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Off To A Great Start

hat a great start to 2017! I've met so many wonderful new members this year - so many who have been members and are becoming active and new people are joining us every month!

CWC is a great organization to get to know the people in the area. Our mission is to support women and children in need, while having fun raising funds and volunteering our time, talent and treasures. The need in Lake County is greater than ever, with cuts in government funds to support these organizations. We have received over 30 grant requests to help programs in Lake County alone.

In January we had a Yoga Fundraiser night at Total Fitness Studio that was a huge success! Thank you to everyone who participated in the class and/or raffle. Thank you to the scholarship chair, Pamela Coleman, and her committee for organizing this. The scholarship committee is working diligently on selecting our recipients of the CWC Scholarships this year.

We also had two great social nights: the first at our Corporate Member, Consume of Lake Zurich that had our area packed! What a great way to socialize and get to know each



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other better! The second at our Corporate Member locations in Long Grove including: Bella Donna Boutique, How Impressive, Olivia's Boutique, Within Reach and the social at Broken Earth Winery! What a great



night supporting those members who support our organization. Clay Monet in February was a great way to explore our creative side while having fun as was volunteering with the group at Emmaus House in March.

Our Wedding Gala at Kemper Lakes Golf Club was great! If you have a chance, please take a look at our Facebook page for some of the fun we had while raising over \$5,000! Thank you to our co-chairs: Karen Korenkiewicz and Sue Kinney, volunteers, attendees and our sponsors!

We are working quickly to have another great Spring Luncheon on Sunday, April 23 at Ivanhoe Golf Club. House of Betty Jane, Bella Donna Boutique and Olivia's Boutique have graciously accepted the planning of the Fashion Show and new element this year- onsite shopping! See the website and Facebook for more information.

Continental Motors of Deer Park gave us our largest corporate donation this year of \$3,500 and MOD Pizza in Kildeer keeps winning their contests and recently donated ANOTHER \$500. Thank you for your generosity!

We have become a strong network of community members supporting our mission and building lasting relationships. We are looking for volunteers to serve on our board next year and committees to plan our events. Please email me at president@caringwomensconnection.com if you are interested.

Thanks again and see you around town! Alone we help some, together we make a difference!

Laurie Wilhoit President, Caring Women's Connection president@caringwomensconnection.com 847-796-0232



APRIL CONNECTIONS MEETING

Member Spring & Fling!

Tuesday, April 4th, 6-8pm Forest Lake Community Center 23489 N. East Rd., Lake Zurich We celebrate our CWC members as Chef Kathy Pedersen with On Occasion Catering demos a special spring treat. Come out for a fun evening. . .and win tickets to the Spring Fashion Show and Luncheon!

Not a member?. . .Please join us! Anyone who signs up for membership or renews at this meeting will be entered in a separate prize raffle!





Picnic in the Park

SUNDAY, APRIL 23, 2017, 12:00 - 4:00PM THE IVANHOE CLUB | 28846 N. THORNGATE DRIVE, IVANHOE, IL

ATTENDANCE: 180+ AREA WOMEN Our Annual Charity Spring Fashion Show & Luncheon benefits Lake County women and children in need.

One of the highlights of our spring event is our raffle! WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Caring Women's Connection is expecting 180+ women to attend this year and are seeking items (and/or monetary donations to purchase items) for the raffle. You will be given a fun theme to build your basket around! Baskets valued at \$75-\$150 would be appreciated. DONOR BENEFITS INCLUDE:

- Included on the website: CaringWomensConnection.com
- Mention on Facebook page : Facebook.com/CaringWomensConnection
- Mention in Connections (CWC Newsletter mailed to 4,000 households and emailed to close to1000) in our Love Fund Gems Program
- Exposure to 180+ women in the area with donated item on raffle table
- Recognition at the event
- All donations are tax deductible

The Caring Women's Connection is a 501(c)3 not-for-profit organization; all donations are tax deductible. A tax receipt will be mailed following the event. Please include a business card and estimated value with your donation.

PLEASE CONTACT US WHEN YOUR DONATION IS READY TO BE PICKED UP (BY APRIL 11TH)

The earlier you sign up, the more your company is promoted, contact us for more details. SPONSORSHIPS AVAILABLE! www.CARINGWOMENSCONNECTION.com

Questions? Email: President@caringwomensconnection.com

CWC is a 501(C)3 not-for-profit organization supporting women and children in need in Lake County, IL, while building connections within the community.

For more information, please visit: CaringWomensConnection.com

Membership is open to area residents and businesses.

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MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Turn Your Passion Into Action

Are you looking to make a difference in our community? Look no further, Caring Women's Connection provides many unique and hands-on volunteer opportunities to help women and children in Lake County. Examples of what we do include: serving meals to homeless people and struggling families, hosting birthday parties for children at local shelters, helping out at various fundraising events, and cooking for a Thanksgiving dinner. Whatever your passion may be, turn it into action!

Email your contact information to **Patty Renz, Philanthropy Co-Chair, at patty@caringwomensconnection.com TODAY** to receive information about upcoming and future hands-on volunteer opportunities.



Thank You!

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Annual Fundraiser

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of services to adult survivors of domestic violence and their children. Ask your friends and family for pledges and support to help end domestic violence in Lake County!

Registration & Info at: ASafePlace.dojiggy.com/ng/



SPOTLIGHT ON Helping Women Period

Helping Women Period - Chicago is an all-volunteer non-profit organization dedicated to supplying feminine hygiene products to homeless & low-income women in Chicagoland. We launched in September 2016 and are based out of Lake Zurich. So far, we have supplied over 15,000 items to women & teens in need in Lake County.



Shelters and food banks very rarely receive donations of feminine hygiene products—and there's a dire need. These products are not covered by SNAP (Food Stamps). We strongly believe a woman's biology shouldn't be a financial burden or health hazard. Sometimes homeless and low-income women have to choose between buying product, or feeding their family dinner. We at Helping Women Period - Chicago think this is unacceptable.

To ensure these women their dignity, confidence, integrity, and hygiene, HWPC provides pads, tampons, liners, wipes, incontinence products, and bags—partnering with local organizations to distribute products through homeless shelters, transitional housing facilities, prisons, schools, and food banks. In order for women living on the street or in shelters to carry their product discretely, we deliver product in bags. These are simple drawstring bags measuring approximately 12 by 9 inches. If you are interested in helping us make bags, you can find instructions on our website **www.helpingwomenperiodchicago.org** under the "Get Involved" tab.

Love to sew and looking for a give back project? Or have fabric you don't use laying around & can donate? Please contact Patty Renz at **Patty@caringwomensconnection.com**. She will collect these items or can get you a link to the instructions.

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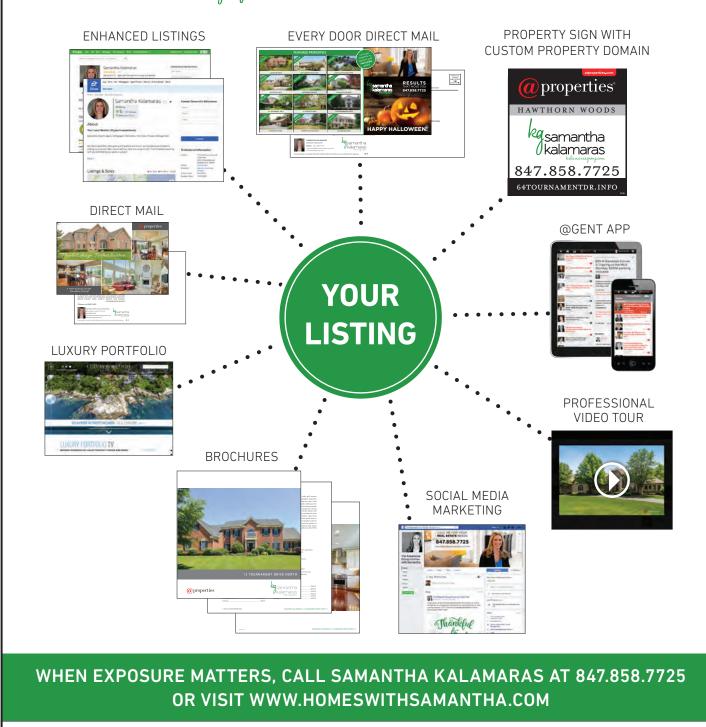


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PAMELA COLEMAN Heads West!

THANK YOU and GOOD-LUCK to long-time CWC Board Member Pamela Coleman,



as she leaves our area after many years with the group. Pamela has been a passionate and hard-working Scholarship Board Chair and many students have benefited significantly from scholarships generated. We wish you the best on your move to California!



Have you registered for the Spring Luncheon yet? It has everything you need to look your best this season!

Bella Donna Boutique, House Of Betty Jane, and Olivia's Boutique create the looks we need this season with their beautiful collections! Looks spanning from casual to date night ... they'll have something for every occasion! New this year -They will have boutiques at our luncheon to purchase ON SITE and a portion of the proceeds will benefit CWC on Sunday and at their locations on Monday!

Our great sponsors will welcome you and raffle off great gift baskets, more raffles inside along with Beth's purse raffle and smiles will fill the room. Grab your mom, your sister, and your besties for a beautiful afternoon in the park... at Ivanhoe!

Details on Pages 1 and 5

Watch for our New Member Liaison!

Attention new members!! Watch for Laura Hoyt-Staley at any event – she is there for you! If you would like to chat about ideas, learn more about the club, or meet some new ladies in the area, please contact Laura!



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Membership In Full Swing!

BY MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR PAULA HOERNER

ur membership year is in full swing, but it's not too late to join. We have so many fun activities and events planned for the rest of the year, but most importantly, your money goes to support our great mission. One of the best parts of our organization is the connections we make with each other too. We would love for you to be a part of those relationships. If you missed signing up for

membership for this year, please consider joining us for the remainder. Even if you can't always make our events, your membership fee is so important to our mission.



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CONNECTION EVENT



PAINTING PARTY Tuesday, May 2nd • 7-9pm Copper Fiddle Distillery, Lake Zurich

Creative Home Parties will be leading us in a Painting Party on Tuesday, May 2nd, at Copper Fiddle Distillery! Come paint with your friends and create your own one-of-akind masterpiece! Spend memorable times with them and enjoy life together.

RSVP required, \$30 per person and available on website (see calendar): www.CaringWomensConnection.com

Light beverages and snacks served by CWC. Copper Fiddle will have a bartender to take drink orders with cash bar.



All children love getting & giving valentines. The girlscouts in Troop 228 led by CWC member Laurie Watt wanted to be sure the children at Staben House had a happy Valentine's Day. The girls (with perhaps a little help from dad) constructed little wooden heart baskets which they donated to Staben House. The girl scouts hammered and glued and did an awesome job creating the little baskets. The children living at Staben House had a fun time painting and decorating the boxes. The baskets were then filled with chocolate kisses donated by Troop 228. Thank you to all the scouts for opening their hearts to make Valentine's Day special for the children at Staben House!



Annual Hawthorn Woods GARAGE SALE Saturday, May 20, 2017

Are you ready for some Spring Cleaning? The Hawthorn Woods Garage Sale is set for Saturday, May 20th and we want you ready to sell, sell, sell!! Get ready to rid yourself of any excess items and register to participate in the CWC Annual Hawthorn Woods Garage Sale now. Registration is \$20 for non members and \$15 for members. We'll do all the advertising, promoting and signage for the sale; all you have to do is register.



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This information should be in a secure location, for example, with your will and trust in your safety deposit box. Your executor and/or trustee (and property agent*) should know where to find the information. Your will, trust, and durable power of attorney for property should include additional powers for your executor, trustee, and property agent*. You may also wish to include some instructions. You may wish to designate a specific person or persons to assist your trustee or executor with the "Digital" items. Some articles on this topic may refer to this person as a "Digital Executor." Some of the tasks include closing down online accounts, archiving photos and files that are stored online, and transferring income or income-generating sites to your beneficiaries.

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BY SUE KINNEY

Welcome to Spring and Great Wines! As we look forward to warm days, fabulous cookouts and gatherings, wines can top off your parties.

Refreshing White Wines can start your parties with a Chardonnay, Sauvignon Blanc maybe a Sparkling Wine or better yet Champagne.

If you like a sweeter wine, try a Riesling from Germany or the U.S. or finish with a dessert wine like Moscato.

When grilling I say drink what you like, try something new. Yes big steaks are perfect with a Cabernet. When grilling pork, pinot noir might pair up nicely with the barbeque sauces. The fish and chicken dishes are delicate in flavor so white wines are great. If you are adding a spicy marinade or sauce, a Riesling or even a pinot noir could balance the flavors.

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- 2014 Decoy Sonoma Cabernet CA
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- Willamette Valley, OR
- 2013 Antica Cabernet, Atlas Peak, Napa
- 2013 Robert Craig Cellars, Affinity Cabernet, Napa •

I hope you try new wines and discover fabulous favorites. For all questions or suggestions contact me at: winetales@hotmail.com

'Til Next Time -- Cheers!

CWC DONATION PROGRAM



The "Love Fund" is the heart of the Caring Women's Connection organization. All donations collected to this fund are distributed to charities and organizations that support women and children in need in Lake County. Every person/business/organization that gives a monetary donation becomes a "Gem" of Caring Women's Connection, helping us to provide vital assistance to the programs we support.

We appreciate every level of donation. Caring Women's Connection will send you a tax receipt and publicize your donation, along with your name/company's name (if you so choose) on our website and in our CONNECTIONS newsletter publication, which is mailed to over 4,000 residents. The Caring Women's Connection is a 501(C) 3 not-for-profit organization, all monetary donations are tax deductible Below is a list our donation designations.

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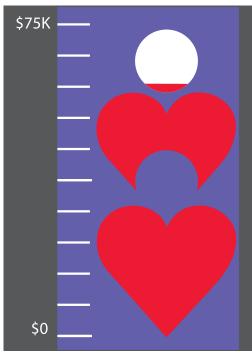
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The "Love Fund" is the heart of the Caring Women's Connection organization. In the spring, CWC rewards an outstanding high school graduate(s) a \$3,000 scholarship towards tuition. With a donation of \$3,000 or more, the scholarship will be named after you/ your organization. We think this is a great way to show your support for education and the community and assist in the educational goals of a deserving local student. You may donate to the scholarship online at any time on the CWC website.

Upcoming Events

Mark you calendar for these upcoming events. Check our the website at CaringWomensConnection.com for updates and additional information.

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April

Connections Event "Chef's Table" 6-8pm	Tues. Apr. 04	•	See page 4
Spring Fashion Show & Luncheon	Sun. Apr. 23	S √	See pages 1 and 5

May

Connections Event "Painting" 7-9pm	Tues. May 02	See page 11
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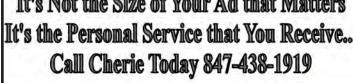
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Thank you to Marla Shell and Clay Monet for a terrific time at our Connections Meeting last month!

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Our evening began with cocktails, music, and guests streaming in, ready to enjoy an evening filled with great food, awesome silent auctions, and spirited purchases of raffle tickets for the gorgeous ruby and diamond earrings. These earrings were generously donated by our sponsor Timothy Grant Jewelry. As our guests moved into the beautifully decorated ballroom, dinner music was provided by our DJ/MC, Garry Jules and his associate Johnny. The "Bride and Groom" made their grand entrance to the "Theme to Rocky" and were welcomed and toasted by our President Laurie Wilhoit. We had a delicious Italian style dinner. Then a fabulous Wedding cake and cupcakes for dessert were provided by our sponsor, On Occasion Catering. What else could you ask for? Lisa Charnogorsky did a great job by leading our Live Auctions, and ended up being our Grand Prize Winner of the beautiful ruby and diamond earrings! For fun and lots of giggles, many enjoyed pictures in our photo booth, sponsored by SnapThat! Photos, Angela Porter.

We would like to offer a very special thanks to all of our sponsors; we greatly appreciate your generosity! Our sponsors also included: Copper Fiddle Distillery, Kemper Lakes Golf Club [Wine Sponsor], House of Betty Jane, Long Grove Confectionery [Chocolate Sponsor], Lake Zurich Travel, and Amanda Howland [Cocktail Hour Sponsor].

Huge thanks to our bride & groom, Ria and Jesse Desoto from Fred Astaire Dance Studio in Long Grove, as they filled the evening with elegance and filled the dance floor with lively dancing. Our heartfelt thanks to all our guests -- your generosity is over the top! Thank you to the entire CWC Gala Team!

Karen Korenkiewicz & Sue Kinney Gala Co-Chairs



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