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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Wow! It's already time for our September meeting. Where did the time go?

Our September meeting will be focusing on our members, both seasoned and new. It will be a time to orient our new members into who the

Woman's Club of Olympia is, what we do and how every member can contribute. It will also be a time to reinvigorate our seasoned members and hopefully causing them to want to participate more in our programs and events. Without membership participation, it is really hard to create programs, events, and opportunities for making our community a better place to live.

You are challenged to invite and bring an interested person who may want to check out our club. This is a

great opportunity for them to see who we are. If you invite and bring someone, your name will be entered into a drawing for a great basket of goodies.



I look forward to meeting everyone you invite!

Sandra Groves, President

IT'S ALL ABOUT OUR MEMBERS!!

PLANNER

<u>NEXT MEETINGS</u>

General Membership

September 3, 2024 Membership Celebration

Evening Group

September 11, 2024 6:30 p.m. Social Time 7:00 p.m. Meeting

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VOLUNTEER CORNER

DO YOU READ?

If you like to read, whether books or digital books, you are invited to join the ESO Book Club at The Woman's Club of Olympia. We meet the 4th Monday of the month at 1:30 p.m. and we discuss the books we are currently reading, have finished, and get ideas for



books to read in the future. We always have refreshments and fun. If you are looking for a social time with other club members, consider joining us. You won't be disappointed.

RECYCLING UPDATES – Anna McKinney

PLASTIC: We are still collecting the plastic (however, everyone will need to inform Anna if you drop off plastic at the house and where you put it when you left it).

MEDICINE BOTTLES: Recycling of the medicine bottles will start up again in September and continue until June. Bring your bottles without labels to the meeting.

POP TABS and BREAD TAGS: Pop tabs and plastic bread tags will be collected year round at our regular meetings.

EYE GLASSES: If you have old or unwanted eyeglasses, please bring them to meetings and they will be given to the Lions Club as part of their eyeglass collection project.

REPORTING HOURS

Don't forget to record your volunteer hours using the form at the end of this newsletter. If you do not want to use the form, then please just send your hours to Mary Siddell via email. She will compile all our efforts for reporting at the end of the year.

BYLAWS UPDATED AND READY FOR APPROVAL

Our Bylaws are out of date and still have the old community service programs listed. The Board has approved recommending that the new "Amended Bylaws" be presented to the membership for final approval. The Bylaws need to be presented 3 times before they can be adopted. Members will receive the amended version along with the older version via email to read. We will have time at the next few meetings for questions or comments or if you have any additional changes you would like to see.

SUMMER RETREAT A SUCCESS

The Retreat held in July was a success and a lot of ground covered. Those in attendance provided ideas to make our meetings better for everyone and we all filled out a "bucket list" of what we want to see accomplished in the future. Those ideas were so good and welcome and we will endeavor to implement them as we chart our course forward. **Thank you so much to everyone who attended!!!**

AUDIT AND BUDGET COMMITTEE

The Audit committee met and signed off on the 2024 audit of our books. Yay!!!

The Budget committee also met and prepared a draft budget which was presented at the August Board meeting. The Board approved the Budget to be presented to the membership at the September meeting for adoption. The Budget always has to take into account rental incomes for the house account and operation of the Abigail Stuart House. The Club is generally self-sufficient but the House account may need to be revisited depending on rentals.





2024 NATIONAL DAY OF SERVICE

Saturday, September 28, 2024 is the GFWC (General Federation of Women's Clubs) National Day of Service spotlighting food insecurity and hunger in the United States. According to the US Department of Agriculture, 34 million people in the US are food insecure, 9 million children are hungry, 53 million people turned to food banks following COVID 19 due to unemployment and 100% of US counties have families suffering from food insecurity. This year The Woman's Club of Olympia is participating by helping All Kids Win. More information for this event will be provided as the date draws nearer, but be sure to put the date on your calendars!



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HERITAGE DAY EVENT

The Thurston County Historic Commission is holding a Heritage Day Event on October 26, 2024 at the Thurston County Fairgrounds Heritage Hall. At previous Heritage Day events, groups have set up tables to display

information about their achievements made possible in part by the Heritage Grant Program which is awarded yearly to applicants to support historical preservation projects. This year, The Woman's Club of Olympia is applying for a grant from this organization, so put this date on your calendar to attend and support the Commission.

The Woman's Club of Olympia is in the process of applying for several grants in the hopes of securing funding for needed projects. If you have ideas or places to apply, please contact Sandra Groves.



- * Monthly Coffee Meet ups
- * October 17th Open House
- * October Meeting Program Olympia Police Department
- * November 9th Holiday Bazaar
- Sanuary Meeting Program Legislature in Session
- March Meeting Program Sock Hop

If you have ideas for more fun, social time, field trips, etc., please contact any Board Member.



NEW MEMBER TO BE INITIATED IN SEPTEMBER

Paige Porter will be joining the Woman's Club at our September meeting. Her application indicates she is interested in Programs, Women's History, Education and Libraries and Arts and Culture. Please welcome her.



DO YOU LIKE TO EAT OUT OR SUPPORT LOCAL BUSINESSES?

HERE IS A CHANCE TO HELP ALL KIDS WIN BY JUST DOING WHAT YOU DO ON WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 28TH!



All Kids Win has partnered with local businesses to raise money by shopping and dining! When you spend your money with participating businesses, some of that money goes back to All Kids Win!

Participating Businesses:

Dirty Dave's Pizza Parlor – 10% of Sales Giddy Up Coffee Corral – 20% of Sales Merle Norman – 20% of Sales Gather Gastro Pub – 10% or \$300 – Whichever is Higher Steele Barrel BBQ Company – 15% Proceeds 11 a.m. – 7 p.m. Linnea's Dream at Hawks Prairie – 10% of Sales South Bay Coffee – 10% of Sales Olympic Crest Coffee Roasters – 25% of Sales Sensory Tool House, LLC – 10% of Sales Masonry Cafe Catering – \$800-\$1000 pending sales The Shiplap Shop – 10% of Sales Olympic Cards & Comics – 10% of Sales 360 Wellness Lounge – 10% of Sales

The Woman's Club of Olympia Invites You



to the Abigail Stuart House OPEN HOUSE &TOURS OCTOBER 17, 2024 5 TO 7 P.M.

COME SEE WHAT OUR VENUE CAN OFFER YOU



The Dance Studio



Upstairs 1940's Kitchen



Main Meeting Room

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ARTS & CULTURE: Description:	Hours	Monies	In Kind
CIVIC ENGAGEMENT: Description:	Hours	Monies	In Kind
ENVIRONMENT: Description:	Hours	Monies	In Kind
EDUCATION & LIBRARIES: Description:	Hours	Monies	In Kind
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE: Description:	Hours	Monies	In Kind
ADVOCATES FOR CHILDREN: Description:	Hours	Monies	In Kind
HEALTH AND WELLNESS: Description:	Hours	Monies	In Kind
COMMUNICATION & PR: Description:	Hours	Monies	In Kind
LEADERSHIP: Description:	Hours	Monies	In Kind
LEGISLATION & PUBLIC POLICY: Description:	Hours	Monies	In Kind
WOMEN'S HISTORY: Description:	Hours	Monies	In Kind