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The Oldest Service Club in Lakeside.
Now Celebrating 116 Years

WOMAN'S CLUB OF LAKESIDE
P.O. 98, Lakeside 92040. Meets on the 4th Thursday of the month at the VFW.

A Member of General and California Federation of Woman's Clubs, Southern District.

FANMAIL

Volume 24/ No.1- January 2026

Trending Now!

Yearly dues are due! Please pay Barbara $30.00 Our membership is from January to December.

January 22, 2026 is our Gently Hugged baby shower meeting. Bring gently used or new baby items for new-born to one year. No diapers please, they don't have space to store these.

January 22nd meeting is our Pot Luck. Last names that start with S-Z bring a dish to share. January hostesses supply the dessert.

hank you all for your continued support throughout the year to help our community and other organizations. Your time, and donations are greatly appreciated.

Projects for 2026

- Lakeside Christian Help Center (donations of goods or money)
- Cancer Research Funding and Support
- Veterans
- Dream Academy
- Art Show/Run for the Arts
- Quilt Show
- Bunco Fundraiser (to benefit the community)
- Meals on Wheels- President project
- Domestic Violence Awareness
- Not to be Forgotten Rally

Woman's Club of Lakeside

Established in 1910

President:	Lisa Sharp
Co-VP's:	Tina Anderson/Debbie Miller
Secretary:	Wendy Hooks-Kramer
Treasurer:	Barbara Meyer
Directors:	Andrea Canfield/Wilma Ward
Newsletter:	Debbie Miller
Website:	Debbie Miller
Membership:	Liz Harris
Sunshine:	Mikki Balicki
Phone Comm:	
Historian:	Esther Croteau
Photographer:	Mikki Balicki/Donna Ogorek
Parliamentarian:	Chris Herzog
Auditor:	Martha Kraling
Inspirational:	Sandie Campbell

Delegates: Andrea Canfield, Judy Trussell, Jill Murphy, Randy O'Connor, Connie Reis, Patricia Barnes, and Ruth Miller

From our Sunshine lady- Mikki Balicki. Mikki can be reached at marybalicki@yahoo.com /619-846-6212 if you know of someone who is in need of a special card.

Birthday cards for January were sent to our members for their special day.

From Debbie Miller-newsletter editor

Monthly Announcements

Fanmail: If you have items, you would like added to the Woman's Club monthly newsletter, please email them to Debbie by the 3rd Tuesday of each month (Nov and Dec dates may change due to holidays) debjac@cox.net

Martha Maddox: Christian Help Center, please bring food donations each month for the Help Center. They appreciate all the items we donate. If at each meeting you all bring 1 or 2 items this would be a huge success. Please bring any extra paper egg cartons you may have.

Joan Tilley: January 22nd meeting is Pot Luck S-Z bring a dish to share, Hostess bring desserts**.** Quilt Raffle Tickets will be available for pick-up and drop off money collected. The **lunch** lady is collecting the $2.00 for each meeting snacks.

Crisis House: Cleaning products for the bathroom and kitchen such as dish soap, laundry soap, hand soap, cleansers, brushes, sponges, dish towels, etc. That way the resident doesn't have to go out and purchase items in their first week at their new home.

Caprice- Bookstore Happenings: Our next Members Only 50 % Discount days will be January **20-24, 2026**

Renew your membership as you come by to shop. Friends Book Crawl February 14-21, 2026. See flyer at the end of this Fanmail.

Welcome new or rejoining members

Please add to your Redbook

Message from our Woman's Club President

FROM OUR PRESIDENT- Lisa Sharp- January 2026

Happy New Year!!!

January is the start of our busy season with the first event being our Gently Hugged baby shower at our January 22nd meeting. I have invited our Area D Vice President Martha Pritchard and our Southern District President Karen Reed to come and give a short talk on the duties each of these organizations perform on our club behalf.

Starting on February 10th we will have our second Leadership meeting at 10:30 a.m. at the Lakeside Historical Society. At our last meeting we had many members attend and I am hoping many more will choose to attend this meeting. February 20 and 21st is our Children's Art Show with set up on the 19th. This is my favorite event that we put on each year. We then have our Southern District Festival of the Arts on February 25th in which we as club members can enter our own personal art work including quilts, painting, photography, sewing, and other projects that you worked on and finished in 2025.

Now is the time to mark your calendar for our upcoming conventions. The first will be the Southern District Convention on Saturday April 11th at Bunker Hill Club where it was last year. Next will be the CFWC State convention starting on May 28th through the 30th it will be in Ontario making it possible for many of us can attend by driving to the hotel. This year the GFWC National convention will be held in Arizona, we can drive or fly to this event. We rarely have it close to California so it would be fun to have a group of us attend. We will be speaking of these conventions at a later time.

I am hoping 2026 will bring all of us many happy and memorable times!

Sincerely,

Lisa Sharp

Upcoming Events 2026

Please check the Flyers and details for all upcoming events at the end of this newsletter

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January 20, 2026: WC board meeting 10:00 a.m. LHS

January 21, 2026 Southern District meeting VFW 10:00 a.m. delegates to attend

January 22, 2026: WC meeting VFW 11:00 Pot Luck last names start with S-Z bring a dish to share
Gently Hugged Baby Shower

Hostesses: Lisa Sharp, Tina A., Vicki Wallace, Martha Maddox
Basket: Wendy HK

Crisis House: Cleaning products for the bathroom and kitchen such as dish soap, laundry soap, hand soap, cleansers, brushes, sponges, dish towels, etc.

Help Center: Canned Spaghetti, chili, beans, food you can open and eat. They appreciate any food donations especially at this time of need!

February 10, 2026: Leadership meeting 10:30 Historical Society

February 20-21, 2026: Children's Art Show (setup on Feb 19th

February 25, 2026: Southern District Festival of the Arts, 10-2:00 VFW

February 26, 2026: WC Meeting-11:00 a.m. VFW
Hostesses: Vicki Wallace, Ligia Carle, Elizabeth Chatham, Donna O.
Basket: Coleen Owens

March 20-21, 2026: Quilt Show

April 11, 2026: Southern District Convention

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January 2026 birthdays

January 3rd- Candy Cowell

January 12th- Terry Ferreira

January 18th-Carol Paone

January 19th-Coleen Owens

January 20th- Pat Meacham

January 24th- Vicki Wallace

January 25th- Liz Harris

January 25th- Wendy Hooks-Kramer

January 25th- Diana Kulhanek

January 30th- Jackie McFadden

Treasurer report for January 2026.

Here we are with the last Treasurer's Report for 2025! I think that we had a spectacular year and made a real difference in the community. We donated to some very worthy causes.

We will soon be preparing the budget for 2026 so it can be sent out to everyone.

Don't forget that annual dues are payable now. A check or cash can be turned in to me at Tuesday sewing or at our next meeting A check can also be mailed to us at PO Box 98, Lakeside, CA 92040.

See you all soon!

Barbara Meyer, Treasurer

WOMAN'S CLUB OF LAKESIDE TREASURERS REPORT
AS OF DECEMBER 30, 2025

TOTAL CASH ON HAND AS OF NOVEMBER 30, 2025				**$9,038.89**
INCOME				
DEPOSITS				
	12/15/2025	Various	Dist lunch with the president	$180.00
	12/20/2026	Various	Annual Dues	$390.00
		Various	Happy Thoughts	$31.57
		Various	Pennies for Pines	$24.75
		Various	Quilt Raffle Tickets	$20.00
		Various	Basket Raffle	$190.00
		Various	Spirit of Christmas	$611.00
		Various	Monthly Lunch	$24.00
	12/19/2025	Various	December Lunch	$245.00
	12/8/2025	Square	Spirit of Christmas Cr Card proceeds	$396.64
TOTAL DEPOSITS				**$2,112.96**
INCOME BALANCE				**$11,151.85**
DISBURSEMENTS				
3365	12/2/2025	VFW 5867	Down payment for Dec Lunch	$600.00
3366	12/12/2025	Southern District	Lunch with the president	$180.00
3367	12/18/2025	Donald Jimerson	December meeting cleanup	$50.00
3368	12/18/2025	USPS	Box 98 rent for 2026	$210.00
3369	12/18/2025	Liz Harris	Hostess Expense	$34.68
3370	12/18/2025	Tina Anderson	Spirit Christmas expense	$15.98
3371	12/18/2025	Wilma Ward	Dream Academy Donation Budget	$197.58
3372	12/18/2025	VFW 5867	Balance of December lunch	$300.00
3373	12/29/2025	Rady's Childrens	Donation Budget item	$1,000.00
3374	12/29/2025	Meals on Wheels	Donation Budget item	$1,000.00
3375	12/29/2025	Heifer International	Donation Budget item	$200.00
3376	12/29/2025	Lakeside Riverpark	Donation Budget item	$500.00
3377	12/29/2025	Pennies for Pines	Donation Collections for year	$195.28
	12/2/2025	Lock&Hold Storage	Nov & Dec	$300.00
	12/14/2025	Crisp Image	Fanmail Printing	$13.79
	12/17/2025	Crisp Image	Agenda Printing	$16.16
TOTAL EXPENSES				**$4,813.47**
TOTAL CASH ON HAND AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2025				**$6,338.38**

Sandie Campbell

Sandie's Inspirations January 2026

THE YEARS SLIPPED AWAY.....

The years slipped away—and I never noticed the exact moment they did. Not long ago, my strength felt endless. I could work from dawn to dusk, care for the home, tend to the children, and still have room to carry other people's worries. A few hours of sleep were enough to reset me, and my memory held every detail without effort.

Now, things are different. My body asks for attention it once never needed. My knees protest on the stairs, my pace has slowed, and my energy fades sooner than it used to. Tasks that were once effortless now require patience. Even my memory, once so faithful, occasionally lets small things slip away.

What weighs heaviest isn't just the loss of strength—it's the quiet reminder that time never pauses. I may laugh it off, but inside there's a tender ache in accepting that I am no longer who I once was.

And yet, nothing is truly lost. With time came gifts you can't see: a gentler embrace, a deeper way of listening, laughter that no longer rushes, and an appreciation for the small moments I once overlooked.

Yes, time took some of my agility—but it gave me perspective. It taught me that life isn't about how fast you move, but how fully you experience the journey. That scars are stories, silence has meaning, and a life well lived isn't measured by achievements, but by moments felt and love given.

The years slipped away, but I am still here. Perhaps with less strength in my body, but with more strength in my heart. Because time may change the way I walk—but it will never erase what I've loved, what I've learned, or all that still awaits me.

From Hope & Inspire

WOMAN'S CLUB OF LAKESIDE
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
DECEMBER 18, 2025
CARTER-SMITH VFW POST 5867
LAKESIDE, CA

Officers Present: President Lisa Sharp; Co-Vice Presidents Tina Anderson & Deb Miller; Treasurer Barbara Meyer; Secretary Wendy Hooks-Kramer.

Five-minute reminder to silent cell phones

Call to Order: 11:06am

Pledge of Allegiance recited

The Collect by Mary Stewart recited

Inspiration: Sandie Campbell, *You Made it Through the Year*.

Hostesses Recognition: Liz Harris and Karen Stanford

Basket Donation Recognition: Tina Anderson, Martha Maddox, Connie Reis, Terry Ponce

Birthdays: 5th: Susie Zimmer, 11th: Michael Morrison, 30th: Mikki Balicki. Happy first Heavenly Birthday to Terry Burke Eiserling on the 8th.

Membership: Liz Harris, we had eight new members in 2025. Don't forget dues are due!

Secretary: Received Certificate of Recognition from Supervisor Joel Anderson, thank you letter from the DREAM Academy, Letter of Recognition from Neighborhood Healthcare for our $200 donation, Thanksgiving card from Saddles in Service, thank you card from Ruger's Rescue, thank you card from Terry Ferreira, and a Thank You card from Rady Children's Health. Minutes from November 2025 approved as published.

Treasurer's Report: Total Deposits $1,323.38, Income Balance $10,989.72, Total Expenses $1,950.83, Total Cash on hand as of November 30, 2025, $9,038.89. Treasurer's Report filed for audit.

Parliamentarian teachings (Chris Herzog): Resume training in January.

President's Message: Tina Anderson is stepping down as Co-Vice President as of January 1st, 2026. We will be holding a leadership meeting on February 10th at 10:00am at the Lakeside Historical Society. We need people to step up to fill both Co-Vice Presidents and the Secretary positions. Gently Hugged donations are coming up at our January 2026 meeting. Please bring items for new born to one year old, no diapers please.

CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

Unfinished Business: None

New Business: Volunteers for club officers needed.

Chair Reports:

Sewing Circle (Nancy DeGrief): Meetings start again January 6th, 2026 at 10:00am at the Lakeside Historical Society. In 2025 we donated to 13 organizations. In kind donations totaled $9,283. With over 3,000 hours of time donated.

Wreaths Across America: We donated 409 wreaths this year! 200 went to El Cajon, 14 to Rosecrans, 195 to Miramar. This is the 3rd year El Cajon Cemetery has been a part of Wreaths Across America; this this year we were able to cover every Veterans grave! Thank you to everyone who donated.

Spirit of Christmas (Tina Anderson): We collected $815 dollars this year!

Children's Art Show (Gloria Reinhart): Planning meeting for the end of January. We want to put up posters of successful Lakeside children.

Lunch Lady (Joan Tilley): Next month is potluck S-Z. Don't forget to pick up and sell your Quilt Show raffle tickets! Don't forget your lunch money!

Bunco 2026 (Joan Tilley): Bring your ideas for our recipient of the Bunco Tournament for 2026. Please let Lisa know so we can schedule them to speak at a meeting.

Delegate News (Randy O'Connor): January 21st, 2026, District meeting at 10:30am at Lakeside VFW.

VFW (Randy O'Connor): Christmas day dinner is being held. Line dancing every week!

MARA (Coleen Owens): New Street banners will be going up. $20 a year to join MARA.

Lakeside Historical Society (Coleen Owens): Christmas re-sale shop is open until December 20th. As of today, they have collected $17,500! Money raised goes to keep the Lakeside Historical Church up kept. They take donations all year long. Tomorrow the store is open 10:00am to 7:00pm.

Crisis House (Sandie Campbell): We collected $111.

Club Visits (Debbie Miller): Please see Fanmail for events. Festival Arts coming up. Southern District Convention April 11th at the Bankers Hill Club, Magic Fairy Garden theme.

Quilt Show (Tina Anderson): Please pick up your raffle tickets!

Lakeside News (Sue Thurman): See Fanmail for calendar of events. Senior Driving class at the Alpine Library from 1:15pm to 2:15pm, can help with insurance costs.

Happy Thoughts

Notes:

Hostess Raffle Winner: Sandi Campbell, Terry Ponce, Wendy Hooks-Kramer, Liz Harris, Karen Stanford
Total Collected: $190

Next Meeting:

Date- January 22, 2026 at 11:00am Lakeside VFW

Hostess- Lisa Sharp and Tina Anderson

Basket- Wendy Hooks-Kramer

Upcoming Events: January 22nd Gently Hugged, **February 10th** Leadership Meeting at LS Historical Society at 10:00am, **February 19-21** Children's Art Show at Lakeside VFW, **February 25th** Festival of Arts at Lakeside VFW from 10:00am to 2:00pm.

Meeting adjourned at 1:05pm

Wendy Hooks-Kramer
Secretary
Woman's Club of Lakeside

Parliamentary Pointers January 2026

Chris Herzog, Parliamentarian
Woman's Club of Lakeside

The Hierarchy of Governing Documents For your Club

Any number of laws and documents govern an organization, but a certain number of them take priority over others. For instance, your organization's bylaws can't be in violation of federal or state laws, and the governing documents of a parent organization trump the constitution of any branch of that organization.

Generally, the hierarchy of governing documents looks like this:

- Federal Laws – non-profits must apply for and receive from the IRS a "Tax-exempt determination letter" and EIN.
  Question: Does our club have this status and number? _____

- State Statutes – Your organization is required to follow the not-for-profit statutes of the state in which your organization is incorporated. Question: What state department do we inquire about this? _____

- Articles of Incorporation – The need for incorporation depends upon the state you are in and the activities of the organization. The articles of incorporation are the highest legal document of a particular organization. You can't have things in your bylaws, constitution, or policies that contradict the articles of incorporation.
  Question: Is our club incorporated? _____

- Governing Documents of parent organization—The bylaws of the local organization can't conflict with the bylaws of the parent organization, but they don't have to mirror the bylaws of the parent organization either.
  Question: Does our club have a "parent" organization? _____

- Constitution – Archaic. For most of the last century, parliamentary authorities have recommended not to have both a constitution and bylaws, but to combine them into a single document. It's easier if there is one document to refer to.
  Question: Does our club have a constitution? _____

- Bylaws – (aka Rules of Order) Bylaws are rules that, for the most part, cannot be suspended (unless the bylaws themselves provide for a method, which is somewhat self-defeating). Your organization bylaws should include all the rules that the group considers to be so important that they cannot be changed at the whim of the members present at a single meeting.
  Question: Where would you find our club bylaws? _____

- Special Rules of Order – More Rules! Some organizations feel a need to have additional rules of order that differ from the parliamentary authority. It may be in form of a resolution: Resolve to establish meeting order of business (agenda), or rules relating to length or number of speeches in debate or adopt less formal meeting procedure.
  Question: Does our club have Special Rules of Order? _____

- Parliamentary Authority – When an organization adopts a particular parliamentary manual (guide) as its authority, the rules contained in that manual are binding upon it in all cases where they are not inconsistent with the bylaws of the body.
  Question: What is our club's Parliamentary Authority? _____

- Standing Rules – This governs the administration of the organization as opposed to rules regarding parliamentary procedure. If you want to include some unusual duties of officers, or events, this would be the place. Also, at convention rules are adopted at the beginning of the meeting, usually called convention standing rules.
  Question: Does our club have standing Rules? _____

- Policies and Procedures – Additional detailed policies and procedures regarding the administration of the organization. Usually in a separate document, explaining jobs or special events or timelines.
  Question: Does our club have a policy and procedures document? ____

Woman's Club members enjoy events and the many opportunities to support the community. Big thanks to our photographers, Mikki B. and Donna O.

Our December 2025 Christmas luncheon….. A time to reflect and visit with friends.

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The Library Friends of San Diego County

BOOK CRAWL

Enjoy Some Shelf Indulgence

February 14-21, 2026

Earn passport stamps by making any purchase at participating Friends of the Library bookstores. Prizes given for 4 and 8 stamps, while supplies last.

Alpine - El Cajon - Descanso
La Mesa - Lakeside - Ramona
Rancho San Diego - Santee

Hours vary per location. Visit www.LFSDC.org

THE WOMAN'S CLUB OF LAKESIDE PRESENTS

CHILDREN'S ART SHOW

KINDERGARTEN THROUGH 12TH GRADE

FEATURING MASTERPIECES CREATED BY OUR LAKESIDE SCHOOL CHILDREN

PUBLIC VIEWING TIMES
FRIDAY: 9:00AM - 3:30PM
SATURDAY: 9:00AM - 2:00PM

FEBRUARY 20 AND 21, 2026

CARTER-SMITH VFW
12650 LINDO LANE, LAKESIDE

GFWC
GENERAL FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS

Mira Mesa Women's Club Invites you to a Valentine's Day Fashion Show with Heart for Two Powerful Causes:

Lupus Foundation & Wreaths Across America

What to Expect:

- 🍽️ Delicious lunch included
- 🎟️ Raffles & surprises
- 👗 Inspiring fashions
- 💝 A fun afternoon

supporting meaningful causes

February 14, 2026
11:00 AM - 2:00 PM
at the Church Hall
10770 Rickert Rd.
Mira Mesa

Early Bird Special 💕 $30
Save $5 when you register by Feb 7th
$35 after February 7th

Reserve your seat now:
Use Zelle:
mmwomensclub@gmail.com
or by credit card

Southern District
FESTIVAL OF ARTS 2026

FEBRUARY 25, 2026 • 10:00AM – 2:00PM

📍 VFW Carter-Smith Post 5867
12650 Lindo Lane, Lakeside 92040

🎟️ $30 PER PERSON

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: FEBRUARY 18
Send one check per club payable to 'Southern District' along with list of attendees and a $25 GIFT CARD FOR THE OPPORTUNITY DRAWINGS to **CFWC Southern District, PO Box 240, El Cajon, CA 92022**

SET UP: TUESDAY FEBRUARY 24, 2:00PM-4:00PM
- Bring 2 Door Prizes from each Club
- Bring Donations for the Scholarship Table
- Decorate Club Tables in the "Around the World" Theme (There will be a prize for the best table decor)

ALL ART AND CRAFT ENTRIES MUST BE REGISTERED ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 24 BETWEEN 2:00PM-4:00PM
(Entries will not be accepted on Wednesday)

Connie Caldwell, District Arts Chair

Woman's Club of Lakeside

40th

Annual Quilt Show & Boutique

March 20 & 21, 2026

10 am - 4 pm

Lakeside VFW

12650 Lindo Lane, Lakeside, CA, 92040

$5 Admission

Sewing Closet, Handmade Items, Local Vendors, Bake Sale!

Opportunity Raffle to win a handmade Quilt!
Tickets $1 each or 6 for $5
Drawing March 26th, 2026
Need not be present to win!

For more information about the Quilt Show and Entry Forms visit
WomansClubofLakeside.org
or Contact Tina Anderson (619)729-3843

Save the Date: Saturday, April 11, 2026

68th CFWC Southern District Convention

Come Celebrate in

"The Magic Fairy Garden"

Bankers Hill Club
3030 Front Street, San Diego CA, 92103

Registration: 9:00 a.m.
Call to Order: 10:00

Delicious Luncheon by Cupids Catering

Club Awards
Speaker/Guests
Vendors
Door Prizes, Drawings
Installation of Officers 2026-2028

Reservations - through your club
Mail to
CFWC Southern District
P. O. Box 240 El Cajon, CA 92022