

From: Woman's Club of Albany TheWomansClub@womansclubofalbany.com
Subject: The WCA is a-MAY-zing this month! See for yourself!
Date: May 1, 2023 at 7:15 AM
To: Monica Trabold monicatrabold@gmail.com



The Woman's Club of Albany

United in Service to Our Community Since 1910

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

Read All About It

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

- **Message from Our President**
- **April Board Report**
- **Tulip Tea Reservations Due**
- **2sDay in the Parlor**
- **Albany History Fair at Historic Cherry Hill**
- **Together Women Rise**
- **Next Book Club Meeting**
- **Home Away from Home**
- **May Member Monday and Future Member Mondays**
- **Welcome New Members**
- **Did You Know?**
- **Community Service Making a Difference**
- **Garage Super Sale Planning Meeting**
- **Interested in a group hike?**
- **Grassroot Givers Needs Our Help**

A Message from Our President





On behalf of the Board of Directors, I am pleased to announce that the WCA will be repaving its driveway and rear parking area. This project, like all capital endeavors, is the result of many hours of work by several committees. Shout out to the Building Committee for months of research culminating in a proposal that the Board authorized at its April meeting.

The WCA would not have the needed funds without the work of our income-generating committees, specifically Development, Membership and Rentals, or the work of our Finance Committee affirming the financial viability of this capital improvement.

Who else helped? You did, when you participated in a fundraiser like the Stuff Your Piggy Bank raffle, made a monetary donation, volunteered at the garage sale or served on one of those committees. And of course, by being a member, because your dues support the WCA's mission to the community and stewardship of its historical building.

My gratitude to each person who played a part in making the dream of a new driveway a reality. Together we are doing great things.

-- **Monica Trabold**

April Board Actions

At its April meeting, the Board of Directors took the following actions:

- Commissioned custom handcrafted art work depicting the WCA house for products such as ornaments and stationery.
- Appointed Elizabeth Wallace as an additional co-chair of the Development Committee.
- Approved a proposal to replace the blacktop in the driveway and WCA-owned parking area.
- Approved policies and procedures for use of the reserve fund.

Upcoming Events

Time is running out to [REGISTER](#) for the Tulip Tea.

This is an important fundraiser for the Club - Don't miss it!

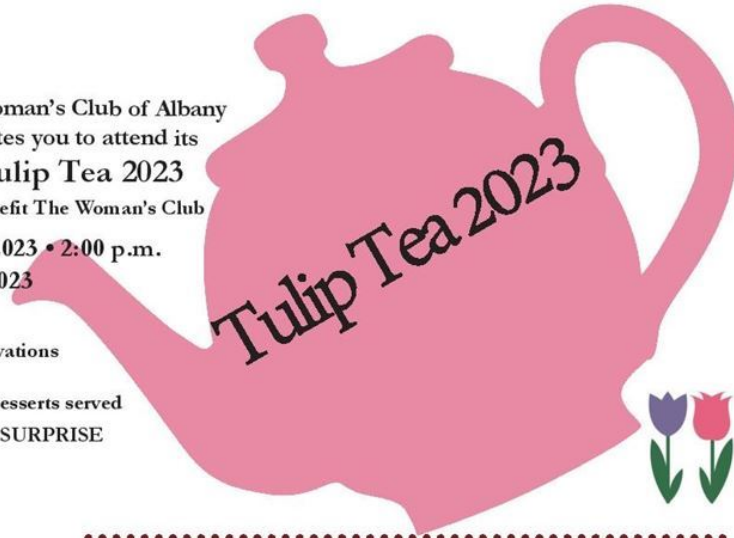
RSVP by May 10th



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



Clip art by Vecteezy

Tea attendance by reservation only.

**You must register online at
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.

The Woman's Club of Albany

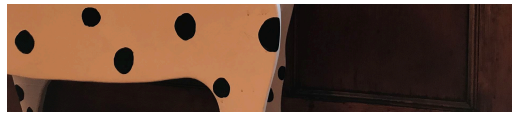
725 Madison Avenue • Albany, NY 12208

For more information, call 518.465.3626



The Woman's Club of Albany is a 501(c)(3) organization.
Your donation is tax-deductible to the fullest extent of the law.
The Woman's Club is not yet ADA accessible.





2sDay in the Parlor

Tuesday, May 2 -- 6:30 p.m.

Join us Tuesday, May 2 in the Parlor for our own version of Cinco de Mayo. It may not be exactly on the 5th--but we'll still be all things ¡Olé!

A nip or a nosh to share please--think Mexican; tacos, street corn, mole and of course, chips and quac! (Bring your favorite quacamole recipe and we'll have a "Guac-off"!)

Our 2sdays in the Parlor are the time to get to know each other and leave the business of the Club behind.

It's no time for a siesta--it's a fiesta-- ¡Olé!

FREE!

Join us for the
24th Annual

ALBANY HISTORY FAIR

Lens on Albany:
The Art and History of
Photography in the
Capital City

HISTORIC CHERRY HILL
Sunday, May 7 / 12-4 p.m.

www.historiccherryhill.org / 518-434-4760
523 1/2 S. Pearl Street, Albany, NY

24th Annual Albany History Fair

Sunday, May 7 -- 12 to 4 p.m.

Historic Cherry Hill

523 1/2 South Pearl St. Albany, NY 12202

Each year the Albany History Fair brings together heritage sites to explore a unique theme in Albany's history and collaboratively market thematically linked programming. This year's theme is "*Lens on Albany: The Art and History of Photography in the Capital City.*"

Please stop by to visit the WCA table. This is a free event. WCA members-- if you can volunteer for a shift, please contact [Monica Trabold](#).



Thursday, May 11 -- 6:30 p.m.

This month's grant recipient is Village Health Partnership. The mission of Village Health Partnership is to prevent maternal and neonatal death during childbirth by building a workforce of nurses and midwives skilled in providing care in rural Ethiopia. This project aims to reduce rates of maternal and neonatal morbidity and mortality and prevent gynecological complications.

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](#).

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](#).





The door is open for Home Away from Home - a members-only evening!

Wednesday, May 17 -- 5:30 to 8 p.m.

Our monthly Members' Nights Out have seen board games, conversation, sharing a skill and more. These popular evenings are hosted by the Board in an effort to make the house more available to members. Stop by, bring a board game, craft or just yourself and enjoy a few hours at the Club. Board member Sara Hotopp will be the host this month.



**Things of my
Very Own**

*Crisis Intervention
Services for Children*

Join Us for Member Monday -- May 22

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

This month we will have Bernadette McDaniel, Secretary to the Board of Directors of Things of My Very Own, one of the WCA's Community Partners. Things of My Very Own is a non-profit organization that provides crisis intervention services to children impacted by extensive abuse and/or neglect as well as those at risk of a Child Protective Services intervention. Their goal is to keep children together with non-abusive family members and out of the foster care system, whenever possible.

In addition, we will be **collecting men's deodorant for their teens and laundry detergent for the families** served by Things of My Very Own.

Future Member Mondays . . . we need YOU!

Do you or does someone you know have a specific skill, talent or affiliation that aligns with the mission and vision of the Woman's Club of Albany? Would you be interested in sharing it with our community at an upcoming Member Monday? We want to hear from you! Reach out to [Membership Committee](#) and share your idea!

Welcome to Our New Members

Welcome to our new members: Jill Difkin, Rebecca Finley, Nancy Galkins, Rosemary

welcome to our new members Jim KIRKIN, Rebecca Finley, Nancy Cairns, Rosemary Menneto and Tabitha Harting.
We look forward to seeing you at our meetings and other events.

Did You Know?

The Year Was 1911 . . .

The common drinking cup typically found at water fountains was unsanitary. The WCA encouraged the Albany Board of Education to adopt an experimental drinking fountain that would banish a common source of contamination. Forward thinking ladies caring about home, family and the community.

--Compiled by Pam Burns, Archive Committee Chair

Community Service Committee Making a Difference





Beautiful flowers arrangements were created by WCA members delivered to Shaker Place Rehabilitation and Nursing Center in April. Arrangements were placed in the community areas of six of the units. Thank you to our Community Service Committee members: Pat Callahan. Susanna Martin. Christina Kind. Karen Brown. Sue Finn. Diana Pane. and friend of WCA, Susan Richardson. A big Thank You to Trader Joe's for the flower donation.



Community Service in action on Earth Day! We worked on the grounds at Ten Broeck, a wonderful historic house like ours and were honored to accept a certificate of appreciation for our work.
Thanks to Paula, Linda, Sue, Shelley, Pat and Florence for all their hard work!

Interested in a group hike?

The Program Committee would like to organize a hike during June. Do you have a favorite hiking spot? If so, email Linda Fasano and please share the details!

WCA Garage Super Sale

Planning Meeting!

Tuesday, May 30 -- 5:30 p.m.

We'll meet via zoom! Contact Paula Hennessy for more info and Zoom sign in!

Grassroot Givers Needs Our Help

Our community partners at Grassroot Givers are seeking donations of new or like-new bed linens, blankets and comforters.

If you have items to donate, please call Grassroot Givers directly (518-500-

If you have items to donate, ***please call Grassroot Givers directly (518-599-5157)*** to schedule a time to drop off your donation at their conveniently located shop at 522 Washington Ave., Albany (located in the old Freihofer's bakery building at Washington and Quail. Parking out front or off-street next to the building.)
