Lansing Woman's Club

Lifting Our Skyline

Celebrating Our Sesquicentennial

1874-2024

Dear LWC Members,

As we continue to celebrate our Sesquicentennial and our study of Legacy With Color through the color purple, I would like to write briefly about how the color has been used in Literature. In *The Color Purple*, the Pulitzer Prize—winning novel by Alice Walker, the character Shug Avery is "so stylish it's like the trees all round the house draw themself up tall for a better look." It is Shug that supplies the novel's title when she says that we should all notice the color purple in a field as we walk through it. Shug feels purple gives us evidence that there is much glory and generosity in the world around us. I am hearing rave reviews about the film that is presently in theaters. I hope you are able to see it.

Personally my favorite Purple Poem is as follows:

I never saw a Purple Cow, I never hope to see one, But I can tell you, anyhow, I'd rather see than be one!

Moooving right along....

Our celebration color for the month of February is red. I'm looking forward to seeing you Friday in your flaming red!

Julie

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



"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

- "Barb Roth's paper on the *The Scottish Highlands: Historic, Mystical and Enticing,* brought the Highlands of Scotland to life as Barb drew on her personal experience and research in so many aspects of the region. Few of us realized the impact it has had worldwide and throughout history. Thanks, Barb, for a great paper." A quote from Jannel Glennie
- If you have not received an LWC Sesquicentennial bookmark, you may find extras available on the tables by the front and back clubhouse doors. Not only is this a bookmark, but it has a listing of all important event dates during the year.
- Please note the attachment from *History Hounds* February programs. This is a program that our members may access for free as part of our Michigan Milestone Award benefits.
- If you know of a member that needs encouragement through a card, please let Barb Roth know and a card will be sent.



February 2

Reading Is Fundamental

Presented by Melanie Baker, Director of RIF

February 6

Board Meeting

January 12

Business Meeting

1:00 pm

Committee Consent Agendas for Board Meeting

Due 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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Honey Lavender Ice Cream

2 cups heavy cream

1 cup half-and-half

2/3 cup mild honey

2 tablespoons dried edible lavender flowers*

2 large eggs

1/8 teaspoon salt

Special equipment: a candy or instant-read thermometer; an ice cream maker

Bring cream, half-and-half, honey, and lavender just to a boil in a 2-quart heavy saucepan over moderate heat, stirring occasionally, then remove pan from heat. Let steep, covered, 30 minutes.

Pour cream mixture through a fine-mesh sieve into a bowl and discard lavender. Return mixture to cleaned saucepan and heat over moderate heat until hot.

Whisk together eggs and salt in a large bowl, then add 1 cup hot cream mixture in a slow stream, whisking. Pour into remaining hot cream mixture in saucepan and cook over moderately low heat, stirring constantly with a wooden spoon, until thick enough to coat back of spoon and registers 170 to 175°F on thermometer, about 5 minutes (do not let boil).

Pour custard through sieve into cleaned bowl and cool completely, stirring occasionally. Chill, covered, until cold, at least 3 hours.

Freeze custard in ice cream maker. Transfer ice cream to an airtight container and put in freezer to harden.









Happy Birthday to those LWC women celebrating this week. Double click on the picture for your special song.





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Upcoming Lectures:

February 6: Bodyguards of the Cumberland: The Story of the 9th Michigan Infantry

February 14:
Klansmen and "Thugs":
Rationalizing Violence in the
Arsenal of Democracy

February 20: An Auto Disaster: The 1927 Briggs Manufacturing Tragedy

February 28: Glory: Col. Shaw and the 54th Massachusetts













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