

You'll Want to Know...



The President's Pen President, Hannah Olechnowicz



Dear Club Members,

Well, we've just about made it through December with not much snow on the ground, which is hard to believe!

I'm happy to report that the Gingerbread House Building event was successful and can boast over \$2,000 in profit! This is great news, and as I mentioned before there were many more take-home kits sold than in years past. The committee learned a lot about how to make the event more efficient, clean and still fun! This is such a fun event, that I hope to continue into the future for a long time.

The board of directors met in December via zoom. There are no major changes or concerns right now, everyone is just clicking along with their normal duties.

We are tentatively saving the date for Green Eggs and Ham Reading Breakfast for March 13th. Hopefully by then the vaccine will be available to the general public and we'll be acting a bit more like normal.

We're also tentatively saving the date for Woman of Accomplishment for March 20th. More details on both as we get closer.

It seems like lumber prices have gone down slightly, but not enough to get an official start date for the roof replacement on the calendar.

I hope you all are doing well. Wishing you all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!
XOXO,

Hannah O.



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Club Calendar

January

- No January Membership Meeting
- 20 Board of Directors Meet (tentative) 12 N

February

- No February Membership Meeting
- 17 Board of Directors 12N
- 18 Club Pride Day 9AM-?

2020/2021 Board of Directors

- Hannah Olechnowicz, President
- Pat Camp, President-Elect
- Pam Caris, Vice President
- Nancy Bierenga, Imm. Past President
- Staci Geiger, Treasurer
- Linda Traylor, Recording Secretary
- Sharon Beck, Corresponding Secretary
- Holly Nolan, Member at Large
- Hannah and Nancy, Activities Chair
- Hannah O., Communications Chair
- Dorothy Brink, House and Grounds Chair
- Nancy Bierenga, Parliamentarian
- Karin Carlson, Membership Chair

MEMBER CARE

Karin Carlson, Chair/ Holly Nolan, new members

There were no new members to report on this month.

Be sure to invite your friends to check out our website and to join us for lunch in March (hopefully).

Congratulations to member, Brenda Jeisy, who was married early this month to Leon Conklin and is now Brenda Jeisy-Conklin. Please make that change in your yearbook..

If you are like me, drinking water, coffee, and my usual tea assortment is getting boring. A friend reminded me of Christmas Tea and I've really been enjoying that change of pace. I am storing the mix in a quart jar (I had to drink a couple cups first to have room in the jar, though).

Christmas Tea

- 1½ cups lemonade mix (like Country Time)
- 1½ cups instant unsweetened tea mix
- 2½ cups Tang instant drink mix
- ½ cup sugar
- 3½ tsp pumpkin spice mix

Instructions:

- Whisk together all ingredients in a large bowl until thoroughly combined.
- To make tea, combine 2 Tablespoons mix with 1 cup hot water.

Don't have pumpkin pie spice on hand? No problem! You can make it with only four spices.

Homemade Pumpkin Pie Spice

- 2 tsp cinnamon
- 1 tsp ground ginger
- 1/2 tsp ground cloves
- 1/4 tsp nutmeg

**Wish List**

The board has determined a few needs that we have. With income down and looking forward to having the roof replaced (hopefully this spring), there are a few items that take a higher priority for work.

- ◆ A new clock for the ballroom (around \$100). Preferable this would be set by the “atomic clock” to prevent the need for frequent readjustment.
- ◆ We’re also considering a cart and cover for the chairs in the corner of the ballroom. Cost is unknown at this time as we could also consider a more permanent cupboard where they could be stored. We’re open to suggestions on this.
- ◆ Air conditioning. The cost of this is in excess of \$10,000, but the value would be that we could rent out the club all summer long. Since we’ll have scaffolding around the building during the roof replacement and in the ballroom to repaint later, this would be the ideal time to get the work done if enough money is raised.

The Excitement Never Ends
Part Two Will come next month



LIFESTYLES

Nancy Bierenga, *chair pro temp*

The Lifestyles Dept. is investigating having a weekly Sign Language class at the club during the winter. That would be taught by a certified teacher. There would be a small charge for the class. The class size would be kept small enough to allow social distancing. If you are interested in a class like this, please contact Nancy with day and time that would be best for you.

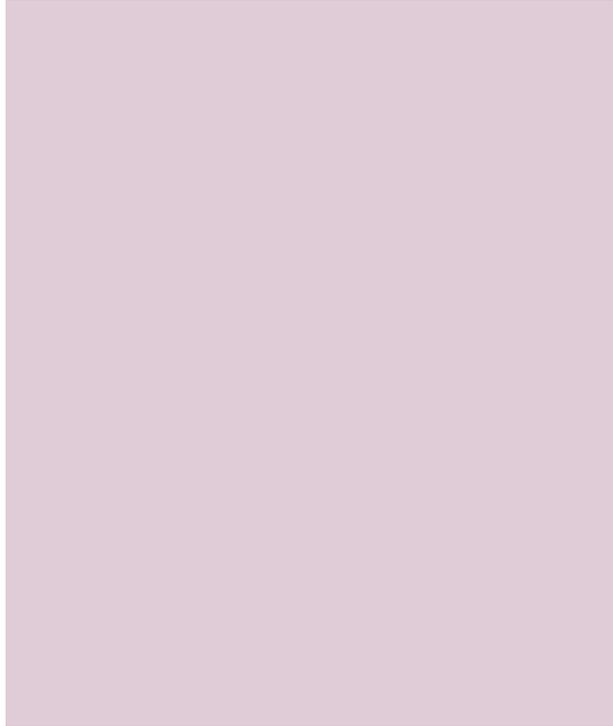
Another winter class will probably be computer skills. Just the basics. You must have and bring a laptop to participate. We will learn word processing and other Office skills, using the internet, and using Facebook. I will teach this free class. Please let me know day and time that would work best for you if you're interested. You do not need to commit to the whole series. Some topics could be added as the class wants.

Dine Out will return as soon as we're allowed in restaurants.



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Our Mission Statement:

To provide a community touchstone through the arts, education, and philanthropy

Our Vision Statement:

The Greater Muskegon Woman's Club serves the community through:

- Education
- The Arts
- Service
- Community Activities
- Scholarships

These aspects are accomplished through a combination of social and philanthropic efforts and by providing an historic meeting place.

