

March 2022



Broadcasting from Woodbridge Woman's Club GFWC



Motto: Service and Friendship

GENERAL MEETING March, 21. 1:00- We will not have a speaker at the March 21, 2022 meeting because of Election of Officers and also a planning meeting and will resume with speakers in September.

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S PEN

Our March meeting (March 21 at 1:00) will be our planning meeting. This is the time where everyone suggests their ideas for new projects. We are looking for new and better ways to interact with the community. The last two years of pandemic rules have kept us away from physically helping the schools and senior citizens. Let's get back in action.

March is also the Woodbridge Woman's Club's anniversary. We have been in business for 57 years! It's amazing to think that our charter members made curtains for the hospital they helped to build. Our club has been able to accomplish so many great things. Read on in this newsletter for more details.

At this meeting we will also be holding elections for new officers. Please be there to cast your vote and support the new administration.

Set reminders for the March 21 meeting. You don't want to miss this important meeting.
Happy Spring!

APRIL GENERAL MEETING INFORMATION:



April 2022 General Meeting has been changed to Monday 25 April 2022.

The meeting has been changed as April 18 falls on Easter Monday holiday.

Please be sure to make note of this meeting date change.

April 25 General Meeting is going to be a very exciting time. The Club will have a Buffet Luncheon at 11:30 a.m. We will have a brief meeting followed by the Induction of new club members, and the Installation of the new officers for the 2022-2024 term of office. We will also celebrate the Woodbridge Woman's Club 57th birthday.

The **April 25** meeting will be held at Acclaim at Belmont Bay, 13875 Clear Lake Circle, Woodbridge, VA 22191. A sign up sheet for attendance will be available at the March General Meeting. Reminders of this event will be sent out several times to be sure we have connected with all our club members. We encourage everyone to come and participate in this special club event.

**Woodbridge Woman's
Club 2019—2022**

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Thought for the Day

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Club Meeting Dates and Programs 2021-2022

General Meetings

September 20, 2021 Annual Membership Tea 1:00 pm (possible virtual or in person)

October 18, 2021 Speaker 1:00pm (possible virtual or in person)

November 15, 2021 General meeting (virtual or in person)

December 13, 2021 Holiday Luncheon/ Meeting **11:30 am.** Harbour Grille

January 24, 2022 Meeting 1:00 (**Note:** 4th Monday) at Acclaim at Belmont Bay

February 28, 2022 Meeting 1:00 (**Note:** 4th Monday) at Acclaim at Belmont Bay

March 21, 2022 Planning Meeting 1:00 Election of officers

April 25, 2022 Installation of new Club Officers/luncheon meeting at 11:30 TBD

May 16, 2022 Scholarship winners 1:00pm-1:00 Location TBD

End of 1 year Officer special extended Term

Northern District Fall Meeting October 15, 2022

Northern District Spring Meeting March 2023

General Meetings will be held the third Monday of the month unless otherwise noted, at: Acclaim at Belmont Bay 13875 Clear Lake Circle, Woodbridge, Va 22191 571-378-5721

Members may make their own reservation for lunch at the Acclaim Grill prior to the meeting by calling 571-489-7070

Club Board Member Meeting Dates 2021- 2022

January 10, 2022 Monday 10:00

February 7, 2022 Monday 10:00

March 7, 2022 Monday 10:00

April 4, 2022 Monday 10:00

May 2, 2022 Monday 10:00

Held at Acclaim 1st Monday unless otherwise noted. Lunch after meeting.

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The 2022-2024 Nominations and Subsequent Elections for the Officer Positions of the Woodbridge Woman's Club

Pursuant to those by-laws governing the activities of the Woodbridge Woman's Club, Inc. (hereinafter Club) nominees for the elective offices of President and Vice President will come from the Executive Board or such nominees must have had experience as a past president or board member. Current or previous Board members must give their consent to be nominated for an elective office. Nominations for the positions of Secretary and Treasurer are open to any current active Club member. The President appoints a chairman of all programs and projects; such projects may be established or dissolved at the discretion of the President or the Executive Board.

The current special one year [2021-2022] term of office for current Club Officers will end May 2022 at the Club's General Meeting. The newly elected Club Officers will begin their term of office effective at the September 2022 General Meeting.

The Nominating Committee (Lilia M. Vannett and Marilyn Wempa) submitted its nominations for the elective positions for the 2022-2024 term of office during the February General Meeting:

Nominee for President:

Lucille Williams

Nominee for Vice President:

Patricia White

Nominee for Secretary:

Kathleen McNeely

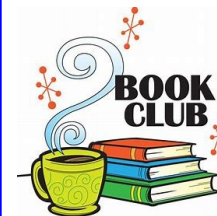
Nominee for Treasurer:

Carol Bowen.

Additional nominations may be made from the floor during the March meeting provided the nominee has given consent. The election of officers shall be by ballot and a majority of present votes shall constitute election, provided a quorum is present. If there is but one candidate for any office, the election for the subject positions may be by a voice vote; officers will be installed at the April meeting.

In closing the Nominating Committee extends its gratitude on behalf of the Club to the Officers and Board members who volunteered to serve for one extra year of service making their term of office 3 years.

WWC Book club



The WWC Book Club will meet on Zoom Friday March 18, 2022 at 1:00pm.

The book club members discuss books they have read and want to share. Each member gets an opportunity too talk about the books they read. It is fascinating to learn of so many different kinds of books that members enjoyed. If you like books come join us. Send an email to Pat white pwhite916@yahoo.com and you will be added to the book club Zoom invitation list.



REMINDER Little Theatre of Alexandria fundraiser

PRELUDE TO A KISS (written by Craig Lucas)

A different kind of fairytale, this play is a celebration of life and love. It tells the story of Peter and Rita, who fall in love despite the girl's pessimistic outlook on life. Shortly after their wedding, a supernatural event tests the strength of their love and commitment to each other. Will they live happily ever after?

Join us for Craig Lucas' intriguing, charming, and tender romantic comedy. **Tuesday June 14, 2022.**

There will be a wine and chocolate raffle basket and goody bags for everyone. Tickets are ready. We will begin to sell tickets mid Mar, Apr and May. Tickets are \$30.00.

Tickets will not be sold at the door.

Due to Covid restrictions we will only have 144 versus 240 tickets to sell. We still anticipate a nice profit from this event. We need every club member to help make this a success.

We will also need support from other club members, closer to June 14 event

Carol is working out details for LTA Covid requirements. We have to follow them until we hear otherwise from LTA.

This is our new type of a large fundraiser for our club. This is going to be fun. We can all enjoy the show and participating in making this a success. We encourage everyone to sell as many tickets as they can.

Our Club is participating with Little Theatre of Alexandria "Partners in Art" program.



SUPPORT THE WWC FUNDRAISER

We need everyone to take part so invite friends, family, and neighbors to donate their gently used items to meet our club goal of \$500.00. Our success depends on all of **you**. Please come out.

Where: SAVERS 14427 Potomac Mills Rd, Woodbridge, VA

When: March 26, 2022

Time: 10:00 am

Event Pricing: (we earn)

Soft: 20 cents per pound

Small Houseware Items: 10 cents per pound

Books: 2 cents per pound

Furniture: 5 cents per item

Other Large Items: 5 cents per item

Start cleaning out your closets and donate your gently used items to meet our club goal of \$500.00. We need your support to make it a success!

Need: Books, clothing, sheets, towels, blankets, dishes, glasses, and any household items that you no longer use

See you all on March 26th!!

Lucy

INSPIRATIONAL QUOTE:

What you do makes a difference, and you have to decide what kind of difference you want to make
Jane Goodall

WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

The official recognition of Women's History Month grew out of a weeklong celebration of women's contributions organized by the school district of Sonoma, California, in 1978. As part of this celebration, presentations were given at dozens of schools, hundreds of students participated in a "Real Woman" essay contest, and a parade was held in downtown Santa Rosa, California.

A few years later, the idea caught on within other communities, school districts, and organizations across the country. In 1980, President Jimmy Carter issued the first presidential proclamation declaring the week of March 8, as National Women's History Week. The U.S. Congress followed suit the next year, passing a resolution establishing a national celebration, and six years later, the National Women's History Project successfully petitioned Congress to expand the event to the entire month of March.

The history of the Woodbridge Woman's Club began on 15 March 1965. Our first president June Randolph met with a group of 30 women in a private home who were interested in forming a woman's club. This group of organized women moved forward to become an official GFWC Federated Woman's Club. Our second president, Frances Tyrrell in 1966 led the club in a year's long fundraising effort to support the building of the first hospital in Woodbridge.

All together our club has had 26 club presidents counting our new president to be installed in April. Many presidents have served multiple terms. All of our leaders have moved the club forward to support our service to our community.

MEMBERSHIP

I am sending out a very warm WELCOME to our newest members.... Ellen Bliss, Donna Meyer, Ann Miller and Bette Shanley, and know you all will introduce yourselves and welcome them as well at our next meeting, March 21!

Also, another gentle reminder, in case you forgot to send your annual dues of \$45.00 to our treasurer, Carol Bowen, 3604 Eagle Rock Ct, Woodbridge, VA 22192, please do so asap!

Enjoy what appears to be an early spring and I look forward to seeing you soon!

Karen Cavanaugh

EDUCATION AND LIBRARIES



On Thursday the 10th, Charlotte Stultz, Claudia Cunningham and I held the Grade Four Multiplication Contest at Kilby Elementary. 16 boys and girls took a written test. Then when the papers were being corrected, they played bingo.

The children were so well behaved and we all had a good time. This year a girl was the winner of the first prize. The Kilby staff was so happy to see us again after our covid time out. They and the Grade 4 teachers were so happy for the support we have given Kilby over the past years.

Today I delivered the scholarship applications to the last 2 High Schools, Garfield and Woodbridge. After spring break I will collect them and a group of us will decide who should get the awards. Always difficult, we have such good students here in Woodbridge.

This year we are also awarding 2 and possibly 3 \$500 scholarships to students going on for more technical training.

I hope you can all attend our May meeting at Acclaim to meet and greet the winners of these awards. We invite their parents too, a nice time for all of us.

Enough for now. Sylvia Hoffmeier

ENVIRONMENT – Marty Seers

To date I have not been notified of plastic drop-offs at Patriot Scuba for the month of March. The lastest drops-offs were 12 for February.

CLUB COURTESY: - Marty Seers

March Birthdays - Happy Birthday emails were sent/will be sent to each person on their birthday.

- 7 - BJ Grey
- 10 - Terry Barratt
- 12 - Charlotte Stultz
- 17 - Chloellen Miller
- 21 - Sharlene Dailey

A get well card was sent to Carol Bowen following her surgery.

ARTS AND CULTURE

What to do in Prince William County in March 2022:

Well, for starters even if you are not Irish you can join in all activities featuring the shamrock and green beer (or a green river if you are inclined to go to Chicago). The holiday known as St Patrick's Day or the Feast of Saint Patrick is a cultural and religious celebration held on 17 March, the traditional death date of [Saint Patrick](#) (c. 385 – c. 461), the foremost [patron saint](#) of [Ireland](#). Saint Patrick's Day was made an official Christian [feast day](#) in the early 17th century and is observed by the [Catholic Church](#), the [Anglican Communion](#) (especially the [Church of Ireland](#)),^[6] the [Eastern Orthodox Church](#), and the [Lutheran Church](#). The day commemorates Saint Patrick and the arrival of [Christianity in Ireland](#),^[5] and celebrates the [heritage and culture of the Irish](#) in general.^[7]

Saint Patrick's Day is a [public holiday](#) in the [Republic of Ireland](#),^[12] [Northern Ireland](#),^[13] the Canadian province of [Newfoundland and Labrador](#) (for provincial government employees), and the British Overseas Territory of [Montserrat](#). It is also widely celebrated in the [United Kingdom](#),^[14] [Canada](#), [United States](#), [Brazil](#), [Argentina](#), [Australia](#) and [New Zealand](#), especially amongst [Irish diaspora](#).

Saint Patrick's Day is celebrated in more countries than any other [national festival](#).^[15]

Prince William County is rich with American history, vibrant culture, picturesque countryside, tasty cuisines, and welcoming hospitality influenced by the Irish diaspora; here too you can find the Irish holiday celebrations from parades to pubs. Note as of this writing the St Patrick's Day Parade in Manassas continued its march thru the Old Town streets, but other parades have been rescheduled for May or September.

However, not to be missed is "*Riverdance*" at the **Kennedy Center**. Fans of dance, music and theater have long waited to see this truly unique spectacle in person. *Riverdance* has been around for decades, yet each performance delivers a fresh sense of magic and a stic yet whimsical performance. The music behind *Riverdance* was created in 1981 for the *Eurovision Song Contest* with ballet dancers performing to the music on stage live. Thirteen years later *Riverdance* was born making its debut in Dublin at the 1994 *Eurovision Song Contest*. The lead dancers had transformed the art of Irish dance into something different and with an undeniable dynamic. Tickets are going fast for performances from

March 15 to March 27 for a lively, frenetic experience."

See [St Patrick's Day Celebrations and Events in Northern Virginia \(funin Fairfaxva.com\)](#) for events, other shows, etc. in Northern VA (Woodbridge, Manassas, Dumfries, etc). But if your inclination is more to the ballet than it is to the Irish jig Prince William County is home to two ballet companies and schools [Manassas Ballet Theatre](#) production full of flirtation and fun! "Gaité Parisienne" (music by Jacques Offenbach) is a one-act ballet first presented by Ballet Russe de Monte Carlo in 1938. With a popular Paris club as the backdrop, the many characters gather for a night out of dancing and romance. "Gaité Parisienne" is preceded by "A Letter to Maria" (music by Manuel de Falla and Arthur Piazzolla) and "The Naked Truth" (music by Jean Sibelius). These 2 ballets were more contemporary. See [Manassas Ballet presents 'Gaité Parisienne & More!' | Headlines | insidenova.com](#)

The ballet company is supported by the **Manassas Ballet Theatre Orchestra**: comprised of 55 professional musicians it provides accompaniment to MBT's productions at the Hylton Performing Arts Center. The MBT is one of the few ballet companies (and almost uniquely so for its size) to provide this important part of the audience experience.

The MBT's March performances at the Hylton are: Saturday, Mar 12, 2022 7:30pm; Sunday, Mar 13, 2022 3:00pm. Tickets begin at \$25 (call the Hylton Box Office at 703-993-7759). Streaming begins March 26 @ 7:30 pm.

[The Virginia National Ballet https://virginiationalballet.org](https://virginiationalballet.org)

Virginia National Ballet is home to both an outstanding professional ballet company and pre-professional school. The ballet company has been serving Northern VA since 2013. VNB is an Arts Alliance Partner of the Hylton Performing Arts Center, a member of the Virginia Commission for the Arts Tour Directory and was voted Best Dance Studio in Northern Virginia by Northern Virginia.

The VNB was founded in 2013 by the husband-and-wife team of Rafik Hegab (Artistic Director) and Elysa-beth Muscat (Managing Director). VNB is home to both an outstanding professional ballet company and an excellent school. The company presents 4 full-length productions annually at the Hylton Performing Arts Center.

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The VNB is also a member of the Virginia Commission for the Arts Tour Directory (one of only a handful of dance companies in the whole State), and a member of the Prince William County Arts Council. Back by popular demand on Saturday March 26 at 2:00 and 6:30 PM the company will perform Rafik Hegab's original version of "Snow White." The ballet first enchanted audiences in 2017, featuring delightful choreography, hilarious scenes with the seven dwarves, whimsical sets and costumes, and a fantastic musical score with instantly recognizable music based on the Disney movie. Fun for the whole family. Tickets are now available. \$40 adult, \$25 (ages 12 and under)

Also at the Hylton, March 11 – 20, in the Prince William Little Theater is ***Sister Act*** the feel-good musical comedy smash based on the hit 1992 film that has audiences jumping to their feet!

When disco diva, Deloris Van Cartier, witnesses a murder, she is put in protective custody in the one place the cops are sure she won't be found: a convent! Disguised as a nun, she finds herself at odds with both the rigid lifestyle and uptight Mother Superior. Using her unique disco moves and singing talent to inspire the choir, Deloris breathes new life into the church and community but, in doing so, blows her cover. Soon, the gang is giving chase, only to find them up against Deloris and the power of her newly found sisterhood.

Filled with powerful gospel music, outrageous dancing and a truly moving story, *Sister Act* will leave audiences breathless. The cast is chock full of amazing roles for women of all ages, making this a perfect choice for high schools and community theatres. A sparkling tribute to the universal power of friendship, *Sister Act* is reason to REJOICE!

The Hylton's COVID vaccination/testing requirements for attendance may be found at: <https://hyltoncenter.org/plan-your-visit/vaccination-policy>

Arts and Artists in Prince William County **Prince William Art Society in Virginia**



Where Locals Meet Art - Support the Arts - Shop Local

Come See Our Artwork!

Clearbrook Center of the Arts 2230 B Tackett's Mill Drive, Lake Ridge, VA 22192 - Every Saturday and Sunday from 1 to 4pm -AND- Open Space Arts at Stonebridge 15000 Potomac Town Center, Woodbridge, VA Opening **April 2, 2022** - Art makes a great gift and you are supporting local AND small ART businesses! Artists are small businesses!

On March 28th the Prince William Art Society will meet at the Tall Oaks Community Center 12298 Cotton Mill Dr, Lake Ridge, VA 22192 at 7:30 pm. Following the business meeting, the public is invited to join artist and oil painter Rich Moore as he shares his experiences, artwork, inspiration and encouraging stories of more than 40 years in the art field. All programs are open to the public free of charge.

In addition, there is now a "Call for Art" open to ALL Prince William County Artists (18 or older) - so if you are a member of PWAS, PWCAC, MAG, or another PWC art group - you should have been sent an email for the Call. The final day to enter is March 19 so contact sm22026@comcast.net for the form if you need it. The Show is scheduled to start on *April 2* at the new art gallery next to Ulta and Barnes and Noble near Wegmans. This will be a BIG Art Event in Prince William County! Stay tuned for this one - all the artwork for OSA (Open Space Arts) will be juried - so your best works will need to be ready for this! Find out more on the Artistry Spin Blog for Prince William Art Society at <https://artistryspin.blogspot.com/>
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How to support the Arts in Prince William County

Manassas Ballet Theatre offers corporate supporters (and individuals) a range of benefits for business development, corporate hospitality and staff incentives. Sponsorship of the arts is also a proven and highly visible strategic marketing tool. Through a partnership with MBT, businesses can powerfully reinforce their corporate image while enjoying an association with Northern Virginia's largest professional ballet company.

Benefits of business sponsorship align with levels of sponsorship and are tailored to your corporate goals and objectives, while giving you a meaningful return on your investment. In other words, supporting the arts through a partnership with MBT is the right thing to do—but it also pays.

MBT will thank you with:

- 1) Prominent logo placement in posters, programs, and all MBT press material.
- 2) Business logo placement and link to your business site on our well-trafficked website.
- 3) Professional networking within your market area (via MBT events, such as our Golf Tournament, Ballet Ball, performances, receptions).

To become a Sponsor contact Amy Wolf at (amy@manassasballet.org or 703-257-1811)

And for those who golf:

All golfers can plan to participate in the 15th Annual Colin J. Wolfe Memorial Golf Tournament on October 3, 2022 at the Evergreen Country Club, 15900 Berkeley Drive, Haymarket, VA 20169.

Held in memory of Artistic Director and Executive Director Amy and Mark Wolfe's son, LCPL [Colin J. Wolfe](#), MBT's annual golf tournament helps to fund the company's [educational outreach](#) program. This fun day at the beautiful [Evergreen Country Club](#) course features not only great golf but the good company of the MBT dancers! Look forward to lunch, 18 holes of competitive yet fun golf (Captain's Choice), a putting contest, dinner, and many great prizes! MBT's educational outreach efforts serves thousands of Prince William County and City of Manassas school children each season.

Please call (703) 257-1811 or email christina@manassasballet.org for more information.

For a donation of \$25 or more you can help MBT create beautiful costumes for their beautiful dancers for the *Cinderella* performance coming in May. Your \$25 or more donations will be acknowledged by name in the *Cinderella* program.

You can also become a **Friend of the MBT** for a donation of \$10 - \$99; other giving levels follow ranging from \$100 - \$150,000. All donations will be recognized by name in all programs.

Do you shop at Amazon? Do you support Manassas Ballet Theatre? Shop at Amazon Smile and MBT will receive a percentage of your purchases.

Contact christina@manassasballet.org for more information or call 703-257-1811