



Lake Barcroft

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Caring

Recently I watched helplessly as my husband suffered from the excruciating pain of sciatica, caused by a deteriorating disc in his back. Doctors and physical therapists did their best, and I tried to figure out what I could do. Serve him home-made chicken soup, of course. More importantly, I was able to

borrow some health care supplies from the Woman's Club health care closet, managed by Millie Schreiber.

Not everyone is aware of this particular service that the Woman's Club provides the community. To give it more publicity, I'd like to share with you some of the thank you letters that Millie has received:

I want to express my sincere gratitude for the loan of the wheelchair. It has gotten our family through the most trying time we've ever experienced. Being able to use the wheelchair was a comfort that I am so thankful for. My grandfather is still struggling - he went from living completely independently in December to frequent falls, brain surgery, then a hip operation last week. We are encouraged that he will recover, but at 97, it is a slow process. Millie, your generous spirit is much appreciated and will be forever remembered. The LBWC has done a good deed and continues to help the Lake Barcroft community.

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Membership Meeting

**Wednesday
February 19th**

**J.E.B. Stuart
High School**

10:30 a.m.
*(please note
change of time)*

**Tour of
J.E.B. Stuart
High School**

Meet in the theatre
*(please car pool
if possible)*



Visit a High School for the 21st Century

Our membership meeting on February 19, will be held at J.E.B. Stuart High School, 3301 Peace Valley Lane, which can be reached via Mansfield from Beachway or via Diamond from Patrick Henry.

We will begin with refreshments at 10:30 a.m. in the Little Theater (and polling place) at the east end of the parking lot. Fifteen parking spaces are being reserved for us in front of the Little Theater and Main Gym entrance (in addition to spaces for the handicapped), so it is important to car pool. Additional parking will be available on Peace Valley Lane for those who don't mind a short walk.

Principal Mel Riddile will talk with us about exciting developments at Stuart such as the upgrading of the physical plant, the International Baccalaureate program, rising academic achievement, and technology applications across the curriculum. Our meeting will end at 12:30 p.m. after student-led tours of the new library/media center and other renovated areas of the building. An elevator is available for those who are "stair-challenged."

No reservations are required so bring a spouse, a neighbor, or a potential member.

Morning Book Club



The group meets at 10:00 on Fridays, usually the last Friday of the month. This month they will meet on Friday, the 28th of February, at the home of Polly Robinson, 6366 Waterway Drive. *Beyond Belief* by Naipaul will be this month's selection.

The book for March is *Empire Falls* by Richard Russo, and the meeting will be at the home of Therese St. Hilaire. (The evening book club chose this book earlier this year. To borrow a copy please contact Shirley Timashev.)

April's selection is *The Power and the Glory*, by Graham Greene and the meeting will be at the home of Charlotte Robinson.

Please call Dorothy Werner (703-820-0545) or Alice Lowenthal (703-354-8749) for more information.

Evening Book Club



The evening book club will meet on Tuesday evening February 18th at 7:30 p.m.. Shirley Timashev, on 3306 Potterton Drive, will be the hostess. The book discussed will be *Fast Food Nation* by Eric Schlosser. The book club is open to everyone, so club members are encouraged to bring guests. They usually meet the 3rd Tuesday of the month.

For more information please call Polly Hardie (703-256-1916) or Suzanne Campen (703-671-1604.)



If you are missing a pair of gloves from the Tea at the Ritz please contact Mary Ann Lecos, 703-820-1124.

Welcome New Member

We are pleased to welcome a new member, Burma Klein of 6506 Lakeview Drive. 703-642-8745

Nominating Committee

Our nominating committee is hard at work looking for our Board for 2003-2004. Please say yes when they call. The committee is chaired by Sarah Pfeiffer. The members are Rozanne Schwarz, Tommie Hyde, and Past President Jane Legault.

Dues/New Members

Dues are half price now, only \$10 for the rest of the year. We have wonderful programs coming up, so encourage your friends and neighbors to join now!

Lake Barcroft Woman's Club Executive Board 2002 - 2003
Shirley Timashev, President

Sharlene Aukofer & Mary Anne Lecos, Co-First Vice Presidents
Victoria Fernandez & Debbie McManis, Co-Second Vice Presidents

Carol Tether, Recording Secretary
Betty Guy, Corresponding Secretary

Martha Bracken, Treasurer
Jane Legault, Past Co-President

Hostess Commitment

We are fortunate to have Naomi Totten as Chairman of the Hostess Committee.



Members will serve as hostesses for one of the monthly meetings during the Club year. Naomi will make assignments for each month. Your name will be published in the newsletter in advance of the meeting date and if you are not able to host the month of your assignment you must contact Naomi well in advance of the meeting. Her telephone number is 820-1446.

Hostesses for February

Co-Chair
 Christiane Patton

Hostesses
 Diane Roosma June Sanger
 Christine Trappnell Anne Walker
 Doris Ward

The Bunny is coming.
 Volunteer to help!



Caring *(continued from page 1)*

Here's a letter from last summer:

I want to thank you and the Women's Club for the wonderful service of providing medical equipment on a part time temporary basis to our Lake Barcroft neighbors. I was caring for a friend who had broken her leg a few weeks ago. For her to be able to get out of the house and be taken to Beach 1 (with its wheelchair accessibility) and to stroll outside certainly aided her recovering after being stuck moving from a chair to a bed for two weeks. It was wonderful to be able to provide her with some degree of mobility during a very frustrating time. Thanks.

Finally - for reasons I'll explain at the end - I give you this:

I want to let you know how very grateful I am for the loan of [equipment] for my mother's visit...I don't think I can tell you how much it meant to me and how grateful I am to live in a community that has worked to make us a real neighborhood, and I much appreciate your willingness to carry on the sick closet project.

I really hope that the Woman's Club will continue this wonderful community service.

This letter was written just weeks ago, with the knowledge that Millie Schreiber is relinquishing responsibility for the health closet as of May, when she is having renovation work done on her house. We are therefore in need of someone with some extra space in a basement room or the corner of an extra bedroom who could store our supplies. With the approval of the board of directors, Millie and I will be donating a number of items to an organization called Cross Link International, which will see to it that our extras go to good use.

If you would like to assist the community service of home health aids, please give me a call (703-820-1105). Thanks!

Shirley

Upcoming Meetings

Join us **March 19th** at 11:30 a.m. for a Korean lunch including soup, rice, all side dishes and tea. Along with the above, lunch includes 3 appetizers: deep fried battered shrimp and vegetables, vermicelli noodles, stir fried with beef vegetables in special sauce, and fried dumplings. There will also be two main barbecue dishes, chicken and beef that we barbecue on a grill at the table. All this for \$20 per person including tax and tip.

The speaker for this meeting will be Chip Connor from the Mason District Police Station, speaking to us about Women's Self Defense.

Send checks to Sharlene Aukofer, 6325 Beachway Dr. Falls Church VA 22044 703 820-4232 .

For **April 16th** we are planning to meet at Leigh Gonzales' house 6306 Crosswoods Circle. The meeting will be April 16th. at 10:30 a.m. Our speaker will be Provost Barbara Wyles from the Alexandria campus of Northern Virginia Community College and site of the new Schlesinger Center for the Arts.

Lake Barcroft Woman's Club February Calendar

| Date | Event | Contact | Place |
|---|---|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| February 18, 2003 Tuesday, 7:30 p.m. | Evening Book Club | Polly Hardie Suzanne Campen | Shirley Timashev 3306 Potterton |
| February 19 Wednesday, 10:30 a.m. | Membership Meeting Tour of High School | Mary Anne Lecos Sharlene Aukofer | J.E.B. Stuart High School |
| February 28, 2003 Friday, 10:00 a.m. | Morning Book Club | Dorothy Werner Alice Lowenthal | Polly Robinson 6366 Waterway Drive |



And the Winners Are!



Spring Fling

Support Our Charities
and
Earn An Opportunity to Win A Nice Thank You!

Buy as many chances as you like at \$5 each (6 for \$25)
for the following prizes, and more!

Cash Prize of \$200

Catered Spanish dinner for six (appetizers, comida, Spanish wine)

Spring gardening package: shade garden consultation; gift certificate for plants

Mary Kay gift certificate; Tyson's Corner gift certificates

Party barge ride with refreshments

Hostess gifts

Other prizes, to be announced

Tickets will be available at the February, March, and April meetings, or they can be ordered using the form below, mailing it to Weezie Chappell, 3517 Wentworth Drive, Falls Church, VA 22044. Prize drawings will be held on May 21, 2003 at the LBWC Spring Installation Luncheon. You need not be present to win.



Spring Fling

Please send me ____ tickets. Enclosed is a check for ____ payable to Lake Barcroft Woman's Club.

(your name & address)

