



THE PURDUE WOMEN'S CLUB NEWSLETTER

**"Connecting our community and Purdue through enriching activities
that benefit all."**

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Spring Edition 2024

A warm welcome to the Purdue Women's Club members!

February is a short month, so less dreary days of winter, plus sometimes we do get those days of sunshine and blue skies. Just for fun, Punxsutawney Phil determines the remaining length of winter. We can celebrate even if there will be six more weeks! But most important, February 14th reminds us all to tell our special people that we love them!



Our Nominating Committee is diligently working to fill vacant positions on the PWC board. Our thanks go out to Joanne Small (chair), Mary Caccavo, Cheryl Trombley, Jennifer Maguire, Dee Dee Long, and Jackie Baumgardt. We will vote on the new slate of officers at the PWC Annual Business Meeting at Jane's Deli on April 23rd.

Our Spring Luncheon is already planned for April 16th at Gathering Acres. Deb Grady-Ruth, our Luncheon Coordinator, has the menu planned with the help of Shoup's Catering. This is a plated/served luncheon and entertainment will be provided by a Lafayette Choral Group under the direction of Mr. Mark Myers. Thank you, Deb, for being such a conscientious luncheon coordinator!

Check your newsletter for Spring Luncheon reservations and upcoming events.

"Spring: a reminder of how beautiful change can truly be."

Sue Dunlop

PWC President 2023-2024

PWC BOARD MEETINGS

**All meetings will most likely be held at Federated Church
2400 Sycamore Ln., West Lafayette
Time: 11:15**

March 13th

**April 23rd (Annual Business Meeting at Jane'd Deli
Time- TBD)**

**PWC Newsletters
2024**

Mark Your Calendars!

	Submission Due Date	Publish
Summer	May 1st	June
Fall	August 1st	September
Winter	November 1st	December
Spring	February 1st	March

March

- 1 Registration opens on website for the Educational Excursion
- 13 Board Meeting
- 15 Let's Do Lunch at The Whittaker
- 20 Submission Due Date for News You Can Use
- 29 Spring Luncheon Registration Deadline

April

- 15 Registration due for the Chicago Bus Trip
- 16 Spring Luncheon at Gathering Acres
- 19 Let's Do Lunch at Nom Nom
- 20 Submission Due Date for News You Can Use
- 23 PWC Annual Business Meeting and Leadership Luncheon at Jane's Deli, Time -TBD..

May

- 1 Submission due date for Summer newsletter
- 9 Educational Excursion to Indianapolis
- 15 Chicago Bus Trip
- 17 Let's Do Lunch at Red Bird Cafe
- 20 Submission Due Date for News You Can Use



CHICAGO SPRING BUS TRIP

The Spring Chicago Bus trip will take place on Wednesday, May 15 this year. There's lots to see and do in Chicago, and this trip provides you the opportunity to plan your own day in the "Windy City". We leave from the West Lafayette Walmart off of 52 at 8:00 am EST, and return to this spot at around 9:30 pm, EST for a very full day in Chicago. Drop off in Chicago is near Water Tower Place at Superior and Rush. Pick up is at 6:00 pm CST at Superior and Rush. Advance Payment and trip registration are required for members and guests. The cost is \$60. For members and \$65. For guests/non members. Mamma Mia is playing at the Nederlander Theatre. There is also an Architectural Boat Tour.

(LAST NAME)

The Purdue Women's Club – Trip Registration Form

2024 Spring Trip to Chicago
Wednesday, May 15, 2024

Registration Due : April 15, 2024

(If the bus is filled before that date, we will put you on our waiting list.)

Questions to : Judy Harshman: douglasslyon@comcast.net

Phone: Judy 765-418-6711

First Name _____ Last Name _____

Cell Phone (required for trip) _____

Email _____

Emergency Contact Name _____

Emergency Contact Phone _____

DISCLAIMER: Purdue Women's Club is acting at the registrant's request and shall not be responsible for any loss or damage to property, or for any loss, injury, death, accident, delay, inconvenience or any other loss occurring during or occasioned by applicant in this trip.

MEDICAL INFORMATION PWC SHOULD HAVE FOR THIS TRIP (WILL BE KEPT CONFIDENTIAL)

Signature (required) _____

Cost: PWC Members - \$60/Non-Members - \$65

Cancellation refunds given only if we are able to resell your seat before the trip. Please mail the completed form and check made payable to Purdue Women's Club to:

Judy Harshman, 60 Guinevere Ct. Lafayette, IN 47905



Communication Within Purdue Women's Club

*Submitted by
Eileen Fitzpatrick*

If you are a newcomer in the the Purdue Women's Club and sometimes wonder where to find current information, here is a complete listing of all the avenues you have. The Board wants you to stay informed and not to miss out on anything. If you are an Interest Group Chair, please take advantage of these tools to advertise your Interest Group.

Yearbook

Each year with your registration, you will receive a Yearbook and an address book of all our members. It will be mailed to you if you are not at the luncheon. In the Yearbook, there is a complete list of club events, leadership, Interest Groups (along with their schedule), the Club's Constitution, and much more.

Purdue Women's Club Website: <http://www.purduewomensclub.org/index.html>

On this website you can navigate through a short history of the club and a list of current Interest Groups. This is a directory of all the names of people involved in leadership and an email contact for them as well. The website will always have the newsletter if you can't find the one that was sent to you electronically or through the mail.

The Newsletter

The Newsletter will now be sent out Quarterly. The dates for publishing will be posted in the Yearbook that you receive in August and on the website. Each newsletter will have a deadline for submission. These dates will be found in several places: on the website and in each newsletter on their back page. All submissions should be sent to:

newslettereditor@purduewomensclub.org

News You Can Use: A Letter From the President

This information will come to you via email every month during the last week. It will contain information about club events and deadlines for these events. If your Interest Group or club-wide group needs some information sent out, you need to send that information to Joanne Small at emailsecretary@purduewomensclub.org, by the 20th of the month.

Facebook

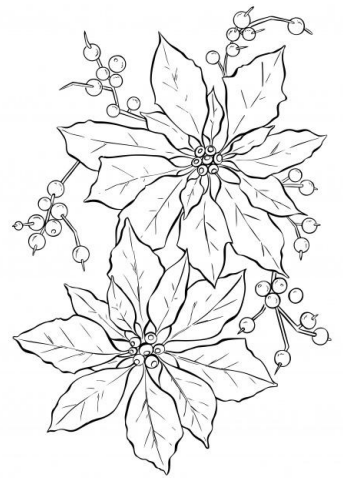
Toni Butcher is the manager of the PWC Facebook Page. If your Interest Group wants to share a post about an event that took place please send the info to socialmediaadministrator@purduewomensclub.org. This is a great way to share pictures from an event. You will need to be aware that not all members use Facebook.





Holiday Luncheon December 19, 2023

Submitted by Sue Dunlop



The Holiday Luncheon held at the Lafayette Country Club was again an event to be remembered! Festivities began with a delicious lunch followed by a sing-along with Charlie Short, who put everyone in a festive holiday mood. We even had a special visit from Mrs. Santa Claus, whom we all fondly recognized as Mary Pat Short! Thank you both for providing such a cheerful finale.

This year, members were asked to bring an unwrapped gift for a YWCA Women's Shelter resident. Mothers and children were able to pick a gift for one another and share it at a special Christmas exchange. All those who attended agreed that this idea was a perfect holiday experience that allowed us to share the spirit of giving. We thank Linda Colby and her support team for this opportunity and would love this to be a yearly occurrence for the PWC.



Let's Do Lunch

March 15	The Whittaker
April 19	Nom Nom
May 17	Red Bird Cafe

Let's Do Lunch

Submitted by Linda Dolby
Pictures by Pat Short



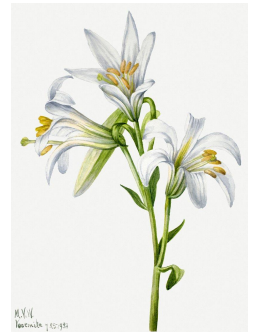
Let's Do Lunch visited Taste, a Chinese Restaurant on the Levee for our February gathering. Just as in January, it was a snowy day, but the fellowship and friendship was warm. We were seated in 2 rooms at tables for 12.



In Memoriam

Miriam (Mimi) Porile has passed away. Miriam was born on Dec. 16th, 1933 and died on December 7, 2023. She was a PWC HM 50+ member, first joining in 1965.

<https://www.jconline.com/obituaries/ljc065543>



Mary Ford was born October 21, 1937 and died December 29, 2023. Mary was the PWC President in 1983-84.

<https://www.jconline.com/obituaries/ljc065758>

EDUCATIONAL EXCURSIONS- Spring 2024
Thursday, May 9, 2024
REGISTRATION WILL OPEN ON MARCH 1, 2024



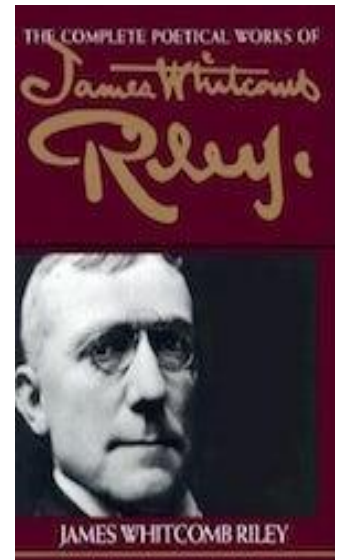
Travel to downtown Indianapolis to see the beautiful Italianate style homes of Indiana icons, the “Hoosier Poet” and our 23rd President. Enjoy a guided tour of the preserved home of James Whitcomb Riley. Completed in 1872, the James Whitcomb Riley Museum Home remains one of the finest preservations in the U.S. of a Victorian, Italianate home. Owned by the Nickum and Holstein families, Mr. Riley lived there as a guest from 1893 until his death in 1916. The Riley Hospital for Children is named after this writer.

There will also be a guided tour of the Benjamin Harrison Home located on North Delaware Street. The State of Indiana proudly claims him as Indiana’s only President. In 1874, he and his wife Caroline began construction of their 16-room Italianate style house, carriage house, brick drive and landscaping. Later Harrison made several changes to the home including the addition of an English-Regency front porch, electricity, and updated plumbing.

Before returning to Lafayette, we will make a brief visit to Harrison’s gravesite in Crown Hill Cemetery. Crown Hill Foundation accepts free will donations to preserve and celebrate the architectural, cultural, and natural heritage of the city’s oldest urban greenspace.

Lunch will be at the Garage Food Hall in the Bottleworks District located a few blocks from the historic Lockerbie Square and Old Northside. The vendors serve a wide range of food from hamburgers, BBQ and salads to Greek, Brazilian and Mexican cuisine.

Registration by mail will start on March 1, 2024. The cost is \$50 per PWC member and \$55 per nonmember.



<https://rileymuseumhome.org/>
<https://bhpsite.org/learn/the-house/>
<https://www.garageindy.com/vendors>
<https://crownhillhf.org/visit/notables/>

MEET A SPAN PLAN STUDENT

Submitted by Melinda Bain

Keara Wilson, Span Plan Director, contributed to this article



Hannah Hogue and family

Hannah Hogue is a junior majoring in Aquatic Sciences (BS) with the College of Agriculture. As a nontraditional student Hannah is financially independent via the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) and she is 24, married, parent, and has a break of 2 plus years in her education enrollments.

When asked how being a nontraditional student affects her education, Hannah had this to say: "It has been challenging trying to balance parenting with school, but since I am older and have different priorities, this round of college has been a totally different experience. I am more serious about my classes and determined to do well."

A fun fact about Hannah is that she has a 10 year old dog named Caesar and a 7 year old cat named Roma. They have been with her through every major life change; she considers them her ride or dies!

Attached is a photo of Hannah with her family, about which she says, "They are my main support but I have felt tons of support from my parents, siblings, advisor, and professors as well."

Hannah is just one of approximately 700 nontraditional students receiving financial, counseling, mentoring and peer support. The Purdue Women's Club members have considered this our primary philanthropic endeavor for many years.

If you would like to help, you may contribute with a check payable to Purdue for Life Foundation with a note in the memo line: Span Plan Academic Scholarship or Child Care Assistance Scholarship. Mail the check to:

**The Purdue Women's Club, Inc.
P. O. Box 2073
West Lafayette, IN 47996-2073
Thank you for considering a contribution.**



Purdue Women's Club Spring Luncheon Reservation

Gathering Acres, 5074 E 550 S Lafayette, IN

Tuesday, April 16, 2024
12 Noon

Registration Deadline is March 29th

*Guests are welcome to attend

*Seating for this luncheon is "festival" style; there is no assigned seating.

There are plenty of parking spaces at Gathering Acres with handicapped spots and golf cart shuttle service for those with mobility

Name (Please print clearly) _____

Phone _____ **E-mail** _____

I am also registering the following people for whom payment is enclosed:

1. _____ 2. _____

Luncheon Menu: (Shoup's Catering)

Grilled Chicken Breast with Mango Salsa, Broccoli Cauliflower Salad with Bacon, Sesame Seeds, and Poppysseed Dressing.

- (GF Parsley Potatoes,) [(DF) will not have cheese]
- GF, DF, V), served with Slice of Orange Bread with Butter.
- GF and V will receive fresh fruit in place of Orange Bread.
- All menu items are Nut Free.
- Vegan meals will receive an entree of Pasta Primavera with Veggies & Marinara Sauce with side Tossed Garden Salad w/Balsamic, Roll and Margarine.

No dairy _____, **Vegan** _____, **Gluten free** _____

If you are registering for a group, please indicate who is to receive ND, V, or GF next to their name.

NOTE: 1) Shoup's will not make any substitutions to the meals shown above without a \$25 upcharge to an individual. 2) No carryout available.

Total # of registrations (_____) X \$30 = \$ _____ . (Total amount enclosed)

Send a check payable to the Purdue Women's Club together with this Registration Form to:

The Purdue Women's Club P.O. Box 2073 West Lafayette, IN 47996-2073

If you wish to contribute to SPAN Plan Scholarships, please write a separate check to Purdue Women's Club and make a note on your check indicating "SPAN plan."

PWC Volunteers

Submitted by Anne Markie Markun



Lafayette Transitional Housing Center
Kathy Bassett,
Sarah Wassgren, Georgia
Brist, Pattie Hall, Lynn Barrett,
Nancy Vanderkleed, Margaret
Coon, Ginger Mullis, Annie
Mounce and Anne Marie
Markun

PWC Volunteers are having a great time helping our community! We spent last November 15th in the kitchen at Lafayette Transitional Housing Center (LTHC) creating a Thanksgiving treat for the housing residents. Our volunteer members made enough cookie dough batter to bake over 320 chocolate chip cookies - packaged into 80 goodie bags! It was a team effort with some women actually kneading dough with their bare hands. We finally got the temperature and cook time perfect, but LTHC staff appreciated sampling our "baking mistakes".



Ginger Mullis and Annie
Mounce

On December 13th we helped the Salvation Army Angel Tree program. Several PWC members and one husband joined together to gather toys & clothing items donated from generous "angels". We collected and sorted the items into large red bags. The bags of Christmas gifts, tagged and recorded, were later distributed to each registered family. Our volunteer members had to carefully choose items that matched a child's age, gender, and wish list, i.e. Barbies, dinosaurs, or Legos. It felt like shopping in a toy store. The Salvation Army staff were very grateful for our help.



Lafayette Transitional Housing Center
Kathy Bassett, Lunn Barrett, and
Sarah Wassgren

December also provided an opportunity to volunteer as a greeter at the Haan Museum. Deb Kertesz happily greeted visitors to the mansion for the "Holidays at the Haan". Lastly, on January 2nd, some members (and husbands) helped take down Christmas decorations at Haan Museum. Such a beautiful mansion! We removed garland, greenery, ornaments, and lights. Carefully packing the delicate village houses was an intricate task, indeed. The original owner, Ellie Haan, was "undecorating" too; she eagerly shared stories about her beloved Christmas heirlooms.



Salvation Army
Deb Kertesz and Sue Dunlop



Salvation Army
Kathy Dykhuizen and Sue Dunlop



Haan Museum
Corby Springer and Ann
Marie Markun



Janet Winters and
Sue Peters



Sue and Jerry
Peters

Highlighting An Honorary Lifetime Member

Submitted by sarah Wassgren



**Elizabeth (Betty) Holstein
Delgass**

Elizabeth (Betty) Holstein Delgass
PWC member since 1974

Betty Holstein Delgass moved to West Lafayette in 1974, with her husband Nick and their two boys Michael (5 yrs) and Leif (2 yrs). Nick joined Purdue's Chemical Engineering department, where he stayed through his retirement in 2012. They had five offers to choose from, so Betty read the Farmer's Almanac to compare the living amenities of the different communities – and liked West Lafayette the best! "We were not disappointed, especially with the local schools."

Her two boys went to Morton Elementary School which was wonderfully multicultural with many kids of Purdue graduate students. One Japanese student taught the class that *konichiwa* [hello, good day] was *I need to go to the bathroom* – which was high elementary school humor. Their family loved the spirit of the school, and how it was structured that the older students looked after the younger ones. Michael and Leif graduated from West Side High School, then IU. Michael continued to U Chicago for his law degree (now an estate lawyer in Connecticut), and Leif got his MS at Purdue.

She and Nick first bought a house on the corner of Stadium & Maple, in a neighborhood that was grappling with landlords starting to buy properties to convert to rentals. Betty was immediately recruited by neighbors and helped found the New Chauncey Neighborhood Assn. "As soon as we opened our car door arriving at our new home, out came the neighbors. I soon became the grocery getter for five widowed neighbors. They were lovely."

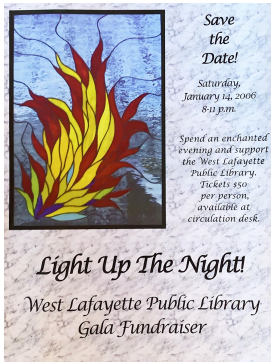
Betty heard about PWC from other faculty wives in Chemical Engineering. She joined the Newcomer's Group which was great. Betty joined the PWC Bridge Group at first, as it was at night when she was free. They met at the PMUnion with four tables of players, who were from all over greater Lafayette. She especially enjoyed the chance to meet friends outside the neighborhood and department. Betty was invited by friends to other groups, such as book clubs & antiques, which she attended as she could.

Betty has appreciated the speakers at the PWC luncheons. She loves the variety of the subjects over the years. She has used the luncheons as a way to introduce new faculty wives to others in PWC and the community. Betty liked that PWC has people of varied interests and backgrounds.

Betty is herself a woman of varied interests. She worked on the editorial staff in a think tank at Stanford in the 1960s, where she and Nick met. Upon arriving at West Lafayette Betty signed up for English classes at Purdue, taking advantage of the spousal discount. She leaned into free lance editorial work, founding her company Monastic Scribes. She created indexes for over 200 college textbooks!

Betty added artist to her resume. In 1990 they went to Cornell on sabbatical. Knowing how Nick loved his work in Chem E, she knew he'd work long hours and she would be without her network of friends. Betty looked over the course catalogue and signed up for a stained glass course. "Sometimes things just grab you." At the first class, they were given tools and glass to work on at home. The next morning at 9am she laid everything out on a high windowsill and began cutting glass. At 6pm Nick came home, and she was still at that windowsill working on the glass. She turned to say hello, but her neck was too stiff from being in the same position all day! Monastic Scribes Stained Glass is the name of her stained glass business of 35 years. She finished her last commission of stained glass in Spring 2023, as arthritis makes it hard to work.

Highlighting An Honorary Lifetime Member continued



I asked Betty if there is a public place to see her work, and she shared this charming story: While Betty was serving on the WL Public Library finance board, library director Nick Schenkel asked about raising more funds. They decided to add a large auction to the book fair, making it a big party. They called it “Light Up the Night” and Betty created a glasswork for the auction. It was displayed in the library for a month to help advertise the gala. Library staff members, seeing it daily, presented a petition to the board asking to keep it for the library. The board members complied and bought it for WLPL.

And yes, it is still proudly on display 18 years later! Next time you go to WLPL see “Light Up the Night” on the first floor, hanging in a large window facing Columbia Street.

Betty also served on the WL Strategic Plan Committee. If you were here in the ‘90s, you will remember the abandoned Sears building along State Street near the Wabash River. Betty was vocal in pushing for its renovation, which is now the Levee area and filled with businesses. While the area was all torn up with construction, Josh Andrew, the city’s development director, turned to Betty at a public meeting and said “This is all your fault.”

After 25 years of living in their Maple Street home, Nick became enamored with Happy Hollow Rd for the expansive view of the woods and river. Betty agreed to move only if she got an indoor stained glass studio and pool. “I thought I put the kibosh on that.” But in 2000 Nick found a place with a great view and built an art studio and lap pool around the existing house. Betty fondly recalls being part of five couples who aquacised in their pool weekly, and then went out to eat together. She lives there still, with beautiful stained glass works highlighting the views they loved.



Betty Holstein Delgass accepting the Pinnacle Award for funding a Distinguished Chair position in Chemical Engineering, Fall 202

Newcomers Enjoy Outings

Submitted by Dee Dee Long



Farkle, Scrabble, Coconuts, and 5 Second Rule greeted the Newcomers at the North End Community Center on January 9, 2024. After rotating through all the games, laughing so hard our sides hurt, and getting to know each other, we ventured down to the North End Cafe where we had a wonderful lunch. It was a fun filled morning and we were asked to please host this event again.

Dee Dee and the Newcomer Team, Pattie, Pat, and Jan



Hooked on Books

Submitted by Joanne Small



Hooked on Books members met at Fresh Thyme on January 17 to discuss *Lessons in Chemistry* by Bonnie Garmus. Some of the books that we will be discussing in the coming months are *Project Hail Mary* by Andy Weir, *Lady in Waiting* by Anne Glenconner and *West with Giraffes* by Lynda Rutledge.

Hooked on Books meets on the third Wednesday of each month at 6:30pm. We meet in the Community Room at the Fresh Thyme in West Lafayette. If you are interested in joining our group, please contact Joanne Small at jlps61@gmail.com.

A Novel Group

Submitted by
Sarah Wassgren

The Novel Group has chosen the books for the next few months. If you are interested, please contact Sarah Wassgren: swassgren@gmail.com

Book and Author	Meeting Date
<i>This Other Eden</i> by Paul Harding	3/6/24
<i>Night Road</i> by Kristin Hannah	4/10/24
<i>The Heaven and Earth Grocery Store</i> by James McBride	5/8/24
<i>All the Beauty in the World: The Metropolitan Museum of Art and Me</i> by Patrick Bringley	6/12/24

Easy Jewelry Creation and Repair

Submitted by Susan LeMay



In October the group made stretchy bracelets and finished up on the chainmail jewelry projects from the previous month.

In November we made crystal Christmas tree earrings and in December I showed them how to do wire wrapping. Attached are some pictures of the stretchy bracelets and Christmas tree earrings.

We meet in the Creativity Room at the West Lafayette Library from 1:30 to 3:30 on the 2nd Tuesday of the month. If you are interested contact Susan LeMay: lemaysm@yahoo.com.





Welcome to Purdue Women's Club!

The addresses, phone numbers, and emails can be found in the mailed version of the newsletter, if you want to update your yearbook .

New members:

Braun, Jan
Feathers, Jayne
Greer, Susan
Hoffman, Linda
Knote, Jan
Meyer, Kimberly
Mock, Helen
Rosell, Christina
Sandhage, Catherine
Stoddart, Alison
Thompson, Charlene
Uitts, Linda
Wiens, Gwen

Returning members (not in the 2023-24 Yearbook):

Jafert, Mary
Stwalley, Carol
Useem, Patty

New address:

Northquist, Susan



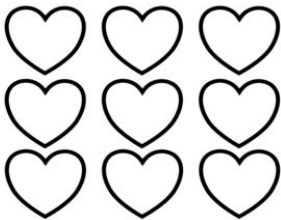
Looking Forward to Spring!



THE PURDUE WOMEN'S CLUB NEWSLETTER NOTES

PWC NEWSLETTER SUBMISSION DUE DATE

May 1, 2024



Please send all submissions to:

newslettereditor@purdueomensclub.org

There are always new people moving into the Greater Lafayette Area who may be going to

www.purdueomensclub.org to check out PWC.

As a courtesy to our new residents and potential new members, it is important that our website is current with contact information and upcoming 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:

websiteadministrator@purdueomensclub.org