

Woman's Club of Chevy Chase

May 2026 Bulletin

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Notable this Month and Beyond

Member Mingle

May 4 (Monday) from 7 to 8:30pm in the Auditorium. "An Evening of Friending" (like speed dating - but better). Please RSVP to Gloria at glowormtwo@gmail.com

First Mystery Mansion Planning Meeting

May 11 (Monday), from 5 to 7 pm. Get in on the planning for this year's haunted mansion. **RSVP here.** Contact: Rebecca Gelfond at rgelfond@comcast.net

Literature Section Fundraiser

May 14 (Thursday). See details in the Sections Calendar.

On Memorial Day, May

25, 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.

Message from the Co-Presidents

Dear WCCC members,

We continue to be very busy at the club! At the beginning of April, Beanne and Laura, our Everything Art chairs, conducted a Framed Art Workshop using the unsold jewelry from Upscale Resale. The works of art that were created were stunning!

We welcomed new members to an Orientation meeting on April 20th where they got to hear from section and committee chairs, ask questions, take a tour of the building, and enjoy some lovely libations and conversations.

The Mah Jongg section held an event to introduce players to the new 2026 card that was standing room only!

The Literature Section will be hosting their annual fundraiser on May 14th. They will welcome author Lynne Olson who will discuss her book, *The Empress of the Nile*. To register, please visit the Event tab on our website or use the sign-in link in this Bulletin

Join us at the May 20th. General Meeting at 11 am where we will honor the Past Presidents and we will install the 2026-2028 Executive Committee that was elected in April. Please note that there is still a vacancy in the Treasurer position. Please let us know if you are interested in serving in this position. If you have not yet done so, please remember to pay your dues. Cora Ingrim loves those who pay early.

Finally, it has been our honor to serve as your co-presidents for the past two years. We have enjoyed getting to know all of you and working with you on committees and projects. We have deeply appreciated meeting leaders of other GFWC clubs, and at the State and International levels, as well. We have certainly made a whole new group of friends, women like us, who are working to support club and community.

We wish Marlene and Jan all the best for the next two years and look forward to working with them.

We look forward to seeing you at the club!

Wilsonia and Diana

Your dues are due!

Deadline is May 31st

See the last page of the bulletin for payment information.

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Welcome New Members!

Jan Abraham 301-807-8810
Jancabraham@outlook.com
Interests: Art Show, Games, Hospitality, Night Owls, Scholarships

Stacey Abraham 202-255-1924
Sista.abraham@gmail.com
Interests: Art, Garden, Literature, Mah Jongg, Music, Scholarships, Threads

KC Akerman 301-919-3055
kcagreen@gmail.com
Interests: Community, Services, Garden, Literature, Mah Jongg

Sara Alemayehu 401-642-0954
Solomonm98@gmail.com

Faye Elkins 703-915-2959
fayeelkins@aol.com
Interests: Annual Art Show, Community Services, Mah Jongg, Santa's Workshop, Upscale Resale

Trudy Goodloe 360-608-1314
Twoodloe@gmail.com
Interests: Art, Clubhouse & Grounds, Communications, Games, Literature, Mah Jongg, Upscale Resale, Garden

Cara Lubeck 240-723-6995
Caralubeck22@gmail.com
Interests: Hospitality, Mah Jongg, Night Owls, Threads

Carol McClelland 301-275-5034
carolalec@aol.com
Interests: Bridge, Community Services, Games, Hospitality, Literature, Scholarships, Threads

Merida O'Donnell 202-834-8621
meridaodonnell@gmail.com
Interests: Annual Art Show, Art, Clubhouse & Grounds, French, Garden, Heritage Preservation, International Affairs, Literature, Music, Santa's Workshop, Scholarships

Richard VanMetter 202-701-4364
richard.vanmetter@gmail.com
Interests: Communications (digital photography), French, Literature, Music

May Governance Calendar

WCCC Executive Committee Meeting

May 13 (Wednesday) at 10am in the Board Room. Contact: Wilsonia Cherry at wedcneh@hotmail.com or Diana Ditto at diana.ditto@longandfoster.com

WCCC Board Meeting

May 13 (Wednesday) at 11am in the South Wing. Contact: Wilsonia Cherry at wedcneh@hotmail.com or Diana Ditto at diana.ditto@longandfoster.com

WCCC General Meeting

May 20 (Wednesday) at 11 am in the Auditorium. Catered lunch at noon (look for the sign up genius), followed by a presentation by Ellen Stanton: "The Maryland State House: Its Evolution and Historic Importance". Contact: Wilsonia Cherry at wedcneh@hotmail.com or Diana Ditto at diana.ditto@longandfoster.com

Results of the April Election for the 2026-2028 Executive Committee

The following officers will be installed at the May 20th General Meeting:

Co-Presidents - Marlene Kaplan and Jan Novotny

1st VP- Mary Helen Foglia

2nd VP- Gloria Crowley

3rd VP - Carol Wilburn

Recording Secretary - Helen Harwood

Corresponding Secretary - Betsy Sanford

Assistant Secretary - Dana Lane

Treasurer - VACANT

Asst. Treasurer - Allison McDonnell

Sections' May Calendar

Bring Your Own Lunch

May 6, 13, 27 (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

May 7 (Thursday) at 6:30 at Chido's Tex Mex-Grill (931 Ellsworth Drive, Silver Spring). Optional Happy Hour at 5:45 at the bar. Contact: Ellen Lafferty at elafferty20901@gmail.com.

Everything Art/Wood Burning Cheeseboard Workshop

May 13 (Wednesday) from 6 to 8 pm in the Art Room. Make lovely cheeseboards by applying torch paste over a stencil and using a heat gun to burn the image into the wood. Maximum 15 participants, materials fee \$10, payable at the workshop or via venmo to @beanne-rothenberg. To register, please click on the link below:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040E45ACA829ABF58-63306433-wood>

Contact: Beanne at beannerothenberg@gmail.com or Laura Long at lauralong221@gmail.com

French Conversation

May 13 & 27 (Wednesdays) from 1:30 to 3pm in the South Wing. Contact Dana Lane at dana.lane27@yahoo.com or Katherine Rigolage at krigolage@gmail.com

Game Day

May 15 (Friday) from 10 to 12pm in the Library. Contact: s Sanford at betsanford@verizon.net and Pat Gross at patgrosso207@gmail.com

Garden Section

May 7 (Thursday) at 10am in the South Wing. Member Janette Woods will demonstrate aspects of orchid care. Come and lesrn how to keep that beautiful orchid thriving and blooming. Contact: Maryalice Stetler-Stevenson at maryalice.stetlersetevenson@gmail.com

Happy Hour/Pot Luck Dinner

May 29 (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

May 11 (Monday) at 12 pm in the South Wing – Discussion of *Great Decisions 2026* Chapter 2, “Trump Tariffs in Historical Perspectives” led by Janet Greiner. Lunch BYO. Contact: Adrienne Allison at adrienneaallison@gmail.com.

Literature Section

May 14 (Thursday) at noon in the Auditorium. Annual Fundraiser and Luncheon (open to the public). The featured speaker will be New York Times bestselling author Lynne Olson, who will discuss her 2023 book, “*Empress of the Nile: The Daredevil Archeologist Who Saved Egypt's Ancient Temples from Destruction*”. Tickets are \$30 each and proceeds will support the Glen Echo Partnership for Arts and Culture and the Woman's Club of Chevy Chase Scholarship Fund.

Details and tickets here: <https://wcccmaryland.org/literature-luncheon>

Contact: Henri Keller at hlkeller4501@verizon.net or Maryanne Courtney at mcourtney3355@gmail.com

Mah Jongg Drop-In Open Play

May 4, 11, 18, 25 (Memorial Day) (Mondays) from 2 to 4pm

May 5, 12, 19, 26 (Tuesdays) from 4:30 to 6:30pm

May 27 (4th Wednesday) from 7 to 9pm

RSVP for table count to weekly email. Contact: Carol Wilburn at cbwilburn2@gmail.com

Music Section

May 21 (Thursday) - End of year luncheon at Columbia Country Club. Details coming soon. The singers from City Choir will be returning to entertain us after lunch.

May 29 (Friday), noon in the Auditorium - Final Friday Morning Music Club concert of the season followed with reception. Free entry.

Anyone wishing to contribute to the WCCC Music Scholarship Fund at Montgomery College can leave a check in the Music Section box in the office. If you want to take a tax deduction, you can make the check out to Montgomery College Foundation. Contact: Kathy Flaxman at kmflaxman@speakeasy.net

Night Owls Beginner Bridge

May 11 & 25 (Mondays) at 7pm in the South Wing. Contact: Victoria van Roden at vlvr141@gmail.com

Sections' May Calendar (continued)

TGIF Bridge

May 8 & 22 (Fridays) from 10am to 2pm in the South Wing. Contact: Mary Bahrs at mjbahrs41@gmail.com

Threads

May 7 (Thursday) from 10:30am to 12pm at the Chevy Chase Library in the basement meeting room.

May 14, 21, 28 (Thursdays) from 10:30am to 12pm in the South Wing. Contact: Isabelle Babcock at isababcock@gmail.com

Wednesday Night Book Club

May 6 (Wednesday) at 7pm in the Library. Discussion of "Wedding People" by Allison Espach. Contact: April Kates at helloapril117@gmail.com

Yoga

May 4, 11, 15, 18 & 25 (Memorial Day) (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

May Volunteering Calendar

Drop-Off Bag Lunches for Shepherd's Table

May 18 (Monday) by 1pm at the Club.

A<https://www.shepherdstable.org>

Contact: Janine Farhat at janinegs@hotmail.com

Greater DC Diaper Bank Donation Drive

May 31 (Sunday) - LAST DAY of the drive.

Red Cross Blood Drive

May 27 (Wednesday) from 10 am to 4 pm in the Auditorium.

To donate blood, schedule an appointment at www.redcrossblood.org (sponsor ID WCCC) or 1-800-733-2767. Call ARC (1-800-236-3276) about eligibility. **There is always an urgent need for blood.**

Reception Volunteers needed to assist arriving donors. For May, we could still use an afternoon (1:30-3:30pm) volunteer, and all other slots - morning (9:50-11:50am), midday (11:40am-1:40pm) and afternoon (1:30-3:30pm) - are available for our summer blood drives (June 24, July 22, August 26, September 23). Contact: Andrea Sherman at andrea.l.sherman@gmail.com or call at 301-300-0316.

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PAYMENT DEADLINE: MAY 31, 2026

**A \$25 REINSTATEMENT FEE WILL BE ADDED TO THE DUES FOR
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NOTE: a \$50 payment means you are NOT eligible to participate in Club activities or events

If you have any questions about membership dues, please contact either Dues Chair, Cora Ingram, (301) 806-6326, cora@harryandcora.com, or Membership Chair, Gloria Crowley, glowormtwo@gmail.com.

Woman's Club of Chevy Chase
ATTN: Cora Ingram, Dues Chair
7931 Connecticut Ave.
Chevy Chase MD 20815-5922

Name: _____

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