



THE PURDUE WOMEN'S CLUB NEWSLETTER

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

Winter Edition 2023-2024

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

Hang on ladies! We are entering the Hectic Holidays of Thanksgiving, Christmas/Holiday events, and welcoming in the 2024 New Year!



We remain an energetic and active group of women who continue the Club's 101-year legacy with caring and sharing.

Upcoming events that usher us into this festive season begin with Thanksgiving gatherings for family and friends, PWC Volunteer opportunities for the Lafayette Transition Housing Center, Salvation Army, Lafayette Symphony Orchestra, and the Haan Museum. Next, our Holiday Luncheon follows at the Lafayette Country Club on December 15th with members bringing unwrapped gifts for the Women's Shelter that benefit children and mothers with gifts.

We are women eager to bring together the women of the community, in the spirit of friendship and to be of service to each other and the wider community.

Holiday Blessings to All,

Suzanne Dunlop

PWC President 2023-2024

Mark Your Calendars!

Newsletters 2023-24

| | Submission Due Date | Print |
|--------|------------------------|-------|
| Spring | Feb. 1st | March |
| Summer | May 1st | June |

PWC BOARD MEETINGS

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

Dec. No Board Meeting

Jan. 10th

Feb. 7th

March 13th

November

- 20 Submission due date for News You Can Use
- 29 Chicago Bus Trip

December

- 7 Newcomers Tour of Duncan Hall and Cookie Exchange; 11:30am-1:30pm
- 8 Final Day to register for the Club wide Holiday Luncheon
- 15 Holiday Luncheon at Lafayette Country Club
- 20 Submission Due Date for News You Can Use

January

- 11 Newcomer Game Day 9:30-11:30 and then lunch at North End Cafe
- 10 PWC Board Meeting
- 19 Let's Do Lunch -Krug Corner Pub
- 20 Submission Date for News You Can Use

February

- 1 Submission for Spring Newsletter
- 7 Newcomer Lunch at John Purdue Room
- 7 PWC Board Meeting
- 16 Let's Do Lunch-Taste Chinese
- 20 Submission Due Date for News You Can Use

Chicago Holiday Bus Trip November 29th

A few tickets for the Chicago Holiday Bus Trip are still available! The link to trip information and registration is below.

<http://www.purdueomensclub.org/chicago-bus-trip-holiday.html>





PWC Holiday Luncheon

- Lafayette Country Club
- Friday, December 15 @ 12:00 Noon
- Cost: \$25.00
- Cash Bar: Poinsettia Champagne @ \$7/glass
- Guests are Welcome!
- Entertainment: Sing-along with Charlie Short

Please bring a gift for a YWCA Women's Shelter Residents, either for a mom or a child, so moms can pick gifts for their children and children can pick gifts for their moms. \$15-20, unwrapped. Part of the program will be talking about the gift we brought.

Suggestions for Kids
 Cars and Trucks
 Dolls
 Legos
 Board Games
 Infant/Toddler Toys
 Makeup, Nail Polish
 Lotions, Perfumes, Colognes
 Sports (balls and team apparel)
 Art kits
 Gift cards to Superstores and Mall

Suggestions for Adults
 Pajama sets (all sizes)
 Bath sets, lotions, perfumes
 Hats, scarves, gloves sets
 Coffee Makers
 Pots and Pans sets
 Gift cards to Superstores
 Kitchenware and household items
 Baking sheets
 Silverware
 Scotch tape
 Holiday gift bags

Menu

Regular lunch: Salad, chicken fettuccine, broccoli, peppermint ice cream with fudge sauce

Vegetarian: Salad, fettuccine with vegetables, broccoli, peppermint ice cream with fudge sauce

Register/Pay via U.S. Mail, Postmarked by Dec. 8th
Register/Pay via Eventbrite Register by Dec. 11th

PURDUE WOMEN'S CLUB HOLIDAY LUNCHEON RESERVATION FORM

Name _____ Phone _____

Please Check One: Regular Entree _____ Vegetarian Entree _____

Make \$25 Check Payable to Purdue Women's Club and send to PWC, Jeanette Ash, treasurer, PO Box 2073, West Lafayette, IN 47996-2073



Fall Interest Fair and Luncheon September 14, 2023

Submitted by Sue Dunlop

The Fall Luncheon and Interest Group Fair at Gathering Acres was held on September 14, 2023, and once again, we were amazed by the support of our Interest Group chairs and Vice- President for our Interest Groups, Jennifer Maguire. Displays were placed around the hall for all to enjoy and sign-up opportunities to join a new Interest Group were available. Our luncheons are a way to make new acquaintances, learn from our renowned speakers and just enjoy a delicious lunch with friends. It also allows our Span Plan liaison to encourage continued support to the non-traditional students seeking to better their lives through education at Purdue.



Our speaker this year was Indiana's 2022 Teacher of the Year, Sharita Ware. Mrs. Ware shared many laughable moments of maintaining a household of five, regular teaching schedules at East Tipp Middle School, and making many appearances as a speaker representing education in the state of Indiana. She is one spectacular lady!

The table centerpieces were gorgeous and made the whole venue a beautiful fall setting for an enjoyable afternoon. A big thank you to all who made this event special



SPAN Plan Contributions

Submitted by Melinda Bain



Keara Wilson, Span Plan Director

Melinda Bain, PWC Span Plan Liaison

Mary Kathleen Keller, Purdue Span Plan Graduate and Span Plan Mentor,

Keara Wilson, Span Plan Director, and Mary Kathleen Keller, Span Plan scholarship recipient, attended the Fall Luncheon to thank PWC members for providing financial support for the over 700 plus nontraditional students' quest for life-long learning. Ms. Wilson explained the overall mission of Purdue Span Plan, which is to foster an environment that empowers undergraduate nontraditional students to navigate their unique educational path by providing access to financial and academic resources, specialized guidance, and engagement opportunities that develop confidence beyond the classroom.

Ms. Keller shared that she has graduated with an Electrical Engineering Technology degree from Purdue Polytechnic Institute and will be remaining with Span Plan to mentor students as she navigates the interviewing process for employment. She was enthusiastic in explaining what constitutes a nontraditional student: individuals who delayed college enrollment from high school of two or more years, filed the FAFSA as independent or are 24 years or greater in age, are married and have or are expecting children, and have applied for Span Plan services.

A sincere thank you from Span Plan and the PWC Board also is extended to the individuals who contributed to the Span Plan Academic Scholarship at the luncheon.



Keara Wilson, Span Plan Director, speaking, Mary Kathleen Keller, Purdue Span Plan Graduate



Span Plan Table

Newcomers Enjoy Outings

Submitted by Dee Dee Long

The Newcomers Group enjoyed a great trip to Wea Creek Orchard on October 12th. Some newcomers picked pumpkins while others picked apples. The owner shared the history and exciting new plans they have for the orchard. We tasted many different varieties of apples, learned about honey processing and took a hayride. The weather was perfect! It was a beautiful fall day.



Another great success! The Newcomers Group met on August 3rd and had lunch at Fowler House Mansion. After lunch we walked over to the Greater Lafayette Art Museum for a guided tour. It was wonderful. A few newcomers even became members of the Art Museum!



Let's Do Lunch



On October 20th, many enjoyed Katami Restaurant.



Upcoming Dates for Let's Do Lunch

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| December 15 | Holiday Luncheon at Lafayette Country Club |
| January 19 | Krug Corner Pub |
| February 16 | Taste Chinese |

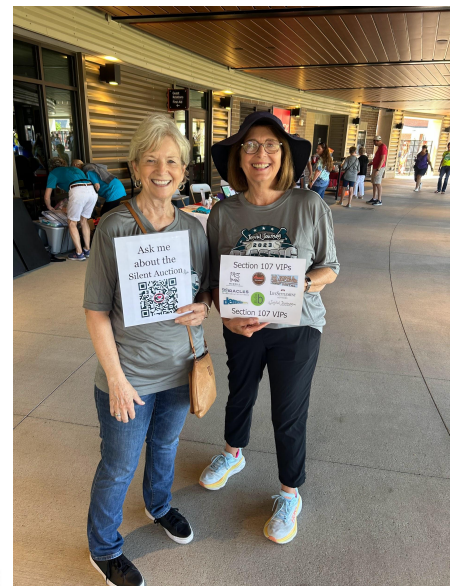
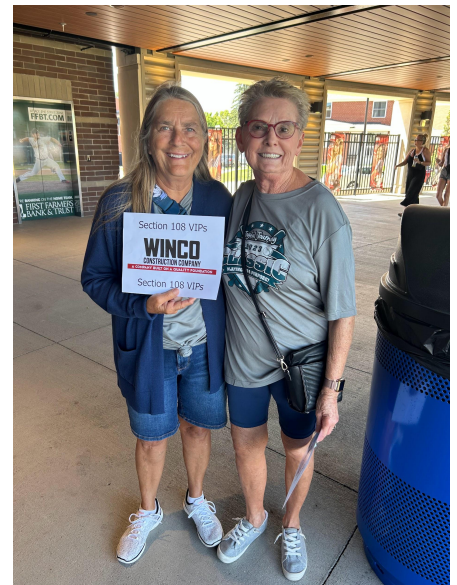
PWC Volunteers!

Submitted by Anne-Marie Markun



PWC Volunteer Group spent a beautiful Sunday in August helping Joyful Journey Adult Day Center with their annual awareness event. Ten PWC members assisted as ushers and greeters at Loeb Stadium for the 2nd Baseball Classic. It was a fun experience and great way to support a non-profit in our community.

In September and October, many members volunteered to vision screen hundreds of children: kindergarten, 1st grade, 3rd grade, and 8th grade. Because the Lafayette Lions Club reaches out to all the local schools in Lafayette and Tippecanoe County, it was a tremendous effort for experienced and new screeners in our Club to help check for vision problems throughout the fall season. Our Anna Wilson, PWC member & Vision Screening Director, is very grateful for all the new volunteers that signed up this time. Thank you to ALL members who devoted their time to the kids and their eyesight!





Biking Buddies

Submitted by Gail Fusaro



We are about to conclude another great biking season for 2023, and will resume in the spring of 2024 when the weather cooperates. In September we took a long ride from Colfax toward Lebanon, about 20 miles round trip. Upon our return and after working up an appetite, we had pizza in Colfax before heading home. Pictured below on the back row are Betsy Blair, Bev Mentzer , Joanne Small, Angie Stonehill, and Mary Caccavo

On the front row are Sarah Wassgren, Beth Dana, Gail Fusaro and Marcia Daehler. Our last ride of the season was through Prophetstown State Park to see the Trail of Scarecrows and continue out to the river.

We bike on Thursdays at 2PM when the weather is cool in early spring and late fall, and at 9:30AM when the weather is hot. Our typical rides are about an hour in length. New members are always welcome

PURDUE WOMEN'S CLUB BOWLING LEAGUE

Submitted by Gail Fusaro



The PWC Bowling League would like to congratulate bowler Anna Rauh on her highest score ever, 221!

The PWC Bowling League bowls every Wednesday at Market Square Lanes during the school year. New members and subs are always welcome. No experience necessary, just come and enjoy the fun and fellowship. Any questions? Call Judy Harshman at 765-418-6711

PWC Photography Guild

Submitted by Karen Weatherwax

PWC Photography Guild
Photowalk lead by Joan Briller
September 18, 2023
“Eye-Catching New Building Designs in Downtown Lafayette”

Blue skies and puffy white clouds greeted our small group of photographers gathered outside the Bru Burger Restaurant at 10:30 a.m. on September 18th. Joan Briller led the photography walk through downtown Lafayette. The buildings we photographed were new housing complexes for students and young professionals and new city government structures.

Buildings on our tour were:

- Nova Tower Apartment Complex
- The Ellsworth Apartments
- Lafayette Public Safety Center and City Garage
- Luna Flats Apartments

These newly constructed buildings have well-conceived modern exteriors with details that gave us all some interesting photo opportunities. They were built incorporating a variety of materials: brick, wood, cement, glass, and metal. Some buildings used designs and materials from historic buildings that once stood in their place.

The walk ended at the Red Seven restaurant where participants enjoyed a delicious lunch and engaging conversation.

Thank you Joan Briller for an interesting tour!



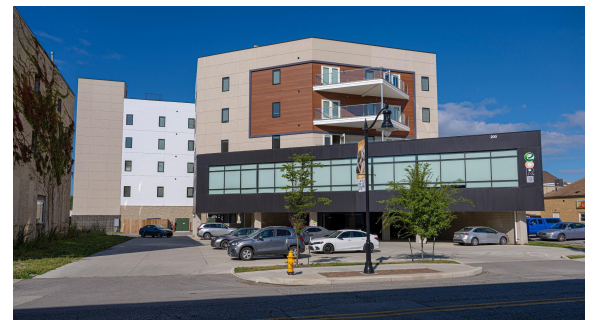
Ellsworth Apartments



Public Safety Center and
Parking Garage



Ellsworth Apartments



Nova Towers Apartments.

Photography Guild Competes at the Indiana State Fair

Submitted by Karen Weatherwax

The Photography Guild participated again this year in the Indiana State Fair Photography Print Competition. This year's participants submitted beautiful prints and fared well. Congratulations to Jennifer Maguire for her second place win over all prints in the Camera Club Category (except, of course, one)! Congratulations to Rebecca Tolson Fischer, Cherry Delaney, and Marcia Stroup on their amazing images and the willingness to put themselves up against some stiff competition and proudly represent the Purdue Women's Club. Fifth participant was me. We hope to have a Camera Club entry again in 2024.

Karen Weatherwax
State Fair Competition Coordinator
PW Photo Guild



Jennifer Maguire



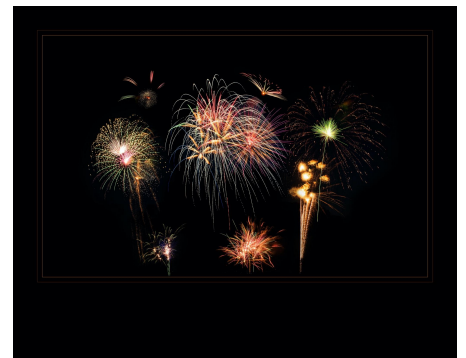
Rebecca Fisher



Cherry Delaney



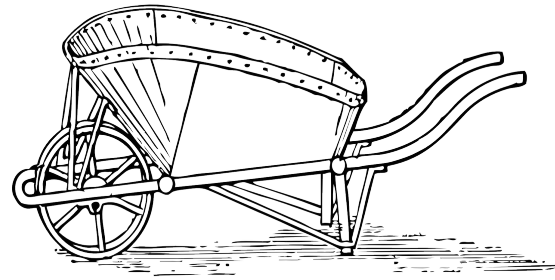
Marcia Stroup



Karen Weatherwax

Garden Gals

Photos Submitted by Jennifer Maguire



For our regular September meeting, we visited PWC member Esther Madren and her husband, Bruce. Dr. Bruce Madren grows a wide variety of tomatoes (10-20 varieties!) each year. Esther talked about preserving the harvest (they have other produce as well as a small orchard and grapes!)



Susan Pierce's Cutting Garden.

On Thursday morning, September 7, Susan Pierce kindly hosted us in her cutting garden. Photos by Karen Weatherwax



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.

In Memoriam



Carol Shertzer, a PWC member since 1960, passed away on June 10th.

<https://www.echovita.com/us/obituaries/in/west-lafayette/carol-m-shertzer-16514651>

Her daughter's address is:

Sarah Shertzer Kleedehn

1334 G St

Anchorage AK 99501-4355

Connie Bilyeu passed away in August. Her family has not posted an obituary.

She was an active member of Garden Gals. Since retirement Connie was active with PURA (Purdue University Retirees Association) . For those of you that would be interested you might send a card to her family. .

JC and Rachel Bilyeu

2231 Wake Robin Dr.

West Lafayette, IN 47906

UPDATED CONTACT INFORMATION for your PWC Directory

New members:

Aliprantis, Bernadette
Bertoluzzi, Jennifer
Callahan, Jane
Campbell, Susan
Cheney, Susan
Croese, Mary Ellen
Dunlap, Peggy
Henry, Vickie
Kemper, Mary
Kresovsky, Ellen
Lynas, Tisha
Marshall, Joan
McDermott, Lynn
Melloch, Lyn
Mills, Judy
Niemczyk, Susan
Nielsen, Holly
Piper, Madonna
Spoerner, Deborah
Vostry, Patricia
Warner, Carol

Returning members (not in the 2023-24

Yearbook):
Blue, Emily
Bold, Elaine
Brineman, Mary
Caffee, Suzanne
Dillon, Tina
Dowell, Laura
Drennen, Eileen
Enos, Mary
Grenier, Cecilia
Hobson, Megan
Hodge, Marlene C
Hoverman, Lisa
McCoy, Jean
McFall-Wankat, Tyson
Owens, Sharon
Randall, Karen
Schweitzer, Ellen
Waddell, Margaret
Wildfeuer, Trudi

Updates to Directory:

Callahan, Donna
Haueisen, Lois
Hoffman, Julie
Honig, Jo
Robinson, Mary Anne
Winchell, Barbara

Please note: New members and changes received after the newsletter deadline will be published in the following month's newsletter. Contact the Membership Secretary with any contact changes you wish to share at membershipsecretary@purdueomensclub.org or phone 765-237-9876.

The online version will not have actual addresses. You will find those only in the printed mailed version.

THE PURDUE WOMEN'S CLUB NEWSLETTER NOTES

**PWC NEWSLETTER
SUBMISSION DUE DATE
February 1, 2024**



There are always new people moving into the Greater Lafayette Area who may be going to www.purdueomensclub.org to check PWC out.

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.

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