

Woman's Club of Chevy Chase

September 2026 Bulletin

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Notable this Month and Beyond

Fall Open House

September 20 (Sunday) from 2 to 4pm in the Auditorium. Please invite your friends who you think would be a great addition to our Club. There is no charge for our guests and members are asked to contribute \$15 towards the cost of the event. Please RSVP to Gloria at glowormtwo@gmail.com with your name and your guest's name(s). Feel free to invite as many guests as you wish.

NEW OFFERING!

Tai chi Classes

Tai chi improves our balance and circulation, promotes relaxation, and is very safe. If you are curious about tai chi, or want to deepen your practice, join any or all of our one-hour tai chi classes. **They will be held at 9:30 am on four Tuesdays: September 1, 8, 15 and 22nd.** There is no cost to attend. Led by member Mary Burfisher, you will learn principles and basic moves drawn from the Yang 24 form.

Santa's Workshop 2026 .

December 12 (Saturday) & **December 13** (Sunday) with two sessions each day 10-1:00 and 2:00-5:00. Planning meetings will be announced later. Gloria Crowley at glowormtwo@gmail.com.

Dear WCCC members,

While Club members were enjoying the summer sun, our new Executive Committee was hard at work developing priorities for the next two years. Despite the slower pace of summer, the club was buzzing with activity through the summer season. Club classics kept rolling, including Yoga, Bridge, Game Days, Threads, International Affairs, French, BYOL, Mahjongg, and preparation for Mystery Mansion. Dine Around continued through summer as well, with a new restaurant each month and a full house of attendees. Service to the community was on the schedule as well with a blood drive organized by Andrea Sherman. Pam Feinstein of the Philanthropy Committee arranged an event at Round House Theatre to see the show Sally and Tom and raised \$300 to support a local student to attend a Round House Theatre summer workshop. The Philanthropy Committee recently wrapped up the "Complete a Dorm" project, with 26 of our members providing 62 items to outfit 6 local young women attending college. And in late June the Club celebrated the country's semiquincentennial at our Annual Fireworks Party, with over 200 attendees.

Two special events kicked off their planning. The WCCC Craft & Gift Market hosted its first planning session in June, led by Jenny Buelin and Nancy Wright, and Santa's Workshop held its first planning meeting led by Gloria Crowley. Gloria also started a new weight loss medications discussion group. And a new travel interest group called Vagabonds was launched, holding its debut in June with a very well-attended meeting led by Ellen Lafferty and Melissa Watts.

Creativity was in full bloom with some amazing summer art sessions. Beanne Rothenberg and Laura Long led a magnetic bookmark workshop, and Jenny Buelin guided members through a series of clay workshops to make garden markers, drinking vessels, flower pots, and air plant rings.

Finally, on August 1, WCCC proudly hosted the Maryland General Federation of Women's Clubs for a full-day workshop on leadership, communication, and member engagement.

With the arrival of fall, we will see even more activities gear back up. Mystery Mansion is just around the corner, with Santa's Workshop right behind it, so please look for opportunities to volunteer and help make these fantastic community events a success.

On Labor Day, September 7, the Club will be closed. Some sections, however, will continue their activities with permission from the EC. Please check the bulletin and email announcements carefully.

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Welcome New Members!

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September Governance Calendar

WCCC Executive Committee Meeting

September 9 (Wednesday) at 10am in the Board Room. Contact: Marlene Kaplan at marlene_Kaplan@yahoo.com or Jan Novotny at novotnydura@msn.com.

WCCC Board Meeting

September 9 (Wednesday) at 11am in the South Wing. Contact: Marlene Kaplan at marlene_Kaplan@yahoo.com or Jan Novotny at novotnydura@msn.com.

September Community Engagement

Drop-Off Bag Lunches for Shepherd's Table

September 28 (Monday) by 1pm at the Club.
<https://www.shepherdstable.org>
Contact: Janine Farhat at janinegs@hotmail.com

GFWC One Great Day of Service

September 26 (Sunday). Support our local Shelter for Victims of Domestic Violence, the Betty Ann Krahne Center by filling 25 shower caddies with personal care items and assembling 8 mesh shower bags each for teenage boys and children accompanying their mothers.

Please sign up here <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040E45ACA829ABF58-65202780-support> and bring items to the Community Service shelves outside the Art Room **before Thursday Sept 24**. If you would like to help with the actual assembly Sept 25 and 26, please contact Jane DeAngeli jane.deangeli@outlook.com

Red Cross Blood Drive

September 23 (Wednesday) from 10 am to 4 pm in the Auditorium.

Blood donations are by appointment only; schedule an appointment at www.redcrossblood.org (sponsor ID WCCC) or 1-800-733-2767. Call ARC (1-800-236-3276) for any questions about eligibility. There is always an urgent need for donors.

3 Reception Volunteers are also needed to assist with arriving donors and/or re-hydrating donors. Usual time slots are: 9:50-11:50am, 11:40am-1:40pm, & 1:30-3:30pm.

Volunteers are needed for all our Fall drives: Wed, Sept 23; Thur, Oct 16*; Wed, Nov 25; Wed, Dec 23.

(*Please note due to Mystery Mansion, our October drive is NOT on the usual 4th Wed & starts earlier: 8:30am-1:30pm. The volunteer time slots will also be earlier.)

To volunteer for any month contact: Andrea Sherman at 301-300-0316 (text msg only; no voice) or at Andrea.L.Sherman@gmail.com.

Sections' September Calendar

Bring Your Own Lunch

September 2nd, 9, 16, 23 & 30 (Wednesdays) from 12 to 1:30pm in the South Wing. Beverages and desserts are provided. Contact: Shauna Smith at shaunacc49@gmail.com or Paula Robinson at paulakelinrobinson@gmail.com

Dine Around

September 3rd (Thursday) at 6:00 at All Set in Silver Spring. There is no longer any opening but contact Ellen Lafferty if you want to be on the waiting list (elafferty20901@gmail.com).

Everything Art/Capiz Shell Earring Workshop

September 24 (Thursday) from 6:30 to 8:30 pm in the South Wing. The workshop is free **BUT** a \$6.00 fee for material is to be paid **before the workshop** via Venmo (@Beanne-Rothenberg) or by check or cash left in an envelope (with your name and workshop name) in the Everything Art mail slot in the office.

Register at:

[https://www.signupgenius.com/go/](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040E45ACA829ABF58-65252453-capiz)

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Contact: Beanne at beannerothenberg@gmail.com with any questions.

Everything Art/Ongoing Ceramics Class

September 11 (Friday) from 3:30 to 5:00pm. Taught by Jenny Buelin, contact: jkbuelin@gmail.com

French Conversation

September 9 & 23 (Wednesdays) from 1:30 to 3pm in the South Wing. Contact Isabelle Babcock at isababcock@gmail.com.

Game Day

September 18 (Friday) from 10 to 12pm in the Library or in the South Wing. Contact: Betsy Sanford at betsanford@verizon.net or Pat Gross at patgross0207@gmail.com.

Garden Section

September 3rd (Thursday) from 10am to noon in the South Wing. Lisa Melmed will give a presentation on seed collection for select Maryland native plants, what to look for and how to collect seeds, along with saving seeds from your favorite garden flowers and milkweed plants for pollinator gardens. The presentation will include information provided on the topic from Maryland Master Gardeners and the UMD Extension. Attendees to the meeting will have an opportunity to harvest seeds from plant pods and spent flowers, and save seeds for winter or spring sowing. Contact: Lisa Melmed at lisa.m.melmed@gmail.com or Erin Goldstein at eringoldstein2021@gmail.com.

Happy Hour/Pot Luck Dinner

September 18 (Friday) at 6pm at the Club.

Bring your spouse or partner! Watch for Sign-Up Genius. Contact: Jan Novotny at novotnydura@msn.com or Carol Wilburn at cbwilburn2@gmail.com

International Affairs

September 14 (Monday) at 12 pm in the South Wing – International Affairs Section discussion of *Great Decisions 2026*, Chapter 8, “The Future of Human Rights and International Law in a Divided World” led by Ann Joseph. Lunch BYO. Contact: Grace Goodman at Goodman.Grace55@gmail.com.

Literature Section

The Literature Section will meet on Monday, September 28, at 11:00 am, in the South Wing. At this meeting, we will select the books to be read and discussed during 2027.

Contact: Henri Keller at hkeller4501@verizon.net or Maryanne Courtney at mcourtney3355@gmail.com

Sections' September Calendar (continued)

Mahjongg Drop-In Open Play

September 7 (yes, on Labor Day) 14, 21, 28 (Mondays) from 2 to 4pm

September 8, 15, 22, 29 (Tuesdays) from 4:30 to 6:30pm

September 23 (4th Wednesday) from 6 to 8pm
RSVP for table count to weekly email. Contact: Carol Wilburn at cbwilburn2@gmail.com

Music Section

September 25 (Friday) at noon in the Auditorium. This is the first Friday Morning Music Club of the year. The program will consist of pieces by Granados (Simon Finlow, piano), Strauss (Mari Palmieri, soprano & Stephen Brown, piano), Schumann (Albert Hunt, clarinet, Bonnie Cohen, viola & Frank Conlon, piano). A meet-the-artists reception will follow the concert. All FMMC concerts are free and open to the public, so please bring a friend! Contact: Kathy Flaxman at kmflaxman@speakeasy.net

Night Owls Beginner Bridge

September 14 & 28 (Mondays) at 7pm in the South Wing. Contact: Victoria van Roden at vlvr141@gmail.com

Tai chi

September 1st, 8, 15, 22nd (Tuesdays) from 9:30 to 10:30 in the South wing. Contact: Mary Burfisher at burfisher@gmail.com.

TGIF Bridge

September 11 & 25 (Fridays) from 10am to 2pm in the South Wing. Contact: Mary Bahrs at mjbahrs41@gmail.com

Threads

September 3rd (Thursday) from 10:30am to 12pm at the Chevy Chase Library (across Dunlop street) in the basement meeting room.

September 10, 17, 24 (Thursdays) from 10:30am to 12pm in the South Wing. Contact: Isabelle Babcock at isababcock@gmail.com

Wednesday Night Book Club

September 2nd (Wednesday) at 7pm in the Library. Discussion of 'Still Alice' by Lisa Genova. Contact: April Kates at helloapril117@gmail.com

Yoga

September 7 (yes, on Labor Day), 14, 21 & 28 (Mondays) from 9:30 to 10:30am in the South Wing. \$15/class. RSVP Laurie Williams at laurieosmv@aol.com or just come! Contact: Carol Wilburn at cbwilburn2@gmail.com

Follow-up after the first Vagabond meeting

Vagabonds is a prospective Section that will focus on all types of travel information for WCCC members. The response to the trial meeting held this summer was terrific, so we will proceed with next steps.

1. Interested members can complete a survey that will fill an online data base.
 2. Members can then connect voluntarily and directly to share info or plan mutual trips.
 3. Monthly meeting will share information on a variety of travel topics.
 4. It is very likely future group trips of all types will be proposed and organized by interested members.
- The initial survey and resulting data base will need to wait until the new and improved Club website is up and running, to avoid duplicating efforts. By the end of this year we should have a great resource available to members! Until then, pack your bags and go travel!

September's Volunteering for Mystery Mansion

Mystery Mansion 2026: "Twisted" is fast approaching so mark your calendars!

Friday, October 30, 4 pm to 5 pm Member and Guest Sneak Peak

Friday, October 30, 5 pm to 9 pm

Saturday, October 31, noon to 4 pm

Sunday, November 1, 5 pm to 9 pm

Consult our website for more information

www.mysterymansion.org

Volunteer signups for set up, during the show, and clean up will be released in October. Work sessions continue in September when all help is appreciated!

September 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30 (Wednesdays) from 10am to noon in the Art room. Mostly seated activities. Newcomers welcome!

Contact Melissa Watts mw.watts@gmail.com

September 6, 13, 20, 27 (Sundays) from 2 to 4pm, starting in the Art room. Active building and painting. Contact Rebecca Gelfond, RGelfond@comcast.net

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 9:30 am Tai Chi 4:30 Mah Jongg Drop In Play 7 pm Night Owl Book Club	2 10 am Mystery Mansion 12 pm BYOL 7 pm Night Owl Book Club	3 10 am Garden Section 10:30 am Threads 6 pm Dine Around	4	5
6 2 pm Mystery Mansion	7 LABOR DAY 9:30 am Yoga 2 pm Mah Jongg Drop in Play	8 9:30 am Tai Chi By 1pm Lunch Dropoff for Shepherds Table 4:30 pm Mah Jongg	9 10 am EC Meeting 11 am Board Meeting 1:30 pm French Section	10 10:30 am Threads 11 am Everything Art 7 Pm Night Owl Book Club	11 10 am TGIF Bridge 10 am Philanthropy Committee 3 pm Ceramic Workshop	12
13 2 pm Mystery Mansion Worksession	14 9:30 am Yoga 12 pm International Affairs Section 2 pm Mah Jongg 7 pm N. O. Bridge	15 9:30 Tai Chi	16 10 am Mystery Mansion Worksession	17 10:30 am Threads 7 pm Night Owl Meeting	18 10 am Game Day 6 pm POTLUCK	19
20 2 pm Fall Open House for members and potential new members	21 9:30 Yoga 2 pm Mah Jongg Drop in Play	22 9:30 am Tai Chi	23 10 am M.M. 12 pm BYOL 1:30 French Section 6 pm Mah Jongg	24 10:30 am Threads 6:30 Everything Art Workshop	25 9 am Service Day 10 am TGIF Bridge 11:30 FMMC Chamber Concert	26 9 am GFWC Day of Service
27 2 pm Mystery Mansion Worksession	28 9:30 am Yoga 11 am Literature 2 pm Mah Jongg 7 pm Night Owl Bridge	29	30 10 am Mystery Mansion Worksession 12 pm BYOL			

CLUBWIDE EVENTS

OPEN HOUSE September 20

Sudnday, 2 pm to 4 pm
WCCC Open House for Members
and potential new members, guests
are welcome!

Tai Chi

New activity offered to Members:
Tai Chi begins Tuesday, September 1
at 9:30 am

POTLUCK September 18

WCCC Friday night Potluck for members
and guests returns Friday, September 18,
6 pm. RSVP on SighUpGenius, look for
email