

 **WOW Newsletter 12/12** 

West Orange Women

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Barbara Aboushahba, Editor

Dear Ladies,

It's already December!! Our November luncheon at Orange Tree was delicious. Our speaker, Angela Withers from Nehrling Gardens was very informative. The centerpieces done by the craft group were a cheerful addition. Thank you crafters! Just a reminder the craft group is making centerpieces each month to brighten up our luncheons and we raffle them off with the 50/50 raffle for lucky lunch goers to take home. Our Christmas luncheon will be December 20, 2012 at Westerly's with a holiday musical program. Please plan to attend, it should be fun.

Start planning for our January luncheon; we will have the White Elephant Auction. Any new items that are at least \$ 15 in value that you want to share with someone else, may be wrapped prettily and we will auction it. This way someone else will enjoy your special item, we will have fun at the auction, the money will go to Matthew's Hope, and you will have eliminated one more treasure from your house. Please feel free to bring as many items as you want. The craft group has volunteered to wrap any of your goodies for you. Just call me. Everyone have a happy and blessed holiday season.

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Join us on **December 20th** for our meeting and luncheon at
Westerly's at MetroWest Golf Club

2100 South Hiawasse Rd, Orlando, FL 32835 407-297-0059

Begin arrival:11:00,meeting:11:30, lunch: noon

Entres': Grouper and Basmati Rice Pilaf OR Grilled SkirtSteak
and Smashed Red Potatoes

Sides: Garden Salad with Ranch Dressing, Seasonal Vegetable,
Rolls and Butter

Dessert: Chef's choice



Dottie Ansel



Noel McGuigan

PROGRAM: Holiday Music with **SKY**

ALL RESERVATION CHECKS MUST BE RECEIVED BY DOTTIE by FRIDAY, December 14th. Mail check made out to WOW for **\$25** and indicating steak or fish. Dottie Ansel, 11014 Belmere Isles Court , Windermere, FL 34786 407-258-8155. If you are having a birthday or bringing a guest, please write the information on a separate paper and mail with your check. We don't want to miss anyone.

NO CALLS BEFORE 10 a.m. or AFTER 8 P.M.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

NOVEMBER OUTREACH - Thank you to everyone that contributed to our November Outreach project - The Second Harvest Food Bank. We collected 82 pounds of food and \$152.00. At the beginning of the holiday season and now that it is getting cooler, this will help some of the many hungry persons in Orange County. We also collected Christmas cards signed by WOW members for our Service men and women.

The **Bazaar** final numbers are in! Mrs. Russel's Home is receiving our donation of \$4,156.16. Thank you to ALL that were involved to make the Bazaar a success. Because of the busy fall schedule in West Orange, we are going to try moving our bazaar to February when not nearly so much is going on. So you can look forward to February 23rd, 2013. Oh yeah, no cupcakes for the bake sale, please. For some reason they didn't sell at the last bazaar while whole cakes were hot items. Curious. More info to follow soon!!!!

Charity letters will be hitting your mailboxes in January. We hope to have a nice check to send to Matthews Hope to help the homeless men, women, and children who live in the woods of western Orange

December Birthdays

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| 12/2 | Sharon Robertson |
| 12/3 | Tanya Chesire |
| 12/4 | Elizabeth Gibson |
| 12/8 | Joyce Furr |
| 12/11 | Linda Poe |
| 12/12 | Inez Garrambone |
| 12/15 | Klasina Brun |
| 12/15 | Fran Keating |
| 12/15 | Pam Wood |
| 12/16 | Jo Anne Rover |
| 12/17 | Charlotte Wasser |
| 12/19 | Pearl Palmer |
| 12/20 | Judith Allison |
| 12/23 | Sally Bower |
| 12/25 | Carolyn Conner |
| 12/25 | Beverly Driscoll |
| 12/27 | Jerry Buchanan |
| 12/28 | Susan Toppari |
| 12/31 | Gail Carman |
| 12/31 | Carol Jones |



December Birthdays: Wendy Hollis , Flo Lacalamita, Alice Campion, Jeannie Lepane, Irma Rosenzweig, Maxine Lee, , Nancy Meyer, Alma Matthews, Olive Novak

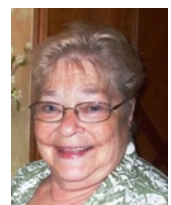


Maria Hawke, 50/50 winner

From Fran:

SEND NEWS of sick members, members dealing with big stresses in their lives (eg. Sick spouse), and news of a happy sort to Fran. She sends cards, flowers, and words of encouragement

Fran J-407-226-9880 or franjwow@gmail.com



Ladies: NO CALLS to Board members BEFORE 10 A.M. or AFTER 8 P.M. Thanks.



Tree a Knockout !

Our entry for the **Festival of Trees** was absolutely beautiful and sold the second day of the show for full price of **\$1200.00.**

Thanks to the help of the my fabulous committee, **Dottie Ansel, Betty Fleshman, Joan Dullmeyer and Darby Turnipseed** we had an awesome tree. Other vendors likened it to a topping for a Christmas Wedding Cake.

Money raised by the *Festival of Trees* goes to the Orlando Museum of Art which hosts the event each year.

MEMBERSHIP

Welcome New Members:



Beverly Driscoll
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Windermere, FL 34786
Marina Bay
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12/25 NH

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Directory Updates:

Returning member – Margarete Bergmann
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Orlando, FL 32835
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Bd – 8/9
Home State – CT

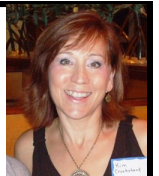


Angela Withers of **Nehrling Gardens** spoke at the November luncheon. We learned of the Garden's location in Gotha and its history starting in 1885. The garden ultimately became Florida's first experimental botanical garden where Dr. Nehrling tested over 3000 new and rare plants for the USDA. Of these, over 300 new and beneficial plants were introduced into Florida's landscape including caladiums, hybrid amaryllis, and gloriosa lilies. These plants were the foundation for Florida's thriving nursery industry. More info at <http://www.nehrlinggardens.org/>

International Dining

by Kim Crookshank

For our December meeting we will celebrate a wonderful British tradition and partake of High Tea, at **Disney's Grand Floridian Hotel**. The lobby boasts a breathtaking Victorian Christmas tree and a real, life size, gingerbread house!!



Date: Tuesday, December 11

Time: 2:00 p.m.

Place: The Garden View Tea Room/Lounge at Disney's Grand Floridian Resort & Spa

Restaurant Phone:

Restaurant Website:

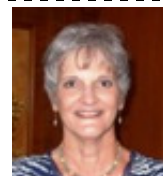
Please **RSVP** by phone (407-614-7144) or e-mail (kimcrookshanks@cfl.rr.com) no later than **Sunday, December 2**. This date is firm, since the hotel requires confirmation earlier than our regular venues.

Maximum number allowed, 12. If I receive more than 12 RSVP's I will create a wait list.

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Happy Holidays

WOW Club and Activities WOW Club and Activities - Nancy May 2nd VP



By now, many of you will have received your new Directory. The contact information for the chairladies of each Activity Group that WOW is currently sponsoring is listed. There is one omission: Tennis. **Tennis is still a viable Activity Group** and the info is below. Also note that the **New Casual Lunch Group** and **Ladies' Gourmet Lunch Group** are no longer listed because no one has been willing to chair these lunch groups. If you are interested, please contact me because there are several ladies who are interested in participating if a leader can be found. Please also note that Ruth Wheeler is organizing a **Poker/Mah Jongg Group** on alternating Tuesday evenings. Ruth is looking for more participants. If you have any questions, or are interested in organizing any other WOW Activity Group, please contact me, Nancy May at 407-909-1639 or nmmay@msn.com

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| Day Trips/Activites | Noel McGuigan 407-923-3348 Mary Greene 407-352-7264 |
| Book Club 1 st Mon, 10:00 am till 11:00 am | tkchesire@yahoo.com, 407-905-9963 |
| Casual Lunch Bunch - meets in homes FULL | Margaret Krass 407-876-1445 |
| International Dining 2nd Tuesdays | Kim Crookshanks 407-614-7144 |
| Ladies Night Out 4 th or 5 th Thursdays, 5:30 pm | Dottie Ansel 407-258-8155 |
| Ladies Daytime Bunco | Judy Mellott 407-291-7972 |
| Couples Evening Bunco & Dining Out 1 Sat./mo. | Judy Mellot 4 07-291-7972 |
| Ladies Evening Bunco 2nd Thursdays | Noel McGuigan 407-923-3348 |
| Crafts Club 2nd and 4th Wed, 10:00 am | Mary Greene 407-352-7264 |
| Pan 1 st and 3 rd Thurs, 6pm | Phyllis Tepper 407-614-4640 |
| Scrapbooking 1st Monday, 10 till 2 | Judy Mellot 407-291-7972 |
| Ladies Afternoon Bridge 1 st t, 4 th Thursdays, 1pm | Joyce Belan 407-877-3087 |
| Ladies Evening Bridge 2 nd Tuesdays, 7 p.m. | Jane Winegard 407-877-4771 |
| Couples Bridge 2 nd , 3 rd Sunday, 7 to 10:30 pm | Kathy Kennedy 407-352-5428 |
| Ladies Daytime Poker 2nd and 4th Monday FULL | Pat Rixmann 407-578-1186 |
| Ladies Evening Poker Every other Tuesday, 7 pm | Jo Anne Rover 407-352-8023 |
| New Activity Ladies Evening Poker/Mah Jongg | Ruth Wheeler 407-614-4314 |
| Ladies Afternoon Mah Jongg Wednesdays Full | Evelyn Chassin 407-345-1526 |
| Ladies Evening Mah Jongg Every other Tues, 7 pm | Noel McGuigan 407-923-3348 |
| Tennis Wednesdays, Fridays. 9 to 10 a.m. | Susan Toppari 407-352-9451 |