

***** BOARD HIGHLIGHTS –April 2025*****
Magnolia Point Women’s Club (MPWC)

- In Vice President Pam Young’s absence, President Donna Habing announced that the MPWC inventory is currently being updated.
- President Donna Habing clarified the subject of non-members attendance and participation at Board meetings. Robert’s Rules of Order indicates that non-members or ex-officio members of a board may participate in discussions and present reports at the discretion of the chair but may not make motions or vote on any matters.
- Treasurer Linda Werring reported that MPWC’s unrestricted money market account has \$6,113.48 for charitable giving, scholarships, and schools remaining after disbursing \$7,650.00 in charitable donations in March 2025. Linda also requested that the Finance Committee meet in April of this year due to the possibility of increasing membership dues prior to the May 1 due date.
- The MPWC Chase Bank credit card currently has 33,204 reward points which can be redeemed for approximately \$322. MPWC will allow these points to continue to increase and then apply the money towards the cost of the MPWC 25th Anniversary celebration in 2026.
- Activities Director Cindy Triay discussed the progress of the Committee (Bonnie Sprinkle, Jackie Maneval and Cindy Triay) on the preparations for the May 14th Installation Luncheon. The menu will include four delicious choices and a drink station provided by Magnolia Point Golf and Country Club in the Crystal Dining Room. The cost of the luncheon is \$25 per person. Members will be requested to pay \$15 and MPWC will contribute \$10. MPWC will purchase a cake for dessert. A blast email will be sent out to members with the necessary information to RSVP, select your menu choice and make your payment.
- In Vice President Pam Young’s absence, Lorna Broughton reported that the nominations for the three open Executive Officer positions (Vice President, Corresponding Secretary, and Recording Secretary) for the 2025-26 term have been received. The nominees are Adele Murphy for Vice President, Lynn Powers for Corresponding Secretary and Marty Essex and Bobbe Marion for Co-Recording Secretaries. A vote will be conducted at the April General meeting. Before the vote, nominations will be accepted from the floor.
- The 25th Anniversary of MPWC is September 2026. President Donna Habing is requesting the formation of an ad-hoc committee which will have approximately 18 months to plan this event. The scope, reservation of a venue, budget and possible fund-raising events need to be determined.
- A raffle will be held at the April General meeting for two tickets to the Orange Park Community Theater’s production of *Steel Magnolias*. The tickets can be redeemed from April 18 through May 11, 2025.
- A second raffle will be held at the April and May General meetings for two oil paintings donated to MPWC by the Green Cove Springs Garden Club. The proceeds of this raffle will go into the Member Benefits account to help finance the 25th Anniversary celebration.
- A blast email has been sent to the members regarding the upcoming Picnic in the Park scheduled for April 12, 2025, 12 noon to 3 p.m. for MPWC members and one adult guest. The picnic will be held at the Large Pavilion in Spring Park. The committee (Bonnie Sprinkle, Jackie Maneval, Nancy Catudal, Laura Emery, Pam Young, Adele Murphy, Linda Thill and Cheryl Starnes) will provide the paper products, drinks, and the entrée for lunch. Attendees are asked to bring a dish to share. A donation jar will be available on the buffet table for the (optional) collection of cash for payment of picnic expenses.
- President Donna Habing quoted: *“It’s Spring fever! That is what the name of it is. And when you’ve got it, you want – oh, you don’t quite know what it is you do want, but it just fairly makes your heart ache, you want it so!”*
— Mark Twain, *Tom Sawyer, Detective*, 1896.