

# POSTSCRIPTS



THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE FORT WOOD COMMUNITY SPOUSES' CLUB

Grateful for Our Community and Excited for What is Ahead

## BIG IMPACT & BRIGHT FUTURE: MARCH IS IN FULL SWING

WOW! Our Basket Auction was an incredible success, and it's all because of you - our members, sponsors, donors, volunteers, and guests. From the energy in the room to the generosity shown throughout the evening, it was a true reflection of what makes FWCSC so special. Because of this community's support, we are able to continue funding meaningful grants and scholarships that directly impact families right here at Fort Leonard Wood.



Be sure to check inside this issue for event highlights, photos, and a closer look at the impact we're making together.

And while we are celebrating, March isn't slowing down!

Executive Board nominations are now open for the 2026-2027 membership year. With several board members moving on to new adventures, this is an exciting opportunity for fresh faces and new ideas to help lead the club forward.

We also have our club-sponsored Blood Drive on the 13th, it is a simple but powerful way to give back. Also, applications for Grants and Scholarships close on the 16th. Please help spread the word and encourage anyone eligible to apply before the deadline.

Thank you for being the heart of this club. Let's keep the momentum going!

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## EXECUTIVE BOARD

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## NOMINATIONS ARE NOW OPEN!

Check your email for the link to start making your nominations for the Executive Board for the 2026-2027 Membership Year!

You can even nominate yourself!



STAYED TUNED FOR SUB-CLUB UPDATES!



# THE PRESIDENT'S PEN

Thoughts From Our Fearless Leader



Dear beloved Members

Oh. My. Goodness.

What an event our Basket Auction was. We are still completely blown away. Honestly, it still feels a little surreal, and some of us are probably still dreaming about it. I personally even became the proud owner of an inflatable two-person kayak and far too many bottles of whiskey... but that is a story for another day.

All jokes aside, we truly rocked it together.

From the bottom of our hearts, thank you to everyone who made this event possible. To our incredible volunteers who worked behind the scenes, to our generous sponsors who supported our mission, and to every single member who showed up, participated, donated, and helped create such an unforgettable evening. Events like this only happen because of a community like ours.

Now that the excitement is slowly settling, it is hard to believe that we have already arrived in March. That also means the current board's term is gradually coming to an end, including my time as President.

Nominations for the upcoming board are officially open and already in full swing. We have already received several nominations that truly warmed our hearts.

But we know there are many more amazing people in this community.

If you have someone in mind who you think would be a great fit for one of the board positions, or if you believe they are already doing an outstanding job and should continue serving, please take a moment to submit a nomination. Simply head over to our page and send in your nomination.

Elections will follow later in April, so stay tuned for more details.

And of course, we are also looking forward to spending more time together as a community. A wonderful Mixer is already on the horizon, and we cannot wait to see many of you there.

Make sure to keep an eye on our Facebook page, where we will continue to share updates, announcements, and upcoming events.

For now, we will just say it one more time:

Wow. Just wow. Thank you all for making this community so special.

*Roksana Mass*  
FWCSC President



# A ROARING Good Time at the Speakeasy & Auction!







# Thank You

Thank you for making our Roaring Hearts Speakeasy & Basket Auction the bee’s knees!

None of this would be possible without our dedicated members, volunteers, donors, and sponsors!

## STAY TUNED...

We are busy behind the scenes tallying up the numbers and will let you know soon how much was raised for our community grants and scholarship program from the Basket Auction!

## GIVING BACK IS THE HEART OF FWCS

Giving back is at the heart of everything we do at FWCS. Through our fundraising efforts, volunteer work, and community partnerships, we strive to support the Fort Leonard Wood community and the families who call it home.

Every event, initiative, and act of service helps strengthen the connections that make our community so special. By coming together to give back, we not only make a meaningful impact today, but also help build a more supportive and connected community for the future.



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We could not have done this without you!

# SUMMARY OF EXECUTIVE BOARD POSITIONS

## **PRESIDENT:**

Sets the tone and carries the vision of the Club, guiding our leadership team and ensuring our mission stays strong, steady, and heart-centered.



## **FIRST VICE PRESIDENT (1VP):**

Shapes the experience of our gatherings, creating welcoming, meaningful meetings where connection and community come to life.

## **SECOND VICE PRESIDENT (2VP):**

Leads our service and fundraising efforts, turning compassion into action and ensuring our impact reaches the families who need it most.

## **ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER:**

Keeps our Club aligned and organized by preserving our records, documenting decisions, and protecting the continuity that keeps us moving forward.

## **FINANCIAL OFFICER:**

Safeguards our resources with integrity and care, ensuring every dollar raised supports our mission responsibly and transparently.



## **TK's PIZZA**

Craving something cheesy, saucy, and downright irresistible? Be sure to stop by TK's Pizza — a local favorite serving up big flavor, friendly vibes, and the kind of slices that keep you coming back for just one more.



## **REMINDER:**

**NOMINATIONS CLOSE ON  
MARCH 14<sup>th</sup> at 11:59 PM**

Scan the QR Code to nominate someone (or yourself) that you feel is a good fit for one of the Executive Board positions.



## **ROCKY TOP KENNEL**

"Your Pet's Home Away From Home"

Jessica and Mike Shempert

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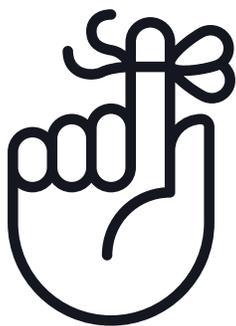
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## Grants & Scholarships

### APPLICATIONS CLOSE ON MARCH 15<sup>TH</sup>



Applications for FWCS Grants and Scholarships close on March 15th — and the deadline will be here before we know it! If you or someone you know may be eligible, now is the time to apply.

Please help us spread the word by sharing this opportunity with friends, neighbors, and military-connected families who could benefit. Don't wait — submit applications ASAP and make sure no one misses out!



### SCAN THE QR CODE TO APPLY

Community Grants



High School Senior Scholarships



Military Spouse/Dependent Scholarships



## Sign Up to Give Blood at the FWCS Blood Drive

Help us reach our goal of 21 donors at our upcoming blood drive on March 13th from 10:00 AM–2:00 PM at Stone Gate Community Center.

Giving blood is a simple way to save lives, and in March successful donors will receive free A1C testing (one result per calendar year) plus a \$15 Amazon gift card by email when you donate between March 1–31. Sign up, show up, and help us make a meaningful impact together.

Scan the QR Code to Make Your Appointment



In the **10 minutes** it takes to order your favorite coffee,

**300 units of blood** may be transfused to patients.

American Red Cross

# OUR FEBRUARY MIXER WAS SWEET!



## Galentines Day



**One & Done!**

**March Membership Mixer**  
*The Outfit You'll Never Wear Again Mixer*

**Thursday, March 26th**  
**6:00 - 8:00 PM**  
**@ the USO on FLW**

Before it goes to Goodwill...  
Before it lives forever in a garment bag of regret...  
Give. It. One. Last. Night.

**Grab your friends.**  
**Dig deep in that closet.**  
**We'll see you in the outfit.**

*Make sure to RSVP to Reserve Your Spot!*

\*THIS IS A NON-FEDERAL ENTITY. IT IS NOT A PART OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE OR ANY OF ITS COMPONENTS AND IT HAS NO GOVERNMENT STATUS.\*

*“Walking with a friends in the darkness is better than walking alone in the light.”*

*~Helen Keller*

*“Love has to be put into action and that action is service.”*

*– Mother Teresa*

*Our New Partner*



**SNACK IN A PACK**

*Feeding the Hungry to Grow Minds*

We are excited to welcome Snack in a Pack as our Sharing Is Caring partner for the next few months. This vital program provides weekend food packs to local children who rely on school meals during the week, helping ensure they have nutritious snacks when school is not in session.

You can help make a real difference by donating items or funds to support this program. Every contribution helps fill a pack, ease hunger, and show kids in our community that they are cared for. Let’s come together and support this incredible mission!



**Snack in a Pack**

*Wish List*

**CURRENT NEEDS:**

- Plastic Grocery Bags
- Ramen Noodles
- Mac & Cheese Bowls
- Cereal Bars
- Oatmeal Packs
- Applesauce Cups
- Peanut Butter
- Jelly
- Poptarts
- Individually Packed Snacks

**Key Guidelines for Donating:**

- Prioritize non-perishables.
- Ensure items are individually packaged.
- Avoid items that require a can opener.
- Check expiration dates and only donate in-date food.



Happy Birthday

### March Birthdays

- Sandra Kerfoot
- Gabrielle Bush
- Isabelle Fetterman
- Marsha Owens
- Genesis Roberts
- Letitia Scott

## COMMUNITY CORNER

March brings fresh momentum, new opportunities, and the perfect reminder that our strength as a community comes from showing up for one another. As we head into a busy and meaningful season for the Club, there are so many ways to step in, plug in, and make an impact.

From supporting events and service projects to lending your time behind the scenes, every act of volunteering helps move our mission forward. The work we do together, especially as we prepare for grant and scholarship season, truly changes lives within our Fort Leonard Wood community.

This month, we encourage you to get involved in a way that feels right for you. Try something new. Invite a friend. Say yes to an opportunity that stretches you just a little.

When we serve together, we grow together. Let’s keep building a stronger, more connected community - one meaningful moment at a time.

### Snack in a Pack (SIAP)



Pick Educational Center

**SNACK IN A PACK**  
*Feeding the Hungry to Grow Minds*

*\*All volunteers must have a current background check on file with AmeriCorps (also located at Pick). For more information, please email: [Hospitalitychairfwcsc@gmail.com](mailto:Hospitalitychairfwcsc@gmail.com)*

### ASYMCA FOOD PANTRY



**Fort Wood**  
MARKETPLACE

Go here to get started:  
<https://fortleonardwood.asymca.org/how-to-help/volunteer/>

## Local Veteran Owned Business Spotlight:

# Art Landis & Patriot Pens Plus



**PATRIOT PENS**  
— PLUS —



Patriot Pens Plus is a local vendor that handmakes keepsakes and purpose-built items at his homebased hobby shop in St. Robert, MO. Patriot Pens Plus was established in 2024 by US Army Veteran Art Landis. Art served on active duty for 21 years then went to work for the Army as a civilian employee for another 21 years. When he retired, Art started tinkering around in his shop making a few pens for friends and family. Art really enjoyed making pens and branched out into making many different types of items. As his crafts began piling up in his garage, he realized that his retirement hobby had become an obsession so the need to sell to the public was a way to keep creating new items. Patriot Pens Plus is a proud donor to the FWCS as well as several other veterans and local charitable organizations.

The equipment at the Patriot Pens Plus workshop is centered around a wood lathe used to spin blanks while chiseling, shaping, sanding and polishing. To create blanks as the basic starting point for lathe work, Art uses a variety of power tools including bandsaw, table saw, drill press, planer, and belt sander. As the hobby grows and new processes are learned, Art is constantly improving his equipment and shop setup.

Although most of the hand-crafted items made at Patriot Pens Plus are pens and pencils, Art also likes to make many different things. You never know what new treasures you will find at his display. Many of the items are made from exotic hardwoods but he also creates collectable pieces using deer antler, acrylic, resin, simulated stone and even uses buffalo horn on certain things. He especially enjoys collaborating with customers to create custom and unique pieces made to agreed on specifications. Here’s a list of just a few of his specialties: crochet hooks, bowls, hand tools, pepper grinders, toys, candle holders. Art tells people: “My superpower is transforming rectangles and squares into cylinders and circles. If it’s round or has a handle on it, I can probably make it.”

If you don’t want to wait for the next FWCS event, look for the red white and blue canopy over the Patriot Pens Plus display at the Pulaski County Farmers Market every Saturday morning from March through November. Find Patriot Pens Plus on Facebook or email [monza66mo@gmail.com](mailto:monza66mo@gmail.com) for more information.



Local Veteran Owned Business Spotlight:

# SCORE – A Local FWCS Favorite



We are excited to shine a spotlight on Score (formerly Bogeys & Beers) – a newly rebranded local gem right here in Saint Robert! Owned by Steve Clymer, a veteran who opened the venue in April 2024, Score was created to provide a community-focused, family-friendly indoor golf and entertainment space where people can gather, connect, and have fun.



Score features interactive simulator experiences with indoor golf and a variety of other sports, making it the perfect spot for friendly competition, casual outings, and memorable nights with friends and family. Whether you're an avid golfer or just looking to try something new, the welcoming atmosphere makes everyone feel right at home.

It is also a fantastic venue to rent for birthdays, graduations, retirement celebrations, and other special events. The flexible space allows you to customize your gathering to fit your needs. While food is not served on-site, guests are welcome to bring their own to make the celebration uniquely theirs.



We are especially grateful for Steve's support of FWCS and his continued investment in our community. Supporting local, veteran-owned businesses like Score helps strengthen the partnerships that make our club and philanthropic efforts possible.



Next time you're planning a night out, or your next big celebration, consider checking out Score. Let's show our appreciation by supporting a business that proudly supports our community!





**ED MORSE  
FORD**

SAINT ROBERT



You might just stumble upon a leprechaun's hidden treasure on our lot... a vehicle just for you! With our lineup of dependable new and used vehicles you will feel just as if you found a **pot of gold!** At Ed Morse Ford St. Robert, we love any excuse to celebrate – and St. Patrick's Day is the perfect one to add a little extra green to the season.



So throw on your favorite festive gear and swing by Ed Morse Ford St. Robert to check out our selection, enjoy the St. Paddy's Day spirit, and see which vehicle might be your lucky find.



# REGISTER NOW FOR THE CARAVAN!

## ROLLA CARAVAN - APRIL 8TH



The Spring Caravan everyone has been waiting for next month on Wednesday, April 8th

Sign-ups are now open - reserve your space on the bus here:



Help us fill the bus! This is a community-wide event. All are welcome, so you do not have to be a member to participate.

Grab a friend or two and join us for a fun filled day in Rolla!



*join us!*



# Explore

ROLLA CARAVAN

APRIL 8

- 8:45 AM | Load Bus at Price Chopper, Waynesville
- 9:00 AM | Depart for Rolla
- 9:30 AM | Welcome at Fresh Milled Family Bakery & The Breakthrough – Coffee & pastries
- 10:15 AM | Downtown Shopping – Discounts at participating businesses
- 11:30 AM | Vendor Fair at Public House – Get the inside scoop on local attractions & activities
- 12:00 PM | Lunch at Public House – Free lunch to all attending & door prize drawing
- 1:00 PM | Ole Mule Axes and Fun – dessert & more prizes
- 2:00 PM | Depart Rolla and Head back to Waynesville
- 2:30 PM | Arrive back in Waynesville



Free Transportation! Limited Spots Available!

# Outside the Gate: Fun Things to Do in the Surrounding Area



**STARK'S SPEAKEASY**

APRIL 25 🌸 6:30-9 PM

SELF-GUIDED TOUR • WINE • DINNER

★ LIVE MUSIC ★

Tickets at  
★ [starkcaverns.com/buy-tickets](http://starkcaverns.com/buy-tickets) ★

Step back in time and experience a true piece of Prohibition history at Stark Caverns' Speakeasy event on April 26. In the 1920s, the caverns themselves served as a hidden speakeasy, and you can still see the dam built by moonshiners during that era. Talk about authentic atmosphere.

This unique event blends history, adventure, and a touch of Roaring 20s intrigue, making it a perfect outing for a date night or an evening with friends. If you love local history with a little flair, this is one experience you will not want to miss.



**COTTON TAIL MARKET**

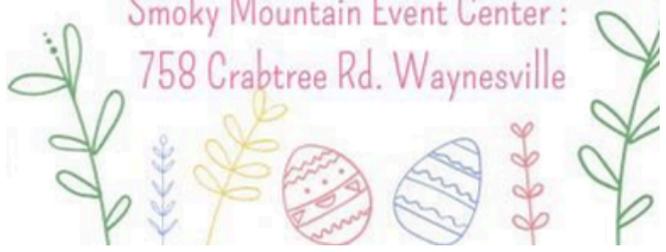
MARCH 28 : 9AM-3PM

Hosted by TSL Markets, LLC, The Southern Loft Inc.

**\$5 ENTRY - 12 & Under FREE**

**FREE PARKING**

Smoky Mountain Event Center :  
758 Crabtree Rd. Waynesville



**Seeger**  
Toyota of St. Robert  
[www.seegertoyota.net](http://www.seegertoyota.net)  
**573-336-7111**

# Save the Dates!



# March 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13 FWCS & RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE 10:00-2:00 PM Stonegate Community Center	14 <b>Nominations Close 11:59 PM</b>
15	16 <b>GRANTS &amp; SCHOLARSHIPS APPLICATION DEADLINE</b>	17 Snack in a Pack 10:00-11:00 AM @ Pick Ed. Center	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26 <b>Monthly Member Meeting &amp; Mixer 6:00-8:00 PM</b>	27	28
29	30	31	1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11