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THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE FORT WOOD COMMUNITY SPOUSES' CLUB

WHEN COMMUNITY MEANS FAMILY: A NEW YEAR WITH FWCSC

Welcome to a brand new year with the Fort Wood Community Spouses' Club! Whether you're new to the area or have called Fort Leonard Wood home for years, FWCSC is here to help you build meaningful connections, grow through service, and have a whole lot of fun along the way.

Our mission is rooted in friendship, philanthropy, and personal growth. We proudly serve military-affiliated spouses across all branches, as well as retirees and community supporters. From awarding scholarships and supporting local organizations, to hosting unforgettable social events and volunteer opportunities, everything we do reflects our motto: *When Community Means Family*.

This year, we're excited to bring you monthly mixers, sub-clubs like bunco, book club, cooking club, game night club (and more), day trips, service projects, and plenty of chances to give back and get involved. Want to make an even bigger impact? Ask us about joining our Board of Governors—we're always looking for passionate members ready to lead.

We're so glad you're here. Let's make this year one to remember—
together!



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THE PRESIDENT'S PEN

Thoughts From Our Fearless Leader



Dear Lovely Members of the FWCSC,

The moment we've all been waiting for is finally here – the 2025–2026 FWCSC year is officially kicking off!

I think I speak for the entire Board when I say: we are more than excited to begin this new chapter with you. Since June 1st, we've been planning, organizing, brainstorming – all with one goal in mind: to create a meaningful, inclusive, and fun experience for you – our wonderful community.

And now it begins!

Get ready for a year full of excitement, connection, and unforgettable moments! Our monthly General Membership Mixers are back and better than ever. Thanks to our incredible Programs Chair Evan, you can look forward to thoughtfully planned events in the coming months that are sure to bring our community even closer together.

Of course, some of our all-time favorites will return – including the beloved Lebanon Caravan, the high-energy Rolla Caravan, our annual Holiday Craft Fair on December 6th, and the always-anticipated Basket Auction. These yearly highlights are just the beginning!

We're also introducing new opportunities to connect and have fun – and our wonderful Activities Chair, Adria, already has a full calendar of ideas in the works. Like Evan, she's planning with heart and creativity, and she'd love to welcome you at one of these upcoming activities or clubs – whether you're a returning member or brand new to the FWCSC community!

Look forward to fun new additions like the upcoming Cooking Club, and the return of favorites like the Book Club, Bunco Club, Outdoor Adventures & Sports Club, and many more. Plus, you can expect casual weekly meetups throughout the year – think pop-up tea parties in the park, spontaneous get-togethers, and other mini-events designed to keep us connected and thriving.

We're especially proud to introduce our Hearts in Action program – an initiative dedicated to supporting families within our community who may be going through a difficult time. Because let's face it: life throws challenges at all of us now and then, and it means the world to know someone cares.

If you ever want to learn more about how this program works or how you can get involved – don't hesitate to reach out to me or any other Board Member. We're here for you.

We're also still looking to fill a few Board positions, and we'd love to have your energy and ideas on board. If you're a natural planner, a creative thinker, or just someone who loves bringing people together – reach out! Whether you're passionate about community outreach, fundraising for scholarships and grants, or have an idea for a brand-new Sub-Club, we're always open to fresh inspiration. Great ideas are always welcome at FWCSC!

Stay curious and stay tuned!

With excitement and gratitude,

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Meet Your 2025-2026 Board of Governors



Rokšana Mass
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Jaira Jenkins
Vice President



Genesis Roberts
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Candice Cartwright
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Meet Your 2025-2026 Board of Governors



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Advisor



Evan Heacock
Programs Chair



Adria Tite
Activities Chair



Samantha Mans
Vendor Relations Chair



Stella Kammer
Ways & Means Chair

Open Positions



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Community Engagement



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Craft Fair Chair



Your Picture Here
Basket Auction Chair



FIND YOUR PEOPLE

JOIN A SUB-CLUB THIS YEAR!

One of the best things about being part of the Fort Wood Community Spouses' Club is finding your circle—and sub-clubs are where those circles start to grow. Whether you're looking to meet new friends, explore a hobby, or just have some fun outside of your routine, FWCSC sub-clubs offer something for everyone.

These groups are led by fellow members and are built around shared interests, activities, and good times. You don't have to be an expert, and you don't have to commit to every single meet-up. Just show up when you can, be yourself, and enjoy connecting with others who "get it."

Here's a peek at some of the exciting sub-clubs we are offering this year:

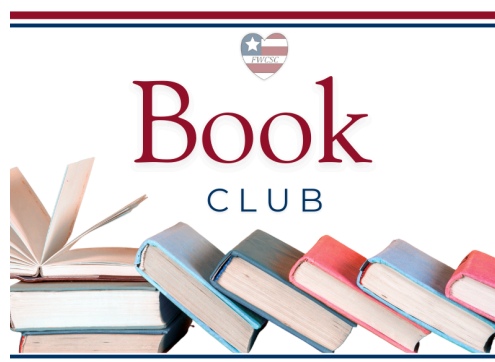
JOIN A SUB-CLUB

Our Sub-Clubs are open to all
FWCSC members



**Contact our Activities Chair for
more information**

activitiesfwcsc@gmail.com



BOOK CLUB UPDATE

Love to read and chat about great stories? The Book Club is a welcoming space for book lovers of all kinds. All genres, all opinions, and all readers are welcome!

We are looking for someone to lead this group. Is it you?

SUB-CLUB LEADER: **POSITION OPEN**



BUNCO CLUB UPDATE

Bunco is easy to learn and all about having fun. Join us for monthly game nights filled with dice, prizes, and great company!

The Bunco Club meets the 1st Friday of the month from 7:00–9:00 at the USO on Fort Leonard Wood.

SUB-CLUB LEADER: CANDICE CARTWRIGHT



Cooking

CLUB



COOKING CLUB UPDATE

Whether you're a seasoned home chef or just starting out, this club is all about connection through food. We are here to stir up friendship one bite at a time!

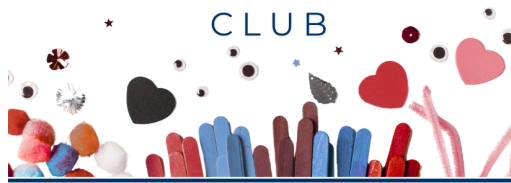
The Cooking Club meets the 1st Wednesday of the month from 6:00–8:30. Location TBD.

SUB-CLUB LEADER: ROKSANA MASS



Craft

CLUB



CRAFT CLUB UPDATE

Calling all makers, creators, and DIY enthusiasts! The Craft Club is your space to get inspired, try new projects, and connect with others who love to create.

The Craft Club plans to meet the 3rd Tuesday each month from 6:00–8:30 PM. Location TBD.

SUB-CLUB LEADER: CAREY KILLEA



Game Night

CLUB



GAME NIGHT CLUB UPDATE

The Game Night Club is all about fun, laughter, and a little friendly competition. From classic board games to party games and card, there is something for everyone!

We are looking for someone to lead this group. Is it you?

SUB-CLUB LEADER: **POSITION OPEN**



Gardening & Plant

CLUB



GARDENING & PLANT CLUB UPDATE

From houseplants to backyard gardens, this group is all about sharing tips, swapping plants, and connecting with fellow plant lovers.

We are looking for someone to lead this group. Is it you?

SUB-CLUB LEADER: **POSITION OPEN**



LUNCH BUNCH UPDATE

Good food, great conversation, and new friends—what could be better? The Lunch Bunch is a casual, come-as-you-are group that meets to explore local restaurants and enjoy a midday break together.

The Lunch Bunch meeting dates and locations are TBD.

SUB-CLUB LEADER: JUTTA RING PERSNELL



OUTDOOR ADVENTURES & SPORTS CLUB UPDATE

The Outdoor Adventures & Sports Club is all about fresh air, fun, and friendship. This group is for anyone who loves to stay active and connect with others.

The Outdoor Club will meet the 3rd Saturday of the month. Locations and times are TBD.

SUB-CLUB LEADER: JENNIFER HEARD



PARENT-CHILD ENRICHMENT CLUB UPDATE

Looking for fun, meaningful ways to connect with your little ones and other families? The FWCSC Parent-Child Enrichment Club is designed for parents who want to explore, learn, and grow alongside their children.

The Parent-Child Club meeting dates and locations are TBD.

SUB-CLUB LEADER: **POSITION OPEN**

DONT SEE A SUB-CLUB? START A NEW ONE!

Have a passion, hobby, or fun idea you'd love to share with others? You don't have to wait—start your own sub-club! All it takes is an FWCSC membership, a little initiative, and a love for bringing people together.

Reach out to our Activities Chair to learn how to get started. Let's build something fun—together!

August Mixer

SMALL BITES, BIG CONVERSATIONS!

There is nothing quite like the first mixer of the year—and Mix & Mingle is your invitation to jump in, connect, and start the FWCSC year off with great energy and even greater company!

This event is all about bringing people together. Whether you are a long-time member, brand new to Fort Leonard Wood, this is your chance to come see what makes this group so special.

We will be serving up delicious finger foods to keep the atmosphere relaxed and easy to enjoy. It's a come-as-you-are kind of evening where laughter is encouraged, and no one has to worry about cooking dinner. But the real highlight? Our fun and creative icebreakers that will help you meet new people and make connections that just might turn into lifelong friendships.

We believe that when you show up to an FWCSC event, you're not just attending, you're being welcomed into a community where you're valued, seen, and supported. It's all part of our motto: *When Community Means Family*.

We can't wait to see you there—let's make it a night to remember!

FWCSC August Mixer

MIX & MINGLE



New Beginnings &
New Friends

AUGUST 21ST
6:00 PM
USO ON FLW

Scan To RSVP



"Friendship is born at that moment when one person says to another, 'What! You too? I thought I was the only one.'"

— C.S. Lewis



We are excited to announce that our first “Sharing is Caring” community partner for the 2025–2026 FWCSC year is the **Waynesville/St. Robert Senior Center!**

As we begin a new year of connection and community, we are honored to support this incredible local organization that provides essential services, meals, and meaningful social engagement to seniors in our area. The Waynesville/St. Robert Senior Center is a vital part of our community, and we can’t wait to show them the warmth and generosity FWCSC is known for.

Check their wish list for items that they need. Donations can be dropped off at any of our monthly mixers—just look for the “Sharing is Caring” table!

And don’t forget: every donation you bring earns you a ticket toward our end-of-quarter prize drawing. It’s our way of saying thank you for helping us spread kindness and make a difference, one small act at a time.

Let’s start strong and show the Waynesville/St. Robert Senior Center that when community means family, we show up and share the love.



Waynesville/St. Robert Senior Center

Wish List

Here is a sample of things the Senior Center needs!

Bring items with you to the monthly mixer to earn tickets for the Sharing is Caring prize drawing at the end of the quarter!

- Food Prep Plastic Gloves
- Fine Point Sharpie Markers
- Avery Large Colored Perm Markers
- Paper Towels
- Dial Foaming Hand Soap Refills
- Ziploc Sandwich Bags
- Kleenex
- 8.5x11 Wall Mount Magnetic Sign Holders

**SCAN THE QR CODE
TO GO TO THEIR
AMAZON WISH LIST!**



“WHEN COMMUNITY MEANS FAMILY”

The FWCSC Board’s Pledge: Lead with Heart, Build with Purpose

This year, the Fort Wood Community Spouses’ Club is embracing new beginnings with fresh energy and a renewed sense of purpose. Guided by our motto, *When Community Means Family*, we are leading with our hearts—committed to building meaningful connections, supporting one another, and creating lasting impact both within our membership and throughout the wider community. We believe in the power and potential of this club, and we’re dedicated to making this our most impactful year yet.

WHY JOIN THE FORT WOOD COMMUNITY *Spouses’ Club*

Because military life is better when we do it together.



Friendship & Support

Meet fellow spouses who understand military life. From first PCS jitters to deployment blues, you are never alone.



Events & Socials

From themed monthly mixers to fun caravan day trips to neighboring cities, there is always something to look forward to!



Clubs Within the Club

Join sub-clubs like Book Club, Bunco, Lunch Bunch, and Craft Club—or start your own!



A Chance to Give Back

Help raise funds for scholarships and community grants while doing something fun and meaningful.



Personal Growth

Step into leadership, learn new skills, and grow your confidence by serving on committees or the board.



READY TO JOIN US?

Scan the Code Below!



UPCOMING EVENTS!



LEBANON CARAVAN

Get ready for our first caravan of the year! Join us on Monday, September 30th for a fun day trip to explore Lebanon, Missouri!

It is the perfect chance to connect with fellow members, discover hidden local gems, and enjoy a little adventure off post. More details will be shared soon, but mark your calendar now—this is one road trip you will not want to miss!



HOLIDAY CRAFT FAIR

Save the date for one of our favorite events of the year... FWCS Annual Holiday Craft Fair is happening on Friday, December 6th at Waynesville High School!

This festive event will feature dozens of local vendors, handmade gifts, seasonal treats, and holiday cheer for the whole family. It is the perfect way to kick off the season and support our community. More details are coming soon, so stay tuned and spread the word!

STAY TUNED FOR MORE INFORMATION!



Save the Dates!



August 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3	4	5	6	7	8	9 Super Sign-Up! 2:00-5:00 PM Stonegate Community Center
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21 August Mixer! "Mix & Mingle" 6:00 PM @ USO	22	23
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"August is a gentle reminder that change is just around the corner."