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The Porch Club of Riverton

## Oct./Nov. 2012

# Inside the Porch Door

### Calendar

October

Tues. Oct. 2, noon
General Meeting/Opening Luncheon

Speaker from "Family Promise" Cost \$10.00, Reservations Required

*Mon., Oct. 8, 9:30am* Stitchery

*Mon., Oct. 8, 7:00 pm* Scribblers

*Wed., Oct.* **10**, **9:30** *am* Home Life – Make sandwiches

*Wed., Oct.* 10, 3:00-6:00 pm Fall Rummage Sale Set-Up

*Thurs., Oct. 11, 1:00-7:00 pm* Fall Rummage Sale Set-Up

*Fri., Oct.* **12**, **1:00-4:00** *pm* Fall Rummage Sale Set-Up

*Fri., Oct.* **12**, **6:00-9:00** *pm* Fall Rummage Sale

Sat., Oct. 13, 8:00 am-noon Fall Rummage Sale

Mon., Oct. 15, 9:30 am Crafts Meeting

Mon., Oct. 15, 11:30 am Literature Meeting

*Mon., Oct.* **15, 7:00** *pm* Domestic Violence Meeting

Fri., Oct. 19, 11:30 am
Book & Author Luncheon, Riverton

Country Club

Mon., Oct. 29, 6:00-9:00 pm

Evening Meeting - Shopping Spree, Pre-Holiday Sale

Tues., Nov. 6, 12:30 pm General Meeting/Tea – (Election Day) Jane Peters Estes, "Civil War

Nurses"
Thurs., Nov. 8

Arts Creative Trip – Philadelphia Craft Show

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## Letter From the President:

Dear Friends,

Fall is here and all those activities that go with it. The Porch Club is no exception, our activities and meetings have already begun with a bang!

October is jam-packed with events that you will find enjoyable and worthwhile. As you read this newsletter, our Opening Luncheon will be just about ended. My thanks go to the Luncheon committee, servers, and Garden Department. Right on the heels of our luncheon will be our Rummage Sale. Dates for drop-offs and the sale will be found within the newsletter. Next you'll be able to come to a festive 'Book and Author Luncheon' on the 19<sup>th</sup>. Tickets are on sale now. The month will be finished off with the Pre-Holiday Shopping Spree on the 29<sup>th</sup>. Come out shop, enjoy some food and meet up with a lot of your friends. Our own Crafts committee will have a table with handcrafted items. All of the funds from this evening will be given to our State Project, Family Promise. AND THEN, have a HAPPY HALLOWEEN!

On the heels of October comes November 6<sup>th</sup> with our tea and program. You won't want to miss "Civil War Nurses" presentation given by Jane Peters Estes. Then our Ways and Means committee will have their annual Spaghetti Dinner on the 10<sup>th</sup>.. Sell lots of tickets and bring all of your friends for an evening of great food and camaraderie. On November 12 our evening department will host a speaker whose theme is "Philadelphia's Lost Waterfront". From all I have heard, you won't want to miss this. Did you know there were caves along the banks of the Delaware? Come out and learn lots more! AND THEN, have a HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

On December 4 we have our Christmas Tea and General Meeting. We'll also be having our annual poinsettia sale chaired by Karyn Gordon Lunn. Karyn will be taking orders starting at our October meeting. Let your friends and family know, order early and pick them up the day of the Tea. Proceeds will go to our state project, Family Promise. Many of you know Family Promise by its name 'Interfaith Hospitality Network' or IHN.

There is a lot more for you to do during the following months. Be sure to read the articles on the next pages.

Enjoy!

#### **Bobbie**



## Calendar Continued

*Sat., Nov. 10, 5:00-8:00 pm* Spaghetti Dinner

Mon., Nov. 12, 9:30 am

Stitchery

Mon., Nov. 12, 7:00 pm Evening Meeting, Philadelphia Lost Waterfront

*Wed., Nov.* **14**, **7:00** *pm* Open House for Prospective Members

*Thurs., Nov.* 15, 7:00 pm Education Committee

Fri., Nov. 16

Public Issues Meeting

Mon., Nov. 19, 9:30 am

*Mon., Nov.* 19, 11:30 am Literature

Mon., Nov. 19, 7:00 pm
Domestic Violence Meeting
Tues Nov. 27, 1:00 pm

*Tues., Nov. 27, 1:00 pm* Decorate the Clubhouse

## Membership Department JoAnn DiNoia,

JoAnn D1N01a, jaydinoia@verizon.net

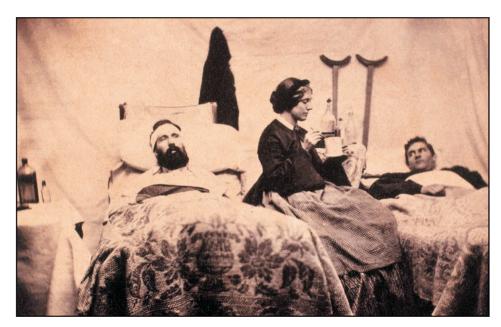
Hi ladies and welcome to the start of another Porch Club year. Many of you have already submitted names of potential members for our new club year, if you know anyone who is interested in joining our wonderful organization, let me know so I can send them an invitation to our Open House on November 14th.

Thank you and looking forward to seeing you all soon.

# Great Quotes From Great Women

"You cannot hope to build a better world without improving the individuals. To that end each of us must work for his own improvement, and at the same time share a general responsibility for all humanity, our particular duty being to aid those whom we think we can be most useful."

Marie Curie - 1867 - 1934 Polish born French Physicist



## **Programs**

#### Aggie Kennedy, aggiekennedy@hotmail.com

#### October Meeting

For our October 2nd meeting, The Porch Club will have a speaker from our NJS-FWC State Project, Claas Ehlers, Director of Affiliate Services for Family Promise .

#### **November Meeting (Election Day)**

On November 6th at 12:30, historical interpretor, Jane Peters Estes, will present "Civil War Nurses". This program provides information about many of the women (both little known and famous) who served as nurses between 1861 and 1865. It includes the different paths by which women entered the occupation and includes stories of women who never intended to be nurses, but were caught up by the circumstances of war. Jane will appear in Victorian era clothing for her presentation.

Ms Estes has been an avid student of history for more than 25 years. While informative and educational, Jane believes that history can also be fun!

## **Rummage Sale**

#### Mary Hannah, Riverton 914@aol.com

I am sure that you are holding your breath with anticipation for the news of our next Rummage Sale! Well, get ready! We will be setting up on October 10, Wednesday, from 3 to 6:00, October 11, Thursday, set up from 1 to 7:00 and October 12, Friday, set up from 1 to 4:00. Our sale times are Friday, October 12, from 6 to 9:00 and Saturday, October 13, from 8 to 12:00. The famous bag sale will be from 11:00 to 12:00. These are some time differences from our prior sales.

Our sales have certainly turned "unique". If you haven't ever been to one, please try and stop in to say hello and look around. We have brand new items, collectables, vintage and nice current clothing and much, much more. You never know what can turn up! This endeavor has been going on to benefit women's and children's charities for a very long time. I have the records to prove it! The total amount of our proceeds goes to the charities. So if you are looking around the house and finding a little bit of clutter or unused items, if you want to start holiday cleaning early, if you want to go green and recyle for a wonderful cause, please remember us. One item or one truck load, we appreciate it all. We have been short on toys and children's clothes for the past few sales, so it would be wonderful if this is an area where you can help.

New or long term members, we can use your assistance, please call me at 856-304 4434. The sales are a great way to meet fellow members or reconnect with some you might not have seen in awhile. Thank you all sincerely for your help.

## Literature Department

#### Cora Lee Page, crpage1@comcast.net, 609-914-4533, cell: 609 932-0787

It looks like summer is just about over, even though it is still quite warm. I hope everyone has had a good summer and have done lots of reading. I know I have. We are having our 1<sup>st</sup> meeting at Sandi Scheer's house at 506 Henry Street, Riverside on Monday, Sept. 17<sup>th</sup> at 11:30. It is a pot luck luncheon, so bring whatever you would like and don't worry if you can't bring anything, as we always have more than enough food. Please call Sandi or me if you plan to be at the meeting (Her no. is 856 461-3080). At that meeting we will set up our schedule for the year, but most important we will be making final plans for our Author's luncheon which is Friday, Oct. 19<sup>th</sup> at the Riverton Country Club. I hope you are as excited as I am about having an Author's luncheon this year, since it has been 2 years since we have done this.

I have picked 2 authors from the NJ Author's network: Jon Gibbs (the president of the group) author of a book for young people called *Fur-Face* and a 2<sup>nd</sup> author: Mary Kate Quinn who has written *Brookside Daisy* as well as 2 other books-all with names of flowers in the titles. I have read all of them, enjoyed them and will bring them with me if any of you want to borrow them. I haven't had a chance to see if any of these books are in the local libraries, so maybe some of you will have a chance to check. I have enclosed an attachment (hopefully!) that Pat Brunker made for us showing the info about our event. I will also bring the menu with me for the luncheon and we can decide on our 2 entrees.

We have received approval for the gaming licenses that are now required to have for our usual 50-50 ticket sale. Our hat sale that we normally give \$100, we are no longer allowed to sell tickets for the \$100 Hat Give-Away but we can put a \$100 Visa card gift certificate on the hat. You figure that out! Also, we have received permission to have up to 3 baskets that we can sell tickets at a value of approximately \$5 apiece. So start looking through your closets and drawers to see if you have anything you would like to donate if we want to do these baskets. Remember, and I see it is not on the flyer, so we will have to add it, that the proceeds all go to support the Literacy Volunteers of Burlington County.

Looking forward to seeing you on the 17th.

#### **Education Committee**

#### Jan DeVries, jdv5456@aol.com, 856-816-4986

The Education Committee is planning a busy year of activities to support the students, teachers and staff at our local schools, including:

- · Encouraging Reading in the Schools. We plan participation in three programs: Bookmates; The 100 Book Challenge; and Read across America/Dr. Seuss' Birthday Celebration
- · Supporting the Girls Career Institute the NJGFWC sponsored summer program for high school junior girls. We will identify candidates from Palmyra and Cinnaminson High School who will be sponsored at GCI by the Porch Club.
- · Showing Appreciation for Teachers and Staff at Charles Street School and Riverton School. We are planning a second Teachers Wish List project with an additional special request for Nurses' Emergency Supplies.

If you are interested in any of these projects, please be sure to let me know. We'd love to have your help!

#### House

## Carol McCarthy, Chairperson jmc08@verizon.net

The Club's much-needed bathroom renovations are now in progress. According to the contractor, construction is on track and the majority of the work should be completed by early October. The project includes the addition of a new, larger handicapped accessible bathroom, as well as a face lift for the smaller, original facility. The House Committee will soon be selecting paint colors and finishes for the new rooms. We look forward to the big "reveal" in the upcoming months!

## **Domestic Abuse**

#### Barbara Toritto, Btoritto@aol.com

October is Domestic Awareness Month. I have the pleasure of chairing the Domestic Abuse committee and there are a wonderful group of women who have volunteered to help. I would like to share some information on the services that Providence House provides to the victims of domestic abuse. This information and more can be found at www.catholiccharitiestrenton.org. For more than 33 years, Providence House has provided shelter, outreach, support and compassion to individuals who have experienced domestic violence in their lives. The safe house is staffed 24 hours a day, 7 days a week with caring, trained people who meet the emotional and physical needs of the adult and children in crisis.

Providence House works with individuals and their children to help them realize a life free from abuse and prepare for an independent, violence-free life.

Ladies, these services are FREE to these women and their children. Providence House will continue to provide these services because of the generous donations that are made from groups such as the Riverton Porch Club.

#### NJSFWC Awards International Outreach, Newsletter and Communications

At the May, 2012 NJSFWC Convention, The Porch Club was awarded "First Place" honors in the NJSFWC Communication and Best Newsletter Award and Third Place for "Best All-Around Work in the State" for International Outreach.

There are 22 clubs in the Garden District and 183 clubs in the state. This is an incredible accomplishment for the Porch Club.

## **Looking Back**

#### By Priscilla Taylor, ptaylor93@msn.com Porch Club Historian

*October, 1895* - the first Annual Meeting of the Porch Club was held. Membership was limited to 25 (at time of origin, 12 women were members).

Fall, 1914 - the Porch Club held "better baby" classes and a baby contest.

October, 1930 - local builder George Shaner was awarded contract to enclose the porch facing Howard Street and enlarge the clubroom by removing the balcony from the back wall

*Fall,* 1931 - work on enclosing the porch was completed. From 9-12 weekdays in October, the Club's Board Room was used as an office for unemployment: 52 Riverton families were on welfare and many men were unemployed. The Club helped with "penny funds" and milk funds.

*October,* 1959 - the Porch Club welcomed 43 new members from the Palmyra Women's Club (which had been dissolved in spring of '59). We purchased Palmyra's Club dishes and had a closet built in our clubhouse to accommodate them.

*October,* 1989 - a dinner and fashion show was held at Merion Caterer's. Chaired by Jeanne Paredes and Carolyn Brann, the event earned a profit of \$8,004.



## Paint the Porch Pink Breast Cancer Walk

#### Carol J. McCarthy, cjmc08@verizon.net

Our next Paint the Porch Pink Walk is scheduled for June 2, 2013. Anyone who participated in the 2011 Paint the Porch Pink - either as a volunteer, porch home owner or walker – can tell you how much they enjoyed the day. Now we are looking for volunteers and porch owners that would like to donate

their time, energy or porch for the 2013 event. Some of the sub-committees will include Sponsorship, Publicity, Hostesses, Registration and more. If you would like to participate please contact Carol McCarthy.

## Pre-Holiday Shopping Spree

Monday, October 29 6-9 pm

25 vendors and food

Do your holiday shopping early!

# Treasury Michelle Daniel, Treasurer danielmch@aol.com

I knew when I took on the position as Treasurer that I would have "big shoes to fill". Thanks to the hard work of Sandy Gunn the transition has been relatively smooth. That being said, there is still a huge learning curve to this job. On the 1st of November I have to send a check to NJSFWC for several thousand dollars. To help off set this expense please pay your dues on time. The Executive Board has approved a \$15.00 late fee for any dues received after October 31st. If for any reason you are experiencing difficulty with your dues payment please feel free to confidentially contact me.



### Annual Poinsettia Sale

4.5" pot branched Red or White Pointsettia - \$5.00 each \*\*\*
7" pot branched Red or White, Red & White, Shimmer Pointsettia - \$12.00 each Order Forms will be available at our Opening Luncheon on October 2, 2012

Orders must be received by November 19, 2012 Payment must accompany all orders

Plants will be available for pickup December 4 at the Christmas Tea
To order contact Karyn Gordon-Lunn 856-786-2494 or email gordonkaryn@gmail.com
All proceeds go to our Special State Project, "Family Promise".

## **Evening Meetings**

Kit Stahler-Miller, Chairperson

Kitsmiller200@comcast.net, 856-786-2014 home, 856/261-0251 cell

Monday, October 29, 2012 from 6:00 - 9:00 pm

**Pre-Holiday Shopping Spree** 

Once again, vendors will be displaying their hand crafted and artistic items for our Pre-Holiday Shopping Spree. There will be interesting, exciting products for upcoming holiday gift-giving and personal use presented by local artisans. This is a great opportunity to find that special gift. Food will also be available. Proceeds will support "Family Promise" to benefit families in need.

#### Monday, November 12, 2012, 7 pm Philadelphia's Lost Waterfront

Did you know that the early Quaker settlers lived in caves along the Delaware and that William Penn had several sets of public stairs built along the front of the Delaware to facilitate easy access to the river?

Come hear Harry Kyriakodis, Esq., noted historian and author of *Philadelphia's Lost Waterfront*, present a slide show on the river, the streets along the river's edge, and the overall history of Old City, Society Hill, and Queen Village. He will also discuss Penn's Landing, other modern developments along the waterfront, and the heartless effects of Interstate 95 on the riverfront and rich history of the city.

Bring your questions to this fascinating evening. Books will be available for book signing. Guests welcome.

## **Art Performing/Music/Drama**

Susan Fay and Naomi Horn, suefay56@gmail.com, 856-234-4031

EVEN IF YOU THINK YOU CAN'T SING! Please join the Music Department for Chorus Practice. You know you are out there - anyone who loves to sing just for the joy of it, please join us (no auditions, I promise). We have one concert which will be at the Christmas Tea on December 4.

If we can't practice at Porch Club because of construction, we will e-mail you - so please e-mail (or call) me to let us know if you would like to join us.

Chorus Practice starts October 30 at 1:00 and goes as follows:

October 30

November 5

November 13

November 20

November 27

December 3 (Dress Rehearsal)

Performance, December 4 at General Meeting 12:30 at Porch Club.

#### **Book and Author Luncheon**

Cora Lee Page, crpage1@comcast.net

Sandi Scheer, sscheer506@verizon.net, 856-461-3080

The proceeds from the luncheon go to the Volunteers for Literacy in Burlington County. There will be a choice of a chicken or seafood entrée, when you call for reservations and tickets. Please see the ad on the next page for contact information.

More about the authors: they are both living in New Jersey; Jon Gibbs is from England and is the head of the NJ Authors' Network. His book is designed for the 10-13 year olds, but it is very cute. M. Kate Quinn has written at least 3 books-all with names of flowers in the titles. The other 2 are Summer Iris and Moonlight and Violet.

#### **Scribblers**

Pat Brunker, patebrunk@comcast.net Pat McDermott, pmcdermott14@comcast.net

The Scribblers next writing group will be on Oct. 10 at 10am at Zena's. Contact Pat or Pat for the current assignment. We will share our writings and critique them (if the author wishes) providing gushing praise, suggestions, and motivation. We will still maintain our evening meetings as per the Porch Club schedule (check the book). This will be an open meeting where ideas and activities are discussed.

For those who don't feel motivated to take pen in hand, consider the following:

- Books by women authors (good ones) that we love. Bring suggestions! We could have a discussion or book report.
- Attend a movie that is about writing. Currently, "The Words" with Bradley Cooper.
- Visit a bookstore for coffee and/or lunch. Barnes & Noble has many, many events on their website all at our local B&N: writer's groups, author meets, poetry round tables, senior memoirs etc. You don't have to participate, you can just listen.
- Discover new bookstores or independent stores.
- Submit to the Medford Arts Poetry Contest which starts soon.
- Work on entries for the Spring NJSFWC Writing Contest: poetry, haiku, essay, many categories to work in.
- Visit Edgar Alan Poe's House: the NPS does guided tours and we could read some of his works before going.
- Visit the Walt Whitman House: Again there are tours and we would do some pre-visit reading.

Feel free to bring your own ideas to our meetings. More members are always welcome. You never know what will inspire you!

Pat McDermott won first place for the following haiku entry in the NJSFWC writer's competition in the Spring:

#### Meditation On the Back Porch

It is still, oh so.

No sound but the mosquito

Prompting a voice. Ouch!

## **Upcoming Arts Creative Activities**

#### Co-Chairs Phyllis Rodgers 786-8422 & Donna Van Hoy 786-1622

## The Philadelphia Museum of Art Craft Show at the Convention Center Thursday, November 8, 2012

Anyone who is interested in crafts will have their socks knocked off at this show. All types of crafts are displayed. You can check out their elaborate web-site at pmacraft-show.org. We'll get lunch at Reading Terminal. We can see if the cars or train will work for everyone. Look for the sign up sheet or call.

#### Holiday Excursion - Bus Trip, Winterthur and Longwood Gardens Monday December 10, 9:00am-6:00pm

This excursion will cost \$57.00 and includes: Guided Yuletide Tour of Winterthur, self guided tour of Longwood to view their spectacular Holiday light display, motor coach to and from, bus snack and drivers gratuity.

Not included: Lunch in the Cafe at Winterthur

Reservations will be secured by check payment to The Porch Club of Riverton by November 9th. This will be on a first come first served basis.

Look for the sign up sheet or call Phyllis or Donna

#### Stitchery Jeanne Bianchini, jxstitch@gmail.com

Stitchers & Crafters, We're letting you know that the first Stitchery Meeting will be held on Monday, October 8th, 9:30am at the Porch Club. You may have only signed up for the Stitchery or Craft Committee, but we've combined both lists. So you'll be getting emails that involve both groups in the future.

The Stitchery Committee meets the second Monday & the Craft Committee meets the third Monday, both at 9:30am. You're welcome to attend either or both and bring whatever you're working on to the meeting. Our 1st meeting will be an "Ideas Meeting". We'd like to know where your interests lie for the coming year and also share some of our ideas with you.

Last year some of the members took Beginners Knitting lessons and some became Needlepointers. We'll leave it up to them to tell you how well they're doing! They do underestimate themselves, and can't seem to explain why they won ribbons on Achievement Day. Make sure to ask Pat Brunker if you can meet her bird "Pinky".

If you have a definite interest in learning a specific needle art, please let us know. If you have something that you need help with, we know there's someone in our group who can help you.

So, please try to attend the meeting and we'll all be inspired by each other. We enjoy our mornings with each other and know you will too. Looking forward to seeing everyone, Marylou, Gerri, Muriel & Jeanne

A few things you might like to know about prior to our meeting:

If you enjoy knitting or crocheting, Woolbearers in Mount Holly, is having a Yarn Tasting event on October 26 at the Robin's Nest. Visit their website: www.woolbearers. com or .net to get more details. It's a wonderful shop for yarn, a lovely shop owner, Myra, and it's local. Please try to support them.

Quilts in the Mill is happening October 5-7, 2012 from 10AM to 5PM at the Prallsville Mill, Route 29, Stockton, NJ. It's a very short drive north of Lambertville. A beautiful area along the Delaware River. As well as the quilt show, you'll find wonderful restaurants, and a fabulous Farmer's Market in the center of town.

Again, hope we'll see you on October 8. Of course there'll be something to nibble on and a spot of tea. If you'd like to bring something too, feel free.

# Spaghetti Dinner

Saturday, November 10, 5:00 pm - 8:00pm The Porch Club of Riverton 213 Howard St., Riverton, NJ, Cost: \$12

The ladies are cooking just for you!

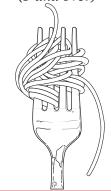
Come and enjoy a special dinner out.

Menu: Homemade Spaghetti and meatballs, tossed salad, Italian bread, cheesecake for dessert, coffee, tea, soft drinks (BYOB).

Purchase tickets Riverton Library, 306 Main Street, Riverton The New Leaf Gift Shop, 606 Main Street, Riverton

For reservations: nancyjanderson@comcast.net or 609-410-1602

Price Adults \$12, Children \$6 (5 and over)



# The Porch Club of Riverton

**Presents** 

A Book and Author Luncheon

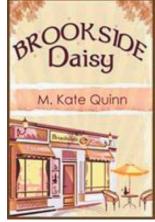


Featuring:

M. Kate Quinn

Author of:

"Brookside Daisy"



Jon Gibbs

and Jon Gibbs

Author of "Fur-Face"



When: Friday, October 19, 2012

**Where: Riverton Country Club** 

1416 Highland Ave, Cinnaminson, NJ 08077

Time: 11:30 am

**Cost:** \$35

Menu: Choice of Lemon Scented Chicken or Crab-Crusted Flounder Soup du jour, salad, dessert and beverage. Cash bar.



For reservations, call Sandi, 856-461-3080 or Cora Lee 609-932-0787

Proceeds benefit The Literacy Volunteers of Burlington Co and the annual Carmel Fischer Scholarship Award at Cinnaminson HS. Visit our web site - http://theporchclub.org/.



## **Garden/Conservation Department**

Pat Brunker & Pat McDermott



Welcome back gardeners! Last June we finished on a grand

note having a very successful Garden Tour thanks to Co-Chairs, June Emens and Rita Vittese. The \$6379.54 raised will help to fund our Clubhouse renovations to make it handicapped accessible.

We both participated in PHS' City Garden judging over the summer. Our category was "Urban Farms" and we both felt it was an eye-opening experience that informed us about the work being done with youth in Philadelphia in the creating and marketing of urban farming through high school programs. This is something that others may wish to participate in next summer.

Our first Garden Department meeting was held on September 12th. It was a planning meeting and we have lots and lots of ideas of things to do. Thanks to all who attended and brought their ideas. We have an exciting fall season planned. Our members did a clean up of the Porch

Club's gardens and planted some fall mums on September 29th.

We are planning a tour of the Water Works in Philadelphia for Tuesday, October 16th. We will meet at the Porch Club at 9:30 for those who wish to carpool. The guided tour lasts an hour and a half, then we'll have (an optional) lunch at The Water Works Restaurant. The cost of the tour is \$8 per person, lunch is on your own. Sitting elegantly at the foot of the Philadelphia Museum of Art, the Fairmount Water Works, for much of the 19<sup>th</sup> century, was the heart of Philadelphia's water distribution system and a key part in the purification of "unclean water". In its heyday (1820-1840), the Water Works was one of the most visited sites in the United States. It became the prototype for water-supply systems around the globe. We plan to increase our member's awareness this year of water issues both locally and around the world. Call or e-mail either of us if you wish to attend.

In conjunction with the Arts Creative Department, we'll decorate the Porch Club

for the holidays starting at 1:00 on Tuesday, November 27th, then visit Winterthur and Longwood Gardens on December 10th for their lovely Christmas displays.

Are you planting a tree this fall? Check out the PHS website, plantonemillion.org and register your tree. Replacing our tree canopy is an important goal that will benefit the whole region. Join the effort!

#### Publicity, Press Releases, Deadline 5th of each month

All newspaper and Comcast Bulletin Boards have different deadlines and requirements. So in order to be sure we maximize our efforts to get the word out about our events, please send all press releases to Debbie Patras - debpatras@yahoo.com by the 5<sup>th</sup> of each month. This will give me time to email, fax, and post to websites the event.

Format: maximum of 7 lines, contact information, date, time, place, proceeds to benefit what charity?

Please kindly proofread prior to sending. Thanks for your support and let's get the word out about all the great events the Porch Club has to offer.

www.theporchclub.org