The PWC Fall Interest Fair & Luncheon was A Busy, Delicious & Entertaining Success!

The PWC Fall luncheon attendees filled the North Ballroom on Wednesday, September 27. As a nod to meals of long-ago the Union staff did an excellent job of preparing and presenting a very flavorful Lula Belle's Beef Pot Roast. President Emily Blue called for a very quick PWC Business Meeting, to formally elect our replacement Recording Secretary, Mary Anne Robinson.

Erin Britton of Span Plan introduced Trish Paul, a B.S.Ed candidate who explained how her grant of $1000 made it possible for her to do her student teaching because the Span Plan grant provided the extra funds to cover the necessary extended child care for her daughter during the student teaching period.

Sammie Morris, Head, Division of Archives and Special Collections, gave a fascinating talk on the importance of saving and treasuring your memories. She described some of the major collections pertaining to women at Purdue, with highlights about aviatrix Amelia Earhart, Dean Emerita Betty Nelson and Lillian Gilbreth, the first female professor in the College of Engineering. Every attendee left knowing a little bit more about Purdue’s illustrious history!
“Let Joy and Peace Reign….”

Let this Holiday Season bring out the best in our Purdue Women’s Club Members!

Save the Date: Friday, December 8th at Noon at the Lafayette Golf and Country Club
1500 South 9th Street in Lafayette.

PWC’s own Kathy McGraw, a well known local entertainer, has arranged again for PWC’s popular pianist, Jeff Goodspeed, and Eric Rody, Civic Theatre percussionist, to accompany us with their COMBO of CHEER so everyone can join in the Costumed Sing Along in their own way.

And - please, each person, bring to the party -- a GRAB BAG GIFT, to share in a game for everyone at each table. The gift can be $5 and under or a small hand-size white elephant gift.

PWC Knitting Friends and the PWC Newcomers will be selling 15 handmade unique and vibrant scarves for $10 each. At a recent combined meeting of Knitting Friends and Newcomers, the groups made the scarves using a pattern from a gorgeous scarf purchased from a fabric artist in Santa Fe, New Mexico. The sales proceeds will go to Span Plan.

The Lafayette Country Club is beautifully designed and the food is always delicious.

Again this year there are wonderful varied menu choices:

Regular Menu:
Rolls and Butter
A Cup of Tomato Basil Soup
Entrée: L. S. Ayres Chicken Velvet Casserole: sautéed chicken breast, celery, carrots, peas and mushrooms with a crushed potato chip topping.
Dessert: Ice Cream Crepe with Cherries Jubilee

Vegan & Vegetarian Menu:
Entrée: Portobello Mushroom and Red Pepper Rissotto
Vegan Dessert: Fresh Fruit Plate
Vegetarian Dessert: Cherries Jubilee

Gluten-Free Menu:
Entrée: Sliced Pork Loin with Mashed Potatoes and Vegetable Blend
Dessert: Peppermint Ice Cream with Whipped Cream

The cost is $20 which can be paid by check mailed to Kathy McGraw with the form below. Eventbrite (online payment) and a downloadable form are available online at:

Any questions should be directed to Kathy McGraw at letsdolunch@purduewomensclub.org or at 765-617-1496

PURDUE WOMEN’S CLUB HOLIDAY LUNCHEON RESERVATION FORM
‘Open Seating’ ~ Envelope must be postmarked by December 4

NAME: ______________________________ PHONE: ______________________________

Please check one: Regular Menu ___ Gluten Free Menu ___ Vegan Menu ___ Vegetarian Menu ___

Please mail payment of $20.00 by check made payable to the Purdue Women’s Club to:
Kathy McGraw, 509 Shady Creek Drive, Lafayette IN 47905
A Callout from President Emily Blue
We are looking for a new volunteer to conduct the annual audit on our financial records. Please contact Emily at 543-9498 or president@purduewomensclub.org if you are willing to serve in this crucial, but time-limited role.

Glass Making and Antiques Fascinate Indiana Explorers on September 28

Many stained glass innovations are attributed to the famous L.C. Tiffany and can still be found at Kokomo Opalescent Glass today such as the use of strong color, a huge variety of textures that include ripple glass, mottled glass (glass with areas of opaque and translucent spots of color), and marbleized (two or more opaque colors swirled together).

After shopping in the Glass Factory gift shop, the fifteen of us went to the Foxes Trail Restaurant & Pub, a converted ice house, for lunch. The final stop in Kokomo was the 126 year-old Seiberling Mansion. It was built as a home and then became IU Kokomo in 1946 and finally the Howard County Museum in 1972. Our docent showed us many of the original features such as the beautiful woodwork created by European craftsmen as seen below.

The first stop on Explore Indiana’s September 28th trip to Kokomo was the Kokomo Opalescent Glass Factory the oldest glass company in America. After hearing a brief history of the 129 year-old art sheet glass making company, we watched the molten glass mixtures taken from the blast furnaces, the mixtures combined, and then sent through a roller to make glass sheets. We also watched two glass blowers make a rondel – a round piece of glass that was once used to make window pane glass but today is used in many crafts and different kinds of art work. Aside from Victorian era furniture, our group saw and learned about products that explain why Kokomo is known as “The City of Firsts.” Substantial growth in Kokomo came after the discovery of large natural gas reserves which produced an industrial boom in the mid-1880s. Among the businesses which the boom attracted was the fledgling automobile industry. A significant number of technical and engineering innovations were developed in Kokomo, particularly in automobile production, and, as a result, Kokomo became known as the "City of Firsts." A substantial portion of Kokomo’s employment still depends on the automobile industry.
Homemade soup, sandwiches and pie at newly reopened Bossaer Farms Bakery & Café was the opening-act for a lovely afternoon for 25 Garden Gals on October 10. Located 4 miles east of Attica and just 2 miles north of Highway 28, the small but atmosphere filled café was a wonderful way to kick off the afternoon road trip. No one came away hungry even though the coconut cream pie did sell out fast. There was plenty of cherry, butterscotch, multi-berry, pecan and other flavors to try instead.

Kovar’s garden has many “rooms” and structures that beckon you to explore among the trees, planted areas and wandering paths. One particularly interesting outbuilding had wonderful exterior moldings and window shapes and was fitted inside to be a study. It would be a perfect get-away for reading on a rainy day.

After lunch the ladies proceeded to the main event—home and gardens of Dennis Kovar, a long time floral arranger and avid gardener whose home has been featured on the Fountain County Day of Gardens & Art.

Kovar graciously showed us around his antique filled home featuring many collections of period pieces including oil portraits, fine and country furniture, silhouettes, pantry boxes, sculptures and unique items occupying every nook and corner. It was really more like a museum than a home, but he has lived there many years and shared its history and that of the neighborhood. Built in the mid-1800s, the home fits in well amid its equally quaint neighbors.

The gardens were decorated with numerous mums, asters, pumpkins, gourdes and other fall favorites. These were interspersed among planters, garden art, fountains, and benches. A well-appointed back porch was welcoming with comfortable chairs and cushions and cider and cookies. The garden tour was inspiring for continuing gardening interests through when the last leaf falls later this autumn.
Create An Heirloom Tries ‘Crazy’ Quilting

On October 11 our interest group had a lesson on Crazy Quilts taught by Pam Pflum. Pam had a variety of examples for us to follow from Victorian to Contemporary.

Crazy quilts differ from "regular" quilts in several ways. Crazy quilting does not actually refer to a specific kind of quilting meaning the usual needlework which binds two or more layers of fabric together, but rather it refers to a specific kind of patchwork without repeating motifs but with the seams and patches often heavily embellished.

A crazy quilt rarely has the inside layer of batting like regular quilting. The careful geometric design of a regular quilt block isn’t as important in crazy quilts so quilters are able to employ much smaller and more irregularly shaped pieces of fabric. Usually each crazy quilt block starts with a central piece sewn directly on a muslin backing with additional pieces added in around the center at different widths and angles.

We had the opportunity to make our own Crazy quilt square from scraps of colorful fabric. Our goal is to complete our Crazy square and bring it back for the November meeting. Then we will add the embroidered stitches and embellishments.

Story and Photos by Becky Benham

Coming Up in November and December for PWC Members

Discovering Art & Artists Heads to Frankfort for The Annual Frankfort Public Library Holiday Art Show & Sale

On Saturday, Nov. 11, 2017 – We will carpool for a road trip to the Frankfort Public Library at 208 West Clinton Street in Frankfort for their annual Holiday Art Show & Sale. Over 75 skilled local and regional artists will showcase their work in a variety of mediums. A portion of each sale goes to the Friends of the Frankfort Library, who in turn fund a variety of arts and children’s programming at the library. It’s a great place to do some early holiday shopping!

We will meet at 9 a.m. in the Kittles parking lot at 2659 Maple Point Dr, Lafayette, right at the south end of the Tippecanoe Mall. The group will decide where to have lunch later.

If you are unable to go when the group goes, the show has a private reception for donors giving $60 on Friday 7-9 p.m. The show continues on Sunday 1-5 p.m. There is no admission charge on Saturday or Sunday.

Kathy Stirlen, facilitator for this trip, can be reached for questions at kstirlen@yahoo.com

Garden Gals to Learn About Growing Tropical Pitcher Plants

Tuesday, November 14, 2-3:30 pm

Growing Nepenthes, tropical pitcher plants of India, Madagascar and Australia, excites Purdue Prof. Doug Osman. He will share info with us on these exotics commonly called "Monkey Cups." He will bring Nepenthes with him as well as various carnivorous plants he raises and sells. Bring your curiosity and be prepared to be impressed!

If you are on Garden Gals email list, you will be notified of location which was not set at press time. If you want to add your name to get information on this program email Susie Collins collinss@purdue.edu
Coming Up in November and December for PWC Members

News for Doc Martin Attendees! Doc Martin November Date Change /January Start Up

The Doc Martin November date has been changed from Wednesday, November 22 to Wednesday, Nov 15 @ 1:15 to miss a Thanksgiving conflict. Please RSVP to Temple at temple.pearson@gmail.com if you are planning to come on the 15th. Doc Martin will not meet in December but will start up again on January 24 with the new Season 8 if it is delivered to Temple on time.

Let’s Do Lunch Friday, November 17 at The Red Seven Grill

The Red Seven Bar and Grill is a popular Downtown contemporary restaurant at the corner of 200 Main and Wabash Avenue, across from Reihle Plaza and down a block from the Courthouse. They serve good American food at tables with surrounding windows and seating choices of cozy booths, tall bar style or at a large corner area for tables to seat 15 people.

Parking is available along the local streets or drive around the corner to Ferry Street and park in the garage on the right. Come and join us at 12:00 Noon on Friday, November 17. You can dress up a little and feel like you had lunch Downtown! RSVP to Kathy McGraw at 617-1496 OR letsdolunch@purduewomensclub.org

INTO NATURE Heads to Crow’s Grove in Warren County on Friday, November 17

“Into Nature” Interest Group will meet on Friday, November 17 at 1:00 pm at the Lilly Nature Center parking lot on Lindberg Road, WL. We will leave PROMPTLY at 1:15. We will visit the NICHES property, Crow’s Grove, in Warren County. There is no December outing and we will start the new year with a meeting on January 19 at 1:30 at Clegg Gardens to plan our 2018 schedule. All are welcome with ideas for places to visit and programs in 2018.

With questions please contact:
Patty Jischke at pijischke@purdue.edu or 765-532-3732 (c) or Nancy Grenard at ngrenard@yahoo.com or 765-404-0835 (c)

Newsletter Notes

The next issue of the PWC Newsletter will be a combined December/January edition.
The submission deadline for the December/January edition is November 10.
The submission deadline for the February Issue will be January 10, 2018.
Please send all stories, notices and photos to newslettereditor@purduewomensclub.org and newsletter_team@purduewomensclub.org

Happy Holidays!!
December is the time to celebrate the wonderful decorations for the holiday season. What better way than a trip to the Haan Mansion Museum of Indiana Art on December 14 with Explore Indiana. The Haan Museum, a gem in our midst, for those who have not visited in the past, is the State of Connecticut exhibit house from the St. Louis 1904 World Fair that was purchased and relocated to Lafayette. Bob and Ellie Haan have filled it with American-made Renaissance Revival furniture (~1860-1890). The wonderful collection of paintings, featuring T.C. Steele and other Hoosier Group artists, is the most comprehensive in the state. Along with these treasures is a massive collection of Indiana-made pottery, a sculpture garden and more. Add the holiday decorations and we truly have a unique experience.

Following lunch at a local BBQ restaurant, we head to Inspired Fire. This is another very unique treat as we enjoy this wonderful studio gallery of fine glasswork assembled by our own Sharon Owens. You will enjoy demonstrations of glass object production as well as shopping for hand-made glass objects at all price ranges from numerous well-known glass artists. You may even get a chance to try your hand at glass blowing! Debby Sherman will be facilitating this adventure and you may contact her for participation details or with questions at dsherman@purdue.edu.

**NEW MEMBERS:**
- Jessica Day
- Mallory Deardorff-Dawson
- Sandie Donahue
- Peggy Hege
- Ann Jackson
- Chris Landskron
- Jean O'Reilly
- Janet Pollard
- Marilyn Portman
- Sara Primeau
- Ellen Schweitzer
- Jennifer Windler

**RETURNING MEMBERS**
- Bernadette Beyers
- Dina Bradley
- Sherry Keith
- Marlene Walls

**CHANGES IN CONTACT INFORMATION:**
- Vicki Radcliffe  new address
- Ann L Skadberg  corrected phone
- Cindy Svajgr  new address

**Please note:** New members and changes received after the newsletter deadline will be published in the following month’s newsletter.

If you have contact changes you wish to share please email membershipsec@purduewomensclub.org or phone 765-237-9876.
Join the International Friendship Group
Monday, December 4
Norway, Land of Fiords & Midnight Sun
Presented by
Kathy Matter & Susan Ransom

Norway (Norge) is the westernmost, northernmost—and in fact the easternmost—of the three Scandinavian countries. Best known for the complex and deep fjords along its west coast which stretches from the North Sea near Denmark and Scotland into the Arctic Ocean. Colorful houses, Viking ships, magnificent fjords, and northern lights along with the fishing, hiking and skiing make this a place to visit at all times of the year.

Kathy & Susan will introduce you to the mountains, the culture and the food of this intriguing Scandinavian country whose people share the same fierce independent spirit as Americans.

The International Friendship Group will meet at Purdue's Agronomy Turf Center, 1340 Cherry Lane, West Lafayette 9:30-11:30am
Contact: Debby Sherman dsherman@purdue.edu or 765-583-2984) with questions.

Make Chicago “Your Kind of Town”!

~~The 2017 HOLIDAY BUS TRIP TO CHICAGO~~
on Wednesday, November 29!

The day is yours to take a deep breath! See a matinee, walk the Magnificent Mile, explore the museums, take a city tour, have afternoon tea, visit Navy Pier, dine at a fabulous restaurant, view the exhibits at the Art Institute of Chicago, shop or dine or take a cooking class at Eataly, or of course there’s always more shopping everywhere amid wonderful holiday decorations.

Date: Wednesday, November 29, 2017
Depart: 8:00 AM from the Tippecanoe County Amphitheatre parking lot (4449 State Road 43 North, West Lafayette)
Return: Depart Chicago at 6:00 PM Chicago Time (CST)
Arrive in West Lafayette: About 9:30 PM
Cost: PWC Members: $35.00/person. Guests/Non-Members $40.00. Checks payable to PWC.

Reservations: Advance payment and trip registration are required. Please make your reservations by Wednesday, November 15. The print reservation form is in the October Newsletter. Online reservation and a printable reservation form are available now at http://www.purduewomensclub.org/chicago-bus-trips.html
Questions to:
Co-Chair: Jeanna Jones 765-447-4390
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