HARBOR HILLS WOMEN'S CLUB NEWSLETTER SEPTEMBER 2025

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

A huge thank you to Kim Wallick for opening her home at the last minute for our meeting and to our speaker Robin Schurict who was so informative! Robin gave us insight on the history of painting, different paints and gave us a lesson on drawing with charcoal. We have some talented people in our group!

REMINDER... Please submit your favorite recipes to Hilda Pappas for our upcoming Fundraiser (see attached sheet for more information).



We are still in need of a president for our group, and your support is essential to keep us moving forward. This is a wonderful opportunity to step up, share your talents, and help guide us toward continued success. With everyone's involvement, we can make this a strong and thriving group together.

We are also looking for a few Hostesses for next year. We have April, May, August and October open. Please volunteer, we need you!!



NEXT MEETING

Our next Meeting will be held at Janet Johnsen's home on September 18th at 7PM. 762 Lakeshore Dr. W. It's going to be so much fun. Bingo-Bingo-Bingo!!!

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Margie Hennerfeind 9-11 Sheri Bindley 9-19 Maryann Johnston 9-19 Judy Thomas 9-23

We are sad to see our dear friend and community member Diana Weingand moving away, but we are excited for the new adventures that awaits her. She has been such a wonderful part of our community, and she will truly be missed. We wish her nothing but the very best in this next chapter and hope she keeps in touch.

A huge thank you to Karen Glade for stepping in and taking over the Secretary position with Diana's departure!



Karen Glade is Proud to Present "Member Spot Light" Robin Schuricht Master of Research

"Robin Schuricht is a museum educator, history interpreter, and artist. She has a bachelors of fine arts degree from Ohio State University; is retired from the Ohio History Connection; and is currently with the Zanesville Museum of Art. Robin also teaches watercolor and drawing classes and 18th century drawing technique at various historic sites." (Midwest Open Air Museums Magazine, Winter 2024)

Art has always played a role in Robin's life. At a young age, her family began to spend summers in Portsmouth with her grandparents where all of the family had a creative streak. Life happened and art paid off whenever she needed it.

Robin's first economic boost came at an early age. In high school Robin decided to paint a portrait from National Geographic. It was a topless native Hawaiian woman. The boys in the class complained and wanted to know why they were not permitted to work on something like that. The teacher was quick to respond, "That is because Robin treats the subject with respect." Robin's parents were proud of the work and hung it in their home. It was soon sold to one of their friends who was visiting and appreciated quality.

When Robin first began classes at Ohio State, her declared major was a medical illustrator. She found the physics course was tough. It seemed that whatever answer she thought was right should be the exact opposite. Since she realized she would need to take a lot of chemistry and physics, she decided to switch to something else. All of her friends were getting into teaching so she figured those jobs would be scarce. Her final choice of a fine arts degree has served her well.

Early in her artistic endeavors, she decided to take her work to the Town & Country plaza for a display. There were many famous artists there and foot traffic was heavy. Robin was pleased when she was able to sell several paintings.

Her art background was also a major factor as she worked for the Ohio History Connection for 22 years. There she became interested in not just the artist, but how they worked, where they got their supplies, and what instruments they used. It was fascinating to find that pigment came from bugs, plants, dirt, and minerals. She realized that burning arsenic and mercury was also part of the process which might explain why so many artists had mental health issues.

To make her historic re-enactments as authentic as possible, Robin also began using pig bladders. Her first method was to ask a friend who gave her one from her freezer. It was not cleaned, but she persevered to create a container. She found that meat shops do not have access to the bladders, but slaughter houses do. Now she gets them cleaned, frozen, and shrink wrapped from those facilities which makes her hobby today a bit easier.

Robin explained to me that whenever she gets curious and begins to research a topic, resources just seem to pop up. One book in particular called Handmaid to the Arts actually contains recipes for paint. In 1740, Ohio was just a wilderness, but by 1770 Cincinnati was able to get supplies from France because of river access. Watercolor was used by the Greeks and Romans as a powder, but the cakes were invented in the early 1800s. To get a more thorough history synopsis written by Robin, you can find her explanation in a copy of the magazine cited at the beginning of this article. There she gives a more thorough description of pigments, pigskins, and bones.

Robin continues to benefit from her passion. In addition to local presentations, she travels to George Washington's Mount Vernon, Dover Delaware's historic square, and the Ohio Village to do historic performances. You can also see a gallery display of her work locally at The Harbor community center in Buckeye Lake. Her art is featured there free for your viewing until the end of September. She continues to teach classes and works closely with the Zanesville art museum on their summer camp.

When she is not re-enacting or teaching, Robin stays busy with photography, painting, sewing, or weaving. She has also been known to artistically create her own Christmas gifts such as adorable artistic bird houses out of coffee containers to give to friends and family.



Harbor Hills Women's Club

Celebrates 70 years 1956-2026

Contributions to our community

- · Distribute resident directory
- · Plant and maintain specific flower beds throughout our community
- Offer an Annual Garage/Yard Sale for all residents to participate
- Participate in our community annual July 4th Golf Car Parade with raffle basket
- Initiate annual Toy Drive for a local non-profit organization
- Meet April thru December with speakers of interest:
 3rd Thursday at 1:00 PM or occasionally at 7:00 PM
- All women are invited to our meetings
- When notified, we mail: Get Well card to residents and Sympathy cards to family of resident who has passed
- Maintain history/scrapbook of Harbor Hills and Women's Club dating back to 1956 when it was initially the "Garden Club"

Our Fundraiser for our October 2026 event and the projects we undertake, will be a Cookbook with our residents' favorite or cherished family recipes. You can submit recipes with your children, grandchildren, or great grandchildren names. This would make a wonderful keepsake gift! A History of Buckeye Lake, Buckeye Lake Park, Buckeye Lake Yacht Club, and our community will be included.

Published by Morris Press Cookbooks

All residents (men, women, children) of Harbor Hills are encouraged to drop off multiple recipe(s). You can drop your recipe off at the next Harbor Hills Civic Association meeting on September 25, 2025

OR

You can drop off or email your favorite recipe to Hilda Pappas no later than June 12, 2026.

hildapappas@gmail.com subject line: HHWC cookbook 181 Lakeshore Drive W (740) 819-5529

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!

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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