

WOMEN'S CLUB

Our First Zoom Meeting was Well Attended

There were 25 members Present at the Dec. 9 Women's Club meeting held on Zoom.

To start off the meeting, President Carolyn Whittle had members introduce themselves, sharing a bit about their families, where they lived, and so on, before Jennifer Shorter, owner of Grandpa Shorter's Gifts, gave the group a virtual tour of her store.



Then Jennifer shared some holiday gift ideas, like using a personal shopper select items to stuff various goodies in a Christmas stocking. She also showed gifts especially good for a man, a woman or teens.

From scented candles to slippers to jewelry to bird houses to coffee mugs to a Petoskey stone mask, Jennifer definitely offered many great ideas for everyone still looking for the perfect gift to give to a family member or that special friend who seems to have everything.

The winner of the gift tote bag drawing was Sharon Schappacher, who should have fun shopping at Grandpa Shorter's when she picks up her prize!

As the meeting time drew to a close, the group got to talking about how important it is to support our local businesses, especially our restaurants. Everyone thought it was important to support these businesses . . . so here are a few of the suggested places that were mentioned:

Julienne Tomatoes: 421 Howard St., Petoskey 231 439-9250, 9-3 Tues - Sat. Menu on Line. Now serving complete dinners, Quarts of soup, Individual dinners & also have the regular menu to order from for curbside/carry out, cakes, cookies, etc.

Small Batch at the Cupola Room: 340 State St., Harbor Springs, 231 242-4686. Menu on line.

The New York: 101 State Street, Harbor Springs, 231-526-1904. Menu on its Website: thenewyork.com

The Argonne House: 11929 Boyne City Rd, Charlevoix, 231-547-9331. Menu at www.argonnehouse.com/menu.html

Why not think about ordering take out meals from one of our wonderful local restaurants once a week to help them survive the COVID shut down? And if you have a local business to recommend to the group, let us know and we'll include It in our next newsletter.

Sharon Schappcher also recommended participating in the **NCMC Lifelong learning classes**. Some are free for one class; some have a fee and last 3 to 6 weeks. The link is:

<https://www.ncmich.edu/community-events/corporate-community-education/lifelong-learning-club.html>



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