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The Porch Club of Riverton

April 2011

Inside the Porch Door

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Fri., April 8, 12:30 p.m.
BINGO at the Porch Club
Mon., April 18, 11:30 a.m.
Literature Meeting at the Porch
Club

Mon., April 18, 1:00 p.m. "Making and Decorating Chocolate Bunnies"

*Thurs., April 21, 7:00 p.m.*Travel Group meeting at the home of Iris Gaughan, 401 Main Street, Riverton.

Mon., April 25, 7:00 p.m. "Spring Forward with a New You" - Style Makeover

Mon., May 2, 12:00 p.m. Rehearsal at the Porch Club

Tues., May 3, 12:30 p.m."The Good Wife, Mrs. Benjamin Franklin

Sun., May 8, 9 a.m.-12 p.m. Mothers Day Brunch,

Tues., May 10, 12:00 p.m. Rehearsal at the Porch Club

Tues., May 17, 12:00 p.m. Rehearsal at the Porch Club

Mon., May 23, 7:00 p.m. Faux Finishes and Antiquing

Tues., May 24, 12:00 p.m. Rehearsal at the Porch Club

Tues., May 31, 12:00 p.m. Rehearsal at the Porch Club

Sun., June 5, 2 p.m.
Paint the Porch Pink Breast Cancer

*Mon., June 6, 12:00 p.m.*Dress Rehearsal at the Porch Club

Tues., June 7, 12:00 p.m. Rehearsal at the Porch Club

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From Pat's Perspective:

Hooray, it's spring! There are lots of exciting things coming up in the next few months. Your Department and Committee Chairmen are working hard, as always, to have interesting and fun things for you to do. For the first time this year, we will be doing a walk for breast cancer called "Paint the Porch Pink" on the afternoon of Sunday, June 5th. What better activity could a women's club be involved in? The American Cancer Society reports that, "excluding cancers of the skin, breast cancer is the most common cancer among women, accounting for nearly 1 in 4 cancers diagnosed in US women." The walk will support the Susan B. Komen Foundation.

This year marks the 100th anniversary of "A Collect for Club Women" by Mary Stewart that we say at every meeting. It was written as a personal prayer without any particular organization in mind. The first printing was an obscure paragraph in a *Delineaton* (a woman's magazine that was nationally popular at the time) column called "Club Notes". The first known women's organization to hear and use it was in October 1911 when Mrs. Howard C. Warren, Colorado State President, read it, saying "it is a beautiful sentiment for every woman whether she belongs to a club or not." Mary Stewart said that she "felt that women working together with wide interests for large ends was nothing new under the sun, and that perhaps they had need for special petition and mediation of their own." Speaking of poetry, our own Pat McDermott has won the NJSFWC State award for poetry this year. Although this is supposed to be a secret until it's announced at Convention in May, we got advance notice that her poem had been selected. Please congratulate her when you see her.

As I leave office at our Annual Meeting in June, I want to thank all those women who have served with me on Executive Boards and Committees for the past four years.

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The Flower Show team was Bobbie Beck, Pat Brunker, Carol Crawford, Jan DeVries, Pat McDermott, Maureen Murray, Debbie Patras, Kathy Simon, and Rita Vittese. The judges thought that it was a lovely breath of spring, but lacked a "wow" factor. We got an Honorable Mention.

June Chorus Performance

The chorus performance at our June Annual Meeting will be the the last time they will perform under the direction of Naomi Horn who will be retiring as Director that day.

SAVE THE DATE

Muriel Alls-Moffatt muriel.alls@verizon.net

The combined Garden District clubs will hold a fashion show at Masso's in Glassboro NJ on Saturday, November 19, 2011 tickets will be \$45. The proceeds from this event will support the NJSFWC Special Project, Gilda's Clubs.

Travel

Iris Gaughan iggaughan@yahoo.com

The Travel Group meeting will be held on Thursday, April 21, at the home of Iris Gaughan, 401 Main Street, Riverton, at 7:00 p.m.

Membership JoAnn DiNoia, jaydinoia@verizon.net

Once again we will be selecting our "Woman of the Year" if you would like to nominate someone please see me for information.

Please welcome the following new members: Grace Campbell, Cynthia Pierson, Betty Dunn, and Linda Lippincott.

Thank's to all who bring us such Great Members. JoAnn

From Pat's Perspective:

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To name them all would take up too much space in the newsletter, but I know, love and thank you all. My very special thanks goes to Naomi Horn, who has been our Arts Performing Chairman for many years. Her leadership of the chorus and wonderful piano playing at the meetings (which she will continue to do) has been a delight. Thank you also to all the members of the Porch Club, for all you have done and continue to do to support the Club and your community. I turn over the President's job to Bobbie Beck's very capable hands, knowing that you will support her as you have me - with pleasure, kindness and enthusiasm. You are the best group of women I've ever known. Thank you for allowing me to be your President for the past four years. It has been an honor to represent you.

Pat

A Porch Club First:

Paint the Porch Pink! Breast Cancer Walk

Over an estimated 200,000 women will be diagnosed with breast cancer this year. Chances are that you or a loved one knows someone who has been affected by this disease, either directly or indirectly. As a women's group, The Porch Club is committed to doing our part to make a difference by hosting our own *Paint the Porch Pink Breast Cancer Walk*, Sunday, June 5, to raise funds for the Susan G. Komen Foundation, the global leader in fundraising to battle breast cancer. Same-day

registration begins at 2 p.m. at the Porch Club. The official start of the walk is at 2:30 p.m.

This family-friendly fundraiser features a 3-mile (approximately 5K) walk. Unique to this event are the designated Pink Porches that dot the route, where walkers can stop to enjoy a variety of pink refreshments. Other planned activities include live music, refreshments, raffles, balloons, and face-painting. The \$25.00 registration fee will go to the Komen Foundation for breast cancer research, education and support. Pre-registered walkers will receive a commemorative t-shirt.

We encourage all of our members to walk. Bring the entire family out for a fun afternoon, or organize a team from your church, school or company. Wellbehaved pets are welcome too. Walkers are encouraged to wear their pink finery – beads, boas, hats – as long as it's pink!

pink! Sub-committees are still open for this event. If you would like to participate in planning, contact Pat Brunker or Carol McCarthy. There will be general meetings at the club. All are welcome to attend.



Upcoming Arts Creative Activities

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



"Making and Decorating Chocolate Bunnies," April 18, 1:00 p.m. We will be melting chocolate and pouring it into new and antique bunny molds. We will also decorate them with royal

icing. The cost will be around \$10.00 per person. Look for the sign up sheet.

"Trip to the Grounds For Sculpture".

We are planning a joint carpool trip with the Garden Department to the Grounds For Sculpture in Hamilton, N.J. We would also like to have a nice lunch at Rat's Restaurant located nearby. We don't have a date yet but let us know if you are interested by signing the sheet and we will be in touch with more details.

Ways and Means Nancy J. Anderson, Chairwoman nancyjanderson@comcast.net

Mothers Day Brunch, Sunday, May 8, 9 a.m.-12 p.m.

The Porch Club of Riverton is cooking a lovely spring brunch for Mother's Day so you don't have to. Sunday, May 8, 2011 from 9 a.m. to 12:00 noon at The Porch Club, 4th and Howard Streets, Riverton. Take away a small gift for every Mother. Menu: Egg and French toast casseroles, sausage, bagels & muffins, fruit, juice, and coffee/tea/milk. Purchase tickets at the Riverton Library, 306 Main Street or The New Leaf Gift Shop, 606 Main Street. All proceeds support the Porch Club's public service initiatives. Cost \$10 adults, \$5 children (3 to 12 years old), toddlers free. Call Nancy 609-835-1819 or Karyn 856-786-2494 for more information, reservations and tickets.

Don' t forget about BINGO, Friday, April 8, 12:30 p.m.

The Luau has been rescheduled for NEXT YEAR on April 28, 2012.

Trip to the Philadelphia Museum of Art to see "Roberto Capucci: Art into Fashion". We will be carpooling to the museum and stop for lunch. We don't have a date yet but let us know if you are interested by signing the sheet and we'll be back in touch with more details.

Literature Department

Sandi Scheer, 856-461-3080

The March Literature meeting was canceled and it was decided to go to the Alice Paul House with the Travel Group.

Monday, March 21 we met at 11:30 a.m. at the home of Carol Mantucci to discuss Carolyn Hart's books.

In April 18 we will meet at 11:30 a.m. at the Porch Club.

International Outreach

Pat McDermott, pmcdermott14@comcast.net

Have you noticed? Our department has a new name. The NJSFWC has changed our title from International Affairs to International Outreach. We as women are called to "reach out" in this world. There is much need as evidenced by the global disasters that fill our newspapers and TV screens every day.

Because of your generosity we have been able to support children in the Child Fund International program for over 30 years. This club year we have also made donations to CARE, dedicated to women in impoverished areas through their Global Village program.

We've supported UNICEF and their efforts to save children especially in earthquake devastated



Haiti. This year our International Luncheon and Program funded a \$260 donation to Heifer International providing 13 flocks of chicks to villages in remote parts of our world. Every dollar that is contributed to the Kim basket is put to good use. Together we can make a difference.

Evening Group Meetings

Monday, April 25, 2011 at 7:00 "Spring Forward with a New You" - Style Makeover

This year, why not greet spring with a renewed personal image? Dana Persia is the owner of DP Image Consulting, a company specializing in individual and group image consulting. Her expertise includes makeup and grooming, etiquette interpersonal communications, wardrobe analysis and personal shopping. You'll learn how to listen to your intuition to self-evaluate, recognize the "comfort" trap and how to get released, learn how to love and dress the body you have NOW (not 10 pounds from now!), learn or re-learn the importance of makeup and skincare, and discover the importance of reclaiming and celebrating your femininity.

Monday, May 23, 2011 at 7:00 Faux Finishes and Antiquing

Now that you've gotten those yardsale finds, have you ever wanted to know what you can do to refinish your furniture and make it look new again? How to do a faux marble look with veins? How to do different painting techniques to "antique" your furniture? Maria Chiaccio, former owner of "Maria's" gift shop in Palmyra, will bring some pieces of furniture to show us how it's done.

<u>Note:</u> The progressive architecture walking tour originally scheduled for our June meeting has been replaced by the "Paint the Porch Pink" breast cancer walk this year. Look for the architecture tour in the fall.

Programs

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The Good Wife, Mrs. Benjamin Franklin

On Tuesday, May 3, at 12:30 p.m. after the general meeting, The Porch Club will experience the fascinating life of one of the Founding Mothers, Deborah Read Franklin, wife to one of the most popular world figures in the 18th Century, Benjamin Franklin.

This program is being presented by Jo Ann Tufo, and is her signature one woman show, as seen on Travel Channel, Discovery Channel, and CN8.

June Program Naomi Horn and the Porch Club Chorus

Program Note: There has been a change in our June program. Naomi Horn and The Porch Club Chorus will perform in lieu of the Riverton School Chorus at the June 7 meeting.





Paint the Porch Pink! Breast Cancer Walk

Sign up early for this worthwile cause!

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