, from 8-10 am. Please come to this annual event and help keep our beach, clean, beautiful, and safe for local wildlife.!! We will meet at 8am by the entrance to South Beach. Gloves, bags, buckets, and trash grabbers will be provided. Contact Cristina Leske at 239-394-1088 or mcleske@gmail.com or sign up at the October meeting.

- **Be a 50/50 Raffle Sellers**

One-Day Commitment. Contact LindaAnn Ventura @ [venturalindaann@gmail.com](mailto:venturalindaann@gmail.com) or 239-777-4976

- **Work at Home**

Kindergarten teachers at Tommie Barfield need volunteers to cut out curriculum materials for their students. Contact Jill Dizio 239-784-0838.

- **Lunch with Friends over 60**

Provide cookies or set up or clean up on Dec 21 or Apr 19 or Jun 21, please contact Debbie Rago at [debbierago@aol.com](mailto:debbierago@aol.com) or 860-798-0270.

- **Fashion Show Team**

Work an afternoon with our Barbara to secure sponsors and procure raffle items.

## **Welcome to New Members**

Nancy Ranquist and Ruth Johnaningsmeir

## **Things To Do**

- **Theater Goers**

Shows at Artis Naples. Matinees are being scheduled for plays Get on your Feet and Jesus Christ Superstar. The Pops Unforgettable Nat & Natalie and Troupe Vertigo Latin Extravaganza. There are also two POPS events scheduled. If you want information emailed to you and you are NOT already on the theater list contact Sharyn Kampmeyer at [Skampmeyer@comcast.net](mailto:Skampmeyer@comcast.net) or 630- 408-6056 ASAP

- **Stitch Makers**

Calling all women who like to knit or crochet! This group donates their work to Golisano Children's Hospital and Al's Pals in coordination with the Daily Food Pantry. Please join us on the second Wednesday of every month from 1:00 to 3:00 at The Plantation Social Rm. 1000 N Collier Blvd. Contact Anne Marchetti at 201-321-0801 or [marc9122@msn.com](mailto:marc9122@msn.com) for more information. Anne has plenty of yarn to share.

- **Book Club**

The Book Club continues to meet the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month. In person meetings begin in October. For questions regarding the Book Club, please contact Cristina Leske at [mcleske@gmail.com](mailto:mcleske@gmail.com).

- **Social Clubs**

Stay tuned for travel opportunities or contact Elizabeth Rechten @ erechten@gmail.com or 239-389-1456

### **Meet a Member - Jill Dizio, Chair of Community Out-Reach**



Jill has been a member of the Woman's Club for five years. She taught for 38 years in regular and special education at the elementary level. Two of her favorite Club activities are the monthly Book Club. And Stitchers. This position allows Jill and the Woman's Club to develop relationships with other organizations on the Island and beyond. We cannot financially fund other non-profits but we can support them through volunteer hours, which we did by decorating the Hilton Ballroom for the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Prom. By doing so, we raise awareness of our Club and perhaps cultivate new members.

Just a few of Jill's recent activities include Community Support for

MI Chamber of Commerce      MI Fire Rescue Foundation      Collier Community Foundation  
Blue Zone      Girl Up at Manatee Middle School      Community Bag Program, Winn Dixie.

### **Save the Date (Lunch Meetings are the first Wednesday of Every month, Except October)**

**October Lunch Meeting - Thursday, October 6 at 11:00 am, Marco Island Yacht Club**

**Stitch Makers - Wednesday, October 13, at 1:00 pm, The Plantation Social Room**

**November Lunch Meeting – Wednesday, November 2, at 11:30 am Marco Island Yacht Club**

**Beach Clean Up - Saturday, November 6, from 8:00-10:00 am, South Beach Entrance**

**New Member Coffee – November 10 from 10-12pm at Plantation Social Room - Hosted by Sue Purvis**

**Annual Jerry Adams Chili Cook Off -Saturday, November 12, from 12:00-4:00 pm, CJ's on the Bay**

**Board Meeting – Friday, November 18, from 10:00 – 12:00pm Gulf View Social Room**

**Evening Holiday Party – Thursday, December 1. Marco Island Yacht Club**

**December Lunch Meeting – Wednesday, December 7, 11:30 am Marco Island Yacht Club**

**MIWC Luncheon and Fashion Show – Monday, February 20, Naples Lakes Country Club**

**JUST FOR FUN.** Each month is ‘themed based.’ If you like, you may join in the fun by wearing the designated color, but please feel free to participate in as much or as little as you like.

Most importantly, please, just wear clothes!.

MONTH	THEME	CHARITY	COLOR	Invocations
OCTOBER 6	Sock Hop	Laces of Love	1950’s clothing	Fond Memories, Laughter
NOVEMBER 3	Honoring the Vets	Gold Star Mothers	Red/Wht/Blue’	Sacrifice
DECEMBER 7	Happy Holidays	Al’s Pals	Red/Green’	The Joy of Giving
JANUARY 4	Island Women	Woman’s Shelter	Purple/Violet’	Unique Women
FEBRUARY 1	Honoring Our Chief	American Cancer	Police Blue’	Service to Others
MARCH 1	Island Paradise	Food Pantry	Tropical Colors	Our Paradise Home
APRIL 5	Tripp to China	Food Pantry	‘Kimonos’	Differing Perspectives
MAY 3	Helping Others	None	Your Choice	New Beginning