University Women of Flagler

The WAVE

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Newsletter of the University Women of Flagler

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December 2024 Meeting News

DATE: **Saturday, December 14, 2024**

TIME: Meeting will begin at 11:30AM; doors open at 11:00AM

PLACE: Grand Haven Golf Club
500 Riverfront Drive, Palm Coast
(enter at Waterside Parkway main gate)

PROGRAM: **The Light Keepers Choir**

COST: **$25.00 ($26.00, if using "Square" via the UWF website**)

RSVP: **By Tuesday, December 10, 2024**
to Pat Rhodes at **Prhodes15@hotmail.com**

REGISTRATION:

Please make a reservation for the meeting via email to prhodes15@hotmail.com.

Make your check payable to "UWF" for **$25.00** and mail to:

Pat Rhodes
35 Riverview Bend, So., #1815
Palm Coast, FL 32137

Lunch menus will vary each meeting, so please let Pat know your choice. This month the selections are 1. Turkey Breast w/fixings 2. Salmon Piccata or 3. Penne Broccoli Pasta. (more details about each entree are on uwflagler.org)

Snow Birds: If you would like to prepay for the remaining 2024-2025 season of meetings, the cost would be $150 if paying by check, and $157, if using "Square" on the UWF website: uwflagler.org. These totals would include all the luncheon meetings throughout the year from December through May 2025.

Please note: The venue's invoice to UWF is based on the number of reservations. If you make a reservation, but cannot attend, please understand that your payment is still required. If you prepaid and are unable to attend the meeting, please email or call Pat (386-264-7130) by **December 10th,** so your reservation payment can be donated to the UWF Scholarship Fund. Thank you!

From the Co-Presidents
Robin Hall & Trish Le Net

Trish Le Net (left) and Robin Hall

Dear Members and Friends,

It's hard to believe that we are almost at the end of the year! We can rest assured that it has been a productive one for UWF. At this particular time of year we give thanks for all that we have.

Our heartfelt thanks go to Pat Rhodes and Karen Flaherty for their tremendous effort and success in organizing the Day of Games. They did not do it alone. So many of you pitched right in with making and selling the tickets, the flyer, donations for the baskets, the door prizes and the food, help setting up, working in the kitchen, serving, greeting cards for the tables, selling raffle tickets, giving info on membership and visiting the tables with signup sheets for potential members and those interested in receiving information on upcoming events, and clean-up. Whew!!! We made enough for almost two full scholarships! Congratulations to us all!

Thank you to Sheila Platt, Kay Forest, Pat Cotton and Donna Daly Boggs, who did a beautiful job of decorating the UWF Christmas tree for the Flagler County Library "Annual Festival of Trees." Several of us attended the November 22 kick-off. There are 48 community participants this year. The next time you are there, stop by and admire our UWF tree and all the others!

Adventure Girls had multiple activities in November, starting with a tour of the Stetson Mansion and then several days later visiting the "Celebration of Arts Country Market" at the Florida Agricultural Museum. For some of us, it was our first time visiting the Agricultural Museum. Many thanks to Holly Flynn for organizing these fun and diverse events.

If you would like your heart warmed, please read the "thank you" letters from the latest recipients of the DSC-endowed scholarship. They truly validate our UWF mission!

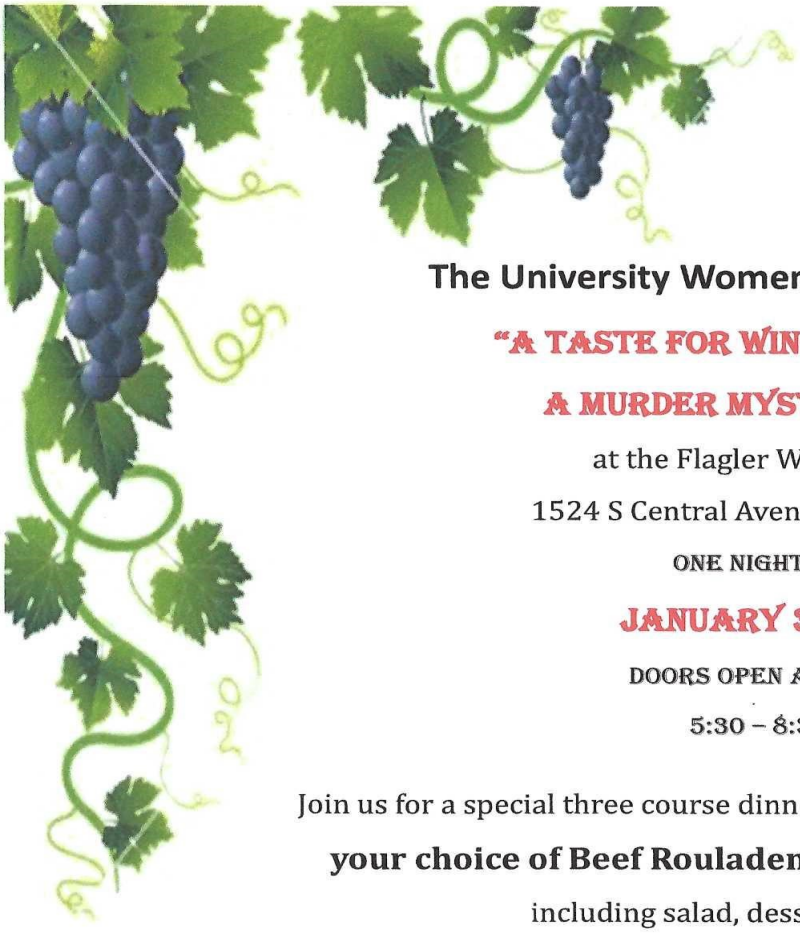
We look forward to our general meeting at Grand Haven Golf Clubhouse on December 14th at 11:30am with a holiday flare!

Wishing you and your families a wonderful and safe holiday season!

With Friendship and Service,

Trish and Robin

Coming up: Friday, January 31st:
A Taste for Wine & Murder



The University Women of Flagler presents

"A TASTE FOR WINE AND MURDER"

A MURDER MYSTERY DINNER

at the Flagler Woman's Club

1524 S Central Avenue, Flagler Beach

ONE NIGHT ONLY!

JANUARY 31, 2025

DOORS OPEN AT 5:00 PM

5:30 – 8:30 PM

Join us for a special three course dinner featuring

your choice of Beef Rouladen or Creamy Corny Chicken

including salad, dessert, coffee or tea.

- Share/Share
- Wine basket auction
- Win with your table "Who done it?"
- Visit the Wine/Prosecco Bar!

Tickets:

$50 per Person/tables of 4, 6 or 8

Call or email:

Sheila Platt 386-237-5545 or sasha0608@aol.com

Donna Daly-Boggs 904-302-1414 or uwflagler@gmail.com

University Women of Flagler is a 501.c.3 nonprofit organization.
Participation in this event will benefit the UWF Scholarship Program.
Visit our website www.uwflagler.org for details.

Calendar of Upcoming Activities, Events and Fundraisers

Event	Dates	UWF Contact
UWF General Meeting (Holiday luncheon)	Saturday, December 14th 11:30am at Grand Haven Golf Club	Pat Rhodes
Bookminders	Monday, December 9th at 1pm Via Zoom	Jane Mealy
Lunch Bunch	Friday, December 20th 12 noon at Betty Steflik Preserve	Edda Steinmeier
SAVE THE DATE: "A Taste for Wine & Murder" - A Murder Mystery Dinner	Friday, January 31st, 2025 5:30-8:30pm Flagler Beach Woman's Club	Linda Jaeger & Edda Steinmeier

Last few days: Wreaths Across America

If you choose, you can contribute online at
https://wreathsacrossamerica.org/FL0649P until December 3, 2024. Just click on the link.

Every year the Wreaths Across America organization places holiday wreaths on the grave sites of every veteran buried in a National Cemetery. The wreaths are donated by individuals like yourselves who want to support our military veterans.

We have again set our UWF chapter up as a fundraising group with WAA. For every $17.00 wreath purchased by our members, their families and friends, we will have $5.00 returned to us. This is a simple fundraiser that supports our scholarship fund and allows us to do something good for our community. We will be supporting the National Cemetery in Jacksonville, where they will need 21,000 wreaths this year.

The deadline to receive paper checks was November 16th.

Thank you for your support of this worthwhile project.

Susan Wildman, UWF's Wreaths Across America Fundraising Chair

Programs for 2024-2025

Janice Nickol, Vice President for Programs

Date	Program	Location
December 14, 2024 Holiday Luncheon	The Light Keepers Choir Director: Erin Alford	Grand Haven Clubhouse
January 11, 2025	Terran McGinnis The Right Whale Program In Marineland	Grand Haven Clubhouse
February 15th	Denise Garcia, President The Garden Club of Palm Coast	Grand Haven Clubhouse
March 8th	Micki of Padma Yoga Chair Yoga	Grand Haven Clubhouse
April 12th	P. Ansley Wren-Key, Ph.D. Coastal Engineering Admin. On "Beach Erosion"	Grand Haven Clubhouse
May 17th Scholarship Luncheon and Installation of Officers	Honoring our new Scholarship Recipients. Introduction of new recipients and updates from Former Scholarship students.	Grand Haven Clubhouse

December meeting: The Light Keepers Choir!

The Light Keepers Choir was established in 2021 at Palm Coast United Methodist Church by then Music Director Barbara Polomsky. They are a Praise & Worship group sharing regularly as PCUMC but truly love all kinds of music and enjoy sharing in the community overall. The Light Keepers love to share from diverse genres - highlighting how music truly is the universal language!

Erin Alford has been leading the group since 2023. She has been sharing worship music for almost 15 years and comes from a musical family. Her Father Billy Joe O'Neal Jr. is a well-known Irish Balladeer out of Trenton, NJ, so Erin grew up surrounded by music. "I learned early on what a uniting force music is in any community. I love how good music can always bring people together in one accord!"

Janice Nickol
Programs Vice President

A Taste for Wine & Murder—Murder Mystery Dinner

Friday, January 31, 2025 at the Flagler Woman's Club from 5:30-8:30pm

A Taste for Wine and Murder – Help Needed

Thank you to the many volunteers who have already signed up to be members of the cast and to help with our Murder Mystery Dinner. We are in need of **additional** help – members who will:

- Cook the chicken entrée at home (recipe provided)
- Prepare the Beef Rouladen entrée at Linda Jaeger's on January 29 or January 30
- Bake apple berry crisp (recipe provided)
- Work in the kitchen to plate the cheese appetizer, salad, entrée, dessert
- Serve the meal
- Set up (3-5 pm) and clean up (8:30-9:30 pm)

Also, we are seeking donations of wine for the "Bar" - red, white or prosecco. We will be offering these by the glass (monetary donations appreciated).

Please contact:

Edda Steinmeier at 386-237-7313 or eddausi2@aol.com

Linda Jaeger at 631-875-3799 or lindajaeger115@gmail.com

Thank you in advance for helping to make our fundraiser a success!

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Adventure Girls: Home for the holidays...

Welcome to a new year of adventures, Adventure Girls. I appreciate any suggestions you might have. Remember, there will be a five-dollar scholarship donation for each adventure. But once you've paid $20, you are set for the year.

On January 11, after our UWF meeting at Grand Haven, I'd like to invite you to the Boutique at Emmanuel's Closet at 1000 Palm Coast Parkway Southwest, Patel Plaza, Unit 108, next to Wells Fargo Bank.

You may shop for ladies designer dresses, jewelry, handbags, and shoes, etc., while supporting a great cause…Emmanuel's Closet. Most items are five dollars or less. They are then able to offer free clothing, hygiene products, other necessities and a food pantry to those in Flagler County in need. You may bring any donations that are clean and in good condition when we visit.

There is no need to make reservations as the boutique is open Wednesday through Saturday from 10 AM to 4 PM. But if many go after the meeting, we may have to take turns shopping, as the boutique is small. I have had some great finds there and I hope you can join in this great adventure for a good cause.

Holly Flynn [cell: 518-269-5988 or email: Hollyflynn424@gmail.com]

Update: UWF Endowed Scholarship at Daytona State College

As an update to what's been happening with last year's endowment to Daytona State College, the following are excerpts from the thank you letters written by the 2024 recipients of the UWF Endowed Scholarship provided through the Daytona State College Foundation. Each student was awarded $1200.

Hannah Fine

My name is Hannah Fine, and I am writing to thank you immensely for awarding me the University Women of Flagler Scholarship. This is so amazing and unexpected, and I could not be more grateful for your faith in me to be deserving of this.

I am a 34-year-old mom and wife jumping back into school after taking a solid 15-year break from school. I am aiming for a masters, at the very least, in psychology in order to be able to help others the way I have been lucky enough to have been helped throughout my life. School was not an easy thing for me as a kid or teen, hence the long break, but I wanted to come back and give my dreams a fair shot and to show my son that even if something is hard or scary if you want it bad enough you can do it; and to not just settle for something less than what you deserve.

Hannah Whewell

I am writing to express my sincere gratitude for awarding me the University Women of Flagler scholarship. Receiving this scholarship is an honor, and I am incredibly thankful for the financial support it provides toward my education and future.

My name is Hannah, and I am twenty-nine years old with two little ones. Attending college was always a goal I never thought I would achieve, having my oldest daughter at sixteen years old. I have worked incredibly hard to make way for a better future for myself and my kids, but the bills never disappear when having a family and going to school. I have been a Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) for three years and have always planned to continue my education and grow my nursing career. My goal is to eventually become a Nursing Instructor myself and help grow future nurses. This scholarship will help pay for the required books, uniforms, and supplies for the LPN to RN Nursing program I will start this fall, alleviating that financial burden.

How to make donations to the UWF endowed scholarship at DSCF:

The scholarship awarded to the DSC students selected by the UWF Scholarship Committee is based on the funds in DSC Foundation – UWF endowed scholarship account. The capital that was used to establish the endowment has grown through the interest earned from the Foundation's investments and the additional contributions made by members of UWF. Some members have chosen to use their Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) to donate to a Qualified Charitable Organization, such as the Daytona State College Foundation, and thus receive a tax break.

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Endowing the DSC—how to donate (continued)

There are several options to donate to the scholarship fund:

#1 **If anyone would like to send a check, it should be made out to DSC Foundation (not UWF).**
Send to: Daytona State College Foundation
1200 W. International Speedway Blvd, Building 100 Room 302
Daytona Beach, Fl 32114

Reference UWF endowed scholarship on the Memo line *and include a note with the check to that effect.*

#2 Here is the direct URL link to the donation page: https://host.nxt.blackbaud.com/donor-form?svcid=tcs&formId=b5920383-4a1c-4033-aa49-0a42bbe5d217&envid=p-KNv74f_wykuOArTiFoSI4w&zone=usa

#3 There is also a QR code available, which you can access on the UWF website.

Thank you for your support of this donation activity on behalf of UWF.

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Membership Report:

Valerie Herndon and Nancy Hazo, Membership Co-Vice Presidents

We have 68 members as of November 25th.

December Birthdays:

We wish our four members who will be celebrating December Birthdays a very Happy Birthday and a happy, healthy year to follow:

Jane Mealy	12/14
Holly Flynn	12/21
Peggy Hengeveld	12/28
Ouida Green	12/30

There will not be lottery seating at our December meeting as we will have holiday entertainment by The Light Keepers Choir.

We're looking forward to the New Year and a membership drive in the Spring that we can all get behind to grow UWF. Perhaps over the next few months, you'll think of friends you might like to invite to a meeting – especially those who are now eligible to join if they have Associates or Nursing degrees. Thank you, as always, for your support.

Minutes from November 16, 2024 General Meeting

UWF General Meeting at Grand Haven Golf Club

Saturday, November 16, 2024

Meeting opened at 11:35.

Attendees were welcomed by co-Presidents Robin Hall & Trish LeNet.

Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence to remember the military, our first responders and those suffering.

Janice Nickol introduced Tom Maye and Jan Bearce from the Seniors vs. Crime, a Special Project of the FL State Attorney General's Office. They discussed the scams that are targeted at senior citizens and ways to protect ourselves.

Inspirational talk about happiness was given by Rhenda Brodnax.

Lunch was served.

Business meeting

Officer Reports:

Treasurer's Reports posted in the WAVE. Motion was made and passed to approve the Monthly Operating Account and Monthly Scholarship account for September/October.

Minutes from the October general meeting were approved and passed with a correction about scholarship report.

Membership- Nancy Hazo reported that we have 68 members, and she also gave the names of members celebrating birthdays in November.

Corresponding Secretary- Sheila Platt reported on a thank you letter from the Flagler County Education Foundation for our $2000 donation for Take Stock in Children.

Committee Reports

Directory: Linda Jaeger reported that the electronic version of the directory has been sent to all members.

Articles for the Wave are to be sent to Karen Flaherty before the end of the month.

Corporate Sponsorship committee was still working on their outreach to the community according to member Eve Skolnik.

Festival of Trees- Sheila said that the tree would be set up in the library on Monday, November 18th.

Sunshine- Lee Ross sent a condolence card to Barbara Mulroy for the death of her husband. A get-well card was sent to Ronaele Bowman. Both are former UWF members.

Fundraisers-

Wreaths Across America- Susan Wildman reported that 65 wreaths had been purchased. She is collecting checks for the wreaths until December 3rd. The wreaths can also be ordered online.

Day of Games summary- Pat Rhodes reported that the event was a success, and profits are still being calculated. Currently they are in excess of $5,000.

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Minutes from November 16, 2024 General Meeting

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Murder Mystery dinner- This event will take place on January 31st, 2025, at the Flagler Beach Woman's Club. Linda Jaeger said that ticket sales ($50 each) had begun and also explained how the event would unfold and gave a description of the food on the menu.

Tee shirt sales- Jo Dervan reported that six more shirts had been sold.

Interest groups

Adventure Girls- Holly Flynn told of upcoming events including the St. Augustine Garden tour of Homes and Tea on December 8th. Future adventures will be listed in the WAVE. She also told the group that the Palm Coast Community Center was sponsoring a bus trip to the Jacksonville Symphony & Avenues Mall on December 6th.

Emanuel's Closet- Holly put out flyers for this group which gives out free clothes for the needy in our community. They also sell better clothing items at their Boutique for a minimum amount to earn money for the rent on the store.

Bookminders will be reading *The Reading List*. Contact Jane Mealy if you would like to join the discussion on Zoom on December 9th at 1pm.

Lunch Bunch will meet on the 3rd Friday of every month. Future meetings will take place at Betty Steflik Park in Flagler Beach.

Other Business-

The next meeting will take place on December 14th at the Grand Haven Clubhouse. It will be a holiday luncheon with music by the Light Keepers Choir.

Share and Share- Luzibu Nsakala announced that $120 was collected and Carol Milewski received the prize of $60.

Meeting Adjourned at 1:23pm.

Respectfully submitted by Lee Ross

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2024 Festival of Trees

All UWF members are invited to the library to view the UWF Holiday tree during the Flagler County Library Festival of Trees. The festival is open during library hours until January 2, 2025. Over 40 community service organizations and non-profits decorate their trees. Shown in the picture is the UWF committee of Pat Cotton, Sheila Platt, Donna Daly Boggs and Kay Forest.

Monthly Operating Account Cash Flow
July 2024 - June 2025

OPERATING ACCOUNT	2024-2025 Budget	October Actual	November Preliminary	Year to Date Actual
INCOME		$14,910.85	$14,725.60	
Day of Games **Square** Income	$0.00	$35.14	$0.00	$70.28
Donation Button Contributions **(Square)**	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Membership Dues ($50) 2024-2025	$3,250.00	$50.00	$0.00	$215.57
Miscellaneous Operating Income	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$50.19
Monthly Meeting	$7,200.00	$774.94	$649.90	$4,899.22
Monthly Share & Share	$525.00	$65.00	$60.00	$195.00
Scholarship Accruals	$3,000.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Total Income	**$13,975.00**	**$925.08**	**$709.90**	**$5,430.26**
EXPENSES				
Audit	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Community Assistance	$500.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Directory	$500.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Day of Games **Square Transfer**	$0.00	$35.14	$0.00	$70.28
Donation Button (**Square) Transfer**	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Fees-Dept of Consumer Services	$90.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Fees-FL Non-Profit	$170.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Honors for Speakers	$175.00	$25.00	$25.00	$75.00
Insurance	$635.00	$0.00	$0.00	$631.48
Membership Committee	$250.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Memorials	$200.00	$50.00	$0.00	$75.00
Miscellaneous Operating Expense	$115.00	$50.19	$0.00	$50.19
Monthly Meeting Expense	$7,200.00	$925.00	$950.00	$2,925.00
Office Supplies	$150.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Presidents Expense & Meeting	$100.00	$25.00	$0.00	$25.00
Program Committee	$400.00	$0.00	$50.00	$125.66
Publicity	$125.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Scholarship Accruals **Transfer**	$3,000.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Sunshine Fund	$40.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Website	$325.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Total Expense	**$13,975.00**	**$1,110.33**	**$1,025.00**	**$3,977.61**
TOTAL OPERATING CLOSING BALANCE		**$14,725.60**	**$14,410.50**	

Monthly Scholarship Account Cash Flow
July 2024— June 2025

SCHOLARSHIP ACCOUNT	2024-2025 Budget	October Actual	November Preliminary	Year to Date Actual
INCOME		$30,785.22	$32,705.36	
Adventure Girls	$200.00	$0.00	$65.00	$65.00
Book Minders 2024-2025	$200.00	$0.00	$10.00	$10.00
Contributions from Individuals	$3,000.00	$75.00	$470.00	$620.00
Corporate Sponsorships	$1,000.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Correction Scholarship Income	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Day of Games Nov	$4,000.00	$2,725.14	$3,207.00	$6,667.28
Day of Games March	$5,400.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Donation Button Contributions	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Food Truck	$500.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Jersey Mike's	$200.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Honors (trans from Programs/speakers)	$175.00	$25.00	$25.00	$75.00
Lunch Bunch 2024-2025	$200.00	$20.00	$0.00	$80.00
Memorials for Scholarship	$200.00	$50.00	$0.00	$75.00
Miscellaneous Scholarship Income	$425.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Murder Mystery	$4,000.00	$0.00	$950.00	$950.00
Non-Traditional Student Grant	$0.00	$1,000.00	$0.00	$1,000.00
Scholarship Accruals (trans from Op midyr)	$3,000.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
T-shirt fundraiser	$200.00	$0.00	$150.00	$150.00
Wreaths Across America	$600.00	$25.00	$0.00	$35.00
Total Income	**$23,300.00**	**$3,920.14**	**$4,877.00**	**$9,727.28**
EXPENSES				
Adventure Girls	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Corporate Sponsorships	$100.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Correction Scholarship Expense	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Day Of Games Nov Expense	$1,000.00	$0.00	$118.94	$118.94
Day Of Games March Expense	$1,000.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Early Learning Coalition/Dolly Parton	$1,500.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Food Truck	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Miscellaneous Scholarship Expense	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Murder Mystery Jan 2025	$1,000.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Non-Traditional Student Grant- Expense	$4,000.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Office Supplies-Scholarship	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Scholarship Committee	$550.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Scholarship Award 2025 (3 new, 6 returning)	$12,000.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Take Stock In Children FC Ed Foundation	$2,000.00	$2,000.00	$0.00	$2,000.00
T-shirt expense	$150.00	$0.00	$89.94	$89.94
Total Expense	**$23,300.00**	**$2,000.00**	**$208.88**	**$2,208.88**
TOTAL SCHOLARSHIP CLOSING BALANCE		**$32,705.36**	**$37,373.48**	
TOTAL UWF ACCOUNT BALANCE		**$47,430.96**	**$51,783.98**	

What is it about Day of Games that the Ladies love so much?

Is it the lasagnas? Is it the camaraderie? Is it the raffle gift baskets? We're not quite sure, but whatever it is, the ladies are so supportive of our Day of Games! And we're grateful for their enthusiasm!

On November 15th, the Day of Games fundraiser was another success for UWF. Over 130 tickets were sold and everyone enjoyed the home baked lasagnas, breakfast breads, and desserts that were provided by our members. The room was filled with participants playing many different games. The raffle items donated by sponsors and members brought in over $1300. The final total from the fundraiser will add over $5750 to the UWF Scholarship Fund.

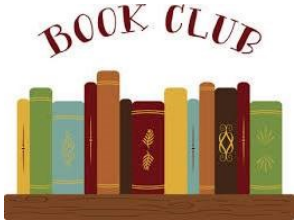
We are so grateful to the following local businesses who provided gift cards:

Allure European Day Spa
Totally Salon and Spa
Davis Chiropractic
The Net by George
Beachfront Grille
Barnhill's Bar & Grill
VIP Nails & Spa
Java Joint Beachside Grille
Publix

So many helpers: Nancy Hazo, above, at the Membership Table; Trish LeNet, Pat Rhodes and Kay Forest in the Kitchen; Susie Moya, Luzibu Nsakala, Eve Sckolnik and Lee Ross at the Raffle Table (below left); and the lovely raffle gift baskets! Somehow we never get a pic of the lasagnas or dessert table!

BOOKMINDERS SCHEDULE FOR 2024-2025

DATE	BOOK	AUTHOR	HOSTESS / DISCUSSION LEADER
December 9	The Reading List	Sara Nisha Adams	Holly Flynn
January 13, 2025	Remarkably Bright Creatures	Shelby Van Pelt	Marty Hedrick
February 10	The Frozen River	Ariel Lawhon	Carol Milewski
March 10	Lies My Doctor Told Me: Medical Myths That Can Harm Your Health	Dr. Ken Berry	Lee Ross
April 14	Bright Young Women	Jessica Knoll	Jo Dervan
May 12	Finding Margaret Fuller	Allison Pataki	Pat Cotton
June 9	Good Night Irene	Luis Alberto Urrea	Robin Hall
July 14	The River We Remember	William Kent Krueger	Susie Moya
August 11	The Heaven and Earth Grocery Store	James McBride	Sue Mitchell



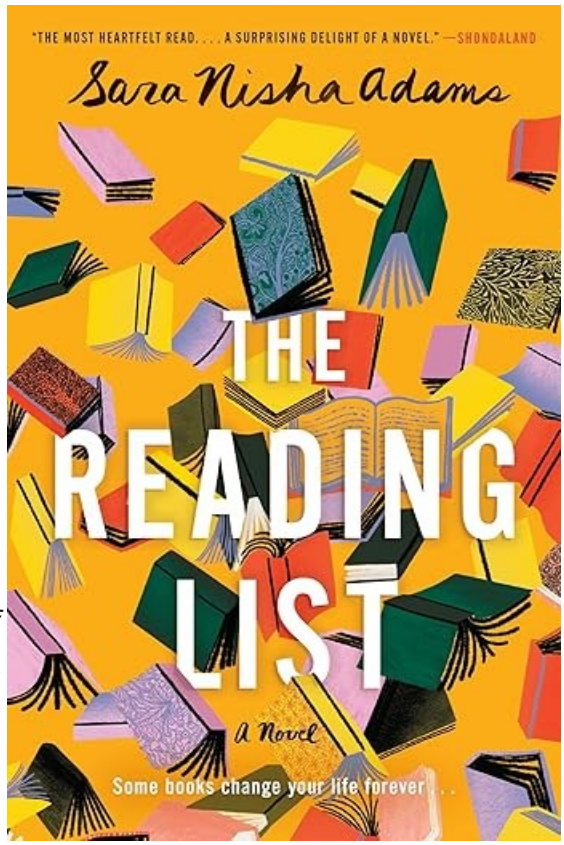
Bookminders Group Chair: Jane Mealy
386-439-4811
janemealy@aol.com

All meetings will be held on Mondays **via Zoom at 1:00 pm.**

December Book Selection

December's Book Selection: The Reading List—A Novel

By Sara Nisha Adams



A BEST OF SUMMER READ ACCORDING TO NEWSWEEK, PARADE MAGAZINE, NBC NEWS, LITHUB, AND POPSUGAR!

"The most heartfelt read of the summer...a surprising delight of a novel."--Shondaland

An unforgettable and heartwarming debut about how a chance encounter with a list of library books helps forge an unlikely friendship between two very different people in a London suburb.

Widower Mukesh lives a quiet life in Wembley, in West London after losing his beloved wife. He shops every Wednesday, goes to Temple, and worries about his granddaughter, Priya, who hides in her room reading while he spends his evenings watching nature documentaries.

Aleisha is a bright but anxious teenager working at the local library for the summer when she discovers a crumpled-up piece of paper in the back of *To Kill a Mockingbird. It's a list of novels that she's never heard of before. Intrigued, and a little bored with her slow job at the checkout desk, she impulsively decides to read every book on the list, one after the other. As each story gives up its magic, the books transport Aleisha from the painful realities she's facing at home.*

When Mukesh arrives at the library, desperate to forge a connection with his bookworm granddaughter, Aleisha passes along the reading list…hoping that it will be a lifeline for him too. Slowly, the shared books create a connection between two lonely souls, as fiction helps them escape their grief and everyday troubles and find joy again.

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December Lunch Bunch at Betty Steflik Preserve

Our next meeting for **Lunch Bunch** is scheduled for **12PM on Friday, December 20, 2024 at Betty Steflik Preserve in Flagler Beach.**

Come enjoy the quiet of the Preserve along the Intracoastal while enjoying your favorite salad or sandwich and beverage in the company of your fellow UWF members! There are picnic tables we can use, but if you prefer, you can bring your own chair.

Everyone is welcome! A donation of $20 to our scholarship fund is all that is needed for the entire year. Do join us for a relaxing few hours on the third Friday of every month! For questions please contact: Edda Steinmeier at 386-237-7313 or at eddausi2@aol.com.

UWF Snapshot of 2024-2025 Year

https://www.uwflagler.org

As of 9/26/24 - University Women of Flagler is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization run by women and supporting women. UWF awards annual **scholarships to Flagler County young women** who will continue their education at four-year colleges or universities and to a **Flagler County woman attending Daytona State College**. UWF also supports **"Take Stock in Children", "The Dolly Parton Imagination Library"** and **grants to assist non-traditional students** achieve their educational goals.

General Meetings (Sept-May) Grand Haven Golf Club. Please check your directory & WAVE for dates, program speakers and signup deadlines. Contact - Pat Rhodes, 35 Riverview Bend S, #1815, Palm Coast, FL 32137.
Lunch: 11:30am ($25.00 by check, $26.00 by credit card online)

Fundraisers are opportunities for members to self-select how to best support scholarships

Day	Event	Cost
9 Saturday Meetings	50/50 Share and Share at lunch program/business meetings	$ 5.00
November 15 9:30am - 2:30pm	Day of Games – Palm Coast Community Center (Includes breakfast breads, lasagna lunch, dessert)	$35.00
Now – December 3	Wreaths Across America (Checks by 11/16 - Can contribute online until December 3)	$17.00
January 31 5:30pm-8:30pm	"A Taste for Wine and Murder" A murder mystery dinner - Flagler Beach Woman's Club (Includes three course dinner)	$50.00
TBA 5:00pm – 8:00pm	Jersey Mike's	
TBA 5:00pm –8:00pm	Food Truck Tuesday	
March 28 9:30am - 2:30pm	Day of Games – Palm Coast Community Center (Includes breakfast breads, lasagna lunch, dessert)	$35.00

Special Interest Groups are opportunities for members to self-select for personal and social development. ("Bookminders" is $10.00 for the year, "Lunch Bunch" is $20 for the year, "Adventure Girls" is based on cost of each event.)

Day	Interest Groups	Contact (info in directory)
2nd Monday of Month 1:00 pm (1st Monday Nov.)	Bookminders (Zoom)	Jane Mealy
3rd Friday of Month Noon	Lunch Bunch – monthly location in WAVE calendar (Bay Drive Park, Bing's Landing, or Betty Steflik Park)	Edda Steinmeier
TBA/Event	Adventure Girls (formerly Gourmet Gals) Upcoming activities listed in the WAVE calendar.	Holly Flynn

New Member Luncheon – Please mark your calendar!
The New Member Luncheon will be held in conjunction with Lunch Bunch on March 21, 2025 at the Betty Steflik Park.

Becoming involved in UWF fundraisers and interest groups is a great way to develop friendships with like- minded women. We're glad you're a member and hope you find this information helpful.

University Women of Flagler

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2024-2025 Officers

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The University Women of Flagler (UWF) was founded in June 2006. The purpose of UWF is to unite graduates of regionally accredited educational institutions in order to promote equity, education, intellectual growth, individual worth, and development of opportunities for women and girls in the Flagler County area. UWF promotes positive societal change in the community; participates in the development and promotion of policies and programs through study, action, and public policy advocacy in areas related to its purpose, including community, cultural interests, and the maintenance of high standards in education; and maintains a fund for the purpose of rendering assistance, giving support, and providing funds for litigation to Flagler County area women whose civil liberties are threatened, infringed, or violated.

The WAVE is the official newsletter of the University Women of Flagler.

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