

**Fort Leavenworth Spouses' Club Newsletter**

# *The Sunflower*



**March 2025**



# a letter

FROM THE NEWSLETTER EDITOR ...

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FLSC Membership,

After winter weather canceled our February Social and several sub-club events, we are super excited for our **“Broadway Nights & Broadway Lights Dining In”** on Saturday, March 8! If you haven’t attended a Dining In before, this one will surely be a treat! The time together helps us celebrate the special bond of military friendship. The Dining In Committee and Table Leaders have worked very hard to make this event successful. We hope you’ll love it as much as we’ve loved planning it.

In other FLSC news, we have a couple more social opportunities for you before our board year breaks for the summer. Our April Social is Make It, Bake It, Fake It on April 9th. This event is always a blast., and it’s fun seeing what everyone brings.

For May, we have a special treat for you! The Tour of Homes is BACK and combined with our evening fundraiser, **“Bootleggers & Bungalows: A Roaring 20s Affair,”** featuring a speakeasy dinner and bourbon pull! Save Saturday, May 10th for these fun events. Watch for ticket sales soon!

With our board year wrapping up in May, we are looking for our next Executive Board. We need YOU to help us continue the club’s success! If you’re interested in an Executive Board position or know someone who is, click [here](#).

Looking forward to seeing you at our upcoming events!

*Angela Durham*

Angela Durham



# March

Coffee 9 am



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2	3	4 Boozy Snack 11:30 AM	5	6 Knit/Crochet 10 AM	7 	8 Dining In 5:30 PM
9	10	11 Restaurant Explorers 6 PM	12	13 Swap 1-4 PM	14 Bowling 11:45 AM	15 
16	17	18 Bunco 6 PM	19 Bourbon 6:30 PM	20 Retiree 6 PM	21	22
23	24	25 Evening Book 6:30 PM	26 	27 Daytime Book 10 AM	28 	29 
30	31 Craft 6 PM					

**What She Left Behind**  
by Ellen Marie Wiseman  
Go inside the horrifying walls of a 1920s New York asylum as a wrongly imprisoned woman fights for what is most important to her—and meet the young woman confronting the pain and mystery of her own family's mental illness two generations later.



## THIS MONTH'S DAYTIME BOOK CLUB SELECTION



- FLSC April Social - Make It, Bake It, fake It - Wednesday, April 9
- Operation Deploy Your Dress Pop Up Shop - Saturday, March 29

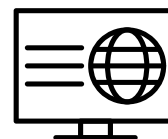
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FLSC Sub Club Facebook group



FLSC April Social



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MAKE IT, BAKE IT, FAKE IT

April 9th, 2025 | 11am - 1:30pm at FCC



FLSC PRESENTS

# BOOTLEGGERS & BUNGALOWS

A ROARING 20'S AFFAIR

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MAY 10TH

TOUR OF HOMES  
SPEAKEASY DINNER & BOURBON PULL

# FLSC 2024-2025 SOCIALS

## SAVE THE DATES

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DINING IN

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MAKE IT, BAKE IT, FAKE IT

MAY  
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SPRING FUNDRAISER  
PROHIBITION/GREAT GATSBY

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END OF THE YELLOW BRICK  
ROAD - RECOGNITION AND  
AWARDS NIGHT

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March 29th and May 3

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10 - 11:30 AM Reservations Only. Noon - 2 PM Walk-Ins

Click [HERE](#) to volunteer.

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ODYD is accepting new/gently worn dresses, shoes, suits, and accessories.

# NOMINATIONS ARE OPEN!

## FORT LEAVENWORTH SPOUSES' CLUB 2025-2026 EXECUTIVE BOARD (ELECTED)

President  
First Vice President  
Second Vice President  
Treasurer  
Secretary

To nominate or apply for the Executive Board, click [here](#).

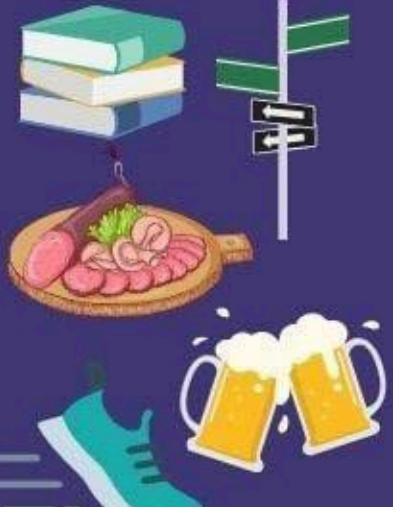
## GENERAL BOARD (APPOINTED)

CGSC Liaison  
Historian  
Hospitality  
Newsletter  
Reservations  
SAMS Liaison  
Scholarships Chair  
Special Events  
Vendor Coordinator  
Ways & Means

For more information about each position, click [here](#) to review our Bylaws!



# Sub Clubs



**Book Club**

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**Boozy Snack**

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**Bourbon Club**

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**Bowling Club**

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**Bunco Club**

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**Coffee Club**

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**Cooking Club**

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**Craft Club**

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**Home Based/Small Business Club**

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**Hiking/Walking Club**

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**KC Tourist Club**

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**Knitting & Crochet Club**

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**Painting Club**

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**Pickleball Club**

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**Restaurant Explorers Club**

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**Retiree Club**

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**Run Club**

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**Swap Club**

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**Volunteer Club**

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Scan the QR code to learn more about our Sub Clubs!

Or email Angela at [SubClubFLSC@gmail.com](mailto:SubClubFLSC@gmail.com)





# SUB CLUB

## Spotlight



### HIKING LITE

Led by Paula Skandis

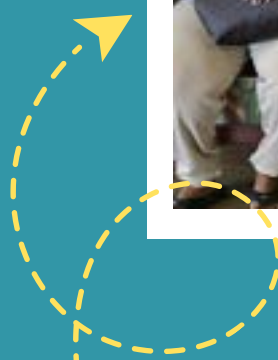
As the weather warms up, watch for scheduled events. For now, Paula plans these about 10 days out, so stay tuned for dates!

### CRAFT

Led by Maggie VanHassel

Upcoming Craft Events:  
March - Easter Topiary  
April - Doormat painting





# Board Spotlights



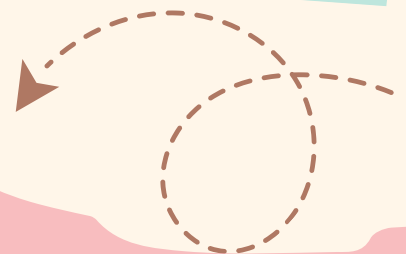
## **NATALIE GIBBS**

- ♥ Originally from the Seattle area
- ♥ Favorite duty station is Wiesbaden, Germany
- ♥ Likes trying new coffee shops, exploring new towns & cities, traveling to National Parks, and walks + hikes
- ♥ Usually found listening to podcasts



## **KATIE PAYNE**

- ♥ Proud Army (retiree) spouse and Army mom
- ♥ Started her career at 50 as a Real Estate Agent
- ♥ Favorite role is being Gigi to two grandkids
- ♥ Loves home projects, football, trying new restaurants, travel
- ♥ Leads the Retiree Sub Club



## **MAGGIE VANHASSEL**

- ♥ Loves playing board games with her family
- ♥ Loves Philadelphia Sports teams ...Go Birds
- ♥ Leads the Craft Sub Club and believes everyone has a crafty side waiting to emerge
- ♥ Her perfect day is filled with a trashy romance novel and a cozy blanket.



# Meet THE BOARD



## *Executive Board*

**President: Karly Gadell**  
**1st Vice President: Liz Smith**  
**2nd Vice President: Vince Afaisen**  
**Secretary: Jacqueline Boyle**  
**Treasurer: Angela Remington**  
**Assistant Treasurer: Liz Smith**  
**Parliamentarian: Jeannette Balboni**  
**Honorary President: Jessica Rosenstrauch**  
**Honorary Vice President: Kelly Kohunsky**  
**Honorary Advisors: Cari Pavlichko & Mandy Mosier**

## *General Board*

**CGSC Representative: Kelly Kennie**  
**Community Grants: Paula Skandis**  
**Community Outreach: Jackie Williams**  
**Historian: Rachel Naramore**  
**Hospitality: Bethany McWhirter**  
**International Liaisons: Anne Vaillancourt & Lea Post**  
**Membership: Taylor Owens**  
**Newsletter: Angela Durham**  
**ODYD: Carrie Niu & Meredith McKenzie**  
**Property Manager: Chelsey Gorgoglione**  
**Publicity: Jenna Farquhar**  
**Reservations: Maggie VanHassel**  
**Retiree Liaison: Katie Payne**  
**SAMS Representative: Natalie Gibbs**  
**Scholarships: Laura Brown**  
**Special Events Coordinator: Kayla Jenkins**  
**Sub Club Chair: Angela Elgin**  
**Vendor Coordinator: Katherine Adler**  
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