

WINTER HIGHLIGHTS 2019

Twentieth Century Club of Park Ridge President's Message



Dear Members,

As we start 2019 I want to thank American Home Chair Diana Garvey and Art Chair Mary Gebhardt for coordinating September and November's wonderful general meeting programs. Thank you also to Irene Horst for the bus trip, Alyce Miller for the theater outing, Barbara Avery for chairing the Thanksgiving Basket donation to Center of Concern, and Angie Bratek and Dolores Kazmer for the Annual Christmas Luncheon with the music program chaired by Stella Venard.

With great anticipation we are looking forward to our exciting general meeting programs, the Food Collection for Maine Township Food Pantry, the Gourmet Luncheon in March and the spectacular annual Benefit "Circle of Friends" chaired by Pat Long in April.

My hope is that you have been and will continue to participate in some, if not all, of the philanthropic and social activities that are planned for this club year. Always remember that our 20th Century Club is a great way to meet new friends and make lasting relationships.

Sincerely,

Susan James
President

20th Century Meeting- Honoring Past Presidents



The 20th Century Club's September 2018 meeting kicked off the year honoring the club's past presidents. Without these talented and committed women contributing their time and dedication, the 20th Century of Club of Park Ridge would have had a difficult time keeping its promises to the community. We honor these women for their past and continuing service: From left to right back row: Paula O'Connor, Janet Miller, Barbara Avery, Mary Schaefer, Pat Starzec, Shilee Ehlers, and Sally Loeffler. From row:left to right: Mary Ann Gobbo, Barrie Shinn, Helen Ideno, Cathy DePrizio and Betty Henneman.

WELCOME. New 20th Century Clubs Members-



With a great start to the 2018-2019 year, nine new members were welcomed to the 20th Century Club of Park Ridge at the first meeting in September 2018.

Back row left to right:

Pat Pagone, Phyllis Hurley, Marge Nunes and Barbara Jones.

Front Row left to right

Janelle Maricuccilli, Judy Rowan, Myrna Fogarty, Bernadette Subia.

And just in case you are counting another new member Carol Scanlan could not attend the meeting.

BUS TRIP.... OCTOBER 31 OUTSTANDING PILGRIMAGE TO JEWISH SYNAGOGUES



Theater Outing

Members and guests of the 20th Century Club arrived at Drury Lane on November 29, 2018. Everyone enjoyed a delicious lunch of seared chicken or grilled salmon. This was followed by a wonderful adaptation of Disney's "Beauty and the Beast"

20th Century Club's November Meeting



20th Century Club of Park Ridge was thrilled to have Kiko's Andy Zimmerman create and demonstrate the poetry of floral design for our November 2018 meeting. From Thanksgiving arrays to traditional and contemporary Christmas arrangements. His artistry commanded the club's rapt attention as he took seemingly ordinary flowers and greens and turned them into one-of-a-kind centerpieces. In addition, to creating these pieces of floral art, six members of club's audience were lucky enough to take one home. What a wonderful kickoff to the holiday season.

20th Century Christmas Luncheon – One Beautiful Event



Our 20th Century President-Sue James

December 4th, the 20th Century Club of Park Ridge celebrated the start of the Christmas season with their annual Christmas Luncheon at the PRCC. The joy of being with old friends and making new ones made the afternoon festive and enjoyable. The luncheon was delicious, the chicken juicy and crisp and what about that fab dessert. Yummy



Entertainment was provided by the Maine South Vocal Jazz Ensemble, with an incredible presentation of Christmas melodies.



Friends meeting friends! Everyone enjoyed a wonderful Christmas afternoon together.



20th Century February Meeting MOMS DEMAND ACTION

Speaker, Jan Starzec

Please join us for the timely and informative talk at the February Meeting, February 19th

Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense in America is a grassroots movement of Americans fighting for public safety measures that can protect people from gun violence, initially started six years ago after the Sandy Hook School shooting. There is now a chapter established in every state, including not just moms, but also dads, grandparents and any other individual who are concerned about gun violence. Jan Starzec is the President of the Park Ridge chapter, which covers much of the surrounding communities.

She plans to talk about the goals of "Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense in America," areas where they made a difference in America in 2018 and their priorities for 2019. Also the variety of ways people can get involved and stay informed. She will also discuss the "BE SMART" program which educates people on ways to keep children safe from gun violence.



SOCIAL SERVICES

Remember to support our food drive by bringing non-perishable food items to the March 19th General Meeting.

Cash and check donations are also welcome. Please make checks payable to the Maine Township Food Pantry

The Maine Township Food Pantry will pick up these food bags outside the meeting room, there will be tables to collect your donations at the March meeting.

Thank you for your support in making Social Services a valuable asset in our community.

Barbara Avery
Social Services Chairman

OUR ANNUAL BENEFIT IS JUST AROUND THE WINTER CORNER



“Circle of Friends” will be held Saturday, April 27, at the Park Ridge Country Club, beginning at 11 am. It will be a time to celebrate friendships – long-standing and new: those relationships that nurture and support us. This event is our biggest fund raiser and, in addition to providing scholarships to Park Ridge high school seniors, the Foundation has chosen the Park Ridge History Center and Park Ridge Fine Arts as benefit recipients. Please plan to arrive early and check out the Promenade and Grand Raffle items available. Entertainment will be provided by Ms. Angel Spiccia. Angel is a local singer, comfortable with both jazz and popular music. She has performed in various clubs and venues in the Chicago and surrounding areas, including singing the National Anthem at Wrigley Field!

Please use the attached Reservation Form and return it to Janet Miller or Mary Gebhardt. This year there will be a choice of entrée. Table Captains must indicate each guest’s entrée choice on the reservation form. Reservations, with checks, can be mailed in or submitted at the general meetings. Single and smaller parties will certainly be accommodated.

The Promenade Committee is once again calling on the generosity of all members to donate prizes (gift cards or certificates in particular), hand-made items or cash for the raffle. Please contact Promenade Chairs Helen Roppel (847-823-2998) or Pat Starzec (847-635-0147) for additional prize ideas or information.

Shirlee Ehlers and Margaret Teich are accepting Angel Donation Forms. Forms may be mailed or submitted at the general meetings. To ensure donor names are included in the Program Booklet, donations must be received by April 5, 2019.

April 28th will be here before we know it. Please set aside the date today!

Thank you,
Pat Long
Benefit Chair

The Board has been considering changes in our bylaws concerning classes of membership and other details to clarify some details in our bylaws. At our last board meeting we voted on and approved the changes listed below. The additional wording in Article III, section 4 (j) is solely to complete the meaning of the bylaw. The General Membership must approve these changes before they become effective. Discussion and voting on these bylaws will take place at our February or March meeting.

PROPOSED BYLAW CHANGES

CONCERNING MEMBERSHIP

Present reading

Article I: Membership

Section 1: Qualifications for initial membership shall be residence in Park Ridge and approval by the Board of Directors

Section 2: This Club may have three classes of membership: Active, Nonresident and Emeritus

- (a) Active members shall have all the privileges of the Club and shall engage in active duties of the Club. Emeritus members living in Park Ridge shall be considered active members
- (b) Members, in good standing leaving Park Ridge, may be granted nonresident status. Nonresident members shall pay full dues and share all membership privileges. Nonresident active members may be eligible to serve as department, committee, or activity chairmen. To serve as an officer or director shall require the approval of the Board of directors.
- (c) Emeritus membership shall be conferred upon any member who has belonged to the Club for thirty-five (35) consecutive years. Such members shall have all the privileges of the Club

Changes and Proposed new text

Section 1: remains the same

Section 2: This Club may have two classes of membership: Active and Emeritus

- (a) Active and Emeritus members shall have all the privilege of the Club and shall engage in active duties of the Club.*
- (b) Members in good standing leaving Park Ridge may retain their active or emeritus standing. They shall pay full dues required by active or emeritus members, and share all membership privileges.*
- (c) Emeritus membership shall be conferred upon any member who has belonged to the Club for Thirty-five (35) years. Emeritus status shall be conferred at the beginning of the club year during which a member has completed 35 consecutive years of membership.*

Section 3: Applications for membership shall be made in writing, signed by the applicant and two members of the Club, one of whom shall be proposer and one of whom shall be endorser, and sent to the Chairman of the Membership Committee, along with the initiation fee. All proposers and endorsers must be personally acquainted with the applicant. To be eligible for membership, an applicant must live in Park Ridge.

Section 3: remains the same

Article III, section 4 (j)

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A LITERARY AFTERNOON



On April 16th we will welcome Martina Mathisen back to our group to present the program. Last year Martina enthralled us as Marie Antoinette; this year she will present us *The Six Wives of Henry VIII*. Be prepared to meet these women as Martina, in costume, dramatically portrays each of them and reveals compelling truths about their remarkable lives – and deaths.

Martina Mathisen, president of *Edu-tainment Living History*, gives more than 200 presentations each year to groups of all ages, bringing historical characters and events to life. Plan to join us for this outstanding program.

We will also be having our annual book sale prior to the meeting and presentation. Please bring your gently used books, paperback or hardcover. Bring one – take one, or purchase for a very nominal fee! We can supply you with great reading material for the summer.

Hostesses for this meeting will be the 20th Century book discussion groups.

Visit our website: pr20cc.org for Scholarship Applications and The Winter Highlights.

GOURMET LUNCHEON

MARCH 27, 2019 11:30 A.M.

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2300 WINDSOR MALL UNIT #2K
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**DOLORES KAZMER
1005 W. TALCOTT ROAD
847-825-8401**

NAME_____

PHONE NO._____

Twentieth Century Club Annual Benefit

CIRCLE OF FRIENDS

Saturday April 27, 2019

1 1 a.m.

*Park Ridge Country Club
636 N. Prospect Avenue
Park Ridge, IL 60068*

Tables of Ten

Cost: \$50.00 /per person

Please list all guests and their choice of Chicken or Salmon

Please print all names

Salmon

Chicken

-----*Table Captain*

*Table Captain must submit checks with reservation form. All checks are payable to 20th
Century Club Foundation by April 13, 2019*

*Return checks to: Janet Miller or
50A S. Dee Rd.
Park Ridge, IL 60068
847-698-2100*

*Mary Gebhardt
1419 S. Ashland Avenue
Park Ridge, IL 60068
847-825-7257*