

The Purdue Women's Club 100th Anniversary Commemorative Newsletter

April 7, 2022

Celebrating Members & Events
Past & Present







April 7, 1922 Purdue Women's Club Constitution Ratified

PWC Board 1922-23

President: Lucy Coulter

Vice President: Margaret Christie

Secretary: Eva D. Young **Treasurer:** Lucy Wade

Constitutional Committee:

Mary B. Evans, Margaret Christie Leone F. Creek

Nominating Committee:

Eva Potter

Anna A. Spohn Craig Olive C. Roberts

Meetings of the board were each first Friday during school months, beginning in Sept. and there was at least 8 monthly meetings during the college year.

Dues was set at .50, payable at the annual meeting in March.

The Officers shall hold office for one year, and shall be elected in March.

The constitution may be amended by a $\frac{2}{3}$ vote of those present, due notice having been given.





PWC Board 2021-2022

President: Mary Gayle Hartzell **President-Elect:** Gail Fusaro

Vice President for Interest Groups: Jennifer Maguire Vice President for Newcomers: Corby Springer

Treasurer: Terri Huddleston

Membership Secretary: Sarah Wassgren Recording Secretary: Mary Caccavo Corresponding Secretary: Patty Useem

Past President: Joanne Small Chicago Bus Trips:TBD

Educational Excursions: Emily Blue, Lee Hua Chiang,

Georgia Brist

Email Secretary: Sue Peters

Eventbrite Administrator: Anna Wilson Friendship Secretary: Marjorie Hudson Let's Do Lunch Chair: Kathy McGraw Let's Do Lunch Asst. Esther Madren Luncheon Coordinator: Beth Dana

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Nominating Committee: Sara Harlan, Anne-Marie

Makkun, Joanne Small







From Our Purdue Women's Club 2021-2022 President

Dear Friends,

A 100th Anniversary only happens once in the history of many organizations.

In 1922, many things began in the Lafayette area:

- Land for Ross-Ade Stadium was donated to Purdue.
- Battle Ground High School opened.
- WBAA radio station began broadcasting from the Electrical Engineering Building.
- Arnett- Crockett Clinic was founded in downtown Lafayette.
- Construction began on the Purdue Memorial Union.

And Purdue Women's Club was founded. Even the seeds of the Interest Groups that we still value today were sprouting.

Today our purpose is the same – to provide social opportunities for women interested in Purdue University and to promote their educational, cultural, and recreational interests. PWC has adapted and evolved to remain strong and viable in 2022 thanks to the efforts of many members through the years, including you.

Please enjoy this commemorative edition of the Purdue Women's Club Newsletter.

Join me in celebrating PWC's very special birthday!

MaryGayle Hartzell

President, Purdue Women's Club



PWC 100th Anniversary Committee

By Barb Bowman

April 2022 marks a special month for Purdue Women's Club as the Club celebrates 100 years. Beginning with the ratification of the Constitution on April 7, 1922, and throughout ten decades of social, political, and technological changes, PWC has remained a constant for generations of Lafayette-area women.

Our year of celebration has begun with the Spring Luncheon Birthday Party (held with a stroke of good luck on the actual founding date!) and appreciating the history of PWC. The Fall Luncheon will celebrate the Interest Groups and their strength and longevity in uniting hundreds of members throughout the years.

Purdue Women's Club is 100 years old!

Raise a toast in appreciation of all the women who have made the Club the rock that it is today.







Every one of these women have stepped forward to lead us in our club. We are grateful for all their work and leadership. With some help form Ancestry.com, Find a Grave, the Purdue Archives, The J & C, The Tippecanoe Historical Society, the Indiana Authors Index, and many more online locations all the first names of our presidents have been found and reclaimed. Many of the women on this list have taught, published, and led very productive professional lives. Many have also raised families. One benefit of following all the leads to find their names is learning about all of them. They have all dedicated some time in service to others and this is their legacy

1922-23 Lucy Eunice Coulter	1957-58 Alma Mae Williams Hawkins	1989-90 Violet (Vi) Hall
1923-24 Olive Roberts	1958-59 Jeraldine Shanessy Trabant	1990-91 Barbara Bowman
1924-25 Elizabeth Nowland Elliot	1959-60 Thelma McBee	1991-91 Pari BeMiller
1925-26 Berdella Keith Young	1960-61 Ruth Freehafer	1992-93 Mary Ann McCarthy
1926-27 Margaret Christie	1961-62 Lee Whistler	1993-94 Linda Yeaton Day
1927-28 Mary Ella Fishbaugh Fisher	1962-63 Alice Christensen	1994-95 Edie Schmidt
1928-29 Ethel Stone	1963-64 Hinda Golding	1995-96 Anna Rauh
1929-30 Josephine Shelby Skinner	1964-65 Dorothy Harlan	1996-97 Amy Harbor
1930-31 Mary L. Matthews	1965-66 Bea Pfendler	1997-98 Jeanne Compton
1931-32 Harriett Roy Hepburn	1966-67 Jean Amrine	1998-99 Beth Harmelink
· ·	1967-68 Dorothy Vendley	1999-00 Janet Elmore
1932-34 Mildred Loring Fitch 1934-36 Susie M. Enders	1968-69 Janet H. Smalley	2000-01 Cindy Watkins
1934-36 Susie M. Enders 1936-38 Dr. Lois J Meikle	1969-70 Eleanor Rogers	2001-02 Rosemary Amond
	1970-71 Rae Kramer	2002-03 Mary Jo Przyborski
1938-40 Eleanor B Shreve	1971-71 Barbara F. Day	2003-04 Sarah Wassgren
1940-41 Genevieve Rising	1972-73 Anne De Camp	2004-05 Tamara Groll
1941-42 Julia Brandenburg	1973-74 Helen Beedle Scaletta	2005-06 Jane Van Scoyoc
1942-43 May Kilpatrick Gregory	1974-75 Joyce Keim	2006-07 Nancy Robinson
1943-44 Hazel Doan	1975-76 Elizabeth (Swiftie) Hicks	2007-08 Patty Coolbaugh
1944-45 Eva Potter	1976-77 Sue Paschke	2008-09 Monica Waters
1945-46 Hortense Cromer	1977-78 Sue Frick	2008-09 Morrica Waters 2009-10 Pat Bickham
1946-47 Marthe Kulpers Hockema	1978-79 Nancy Tobias	
1947-48 Eva D. Young	1979-80 Mariellen Neudeck	2010-11 Cindy Svajgr
1948-49 Kathryn Montgomery Davis	1980-81 Martha Schrader	2011-12 Karen Michler
1949-50 Lillian Stuart	1981-82 Grayce Lechtenberg	2012-13 Patty Jischke
1950-51 Mary Dean Freeman	1982-83 Marion A. Barber	2013-14 Georgia Olsen
1951-52 Brenta Higman Wykoff	1983-84 Mary Ford	2014-15 Vicki Radcliffe
1952-53 Dorothy Canfield	1984-85 Virginia Jacko	2015-16 Karen Mullen
1953-54 Ruth K. Pittelman Steer	1985-86 Mary Frances Abernathy	2016-18 Emily Blue
1954-55 Juliette Ayres	1986-87 Lois Maickel	2018-20 Linda Dolby
1955-56 Catherine Doepke Mallett	1987-88 Nancy Christmas	2020-21 Joanne Small
1956-57 Evelyn Carr Strayer	1988-89 Eileen Rhykerd	2021-22 MaryGayle Hartzell

~~~~Volunteering with The Purdue Women's Club ~~~~

By Sarah Wassgren

A shout out to our active and vibrant club members!

In putting together the newest revision to the PWC History booklet (originally titled "From Calling Cards to Computer Printouts"), my favorite part of that work was assembling the new photos pages. Members sent in photos taken during interest group and club events, highlighting myriad activities that happen under the PWC umbrella.

It got me thinking about how this club is a thriving source of togetherness, even during this pandemic. The success of PWC is because so many step in to make opportunities happen. During my stint on the nominating committee in 2019, I counted 30 different board officer positions. Plus, we have over 30 interest groups, led by chairs and co-chairs. That means well over 10% of our members are in active leadership roles. That is a lot of great ideas being made into great events!



What's in a theme? The Rotary Club started themes in 1950. Many national clubs have had themes, as it can be a roadmap or a plan for the year. PWC had a trailblazer in our midst in 1981, when Grayce Lechtenberg began the use of one. She recalls she may have been influenced by her leadership with the Tippecanoe County Extension Homemakers of which she also held presidential office., They always used a theme. So PWC gained a theme that year and what a wonderful one at that; "The Sky's the Limit". As Grayce said, she thought it was a wonderful way to develop program ideas. You could start with a core idea and build your program around it.

Thank you, Grayce, for your leadership and for beginning a wonderful tradition for the PWC!

	Grayce Lechtenberg 1981-82	The Sky's the Limit	
•	Marion A. Barber 1982-83		
•	Mary Ford 1983-84		
•		Celebrating Sixty-three Years of Service to the Community	
	Mary Frances Abernathy 1985-86		
	Lois L. Maickel 1986-87		
•	Nancy Christmas 1987-88		
•	Eileen Rhykerd 1988-89		
•	Violet (Vi)Hall 1989-90		
•	Barbara Bowman 1990-91		
•	Pari BeMiller 1991-1992		
•	Mary Ann McCarthy 1992-93		
•	Linda Yeaton Day 1993-94	Consider the Possibilities	
•	Edie Schmidt 1994-1995	Friendship, Fun and Fostering Excellence	
•	Anna Rauh 1995-96		
•	Amy Harbor 1996-97		
•	Jeanne Compton 1997-98	Your Purdue Connection for Friendship	
•	Beth Harmelink 1998-99	Moving Toward a New Millennium	
•		Appreciate the Past/Anticipate the Future	
•	Cindy Watkins 2000-01	Broadening Our Horizons in a New Era	
•	Rosemary Almond 2001-02	Reaching Out To The Purdue Community	
•		. Establishing A Sense Of Connection	
•	Sarah Wassgren 2003-04	.We've Got a Lot To Offer!	
•	Tamara Groll 2004-05	Interesting People, Interesting Groups, Interesting Events	
•	Jane Van Scoyoc 2005-06	Opportunities and Friendships Abound	
•	Nancy Robinson 2006-07		
•		Cherish Yesterday, Dream of Tomorrow, Live Today	
•	Monica Waters 2008-09		
•	Pat Bickham 2009-10	Modern Possibilities, Traditional Perspectives	
•	Cindy Svajgr 2010-11	A Circle of Friendship, A Hand of Support	
•	Karen Michler 2011-12		
•	Patty Jischke 2012-13	Building Community, Friendship by Friendship	
•		Create a Vision, Cherish the Adventure and Capture the Dream	
•		Fostering Friendships Indulging Interests and Broadening Horizons	
•	Karen Mullen 2015-16	Building new Interests, Enhancing Friendships, &	
_	Freih, Dive. 2046, 40	Continuing Life-Long Learning Opportunities	
•		Enriching Our Lives and Benefiting Our Community	
•		Making Friends, Making a Difference	
•		Interesting Women Connecting Through Common Interests	
•	MaryGayle Hartzell 2021-2022	Adapung with Optimism	

To this day, each president still picks her own theme.





Early 'Sections' were divided into 'Study Groups' and then 'Interest Groups'

When the club began, there were sections, under which study groups were opened. Physical Education was one section which included golf, swimming, bowling, swimming, badminton, field hockey, posture, folk dancing, archery, and tennis! What remains to this day of the early P.E Section are Golf and Bowling which are now called Interest groups. A newer addition to the P.E. Section that women would not have done in the 1920's - as it would not have been proper is - Biking Buddies.

Under the Umbrella of Home Economics were the Study Groups: Child Training, Gardening, Home Sewing, Hooked Rugs. Knitting, Quilt making, Quilting and other Handiwork and Needlecraft 1-7. What remains in terms of Home Economics is a variety of cooking groups (Whirled Peas, Test Kitchen, Inquisitive Cuisine, and Adventures in Dining), Garden Gals, and several needlework /sewing groups (In Stitches, Women Completing Projects, Create an Heirloom, Quilting Connections), and also the Wine groups (Wine Divas, Wine Samplers) would also be added into this section since they are women sampling and comparing and generally being consumers of products they might bring into their homes.

Here are some of the early study groups: Current History, Bridge, Art, Literature, Music, Parliamentary Law, Bird Study, Child Development, Badminton, Swimming, Tennis, Consumer Education,

Surviving The Test of Time!

Always with us since the beginning and still in action is the PWC commitment to the Fall and Spring Luncheons and Newcomers Program. The Newcomers group is PWC's longest running group. It was organized to welcome ladies in their first two years of membership and has been continuously running since 1931.

Congratulations to the Newcomers Group on 90 Years of Warm Welcomes!

Groups Still With Us!

Literature/Book Clubs-90 years
Bowling 86 years
Golf 74 years
Gardening or Garden Gals71 years
Creative Writing 63 Years
Evening Book Group-(2 different groups)- 61 yrs
Short Story- 43 years

Gone For Now, but Not Forgotten

Bridge 76 years
Birds and Nature 66 years
Antiques 65 years
Young Child Study 58 years
Craft Workshop 56 years





Newcomers- 90 Years of Strength



Vice President for Newcomers 2021-2022: Corby Springer vicepresidentfornewcomers@purduewomensclub.org

Newcomer Team: Rosemary Almond, Dianne Renner and Susan Jones

The Newcomers meet regularly throughout the year to introduce new members to the club. Along with being able to join other interest groups they have their own group to begin to bond to others that have joined at the same time as they have. During that time they are introduced to interest group leaders as well.

Pam has enjoyed the activities of the group, and getting to know the people. As many people have mentioned, it is nice getting to see local sights and being with a group able to talk and enjoy a tour. If you go alone to something a tour is not as much fun, or not even possible.

Let's Meet A Newcomer!

Pam Schroeder was born in California but has lived in Indiana for 34 years. She is a retired 23 year teacher from the Lafayette Schools System, and herself is a mom of 3 and a grandmother of 16.

When Pam retired she had been introduced to the Purdue Women's Club by a friend from church. She attended a newcomer meeting and then she joined PWC. She was able to attend a few meetings in the fall of 2019 and also the Fall luncheon that year. However as we all know the pandemic arrived and many of our usual PWC activities were curtailed.

Through the leadership of Jennifer Maguire and the Newcomer Group she was able to attend many outdoor activities even during spring of 2020. Corby Springer took over the Newcomer Group in 2021 and was able to also plan many outdoor activities so that our new members were able to get together with a safe plan during Covid in her second year of being in the club.

The Interest Groups she has enjoyed so far are: Health and Wellness, Gr8Gals@Technology, Genealogy. Pam has volunteered to help next year with the Newcomers Group. Way to go Pam!

2021 to 2022 Calendar for the Newcomers Group

June 2021: Prophetstown Farm Tour and picnic
 July 2021: Haan Mansion Sculpture Garden Tour
 Aug 2021: PWC Luncheon and Interest Fair
 Sept 2021: Wea Creek Orchard Talk & Picnic

• Oct 2021: Inspired Fire

Nov 2021: McCord's Candy Cane Making

Dec 2021: Holiday Luncheon & Cookie Exchange
Feb 2022: Sacred Grounds Gathering Coffee
Mar.2022: Pottery Making at All Fired Up
Apr. 2022: Basket Weaving at the Arts Federation

May 2022: Wabash Walls Walking Tour



Staying Up-To-Date!

UPDATED CONTACT INFORMATION for your PWC Yearbook. To be sure you have this contact information you may want to check with the printed copy to obtain the address.

Please note change in contact information for: Mary Ford

By Eileen Fitzpatrick

(In February Dorothy Vendley and I had a lively zoom meeting to conduct this interview. She was very happy to be contacted and remembering her days as a PWC member. EF)

Dorothy Wollums was born in Indiana, but moved as a young girl to Chicago. She enjoyed growing up there very much. She attended Aquinas High School and then Mundelein College. It was during that time that a friend, Margaret Vendley, whom she worked with at Catholic Charities invited her over for a visit that she met her brother ,William, who was home on leave from the military. William had previously graduated from Northwestern University and later on IU in Bloomington.. After his schooling he became a Lt. in the Army Air Corps. After the war William taught business classes at Texas A&M University. He then accepted a teaching position at Purdue University where he became tenured, and ultimately taught for 37 years.

Dorothy and William were married on July 28th at St. Gertrude's Church in Chicago, and then began their married life in West Lafayette, Indiana. After moving to West Lafayette Dorothy was able to finish the teaching degree she began at Mundelein College at Purdue University. It was there that they raised 5 children, Sue, Bill, Edward, Robert, and Theresa. Dorothy can't remember exactly how she found about the Purdue Women's Club, but she does remember that she had a good friend Rae Kramer and she believes they joined together.

Purdue University gained a talented young associate professor that would go on to be a full professor and work in the Purdue School of Management for 37 years. PWC also gained one of their talented members and leaders.



Dorothy turned 100 years old in Feb. 2021. She is one year older than PWC. Her daughter Terry sent a picture of her enjoying her cake last February.

Dorothy not only was an active member of the PWC, preferring the Theatre Arts Group and the literature groups, but she was also in leadership roles.

In 1955 Dorothy was the chairman of the Newcomers Club. At the time of her PWC presidency in 1967, her children ranged from ages 9 to 20, with two already at Purdue. Her Vice President was Barbara Claflin, Anne DeCamp was her Recording Secretary, and Kiahsuang Lo was her membership secretary, and Virginia j. Fosbrink was the treasurer.

Dorothy remembers the years being involved in the PWC as very good ones. She enjoyed her involvement, and her association with all the other women. In the 1967-68 yearbook the list of Interest groups for 1967-68 is as follows:

- Antiques
- Arts and Crafts
- Bird Study
- Books
- Bridge
- Young Child Study
- Creative Writing
- Afternoon Garden Group
- Historic Indiana
- Home Economics
- Modern Dance
- Modern Language
- Music
- Sports (bowling, swimming, golf)
- Theater Arts

There was the annual Fall Luncheon, Coffee Hour, Holiday Guest Tea, a Dinner Dance, a business meeting and a Spring Luncheon, and a Newcomers Program.

Dorothy began her life at Purdue living in Apartments for faculty surrounded by other young families. She said it was very easy to meet people and get involved. Eventually she moved on to homes. Through PWC she said she met so many people, and they were all welcoming. One word she used to describe the Purdue Women's Club was welcoming. At that time most of the women did not work outside the home and they really looked forward to the companionship they found within the club. She remembers it as a wonderful and busy time in her life.

Dorothy recalls her favorite Interest groups being literature, book related, and the Theater Arts. She does recall going on at least one bus trip to Chicago and going to the Art Institute. She also recalls that they invited interesting speakers to address the group. Yes, communication was more difficult as we did not have computers or cell phones or email, or even answering machines. She remember that particularly it was hard if you had to cancel something, trying to get in touch with everyone.

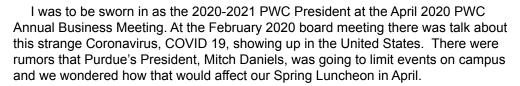
We talked about the changes in the club membership and she was very pleased that PWC is open to the community. She said this was the best change that the club has made. When asked why she thinks the club has survived 100 years, she said that if you give people something they enjoy or need then it will last. I agree Dorothy, and let me say:



On Being PWC President During the Covid-19 Pandemic

By Joanne Small

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By March it was clear that our lives were about to change. Gatherings of 100 or more on campus required special permission and the University campus shut down and went to remote learning as Spring Break was ending. As students were forced to move out of dorms and go home, it was certain that our Spring Luncheon would not take place. The current PWC President, Linda Dolby, canceled that and the Annual Business Meeting. I began to work on an email version of the Business Meeting and it was sent to members in April, along with an online survey so that members could vote on the minutes and our slate of officers.



During this time, the Governor of Indiana, as well as other state Governors, issued stay at home orders which changed our world as we knew it. Restaurants closed, malls closed, medical services were limited, K-12 schools were closed for a couple of weeks and then began e-learning for the remainder of the school year. Grocery stores began having inventory issues. Toilet paper became scarce as people began to hoard it and stores eventually limited how much you could buy. Cleaning supplies were also in short supply. Businesses all over the country were shut down and employees began to work from home using computer technology to hold meetings.



PWC was forced to adapt to this new reality. Since the Board and Interest Groups could no longer meet in person, we too began using this technology to stay connected. My first meeting as President took place using a teleconferencing service called "Zoom". We were able to join the Zoom meeting on our computers and see one another on the screen as we talked. We eventually purchased a Zoom membership so that the Interest Groups could have access to it and continue to meet during this unusual year.



As early as May of 2020, we knew our Fall Luncheon would not take place and I began my year of cancellations. I cancelled the Chicago Bus Trips, the Educational Excursions and the December Holiday Luncheon. By December 2021, a vaccine was available and we were hopeful that we could meet as a large group again, but alas, I had to cancel both the Spring Luncheon and the 2021 Annual Business Meeting. The Business Meeting was held via Zoom with online voting available. A great number of members participated and our new board members were sworn in.



MaryGayle Hartzell became our new President and in May of 2021, a casual outdoor picnic was held for those feeling safe enough to join. There was a good turnout, and a good time was had by all. We were on our way to recovery and a new sense of normalcy was right around the corner.







Honorary Lifetime Member-Polly Tyler - A PWC Member for 69 Years

By Eileen Fitzpatrick



Polly (Ruth) was born in Oakland City, Indiana and after high school she worked at the Gibson County Extension Office, where she met Horace Tyler. Horace worked for Purdue Agriculture Dept. In 1951, they married and moved to Lafayette to an apartment, where they settled into married life. In a few short years they began their family. They graduated to a duplex, and then a home. Along came Debbie, Tom and Dan. Those years were busy and happy.

Polly joined the PWC in 1953 and she is not sure how she first heard about it. It seems that many of the people she knew had joined, as many of her friends were Purdue affiliated. They enjoyed raising their children and having similar interests and concerns. One group she remembers attending was the Child Development Group. After growing up in a large family (Polly was the middle child of 13..) she almost could run the group but nonetheless she enjoyed that all the women involved were going through the same

stages with their children.

While the Tylers were raising their children they availed themselves to the International Experience and entertaining of Foreign Students. They hosted a 4-H exchange student from Austria. They also participated in the Foster Relative Program at Purdue. They brought many students over to their home for meals and they also helped acclimate them to the community. They hosted students from India, Pakistan, Taiwan, People's Republic of China,, France, Italy, Nigeria, Egypt, Indonesia, Thailand, Spain, Brazil, and Iran. The International Friendship Group began in 1988 and covered many of the countries that Polly had hosted students fro . During the 82-83 yr. Polly also was a Gourmet Interest Club leader.



Oct. 1, 1969, Polly is pictured far left, inviting a newcomer to the Fall Centennial Luncheon.

The luncheons were all quite exciting to attend and she recalls that the women would dress up in their finest clothes and hats, and white gloves and enjoy their afternoon in the Purdue Union. Often both rooms of the Ballroom were full of tables, and the women would love to get together and enjoy chatting with each other. There were times that Polly remembers being on a decorating committee for these events, and she recalls the fun they all had.

When Polly's three children were all married and moved away she devoted time to a career in real estate. She spent 39 years working with Coldwell Banker Shook Realty. During that time she also remained in the PWC as it was a very good way to stay involved in the community. Polly was a very active person in the community and also belonged to the Greater Lafayette Chamber of Commerce, was on the Advisory Board of Teaching and Learning about Japan Project, a Gourmet Section Leader, a past president of the Wabash Township Farmers Club, and member of the Faith Presbyterian Church, Board of Deacons and Choir.

More recently, and before Covid restrictions, Polly has enjoyed the interest group Writing Family Memories. She read one of her memories about shopping downtown Lafayette, when it had stores like J.C. Penney's and Loeb's. It was vivid and it certainly did bring to mind a world that was once so different. It was a world where one could do their clothes and shoe shopping downtown and get their hair done there as well.

Polly's children moved away and she became the grandma that needed to visit the grandkids. She was lucky to be able to visit Hawaii, Washington State, and North Carolina. Purdue was still such a draw in her family that 4 of her 5 grandchildren graduated from Purdue, so even the grandkids that lived far away were able to share some close time with Polly and Horace.

When asked why the PWC was important to her, Polly thought about it, and mentioned that it was important all along for her. It was important when the kids were young to meet people in the same boat as herself. It was important when she was a realtor, as it kept her connected to her community. It was important for women to have something of their own, a place to have fellowship. She thinks there will always be a need.

Thank you, Polly, for being a lifetime member!



The Last of Our World News Entries. Hope you have enjoyed the series!

World News Highlights 2000-2020

https://www.thebalancesmb.com/top-10-financial-events-of-the-decade-393162

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- The first crew to live on the International Space Station (ISS) arrives in space during November of 2000.
- George W. Bush was elected president Nov. 2000.
- In December of 2000, the U.S. Supreme Court rules to end the vote recount in Florida in the Bush v.
 Gore case, giving the presidency to George W.
 Bush after a prolonged legal battle following the election
- In March of 2000, Pope John Paul II visits Israel and prayed for forgiveness of the sins of those involved in the Holocaust.
- In April of 2000, State of Vermont passes HB847, legalizing Civil Unions for same-sex couples
- April of 2000, Bursting of the Dot.com (or Technology) Bubble.
- In June of 2000. Divers discover the ancient port of Alexandria the home of Cleopatra and Mark Anthony.
- The 9/11 terrorist attacks shaped financial events of the decade. After that terrible day in September 2001
- The final new Peanuts comic strip was published during February. The first Peanuts comic strip was published on October 2, 1950 and it was initially shown in seven different newspapers. The comic was created by Charles Schulz and featured the classic character Charlie Brown
- Oct. 2001, Enron declared bankruptcy. There was an emergence of Corporate Fraud, and Corporate Governance
- NASA launches the Genesis spacecraft during August of 2001
- Stock Market Crash or downturn of the Market begins in March of 2002.
- 2003–2022: War on Terror and Iraq War
- Year 2005: China and India Grow as World Financial Powers
- August 2005: Hurricane Katrina devastates Louisiana.
- Sept. 18, 2005, Hurricane Rita hits the Gulf Coast.
- Years 2007 and 2008: Sub-Prime Housing Crisis and the Housing Bubble take place.
- During 2008, Bernard Madoff caught running Biggest Ponzi Scheme in History
- Years 2007–2009: The Global Recession and the Collapse of Wall Street
- On Jan. 8, 2002 The No Child Left Behind Act is passed and President George W. Bush signs into law

- n the year 2002, an estimated 40 million people were infected with Aids / HIV virus worldwide.
- On July 23, 2002. The plan to create a single Nuclear Waste Dump in the United States at Yucca Mountain, Nevada to replace 130 separate dumps around the US is passed by the US Senate.
- On Dec.13, 2003 Saddam Hussein, former President of Iraq, was captured in Tikrit by the U.S. 4th Infantry Division.
- On May 1, 2004 the EU undergoes it's largest expansion so far by accepting 10 new states into the EU Poland, Czech Republic, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Slovakia, Hungary, Slovenia, Malta, and Cyprus.
- On Oct. 27, 2004, the Boston Red Sox win the
 World Series in baseball for the first time since 1918
- On July 29, 2005 the IRA announces end to armed conflict and gives up its weapons to independent weapons inspectors
- January, 2005, George W. Bush starts his second term as 43rd President of the United States
- On July 7, 2005, the London Bombings include four explosions that rock the transport network in London, three on the London Underground and one on a bus. Over 50 deaths were reported, and over 200 injured
- On Oct. 9, 2006, North Korea declares it has carried out its first test of a nuclear weapon, becoming the world's 9th Nuclear Power.
- On August 4, 2007, NASA launches the Phoenix Mars Lander during .The Phoenix spacecraft was launched from Cape Canaveral Air Force Station in Florida. It successfully landed on Mars during May of 2008 and used its instruments to thoroughly examine the soil of the planet.
- June 27, 2007 Gordon Brown becomes the new British Prime Minister.
- June 30,.2007 there is a terrorist attack on Glasgow Airport by terrorists working as doctors in the British Health Service.
- On Jan. 4, 2007, Nancy Pelosi is elected as the first female Speaker of the US Congress.
- In January of 2008 the US government gives the OK to the production and marketing of foods derived from cloned animals. (continued)

World News Highlights

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- On Dec. 9, 2008 the Governor of Illinois Rod Blagojevich is arrested on federal corruption charges including conspiracy to commit mail and wire fraud and solicitation of bribery, following his arrest the Illinois House of Representatives voted by a 114–1 vote to impeach Blagojevich for corruption and misconduct in office.
- On Feb. 19, 2008 Fidel Castro steps down as president of Cuba after almost 50 years in power
- Oct. 2, 2008, President Bush signs the \$700 billion bailout / Rescue package bill (Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008) is signed into law
- May 31, 2008-NASA launches the final space shuttle mission to the Hubble Telescope. The Space Shuttle Atlantis carried a seven person crew to complete repairs on the Hubble Telescope for the fifth and final time during the STS-125 mission.
- June 2009-The World Health Organization declares H1N1 influenza strain, commonly referred to as "swine flu", as a global pandemic.
- Jan. 20, 2009, Barack Obama is inaugurated as the 44th President of the United States
- 2009-Albania and Croatia join the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO)
- Aug. 4, 2009, Following former U.S. President Bill Clinton meeting with with Kim Jong-IL in North Korea two American journalists, who had been arrested and imprisoned for illegal entry earlier in the year receives pardons.
- Sept. 29, 2009, A tsunami triggered by An 8.3-magnitude earthquake near the Samoan Islands destroys communities and harbors in Samoa and American Samoa leaving nearly 200 deaths
- Jan. 15, 2009, US Airways Flight 1549 after being struck by a flock of Canada geese shortly after takeoff Piloted by Captain Chesley B. "Sully" Sullenberger makes a successful Crash landing In the Hudson River
- March 23, 2010, The Healthcare Reform Bill / Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act passes in Congress changing the face of healthcare in the US and is signed into law by President Barack Obama
- April 20, 2010, BP Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill
 Disaster in the gulf of Mexico leaves gulf beaches /
 fishing and the shellfish industry reeling, the true
 effects will not be fully understood for many years,
 New Deep Water Drilling Wells are stopped until
 regulators can catch up with the technology.



- On March 11, 2011, an underwater earthquake with a magnitude of 9.0 hits off the coast of Japan, causing a tsunami that hit the Iwate prefecture with waves over 130 feet high.
- On October 29, 2012, Hurricane Sandy curved North and hit the United States East Coast, hitting New Jersey and New York City quite heavily. As a result of the storm, nearly 300 people died and over fifty billion dollars worth of damage was done. Hurricane Sandy qualified as the second most costly hurricane in the history of the United States and was registered as a category 3 storm at its peak.
- On Nov. 6, 2012, US President Barack Obama is re-elected for his second term after running against Republican opponent Mitt Romney.
- December 14, 2012: A mentally-disturbed shooter kills 20 children and six adults at Sandy Hook Elementary School in Newtown, Connecticut, before killing himself
- June 1, 2011, The retired US Space Shuttle
 Endeavour has arrived at is final destination in a
 museum in Los Angeles after its journey was
 delayed due to trees, street lights, power lines and
 other such objects being in the way of its path.
- On April 15th, 2013, two pressure cooker bombs explode at 2:49 pm near the finish line during the Boston Marathon. Three people are killed and another 264 people were injured.
- Jan 17, 2013, Lance Armstrong admitted to doping in all of his Tour de France wins during his cycling career in an interview with Oprah Winfrey.
- Feb 15, 2013, A powerful meteor explodes near Chelyabinsk in Russia and injures nearly 1,500 people while causing damage to several thousand buildings.
- March 13, 2013: Argentine Cardinal Jorge Mario Bergoglio is elected pope, becoming the first South American to lead the Roman Catholic Church. He assumes the name Pope Francis.
- June 6, 2013: The Guardian and the Washington Post publish stories based on information leaked to them by government contractor Edward Snowden.



Books that Shaped the 2000's

https://lithub.com/a-century-of-reading-the-10-books-that-defined-the-2000's0s/

- Michael Chabon, The Amazing Adventures of Kavalier & Clay (2000)
- J. K. Rowling, *Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire* (2000)
- Zadie Smith, White Teeth (2000)
- Jonathan Franzen, *The Corrections* (2001)
- Alice Munro, Runaway (2004)
- David Mitchell, Cloud Atlas (2004)
- Kazuo Ishiguro, Never Let Me Go (2005)
- Haruki Murakami, Kafka on the Shore (first English translation, Philip Gabriel, 2005)
- Cormac McCarthy, *The Road* (2006)
- Roberto Bolaño, 2666 (first English translation, Natasha Wimmer, 2008)



Books that Shaped the 2010's



https://lithub.com/a-century-of-reading-the-10-books-that-have-defined-the-2010s-so-far/

- Jennifer Egan, A Visit From the Goon Squad (2010)
- Téa Obreht, *The Tiger's Wife* (2011)
- Elena Ferrante, *My Brilliant Friend* (first English translation, 2012)
- Claudia Rankine, Citizen: An American Lyric (2014)
- Karl Ove Knausgaard, *My Struggle* (first English translation, by Don Bartlett, 2014)
- George Saunders, *Tenth of December* (2013)
- Hanya Yanagihara, *A Little Life* (2015)
- Viet Thanh Nguyen, *The Sympathizer* (2015)
- Colson Whitehead, *The Underground Railroad* (2016)
- Tommy Orange, *There There* (2018)







https://screenrant.com/most-cultu/ally-influential-movies-of-the-2000s/ https://screenrant.com/screen-rant-best-movies-reviewed-2010s/

- Casino Royale
- The 40-Year-Old Virgin
- Bowling For Columbine
- Shrek
- Avatar
- Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon
- Spider-Man
- Iron Man
- The Dark Knight
- The Lord Of The Rings Trilogy

- American Sniper
- Wonder Woman
- Star Wars: The Force Awakens
- Joker
- Bridesmaids
- Mad Max: Fury Road
- Get Out
- Black Panther
- Avengers
- Endgame



Purdue Highlights

2000-2022

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Chapters 36-45

- Martin Jischke is announced as the tenth president of Purdue in 2000.
- Jischke started Presidential forums, to include deans, vice presidents, directors, and department heads.
- After 3 mo., Jischke announced the Indiana President Top Scholars Program to keep the best and brightest students in Indiana
- Purdue Football, headed by Coach Tiller headed to the Rose Bowl. Drew Brees was a Heisman Trophy finalist.
- On Campus in 2001 student vandalism occurred after the women's basketball team lost to Notre Dame in St Louis in a very close game. Roughly 1,000 students were involved and watched while smaller group caused damage and fires. The final cost was about \$76,000.
- Jischke responded quickly and several students were expelled. In addition some students faced other charges, and this behaviour was not acceptable. It was made known that bystanders would be held accountable if they were identified through pictures. No more of this behavior took place postgame at Purdue.
- In Aug. of 2001, Purdue created the Office of Engagement, which would address economic development in IN.
- Jischke announced plans for a \$100. Million interdisciplinary research, learning and outreach that would be called Discovery Park.
- Patty Jischke was recognized by the board of trustees and granted the title of "Ambassador for the President".
- Martin Jischke said goodbye at a retirement dinner on June 30, 2000, but has remained in the community.
- The next president of Purdue was the first woman to hold the office. France Cordova became the 11th President of Purdue on May 7th, 2007.
- By the end of Cordovas first term: first year students had the highest ever SAT/ACT scores in University history; the first year retention rate reached an all time high of 90.2 percent; an Access and Success scholarship fund drive was on target to reach \$304 Million by 2014, more than \$1.1 billion had been raised in private gifts, research funding had increased 40 percent, \$564 million in facilities had been constructed.
- In June of 2008 New Synergies was presented to the board by Cordova. Out of that plan came the the \$98 million expansion of the Recreational Sports Center.
- In Feb. of 2010, the board of trustees at Purdue approved a realignment creating the College of Health and Human Science.
- New buildings that were built in 2001 and 2012 to accommodate the new College of Health and Human Sciences were: Hanley Hall and Marriott Hall.
- On Oct. 6, 2010, Ei-Ichi Negishi was awarded the Nobel Prize for Chemistry.
- Professor Philip Nelson In May of 2007 won a World Food Prize.. In 2009 The World Food Prize was presented to Purdue Professor Gebisa Ejeta, who designed seeds resistant to drought and weeds.
- During Cordova's tenure, two members of Purdue faculty received the National Medal of Technology and Innovation, presented by the President of the US at the White House. Leslie Geddes, Professor Emeritus of Biomedical Engineering and Rakash Agrawal, a distinguished Professor of Chemical Engineering.

- Cordova retired mid July in 2012. Before leaving Purdue, her daughter was married beneath the shade trees in the garden at Westwood. It was the first wedding at the Westwood presidential home.
- Tim Sands, executive vice president for academic affairs and provost, was named acting governor until Mitch Daniels arrived in January 2013.
- Mitch Daniels became the 12th president of Purdue.
- A tuition freeze was put in place in March 2012, initially for two years but it was extended several times.
- Purdue consistently ranks among the best value degrees in the nation. The savings to Purdue families was about \$465. million..
- In April of 2017 Purdue acquired Kaplan University, which now uses the name Purdue University Global.
- In Fall of 2017, Purdue launched a three year accelerated degree program for the College of Liberal Arts and the College of Education.



- In the 2002-03 year PWC had 479 members, dues were \$15.
 Sarah Wassgren was President, there were 2 Chicago bus trips, and there was a program series that consisted of four lectures.
- The Fall Educational Excursion in 2005 was to Historic Crawfordsville. It included a tour of Wabash College,the Old Jail Museum, The Ben Hur Museum, the Lane House, and The Ernie Pyle Museum
- In 2005-6 dues wee \$15. In 2002, there were 3 Educational Excursions.: Van Gogh, Gauguin & More, Amish Backroads Tour, and Hidden Treasures of Indianapolis
- In 2001 PWC Adopted a new Logo that was designed by Linda Day for use in the 75th Anniversary celebration.
- The Purdue Jazz Band played for the luncheon in 2001-02.
- In 2019 The Fall Excursion was to the Forest River RV
 Factory in Middlebury Indiana. Lunch followed at Das
 Dutchman Essenhaus, and then a tour of the Ruthmere
 Mansion. This was the 1910 restored mansion and former
 home of Mr. Albert Beardsley, founder of the company that
 created Alka Seltzer. The final stop of the day was the
 Wellfield Botanic Garden in Elkhart.
- In 2013-14, Georgia Olsen had a "One member-\$10 campaign " to increase donations to the Span Plan. Did she accomplish it? Yes, she did according to the records, exceeding the goal of \$5,000.
- The Spring Excursion for the year 2014 was Louisville Stonewear Factory, lunch at *The Cafe*, The Kentucky Derby Museum and Churchill Downs, and a stop on the way home at the *Goat Milk Stuff*.
- Books at The Eleventh Hour held its' first meeting on Monday, Feb. 10th, 2014, at 11 am (of course)!
- The year 2013-14 had 517 paid members.
- The Spring Educational Excursion in 2013 to Greenville Ohio was on April 25th. 33 ladies went to the KitchenAid Factory, and then the Montagee Cafe for Lunch. After lunch they went to the KitchenAid Experience Store in downtown Greenville. After that the group went to Ghyslain Chocolatiers Co. in Union City IN.
- Purdue Volunteers! begins as a Club wide group in 2018, started by Kathy Matter.
- The 2007-08 Excursions were to French Lick/West Baden and Springfield Illinois to visit Lincoln's Home and Lincoln's Presidential Library.



100 Years of Communication & the Birth of Logos

Before newsletters and email, what did the PWC do to spread the news? There were several ways. They started with interoffice mailboxes and mimeographed sheets that were sent home to female professors and to wives of the professors. At the beginning of the year all eligible women were invited to join the club. Dues were expected to be paid by the Fall luncheon. Once people did join the club they were kept up to date by newspaper notices, phone calls, postcards, and scheduled meetings. A phone tree could be used when a cancellation was needed. This was a fairly large club with many sections (interest groups) so it was necessary that it be quite efficient.

In 1990 Barb Bowman was a trailblazer and became our very first newsletter editor. She felt like there was a need to get out information in a quick and organized fashion. She used a cut and paste method and early graphics for a very nicely done newsletter. She used this for the general club events as well as the interest groups. The newsletter came out several times during the year, and the newsletter was used not just for the current membership but also as a way to promote membership. Our recent Newsletter Editors have been:

Barb Bowman 1990-1993
Julie Clements-Reagan 1993-94
Wendy Preo- 1995-96
Linda Day- 1996-2001
Linda Eales- 2001-2012
Rene Ferguson- 2012-2018
Lisa Hoverman 2018-2020
Eileen Fitzpatrick 2020-present

In addition to the newsletters, PWC communicates through use of email. The Interest group leaders send out emails to everyone in their group to advertise any up-and-coming meetings or any change in dates or meeting times or locations. Cancellations can still be frustrating, but not nearly as difficult for the groups.

Also PWC as a group uses "News You Can Use ", a monthly message that is sent to members via email. This can be used by the President to communicate club news or can be accessed by individual Interest Groups that have a specific time sensitive need to notify the greater membership. .



This logo was created by Linda Day (PWC 93-94 President) for use in our 75h Anniversary celebration. The design was chosen by Linda to call to mind the "diamond" 75th anniversary, the windows of the PMU, the rising shape of the new bell tower, and the idea that though times change, the PWC remains an important part of Purdue tradition. We have proudly used this logo and will continue to use it for years to come.

To help us celebrate our 100 years as a club our newest logo was created by PWC member Rene Ferguson. "To incorporate several elements into a distinctive and easily recognized graphic that could read well large or small, called for some thinking and experimenting. Silhouettes of heads with era appropriate hairstyles were too similar but clothing certainly was different. After that the other pieces fell into place and when Barb Bowman suggested a kind of frame, an oval seemed just right both in design and the inclusive spirit of the club."





Highlights of November 17, 2021 PWC minutes

Mary Caccavo, recordingsecretary@purduewomensclub.org

- PWC Spring Luncheon will be held April 7th, 2022 at the Gathering Acres, Lafayette IN.
- This Luncheon will coincide with the PWC 100th Anniversary celebration. The anniversary committee has been meeting regularly to create and design a PWC 100 years history booklet which is to be distributed at the spring luncheon.
- President Mary Gayle Hartzell requests that the SPAN plan committee revisit other avenues to assist SPAN plan recipients as had been discussed by the committee pre-COVID.

Highlights of February 2022 PWC Board Meeting

Mary Caccavo, recordingsecretary@purduewomensclub.org

- Beth Goodman thanked everyone for their generous donations to the SPAN plan throughout the year. She also announced that she
 was stepping down from this position on the PWC board. The board is appreciative of Beth's hard work on behalf of SPAN plan
 recipients.
- Barb Bowman recognized Sarah Wassgren for the amazing work she has done in compiling the 100 years of PWC history booklet.
 This booklet has 120 pages of written history including color photos and will be available at the upcoming spring luncheon on April 7th, 2022 and the Fall 2022 luncheon and interest fair. There will be an e-version available for free and a hard copy booklet available for a small fee for those who would like a hard bound copy as a keepsake.
- A commemorative 100th anniversary newsletter is in the design stages which may include displays of PWC throughout the years and
 life in general. A nice summary of where we were and where we are now, changes in technology, how we have evolved through the
 years and how we have adapted may be incorporated.

Knitting Friends!

Interest Group Update Co-Chairs:

Sarah Wassgren swassgren@gmail.com Lynn Barrett_lbarrett4648@gmail.com Cherry Delaney cdsaa3@aol.com

Knitting Friends has come back from pandemic hiatus and is meeting the 1st Wednesday of the month at 1:30. Contact Sarah Wassgren (swassgren@gmail.com) to be put on their email list for locations

May 4th 1:30-3:30pm Klondike branch TCPL meeting room

June 1st 1:30-3:30pm Klondike branch TCPL meeting room



At the June meeting we can decide if we'd like to switch the location for future meets



April 7th Luncheon Update



The Purdue Women's Club Spring Luncheon, held on April 7th at Gathering Acres, commemorating the 100th Anniversary of the founding of the PWC was a wonderful occasion, and enjoyed by all that attended.

MaryGayle Hartzell welcomed the group and recognized all the 50 year members of the club. She also gave recognition to all the past presidents.

Lois Maickel read some words of inspiration before the lunch was served. The attendees were treated to tasty food from Juniper Spoon Catering. Everything was very good. Each table had a centerpiece of a birthday cake, which was very fitting for this day.

Special thanks went out to Sarah Wassgren for the music and Photo Booth Camera. Rene Ferguson was responsible for the Stage and Display Design and it was a great job. Katey Watson was a guest at the luncheon as a thank you for her help at the France A. Cordova Archives, and her help in finding information for our newsletters from the PWC Collections there.

Barb Bowman was thanked for her wonderful job coordinating the 100th Anniversary Committee, and help in planning a wonderful luncheon along with Beth Dana, the Luncheon Coordinator

The entertainment was a result of the Purdue Retirees Association and the reenacting project of 2019. Angie Klink, Joyce Miles, Mary Alice Nebold, Carolyn Jones, and Olivia Wood portrayed: Professor Laura Fry, Trustee Virginia Meredith, Amelia Earhart, Lillian Gilbreth, and Dean Mary L. Matthews.

Mary L. Matthews is credited with the current Interest Group Structure. She was a fierce advocate for women being educated and the importance of their work. The influential women from the past came dressed for their era, and mingled with the crowd until lunch was over and then came up on stage and delighted he crowd with their discussions. The "living history" presentation was quite a unique way to step back in time to understand some of our history as a club.

Links from the Luncheon:

2022 Spring Luncheon online photo album

https://photos.app.goo.gl/mgPkmWK7Ntu2pbVx5

A very BIG thank you to Karen Weatherwax (former chair of the PWC Photography Guild interest group) for taking and sharing her photos of the Spring Luncheon

2022 Spring Luncheon slides that were shown at the luncheon

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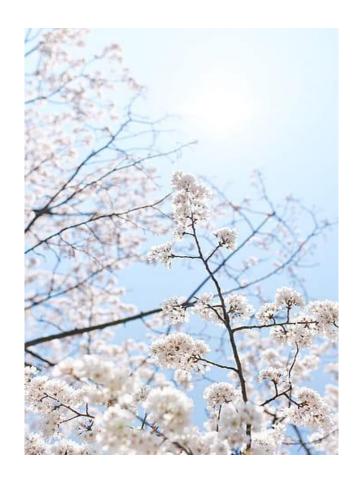
In case you would like to view or download any of the slideshow photos you saw during the luncheon.

PWC History Book, revised 2022

https://tinyurl.com/4nemtrrv

Note: You will get a message that the file is too large to preview. You will need to download the file to open and view it. PWC does have bound & printed copies available for \$15. Contact Sarah Wassgren for ordering / delivery details (swassgren@gmail.com / 765-490-7542). We will also have the print copies available at the Fall Luncheon, Sept. 15

Welcome Spring!



***Coming Soon....Celebrating the Heart of the Club ...
Presenting 'THE INTEREST GROUPS'
at the Fall Luncheon on September 15th!***

~~~THE PURDUE WOMEN'S CLUB NEWSLETTER NOTES ~~~

PWC NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS Next Due Date:

For the June Issue May 25, 2022



Please send all submissions to: newslettereditor@purduewomensclub.org

PLEASE NOTE

There are always new people moving into the Greater Lafayette Area who may be going to <u>www.purduewomensclub.org</u> to see what we are all about!

As a courtesy to our new residents and potential new members, it is important that our website is current with contact information and upcoming group plans - even if you are not meeting - and any plans you may have already scheduled.

Please be sure to update your web page.

Send your updates to: webadministrator@purduewomensclubs.org