



# The Comet

## January Membership Meeting



Join us for our January Membership Meeting on Tuesday, January 7, at 10:00 a.m. Doors will open at 9:30 a.m. for social time and fellowship.

This meeting will feature our Annual Arts & Crafts Contest, along with a special program by Jan Bryant, a talented painter from right here in Brevard County, who will share her art and creative journey.

Members who are entering their artwork must complete the forms listed on page 6 and bring to the meeting.

Members are encouraged to bring a friend who may be interested in learning more about our club. Please also remember to bring any items you wish to donate—see the last page of this newsletter for a complete list of our ongoing collections.

We look forward to a creative and inspiring morning together!

# Calendar

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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4	5	6	7 10:00 Membership Meeting	8	9	10
11	12	13	14 2:00 New Member Orientation	15	16	17
18	19 1:00 Book Club Jackie I's House	20	21 1:00 Board Meeting	22	23	24
25	26	27	28 8:30 Walk & Talk Larry Schultz Park	29	30	31



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## President's Message



President  
Sarah Anthony  
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Dear Members,

As we begin a new year, January invites us to reflect on where we've been and look ahead with purpose and hope. Our club continues to make a difference through service, friendship, and dedication, and I'm grateful for each of you who gives so generously of your time and talents. As Helen Keller wisely said, "Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much." I look forward to all we will accomplish together in the months ahead.

Warmly,

*Sarah*

## 1st Vice-President's Message



1st Vice-President  
JoAnne Post  
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I hope everyone had a joyful and relaxing holiday season! We enjoyed time with our daughter, son-in-law, and grandchildren, which meant lots of laughter—and a few extra grocery runs thanks to two growing boys.

**I'll be sending a new link soon for reporting your 2026 volunteer hours, so please watch your email.**

I'm looking forward to our January meeting and the art show. We truly have an incredibly talented group, and our Space Coast elves are hard at work putting the finishing touches on our reports—everything will be ready right on time.

Here's to a funtastic and creative 2026!

# Fundraising



2nd Vice-President  
Diane Angus  
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Watch for news of upcoming fundraisers, but in the meantime, keep saving your loose change and purchasing your gift cards with RaiseRight!

Happy New Year!

# December Photos



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To join our club's fundraising efforts, please use this link: <https://bit.ly/4eJOKSJ>

If you have any questions or need assistance, please contact us:

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Be sure to use our club code: **SF65D7DEF8S4**



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## Membership



Chairman  
Sally Kramer  
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We have three new members that have a few requirements to finish and they will get their pins. Please welcome Maxine Trainor, Theresa Camacho and Linda Segur when you see them at a meeting. Guests are always welcome at our general meetings and social events.

### Space Coast Woman's Cub Orientation

Date: Wednesday, January 14, 2026

Time 2:00 pm

Place: Sally Kramer's home (call for address)

**RSVP:** 321-305-4073

## Art & Culture CSP



Chairman  
Needed

Our club's Arts & Crafts Show will be held at our January Membership meeting on January 7. Let's have the best show ever with a high percentage participation! Please click on [FULL CATEGORY LIST](#) and scan through the 44 craft categories, 7 art categories, and 6 photography categories to see what you have completed in 2025 for entry!

If you have questions, please contact Juday Mammay by phone or text at 321-446-5221.

Click here for the [RULE BOOK](#)

Click here for the [RELEASE FORM](#)

Click here for the [ENTRY CARD](#)

Click here to see the [FULL CATEGORY LIST](#)

## GFWC Signature Program: Domestic & Sexual Violence Awareness & Prevention



Chairman  
Taylor Malishenko  
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January is Human Trafficking Awareness Month, an important time to raise awareness about an issue that directly affects Florida. Due to its large tourism industry, major highways, ports, and agricultural work, Florida consistently ranks among the states with the highest number of reported human trafficking cases. Trafficking can occur in hotels, neighborhoods, workplaces, and online, often hidden in plain sight.

Human trafficking is closely connected to domestic and sexual violence, making it a critical focus of the GFWC Signature Program: Domestic & Sexual Violence Awareness and Prevention. Victims are often controlled through fear, abuse, and manipulation, and many suffer long-term physical and emotional trauma. By learning the warning signs and supporting survivor-centered organizations, we help protect vulnerable individuals and strengthen our communities.

Members are encouraged to learn more and share resources:

- Polaris Project – [www.polarisproject.org](http://www.polarisproject.org)
- National Human Trafficking Hotline – [www.humantraffickinghotline.org](http://www.humantraffickinghotline.org), or 1-888-373-7888
- Florida Attorney General: Human Trafficking – [www.myfloridalegal.com](http://www.myfloridalegal.com)
- Department of Homeland Security Blue Campaign – [www.dhs.gov/blue-campaign](http://www.dhs.gov/blue-campaign)

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## Education & Libraries CSP



Temporary Chairman  
Sally Kramer  
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### Endeavour Elementary School

A BIG THANK YOU to everyone that worked on the quilts in 2025. The staff and councilors at Endeavour Elementary were very surprised and appreciative of our donations. We will begin working again in January. My goal for 2026 is 10 quilts and/or afghans. There is still plenty of fabric, although we will have to do a fundraiser to buy the batting and backing. Everyone put on their thinking cap so we can come up with a good fundraiser.

Three of our members are volunteering out at the school each week: two in the VPK classrooms and one mentoring 5th grade girls. If you are interested in volunteering out at the school, you need to have a background check and be fingerprinted. This can be done through the Brevard County School District Offices on Judge Fran Jamison Way in Viera, Florida 32940.

JoAnne Post was on vacation in Scotland and visited with another couple about our Woman's Club and how we adopted an elementary school in Cocoa, Florida, as it is the poorest school in Brevard County. The couple sent our club \$200.00 to help with Christmas for the kids. There are so many good people everywhere.

### Book Club

Currently, there are fourteen active members in our book club. We meet on the third Monday each month in the home of members and discuss the book we will read for the month. Jackie Insalaco is the chairman and in January we will all contribute to the list of books and decide which ones we will

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## Education & Libraries CSP, cont.

read for 2026. New members are always welcome to join at any time.

### **January Book Club Gathering**

**Date:** January 19, 2025

**Time:** 1:00 pm

**Place:** Jackie I's home (see directory for address)

**Book:** "Think Like a Monk" by Jay Shetty

Please let Jackie know if you will be attending: jackinsalaco@gmail.com

**Little Free Library Chairman:** Terry Rose

**Book Club Chairman:** Jackie Insalaco

## Health & Wellness CSP



**Chairman**  
**Linda Greenstein**  
lhgreenstein@gmail.com

Wishing everyone a Happy and Healthy New Year. January is Glaucoma Awareness Month and we will change our charity to Cure Glaucoma Foundation on January 1st. The mission of this organization is dedicated to ending glaucoma, the leading cause of irreversible blindness worldwide. Last year, we accumulated 1,577 miles in January. Let's see if we can reach 1,750 miles this year. If you need help joining the team, please let me know.

Our next Walk and Talk will be on Wednesday, January 28th. We'll meet at Larry L. Schulz Park located at 2560 S. Fiske Blvd. at 8:30 am. Dress for the weather, wear sturdy walking shoes, bring some water and don't forget your sunscreen. There will be a sign-up sheet at our January meeting.

# What We’re Collecting

This is a list of on-going collections for items that will be donated to various organizations in our area or used for club projects.

- **Pull-tabs** (soda & soup can tabs) - will be donated to Ronald McDonald House charities. (Health & Wellness)
- **Eyeglasses** - will be donated to the Lions Club. (Health & Wellness)
- **Bottle corks** (wine & champagne) — for recycling on our Etsy shop & craft projects. (Environment)
- **Travel-size toiletry products** - will be donated to Endeavour Elementary School and Trinity Lutheran School-Rockledge. (Health & Wellness)
- **Pantry Items** (non-perishable foods) - will be donated to Serene Harbor (Domestic Violence)
- **Cleaning Items** (including laundry supplies) - will be donated to Serene Harbor (Domestic Violence)
- **School supplies** - will be donated to Endeavour Elementary (Education & Libraries)

More items will be added as projects are developed. To donate, please contact our club or bring to our monthly meeting.

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## Club Officers

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## Information

This newsletter is published on the 1st of every month, September to May. All information is submitted by club members. For corrections, please contact our club.