Fort Leavenworth Spouses' Club Newsletter

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Happy Fall Y'all!

I hope you are all enjoying this time of year with all the changes. The weather feeling nicer, the leaves changing colors and the themes of all the socials!

I want to THANK Everyone that attended our very first social this year, The Hunger Games - Minute to Win It! It was amazing to see all of you there and up for the challenge as each district sent in their tributes! Congratulations to the Luxury Table on that event! There were around 100 attendees with wonderful vendors sharing their unique items! Also, Thank You to all the board members that helped bring this together in setting up, breaking down and decorations! Special shout to our Property Chair, Helen, for her hard work in designing and bringing to life each themed district.

I'm looking forward to all the themed socials we have planned this year, with the next one on Oct. 11th from 6pm-9pm at the Leavenworth Local Hotel! This is a Tailgate Theme Cornhole Tournament and Chili-Cook-Off! You have to RSVP by Friday, Oct. 6th by noon. In November, we have the Friendsgiving Social from 11am-1:30pm at the Frontier Conference Center. Keep an eye out for the RSVP on that, as it goes live after the October Social.

This has been so much fun and such great participation at the social and other events so far this year! I am looking forward to meeting more of you, growing and connecting with you and making this a year to remember!



Vince Afgisen **FLSC 2nd Vice President**



Whenever life plants you. choose to grow

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		Bourbon Club	Pickleball Club	Running Club	Bowling Club		
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	8	9	10	11 Running Club	12	13	1
				5:45 AM	Knit/	Wine Club:	Brew at the
				FLSC	Crochet	Wine &	Zoo with
				Tailgate	Club 10:00 AM	Music 5:30 PM	Beer Club 6:30 PM
				Social 6:00 PM			
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	15	Craft Club: Acrylic Paint	Coffee Club 9:00 AM	Running Club 5:45 am	Retiree Club 6:00 PM	Coffee Club	
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FLSC webpage

FSLC Sub Club Facebook group



































FORT LEAVENWORTH SPOUSES' CLUB OCTOBER SOCIAL

October 11, 2023 6pm - 9pm



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Don't miss out on this fun event. Source converses of the second of the

<u>Click here to RSVP today!</u>

RSVP BY OCTOBER 6TH AT NOON



Please help us Remember, Honor, and Teach on December 16, 2023 at 11:00 am (Wreath Placement Immediately Following Ceremony) by sponsoring a wreath, volunteering, or inviting friends to help.

Click here for more information!

Fort Leavenworth Spouses Club

BOARD





President- Karly Gadell 1st VP- Angelica Diaz 2nd VP- Vince Afaisen Secretary- Lainey Schwartz Treasurer- Sarah Custer Parliamentarian- Allison Burton

GENERALBOARD





Honorary President- Pam Beagle Honorary Advisor- Mandy Mosier & Cari Pavlichko CGSC Representative- Christina Dieppa **Community Grants- Paula Skandis Historian- Courtney Ricard** Hospitality- Meredith McKenzie International Liaisons- Anne Vaillancourt & Violetta Kopp Membership- Jeanell Hurley Newsletter- Brandy Convers **Property Manager- Helen Prassinos Reservations Chair- Pauline Williamson Retiree Liaison- Katie Payne** SAMS Representative- Kendall Reese Social Media Chair- Allie Cornell Scholarships- Jeannette Balboni Special Events & Fundraising Chair- Dani Lander Sub Club Chair- Angela Elgin Vendor Coordinator- Jackie Williams Volunteer Coordinator- Julia Horgan Ways & Means- Casey Black & Shanna Cheatham Webmaster- Patty Taguba

Featured Board Members

The FLSC Board works hard behind the scenes everyday to ensure the success of the club! Every month, we will feature some of our Rock Star board members for all their dedication! Here are our featured Board Members this month and a few reasons why we love them! Read more about them on the next page!

- Casey Black & Shanna Cheatham- Casey & Shanna are our Ways & Means Co-Chairs! They have completely renewed
 our Ways & Means and brought so many fun products to our club!!
- Brandy Conyers- Brandy is our newsletter chair! This is her second year on the FLSC board and she creates this
 newsletter every month!
- **Patty Taguba-** Patty came on board and immediately started revamping our FLSC webpage! She did an amazing job at recreating the website and making it both gorgeous and user friendly!!



Meet our featured Board Members



Favorite Food Tacos and Manganitas

HELLO

BLACK



My husband, Joe, and I have been married since 2006. We have two kids. Lucy is 14 and is a USA Gymnast. Brooks is 11 and loves baseball. My husband retires June 2024. Our daughter is an

USAGymnast, and our son is a baseball baller. Gus is our family pet, but he doesn't know he's a dog! I started substitute teaching last year and I LOVE IT! I can binge watch TV like a champ #bravoholic!

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Patty Taguba Webmaster



ABOUT ME:

Hi there! I am the FLSC Webmaster. My husband, Sean, and I have a daughter (Sara) and a German Shepherd (Jax)! I am originally from El Paso, TX, but I enjoy exploring Kansas City and shopping in West Bottoms! I am Nintendo Super Mario Nerd and love all things Marvel!!



my family







My husband and I have been married for 13 years. We have two kids, Jayson (11) and Riley (8) and a Foxhound named Rosie! This is our third time being stationed in Kansas, but our first time at Fort Leavenworth. I am an **Oncology Research Nurse and** volunteer with several organizations within the community! I enjoy reading and listening to True Crime Podcasts in my spare time!

Rosie



MEET Shanna Cheatham WAYS & MEANS



I'm an Army brat, so I don't call anywhere home, but I lived in Alabama the longest! I have been married to my husband for 17 years and we have two sons, 16 & 13! We also have two sweet dogs, Charger & Felix. We recently adopted Felix from the Fort Leavenworth Stray Facility!! In my spare time I enjoy working out, volunteering at the Fort Leavenworth Stray Facility, playing board games and drinking wine on the porch with friends!



my giant tumbler of water I can't live without ៹ my Kindle



I can't live without coffee!

Favorite Colons

Sub-Clubs

OF THE MONTH



Vanessa O Connell CRAFT CLUB

VANESSA HAS BEEN CRAFTING FOR A LONG TIME AND LOVES TO FIND NEW CRAFT IDEAS FOR EVERYONE! SHE LOVES GETTING TOGETHER AND CREATING NEW AND FUN THINGS WITH ALL THE FORT LEAVENWORTH SPOUSES! VANESSA WILL BE MOVING SOON, BUT SHE HAS A FEW MORE CRAFTING OUTINGS AND A VARIETY OF EASY CRAFTS PLANNED BEFORE SHE LEAVES!

THANK YOU VANESSA FOR YOUR BRINGING ALL OUR FLSC CRAFTERS TOGETHER AND FOR BEING WELCOMING TO ALL SPOUSES! WE WILL MISS YOU!!

CHECK OUT ALL THE CRAFT CLUB HAS TO OFFER IN THE SUB-CLUB FACEBOOK GROUP!

FLFC Sub-Clubs

Book Club- Leader: Jenna Farquhar Bowling Club- Leader: Angela Elgin Bourbon & Spirits Club- Leader: Laura Brown Breweries & Beer Club- Leader: Vince Afaisen & Christina Dieppa Bunco Club- Leader: Connie Papacek Coffee Club- Leader: Paula Skandis Corks & Boards- Leader: Paula Skandis Corks & Boards- Leader: Jeanell Hurley Craft Club- Leader: Vanessa O'Connell KC Explorers- Leader: Bambi Klein Knitting Club- Leader: Jenna Farquhar Pickleball Club- Leader: Katie Payne Restaurant Explorers- Leaders: Angela Elgin & Rachel McCarty Run Club- Leader: Maria Duncan Trivia Club- Leaders: Catherine Sincere & Connie Papacek

JOIN THE SUB-CLUB FACEBOOK GROUP FOR EVENTS!



Vince Afaisen & Christina Dieppa

BREWERIES & BEER CLUB

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BREWERIES & BEER CLUB IS ONE OF OUR NEW SUB-CLUBS THIS YEAR! VINCE & CHRISTINA CREATED THIS SUB-CLUB OUT OF A LOVE FOR BEER AND MEETING NEW SPOUSES! THEY WANTED TO EXPERIENCE AND VISIT LOCAL BREWERIES AND CREATE AN INCLUSIVE GROUP WITH LIKE MINDED ADVENTURE SEEKING FRIENDS!

THEY LOVE BEER, BUT THEY LOVE IT EVEN MORE WHEN <u>YOU</u> JOIN THEM! THEY CAN'T WAIT TO MAKE MEMORIES AT LOTS OF LOCAL PLACES.

THANK YOU VINCE & CHRISTINA FOR CREATING THIS FUN NEW CLUB!

JOIN THE BREWERIES & BEER SUB-CLUB GROUP ON FACEBOOK FOR STORY TELLING AND ALL THE PHOTOS!



















WAYS & MEANS

Come to a FLSC Social to shop with our amazing Ways & Means Team, Casey & Shanna!

Thank You

Cookies by Bentley

for providing beautifully cookies to celebrate our members birthdays! *Come to the FLSC social in your birthday month to receive a birthday treat!*

Check out and order from Cookie by Bentley on her Facebook! FORT LEAVENWORTH SPOUSES' CLUB NOVEMBER SOCIAL

⁺FRIENDSGIVING

NOVEMBER 8, 2023 | 11AM - 1:30PM FRONTIER CONFERENCE CENTER

FREE ENTRY 50+ Local vendors Santa Photos





OPEN TO THE PUBLIC No dod id required

MTC TRAINING CENTER 8 SHERMAN AVE

→ NOVEMBER 18, 10AM-3PM & 5PM-9PM 🗮

CONTACT DANI AT SPECIALEVENTSFLSC@GMAIL.COM FOR MORE INFO

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