



January 2018 Newsletter

Photos from January 4th Meeting

President's Message

Hello, all!

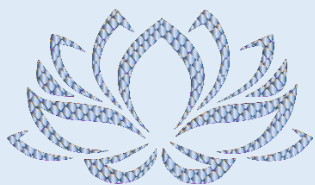
As always, I hope you're well and I hope you're enjoying the south Florida version of winter.

Most people think of love in February because of Valentine's Day, but I'll bet you all agree that love is more than romance. There's love of family (2-legged AND 4-legged), friends, country and so much more. To me, WWC is all about love, all year long. It's a beautiful thing to know that we have in common a love for our community and fellow humans and we put that into practice by supporting the women and children of Harmony House and making the future brighter for our scholarship recipients.

Among the many things I love are show tunes, so I'd like to share a line from Oscar Hammerstein II: "Love in your heart wasn't put there to stay. Love isn't love 'til you give it away!"

Thanks for filling the world with love through your support of the WWC. I love us!

Cheryl



RAFFLE!!



MEETING REMINDERS

Happy Hour / Meet and Mingle starts at 6:00 pm. Arrive then, and have a glass of wine or a cocktail, chat and unwind!

Please arrive no later than 6:30 pm to check in and be seated.

Please RSVP to Lynda Chicano for the February 1st meeting no later than Friday, January 26th!

MONTHLY DONATION

The February monthly donation is pajamas and slippers for the Moms and children of Harmony House. All sizes are needed!

The guest fee to attend a WWC meeting is \$30, and includes a delicious dinner and the monthly program.

INVITE A FRIEND OR 3!!

Our guest speaker for the February 1st meeting is Maureen Budjinski, who will be speaking about organ donation.

Don't miss this meeting!



SWANK FARMS "FARM TO TABLE"

DINNER FUNDRAISER



Please join us Saturday, February 10th at 7pm at Swank Farms for a fantastic dinner!

Please purchase your tickets here:

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Tickets are \$160 per person and we will be enjoying a six course meal with paired wines.

Hope to see you there!



February 6 – Cheryl Dunn Bychek

February 13 – Kathleen Bagwell

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Jo Cudnik

Jo Cudnik was born on July 10th, and grew up in Long Island, New York, on, of all places, Wellington Road in Elmont. She attended Queenboro Community and Queens College. She has happily lived in Greenacres for the past fifteen years, having moved from Wellington after fifteen years.

Jo has two children, Robert, who is 42, and Christina, who is 37. She has been blessed with two beautiful grandchildren, Victoria, who is 9, and Colin, who is 8. This single lady is known in her family for her delicious cooking, and for her entertaining skills. Jo currently is a realtor, and in her 19 years at her job, has received the prestigious “Top Producing” award! She truly enjoys helping newcomers to our area find a home that is perfect for them. In her spare time, she loves going to the movies, theatre, and is a member of both a local reading group and a domino-playing group.

Ms. Cudnik worked for United Airlines for 15 years before having computers, and has traveled the world. The most exciting place she visited was Lima, Peru, where she climbed newly discovered pyramids and took in the sights at Machu Pichu. Jo fell in love with Hawaii, and has visited many times. She had fun learning songs from her friends in Hawaiian, and even performed at a luau!

This very busy lady has previously held the position of Vice President of the Wellington Guild of Hospice, and has chaired and coordinated The Hospice Dream House. She, with help from her friend, Allyson Samiljan, raised over \$186,000 in 1991! She has also chaired the Fashion Show for Hospice.

You may not know this about Jo, but she has been a WWC member since 1987! She has held many Board positions within our group, including Recording Secretary, 1st Vice President, and has even been President. During her tenure, she changed our meeting formats from desserts to dinner, began our WWC Scholarship Fund, and started our annual holiday donations of toys to the children of Harmony House. Jo was instrumental in beginning our fashion shows (as a separate event that would take place during a meeting). Jo believes strongly in our mission, and feels terrific about the good we do in the community. She truly changed our club for the better during her presidency and membership! Thank you, Jo!



MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Faye Ford

Faye Ford was born on April 19th in Wildwood, New Jersey, and moved to Miami when she was ten years old. She attended the University of Florida and the University of Miami as an art major, although she found herself doing mostly financial work. She has lived in Wellington since 1994.

She has a daughter, Jill, 56, who lives in Arizona, and two granddaughters, Jessica, who is 30, and Caitlin, who is 25, along with her adorable great-grandson, Noah, who is 18 months old. Faye does not have any pets of her own, but has 2 grand-dogs, Molly and Cali, who also live in Arizona.

In 1959, she owned (with her father) a clothing and gift shop in Coconut Grove, and later opened a shop in Fort Lauderdale. In 1973, she became a banker at Southeast Bank (now Wells Fargo) in downtown Miami, and was later promoted to Vice President. She left the banking world in 1992, two days before Hurricane Andrew hit her house in Miami. Faye moved to Wellington in 1994, and began working for Welcome Wagon (how our club started!). In 1998, she went to work for the Palms West Chamber of Commerce (now the Central Palm Beach Chamber of Commerce), where she was the Finance Manager, until her retirement in January 2014.

This lovely lady has lots of hobbies to keep her busy! She enjoys going to the movies weekly with her friends, playing board and computer games, and she loves to travel, and has been all over the world. She loves to watch TV, and enjoys crime dramas and spy stories. Her favorite books are “The Source” and “Hawaii” both by James Michener, and all books by Sir Jeffrey Archer. If you are out and about in the evening, you may catch her at one of her favorite restaurants, like Thai Basil by Amy, Longhorn Steakhouse, Carrabbas, Outback or Grand Lake Chinese. Faye is also the current Treasurer for the Wellington Art Society. Plus, she loves doo-wop music! She also has been painting in oils since she was a teen, and has been awarded ribbons over the years for her paintings.

Faye has been a member of the WWC since 1998, and has been Treasurer for our group for many, many years, earning her the title “Treasurer for Life”. She enjoys attending our meetings to meet and see friends, and particularly likes to support Harmony House. Make sure you say “Hello!” to Faye (AKA “Bubbles”, the nickname her father gave her when she was an infant) at our next meeting!



MEETING SCHEDULE:

Thursday, September 6, 2017
Meeting cancelled

Thursday, October 5, 2017
Monthly Donation: cleaning supplies

Thursday, November 2, 2017
Monthly Donation: Thanksgiving food
Ticket Auction donations

* Wednesday, December 6, 2017
Monthly Donation: Holiday gifts for Moms and
Children at Harmony House

Thursday, January 4, 2018
Monthly Donation: Non-perishable food

Thursday, February 1, 2018
Monthly Donation: PJs and slippers for Moms and children at Harmony House

Thursday, March 1, 2018
Monthly Donation: Health and beauty aids / feminine products

** Sunday, April 8, 2018
Annual Spring Fundraiser and Brunch

Thursday, May 3, 2018
Monthly Donation: Mother's Day gifts / gently used purses with useful items inside

*** Thursday, June 7, 2018
Monthly Donation: Summer activities for children

+ Thursday, July 12, 2018
Monthly Donation: To Be Announced

* Indicates Winter Fundraiser meeting

** Indicates Spring Fundraiser Sunday Brunch

*** Indicates Scholarship Awards / Officer Installation

+ Indicates meeting for September cancellation