

# **CIWRC NEWS**

May 2022

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NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, May 24, 2022 at Noon

PLACE: Lost Lake Clubhouse, 1469 Lake Drive, Camano Island, WA 98282

**Program: Club Business** 

#### **TEA DOWN MEMORY LANE**

The Club hosted 56 ladies and gentlemen for tea at the Camano Grange on May 14. Special guest, George Washington, regaled everyone with tales of his time and answered questions from the audience. The food was delicious and the raffle/door prize gift baskets were a hit. Special thanks to the Tea Committee – Linda Navarre, Nancy Bowman, Pam Wojtowicz and their many helpers. You all did a wonderful job making this another resounding success! More info at the May meeting.





#### **VOLUNTEER HOURS**

Don't forget to document any hours you worked on Club Campaign or Caring for America activities.

THANK YOU for being a CIWRC member!

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Tuesday, May 24

Our hostesses this month are Barbara Vibbert and Virginia Collins Please RSVP by FRIDAY, May 20 to our Hospitality Chair LINDA NAVARRE at 360-387-5886/253-632-9185

E-mail: crab.e.mike@gmail.com

#### **CLUB FOCUS**

On the Agenda for May Meeting: BUDGET – Discussion/VOTE CARING FOR AMERICA -Discussion/VOTE POST TEA DISCUSSION

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#### **STANDING COMMITTEES**

Budget & Finance/Membership –
Angie Wrzesinski
Bylaws – Virginia Collins and
Barbara Vibbert
Campaign - Beth Munson
Fundraising – Executive Committee
Legislative – Wendie Monnie
Program – Executive Committee
Public Relations – Beth Munson
Caring for America – Nancy Bowman
Hospitality – Linda Navarre
Literacy and Education – Pat
Shaughnessy
Sunshine – Pam Wojtowicz



CIWRC always welcomes
NEW MEMBERS
Bring a friend or relative to the
next meeting or event and
encourage them to join us.

#### **MEMBER SPOTLIGHT**



**Get to Know Your** 

**CLUB PRESIDENT** Tracy Abuhl and her husband. Dan, have lived on Camano Island for 30 years. They have three children and seven grandchildren. Tracy runs the **Education group on WA** 4Change.org and is very active in recruiting PCOs in every county. Prior to running as a **Stanwood-Camano School** District candidate, Tracy volunteered with the PTA, coached cheerleading with the **Stanwood-Camano Junior** Athletics Association and was a Team Mom when her husband coached baseball and basketball for several years. She also served in the US Army Reserve

for 12 years.



# MAY IS MILITARY APPRECIATION MONTH

A time to honor our active duty military members and veterans and to recognize those family members or friends assisting our veterans who can no longer live independently or accomplish daily tasks. A study by RAND Corp. found about 5.5 million Americans care for disabled military members. These caregivers reduce taxpayer costs by billions of dollars. If you know a military caregiver now is a good time to ask if there are any tasks you can do to give them a little free time - such as grocery shopping, washing a car, cutting the lawn or just spending some time with their disabled vet. A military caregiver is on duty 24/7 and any respite from the daily routine is very welcome.

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Any news items you wish to include in the newsletter should be submitted to Barbara Vibbert by the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month prior to the regular meeting.

THANK YOU ALL FOR THE LOVELY
GET WELL CARDS AND HEARFELT
PRAYERS FOR A SPEEDY RECOVERY
FROM MY RECENT SURGERY. YOUR
THOUGHTFULNESS AND KIND
WORDS MEAN A LOT TO ME AND I
FEEL FORTUNATE TO REPORT I AM
NOW CANCER FREE. – Barbara

#### \*\*\* DONATE \*\*\*

Caring for America is an important function of our Club. To that end several suggestions for community activities were made at the February meeting. One of them was a donation to the Lincoln Hill Retirement Center in Stanwood. If our Club members vote to donate to Lincoln Hill at this month's

to Lincoln Hill at this month's meeting the project can go forward. In the meantime the center could use equipment like walkers, canes, etc.

If you'd like to donate call Angie Wrzesinski, 360-815-5817 or bring your items to the May meeting.



#### **SCHOLARSHIPS**

Did you know CIWRC gave out local educational scholarships in the past? We've also contributed to several NFRW funds. If you'd like to donate to State or National scholarships there is the WFRW **Della Urquhart Memorial** Scholarship honoring the memory of our State Federation Founder. She was a visionary in 1934 when she organized a group of women in Yakima to form Washington's first Republican Women's Club. The **Marion Martin Building Fund helps** maintain NFRW HQ in Alexandria, VA and the Mamie Eisenhower **Library Project contributes to** improving literacy in schools. If you have any ideas for future scholarships contact our Literacy and Education Chair, Pat Shaughnessy at 206-491-2521 or email: P pritchard@hotmail.com

# ISLAND COUNTY REPUBLICAN MEETINGS

June 4, July 9, August 6, September 3, October 1 Locations can be found at www.lslandCountyGOP.com

CANDIDATE – PCO FILING WEEK

May 16 – May 20

Contact Tracy Abuhl for Info

On June 5, 2021 the Island County Republican Party endorsed TIFFANY SMILEY for US Senate

District 2 Island County
Commissioner
Jill Johnson is running for reelection



# VOLUNTEER AT GOP HQ Stanwood Office

Contact Beth Munson at 425-387-1277 or e-mail:

Beth.m@1791.com
You can also sign-up to
work at the HQ on the
CIWRC WEBSITE

Check it out – www.ciwrc.com

2022 Officers: President –Tracy Abuhl; Vice-President –Beth Munson; Secretary –Wendi Monnie; Treasurer – Angie Wrzesinki; Trustee – Linda Navarre; Trustee – Nancy Bowman