

Fort Leavenworth Spouses' Club Newsletter

The Sunflower



November 2024



a letter

FROM THE PRESIDENT ...

Hi FLSC Members!

As we enter November, I want to take a moment to express my gratitude for the incredible team I get to work with this year. The FLSC board is filled with dedicated, generous spouses who have gone above and beyond to ensure a memorable year for our members.

I want to give special recognition to our Special Events Chair, Kayla Jenkins, and our First VP, Liz Smith, for organizing an amazing Fall Festival. We're grateful to everyone who supported the fundraiser and made it a successful event for everyone involved. With the holiday season upon us, there's much to look forward to with FLSC.

This December, we're excited to once again host our Wreath and Tree Auction. If you attended last year, you know what a delightful time it was! We encourage you to bring a spouse or a friend, dress in your holiday best, and join us for a festive night out. We'll have a variety of beautifully crafted wreaths, trees, and centerpieces filled with surprises—this is an event you won't want to miss.

Additionally, we're thrilled to be partnering with Stronghold for their first annual Christmas Depot. The Spouses Club will sponsor the "Little Elves Shop," where kids can choose special gifts for their parents for the holidays. We'll be collecting items for the "Little Elves Shop" at our November Social, so if you'd like to contribute but can't make it to the event, please reach out to the club.

Wishing you a wonderful November and hoping you find many reasons to be grateful this month.

Karly Gadell
FLSC President



November

M	T	W	T	F	S	S
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
		Run Club 5:15 am	 Knit/Crochet 10 am Bowling 12:30pm			
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Veterans Day 	HBSB 1 pm Swap 2-4 pm Bunco 6 pm	Run Club 5:15 am Social 11 am	Boozy Snack 6 pm 		ODYD Pop Up 10am - 2pm	
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
	Book 6:30 pm	Run Club 5:15 am Bourbon 6:30 pm	Daytime Book 10 am Retiree 6 pm			
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
Craft 6 pm 		Run Club 5:15 am	 Thanksgiving			

THIS MONTH'S MORNING BOOK CLUB SELECTION

The Librarian Spy
by Madeline Martin

"The Librarian Spy" is a historical fiction and romance novels that follows the World War II adventures of Ava, an endearing, quiet bookworm.



-  FLSC Wreath and Tree Auction
-  Thanksgiving Food Basket Disbursement
-  Little Elves Shop at the Stronghold Christmas Depot
-  Wreaths Across America Fundraiser

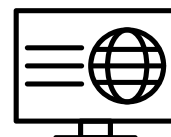
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FLSC Sub Club Facebook group

FLSC October Social

Breakfast



AT TIFFANY'S

an ODYD Fashion Show and Accessory Swap

November 13th, 2024 | 11am - 1:30pm

Frontier Conference Center

***registration deadline is November 7th at 11:59 PM**

Community Outreach

Stronghold Christmas Depot Parent Shop:

Bring new items for the FLSC parent shop at the Stronghold Christmas Depot.

This is for kids to pick out special gifts for mom and dad!

**Example items: Candles, Flashlights, Hats, Small tool kits, Shaving items,
Blankets, Fuzzy socks, Face masks, Earbuds**

Donations for ODYD:

dresses, accessories (jewelry/shoes), or handbags

FLSC 2024-2025 SOCIALS

SAVE THE DATE

NOV. 13	BREAKFAST AT TIFFANY'S
DEC. 11	WREATH & TREE AUCTION
JAN. 22	INTERNATIONAL LUNCHEON
FEB. 12	PALENTINE'S PAMPER PARTY
MAR. 26	MAKE IT, BAKE IT, FAKE IT
MAY 14	END OF THE YELLOW BRICK ROAD REGONITION AND AWARDS NIGHT



Operation Deploy Your Dress

FALL Pop-Ups

November 16

10am - 2pm

600 Thomas Ave, Bldg 198, RM 106

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





FLSC IS SPONSORING THE

Little Elves Shop at the Stronghold Christmas Depot

WE ARE ACCEPTING DONATIONS AT OUR NOVEMBER SOCIAL
SO KIDS CAN PICK OUT A SPECIAL GIFT FOR MOM AND DAD.



Wreath & Tree



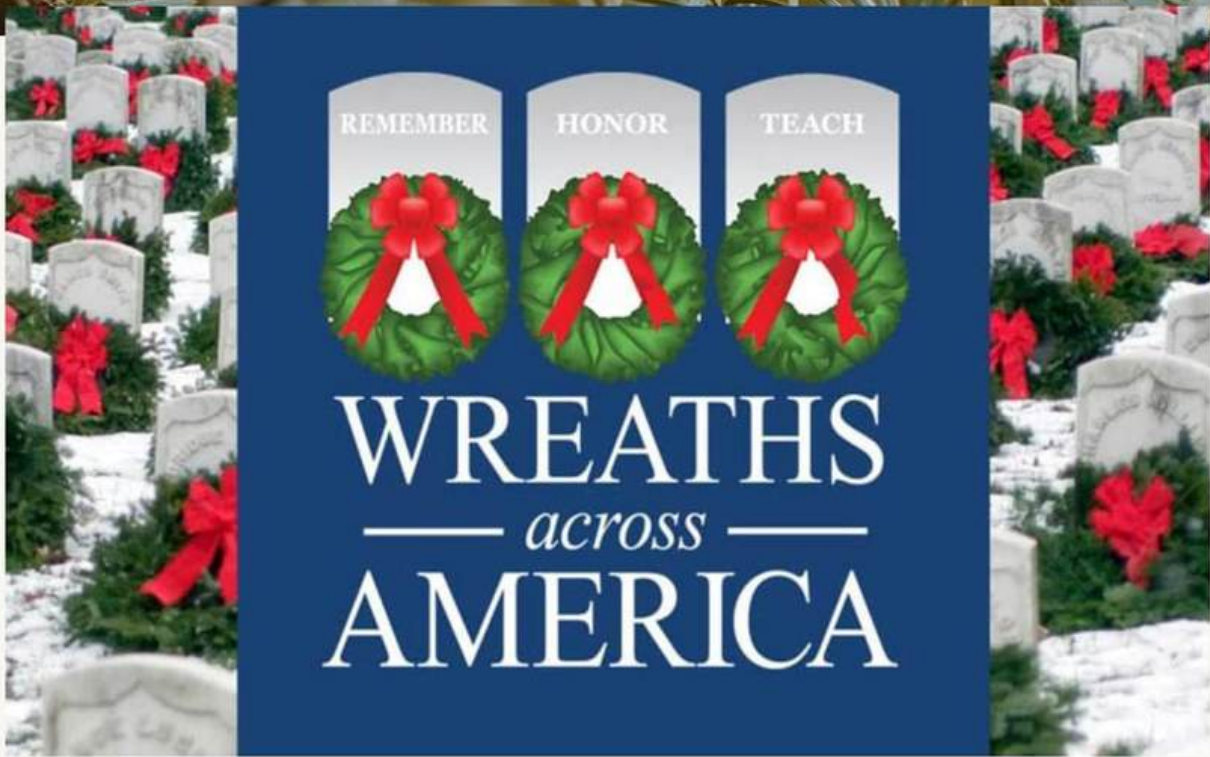
AUCTION

FLSC December Social

Dec. 11th, 2024 | 11am - 1:30pm

Frontier Conference Center

We are looking for Wreaths, Trees, and Centerpieces for our auction. Ask your organization to create and donate!



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support!**



*Thank you for Supporting the Fort
Leavenworth Spouses' Club and Cemetery.*

Sub Clubs



Book Club

Boozy Snack

Bourbon Club

Bowling Club

Bunco Club

Coffee Club

Booking Club

Braft Club

Home Based/Small Business Club

Hiking/Walking Club

KC Tourist Club

Knitting & Crochet Club

Painting Club

Pickleball Club

Restaurant Explorers Club

Retiree Club

Run Club

Swap Club

Volunteer Club



Hiking Lite met at Weston State Park

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

Or email Angela at SubClubFLSC@gmail.com



SUB CLUB

Spotlight



BUNCO

Led by Vince Afaisen

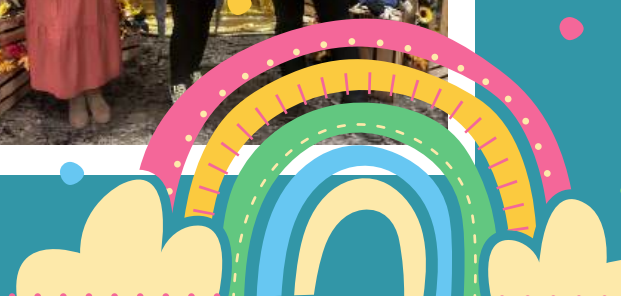
The next Bunco is Tuesday, November 12 at 6 pm in the Housing Office Community Room. Our theme is My 3 Favorite Things.

VOLUNTEER

Led by Shanna Cheatham, Karly Gadell, and Jackie Williams

The next Volunteer Sub Club opportunity will be handing out food baskets at the commissary on Nov. 19 and Dec. 17.





Board Spotlights



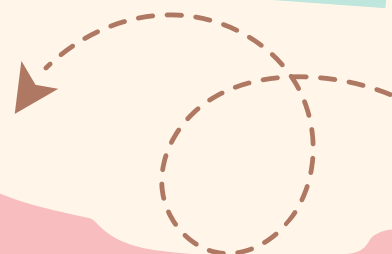
KATHERINE ADLER

- ♥ Mom of 2 teens and a military spouse for 17 years
- ♥ I love to travel and have been to all but 2 states.
- ♥ I've been volunteering for spouses clubs and non-profits for more than 15 years.



KAYLA JENKINS

- ♥ Originally from San Diego, California, but calls Arkansas "home"
- ♥ My husband and I own and run a custom woodworking shop called The turquoise Door Designs.
- ♥ I love a good thrift store, and I am obsessed with coffee and tacos.



SAMANTHA MANS

- ♥ A Wisconsin native who loves being outdoors, especially hiking and the lake.
- ♥ Enjoys traveling to national parks
- ♥ My hobbies are my running my business, Happiness Unleashed LLC, and being a contributing writer for the military mom collective.
- ♥ Serves on the PWOC board



Meet THE BOARD



Executive Board

President: Karly Gadell
1st Vice President: Liz Smith
2nd Vice President: Vince Afaisen
Secretary: Jacqueline Boyle
Treasurer: Pauline Heath
Assistant Treasurer: Liz Smith
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Honorary Advisors: Cari Pavlichko & Mandy Mosier

General Board

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