# Lansing Woman's Club

Lifting Our Skyline

Celebrating Our Sesquicentennial

1874-2024

Let's continue our study of Legacy With Color through the color purple and the Fine Arts. My mother was flamboyant and was definitely not afraid to express herself. She was a feminist, a gourmet cook who wrote a food column for the local paper, an English teacher who, in later life taught a memoir writing class, and then became the event coordinator for senior trips in the city of Port Huron. She was born and raised in the city of Sandusky in Michigan's Thumb and considered herself the Thumb Historian. Her bus tours of the thumb for

seniors always sold out within minutes. It is such a treat for me to have her writings in my possession today.

One of the most important things my mom instilled upon my siblings and me was a love for art and especially the art of her favorite artist, Monet. Though she and my dad couldn't afford "the real deal", she had framed Monet posters hung throughout my childhood home. I

believe that's when I fell in love with the color purple. Monet once said, "I finally discovered the true color of the atmosphere. It is purple". Though I have never made it to Givenchy, I have made it to the Musée de l'Orangerie in Paris where I viewed his Waterlily panels. I have learned that in later life Monet needed cataract surgery. Prior to the 1980s, cataract lenses did not block out ultraviolet light. So the white waterlilies that Monet saw as a young artist were now being seen by him in hues of purple. Enjoy your own tour of Musée de l'Orangerie by clicking here.

## **Club Purpose**



"The purpose of the corporation shall be the study and improvement of its members in Literature, the Sciences, and Fine Arts."

Constitution Article III



Julie

"Securing the future of Lansing Woman's Club is in our hands. We invite open minded and intellectually curious women to join us in our commitment to life-long learning. Keeping pace with our multicultural world compels us to intentionally include women who reflect the diverse community in which we live."

#### **Club Business**

- Carol Beal's presentation on *Pueblo Pottery and Their Matriarchs* was enjoyed by all. Personally, I am so glad Carol indulged in the expense of her passion over the years so that she could share it with our group.
- I want to thank Jannel Glennie for "stepping up to the plate" to help me out this week as I enjoy a weekend away with my sister to visit our cousin.
- Thank you to Denise Carr, Gloria Kielbaso, Sue Messé, Maureen O'Higgins and Peggy Riggs who helped Betty Moore with the lovely celebration for Jenifer Banks and Carol Beals-Kruger. I love seeing all the conversations taking place at an afterglow. We are such a dynamic group of women.
- Please note the correct unit number for Giovanna Lammers address. It should be unit 706 not 700.
- Thank you to Sue Reid who noticed that Leelanau Wine Cellars uses the logo LWC on its bottle!



#### January 26

The Scottish Highlands: Historic, Mystical, Enticing

Presented by Barb Roth

#### February 6

**Board Meeting** 

February 9

**Business Meeting** 

## Committee Consent Agendas for Board Meeting

**D**ue to Julie Buckberry by Sunday, February 4.

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Please email me if you have anything you would like mentioned in the newsletter. Thank you.

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### Sesquicentennial Calendar

**February 2, 2024** Reading is Fundamental (RIF) Guest Speaker Program

March 15, 2024 History of Women's Literary Clubs

April 26, 2024 Sesquicentennial Annual Meeting

June 9, 2024 LWC Open House

July 11, 2024 Mt. Hope Cemetery Tour

August 28, 2024 Ladies of LWC'S Downtown Homes

October 4, 2024 President's Day: LWC Photo

November 15, 2024 LWC's First Guest Speaker

**December 6, 2024** Holiday Program and Finale



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I admit, at first I was a little taken aback by the actions of this artist. But if you see the video through, you'll be amazed. Click here. It is referred to as "Splash Painting."



Double click here is you are celebrating a birthday this week. Enjoy your day!

