

HARBOR HILLS WOMEN'S CLUB NEWSLETTER

JULY 2025

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



Thank you to everyone who attended the June meeting, at the Buckeye Lake Yacht Club. Food was great and it turned out to be a beautiful day.

The 4th of July is a time to celebrate our nation's independence with pride and gratitude. It's a day filled with patriotic spirit, fireworks, family gatherings, and honoring the freedoms we enjoy. Whether you're spending it with a backyard barbecue, a quiet moment of reflection, or watching the sky light up at night, the day reminds us of the strength and unity that built this country. Have a wonderful but safe holiday!

4TH OF JULY FUNDRAISER UPDATE

Since the 4th of July activities have been scaled down this year, the Women's Group has decided not to hold our annual 4th of July fundraiser. We were concerned that attendance might not match past years, and we want to ensure our events are successful and well-supported. Stay tuned for next year—plans are already in motion, and it's going to be amazing!

NEXT MEETING



Our next Meeting will held at Sally Howarth's home, 140 Sprague Dr. on July 17th at 1PM. It will be our Potluck Picnic. Please bring a side dish to share.

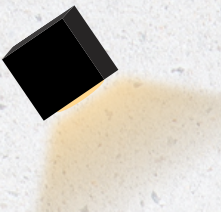


JULY BIRTHDAYS

Deborah Osborn 7-4
Karen Glade 7-5
Ella Abbott 7-10
Kay Hickman 7-13
Molly Walker 7-13
Priscilla Reis 7-14
Carol Brockway 7-16
Trish Hamer 7-17
Jean Clausus 7-29



We are saddened to share that Jean Graham passed away this past month. Please keep her family in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.



Karen Glade is Proud to Present

“Member Spot Light”

Mary Ann Johnston, Rooted in Harbor Hills

One of the things I discovered when I first moved to Harbor Hills was that many families have relatives living in the neighborhood also. How fortunate to have family nearby to help celebrate holidays and good times and offer support in difficult times. Mary Ann is one of the lucky ones.

Mary Ann was born in Newark and was the oldest child. Her two sisters and one brother made the family complete. While her mother was busy taking care of the family and cooking delicious meals, her father was running his own moving and storage company called Phil Vogelmeir.

Mary Ann began school at Roosevelt Elementary in Newark and remained there for one year. Second through fifth grade was spent at Saint Francis elementary. She wasn't crazy about school, but her grades were good and she enjoyed reading.

The neighborhood kids often got together to play outside, but if the weather didn't cooperate, they often went inside at Mary Ann's. The activities of choice were hide and seek, swimming in Spring Valley pool, and later in hanging out at the dock on Buckeye Lake. Of course, the Buckeye Lake Amusement Park was always fun and she was able to see famous musicians such as Louis Armstrong.

At one point, Mary Ann joined the Girl Scout Mariners. This is a group that is engaged deeply in water activities. At one point, her advisor took the girls on an adventure to Cuba. This was at a time before Castro and the leader organized 12 girls to have both educational and fun activities. The girl's lodging was on cots in a high school and they worked in committees of three to handle the various tasks of daily food and clean up.

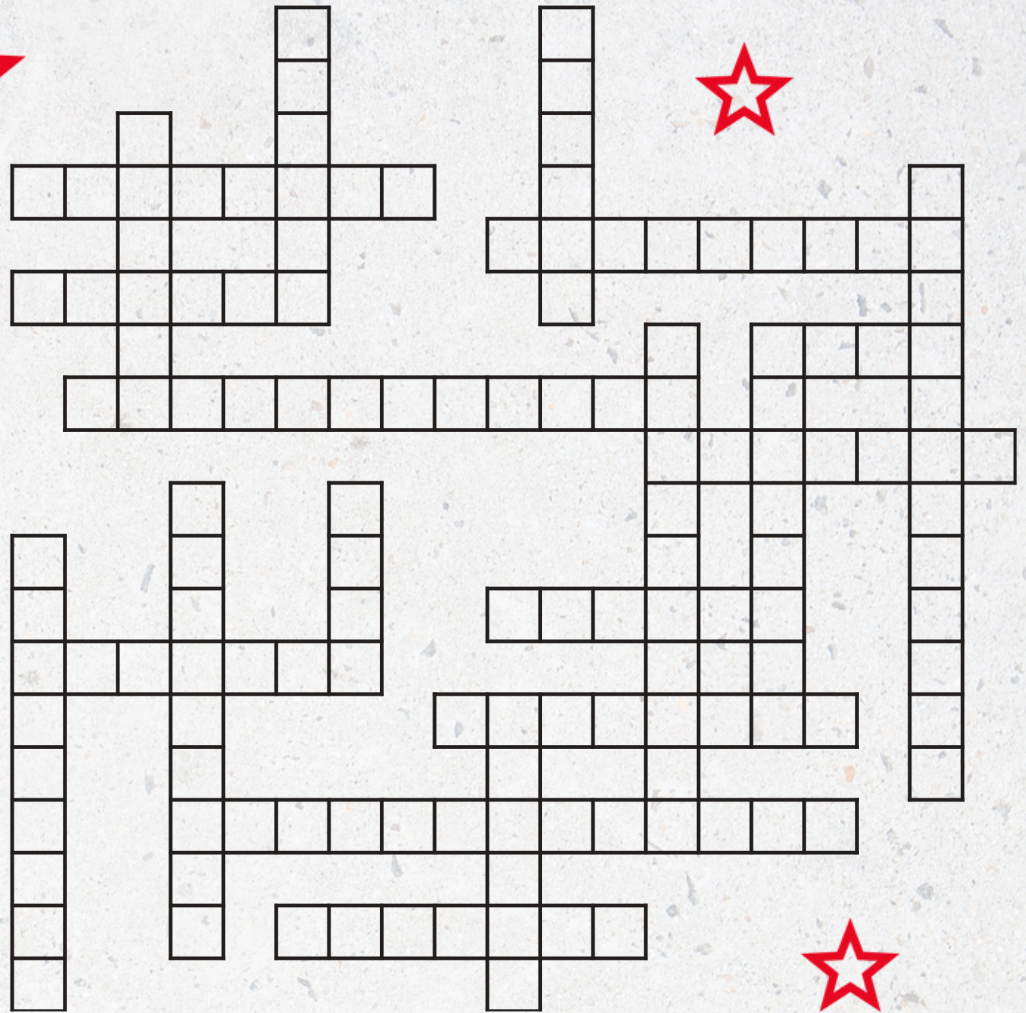
Right after graduation, Mary Ann went on to attend college at Stephens for two years and then it was on to Lake Erie College in Painesville. While there, she spent a winter term abroad in France. The host family had seven children and she had a wonderful experience. They did many activities and she thoroughly enjoyed the fair in Dijon, France, and the French food. After six weeks in France, they explored other parts of Europe by bus.

In 1962, she married her longtime friend Vern. They moved to St. Louis for one and a half years and then back to Harbor Hills. Vern was an engineer who designed and was the main builder of their home on Sprague, which was completed in 1972. Both her girls were really into water skiing so the family spent a lot of time traveling and staying overnight for tournaments. As time went on, they went to social activities at the clubhouse, but never became golfers because they were so involved with water skiing. Marianne enjoyed making pottery in college and still enjoys painting free hand acrylic when she gets inspired. As for TV, she is a fan of National Geographic and educational programming. She's also fond of her cat Boots and there is a sign at the front door that issues fair warning – “Don't let the cat out no matter what it tells you.” The Ski Nautique boat is still at the dock in case anyone in the family wants to take a spin. Since both her girls and two of her sisters live in Harbor Hills, the family takes turns hosting holiday celebrations.

Marianne is thankful that she has been able to live most of her life in Harbor Hills near family and friends.



Crossword Challenge



ACROSS

4. American President who was born on July 4th, Calvin ____.
6. Founding Father and third President of the United States.
7. Public procession that might occur on July Fourth.
9. Red, white and ____.
10. City in which the Declaration of Independence was signed.
11. Nickname for the American flag, stars and ____.
15. Open air meal popular on July Fourth.
16. Symbol of freedom located in the New York City Harbor: Statue of ____.
17. Number of original colonies that declared independence.
19. Fight for American independence: The ____ War.
20. Famous signer of the Declaration of Independence: John ____.

DOWN

1. Patriotic song often sung on Independence Day: Yankee ____.
2. National anthem of the United States: The Star-Spangled ____.
3. The day of the month on which America declared its independence.
5. Founding document of the United States: The Declaration of ____.
8. First President of the United States.
9. Cooking outdoors on a grill.
12. Light show often seen on the 4th of July.
13. Month in 1776 when the Declaration of Independence was signed

14. National bird of the United States.

18. Commonly consumed food on July 4th.



Harbor Hills Women's Club

The Women's Club meets the third Thursday of the month, April through December. All women of Harbor Hills are welcome. The purpose of the club is to stimulate interest in all phases of the civic improvements including the beautification of Harbor Hills, and to offer all members a wide range of social activities such as our monthly general meetings with programs, luncheons and fun for all!

Name _____

Address _____

email Address _____

Date of Birth Month/date _____

Dues \$20.00

Extra donation \$ _____



Thank you for supporting the Women's Club!

Please mail payment to Jeanne Goodman 47 Sprague Dr.

Any questions please call Jeanne @ 330.506.1704