

# Grand Haven Woman's Club

## NEWSLETTER

JUNE 2023



### GHWC BOARD

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Contact info for Board members is available on our website:  
[GHWomansClub.org](http://GHWomansClub.org)

### *President's Update*

*Roi Parris*

At our May meeting we announced the Volunteer of the Year winner. We had six nominations for four very worthy individuals, and the winner is **Michelle Kreiss Keating!**

#### **Congratulations to Michelle!**

- ❖ Michelle has been a member since 2018 and has chaired and co-chaired the Material Girls group. She has spearheaded so many projects, I don't know where to start, most recently she made hundreds of stockings for the Christmas Come True program, bears for the children, comfort pillows for AdventHealth, she puts together the MG Newsletter every month and most recently the club's Newsletter, etc., etc. I know I'm forgetting many of her accomplishments, forgive me Michelle!

Honorable mentions go to the other three nominees: Patti Paukovich, Marie Lanier and Lucie Lachance.

- ❖ Patti chaired the very successful Mallet Madness Croquet Tournament event.
- ❖ Marie is the Chair of the Arts & Culture Committee and her committee has participated in several fundraising & fun events.
- ❖ Lucie is the club's Recording Secretary, Material Girls Co-Chair and official photographer. She's present at our events and loves to take club pictures.

A huge THANK YOU to everyone for helping out with our various events. The Treasurer's report is posted on the website and lists details about each event. Click/tap the MEMBERS button, then click/tap the Members Only button (enter the password), then click/tap the most recent Treasurer's report button.

Looking forward to seeing you at our next meeting  
**September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023.**

### *Communications & Public Relations*

The website's calendar has been updated with the meeting dates for next year.

Day of Games is scheduled for January 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2024!

To view the calendar, go to our website [GHWomansClub.org](http://GHWomansClub.org), click or tap the CALENDAR button, then click or tap the Month-by-Month button. To see details for an event, click or tap on that event.

To view the many pictures that have been posted, go to our website, click or tap PHOTOS & NEWS, click or tap any of the four blue buttons on the top of the page.

- The *Recent GHWC Events* button has photos of our events and meetings by date or event. Click or tap on any of the buttons to view photos from that event.
- If you click/tap the *Our Newest Members* button, you'll see the pictures of our new members. Some of the pictures have a link that provides more details about the individuals in the photo.
- The *CSP photos & events* button lists the CSP programs, so when you click/tap you'll see pictures of the events for that CSP. A&C for example has several events listed, just click/tap to see photos.
- The *In the News* page lists articles where GHWC members were highlighted. Click/tap to read the article.



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## **Fundraising Committee**

*Fundraising Chair, Laura McBride*

What a great year for fundraising! After completing four very successful events, we netted \$27,851.39. This was due to the impressive work done by all of our event chairs and committee members. The events were as follows:

- Nine and Dine - 10/8/22                   **\$5,247.69**  
Beth Havens, Chair
- Day of Games - 1/16/23                   **\$5,830.95**  
Carol Walker, Chair
- Mallet Madness - 2/25-26/23           **\$10,700.20**  
Patti Paukovich, Chair
- Cocktails and Tapas - 3/18/23       **\$6,072.55**  
Jeanine Horowitz, Frannie McMullen, Beth Wald,  
Co-Chairs

Many thanks to the multitude of volunteers that pitched in with planning and staffing the events along with contributing toward baskets, auction items and food! Every event was well attended and received rave reviews.

A second significant source of income was generated through our annual partners this year. Innovative Financial Services and Advent Health added another \$10,000 to our efforts.

The Board would also like to thank all of those members who contributed toward the Annual Giving Fund which netted \$10,870. Your generosity is greatly appreciated!

Blessings.

## ***1st Vice President***

*Awilda Hamilton*

This year brought you speakers from organizations we support and others who give back to our community and make a difference! We started our program year reconnecting with one another after being distanced by COVID-19. After that, we heard a variety of interesting speakers providing worthwhile information about their organizations. Let's take a moment to reflect.

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| September | Ready, Reset, Go! Getting reacquainted with one another and our programs                   |
| October   | Diane Dieter- Feed Flagler/Grace Food Pantry; Michelle Seifert, Our Father's Table         |
| November  | Melanie Thomas and Judy Jean, University of Florida Horticulturists                        |
| December  | Joyful Jangling! Remember the singing, eating, games, and photo booth?                     |
| February  | Chez Jacqueline's owner Jackie brought trends in fashion and home décor                    |
| March     | LaTonya Daniel, American Red Cross   |
| April     | Margaret Brugman and Sally Kramer, Boggy Creek Camp  |
| May       | Teresa Rizzo, Education Foundation; Scholarship recipients- Maya Palacios, Isabella Tietje |

Plans for the coming program year 2023-24 are in the works that are fresh and informative.

## ***Membership Renewals***

*GHWC Membership Co-Chairs, Marilyn McNamara and Cheryl Dresnok*

Membership Renewals began on May 1, 2023, and should be paid no later than June 30, 2023. This year the dues will remain \$40.00.

Please submit your dues (\$40.00) for the 2023-24 club year on the website at: [ghwomansclub.org](http://ghwomansclub.org) (click on the "renew membership" box on the left of the home screen). Remember the password is GHWC2022.

You may also mail a check made payable to GHWC to:

*Grand Haven Woman's Club  
P.O. Box 350684  
Palm Coast, FL 32135*

**We hope that you will renew your membership promptly and remain an active part of the Grand Haven Woman's Club.** If, for some reason, you do not wish to renew your membership or if you have made any changes to your contact information this year, please send us an email to [GHWCMembership@gmail.com](mailto:GHWCMembership@gmail.com).



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## Correspondence

Corresponding Secretary, Denise Burren

Happy Summer Everyone!

I would just like to remind everyone that even though we will not be meeting for the next few months, that doesn't mean that someone would not need to receive a get well, thinking of you or hopefully not, a word of sympathy card. Please remember if you hear of a member who needs to know they are thought of, please send me a note so I can let them know we care.

Happy safe summer whether you vacation or staycation.

Hugs to All.

[Colector50@gmail.com](mailto:Colector50@gmail.com)

## GHWC 2023-2024 MEETING DATES

Mark your calendars (all meetings held on Monday)

September .....18            2023

October .....16            2023

November .....13            2023

December .....11            2023

**January 22, 2024 - Day of Games!**

February .....19            2024

March .....18            2024

April .....15            2024

May .....20            2024

## Please Don't Forget Our Sponsors this Summer!

As we reflect on the success of 2022 - 23, we must thank our sponsors who supported the work of the GHWC. If you patronize these sponsors, please thank them for their support.

### ANNUAL PARTNERS

Advent Health and Innovative Financial Services

### EVENT PARTNERS

- Acme Trophy and Awards
- Big Frog Custom T-shirts and more
- Chesapeake Bay Croquet Club
- Croquet Store
- Crystal Cain, Remax Collection
- Curley Tail Design
- David Dixon Custom Homes
- Del Castillo Home & Lawn Services
- Dunkin'
- East Coast Ornamental & Welding
- Fred Ferrara, Realty Exchange
- Golden Lion
- Grand Haven Croquet Club
- Grand Living Realty

- Hammock Beach Resort
- Jimmy Johns
- James Manfre, Esquire
- Cornelia Manfre, Sothebys
- Massage Envy
- Mezzaluna
- Olsen Custom Homes
- Palm Coast Signs
- Charles Schwab, Greg Kopp
- Skyway Homes
- Patty Stauffer, Coldwell Banker Realty
- Southern States Management Group
- Diane Thornton, Thornton Group
- VerdeGo
- Vesta Management Group



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## **Health and Wellness**

*Health and Wellness Chair, Adele Large*

Thank you to the entire club for the generous donations for the Food Pantry, Family Life Center and the Giving Store this year. Our next collection will be at the September meeting.

Our committee will continue to support *Our Fathers Table* with the meals throughout the summer.

Enjoy your summer.

## **Volunteer of The Year Committee**

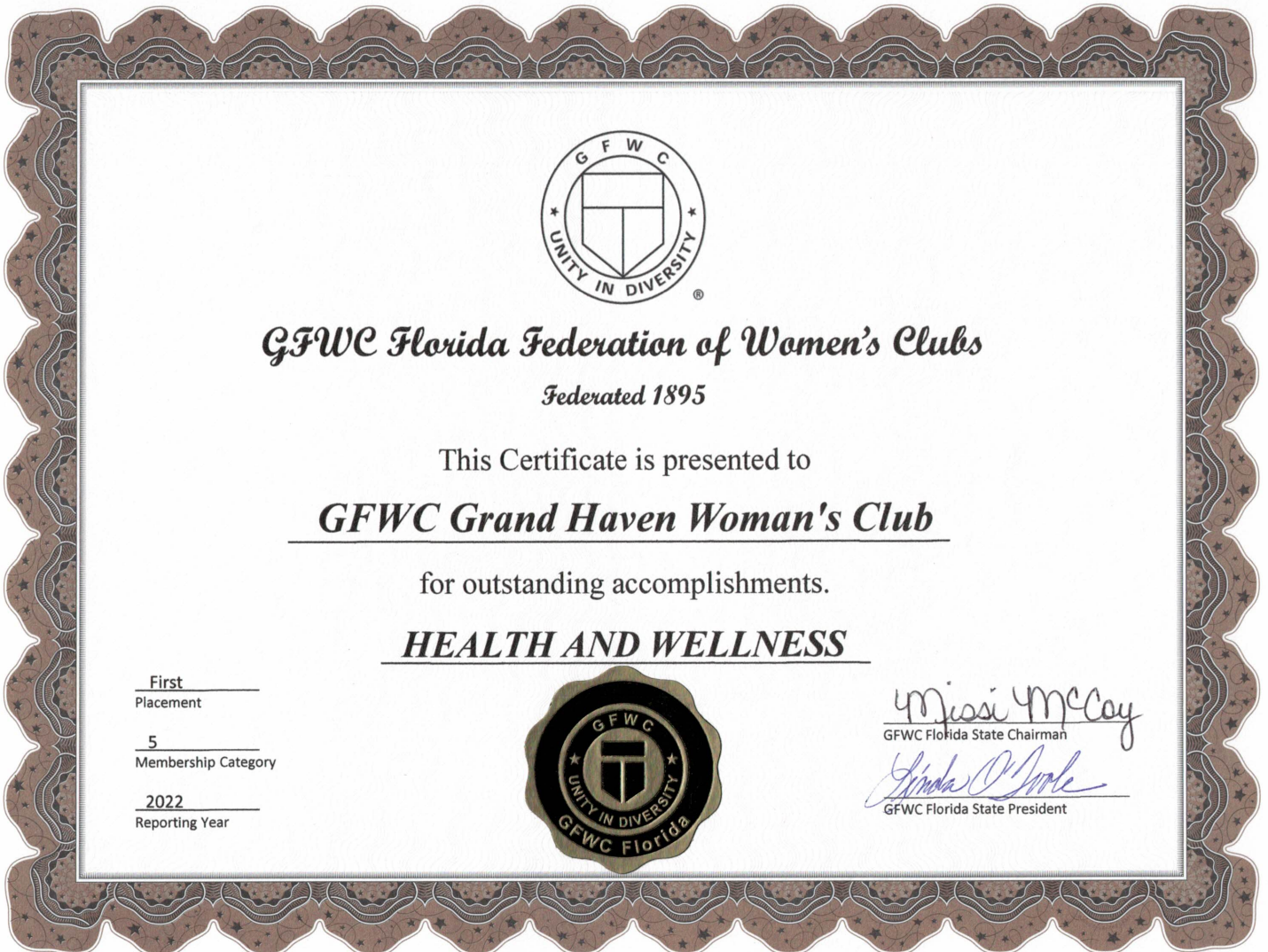
*Volunteer Committee Chair, Marilyn McNamara*

Congratulations to Michelle Kreiss Keating who was selected as Volunteer of the Year for the 2022-2023 Club year.

I would like to thank Ann Roffman and Jenny Scott who served on the committee. We have so many amazing women in the GHWC all of whom give of their time, it is always a difficult decision.

Thank you.

## **Kudos and Congratulations to the Health and Wellness Committee!**





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*L to R: Beth Wald, GHWC Environment Chair presents Amy Carotenuto, Executive Director of the Flagler Humane Society with a check from GHWC.*

## Environment Committee

*GHWC Environment Chair, Beth Wald*

This year, in addition to our collections for Flagler Humane Society, we also accepted donations for Community Cats of Palm Coast. Our combined monthly monetary donations came out to \$881 and our in-kind donations topped \$2000.

Highlights of the year included crafting and contributing four wreaths to the 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Festival of Wreaths, held December 4<sup>th</sup> at Windsor Assisted Living Facility. Our wreaths were sold in a silent auction benefiting the Flagler Humane Society. Delayed by damage from Hurricane Ian, we had a private tour of Washington Oaks Gardens State Park on January 15<sup>th</sup>, followed by lunch at Bronx Pizza. February 16<sup>th</sup> marked our Flagler Beach clean-up. The weather was perfect. Not only were we thanked by passersby, one exercise walker even picked up a trash bag and joined us! Afterwards, we enjoyed lunch at Friends Café.

The Environment Committee contributed beach themed baskets to two GHWC events this year. We donated a basket worth \$180 to Day of Games in January. Our basket for Cocktails & Tapas in March was so large we had to create two. Baskets were valued at \$220!

Join the GHWC Environment Committee! Activities tentatively planned for next year include a visit to the Whitney Laboratory Sea Turtle Hospital, a visit to Blue Spring State Park to see the manatees, and another Flagler Beach cleanup day.

Until we meet again, keep an eye out for turtles crossing the road. If safe to stop, consider lending them a helping hand.



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# STUFF BUS

SUPPLYING THINGS U FIND FUNDAMENTAL

Our students need the "basics" and your support will make a difference!



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|-------------------------|----------------------------|
| <b>-SCHOOL SUPPLIES</b> | <b>-ESSENTIAL CLOTHING</b> |
| • NOTEBOOKS             | • TENNIS SHOES             |
| • PAPER                 | • UNDERWEAR                |
| • PENS/PENCILS          | • SOCKS                    |
| • CRAYONS               | • TOILETRY ITEMS           |
| • SCISSORS              | • JEANS                    |

The Stuff Bus will be at the Village Center on July 15th 9am - 3pm

PLEASE DROP OFF DONATIONS



Thank you! We appreciate all you do!  
Questions, call Jennifer Ames 386.569.3512



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**Join Us for Afternoon Tea  
at the historic Hotchkiss House**

**1000 S. Peninsula Drive, Daytona Beach, FL 32118  
\$25 + tax and tip**

**Sunday, August 30th, 12 Noon to 2 p.m.**

**Enjoy premier teas,  
petite sandwiches, scones, and pastries while catching up  
with your GHWC friends**

**Includes a visit to the Lilian Place Victorian Museum  
Daytona's oldest beachside house, dating from 1884**

**Some believe its original owners still walk the hallways!**

**RSVP by August 1<sup>st</sup> to [Jeaninehorowitz53@gmail.com](mailto:Jeaninehorowitz53@gmail.com)  
or [beth.s.wald.ret@gmail.com](mailto:beth.s.wald.ret@gmail.com), GHWC Social Committee**



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# **GRAND HAVEN WOMAN'S CLUB**

## **2022—2023**

# **Year in Review & Accomplishments**





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## ARTS & CULTURE

### Community Service Projects

Wreath making to benefit the  
Flagler Humane Society



Antiques Appraisal event to benefit  
Flagler Humane Society

Tea Party at GOLA to benefit Christmas Come True

### Arts Immersion Projects

*Movies*—Loving Vincent, Elvis, Under the Tuscan  
Sun, Monuments Men

*Crafts*—Mosiacs Class, Pottery Class

*Field Trips*—Van Gogh Immersive Event, The  
Casements, Holden House, Barnum at  
the Flagler Playhouse

*Book Club*

*Newsletter*

### MATERIAL GIRLS BY THE NUMBERS

April 2022 through March 2023

**2968 volunteer hours**

**\$911 in-kind donations**

**16 different projects**

- Hats, booties, bibs,
- blankets for children and  
cancer care patients,
- tie pillows for breast cancer patients,  
comfort pillows for abdominal surgery  
patients,
- mini pillows for radiation treatment,  
chemo hats,
- bears, bandanas, origami bags, amenity  
bags, washcloths, tissue holders  
Christmas stockings,



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## CIVIC ENGAGEMENT

**HOLIDAY  
CARDS FOR  
OUR TROOPS**



**Flagler County  
Historical Society**



**NEIGHBOR  
TO  
NEIGHBOR**



## EDUCATION

**STUFF Bus  
collections**



**BOOK  
SALE**

**SCHOLARSHIP  
PRESENTATIONS**



**HALF-CENT  
SALES TAX  
RENEWAL FOR  
SCHOOLS**

## ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

**Flagler Beach  
Clean-up**



**Park Ranger Amber at  
Washington Oaks discussed  
park ecosystems, park  
History, local Native  
American history & plant  
identification**

**Helping Community Cats  
& Flagler Humane Society  
with in-kind contributions  
& crafted, contributed  
wreaths**



**The Environment Committee members also  
contributed themed baskets to Day of  
Games and Cocktails & Tapas**



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## HEALTH & WELLNESS COMMITTEE

### Monthly Donations from members

Food Pantry—\$5,100

Family Life Center—\$1,645

Giving Store—\$4,590

### Volunteer activities

**Our Father's Table**—over 550 hours, weekly Packing meals for homeless & needy families, some members also cooking. Thanks to Lori, Jeanine, Kim & Lucie

**Rummage Sale for the Giving Store**— in addition to collections, Bev Fox assists for the semi annual rummage sales

**Diabetes Seminar**— educational session with free glucose screenings coordinated by Sandy Hollenbeck and members of the DiaBEATes Alliance

**Habitat for Humanity Lunch**—Lori Csik and members of the Health & Wellness Committee packed lunches for volunteers at a Habitat build

**Monthly Collections**—thanks to all

## Special Thanks to the Members of the Health & Wellness Committee

Fran Anderson  
Annette Felahis  
Sandy Hollenbeck  
Lucie Lachance  
Eileen Marotto  
Ann Roffman

Patsy Campbell  
Beverly Fox  
Jeanine Horowitz  
**Adele Large, Chair**  
Barb McCarthy  
Linda Russell

Lori Csik  
Patty Hartsfield  
Michelle Kreiss Keating  
Pat Malik  
Gail Naworal



## **FUNDRAISING ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

**Annual Giving Campaign—\$10,781**

**Annual Partners Program—\$5,000**

**Nine & Dine—\$5,248—94 participants,  
Beth Havens, Chair**



**Day of Games—\$5,831—130 participants  
Carol Walker, Chair**



**Mallet Madness—\$10,700—32 participants  
Patti Paukovich**



**Cocktails & Tapas—\$6,073—62 participants  
Jeanine Horowitz, Frannie McMullen & Beth  
Wald, Co-Chairs**





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## 2022—2023 MEMBERSHIP

**This year GHWC welcomed 19 new members**

Khanh-Lien Banko

Pat Barton

Linda Britton

Andrea Byrnes

Carol Culpepper

Cathy DiDonato

Diane Fitzgerald

Sue Guy

Marcia Kesner

Peggy Lee

Lori Mestre

Margie McMullen

Kathy Murray

Missie Parrey

Evelyn Sandusky

Selma Paul

Jackie Van Nieuwenhoven

Jo Ann Voight

Holly White



*Our youngest recruit*



**A very special thanks to  
all GHWC members who  
have contributed to this  
year's success**

**Thanks for helping us meet  
our mission *to have a  
positive impact on the  
lives of people in  
our community***