



# Pine Castle Woman's Club

*"The Heart of the Community since 1940"*

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December - February 2022

**Mission Statement:** To bring individuals together to serve the philanthropic needs of the community.

#### Goals and Objectives:

- To provide a forum in which members can develop their individual talents and leadership skills.
- To collect and preserve the history of the greater Pine Castle area.
- To maintain the clubhouse for use by future generations.
- To provide a reasonable venue for community gatherings so that it continues to serve as "the heart of the community."
- To follow the tenets of the GFWC and GFWC FL, supporting them whenever possible.

**Mission Support:** The Russell Home for Atypical Children, Servant's Heart Ministry, The Foundation for Life Ministries and other local charities.

#### Events and Projects:

- Corner Rose Tea Room (ongoing)
- Engraved Brick Sales (ongoing)
- Neighborhood Fun and Games (monthly)
- Members Arts and Craft Day (January)
- Black History Month Event (February)
- Pine Castle Pioneer Days (February)
- Annual Game Day (March)
- Fifth Grade Essay Contest (April)

**Meetings:** Meetings are held at the Pine Castle Woman's Club on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday, September through May. Visitors are welcome.

#### Board of Directors – 2021-2022:

President – Sandy Chandler  
Second Vice President (House) – Igdalia Zayas-Oliver  
Third Vice President (Membership) – Arlene Gimondo  
Recording Secretary – Lynne Marshall  
Treasurer – Margaretta Douglas  
Director – Veronica Bryant  
Director – Ruthie Harrell  
Director – Lee Ann Hill

## A Message from the President



As 2021 comes to a close and we move into 2022, members of the Pine Castle Woman's Club will continue to focus on **Chandler's five C's** which includes:

- **Commitment**
- **Continued Education**
- **Communication**
- **Creativity**
- **Connectivity**

## The Christmas Gift of Knowing You

By Joanna Fuchs

The Christmas season fills our hearts with joy;

Bright, happy days bring special kinds of pleasure.

We're wrapped in the excitement of it all,  
The sights, the sounds, the smells, and the taste we treasure.

Yet when we have some quiet time to think

About our finest blessings all year through,  
We focus on our family and our friends,  
And appreciate the gift of knowing you.

Peace, joy and love to you and your family.



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## 2021 - 2022 Standing Committee Chairs

**Black History Month** – Margaretta Douglas  
**Brick Sales** – Joyce Broughman  
**Bylaws** – Gail Padgett  
**Community Events** – Veronica Bryant  
**Corner Rose Tea Room** – Ruthie Harrell and Cathy Lindberg  
**Devotions/Pledge** – Millie Evans  
**Fifth Grade Essay Contest** – Laura Houston  
**Game Day** – Cindy Lance and Minnette Mullings  
**GFWC Liaison** – Lynne Marshall  
**Hospitality** – Linda DiPietro  
**Neighborhood Fun and Games** – Margaretta Douglas and Minnette Mullings  
**Newsletter/Publicity** – VACANT  
**Pine Castle Historical Society** – Veronica Bryant  
**Scrapbook/Photography** – Lynne Marshall

If you have not already volunteered to serve on a committee, there is still time as we begin 2022. Kindly contact President, Sandy Chandler, if you would like to volunteer. Thank you.

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On behalf of Robin Carvajal, President of the Orlando Junior Woman's Club, which meets at our Club, and me, thank you for an amazing 2021 Club year.

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## Corner Rose Tea Room



Smiling servers: Tracy Grubman, Ruthie Harrell, Ginni Christopher, Gail Padgett, and Minnette Mullings. Happy Holidays!



Ruthie Harrell congratulates Barbara Turner, winner of the CRTR basket. Barbara attended the 12/14 tea and received the lovely basket.



### January 12, 2022 - General Meeting

Arts n' Crafts Competition - chaired by Lynne Marshall  
AND the Club's FIRST Chili Cook-off chaired by  
Veronica Bryant.

Watch for further details soon.

### February 9, 2022 - General Meeting

Featured Speaker: Lynne Marshall  
*Celebrating Valentine's Day*  
*Mosaic of Cultures - Valentine's Day*

### February 20, 2022 - Black History Month Event

chaired by Margaretta Douglas.

### March 5, 2022 - Painting with a Purpose Event

partnering with Servant's Heart Ministry.

### March 17, 2022 - Annual Game Day

It's back! A special thanks is extended to Cindy Lance  
and Minnette Mullings for co-chairing this popular  
event for members and friends.

### April 13, 2022 - Fifth Grade Essay Contest

Laura Houston, Chair, and committee members are  
looking forward to hosting the event in-person in  
2022 which is exciting news.

Henry Ford said:

*"Coming together is a beginning,  
staying together is progress and  
working together is success."*

## Monthly Support Update

by Lynne Marshall

### DONATIONS! DONATIONS! DONATIONS!

This year we are once again supporting The Russell Home for Atypical Children, Servant's Heart Ministry and The Foundation for Life Ministries.

Our goal is to raise \$500 for each charity. So far, we have donated \$271 to The Foundation for Life Ministries, \$1087 to Servant's Heart Ministry, thanks to an enormously successful bake sale, and \$168 to the Russell Home for Atypical Children. But it doesn't stop there! Thanks to a very robust rental year we can make a one-time donation to each charity of \$1000, plus an anonymous donor has generously given \$500 to each charity. This brings our totals way over our original goal, so let's see where we go in the next few months thanks to our generous members.

In December we held a canned goods drive in conjunction with the Belle Isle Police Department and Servant's Heart Ministry for needy families at Oak Ridge High School. We donated approximately \$250 worth of non-perishable goods.

Thank you to all our members for your generosity in supporting those less fortunate than ourselves. We truly are *The Heart of the Community*.

## Kitchen Renovations

The renovation has been ongoing now for five years. It is a very slow process especially dealing with the county. We are now investigating the need for a hood over the oven as well as the range.

Please Note: The renovation has been pushed back to the summer.

Architect, Joe Knous, and builder, Brent Walters, continue to work through the challenges and keeps Ruthie Harrell, Chair, informed of the progress.

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## *Christmas at Evergreen Cherry Lakeside Stables*

**Blustery winds coming in from the north carrying glistening Christmas snow,**

**Swirling, floating snowflakes falling along the countryside...**

**A little down the way you can see billowing smoke from The Farmhouse chimney...**

**The family has gathered by the fireplace in anticipation of Christmas Eve...**

**At the bay window stands a tall, magical Christmas tree covered in tinsel, twinkley lights and colourful baubles...**

**Pretty packages tied with ribbons and bows wait to be opened by the children early on Christms morn...**

**Down the snow-covered hill the lake has turned to ice, making it a perfect time to skate...**

**Couples, bundled up, lace their skates and then hand-in-hand glide along while listening to carollers singing on the bank...**

**Chickadees perch in the rosy red berry bushes along the lakefront, chirping along with the carollers, as if they too were singing...**

**Gliding into sight across the snowy meadow is an old-fashioned horse-drawn cutter sleigh with shiny black blades...**

**The sleigh is adorned with jingling, jangling silver bells that sound like Christmas music, being pulled by two magnificent, trotting, midnight blue-eyed horses, with a driver in a top hat holding the reins and off they go!**

**The couple are wearing warm woolly mittens and scarves, snuggled into a fluffy, feathery blanet while sipping hot chocolate...**

**Now that is what Christmas is all about...**

**May your Christmas be just as lovely as this and so much more...**

**Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!**

**Kelly Therese Marshall, December 2019**  
(Lynne Marshall's daughter)

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## **Birthdays**

### **December Birthdays**

1	Bonnie Van Dyke
5	Linda Miller
18	Netty Vazquez
20	Tommie Hosier
21	Maggi Ventura

### **January Birthdays**

13	Lisa Berry
26	Lynne Marshall

### **February Birthdays**

5	Jane Tracy
9	Jane Barry
16	Cathy Lindberg
26	Barbara LeMay



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**Christmas gives us  
the opportunity to  
pause and reflect on  
the important things  
around us.**  
**David Cameron**