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# The Woman's Club of Albany

## *United in Service Since 1910*

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*This is the April 1, 2023, newsletter for The Woman's Club of Albany, with news about our events and ways you can help us meet our mission.*

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## **Read All About It**

Don't miss any of the great news in this month's issue:

- **Message from Our President**
- **March Board Report**
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- **WCA Celebrates Women's History Month**
- **Bus Trip to Seneca Falls Women's Sites**
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### ***A Message from Our President***





Happy Spring! Will you join me in thanking WCA volunteers?

Thank you to those who serve on the Board, as officers, committee chairs and co-chairs. You step up and lead the way.

Thank you to the committee members. You contribute your time, talents and ideas so the WCA can thrive and grow.

Thank you to the event volunteers. You bring energy and skills to make activities run smoothly.

The WCA could not fulfill its mission without member volunteers. I appreciate you, and I am grateful for your time and commitment to the club and community we serve.

**-- Monica Trabold**

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## March Board Report

The Board of Directors took the following actions at its March meeting:

- Sponsored a student attending the Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership Conference.
- Appointed the 2023 Nominating Committee.
- Approved the Ten Broeck Manor garden tour.
- Designated 2024 to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the WCA's renaissance.





## **And the Winners Are . . .**

Congratulations to the five people who won \$1,000 each in our Stuff Your Piggy Bank raffle. The drawing was held at Member Monday on March 27.

Holders of the winning tickets were: Don Van Keuren (husband of Charlotte Prior), Janet Nardolillo, John Souza (his daughter, Membership Committee Chair Christine Souza, gave him a ticket for Christmas), Pam Robbins and Elizabeth Wallace.

Sellers of the winning tickets each won \$100: Charlotte Prior (2 tickets) and Janet Nardolillo, Pam Robbins and Elizabeth Wallace (who each sold tickets to themselves.)

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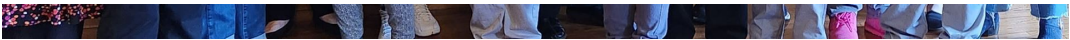
## **WCA Celebrates Women's History Month**

The WCA observed Women's History Month in March with two special programs.

We hosted an intergenerational observance of Women's History Month on March 24 that brought together WCA members and students from the Albany Leadership Charter School, where Dr. Jennie Evans, a WCA member, is principal of the middle school.

The students gave presentations about women who have influenced them, joined us for lunch and participated in informal discussions with WCA members who have had or have careers in a variety of areas.





The March Member Monday program featured a presentation by Lorraine Weiss, Shaker Heritage education coordinator and a WCA member, on "In Her Rightful Place: Women's Roles In Shaker Community."



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## See Where Women's History Was Made

***Take a Bus Day Trip to Seneca Falls, Where the Women's Rights Movement Began Its Journey to Equality!***

***Saturday, May 6 -- Depart at 7 a.m. and Return at 8 p.m.***

***(Travel time each way is approximately 2 hours and 45 minutes.)***

***(Bus pick-up and drop off site not yet determined.)***

We will visit the **National Women's Rights Site**, the **Women's Hall of Fame Museum** and **It's a Wonderful Life Museum**.

**Cost: \$60 per person.** Cost includes bus trip, driver tip and museum admissions. Meals are not included but there will be options available to you.

**REGISTRATION is open to WCA members and others in the community.**

Questions? [Contact Linda Fasano](#).

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### **2sDay in the Parlor**

***April 4 -- 6:30 p.m.***

In case of April Showers and in anticipation of precipitation -- you can stand under my umbrella. Ella Ella.

(Possibly Rhiannon's tribute to WCA founder Ella Blair!)

Join us in the Parlor to celebrate friendship, food and frivolity. It's been a long winter and we're looking to turn those frowns upside down! Umbrellas will be optional-- except in our drinks! Spot might be sporting his Hawaiian shirt.

Join us in the Parlor and leave the business of the Club behind as we get to know each other. As always a nip or a nosh to share, please.



***Thursday, April 13 -- 6:30 p.m.***





*(Together Women Rise photo)*

This month's grant recipient is Sustaining Africa Projects in Uganda, Malawi, Kenya, organized by the Mooncatcher Project ([www.mooncatcher.org/](http://www.mooncatcher.org/)).

The goal, according to Together Women Rise, is to "help young girls stay in school and complete their educations by giving them the tools to manage their menstrual periods with confidence and dignity."

Our event is a potluck dinner with a small educational component. Money that otherwise would be spent on going out to dinner instead is donated to the project.

If you have questions or would like to attend, contact [Rosemary Revoir](#).



***Home Away from Home***

## **All Things Italian**

***Wednesday, April 19 -- 5:30 to 8 p.m.***

**Would you like to learn some Italian?**

**Would you like to do some singing in Italian?**

**Do you want to make your own pizzelles?**

**Join Marilyn (D'Ambrosi) Hunter at the WCA house for a members' evening of  
All Things Italian!**



## Join Us for Member Monday -- April 23

***Happy Half Hour -- 6 p.m.***  
***Pot Luck Supper -- 6:30 p.m.***

This month our feature presentation is The Vandy Thrift Shoppe. This presentation had been scheduled for February Member Monday, which was canceled because of bad weather.

Located in downtown Albany, The Vandy is part of Vanderheyden, a Wynantskill-based organization that has been assisting children, adults and families for more than 180 years.

The Vandy offers low prices on men and women's clothing, accessories and home items. Proceeds directly support Vanderheyden's mission to empower youth, adults and families to build brighter futures.

CEO (and WCA member) Karen Carpenter-Palumbo will talk about The Vandy and Vanderheyden, how their mission aligns with the WCA's and how we can get involved.

And shop! Don't forget the shopping!

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## Tour Ten Broeck Mansion Garden

***Friday, April 28 --11 a.m. to noon***

***9 Ten Broeck Place, Albany***

**(Parking Lot -- Enter on Livingston Ave..)**

Enjoy a your of the garden at Albany's historic Ten Broeck Mansion, led Kathryn Kosto, the mansion's executive director.

Then join Tina Peabody, community education coordinator, as she shows us how to make our own Wardian Cases (a type of terrarium) that we can take home. The craft activity will occur indoors.

The tour is limited to 12 people, with preference given to WCA members.

Cost is \$9.50.

Register and pay [here](#).

**(See Community Service Opportunities below to learn how you can help prepare the garden for summer.)**

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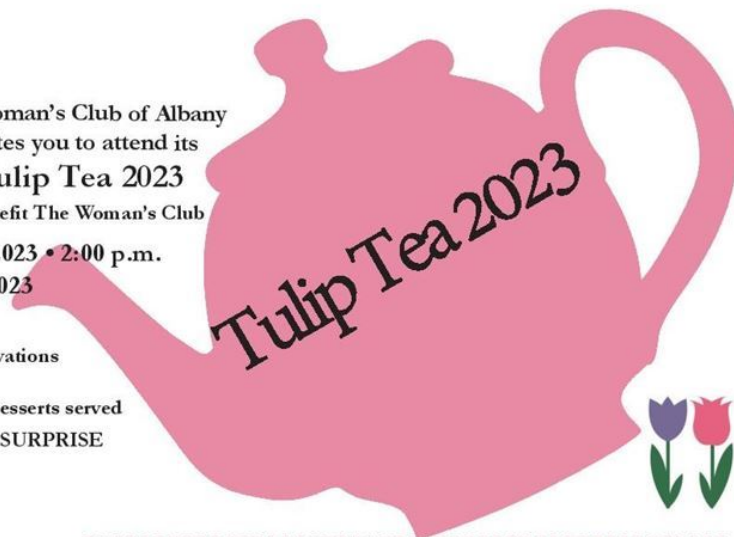
## Register [Here](#) Today for 2023 Tulip Tea



The Woman's Club of Albany  
invites you to attend its  
**Tulip Tea 2023**  
to benefit The Woman's Club

Saturday, May 20, 2023 • 2:00 p.m.  
RSVP by May 10, 2023

- Tickets are \$45 each
- Space is limited-Reservations required
- Tea sandwiches and Desserts served
- CASH RAFFLE AND SURPRISE VENDOR



**Tea attendance by reservation only.**

**You must register online at**

**[www.womansclubofalbany.com](http://www.womansclubofalbany.com)**

Payment can be made online or by mail. Please note  
"Tulip Tea" on check.

ADA accessible seating available on first floor. Please note





in registration if first floor seating is required.

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## **WCA Book Club Meets May 16**

The WCA Book Club will meet on Tuesday, May 16, at 6:30 p.m. to discuss "Lessons in Chemistry" by Bonnie Garmus.

For more information, contact [Diana Pane](#).

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### **Community Service Opportunities**



# Make Someone Smile

The Community Service Committee is looking for volunteers to arrange flowers in vases on April 17 and deliver them to residents of Shaker Place Rehabilitation and Nursing Center in Colonie on April 18.

This will be the second time around for this project. Last year's effort was well received. But a few more helping hands are needed. The flowers are donated by Trader Joe's.

For more information about specific times or to volunteer, contact [Diana Pane](#).



## Earth Day Project

**A perfect way to honor Mother Earth!**

***Saturday, April 22 -- 8:30-11 a.m.***

***Ten Broeck Mansion***

***9 Ten Broeck Place, Albany***

***(Parking Lot --Enter on Livingston Ave.)***

Join the Community Service Committee in helping our partners at the Historic Ten Broeck Mansion (built in 1797) prepare their grounds and gardens for upcoming programs for Albany kids.

Ten Broeck provides all the equipment needed, but you can bring your favorite garden gloves and hat!

Let's meet in the parking area at 8:30. We'll finish around 11. Those who wish to relax and chat can meet for lunch/drink/snack afterward at the Olde English Pub at Quackenbush Square. Maybe the weather will allow us to dine al fresco!

[Click HERE to Sign up on the WCA website.](#)

For more information, contact [Paula Hennessy](#).

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## Welcome to Our New Members

Welcome to our new members **Nicole Sanchez, Sheryl Holland, Liza McKinnley, Kelly Grimaldi** and **Nancy Calkins**. We look forward to seeing you at our meetings and other events.

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### ***It's Coming***

## **WCA 2023 Super Garage Sale**

Exciting news! The **WCA Annual Garage Sale** will be held at the house on Sept. 7-9. This is a BIG fundraiser for the WCA and a great FUN raiser for all our wonderful Club volunteers.

Collection of sale items -- jewelry, household items, small appliances, furniture, purses, linens, holiday stuff, books, tools, pictures and decorations, toys and antiques -- will take place Sept. 5-7.

This year we will also be selling new and "newish" Fall and Winter women's and men's clothing, coats and shoes and baby and children's things.

Buyers love our jewelry, both costume and fine! Collection begins in April at WCA activities. This gives us plenty of time to evaluate and price donations.

The WCA is fortunate to have so many talented and generous members. We will be seeking volunteers to help us plan this sale! Other opportunities include helping at collection, setup and cleanup, working as cashiers, marketing, assisting buyers, putting together raffle items and other areas. This BIG activity cannot succeed without YOU!

So mark your calendar and stay tuned for more info. In the meantime, contact [Paula Hennessy](#) or [Susan Gould Fogerite](#) if you have questions or suggestions.

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### ***Did You Know . . .***

## **The Year Was 1914-1915 . . .**

"The garden club worked with schools to encourage children to do spring cleanup in gardens; Sold seeds to school children; Asked schools to plant border gardens; Promoted children's house gardens."

### ***--WCA 1914-1915 Annual Report***

Today we are carrying on the tradition. We recently collected more than 100 milk jugs for the Vegetable Project, which works with children in the Albany City School District. The jugs will be used as containers for planting seeds.

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