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Luncheon to explore wonders of Fairy Gardening!

Wildroot Flower Co. adds enchantment to container gardens

From Trisha Miller, Entertainment Co-chair

Welcome SPRING! Finally. Springtime in my family means open windows, Easter dinner, spring cleaning, and many trips to the garden store for plants...Lots and lots of plants. I love plants, especially tiny plants. My daughter Zoey and I have been combining my love of tiny plants with her love of tiny toys into one great BIG tradition: Fairy gardens.

We are amateur fairy garden enthusiasts! Our whimsical flower worlds have grown and evolved from a tiny potted plant with a toy hiding in the foliage to dozens of containers overflowing with houses, walkways, knick-naks and wishes. To be truthful, when Toni Henry and I decided to co-chair Entertainment this year, I thought this is the perfect opportunity to LEARN from a real plant person just how to keep the blooms lasting and ultimately spread the love of gardening tiny things.

Lyndsay Biehl of Wildroot Flower Co. has taken up the task to deliver knowledge and imagination to all of us in League. Our annual spring luncheon will feature basic tips and tricks on creating your own whimsical fairy worlds. Even if you aren't interested in fairies specifically, she'll have good advice on container gardening and helpful ideas how to bring live plants into your lifestyle—no matter where you live or how much space you have

The luncheon will take place at Glenwood with Chef Tyson Whistler serving up a three course meal: salad, croissant sandwich with fruit, and NY-style cheesecake with berries. The meal is

sure to delight, and the ability to meet and greet with fellow League members is always the best part! Be sure to reserve your spot before April 15th. If you have a friend interested in joining, please invite her to come with you for lunch and learn about our organization.



Pictured here are two fairy gardens from the Miller house. At the luncheon we will learn how to make a container garden perfect to invite fairies into your home!

Annual Spring Luncheon featuring Wildroot Flower Co.

Tuesday, April 23

Glenwood - 200 Timberline Drive

Social hour at 11 a.m.

Lunch at 12 noon

Gardening presentation to follow.

Cost: \$15 includes lunch, dessert, coffee/tea/lemonade, and a fairy garden surprise. Wine will be available for a donation. RSVP to Jane Crumrine at 740-336-8308 or janecrumrine@gmail.com by Monday, April 15th. As always, active members have standing reservations, let Jane know if you cannot attend.



League Shop News

The League Shop is located on the first floor of Marietta Memorial Hospital. The members of Marietta Welfare League have owned and operated The Shop since it began in 1957. In the last six decades, The League Shop has grown to offer countless volunteer opportunities to our members and employment to a growing staff, as well as the ability to donate tens of thousands of dollars to Washington County charities EACH YEAR!

Customer Appreciation Day event was a HUGE success!

On Tuesday, April 2, The League Shop hosted a Customer Appreciation Day event and sale. In an effort to show our loyal customers how much we do appreciate them as well as continue to attract new customers, we offered 20 percent off of everything in the store. This included all food items and gift items. We also gave away more than 150 small cups of coffee between the hours of 8 –10 a.m. and countless free fountain drinks between 2-4 p.m. and 6 p.m.-close. We had to make two trips out to get extra ice, simply to keep up with demand.

The turnout was spectacular and our volunteers showed up in force to help keep customers happy as they waited in expectedly longer lines at the register. Balloons and smiles filled the hallway outside of the shop. Our paid employees worked like mighty machines creating frozen lattes and serving up lunches all day long.

The customers were extremely grateful too! Many stopped us during the activities and said "Thank you." Our customers are the reason we can run our grant



Customers lined up to enjoy 20% off the entire store and free drinks throughout the day. Customer Appreciation Day was hosted on Tuesday, April 2, 2019 at The League Shop.

program and donate record-breaking amounts to Washington County each year.

On the membership side, we handed out newly made publicity materials with the Music in the Park schedule and information about our group in general. Membership applications were also available.

A Note from Our President

Hello members!

I am excited to serve as President of the Marietta Welfare League this year, and I know that we will continue to build on the successes we have already achieved. In 2018, we contributed over \$80,000 to our community, and we are on track to reach our goal of granting \$100,000 to our community in celebration of the MWL's 100 year anniversary in 2026! Additionally, we have launched an initiative to expand our philanthropic efforts in an effort to provide greater support to our community. This exciting opportunity is due to the ongoing success of The League Shop. Our vision is a future where we continue to grow and support important causes that are crucial to our area.



2019-20 Pres. Amy Taylor

We have watched our contributions expand in ways that we never thought possible, and this success is because of each of you! Thank you for continuing to give your time and talents to our organization year after year. With your support, we can continue this growth and vital connection to our community. I am looking forward to collaborating with and serving you this year as the MWL continues to make a difference right here at home. Respectfully yours,

Amy

Member News

Welcome our newest members!

Angie Huck

Angie Huck lives in Marietta. She recently retired from UPS as a driver after thirty-plus years of service.

She and her husband Max own Easton Printing in Parkersburg, where she is the bookkeeper/ accountant. They have two grown children, Justin Eddy PhD, 33, of Chicago IL, and Rachael Huck, 30, who lives in Marietta and works at the print shop.

Angie says her hobbies are tending her 4 fourlegged children, golfing, crossfit, riding motorcycles



and the couple's RZR1000. She joined League to "give back to the community that I love." **She also jokingly mentioned that she wore all brown at UPS for more than thirty years and now MWL makes her wear all black (at The League Shop)! Ha! Nice to have you join our coffee -ninja group. ;)

Terri Page

Terri has spent the past 30 years in the restaurant industry and now owns a catering business, Valley Catering. She has two daughters and a beautiful new grand daughter. Terri loves to volunteer and likes to travel. Although this is her first biography in The League Line, Terri has been a member since 2017. She casually avoided public attention, until now. In the last months, Terri has taken her knowledge of all things food and catering to enhance The League's annual fall auction offerings and now acts as Food Chairperson.

The League is proud to have these talented and caring ladies join our membership!! They all have already stepped up to volunteer extra time on projects. Please be sure to stop and say HI to them at our Spring Luncheon.

If YOU know a special lady that would be a great fit for our group - someone who likes to volunteer and have some FUN while doing it, please invite them to join us at the Spring Luncheon on April 23 and/or direct check her out our webpage www.mariettawelfareleague.org. On the site, she can download a membership application and find out more about what we are up to these days. Our programs and services continue to grow as our membership does... let's get some NEW members!!

Rachelle Lang

Rachelle is married with two sons and three step daughters. She enjoys golf, hiking, biking, cooking, and

spending time with her family. Rachelle says she joined Welfare League to give back to the community.

*By the way, you might already know Rachelle, she used to own The Townhouse, a true Marietta landmark. Now, her son owns the place, but she still stops in for a salad and smiles.



<u>Welfare League</u> Lifetime Members

As of April 1, 2019

Mary Lou Atkinson llene Barengo Carol Bergen Sandra Blair Tonya Booth Kay Calllihan **Kay Caltrider** Jane Combs Janet Cranston **Judy Deering** Charlotte Elliott Shelley Elliott Susan Feil **Betty Fleming Peggy Forbes** Sharon Gegner Martha Guinn Penny Hall Joan Hushion Sheila Lankford

Becky Mallett Brenda Matthews Nancy McCartney Elizabeth Mendicino **Amy Mitchem** Karen Osborne Jo Powell Barb Rankin Janine Satterfield **Edith Seiffert** Jan Sheridan JoAnn Stowe Pat Thrash Elsa Thompson Holly Watson Jane Watson **Phyllis Wells** Joyce Williams Pat Wood

We truly THANK these ladies for their continued support of The League and our mission. Lifetime memberships are open to any person that has completed her ten years of service in League. If you are interested in becoming a Lifetime Member, please contact our General Treasurer Angie Huck ahuck1@icloud.com or 740-350-6201.

Music in the Park

2019 Schedule of Concerts

June 6: **Veritas Singers** - Women's Acapella June 13: **Marietta Children's Choir** - Variety

June 20: The Tunesmiths - Classic Country

June 27: High Schools that ROCK!

and the Marietta Ukulele Choir

July 4: Independence Day PARTY**

featuring Levi Westfall and Newfeather!

July 11: St. Mary's Community Band - Concert

July 18: Fifth Street Ouartet - Jazz

July 25: Karl Kesselring - Singer/Songwriter

Aug 1: Madeline Brookover - Piano Pop

Aug 8: Neon Moon Band - Oldies Variety

Aug 15: Sienna Stocky - Acoustic Country

Aug 22: **Vocal Point** - MHS Show Choir Aug 29: **The Wall of Sound** - MHS Band





Music in the Park schedule set

Summer's sunny long days and firefly-filled nights will be upon us sooner than you think. Our annual FREE, family-friendly, open-air concert series "Music in the Park" will be starting June 6 and run every Thursday evening in June, July, and

August at 7 p.m. YOU are invited to join us! Bring friends. Bring snacks. Bring a lawn chair or blanket and come enjoy one of Marietta's most beautiful parks.

Members asked to Host MITP

*Remember that part of our volunteer hours include hosting this event. Active members will be asked to sign up at a future meeting. Sustaining members are strongly encouraged to attend any of the concerts. Bring friends!! Evy Bryant is the MITP chair this year. If you have any questions about what hosting includes, please ask. :) Also, if you are on Facebook, please look for the MITP event invitations and share on your page!





July 4th MITP to expand and feature a PARTY!

NEW THIS YEAR: July 4th falls ON a Thursday this year!! MITP Chairperson, Evy Bryant, has decided to GO BIG with this event. A MITP sub-committee has been formed to make an Independence Day PARTY. Planning is just beginning for this event: Levi Westfall and his band, Newfeather, will be performing as our main event. The committee is working to secure a patriotic and family-friendly flare to include flags and a local talent to perform the National Anthem. We've put out feelers to gain interest from local food trucks and other entertainment. If YOU or someone you know would be interested in having a vendor space, entertainment space, or have any other fun ideas, please let Evy know soon (evybryant@yahoo.com).

ATTITION OF

Save the Date!!

Our Annual Fall Auction will take place on Friday, November 8, 2019.

Mark your calendars for this major event and plan to attend!

