Issue #6

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#### CHWC February 2025 Newsletter

#### **Our President's Message**

It was not until I sat down to write this article for the newsletter that I realized we are publishing the FEBRUARY newsletter. 2025 is already racing along, Florida spring is right around the corner and the cooler days of winter will be a fond or not so fond memory. We have many activities planned for this month and some important reminders for the months ahead. Technically the Bunco tournament, "Lasso Your Luck" is in January, but it is on the last day of the month, so I will talk about it. Bunco is a simple, but fun game that everyone can play.



If you can roll dice, then you can play and win. I hope to see many of our ladies and friends of the club at **the Beverly Hills Lions Club** on January 31st for an entertaining afternoon. The following week is our **inaugural Casino Night in the Hampton Room on February 8<sup>th</sup>.** Join us for a fun night of gaming and winning. **Contact Debby Blackie for further information.** The Lunch Bunch will meet on Febru-



ary 5<sup>th</sup> at the Cove Restaurant in Inverness. A smaller group of ladies get together at a different restaurant each month to try out different cuisine and visit with friends. Call Diane Trowbridge for details. We are looking ahead to the Spring Fashion Show, that will take place at our March 12 luncheon and our final bus trip to the Sunken Gardens in St. Petersburg on March 6<sup>th</sup>. Touch base with Diane Edwards for information about the March luncheon and with Beth Huntsberry to sign up for the trip to St. Petersburg.

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So, check out all of these events in the subsequent pages of this newsletter and consider joining us for some or all of the activities. Sign up with friends or by yourself and possibly meet your new best friend. Lastly, I wish you a Happy Valentine's Day.



Hugs -Pat Crawley Co-President



# **CHWC Elections for Executive Board**

CHWC will be holding our elections for the 2025 - 2026 year. If you would be interested in running for any of the listed positions below:

Co-1st Vice President—2 positions open

Treasure—1 position open

Please let one of these current Board members know:

Del Gillispie del.gillispie@gmail.com

Marta ller iler008@aol.com or ilermarta008@gmail.com

Diane Edwards memere195777@gmail.com





#### **Lunch Bunch**

Wednesday, Feb. 5. 11:30 am
The Cove Resort and Pub

1242 S Cove Camp Pt

Inverness

SVP to Diane Trowbridge trobrg@aol.com

text: 703-851-0946

## **Member Support**

Bette June Egan welcomed in the New Year with an inspirational reading of a poem entitled "A New Year! A New Day! A New Life!" written by Helen Steiner Rice found in the book entitled Loving Thoughts.



In the past month, we sent a card to **Phyllis Bass**. We also sent a sympathy card to **Michael Haynes**, **husband of Joyce Haynes**. A memorial donation has been made by the club in her name to the **Faith Lutheran Church in Lecanto**.

Please let us know if someone needs a bit of sunshine whether it is a card or a call. Contact Pam Brink at (352)513-4120 or pambrink49@gmail.com or Marcia Porterfield at (734)223-2026 or porterfield1921@gmail.com

There is also a **clipboard at our luncheon hospitality table** where a member can write down the name of someone in need of a card or call. All communications that help support our members are greatly appreciated.







## Membership

We continue to distribute the **2024-2025 Membership Hand-books** along with **Addendum 1 & Addendum 2** to the membership directory. As of 1/11/25 **we have a total of 377 members.** 

We welcome our most recent members:

Julie Brown Brigid Hanson Cheri Moore Peggy VanOss Jill Fitzgerald

Membership Co-chairs:

Clare Fennessy <a href="mailto:cfennessy444@gmail.com">cfennessy444@gmail.com</a> 703-399-6405

Dee Chaffier deechaffier@verizon.net 484-515-7621







## **Scholarship News**

On Friday morning, January 10<sup>th</sup>, Scholarship Committee Co-chairs **Marcia Schenker and Nanette Mitchell were warmly welcomed into the offices of Withlacoochee Technical College in Inverness** to meet the two students who were awarded the CHWC \$1000 scholarships in December 2024. After taking pictures and chatting for a while with the two women and Assistant

Director, Dawna Boley, we grabbed a cozy round table in the college dining room and had the opportunity to interview our winners, Rachael James and Lisa Johnson-Mathews, both living in Citrus County now and very happy to be here, despite the present cold wave!

Lisa, a student in her second semester of the medical massage-therapy certification program, came to Citrus Hills from Palm Harbor, Florida. Lisa is a positive, upbeat woman who has been married to her husband, Stanley, for thirty years. She earned her RN degree in 2009 from St. Petersburg College, Clearwater Campus, and told us

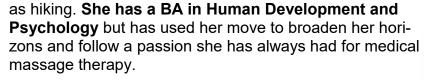


that she has always wanted to add massage therapy to her skill set. Before beginning this program at WTC, **Lisa worked at HPH Hospice**. She was motivated there to become "a healer" and loves the idea of working one-on-one with her patients. Having a nursing background will help her to assess patients' needs. **Lisa is hoping to open her own business in our community and work independently.** Both she and Rachael are also certified in Reiki, which they explained to us as "a massage without touch, or with a very light touch." A woman of varied interests and responsibilities, in addition to caring for her mother at home, Lisa is a photographer who has her own business online, focused on "spiritual photography", primarily looking at cloud formations.



Rachael, a native New Yorker hailing from Long Island, arrived in Florida in 2020 after packing everything up in the

middle of the Pandemic. An articulate and very knowledgeable person, Rachael enjoys going antiquing and thrifting, and also any time she can spend outdoors, such



Pictured Left to Right: Dawna Boley, Assistant Director, Withlacoochee Technical College, Marcia Schenker, Lisa Johnson-Mathew's, Rachael James and Nanette Mitchell.

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## Scholarship News (continued)

Rachael has had a wide variety of work experiences, including working with physical and occupational therapists, doing charity work, work with abused women, and work in hospice care, but most inspirational was her work with a patient who has MS. This patient "has been through a lot, really needed massage, and I wanted to give back to her. Massage is such a great healing tool." Right now, while in school, Rachael works 60 hours a week at an assisted living facility in our area and hopes to be able to go into her own practice upon completion of the program at WTC.

We wish both Lisa and Rachael good luck and much success in their future endeavors and thank our membership for supporting these two women who are full of energy and hope for the future. And they are intent on bringing their knowledge, skills, resourcefulness and humanity to Citrus County!

Congratulations go out to **Jacque Iverson** who **won our first \$100** raffle prize at the **January Luncheon.** We thank Jacque and all of you who have contributed consistently to our raffle each month. Keep coming by to see us! You could be our next winner!

We raised \$595 dollars in January, for a running net total of \$2350 to date. Thank you to everyone for your support!

Marcia Schenker Nanette Mitchell Co-Chairs, CHWC Scholarship Committee





# **Community and Charity Support Citrus County**

At the **February 12<sup>th</sup> luncheon**, the collections will be for **unopened cat and dog food**. This program supports Pet Meals for Seniors.

The next Drive-Through will be held **March 26**, **2025**, from **9:00-10:30** at the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church 439 E. Norvell Bryant Hwy. Collections will **include non-perishable food**, **unopened cat and dog food**, **clothing**, **household items**, **feminine products**, **diapers and wipes**, **gently used children's books**, and **used tools for Habitat**.

Cleaning out? Decluttering? Large items such as furniture may be donated to Habitat Restore Centers. Collections are Tuesday-Saturday 9:30 to 4:30. Inverness store 3685 E. Forest Dr, Crystal River Store 7800 W. Gulf to Lake Hwy.

**Thank you to all members** for generously donating to Citrus County programs.



# **Pets Need Our Help**









#### **CHWC Paw Pantry Needs:**

- Unopened dry or canned dog food
- Unopened dry or canned cat food
- Dog or Cat Treats and Kitty Litter
- Watch for BOGOS at Publix's Pet aisle/ any brand or size.

Please bring to drive-thrus and Pet designated luncheons.

For more Information contact:
Karen Settle 708-205-7037. You can have large food orders delivered directly to Karen's Home from Amazon or Chewy —please let her know.

For Your Convenience:
Send food directly to Karen Settle: 1182
N. Hunt Club Dr., Hernando, FL. 34442





Pets are often the only consistent companion many seniors have and are often considered part of the family. Pet food is a big expense.



Seniors would rather go hungry themselves than not feed their pet.

By donating to the CHWC Paw Pantry program, we can make a difference in the lives of over 100 homebound seniors' with pets. Pet Meals is a 100 percent donation-based and volunteer driven program. Food is not guaranteed and relies on the generosity of the community.



Please email pictures of you and your pet to Karen Settle mkmetier1@gmail.com







#### **Activity Chairpersons**

Beth Huntsberry

beth.huntsberry@gmail.com

Patti Noon

nooner103@yahoo.com



#### **OUR UPCOMING TRIPS**

Sunken Gardens Botanical Park ~ March 6. Cost \$45.00



Please see our flyer in this newsletter (next page) for more information.

Keep in mind you are only booked on our trips once your payment is received. You may purchase tickets for all trips at our luncheons. You may drop your payment off to the Citrus Hills Pro Shop in The

CHWC box, please include your name,

email address, and phone number.

# Let's try it out ~ Contact Mary Stansfield for More Information:

February - Painting with a Twist

March - Crystal River Escape Room

Meet Me at the Movies

Mah Jongg Happy Hour

Bunco Happy Hour









#### **Casino Night**

Saturday, February 8th, 2025

Chairs: **Debby Blackie & Dennie Zuendt** 219-871-9561 or **524dennie@gmail.com** 



# Fashion Show—Life is a Party—Dress for It!

Wednesday, March 12th, 2025

Chairs: Carol Peterman, Diane Edwards,

Jackie Huband, Karen Settle

**Carol's contact info:** 352-860-2818

or email address: carolp@tampabay.rr.com

#### **Spring Mah Jongg Tournament**

Wednesday March 19, 2025

Chair: Diane Edwards

Memere195777@gmail.com





#### **Spring Golf Tournament**

Friday, April 4th, 2025, 352-527-1574

Chairs: Claire Lindley cblindley@gmail.com & Gail Bockiaro gbockiar@tampabay.rr.com



## **LASSO YOUR LUCK**

# CITRUS HILLS WOMEN'S CLUB BUNCO FUNDRAISER TOURNAMENT



Friday, January 31, 2025
12:30pm-4:00pm
Beverly Hills Lions Club
\$30.00pp
Cash prizes, snacks, and other surprises.

Complete registration form below and enclose with a check for \$30.00 made to CHWC Bunco Tournament. Envelopes can be put in the CHWC box at the Pro Shop at the Citrus Hills Country Club

You can mail registration & check to:

Mary Stansfield

Please contact:

Mary Stansfield — mstansfield60@gmail.com

Hernando, FL 34442

478-696-3186

#### LASSO YOUR LUCK CHWC BUNCO TOURNAMENT REGISTRATION

Name:	Cell:	
Email:	Check #	





"Life is a Party.

Party.

Dress

For It!"

Citrus Hills Women's Club Fashion Show March 12, 2025 - 11:30 am

Fashions presented by Anthony's of The Villages

\$35.00 (Members Only)

Entrees include a Tossed Salad w/Raspberry Vinaigrette & Creamy Citrus Dressings, coffee and tea.

#### Choice #1

Tres Chic Chicken
Sauteed Chicken
Breast, Hand Squeezed
Lemons, Mushrooms,
Artichokes, Capers In
A Cream Sauce over
pasta & Broccoli

Raffles

#### Choice #2

Runway Trio
Egg Salad, Chicken
Salad & Seafood
Salad, surrounded by
salad greens and
mixed fruit & special
crackers

#### Co-Chairs:

Carol Peterman Karen Settle Jackie Huband Diane Edwards

#### Choice #3

Couture CHWC Salad & Soup
Mixed Greens, Capers,
Cheddar Cheese, Tomato,
Broccoli, Black Olives, Red
Onion, Cucumber, Egg &
Avocado with Tomato
Bisque Soup

352-860-2818 708-205-7037 352-249-6794 860-424-2330

#### Dessert Choice:

Brownie Sundae Fruit Cup



This luncheon fills up quickly so get your reservations in early. May be opened up to guests later depending on availability of seats. Sign up at the February Luncheon

Profits support CHWC designated local charities and scholarships for local students and those re-entering the work force.



Citrus Hills
Women's Club, Inc.
Fundraiser for
Scholarships and
Local Charities

Win Gift Cards totaling \$400.00 from these local restaurants:

\$100.00 - Vintage on 5<sup>th</sup>, Crystal River \$100.00 - Cajun Jimmy's Seafood Seller, Crystal River \$100.00 - Bayside Kraft Kitchen, Crystal River \$100.00 - Oscar Penn's, Inverness

Tickets will be sold at all CHWC luncheons through March 12, 2025 or can be purchased from:

Carol Peterman 352-860-2818 Karen Settle 708-205-7037 Jackie Huband 352-249-6794 Diane Edwards 860-424-2330 Tickets: 1 for \$5.00 5 for \$10.00 Cash Only

Ticket will be drawn at the March 12, 2025 CHWC Luncheon/Fashion Show. You do not need to be present to win. Winner will be notified by phone or email.

Profits support CHWC designated local charities and scholarship funds for local students. Cash only. CHWC is a 501(c)(3) non-for-profit public charity. License #CH45509 / EIN: 59-2952634



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# Let the Shenanigans Begin Spring Mah Jongg Tournament Registration Form



WEDNESDAY MARCH 19, 2025 SIGN IN IS 8:30-9:15 PLAY BEGINS 9:30 SHARP HAMPTON ROOM, CITRUS HILLS COUNTRY CLUB

BUY YOUR RAFFLE TICKETS FOR OUR 10 POTS OF GOLD WORTH FROM \$10 TO \$100!! WHICH POTS HAVE THE BIG \$\$\$\$\$ AND ALSO SHARE THE WEALTH!!!!

A NEW SHENANIGAN – TWICE THE FUN
THERE WILL BE TWO SESSIONS WITH TWO SETS OF WINNERS

COST FOR THIS FUN TIME IS \$40 WHICH INCLUDES LUNCH:



A. CORNED BEEF, CABBAGE, POTATOES, CARROTS OR
B. ORIENTAL CHICKEN SALAD
COFFEE, TEA, ICED TEA AND A CASH WINE BAR



DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION - MARCH 1st. CONTACT DIANE EDWARDS FOR ANY QUESTIONS @ MEMERE195777@GMAIL.COM

EVERYONE IS INVITED TO PLAY! SIGN UP AS A GROUP OF FOUR OR SIGN UP INDIVIDUALLY AND BE PLACED IN A GROUP PLEASE INCLUDE AN EMAIL AND PHONE NUMBER FOR ONE INDIVIDUAL TO RECEIVE INFORMATION.

NAME	MENU CHOICE (A. or B.)	CARD TABLE?
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3		
1	10	
CONTACT PERSON'S PHONE # & EMAIL:		205







# SPONSOR A GOLF HOLE AND RECOGNIZE THOSE WHO "PUT THE BLING IN YOUR SWING"

At our April 4<sup>th</sup> Golf Scramble, you have the opportunity to pay homage to those friends and family that help "Put the Bling in Your Swing"

<u>Individual Sponsorships</u> are \$25 per Diamond. Up to 4 Diamonds (\$100) of Recognition per Sign

Business/Commercial Sponsorships are \$250.

All funds raised go directly to support the CHWC Charitable and Scholarship efforts.

Please contact Gail Bockiaro -gbockiar@tampabay.rr.com for additional information.







9-Hole Golf Scramble Fundraiser

Spansored by the Citrus Hills Women's Club

Friday, April 4th • Meadows Golf Course • Citrus Hills Golf & Country Club Sign-in: 7:45am • Play begins: 9am

Registration cost of \$60 per person includes greens fees, carts, mulligans, breakfast-to-go bag and a sit-down luncheon. Golfers can purchase chances on a variety of Gift Baskets and Silent Auction Items. Additional prizes for some lucky golf teams, as well as a special gift for every participant.

Numbers are limited. Deadline to register is March 7th. Each team will be handicapped, so you can form your own foursome or we may be able to help you find additional player(s).

To register, contact:

Dawn Holley at 843-685-6696 or DHolley76@gmail.com

Sponsorship of Golf Holes are also available for businesses and individuals. Contact: Gail Bockiaro at gbockiar@tampabay.rr.com for more information.

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# January 2025 Luncheon Pictures









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#### CHWC LUNCHEON

MARCH 12, 2025 - 11:30 a.m. Hampton Room – Doors Open at 10:00 a.m. 'Life Is A Party – Dress For It'





Reservation deadline is FRIDAY FEBRUARY 28TH @ 5:00 PM !!!! Please make checks payable to CHWC – mail to Diane Edwards 4195 N. Monadnock Rd Hernando, Fl 34442 or place your reservation with a check in the CHWC box at the CHG&CC Pro Shop. No refunds after the deadline. A reservation is definite after your check has been received. Deadline for reservations is February 28, 2025.

IF you wish to have special seating based on mobility, hearing, eyesight or other limitations, please note on the registration form.

PRICE: \$35.00

#### MENU CHOICES:

- A. TRES CHIC CHICKEN OVER PASTA Mushroom, Artichokes, Capers In A Cream Sauce Salad W/Raspberry Vinaigrette Or Creamy Citrus Dressing
- B. RUNWAY TRIO Egg Salad, Chicken Salad, And Seafood Salad Salad Greens & Mixed Fruit With Special Crackers
- C. COUTURE CHWC SALAD / VEGETARIANS Capers, Cheddar Cheese, Tomato, Broccoli, Black Olives, Egg, Avocado Etc. With Tomato Bisque Soup

Dessert Choices: D. Brownie Sundae E. Fruit Cup with strawberries and blueberries

<u>Name</u>	Menu Choice	Dessert Choice
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3. M or G		
4. M or G		
5. M or G		
6. M or G		
7. M or G		
8. M or G		
This reservation was sent by:		
Phone Number	Amount Enclosed:	

This luncheon fills up quickly so get your reservations in early. It may be opened up to guests (price \$40.00) later in February depending upon availability of seats. Sign-up begins when the February newsletter is emailed. If you are interested in bringing a guest, please contact Diane Edwards to have them placed on a "wait list" in case there is availability.

Profits from this event support CHWC designated local charities and scholarships for local students and those re-entering the work force.

# 2024-2025 CITRUS HILLS WOMEN'S CLUB, INC. MEMBERSHIP FORM Annual Membership Dues: \$30

Membership in the CHWC is open to women that reside within the current Villages of Citrus Hills. Our membership year is June 1 – May 31. **NEW MEMBERS** joining after March 1 shall be members through May 31 of the following year. **Memberships will be accepted from March 1, 2024 – December 31, 2024.** 

Type of Membership:	New	Renewal	Ck #	Date Pd	
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NAME:			_ SPOUSE:		
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LANDLINE:	ANDLINE: CELL PHONE:			-	
EMAIL:					
Would you be interested in	serving on the	Citrus Hills Wom	en's Club Board	d: Yes	No
Would you be interested in CHAIRING a committee?		Yes	No		
Would you be interested in serving on a committee?		Yes	No		
s there anything you are in	terested in Volu	unteering for? i.e	e., Fundraising,	Outreach, Activi	ities, Scholarsh
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Do you have specialized ski	lls to contribute	? i.e. Excel, word	, web technolo	ogy, publicity, fin	ance
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Check our Website for man	v volunteering	opportunities: w	ww.citrushills	womensclub.org	

Our Club was established in 1986 and is dedicated to charitable efforts throughout Citrus County and to educational programs.

Members work together in a spirit of friendship for the betterment of the community and to help each other. CHWC is a 501©(3) nonprofit public charity.

Please make your check payable to CHWC for \$30 and place it along with this form in an envelope marked "MEMBERSHIP" and either:

- Place in the CHWC box located in the Citrus Hills Pro Shop OR
- Mail to: CHWC, PO Box 1494, Hernando, FL 34441-1494

For questions regarding membership, please send an email to: CHWCinformation@gmail.com