

Social Committee:

We have been quite active this past month in holding Board Meetings, compiling Committee Event Chairs (of which we still need a few), and gathering our 2023 Social Committee to source and start arrangement of our many activities that will take place this year.

The Social Committee below have selected a wide variety of activities for our group this next year and I want to thank the ladies below for donating their time and efforts to compile this calendar of events for us. As you see, we had a lot of ladies volunteering their time for this. We hope you will be looking forward to participating in these fun activities as much as we are. If something you were wanting did not show up, send it to us for our idea list for next year AND please consider joining this committee next year so your ideas can be championed. As I told the ladies, this group is the heart and soul of our Club's fellowship!

We also still have some activities that need Event Chairs, so look the schedule over and volunteer to coordinate one of our open events if you have the time and would like to support our club. We must have new volunteers helping so the same people are not burdening the load of the work this year. Chairs will not pressure you to volunteer, it is up to you to reach out to them and let them know that you are willing to assist. Remember: many hands, little work!

Joan Beeman	Joanne Hagerty	Donna Mazon	Cathy Smith
Pam Blount	Barb Hatch	Kay Meade	Juliette Testa
Kerry Ferrero	Glennie Johnson	Helen Miles	
Robyn Giles	Wanda Kirchner	Becky Montgomery	
Maria Guerrero	Evelyn Krawczyk	Linda Scamardi	

Our upcoming activities are:

Feb 04, 2023 Mt. Dora Art Fair and Lunch Chair: Joan Beeman (217) 529-9047
Mar 29, 2023 Morse Museum / Lunch / Trader Joes Chair: Joanne Phinney (352) 750-9193

If you have not signed up for these events and would like to attend, please reach out to the Chair to get your name on the list and your money in!

Membership:

Barb Hatch has taken over Membership this year and is working to get all of the dues on a format that the Board can share and review in real-time. If you ***have not*** paid your dues for 2023, please get with Barb at the next meeting to get up to date.

- Clarification on COVID membership grace payment: Quote from the Nov 2021 Newsletter –

“Dues: At our last Board Meeting the subject of dues paid during the Pandemic was discussed and it was decided the fairest way was to accept dues twice over the 3 years 2020, 2021 and 2022.”

- It has been a little confusing on what this entailed, so with this clarification, two of the three years dues should have been paid by our members to get the grace year ***if you were active*** in those years.
- Also, if you paid the end of 2022 (Oct, Nov, Dec), the Board has voted and agreed that your dues payment will be applied towards your 2023 dues.
- If you have been ***inactive*** for a number of years, the Board also voted that you ***will not*** have to pay any back dues to bring your account up to date. This is a “good faith” effort by your Board to help your pocketbooks and get involvement back into the club.
- Additionally, the Board voted and approved to put a deadline on the payment of the current years dues for eligibility to remain current and be active in the membership events. ***We now have placed a due date of no later***