

GRAND HAVEN WOMAN'S CLUB

Post Office Box 350684 Palm Coast, FL 32135

DECEMBER 2025



EducationNews:

Education Chair, Jacki Unger

We still have a few spots left if you would like to join us on our school tour. The tour date is January 15, 2026 from 9 - 2:30 p.m.

A copy of your drivers license will need to be submitted in advance according to school policy. Contact Jacki Unger for more information.

Corresponding News:

Corresponding Secretary, Suzanne O'Meally

As we get into this season of light, please remember to be a light in someone's life. Check in on your neighbors who are alone. Let me know if a member/friend needs a note of light to help them get through the winter doldrums. This time of year can be difficult. I'd appreciate a text letting me know about a hospital visit or a death in the family. Email me at

byra19@aol.com or ghwc.corr.sec@gmail.com. Or text 571-334-0072.

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President's Update

Awilda Hamilton

SEASONAL GREETINGS!

This month's members-only meeting is a **CELEBRATION!**

We will be marking three important milestones:

- * Our club's 20th Anniversary.
- * Welcoming and reconnecting with both new and renewed club members.
- * Recognizing our continued, worthwhile contributions to the community.

Since we will not have a business meeting, there will be more time for us to visit CSP tables with information about upcoming activities and events.

A special performance by the Rymfire Elementary School Chorus promises to put us in a festive mood and what's a celebration with out gifts!

Members are invited to participate in our gift exchange.

Note from Jeanine:

As in previous years, members are invited to participate in a gift exchange.

If you choose to participate, please bring a wrapped gift with a value of approximately \$20.

This year, we are focusing on <u>consumable</u> gifts—items that can be used up. Suggestions include gift cards or products from coffee, wine, or ice cream shops. Other ideas are pampering and beauty products. Please use your imagination to select a fun and consumable item!

We look forward to **CELEBRATING** with you!



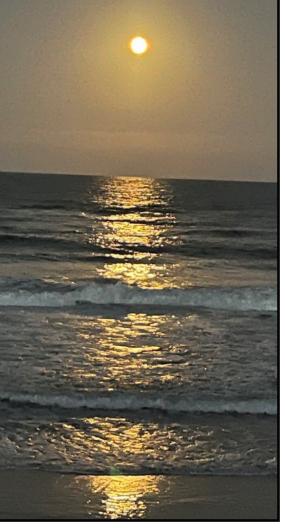
ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

Environment Committee Chair, Ann Roffman

The wreath collection for the Festival of Wreaths has been a huge success. The wreaths will be delivered on December 1 to the Windsor Assisted Living Facility. Reminder that the actual event will be held at the Windsor, 50 Town Center on Sunday, December 7 from 1:30-3:00pm. Consider going and purchasing a new wreath for your home decor to benefit the shelter



Donated wreaths ready for delivery to Windsor Assisted Living.



Beaver Moonrise

The Learn and Grow seminar on November 4 was well attended. Stephanie York, Gamble Rogers Park Services Specialist and Megan Jones, Park Volunteer presented information on services at Gamble Rogers State Park. We learned that they sponsor a program each month for the moonrise. It was serendipitous that the next program was November 5 at the park. Ten Grand Haven residents went to see the "Beaver Moonrise." It was a gorgeous night and everyone loved this experience. If you missed your opportunity to learn more about the park, please go to FROGRS.com to learn more. You can signup for their monthly newsletter, Gamble Gram, that has all the events listed for the upcoming month. The next moonrise event is December 4 at 4:45 pm. If it's a clear day, visit the park for a special treat. The next Learn and Grow seminar is scheduled for Tuesday, December 2, 10-11 am at Creekside Amenities Center. The topic is an overview of Florida Friendly Landscaping. The presenter is Veronica Reinhardt, a master gardener who is one of our Grand Haven residents. Signups are still available at aaroffman@gmail.com. So far there has been a good response but others are welcome.

Save the Date for Wednesday, January 21 when we will have a tour and short presentation at the Flagler Humane Society at 2 pm. Until I took this position, I had not visited FHS in years. Having gone to FHS monthly for more than a year I have personally seen and learned about all the good they do for the animals. This is a great opportunity for all of you to learn how our donations are benefiting the animals at FHS. The January newsletter will have information about how to signup to attend this tour.



ARTS & CULTURE HIGHLIGHTS -DECEMBER 2025

Check these out locally on your own!

Fantasy Lights Festival – through Dec 30 6:30PM-9:00PM

Central Park in Town Center

The City's big holiday-light tradition: dozens of animated/themed light displays, music and festive décor.

December 6 at 10AM -5PM Deck The Chairs Christmas Market

Public Event by Deck The Chairs Sea Walk Pavilion and Latham Plaza Jacksonville Beach 61 1st Street N

December 13 – Holiday Boat Parade – 6PM

Along the Intracoastal Waterway
Boats of all sizes decked in festive lights cruise by
for a colorful – and very Floridian display on the
water.

December 5th and 7th see below! Many of our members will be singing again this year. Not to be missed! Merry Christmas All and Happy Holidays!



Arts & Culture

Arts & Culture Chairs, Cheryl Ringer and Jeanine Horowitz

Hope everyone enjoyed the Thanksgiving Holiday! Our group enjoyed some fun activities in November as well. Our **Watercolor Paint Class** at GOLA making Holiday Cards was awesome. Fourteen of us learned different ways to highlight and paint our cards...some very creative ladies in our group!



Watercolor class at GOLA - November 14th, 2025

Also, in November we went to our local City Repertory Theatre here in Palm Coast and saw **AROUND THE WORLD IN 80 DAYS**. We were amazed at how talented and fun these actors were. We couldn't imagine how they were going to make this play work in their tiny location but it has to have been our favorite show yet! Everyone should check out this theatre!

Next on **December 7th** we will be going to see **IT'S A WONDERFUL LIFE**...a live radio play. We only have a couple seats left so contact us if you would like to attend. It's a Sunday 3:00 show again and cost is \$27.00. Contact Jeaninehorowitz53@gmail.com.

Now scheduled for January is our Mosaic Craft Party at the Village Center. 1-4PM Prices will be dependent on your item. See Ad in Newsletter.

Please contact us if you want to sign up for any of these events **ASAP**

Ghwc.arts.culture@gmail.com

Thank you!









CITY REPERTORY THEATRE – November 16TH AROUND THE WORLD IN 80 DAYS!

Book Sale News:

Education and Library Chair, Jacki Unger

March 6th and 7th - Volunteers needed to help set up and support the book sale. There will be a sign up sheet at our December luncheon. For more information contact Gail Naworal or Marcie Leonard.

Thank you to everyone that signed up to be a book collection site.

For our convenience, the veterans at VFW Post 8696 at 47 Old Kings Rd. have set out a 'flag collection' box at the main entrance to their facility.

Simply drop of your tattered, faded and/or damaged flags at any time. The staff at the Post will take care of the final disposal.

Flags can also be dropped off at GHWC monthly meetings.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to email Lucie at lucieglachance@gmail.com or call/text 603-203-7636.





Health & WellnessCommittee Chairs, Lucie Lachance and Eileen Marotto

In October and November, GHWC members contributed \$1200 to Team Feed Flagler. Those dollars provided meals for twenty-four families. Children will find lots of choices at The Giving Store because of the thoughtful items you donated. The staff at Grace Food Pantry were pleased to receive lots and lots of pasta. Thank you.

Dedicated collections for DECEMBER will benefit Grace Community Food Pantry and The Flagler Free Clinic.

Please consider donating <u>kid friendly canned foods and easy prep meals</u> to help fill the shelves at *Grace Community Food Pantry*. Be sure to check expiration dates.

The Flagler Free Clinic will gladly accept your donation of neosporin (generic is okay) and band-aids.

There will be no collections in JANUARY.

Eileen and I wish everyone a Holiday Season filled with light, peace and love!

Merry Christmas! Hanukkah Sameach! Furaha ya Kwanzaa! Blessed Solstice!



Fundraising Review

Dec 2025

The latest news, views, and announcements

News Update

By Patti Paukovich

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Happy December Everyone! I hope everyone enjoyed their Thanksgiving with family and friends and didn't get as stuffed as the turkey. LOL!

At the November luncheon, Awilda announced an addition to the GHWC website. Our **Business Sponsors** have donated and supported us so generously throughout the years and now it's our time to support them.

Listed on the website, <u>www.ghwomansclub.org</u>, under "Business Sponsors" you will find a list with our sponsors name, address, phone number and website/email addresses. The list is sorted by business category if you are looking for a specific type of service.

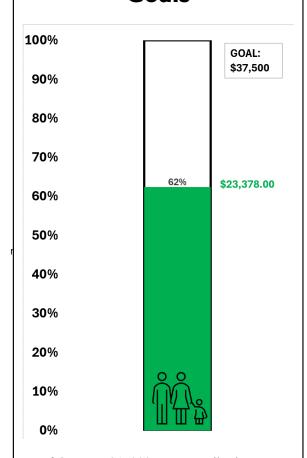
This is a **win/win** for both Grand Haven Woman's Club members and our Sponsors. When you call and/or visit our sponsors let them know you're from GHWC and got their name from our wonderful sponsor list.

If you have a business that you think would like to be a sponsor at one or all of our fundraising events please contact me, Patti Paukovich at: dnp.paukovich805@gmail.com. Thank you have a wonderful Holiday!





GHWC Fundraising Goals



As of October 31, 2025 our contribution income was \$23,378. We are now 62% of obtaining our goal.



News from the Fundraising Chairs

Day of Games

Games on! Ticket reservations are on sale and going fast.

Tell your friends, family and neighbors to come out and help us celebrate 20 years of Day of Games. Not only will you have fun, it's for a good cause, helping contribute to over 28 charities and organizations in Flagler County.

• Date: January 23, 2026

• Where: Palm Coast Community Center (Palm Coast Pkwy)

• Time: 11am – 2:30

• Cost: \$45

Sandwich and homemade dessert bar will be available for the cost of admission. Don't worry if you're vegetarian there will be yummy things for you as well.

Jackie Unger is asking for Game Day Volunteers, Bakers, along with Lotto Scratch Off Tickets, gift cards, etc. A table will be available for signups and to bring your donations in.

For more information please contact: Sandi Walker at sandiwalker14@gmail.com or Jenny Scott at bjscott01@aol.com.





Continued from the Fundraising Chairs



Save the Date for Denim & Diamonds – by Sandy Hollenbeck

Our first Denim and Diamonds was in February 2020. It was so much fun we have been asked to do it again.

• When: March 21, 2026

• Where: Grand Haven Golf Clubhouse

Tickets are on sale beginning November 17th at the Woman's Club November luncheon. The cost is \$90.00 per person. It will be a plated dinner with a choice of 3 entrees, and a dessert bar. But the best news is this is your opportunity to wear blue jeans and all your bling to this event at the clubhouse.

There will be a DJ playing music for dancing. The special part is there will also be some line dancing and it will come with an instructor. Kit is back with her sidekick Roz to teach us all those fancy steps.

So, if you have cowboy boots wear them! If you have a cowboy hat wear it! If you don't, just put on your denim blue jeans and have a fun night. More information will follow in a few weeks.

For more information please contact: Sandy Hollenbeck at: sandyhollen01@gmail.com

NINE AND DINE April 11, 2026

Kim is asking for the following:

- ✓ Scratch Off Lotto Tickets
- ✓ Wine or Liquor for Bottle Bonanza

Bring to the December meeting OR drop off at Kim Lhota's home: 18 Grandview Dr. Text 404-580-1976 if you are bringing items to the house.

Thank you!



GHWC - MSC Cruise April 26, 2026

Ahoy matey, don't be shy, there are still cabins available for this fun sea adventure.

If you can't make the cruise but still want to be a "Friend" of the cruise please contact Maureen Pellegrini at:

maureenpellegrini@gmail.com or 860-989-4148





Show Preview from the GHWC Ticket Master



The Real Gary Puckett and the Union Gap
Are coming to the Fitz.
Tickets are \$54
Sales close Dec. 10th

Ladies, you know all the songs: Young Girl, This Girl is a Woman Now, Woman, Woman and on and on.

Join me for a Nostalgic night with one of the most successful musical groups of the late 60's. Gather your friends and family.

Enjoy this wonderful show while supporting this fundraiser which benefits more then 25 organizations and charities funded by our Grand Haven Woman's Club.

PLEASE call or text Marie Lanier-**631-457-3271**. Or email to: PaintingwithMarie@gmail.com

Don't forget to bring you check and donations to the December luncheon. The event chairs will have tables for reservations and donations.

Last Minute Thoughts...

Basket Adoption...

For those of you who are planning to donate or participate in preparing a raffle basket for one of our many fundraising events. I have a collection of baskets looking for a good temporary home. These baskets have seen some wild times and they're looking to continue bringing happiness and supporting GHWC fundraisers.

Won't you help and adopt one of these lonely empty baskets?

If you're interested and see a basket you like please contact Patti Paukovich at: dnp.paukovich805@gmail.com.



Enjoy the holidays and THANK YOU for your membership and support to GHWC!







You are invited to join the women of Grand Haven for a day of Fun, Food, and Festivities, celebrating the 20th Anniversary of the Gloria Sanchez Memorial Day of Games! Gather your fellow game players and enjoy Mahjong, Hand & Foot, Dominoes, and more. Proceeds benefit the Grand Haven Woman's Club.

There will be 20 baskets for raffle tickets, and Share/Share tickets will also be available—buffet lunch with homemade dessert bar included in the price. Don't miss out on this great event for a great cause, where we will also be honoring Lucy Crowley for her many years of service as the reservations specialist for this event!

Purchase tickets to register you and your friends at the October and November meetings, or by contacting Sandi Walker at sandiwalker14@gmail.com or Jenny Scott at bjscott01@aol.com or 630-272-8851.



The Mosaic Craft Party is being offered by the Arts and Culture committee on **January 29th** in the Grand Haven Room at the Village Center. It will be open to the first 35 GHWC members who sign up at https://www.beachlifemosaics.com/private-party-sign-up by **January 26th.** You **must** indicate the project you wish to make when you sign up, you will pay for it on the day of the class. Please look over the projects offered at www.beachlifemosaics.com/projects before you sign up.

If you find you cannot attend after you sign up, please go back online, and cancel your reservation so that someone else may take your spot and you will not be charged. Please be prepared to pay for the project you picked on Jan. 29th. You may pay with cash, Venmo, credit card or check.

If you have any questions, contact Marilyn McNamara at mmcn517@aol.com.

Hope to see you at this fun activity!



"Together We Can"





Saturday,
March 21, 2026
Grand Haven
Clubhouse

The Grand Haven Woman's Club presents

Dením & Diamonds

6 PM—Champagne & Cash Bar 7 PM—Dinner & Music \$90/person—plated dinner, choice of Petite Filet, Chicken Saltimbocca, Salmon

> DJ and Line Dance Instructor will provide entertainment—open to the community

For further information on tickets, please contact Sandy Hollenbeck @sandyhollen@earthlink.net



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