



May 2022

(last newsletter of the year)



Celebrate Community!



May 11th Luncheon

Heathrow Country Club @ 11 a.m.



Menu for May Luncheon

Mixed Greens & Romaine, Assorted Toppings

Balsamic & Ranch Dressings

Rolls & Butter

Grilled Salmon with Dill Champagne Sauce - Gluten Free

Marinated Sliced Sirloin with Red Wine Demi – Gluten Free

Dauphinoise Potatoes

Green Beans

Cheesecake with Strawberry Puree Topping & Whipped Cream



Interim President's **Message**

Linda Cornell



How does May come so quickly? The year has flown by. It seems like only yesterday we were trying on new dresses at our Fashion Show in September! Everybody loved the Schuhplattler dancers in authentic German costumes for our Oktoberfest celebration. For our Cup of Christmas Tea in December, the tables were decorated so beautifully

many people were afraid to sit, and Mary Flynn brought a tear to many an eye with her reading of the beautiful story. In February we tasted some yummy chocolate and in March it was hard to keep our feet still while Declan Magennis mesmerized us with his Irish step dancing. Flamingo Bingo was just so much fun it should have been illegal, and here we are at the end of another year. Although we won't meet again until next September, your board is already making plans for next year.

In May we are celebrating community. But what is community? A group of people living in the same place? A feeling of fellowship with others? First and foremost, community is not a place, a building, or an organization. Community is both a feeling and a set of relationships. Members of a community have a sense of trust, belonging, safety, and caring for each other. That is what we have in Central Florida Spokes. We have a collective sense that we can, as part of this community, influence our environments and each other.

The Spokes community each year chooses three charities to support. Our charities this year are Matthew's Hope, IDignity and Journey's End. A representative from each of our chosen charities will be at the May luncheon and will speak to us about their charity. We also will host Katherine Brown from Seniors First who will tell us about all they do. This is how we at Central Florida Spokes have chosen to influence our community. Each of these charities, with our help, make our larger community a better place to live.

Finally, it has been my honor to serve as your interim president this year. Thank you for the marvelous support I have received this year from each of you. A huge thank you also to the incredible group of ladies who were your board this year. Mary Flynn, Sue Leidner, Cyd Law, Joanne Simmons, Bobbie Boggs, Brenda Oakley, Marcela Mojica, Sonia Beltran, Sandy Bove, Annie Sanders, Judy Zellers, Betty Smith and Bonnie Lachowicz. I couldn't have done it without you. I'm leaving you in the excellent hands of your new president, Sue Leidner. Together, with all of you, I'm looking forward to another fabulous year for Central Florida Spokes.

[Click here to RSVP for May Luncheon \\$26 at the door](#)



Spokes Executive Board 2022-2023

The following members have been nominated for the Spokes Executive Board for the coming year:

President ~ Sue Leidner
1st Vice President/ Programs ~ Open
2nd Vice President/Hospitality ~ Brenda Oakley
Recording Secretary ~ Cyd Law
Treasurer ~ Marcela Mojica

This slate of officers will be installed at the May Luncheon.

The following members have been appointed to
Standing Committee Chairs:

Activities ~ Brenda Dost
Community Involvement ~ Wendy Dorn
Historian ~ Sandy Bove
Luncheon Reservations ~ Sonia Beltran
Membership ~ Judy Zellers
Newsletter ~ Annie Sanders
Publicity ~ Sandra Bove





Spotlight Tribute to Linda Cornell

We would like to take this column to send our grateful thanks to **Linda Cornell, Interim President**. Linda has been a Spokes member for many years serving in many different positions. Whatever those positions were, she brought boundless energy, enthusiasm, and new ideas to benefit our organization while keeping us true to our mission. It was this commitment to the club that led her to take the Interim President's position for this year when Joanne Puleo moved, while training another to take over in 2022-2023. During our dark days of Covid lockdown, she fearlessly moved forward with safe but beneficial activities to keep us together and to have money to fund our charities. When other community groups failed, ours became stronger...such is Linda's determination and skill.

Linda was born and raised in Coral Gables, Florida and graduated from Florida State University. Linda married and moved to Maitland where she raised her two sons. She was a social worker for 40 years here in Central Florida and was an active community member during that time. As you might imagine, she has held leadership positions in most of those organizations and was active in her sons' lives. She and her husband, Saul, danced competitively for many years. Notice she has *Legs of a Dancer*. (!)

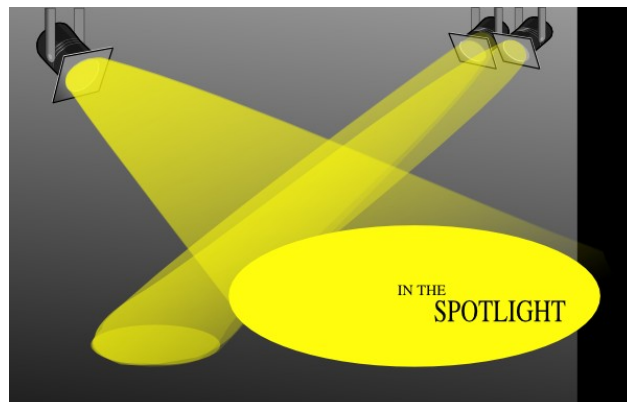
Linda is a reader and is very involved in Spokes Book Club (she read 100 books last year!!). She also plays bridge and attends most of the Casual Cooking and Dining In events. Linda spearheads our project sewing heart pillows for hospitals in the area. She always has ideas for excursions and events we all enjoy. Most of all, Linda is a traveler. She has been to so many countries and locations they would be impossible to list. Many of her travel buddies are other Spokes members and they always have stories to tell! Her love of all things British is obvious and she brings details to every tea, book discussion, or luncheon

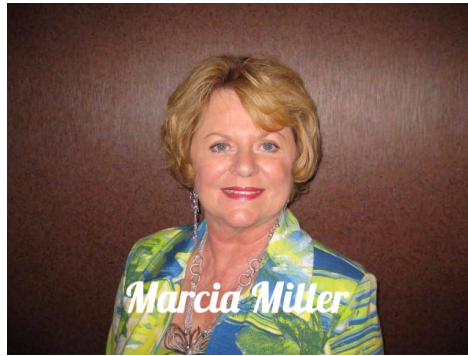
conversation. Never a dull moment when Linda is around! The wheels are always turning in her mind and churning out another great idea! (wheels...spokes...?)

So much more could be said about the person that she is, but one thing for sure: she will leave a wonderful legacy in Spokes as well as in all of her other endeavors. Linda is definitely one of a kind and all of us **dynamic women** are better because of knowing her. Thanks, Ms. President. Enjoy some time off.



Click [HERE](#) to update info for directory...Annie Sanders,
Newsletter Editor & Membership Directory





The **2nd May Spotlight** is our own **Marcia Miller**, a longtime active member of Spokes, who does a phenomenal job of coordinating *Casual Cooking* and *Out To Lunch Bunch*, and she also contributes her beautiful home to many Spokes activities.

Marcia lives in Maitland with her husband, Robert. Most of her relatives live in Oregon and Washington. Marcia moved to Central Florida from Ohio in 1971. She was introduced to Spokes by Dorothy Petticrew several years ago. In the early days, Marcia was in management with National Car Rental at the old and new airports.

In 1992 she became interested in ballroom dancing and fell in love with it. In 1997 she met Robert while she was at a dance at Winter Park Civic Center. They started taking lessons and soon started competing throughout the USA. They were married 12 years later and continued dancing at competitions for 18 years until health reasons interrupted their wonderful dance. Marcia has extensive knowledge of types of dances, music, shoes, gowns, make up, and postures, and just maybe she will share with you if you can pin her down long enough.

Marcia has been instrumental in keeping the spirit of Spokes alive. She has remained faithful to the mission of Spokes in connecting women to each other and the community, bringing in another new member just this week. We say many thanks to this lovely and gracious member.



Membership Coordinator

Judy Zellers

Membership Directory

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Jacqueline Butler
Shirley Gray
Holly Herrington
Suzanne Trimble



New member, **Glenda Bogan**,
in her Flamingo Bingo Finery

New member,
Marilyn Martin,
looking all cute & darling





CENTRAL FLORIDA SPOKES
NEW MEMBER APPLICATION and/or RENEWAL FORM

CHECK ONE: RENEWAL _____ NEW MEMBER _____

Last Name: _____ First name _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell: _____

E-Mail: _____

Birthday: _____ Interests, hobbies, talents _____

Spokes activities of most interest to you: _____

Sponsor's name: _____

Membership Dues: Membership year runs from June 1st through May 31st

\$25.00 if joining or renewing between June 1st through December 31st

\$12.50 if joining or renewing January 1st through April 30th

MAGNETIC NAME TAG IS AN ADDITIONAL \$8.00 YES _____ NO _____

Check# _____ Amount _____

Please make check payable to: Central Florida Spokes along with your application form

Central Florida Spokes
PO Box 915493
Longwood, FL 32791-5493
Attention: Membership

Signature _____ Date: _____

Your signature acknowledges that you are aware that Central Florida Spokes, Inc. does not provide insurance covering you or your guests while attending any event(s) promoted or sponsored by Central Florida Spokes and that your personal insurance, if any, is your sole remedy. In addition, by signing this application, you understand that you and your guests are personally responsible for any injury or harm while attending a Spokes event.

Central Florida Spokes is a 501(c)(7)(non-profit, social) corporation and registered with the State of Florida as a charitable organization.

Office use only: Check Received _____ Amount Paid _____

**Click [HERE](#) to download & print...Membership Renewal Form
due by June 30th**



Activities Coordinator

Bobbie Boggs



A big thank you to all the captains of our various activities. You've done a great job this year, and I appreciate your determination to bring your groups out of the Covid period into recovery. We really needed to see each other again, to play games again, and to laugh together again. If you are wanting a change of leadership next year, please look among your members for a new leader and let your new Activity Coordinator know who, when, and where. You have been awesome this year. Thank you.

FLAMINGOS FLYING INTO THE FUTURE

A big thank you to everyone that kept the flamingos flying this year. The flock will rest easy for a year knowing they did good work for our poor animals that are unadoptable, the people that desperately need identification, and those that are sick and are hoping for recovery. Thanks to all of you for participating and donating also. It took us two years to pull it off, but we did it as a community. Thanks to Sally Varney for storing everything all of that time. I hope you all enjoyed it and want to do it again.

Bobbie Boggs



Hand, Knee & Foot
Coordinator
&
Special Excursions



Chris Stouffer

Second Tuesday of the Month...

Duffy's Sport Bar
951 Market Promenade Ave.
Lake Mary 32746



Spokes Excursion on Thursday, May 19th



Please join us at 10:30 for a 75-minute tour of LunaSea Alpaca Farm in Clermont where you can feed and pet the alpacas and llamas. They will also take us in the nursery to interact with the babies! Lucy Lee and King Fowler also have a small farm store where they sell some of what they harvest and process each year. Lucy's passion is spinning the wondrous fiber they are given each shearing day by their delightful herd. They also have alpacas for sale at \$30,000 to \$40,000!! The admission is \$15/person plus the cost of lunch which will be at, once again, the Crooked Spoon. Those of us who went in February enjoyed it, so we can try other tasty food on the menu. The Fowlers would like a one-week advance notice so the deadline for reservations is Thursday, May 12th. Details will be worked out when I know how many are coming.

Thanks!

Chris Stouffer
407-333-1276, cstouffer@cfl.rr.com



Mah Jongg **Coordinator**

Wendy Dorn

National Mah Jongg League (with annual card)

Join us in the private dining room at the Sanford IHOP at I-4 (year round) on the 1st & 3rd Fridays MONTHLY from 11 a.m. to 2 (or longer). We purchase lunch as the room is free!

WE'LL TEACH BEGINNERS! Come join us for a fun time!

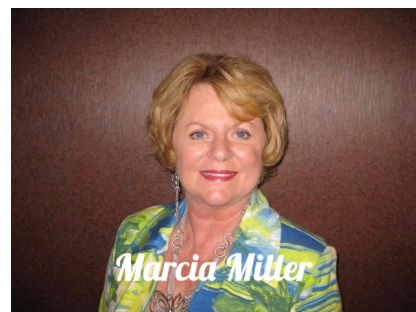
Contact Wendy Dorn at 407-463-2111 or click on the Email link below.



RSVP to Wendy for Mah Jongg [HERE](#)



Out to Lunch Bunch **& Casual Cooking** **Coordinator**



Marcia Miller

Casual Cooking

11:30 May 6th

Home of

Carol Baker

6205 Bordeaux Circle, Sanford

Co-hostess: Frances Nanus

RSVP to Carol at

813-610-1137

or email lorac@myrapidsys.com

14 Fortunate Ladies are able to attend



Out To Lunch Bunch (OTLB)

Wednesday, May 25th

TooJays, 515 SR 436W, Altamonte Springs

All OTLB meet at 12 noon

June 1 ~ **Seasons 52**, 463 SR 436W, Altamonte Springs

June 8 ~ **Outpost**, 111 S Orlando Ave., Maitland

June 15 ~ **Firebirds**, 1562 N Mills Ave., Orlando

June 22 ~ **Vineyard**, 1140 Sound Park Dr., Lake Mary

June 29 ~ **Bulla**, 110 S Orlando Ave., Winter Park

July 6 ~ **Bar Louis**, 460 Orlando Ave., Winter Park

July 13~ **Terra Mia**, 1150 Douglas Ave., Alt Spgs

July 20 ~ **Sixty Vines**, 110 S Orlando Ave., Winter Park

July 27 ~ **4th Street Grill**, 132 N 4th St., Lake Mary

August 3 ~ **Tibbys New Orleans Kitchen**, 494 W SR 436, Alt Spgs

August 10, **Bahama Breeze**, 499 E Altamonte Dr., Alt Spgs

August 17 ~ **Grills Seafood**, 4301 OBT (441), Orlando

August 24 ~ **Francesco's**, 400 S Orlando Ave., Maitland

August 31 ~ **Caffe Positano**, 3030 E Semoran Blvd., Apopka

Call Marcia to RSVP ~ 407-340-0776



Community Involvement Coordinator

Brenda Oakley

We will present our checks to our three charities at our May luncheon. Matthew's Hope, I-dignity, and Journey's End will all receive recognition for their work in our community. Come to hear all that they do to make Central Florida even better!



Shanghai Tuesday Coordinator

Rosemarie Soper

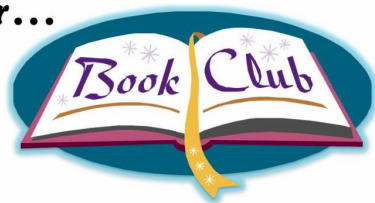
Every Tuesday, year-round play
10:45-3:30

GOLDEN CORAL

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*Book Club is
for...*



...you!



Book Club Coordinator

Dale Blass

***The Indomitable Florence Finch: The Untold
Story of a War Widow Turned Resistance Fighter
and Savior of American POWs***

By Robert J. Mrazek

You will enjoy the riveting story of an unsung World War II hero who saved countless American lives in the Philippines, told by an award-winning military historian. When Florence Finch died at the age of 101, few of her Ithaca, NY neighbors knew that this unassuming Filipina native was a Presidential Medal of Freedom recipient, whose courage and sacrifice were unsurpassed in the Pacific War against Japan. Long accustomed to keeping her secrets close in service of the Allies, she waited 50 years to reveal the story of those dramatic and harrowing days to her own children.

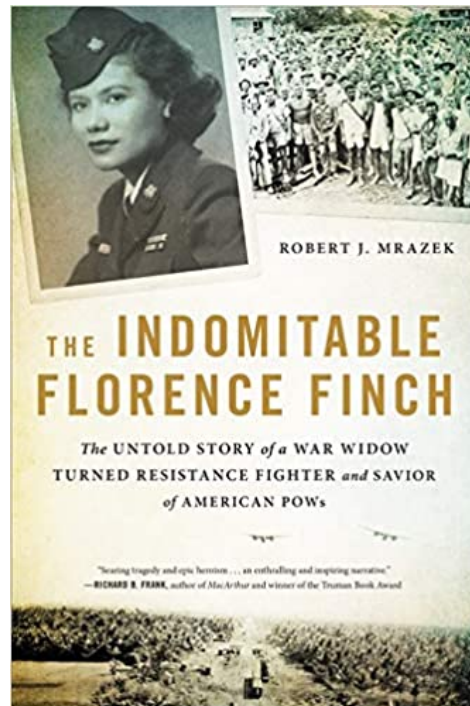
Join us:

10 a.m., May 25th

Linda Cornell's home
2525 Chinook Tr
Maitland 32751

407-628-3055 ~ Lindacornell8@gmail.com

Click [HERE](#) to RSVP to join Book Club Discussion



Find Your
Fabulosity

Put a bright smile on a victim of domestic violence by donating your new lipsticks. Women who come into a shelter often have nothing other than the clothes on her back, making her feel emotionally and physically insignificant. By looking at herself in the mirror, she will begin to see the beauty in her outer self which will help to transform her inner self-confidence.

Find Your Fabulosity appreciates your donations, which you can bring to any luncheon.

Sandy Bove
407-463-9437

Click [HERE](#) to arrange lipstick drop off with Sandy Bove



Correspondence Secretary

Bonnie Lachowicz

A big part of our social club is letting our members know how much we care!

If you know of a member coping with an illness, recovering from surgery, grieving a death, or needs encouragement?



Email Bonnie: [HERE](#)



Casual Cooking on April 1st





Flamingo Bingo Fun Pics

Bobbie Boggs is to be commended (and her husband Michael, who we saw continually whirling & spinning) on producing the April Flamingo Bingo! She said she needs a replacement for next year, but we cannot imagine that happening. Let's all collectively twist both her arms to even attempt to equal this event for next year, let alone top it!



Our very sophisticated & illustrious (??) Board Members
having just a grand time, all posing as a flamingo!









CFS Website: [HERE](#)



**Happy Birthday
to you in May!**

3 ~ Leigh Berghane
3 ~ Diane Turtle
4 ~ Mary Flynn
7 ~ Pat Feverston
7 ~ Dorothy Petticrew
12 ~ Pat McCarroll
13 ~ Sharon Prescott
15 ~ Jan Baril
19 ~ Janine Johnson
20 ~ Linda Dozier
23 ~ Lydia Gwynn
30 ~ Sandy Taylor



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