Lititz Woman's Club

Monthly Newsletter: December 2022

A Message from your President

December is a time for remembering past LWC Holidays and creating new LWC memories. For many years, in December, we have had wonderful musical performances. There was a time when we had our own special presentation by the magical Warwick High School chorus. Other years, the program committee has provided the club with opportunities to enjoy many types of music. This year, you can be sure you will hear a festive holiday program with the group, Fire in the Glen.

Holidays are a time for sharing. There is a real need for the aid that the LWC Child Reach provides for school age students and their families. In the past, Child Reach supplied several gifts of toys, supplies, and food to needy families in Warwick. But in recently years, our club's service to the Warwick families in need, has grown. This year there are 62 families with 149 children. We are thankful for the guidance and work of the Child Reach Committee. Please think about joining this team next year.

Another LWC memory is the year-

ly holiday luncheon at Teri Forster's home. From a few friends sharing food and fun, the luncheon outgrew Teri's large home. This year on December 14, the Holiday Luncheon is at Listrak. Thanks to hospitality committee and Listrak for their efforts. Please email Julie Meiskey to reserve a seat and join the club ladies in this new tradition. Working and socializing together is a wonderful way to build friendships.

Happy Holidays to our club members and their families.

Connie McKane,

President.



Upcoming Events

December

Tues. Dec. 6
Toiletries and Wrapping gifts at Listrak from 11:00 am to 4:00pm (sign up)

Thurs. Dec. 8
Home life caroling at
Legend Senior Living

Mon. Dec. 12
Board meeting at 6:00pm and program at 7:30 pm at Listrak

Weds. Dec. 14
Christmas luncheon at
Listrak

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Hospitality

Julie Meiskey

The Greeters for December are Ronnie Sakamoto and Cheryl Bell. The Hostesses are Kathy Kurtz, Katherine Clark, Amrita Bahn, and Amanda Fisher. Please stop by to see the Hostesses and try some of the good snacks and have a drink!

International and Public Affairs

Elaine Bair

We are still collecting eye glasses. You can bring them to the December meeting. Any questions please contact Alice Samuel. Wishing everyone a Very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!



Program

Cathy Doremus

Ladies, please get out your green and red Christmas garb or other festive holiday wear, and join fellow members on the SECOND MONDAY, December 12, for our general meeting. Those of

you who attended this past March's meeting will be delighted to know that Fire in the Glen is returning to treat us to "A Celtic Christmas." The show will include familiar Christmas music and other holiday music from Ireland and the British Isles. In addition, we can look forward to traditional Irish and Scottish music that we might hear in a pub or kitchen party at any time of the year. Instruments you will hear will be fiddle. Scottish smallpennywhistles, pipes, guitar, bodhran, and more. If you recall, Tom, the leader, has a wonderful sense of humor.

Also, you can be sure that he will want us to add our voices to some of the merry songs. We can surely look forward to a program that will bring us a different kind of "joy to our worlds."

If anyone would like to be in charge of teaching a game during our January game night, Jan. 16, please contact Julie Meiskey at 717-471-1444.





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Arts and Social

MJ Ember and Geri Kull

We are having our Christmas Luncheon at Listrak on Wednesday, December 14th at noon. We had a sign up sheet go around at the November meeting and have about 47 ladies already. We have room for more if you would like to attend. Please call, text, or e mail Julie to get added to the list. The meal is being prepared by Listrak Chef, Zach and the charge is \$25.00. We are asking our ladies to bring either wine or a dessert. Julie's number is 717-471-1444 or silverim@ptd.net. Hope to see you there to enjoy this annual celebration for our club.



Membership

Beth Mack

Happy Holidays! We have added 14 New Members for the 2022/2023 Club Year! Attached to the December Newsletter email is an updated New Member Contact List and Corrections to the Yearbook. Please take a minute to get to know our new members! We had a fun Fall New Member Meet & Greet last month and will plan to have another one in the Spring.

Scholarship

Linda Hoover

Letters have been sent to recipients of scholarships over the past 29 years asking them to tell us how the scholarship made a difference and "Where Are They Now".

Home Life

Phyllis Frankhouser and Linda Miskinis

Our committee is busy this holiday season. Committee members are currently making Christmas favors for Meals on Wheels clients. Please drop off finished items to Phyllis Frankhouser by Dec. 8. We will be caroling at Legend Senior Living on Thursday Dec. 8. Each resident will receive a handmade Christmas ornament. Finally, seven members will be wrapping gifts to benefit UDS (United Disabilities Services) at the mall on Dec. 15.

Correspondence and Remembrance

Deann Buffington

If you know of any member who should get a card and/or note for any reason, please contact Deann at 717-413-1814 or dbuff@ptd.net.

Archives

Julie Meiskey

The scrapbook will be available to look at the December meeting. Please try to take a look at it. If you take any pictures at any of our activities, please text them to me so I can include in our scrapbook.

Digital and Social Media

Karen Edlund and Julie Meiskey

Please continue to read our website at:

lititzwomansclub.squarespace.com

We also have a Facebook page and Instagram so check out those sites, too. Please let Julie or me know if there is something that you would like added to any of our sites. PAGE 4

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Child Reach

Marianne Sullivan, Brenda Crosby and Bette Ranck

Please help if you can. December 6th at Listrak. The Christmas Project Sign-ups for Wrapping Day will be online from November 28th until December 5th. Please sign up to assemble Towels and Toiletries in the morning, and/or to help with Wrapping Gifts for families in the afternoon. Towels and Toiletries volunteers are welcome to sign up for both since T&T assembly should take only an hour or less. Volunteers can then simply move to other tables to help with wrapping gifts.

What follows is a summary of our Child Reach November. To take the guesswork out of shopping, members of the Family Gifts Committee, led by Lisa Gleason, contacted parents to clarify gift requests. **Target** Shopping took place on the 16th. Club members chose toys, jewelry, clothing, cuddly stuffed animals, bedding, and other delights and necessities for 102 little folks. Target management and staff were hugely helpful for our 40+ shoppers. Cloth bags to hold

school supplies and activity books were completed by club members Beth Sahd, Cathay Ketterman, Sally Dowling, and Laura Smeltz's mom, and by the talented Sew What+ Sewing Group from Traditions, with club member Carole Madison acting as liaison. The School Supplies Committee, led by Kathy Jo Wenger, Sherry Weidman and Laura Smeltz, assembled preschool and school supplies in the waning days of November. Linda Landis and Nancy Balmer's Hats and Mittens Subcommittee met to organize donated knitted hats and gloves. In lieu of hats, teen girls will be receiving handcrafted bracelets donated by Donna Felton. Marsha Adams is at work gathering donations of socks from Traditions residents. Towels and Toiletries, under the leadership of Julie Meiskey and Fran Hines, will complete their work on the morning of Wrap Day at Listrak. Diapers for infants and toddlers had been added this year. Jenn Englehart is overseeing the delivery of fruit and Sue Pirolli will make sure that Child Reach children eniov their Christmas Wilbur Buds. These gifts, along with gift cards for food for families, gift card presents for teens, and vouchers for books from Aaron's Books will

be turned over to parents at the end of our Wrap Day on December 6. Thanks to all of you who have donated gift cards and dollars, as well as hours and hours of volunteer time and efforts that make it possible this year to bring the Joy of Christmas to 64 families and their 152 children. You are living examples of Good Will Toward Men...and Women...and, especially Toward Our Lititz/Warwick Children.



Child Reach(toiletries) Julie Meiskey

Please sign up through Sign Up Genius to help fill the bags with Toiletries on Tuesday, December 6 at 11 am. Hopefully a lot of you can stay than to help wrap the toys, etc. for the families. Thank you again for all your donations of Toiletries; it is just amazing how much we collected!





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