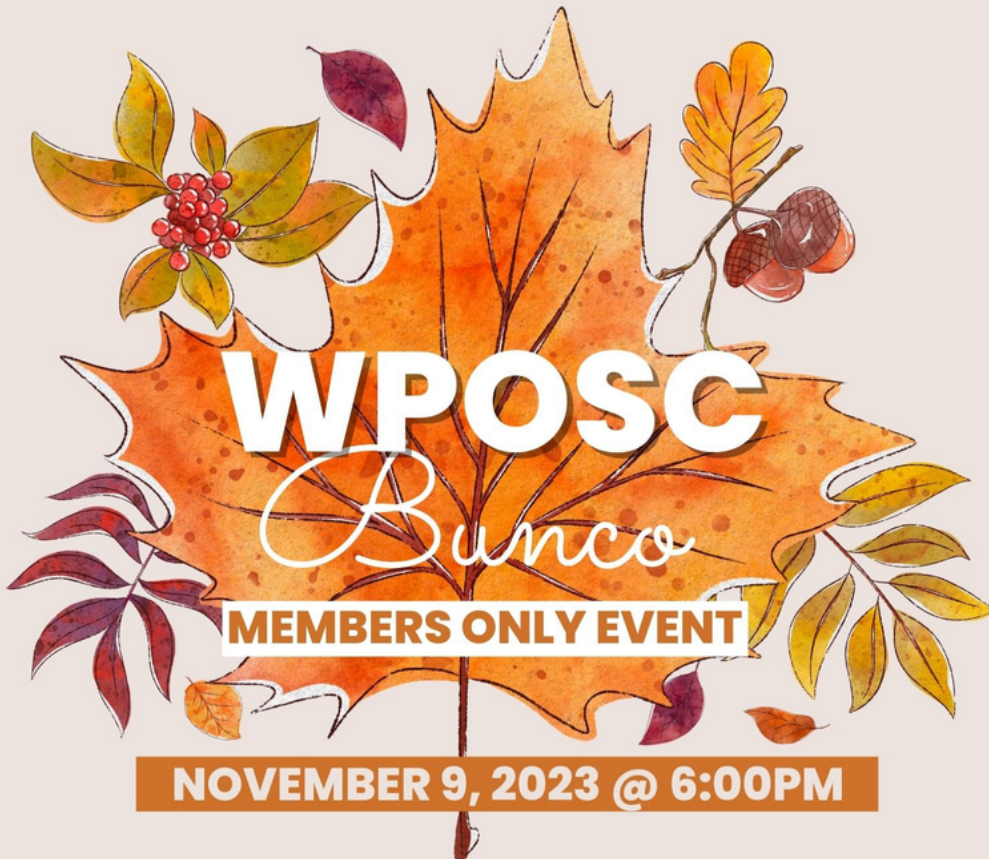


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THE WRIGHT WORD

THE WRIGHT-PATTERSON OFFICERS' SPOUSES' CLUB



THE WOODS OF BEAVERCREEK
2161 HIDDEN WOOD BLVD, BEAVERCREEK

6pm - check in
6:30pm - dinner
7pm - game begins

\$20

CASH - CHECK - CREDIT CARD/PAYPAL

RSVP by Monday, November 6

<https://wrightpattersonosc.org> or 937-315-1550 (Reservation Line)

*Pulled pork/chicken sandwiches, baked beans,
potato salad, and mini cheesecakes*

A reminder that child care reimbursement assistance is available

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Change my activity
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Make a reservation?
Scan code at the bottom!



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PRESIDENT'S PEN

Thankful

As we ease into November, we begin to think about Thanksgiving, my husband's most favorite holiday. It is his favorite because nothing is required except to be thankful. Easy! We get to eat delicious food, spend time with friends and family, and of course, watch football. In his opinion, there is nothing better.

In recent years, I've seen some new ways of showing our thankfulness. Some families write something they're thankful for on a large pumpkin for each day of the month. By November 30, they've filled the pumpkin with reminders of those things. Others will post on social media with their 30 days of thankfulness and encourage their friends to do the same.

We all know about being thankful, but what about being mindful? Recently, I got the daily mindfulness notification on my watch. I usually dismiss it without thinking, but today I decided to think about it. What does "to be mindful" really mean? Mindfulness is the ability to be fully present, aware of where we are and what we're doing—not overly reactive or overwhelmed by what's going on around us. Wow. I've been ignoring this notification, when I should have been following instructions. I encourage you to give it a try—even though you may have those "to do's" lingering, pay attention to what is going on in that moment.

This month, let's remember to be thankful for our many blessings, but also to be mindful each day. Give yourself the grace you deserve when you're having an extra stressful day. We are thankful to have you!

Suzanne Davis

Suzanne Davis
WPOSC President
2023-2024



OCTOBER MEET-UPS!



Lunch Bunch shared great food and laughs at Coldwater Cafe In Tipp City.



The **Spouses Night Out** crew had fun at Wild Axe!



Antiques Soci   members shared stories and unique pieces of history.



Game Night continues to grow and players keep up the friendly competition!



Wright Walkers took their journey to Mandy Duncan's farm to check out the beautiful scenery and to try out some local honey!



Brush & Palette group proudly showcases their work at a recent wall hanging!



Photography Club spent the day enjoying Kleather's Pumpkin patch in Springboro.



MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Membership Renewal!

Get excited for another fun WPOSC year!
Membership forms for 2023-2024 are available now!

There are 2 ways to renew:

- Fill out the online application form on wrightpattersonosc.org OR
- Mail in paper application (can be downloaded from the website or picked up at the Thrift Shop)

Dues are \$60.00 via cash/check or \$61.74 via PayPal. Please make checks payable to WPOSC.



Hospitality & Information

Submit news about your fellow members and their accomplishments!

- *Milestone Birthdays
- *Graduations
- *New Jobs
- *Volunteering
- *New Babies
- *Newcomers
- *Farewells
- *Retirements



How to submit:

1. Online form:
A) Go to www.wrightpattersonosc.org
B) Click on "Share Your News"

2. Via Email:
hospitality@wrightpattersonosc.org

Hospitality chair
Leigh Ann Yerrick

HELLO!



SEND US YOUR SNAPS!

If you have photos from this year's programs, activity groups, or volunteer events, please send them to Publicity Chair:

publicity@wrightpattersonosc.org

Welcome New Members...



Katie C
Sandy D
Cameron F
Tracy H
Marisa L
Jasmine M
Jami M

Zander M
Virginia M
Heather M
Kylie N
Susan P
Michelle R
Cecelia S
Tina O

Other ways to get involved:

COMMITTEE MEMBERS NEEDED!

Have a couple hours a month to spare and want to make a difference in the WPOSC? Consider being a member at large!



HIGH PRIORITY!

The following committees are beginning to meet soon and have immediate and high priority openings for members at large.

GOVERNING DOCUMENTS COMMITTEE

- (1) General Member at Large
- Meets now! - expected to meet through Sep/Oct
- Responsibilities include revision of the WPOSC Policies & Procedures

OTHER AVAILABLE POSITIONS:

- (currently available, but of a less urgent nature)
- Admin Budget Committee
 - Scholarship Committee
 - Welfare Budget Committee
 - Welfare Committee

INTERESTED? WANT MORE INFO?

CONTACT THE PRESIDENT:
SUZANNE DAVIS
president@wrightpattersonosc.org

MEMBERSHIP NEWS



WE NEED YOU!

JOIN THE 2023-24 BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Service Activities Chair

- Oversee, promote, and facilitate WPOSC service/philanthropic activities
- Assists in recruiting service activity leads and volunteers
- Service Activity groups include: Base Volunteers, Community Outreach, Crafting for a Cause, Mobile Food Pantry, Take Them a Meal
- Attend monthly BOG meetings and serve as the chair of the Welcome & Information Fair and Service Activities subcommittees, and serve as member on the Admin Budget subcommittee

Programs Chair

- Execute and host monthly general membership meetings/programs
- Coordinate with vendors and venues
- Secure door prizes, entertainment, and decorations
- Set up and break down programs
- Collaborate closely with: President, 1st & 2nd Vices, Publicity & Webmaster, Service & Social Activities, and Activity Leads
- Attend monthly BOG meetings and lead the Programs subcommittee

WHY SERVE?

- ENGAGE WITH MEMBERSHIP
- PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT
- MAKE A COMMUNITY IMPACT



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MEMBERSHIP NEWS

**Membership Directories are
hot off the press!**

**Please stop by the *Thrift
Shop* to pick up your copy.**

11:30 - 2PM T, W, F

October Event:

LUCAS BROS. FALL FEST!

Pumpkin Patch Corn Maze

Hay Rides



THRIFT SHOP



Hello
Autumn



WALK-IN CONSIGNMENTS!

- Please refer to Consignment Rules & Procedures and Permanent No Take List under "Thrift Shop Forms".
- Please call or check Facebook for the Weekly No Take List.



REGULAR HOURS

SUNDAY	CLOSED
MONDAY	CLOSED
TUESDAY	9:30 AM - 2:00 PM
WEDNESDAY	9:30 AM - 2:00 PM
THURSDAY	CLOSED
FRIDAY	9:30 AM - 2:00 PM
SATURDAY	CLOSED

CONSIGNMENT HOURS

9:30 - 11:30 AM: Tues, Wed, Fri



LOCATION & CONTACT INFO

5265 WRIGHT AVE, WPAFB, OH 45433
AREA A, BLDG. 95 NEXT TO OUTDOOR REC

☎ (937) 879-5630

Ext 1: Directions and hours

Ext 2: Weekly No Take list for consignors

Ext 3: Office: to make a consignment appt
or to speak with our volunteers

📘 WPOSC Thrift Shop

✉ thriftshop@wrightpattersonosc.org

****WE ACCEPT DONATIONS ANYTIME WE ARE OPEN!****



When the fall season rolls around every year bright colored leaves, cooler weather, and pumpkin spiced lattes immediately come to mind. More importantly though, November is the time to give thanks to all of the people who make our lives just a little bit better. The WPOSC Thrift Shop is one of those places where a small amount of effort goes a long way, thanks to the help of our volunteers. Without them we would never be able to provide the service to our military family that we do.

Thrift Shop Treasures



Take a look at some of these great finds at the Thrift Shop!

Visit the WPOSC Thrift Shop Facebook page each week to see the latest arrivals and weekly no take list for consignors.

SEEKING NEW VOLUNTEERS!

We always welcome new volunteers. There is a place for everyone to fit in.

Please contact the Thrift Shop Chair for more information:

thriftshop@wrightpattersonosc.org

THRIFT SHOP HIGHLIGHT



Sara S, Jami R, Sandy D (missing Rebecca Q) as they sort through and tag donations.



Sandy D' joins us from Tinker AFB in Oklahoma where she spent the last 4 years volunteering at their thrift store. She finds it a worthy use of her time since she retired. She is amazed by the level of organization and the number of volunteers the Thrift Shop has. She has not purchased anything yet, but it's only a matter of time!

Jamie R loves consigning as well, but wanted to join the TS crew after she saw how much fun the volunteers have. She is the most surprised by the large variety of things that come in such as clothes, toys, antiques, and international stuff. Jamie admits she's bought some pretty nice things.

Sara S arrived here in February from Vance AFB in Oklahoma. She found the perfect bright pink plastic chairs for her girls to sit on while they are doing crafts. Sara loves meeting new people and helping out other military families. She agrees that all of the great stuff people donate and consign are the most surprising things about working at the TS.



Debbie W as she processes a consignment contract from a customer.



Heather M, trying to make more room for new books coming in each week.



Debbie W came to us from Nellis AFB, Nevada. Since she was new to the area and her kids were all in school now, she thought it was a great time to start volunteering since she had always wanted to. She is really enjoying how things are done at the TS since it is all new to her, especially the great deals!

It is important to *Heather M* to volunteer at the TS because it helps people in so many ways. Not only does she relate to the sense of community there, but the sense of family as well. She was based in Alaska before coming to Ohio. Heather has already bought a really cool vintage cheese plate, but constantly repeats to herself, "You don't need that," as she puts out new items. Good Luck with that!



Anais C who volunteers on Wednesdays and does the bookkeeping for the store.



Anais C, originally started as the TS bookkeeper, but realized she could better use her time in the mornings by volunteering and socializing with the others. She, like Jamie, have been stationed at Wright-Pat for a while now. Besides the good deals to be had, Anais likes knowing that the profits go towards scholarships. She has also had lots of great finds at the store, but is particularly fond of some brass candleholders she bought.

THRIFT SHOP HIGHLIGHT



Meet Our Volunteers



Cameron F as she removes rank from donated uniforms so that they can be resold. She also washes some donated items that need to be freshened up, allowing us to display clean, attractive garments.

Stephanie M and Tami T as they put prices onto donated books.

There are many ways to help at the TS. Just ask our new "At Home" volunteer, *Cameron F*. There are a lot of clothes and gently used military uniforms donated, for example, that sometimes require a little TLC or the rank patches removed. Volunteering for Cameron was her way to give back to her military family. She points out the perks of selling her clothes through consignment, "It's a fantastic way for people to give clothes, help the thrift shop, and get a little money back in return!"



Lastly, we want to welcome and thank *Rebecca Q* for sharing her time by volunteering as well. We truly appreciate all that our volunteers do to keep the Thrift Shop running smoothly, because we could not do it without you!



Stephanie M, on the other hand, has already purchased a great Boz Scaggs record! Here since June, she knew right away that she had found a meaningful organization to jump right in and volunteer with. Stephanie says the most surprising thing she has noticed at the TS is the great organization and excellent quality of merchandise.

New team member, *Tami T*, decided to volunteer since it is the first time she has ever been free during the day. She is amazed by how many beautiful fall decorations, dishes, etc...are available for sale, like her brand new set of fall throw pillow covers she bought for just \$3.00! Tami's experience volunteering at the TS sums it up best. She most enjoys the "comradery of the organizational aspects, and the feeling of accomplishment as items are gathered, tagged, and then placed out in the store. It is a place to volunteer both because of the people and the beauty of the displays."



WHAT'S COOKIN'?

When I was diagnosed with celiac disease right before Thanksgiving 3 years ago, I thought my life was over. I had really gotten into baking over the previous several years, so this diagnosis was devastating. I loved getting deeper into the technical side and honing my skills with more complex bakes. Although I'm not a professional baker, I actually even took a couple intensive pastry and cake courses at the French Pastry School in Chicago! It wasn't until I discovered the gluten free cookbooks written by America's Test Kitchen (ATK) that I was able to get out of my depression and be excited about all the foods I could eat again. I realized I just had to change my mindset and learn a new set of rules.

The biggest takeaways from the French Pastry School courses were the foundational culinary skills I learned and the emphasis on the scientific parts of baking. That kind of technical background is what drew me to the ATK cookbook - they break down the science behind the recipes. They explain all of the seemingly random ingredient choices, the techniques specific to gluten free baking, and even describe the results of the various test bakes that led to the final recipes.

I hope you enjoy this recipe that I have adapted slightly from the ATK original. I'm confident your guests will not even be able to tell it's gluten free! Those of us with celiac disease or other dietary restrictions often go into family gatherings assuming there will be little that is safe to eat (certainly not dessert), so incorporating recipes such as this one when you can is a great way to help your loved ones feel a little bit more "normal" again, if even for one meal!

Alexis H



Professional Habits for the Home Kitchen

These are some culinary habits I picked up from the professional chefs I have learned from.

Incorporating these small techniques in my own kitchen has greatly elevated my art!

1. Read your recipe twice before starting - that way there are no surprises and you can anticipate any time-sensitive parts of your procedure or parts that require waiting.
2. "Mise en place" - gather your ingredients and equipment and measure out all ingredients before starting.
3. Measure your ingredients by weight, not volume. Grams are often more accurate than ounces. There is a lot of variation from person to person when using cups & teaspoons. Weighing your ingredients makes it so you can expect consistent results each time.
4. Work clean - clean as you go and keep your workstation as clean and orderly as possible. This is great for mindset and concentration.

WHAT'S COOKIN'?

Pie Dough *Aleks Harkavy*

Ingredients

Makes one 9-inch single-crust pie. Double all ingredients except egg for 9-inch double-crust pie.

44 g (3 tbsp) ice water

23 g (1 ½ tbsp) sour cream

21 g (1 ½ tbsp) rice vinegar

184 g (6 ½ oz) ATK All-Purpose GF Flour OR King Arthur GF Flour

7 g (1 ½ tsp) sugar

3 g (½ tsp) salt

¾ g (¼ tsp) xanthan gum

113 g (8 tbsp) unsalted European-style butter (82% fat - I prefer Plugra or Vermont), cut into ¼ in. pieces, frozen for 10-15 min.

1 egg, lightly whisked with a splash of water

ATK All-Purpose Gluten Free Flour Blend

This is my favorite blend, but King Arthur is very similar and more readily available.

680 g (24 oz) white rice flour

215 g (7 ½ oz) brown rice flour

200 g (7 oz) potato starch (NOT potato flour)

85 g (3 oz) tapioca starch (tapioca starch & tapioca flour are the same)

20 g (¾ oz) nonfat milk powder (can be omitted for dairy free recipes)

1,200 g/(42.25 oz) Total Weight



Equipment

Kitchen scale

Food processor (can also use stand mixer or pastry blender instead)

Plastic wrap

Rolling pin

Pie plate

Rubber scraper/spatula

Small/medium bowls for measuring ingredients

Parchment paper

Pie weights/rice/beans

Pastry brush

Pie shield (either silicone or you can make your own out of aluminum foil)



The desired texture of the pie dough after adding butter and before adding dry ingredients.

WHAT'S COOKIN'?

Pie Dough

Homemade pie crusts can make a huge difference in the quality of your pie and really do not take that much more effort! The key to a perfectly flaky pie crust is making sure your butter stays as cold as possible for as long as possible. You want to limit contact with your hands, ingredients that may warm the dough, and friction from a food processor, stand mixer, and rolling pin, as butter will start to melt at temperatures as low as 90 ° F. You don't want any melting until it gets into the oven. The fridge & freezer will be your best friends!

This recipe is written specifically for fully blind baked or par-baked crusts, which are most commonly used for custard pies, cream pies, and transparent pies. It can also be used for double-crust fruit pies that go in the oven sealed and raw, but I recommend par-cooking the filling on the stove first until it starts to get thickened. Cool your par-baked filling before pouring into a slightly chilled crust. You don't want to pour fruit filling into a raw crust that is too soft, but it shouldn't be frozen or chilled so much that you can't cover with the top crust and seal without cracking.



Rolling out dough between two sheets of plastic wrap and my preferred rolling pin. It is by Joseph Joseph and has discs that help you roll out uniform thickness, as well as a ruler on the pin itself.



How to ease the pie dough into the plate using the plastic wrap.

Making the Dough

1. Read this entire recipe twice.
2. Gather all ingredients and equipment. Measure out all ingredients.
3. Combine ice water, sour cream, and vinegar together in a bowl.
4. Process flour blend, sugar, salt, and xanthan gum in food processor until combined, about 5 seconds.
5. Scatter butter over top. Pulse until crumbs look uniform and distinct pieces of butter are no longer visible, about 20-30 pulses. If you squeeze the mixture in your hand, it should hold its shape, but crumble easily when touched.
6. Pour sour cream mixture over flour mixture and pulse until incorporated and dough comes together in large pieces around blade, around 20 pulses.
7. Turn dough onto plastic wrap and flatten into large disc. Wrap tightly in plastic wrap and refrigerate at least 1 hour or up to 2 days. Before rolling out dough, let it sit on counter to soften about 15-20 minutes.

Preparing the Crust

8. Preheat the oven to 375 ° F. Place oven rack to lower-middle position.
9. Place dough disc between 2 pieces of plastic wrap. This is a very soft dough, so plastic wrap is your friend to avoid sticking. Roll dough into a circle that is slightly larger than the diameter of your pie plate. (I like 12 in for a standard 9 in plate)
10. Remove top sheet of plastic wrap and invert the dough over the pie plate. Do not remove the (formerly) bottom piece of plastic wrap.
11. Ease the dough into the pie plate with your hand on top of the plastic wrap, working around the circumference of the plate and working out any air bubbles. (It helps to use a glass plate to see air bubbles).
12. Remove plastic wrap. Trim excess dough with kitchen shears, leaving a ½ overhang. Tuck overhang underneath itself and crimp dough in desired style.

WHAT'S COOKIN'?

13. Cover loosely with plastic wrap and freeze for 15 minutes until fully chilled and firm.
14. Remove plastic and carefully place parchment paper over crust. Fill with pie weights, rice, or beans. Try not to let parchment lay on crimped edge.
15. Bake for 20-25 minutes until crust is light brown, rotating halfway. Slowly and carefully remove parchment paper and pie weights to avoid sticking to the crust. If edges start to brown too quickly, place pie shield and/or lower oven rack.
16. Remove from oven and brush with egg wash. This will act as a seal between the crust and filling to help avoid a soggy bottom.
17. If fully baking (for no-bake pie fillings), place pie shield and continue baking for 10 more minutes or until fully baked, then remove crust from oven and follow your filling recipe.
18. If par-baking (for baked fillings), bake for 2-3 more minutes just until the egg wash sets, then remove from oven, and follow your filling recipe. Place pie shield on before returning pie to oven.

**Filled pumpkin pie
going into the oven
with a pie shield.**



**Plated pumpkin pie
served with cinnamon
Graeter's ice cream.**

CLUB NEWS EXTRAS

Notes from activity group leads...

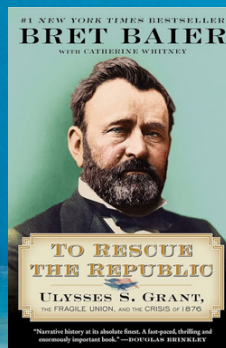
Book Club

Doriann C
Kris M

Come join us for History Month Sue Craven will review the book and lead the discussion on **To Rescue the Republic: Ulysses S. Grant, the Fragile Union, and the Crisis of 1876** by Bret Baier.

It is epic history spanning the battlegrounds of the Civil War and the violent turmoil of Reconstruction to the forgotten electoral crisis that nearly fractured a reunited nation, Bret Baier's **To Rescue the Republic** dramatically reveals Ulysses S. Grant's essential yet underappreciated role in preserving the United States during an unprecedented period of division.

We hope to see you as we discuss this novel!



Antiques Société

Elizabeth C

Kathy C

There will be no meeting in November.

Our Decorating for Christmas With Antiques program is open to all OSC members.

We will provide table space so you can showcase a favorite antique. Kathy needs to know by November 27 if you will bring a display. We will enjoy viewing the displays while we all sip eggnog.

We will begin a catered lunch from Christopher's Restaurant. The menu includes salad, bread and butter, chicken cordon bleu, herb roasted potatoes, roasted Italian vegetables, dessert, coffee and tea. Vegetarian and vegan menus are optional.

Cost: \$32

RSVP by November 22

Janet L



CLUB NEWS EXTRAS

Notes from activity group leads...

Photography Club

The air is getting crisp with the fall scents and colors. Our next adventure will take us to the Bill Yeck Park in Centerville. The park is a 194-acre natural area that shares trails with several other parks in the area. The park is enjoyed by hikers, bird watchers and nature lovers. Please dress for the weather.



Wright Ringers

We are working on our winter program. We have room for more ringers, no experience necessary. Come and check us out! For more information contact Heidi C or Cathy C for details.



Creative Corner

Everyone is really embracing the whole "Bring your old crafting projects you never find the time to work on" mentality behind the creation of this new club. Robin S won that contest by bringing an old sock monkey making kit that she had put away years ago. Also in attendance was Nesrin G, Debbie M and newcomer, Anette S. Besides working on their own projects, there was a lot of discussion on ideas for making book boxes for gifts for all occasions. Whether using pictures or paper, miniatures, or just sticks from outside, the personalization and uniqueness of these boxes are endless.

Come join us next month, same time, same place... Bring whatever you want to work on or just yourself if you need a little inspiration. If you have any questions, please call Carrie P.

WPOSC GIVING BACK



THE WRIGHT-PATTERSON OFFICERS' SPOUSES' CLUB WELFARE IMPACT

Established in 1944 as a social and philanthropic organization, the Wright-Patterson Officers' Spouses' Club (WPOSC) raises money to support Wright-Patterson Air Force Base (WPAFB) organizations, Miami Valley community programs and National Military organizations.

**\$171,273.46 DONATED
OVER THE LAST 5 YEARS**

\$103,700 - SCHOLARSHIPS
53 High School Seniors
4 Current College Students
6 Military Spouses

\$12,687 - MIAMI VALLEY

Benefiting Organizations Have Included:

- 4 Paws for Ability
- For Love of Children
- Beavercreek High School
- Archbishop Alter HS
- Ohio's Hospice of Dayton
- Montgomery County CASA
- Hannah's Treasure Chest
- Clothes that Work
- Daybreak
- Providing for Women
- Dayton Food Bank



\$42,228.46 - WPAFB

Benefiting Organizations Have Included:

- USO
- WPAFB Tap 5
- Fisher-Nightingale Houses, Inc.
- WPAFB 5/6 Council
- ESC Cookie Drive
- WPAFB First Sergeants Council
- WPAFB Chiefs Group
- AFSA Kittyhawk Chapter 751
- Family Services Operation Stork

FUNDS RAISED THROUGH:

- WPOSC BASE THRIFT SHOP
- MAH JONGG BOOK SALES
- MAKE IT, BAKE IT, FAKE IT AUCTION

\$14,858 - NATIONAL MILITARY

Benefiting Organizations Have Included:

- Blue Skies of Texas
- EOD Warrior Foundation
- Semper Fi
- Knights of Heroes
- USAF Charity Ball benefitting the Air Force Aid Society
- Air Force Enlisted Village



THE WRIGHT-PATTERSON OFFICERS' SPOUSES' CLUB SCHOLARSHIPS

The Wright-Patterson Officers' Spouses' Club awards scholarships each year to honor and aid military dependent children and spouses of officer and enlisted service members in our area who exemplify excellence in the classroom and in their local community.

**\$103,700 AWARDED
OVER THE LAST 5 YEARS**

53 HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS

ATTENDING:

- Arizona State University
- Brigham Young University
- Carnegie Mellon University
- Case Western Reserve University
- Cedarville University
- Duke University
- Eastern Michigan University
- Franciscan University
- Gannon University
- Hilldale College
- Houghton University
- Illinois Institute of Technology
- Northeastern University
- Northern Illinois University
- The Ohio State University
- Pennsylvania State University
- Purdue University
- Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology
- The University of Alabama
- University of Cincinnati
- University of Tennessee-Knoxville
- University of Dayton
- University of Louisville
- University of Michigan
- University of Notre Dame
- University of South Florida
- University of Washington
- University of Wisconsin-Madison
- Washington University
- Wright State University



GRADUATING FROM:

- Archbishop Alter High School
- Beavercreek High School
- Bellbrook High School
- Bishop Fenwick High School
- Carroll High School
- Centerville High School
- Dayton Regional STEM School
- Edison High School
- Fairborn High School
- Greenwood High School
- Hillard Davidson High School
- Lebanon High School
- Legacy Christian Academy
- Linton High School
- Miami Trace High School
- The Miami Valley School
- Norham High School
- Oakwood High School
- Springboro High School
- St. Thomas Aquinas Academy
- Waynesville High School

4 COLLEGE STUDENTS

ATTENDING:

- Brigham Young University
- Cedarville University
- University of Cincinnati
- Wright State University

6 MILITARY SPOUSES

ATTENDING:

- Cedarville University
- The Ohio State University
- Wright State University

The significant contributions we make to our communities would not be possible without the continued efforts of our members and volunteers. To learn more about membership in the Wright-Patterson Officers' Spouses' Club, please visit our website.

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SAVE THE DATES!



ANNUAL

Airmen Cookie Drive

Help Support Our Airmen and Spread
Some Holiday Cheer by Donating
Homemade and Store Bought Cookies

Monday, December 11, 6:30am-5pm
EARLY COOKIE DROP OFF:
WRIGHT FIELD FITNESS CENTER, AREA B

Tuesday, December 12, 6:30am-3pm
DAY OF EVENT COOKIE DROP OFF:
WRIGHT PATTERSON USO, AREA A

Volunteers needed to package cookies, 6:30am-5pm

POC: cookies@wrightpattersonosc.org
Cookie Signups/Volunteer at: <https://wrightpattersonosc.org/cookie-drive.html/>

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GROUPS & ACTIVITIES

ANTIQUES SOCIÉTÉ

Elizabeth C
Kathy C

Check Club News Extras for October info.

BOOK CLUB

Kris M.....
Doriann C.....

Book Club meets monthly on the 3rd Thursday of the month to discuss each month's selected novel.

BRUSH & PALETTE

Carrie P.....

Love to paint but can never find the time? The Brush and Palette is an Artist's Studio where we all work on our own projects and help each other with suggestions and encouragement. We welcome both beginner and experienced artists and everyone in between. Bring a project and your painting or drawing supplies to our meetings. We are looking forward to seeing you there!

BUNCO

Judy T.....

Facebook Group:
WPOSC Bunco

Bunco is a fun and easy dice game. We usually meet the first Tuesday of the month at someone's house. Social begins at 6pm with dice rolling at 7pm. Rather than bringing cash and only having a few winners,

we have been playing a different version where everyone brings an unwrapped \$7-\$10 gift and everyone leaves with something. Everyone also brings a potluck dish to share. We use Evite for all details and RSVPs as space can be limited.

Upcoming dates: Oct 3, Nov 7, Dec 5, Jan 9, Feb 6, Mar 5, Apr 9, May 7

GAME NIGHT

Brenden M.....

Upcoming dates: November 2nd & 16th.

Facebook Group:
WPOSC Game Night

KIDDOS & ME

Alexa V.....
Natasha R.....

We are a monthly playgroup for children of WPOSC Members. We invite you to join us and enjoy various child friendly activities. All ages are welcome. We hope you will come out and play with us!

Facebook Group:
WPOSC Kiddos & Me

LUNCH BUNCH

Marie A.....
Misty P.....

Lunch Bunch typically meets once a month for a casual lunch at restaurants in and around Dayton. Join our FB group for updates.

Facebook Group:
WPOSC Lunch Bunch

PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB

Adriana E.....

Facebook Group:
WPOSC Photography Club

MAH JONGG

Misty P.....

Tuesdays at 12:00 PM
Location varies - Check Facebook

Mah Jongg is a tile-based game of skill, strategy, and luck. It originated in China and has since gained popularity worldwide. The WPOSC has been the home of the official Wright-Patterson Rules Book for over 50 years!

Our group meets regularly on Tuesday afternoons to play this addictive game and continue a long-standing WPOSC tradition. Contact Misty Perry or join our Facebook group if you are interested in joining!

Facebook Group:
WPOSC Mah Jongg

RETIRED OFFICERS' SPOUSES

Position open.....
ros@wrightpattersonosc.org

Facebook Group:
WPOSC Retired Officer Spouses

SPOUSES' NIGHT OUT

Nova O.....
SNO meets each month at different spots in the Dayton area for various activities like happy hour, dinner, bowling, etc. Outings typically take place near the end of the month. Dates change from month to month, so join our Facebook group for updates.

Facebook Group:
WPOSC Spouses Night Out

WINE CLUB

Mandy D.....
Elisa R.....

We are a group of wine connoisseurs who get together once a month to enjoy and explore the world of wine. We meet for both casual gatherings at each other's homes as well as local wine venues in the Dayton area. Upcoming event: Oct 28 - Check Facebook
Facebook Group:
WPOSC Wine Club

SKYLARKS

Open Position.....

Rehearsals not currently scheduled.

TAKE THEM A MEAL

Natasha R.....

No meetings currently scheduled
Group meets on an as-needed basis

This group serves members of the WPOSC by signing up to bring meals to fellow members in times of need. Did you just have a baby? Suffer a death in the family? Spouse deployed? Reach out to let us know and this group will mobilize to help you through life's transitions. Are you someone who is willing to sign up to occasionally bring a meal? Make sure you join this group!

Facebook Group:
WPOSC Take Them a Meal

TEA GROUP

Looking for group lead.....

Facebook Group:
WPOSC Tea Group

THE WRIGHT RINGERS

Heidi C.....

We welcome new members to our group, no experience required. Please contact Heidi Cahoon for more information.

WRIGHT WALKERS

Robin S.....

Facebook Group:
WPOSC Wright Walkers

Welcome to our 23-24 club year. Wright Walkers (WW) will be enjoying the outdoors while generating great conversations, exploring new areas of the Miami Valley/WPAFB, and encouraging new friendships, and healthy habits with you and your family or furbabies. The plan is to meet on the first and third Wednesday of each month at 10:30 am at various locations in Greene and Montgomery County. We will be open to suggested walking locations to be fair to those who live in the various communities that support WPAFB. -You will be responsible for any drinks or snacks you may need. Wear comfortable clothes and shoes for walking. We will walk for about an hour or more, which will equal about 1.5 miles at a casual pace. There are lots of opportunities to visit and meet new people. I will carry a first aid kit. -As the weather changes, either fog or snow, there may be a need to cancel our walk. I will try to do my best to email or text the group and post on Facebook if this becomes necessary. Looking forward to seeing our regulars and many new faces.

RUBBER STAMP CLUB

Lori E.....

WPOSC Rubber Stamp Club | Facebook

All levels of stampers are welcome, even beginners who have never inked up a stamp. We'll bring you up-to-speed in no time! We share crafting tips and techniques, plus where to find the best bargains, stamp conventions, and stamping websites!

CREATIVE CORNER

Carrie P.....

Meets on the 3rd Monday of the month unless a holiday.

Dates: Nov 20, Dec18, Jan 22, Feb 12, Mar 18, Apr 15, and May 20

WRIGHT-FIT

Michelle C.....

NEED TO UPDATE YOUR ACTIVITY SIGN-UPS?

Do you see a fun group you'd like to join that you didn't originally sign up for? Not a problem!

- Go to wrightpattersonosc.org.
- Hover over "Activities" on the top bar
- Select "Activities Form" from the drop-down menu.
- Fill out the form and click submit!



2023-2024 WPOSC LEADERSHIP

Board of Governors - Executive Committee

PRESIDENT.....	Suzanne Davis	president@wrightpattersonosc.org
1ST VICE PRESIDENT.....	OPEN POSITION	1st_vice@wrightpattersonosc.org
2ND VICE PRESIDENT.....	Adina Williams	2nd_vice@wrightpattersonosc.org
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WELFARE TREASURER.....	Tracey Tomme	welfaretreasurer@wrightpattersonosc.org
SECRETARY.....	Elisa Rickard	secretary@wrightpattersonosc.org
PARLIAMENTARIAN.....	Aleks Harkavy	parliamentarian@wrightpattersonosc.org

Board of Governors - Honorary Executive Committee

KayLynn Meeker	SPOUSE OF 88TH ABW COMMANDER	advisore@wrightpattersonosc.org
Melvin Parada	SPOUSE OF NASIC COMMANDER	2nd_honorary_advisore@wrightpattersonosc.org

Board of Governors - Standing Committees

HOSPITALITY.....	Leigh Ann Yerrick	hospitality@wrightpattersonosc.org
MAH JONGG BOOK SALES.....	Amy Jo Jones	mahjongg@wrightpattersonosc.org
MEMBERSHIP.....	Melissa Troxel	membership@wrightpattersonosc.org
NEWSLETTER EDITOR.....	Alese Havens	twnewsletter@wrightpattersonosc.org
PROGRAMS.....	OPEN POSITION	programs@wrightpattersonosc.org
PUBLICITY.....	Heather Muller	publicity@wrightpattersonosc.org
RESERVATIONS LINE - ANSWERING MACHINE		
RESERVATIONS.....	Brenden Myers	reservations@wrightpattersonosc.org
RETIRED OFFICERS' SPOUSES....	OPEN POSITION	rose@wrightpattersonosc.org
SCHOLARSHIP.....	Rachel Sullivan	scholarship@wrightpattersonosc.org
SERVICE ACTIVITIES.....	OPEN POSITION	service_activities@wrightpattersonosc.org
SOCIAL ACTIVITIES.....	Ashley Denemark	social_activities@wrightpattersonosc.org
THRIFT SHOP.....	Marsha Hudson	thrifishop@wrightpattersonosc.org
WEBMASTER.....	Christi Brendlinger	webcoordinator@wrightpattersonosc.org
WELFARE.....	Mandy Duncan	welfare@wrightpattersonosc.org

Committee Members-at-Large

ADMIN BUDGET.....	Stephanie McDonald
GOVERNING DOCUMENTS.....	SEEKING VOLUNTEER
NOMINATING.....	SEEKING VOLUNTEER
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SCHOLARSHIP.....	Katie Hoffman
WELFARE.....	Candice Waldroup
WELFARE BUDGET.....	SEEKING VOLUNTEER

Service Activity Leaders

MOBILE FOOD PANTRY.....	SEEKING VOLUNTEER
SKYLARKS.....	SEEKING VOLUNTEER
Co-Lead.....	SEEKING VOLUNTEER
TAKE THEM A MEAL.....	Natasha Ravak
WRIGHT RINGERS.....	Heidi Cahoon
Co-Lead.....	SEEKING VOLUNTEER

Social Activity Leaders

ANTIQUES SOCIÉTÉ.....	Elizabeth Clark
Co-Lead.....	Kathy Cohrs
BOOK CLUB.....	Kris Mangold
Co-Lead.....	Doriann Council
BRUSH & PALETTE.....	Carrie Punches..
Co-Lead.....	SEEKING VOLUNTEER
BUNCO.....	Judy Taylor
Co-Lead.....	SEEKING VOLUNTEER
GAME NIGHT.....	Brenden Myers
KIDDOS & ME.....	Alexa Vincie
Co-Lead.....	Natasha Ravak
LUNCH BUNCH.....	Marie Albright
Co-Lead.....	Misty Perry
MAH JONGG PLAYERS.....	Misty Perry
PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB.....	Adriana Eden
RUBBER STAMP CLUB.....	Lori Enochian
SPOUSES' NIGHT OUT.....	Nova Otte
TEA GROUP.....	SEEKING VOLUNTEER
WINE CLUB.....	Mandy Duncan
Co-Lead.....	Elisa Rickard
WRIGHT WALKERS.....	Robin Sowder
CREATIVE CORNER.....	Carrie Punches
WRIGHT-FIT.....	Michelle Cain

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN AN OPEN POSITION? WOULD YOU LIKE MORE INFORMATION? Contact the President, Suzanne Davis, at president@wrightpattersonosc.org

DO YOU HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT ANY OF OUR ACTIVITY GROUPS? Contact:

service_activities@wrightpattersonosc.org OR
social_activities@wrightpattersonosc.org

LEADERSHIP MEETING SCHEDULE

WPOSC 2023-2024 Board of Governors' Calendar

Curious to know when the Board meets?
Needing to bring up an issue?
Know when decisions are being discussed so you
can make your voice heard prior to the meeting!
All times and dates subject to change as needed

NOVEMBER

11/3 Executive Committee 1:00 PM Zoom
11/5 Board Reports Due 11:59 PM Email to Secretary
11/5 Governing Documents Committee 7:00PM Zoom
11/8 Board of Governors 7:00 PM Zoom
11/9 General Membership Meeting & Social 6:00 PM
11/14 Scholarship Committee 6:30 PM Zoom
11/14 Welfare Committee 1:00 PM Zoom
11/19 Governing Documents Committee 7:00PM Zoom
11/22 Private Org Quarterly Lunch 11:30AM TBD

DECEMBER

12/1 Executive Committee 1:00 PM TBD
12/3 Board Reports Due 11:59 PM Email to Secretary
12/3 Governing Documents Committee 7:00PM Zoom
12/6 Holiday Luncheon 11:00 AM
12/7 Board of Governors 7:00 PM TBD
12/15 Welfare Committee 1:00 PM Zoom
12/17 Governing Documents Committee 7:00PM Zoom
12/20 Scholarship Application Posted Online

JANUARY

1/5 Executive Committee 1:00 PM Zoom
1/7 Board Reports Due 11:59 PM Email to Secretary
1/11 Board of Governors 1:00 PM TBD
1/17 Welfare Budget Committee 12:00 PM Zoom
1/18 General Membership Meeting & Social 11:00 AM TBD
1/19 Admin Budget Committee 3:00 PM Zoom
1/25 Welfare Committee 1:00 PM Zoom

FEBRUARY

2/2 Executive Committee 1:00 PM Zoom
2/4 Board Reports Due 11:59 PM Email to Secretary
2/8 Board of Governors 7:00 PM TBD
2/15 General Membership Meeting & Social 6:30 PM TBD
2/20 Scholarship Committee 6:30 PM Zoom
2/22 Welfare Committee 1:00 PM Zoom
2/23 Executive Committee 1:00 PM Zoom
2/25 Board Reports Due 11:59 PM Email to Secretary
2/27 Scholarship Application Deadline

MARCH

3/7 Board of Governors 1:00 PM TBD
3/14 General Membership Meeting & Social 6:30 PM TBD
3/15 Admin Budget Committee 3:00 PM Zoom
3/21 Scholarship Committee 6:30 PM Zoom
3/28 Scholarship Committee 6:30 PM Zoom
3/28 Welfare Committee 1:00 PM Zoom
3/29 Executive Committee 1:00 PM Zoom
3/31 Board Reports Due 11:59 PM Email to Secretary

APRIL

4/4 Board of Governors 7:00 PM TBD
4/11 Make It, Bake It, Fake It Silent Auction 11:00 AM TBD
4/18 Scholarship Committee 6:30 PM Zoom
4/25 Welfare Committee 1:00 PM Zoom

MAY

5/3 Executive Committee 1:00 PM Zoom
5/5 Board Reports Due 11:59 PM Email to Secretary
5/8 Board of Governors 1:00 PM TBD
5/9 Scholarship Reception 6:00 PM TBD
5/26 Board Reports Due 11:59 PM Email to Secretary
5/30 Changeover Meeting 7:00 PM TBD

THE WRIGHT WORD

THE WRIGHT-PATTERSON OFFICERS' SPOUSES' CLUB

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GENERAL

Base Operator..... (937) 257-1110
Directory Assistance..... 113
Military & Family Readiness Center..... (937) 257-3592

SAFETY & LEGAL

Security Police/Fire Dept..... 911
Security Desk (Bldg. 295)..... (937) 257-6516
Pass/Registration (Bldg. 286)..... (937) 257-6506
Legal Assistance (Bldg. 10)..... (937) 257-6142
Military IDs (Bldg. 2)..... (937) 257-2547

MEDICAL (Hospital & Clinics are on Area A)

Medical Appointments..... (937) 522-2778
Emergency Room..... (937) 257-2274
Pediatrics..... (937) 257-6991
Women's Health..... (937) 257-1160
Mental Health..... (937) 257-6877
Veterinarian..... (937) 257-6853

SHOPPING

Base Exchange
Main Store (Bldg. 1250)..... (937) 879-5730
Home & Garden/Class VI..... (937) 878-8831
Commissary..... (937) 257-2060
Military Clothing Sales..... (937) 257-2800

HOBBY COMPLEX

Arts & Crafts..... (937) 257-7025
Framing Shop..... (937) 257-7183
Information, Tickets, & Travel..... (937) 257-7670

FITNESS & RECREATION

Dodge Fitness Center (Bldg. 849)..... (937) 257-4225
Jarvis Fitness Center (Bldg. 1245)..... (937) 257-4469
Wright Field Fitness Center (Bldg. 571)..... (937) 257-1961
Base Theater (Bldg. 1239)..... (937) 257-4697
Bowling Alley (Bldg. 1221) (937) 257-7796
Outdoor Recreation (Bldg. 95)..... (937) 257-9889
Wright-Patterson Club (Bldg. 800)..... (937) 257-9762

** For a more complete WPAFB phone directory, visit www.wpafb.af.mil & click on "Phone Directory" in the upper right hand corner**

ACTIVITY ROOM PARKING INFO

During business hours, please leave the parking spots in front of the Thrift Shop and Outdoor Rec. for their respective customers.

Volunteers and OSC members using the Activity Room should park in the lot at the end of the building. And of course, the spots for unloading and handicapped should only be used for those customers.

In the evenings and other times when the businesses are closed, parking in front of Building 95 is available for use!

STAY CONNECTED!



Website: www.wrightpattersonosc.org



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Reservation Line: (937) 315-1550 (updated weekly)



Email: Emails sent out monthly with calendar and reminders