

Fort Leavenworth Spouses' Club Newsletter

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The 'ber months have finally arrived and, with them, the cooler weather and holiday season. As we enter November, our Holiday Market is fast approaching.

The FLSC Holiday Market will be Saturday, November 18th at the MTC Training Center just off post at 8 Sherman Ave. This year, we are offering two unique shopping experiences. Join us from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. for a family-friendly visit to Santa's Workshop with over 40 vendors, a scavenger hunt for the kids and the young at heart, and a special visit from the jolly guy in the big red suit. From 5-9 pm, we will offer an adults-only Sip and Shop opportunity with alcohol vendors on site offering tastings. I have also heard a rumor that our favorite green grump plans on attending.

Keep an eye out in your emails for an opportunity to volunteer and help make this day an even bigger success.

Can't wait to see you all there!



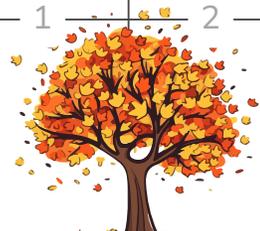
Best Regards,
Dani Lander
Special Events &
Fundraising Chair



Wherever life plants you,
choose to grow



NOVEMBER 2023

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
29	30	31	1	2	3	4
			RUN CLUB 5:15 AM	BOWLING CLUB 12:30 PM		
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
	BOURBON CLUB 6:30 PM		RUN CLUB 5:15 AM <i>FRIENDSGIVING</i> 11:00 AM	KNIT/CROCHET CLUB 10:30 AM		
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
		RESTUARANT EXPLORERS 11:30 AM	RUN CLUB 5:15 AM BUNCO CLUB 6:00 PM	COFFEE CLUB 9:00 AM RETIREE CLUB 6:00 PM	CORKS & BOARDS AND WINE CLUB 6:30 PM	<i>Holiday Market</i> 10:00 AM- 3:00 PM & 5:00 PM-9:00 PM * ❄️ ❄️ ❄️ ❄️
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
			RUN CLUB 5:15 AM			
26	27	28	29	30	1	2
	CRAFT CLUB 6:00 PM	COFFEE CLUB 9:00 AM	RUN CLUB 5:15 AM TRIVIA CLUB 6:00 PM	BOOK CLUB 10:00 AM & 7:00 PM		

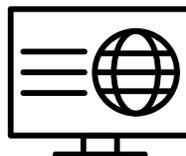
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FLSC webpage



FSLC Sub Club
Facebook group

FORT LEAVENWORTH SPOUSES' CLUB
NOVEMBER SOCIAL

FRIENDSGIVING

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

Details:

Local Vendors

Thanksgiving Style Meal:

Garden Salad, Baked Rolls, Roasted Turkey & Dressing, Whipped Potatoes & Gravy,
Green Bean Casserole, Apple or Pumpkin Pie

Suggested Attire:

Anything from casual to cocktail or business casual; whatever you're comfortable in!
The color palette for the event will be gold and navy blue with a Fall Glam aesthetic.

Mug Exchange:

Please bring a gift-wrapped mug if you would like to participate

RSVP is required for entry

RSVP HERE by November 3 at NOON



November Community Partners



Fort Leavenworth Stray Facility

-Help Support our Furry Friends during the Friendsgiving Social-
Bring a donation item to the Social and receive a ticket for our
opportunity drawing!

Dog and cat treats, Peanut butter/cheese spray for kong toys, Dog
and cat toys, Gently used or new beds, Pee pads, Collars, Leashes,
Old towels/sheets/blankets, Cleaning supplies (disinfectant, paper
towels, bleach, all purpose cleaner, dishwashing detergent, laundry
detergent, etc.), rubber gloves, dog poop bags, Damp Rid

For more information:

[Stray Facility Webpage](#) [Stray Facility Facebook Page](#)

[Stray Facility Pet Finder](#)



Leavenworth Main Street

They will be at our Social to tell
us about everything they have
going on for the holiday season!

Check them out now:

[Leavenworth Main Street Webpage](#)

[Leavenworth Main Street Facebook](#)



Fort Leavenworth Spouses' Club BOARD



EXECUTIVE BOARD

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

GENERAL BOARD

- Honorary President- Pam Beagle
- Honorary Advisor- Mandy Mosier & Cari Pavlichko
- CGSC Representative- Christina Dieppa
- Community Grants- Paula Skandis
- Historian- Courtney Ricard
- Hospitality- Meredith McKenzie
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- Newsletter- Brandy Conyers
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- Retiree Liaison- Katie Payne
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- 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

Each month, we feature some of our FLSC Board members who are working hard behind the scenes to make the club run smoothly!

This month's featured board members are:

- HELEN PRASSINOS-Property & Decorations Chair

Helen has spent an immense amount of time reorganizing FLSC property & decorations and getting the club to a point where we are able to rent items out! She also helps decorate and make all our Socials look amazing!

- DANI LANDER- Special Events & Fundraising Chair

Dani has been working so hard to plan our upcoming Holiday Market! We can't wait for you to see how great this event will be!

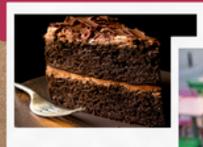
Hello! i'm
Helen

PROPERTY &
DECORATIONS CHAIR



About me

I am an Art Teacher and being creative feeds my soul. I love abstract art and I collect cityspaces from every place I visit! I have two fur kids: Terrabelle is a bossy old lady Chocolate Lab that has me wrapped around her pinky toe and Umber is my spunky German Shorthaired Pointer who is at the same time the most exasperating and the absolute cuddliest girl. In my free time, I enjoy hiking with my dogs, rain or shine. I also love painting, knitting, yoga, woodworking, reading and baking.



FAVORITE FOOD
-Fudgy Chocolate Cake
-Thick Cut Belgian Fries



Hi I'm
Dani

SPECIAL EVENTS &
FUNDRAISING CHAIR

About Me

I am a Marine Corps Spouse. My husband and I have been married for almost 14 years. We have one daughter, Lena, who is 8 years old and one cat, Isabella. I was born in Tampa, FL, but my family plans to settle in New England! I spend my days and nights doing lots of volunteer work and I am currently finishing up my Masters Degree!



Fun Facts

- I love aerial yoga!
- My favorite food is curry
- My favorite drink is coffee
- I can't live without my family and good books!



Book Club- Leader: Jenna Farquhar
 Bowling Club- Leader: Angela Elgin
 Bourbon & Spirits Club- Leader: Laura Brown
 Breweries & Beer Club-
 Leaders: Vince Afaisen & Christina Dieppa
 Bunco Club- Leader: Connie Papacek
 Coffee Club- Leader: Paula Skandis
 Corks & Boards- Leader: Jeanell Hurley
 Craft Club- Leaders: Mallory Hill & Maggie VanHassel

Knitting Club- Leader: Jenna Farquhar
 Pickleball Club- Leader: Karly Gadell
 Retiree Club- Leader: Katie Payne
 Restaurant Explorers-
 Leaders: Angela Elgin & Rachel McCarty
 Run Club- Leader: Maria Duncan
 Trivia Club-
 Leaders: Catherine Sincere & Connie Papacek
 Wine Club- Jeannette Balboni

Sub Clubs of the month

CORKS & BOARDS

Leader: Jeanell Hurley

Jeanell has hosted a charcuterie club for many years at past installations and wants to carry on the tradition here. She hosts themed charcuterie events each month, with multiple events during some months.

Events are held at local businesses, as well as homes of club members. The most recent event included Halloween themed boards and a costume contest!



WINE CLUB



Leader: Jeannette Balboni

Gathering for a glass of wine with friends is a lot of fun and thankfully Jeannette. Wine club has plans for many types of events from murder mysteries, visiting local vineyards, drinking wine around the fire, and perhaps even a Champagne Brunch. You do not have to drink wine to decide to come to wine sub-club event, so even if you just want to explore some different places, or spend time with friends, join them!

DON'T MISS WINE CLUB AND CORKS & BOARDS CO-HOSTED EVENT!



RESTAURANT EXPLORERS

Leaders:
 Angela Elgin
 & Rachel McCarty

Co-leaders Rachel and Angela like to try new restaurants and are excited to share their favorites! They are always looking for new members and suggestions for places to visit! They are hoping that the club can try lots of new restaurants this year and that everyone can find a new restaurant to love! Check out Restaurant Explorers next event at Hayley's Eatery in Weston, MO on November 14th at 11:30 AM!



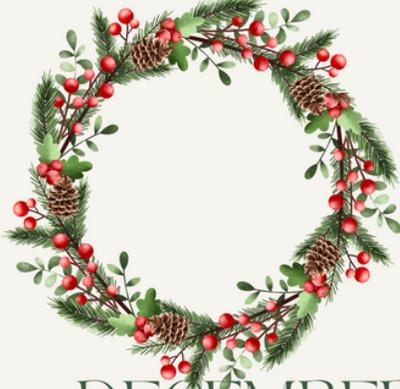
JOIN THE SUB-CLUB FACEBOOK GROUP FOR EVENTS!



October memories

FORT LEAVENWORTH SPOUSES' CLUB
DECEMBER SOCIAL

WREATH & TREE AUCTION



DECEMBER 13
6:00 PM

FRONTIER CONFERENCE CENTER | 350 BIDDLE BLVD.
OPEN TO THE FORT LEAVENWORTH COMMUNITY

RSVP ONLINE: FORTLEAVENWORTHSPOUSESCLUB.ORG

All proceeds benefit local scholarships and community grants.



CHECK THIS OUT

Need centerpieces, tablecloths,
backdrops or a Santa suit for
your upcoming event?
We have items available to
rent! Contact the Property
Manager at
propertyflsc@gmail.com
for more information!!



WAYS & MEANS

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



FORT LEAVENWORTH SPOUSES' CLUB PRESENTS

HOLIDAY

MARKET

FREE ENTRY
50+ LOCAL VENDORS
SANTA PHOTOS

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
NO DOD ID REQUIRED
MTC TRAINING CENTER
8 SHERMAN AVE

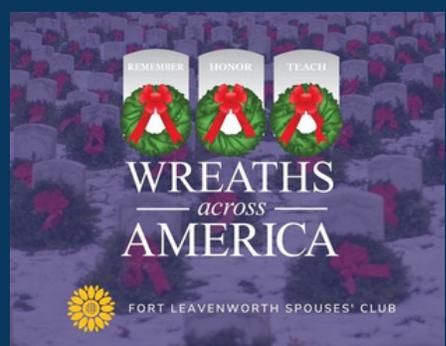
➤ **NOVEMBER 18, 10AM-3PM & 5PM-9PM** ◀

CONTACT DANI AT SPECIALEVENTSFLSC@GMAIL.COM FOR MORE INFO

Get your gift shopping done while sipping and shopping local vendors! Featuring handcrafted, one-of-a-kind items.
Who: Open to the public
When: November 18th 10am-3pm (family-friendly) & 5pm-9pm (sip and shop)
Where: MTC Training Center at 8 Sherman Ave in Leavenworth, KS (No DoD ID needed. It's located off-post).
Cost: FREE

[Interested in Volunteering at the Holiday Market?](#)
[Sign up here!](#)

**All proceeds from this event go to our scholarship and community grants.
Last year with events like this, we were able to give out \$17,000.**



REMEMBER the Fallen. HONOR those who Serve. TEACH our children the value of Freedom. On December 16, 2023 at 11:00 am (Wreath Placement Immediately Following Ceremony), Fort Leavenworth Spouses' Club will be helping Fort Leavenworth National Cemetery to Remember and Honor our veterans by laying Remembrance wreaths on the graves of our country's fallen heroes.



Please help us honor and remember as many fallen heroes as possible by sponsoring remembrance wreaths, volunteering on Wreaths Day, or inviting your family and friends to attend with you.

Help us reach our goal and sponsor a wreath here:
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