



Progress in Print

Delmar Progress Club

August 2018

Message from our President:

I am excited for us to reconnect in early Fall to begin another productive and enjoyable **Club Year**.

We are fortunate to have many weeks of Summer left to enjoy, but many of us have experienced real struggles these past few months. As a group of strong women, we will come together to support each other in the sunshine and the dark shadows.

As you will read in our new Yearbook, soon to be delivered, I have chosen a theme for this year: **Remember Our Roots**. Our club was built on determination and dedication. I ask that each of our members remember that and commit to shoring that foundation.

Many members have worked very hard in the months since last May to plan and prepare for this coming year. We will honor them with a proper thank you at our first General Meeting held on October 1st, 10:00 am at the Bethlehem Public Library Community Room.

At the meeting of our Board in June, we made some important decisions. We have updated our Membership Application and it is available online or at the Library. We also decided to publish a Membership Contact List just for our members to use. We will be contacting you by phone or email to survey you about your contact details and preferences.

To help with our record keeping, anyone who still owes their annual dues should mail a check in the amount of \$45.00 to Joan Richardson, Treasurer, 8 Hughes Commons, Slingerlands, NY 12159.

I'm looking forward to all we will learn and all we will accomplish this year!

Fondly,

Debbie Gall, President



Membership Report

New Members: Two new members joined Delmar Progress Club in June. They are Carol Carnes of Delmar and Bonnie Urso of Albany. We welcome them both and look forward to their participation in our projects and events.

New Member Orientation: New members Valerie Donovan, Kathryn Pilhofer, Pamela Burnes, Linda Reddy, Carol Carnes and Bonnie Urso attended the orientation on June 19th at the Bethlehem Public Library. President Debbie Gall welcomed the new members and gave a brief outline of the scope of the Delmar Progress Club. Study group chairs gave a brief overview of their group's activities and events and invited the new members to participate in them. Special thanks to Debbie Gall and Kathy Schimanski for their help in executing this event. Many thanks to all of our wonderful bakers.

Deaths: Mary Ann Krulcik, Nancy Mackey, Helen Scott and Evelyn Drake have passed away. We offer our condolences to their families.

Resignations: Rita Mooney, Isabelle Collins and Cindy Gillespie will not be renewing their memberships.

Applications for new membership are available from Karen Winters at 518-439-0706 , at the Bethlehem Public Library , at our general meetings and online. A check for \$45. dues should accompany the application and should be mailed to Delmar Progress Club P.O. Box 423, Delmar, NY 12054.

Karen Winters



Looking forward....

This coming club year we are happy to have Barbara Hogan to chair a Communications and Technology committee. Barbara has already been dedicated to maintaining our website and facebook page.

We will also hear from Linda Graf with pertinent Civic Betterment and GFWC Legislation news. Remember, part of our dues help with these projects.

Linda Reddy, a new club member, has stepped up to give us the opportunity to boost our involvement in GFWC's Epsilon Sigma Omicron (ESO). It gives clubwomen direction in planned reading for self -enrichment and personal growth.

These are all ways that we can remember our roots and move forward!

DELMAR PROGRESS CLUB FALL LUNCHEON

Wednesday, October 17, 2018
Albany Country Club, Van Wormer Road, Voorheesville, NY
12:00 Noon

LUNCH ~

Soup du Jour

Rolls & Butter

New England Chicken Salad
Grilled Chicken w/Field Greens, Goat Cheese,
Pecans and Strawberries w/Poppy Seed Vinaigrette

Chocolate Mousse Bundt Cake

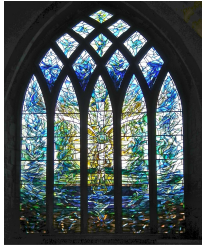
Coffee and Tea

~ SURPRISE ENTERTAINMENT! ~

COST ~ \$26.00

Send check, payable to Delmar Progress Club, to
Judy Ciccio, 92 McGuffey Lane, Delmar, NY 12054
No later than Friday, October 12th

Antiques Study Group



Troy's Tiffany Treasures Tour as discussed by Michael P. Barrett during his informative talk in Spring 2018, sponsored by the Hudson-Mohawk Gateway will take place on September 15th, 2018 beginning at 9:30 am. It is a 3 hour tour and costs \$20. Reservations can be made by calling: 518-274-5267, or by email: info@hudsonmohawkgateway.org Further information and directions will be provided once the reservations are confirmed. This sells out so please book early!

In addition to this, the Oakwood Cemetery offers a tour of its Tiffany windows in the opulent Earl Chapel and Crematorium on the same day in the afternoon followed by a walk in this amazing garden cemetery. Reservations must be made separately by calling Oakwood at 518-328-0090. Tickets for this are \$15.

Please note that due to the date of this event you are on your own to make a reservation and provide your own transportation.

Joan Kapral



**Community
Service**



The annual community service committee meeting will be held on Monday, October 22nd at the Bethlehem Public Library at 10 am. We look forward to seeing all returning members and new members at this meeting.

At our first regular meeting in October please continue your generous donations. Non perishable foods, laundry supplies and personal care items will be collected for the Bethlehem food pantry. Please bring toiletries for women and families in need. Our cash collection will continue for the Town Heating Fund. Please bring labels from soup, cereal, butter etc. for Boxtops for Education. Thinking

ahead there will be a sign up for volunteers for the Senior Luncheon. The luncheon will be held on Monday November 26th. Also, remember to plan ahead to knit or buy mittens or hats for the Holiday Tree at the Bethlehem Library in December.

Volunteers are needed for the Red Cross blood drives throughout the year. Please look for information at our meetings or contact Nancy Looby (489-4041).

Maryalice Svare and Karen Bylsma



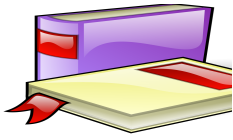
The Creative Arts study group is alive and well for 2018-2019, and the group will continue to be led by Marge O'Brien and Carol Jonas. We will begin the season with a program about herbal teas – how to brew them, how to use herbs from your garden, the benefits of herbal teas, and most of all, how to enjoy them. Join us on Thursday, October 25th at 1:00 PM at the Community Room of the Bethlehem Public Library to brew and enjoy some herbal teas (along with some cookies, of course).

On November 1st we will be making the ornaments we will use to decorate the Christmas trees at Ten Broeck Mansion. We will meet at the Bethlehem Public Library at 1:00 PM and all supplies for the project will be provided. Check your Yearbook's Garden Group listing for the dates and times for decorating the trees. If you haven't done this before, do come it's lots of fun.

December 13th is the date for us to make some Hearts for Hospice. These small stuffed fleece hearts are given to children as a way of helping them through the difficulties related to the illness of a loved one. We will be cutting and sewing at the Bethlehem Public Library starting at 1:00 PM. See you then.

And watch for our Operation Smile bag at our monthly Progress Club meetings. As always, we will be collecting items to be given to the children undergoing cleft palate surgery. Crayons, coloring books, small stuffed toys and many more items. The list will be on the big bag and we appreciate whatever you can contribute. Later next year we will be gathering to make children's hospital gowns. We'll provide the materials and with our expert instructions everyone will be able to help.

Marge O'Brien



Literature Study Group

Greetings to all and hope you are having a nice summer. The meetings of the Literature Study Group are scheduled once a month, on Tuesdays, in the Board Room at the Bethlehem Public Library at 1:30 PM.

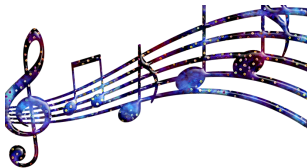
You do not have to read the book to come to the meeting. You might want to be introduced to the book before you take time to read it.

The first meeting of the Literature Study Group is October 9, 2018. Phyllis Howell will present The Giver by Lois Lowry. This book is a fast read and many libraries shelve it in their Young Adult collection.

The second meeting of the Literature Study Group is November 13, 2018. Sue Haswell will present Boston Girl by Anita Diamant. This is also a fast read.

Barbara McCormick

Performing Arts



We are happy to announce the first event of the season, Curtain Call Theatre's production of Neil Simon's ***Biloxi Blues*** on Sunday, October 7 at 2:00 pm. The cost is \$25 and it will be held at the new theater located at 1 Jeanne Jugan Lane in Latham. Dinner after the play will be at the Schuyler Meadows Club - menu to be decided. The cost is approximately \$35 with a cash bar. Call Jeanne Bourque at 518-533-7451 if you are interested in attending either event or both.

The Jewish Community Center is offering an "Autumn Concert in the Afternoon" on October 11 at 1:30. A tribute to Sammy Davis, Jr. and performed by Solomon Kee; it will include many of Davis' classic hits. Light refreshments will be served following the concert. The cost is \$12.00. We will carpool. Call Wilma DeLucco at 518-439-6164.

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE



Because of the hard work of Margaret Dilgen, Laura Cooper, and the entire Dollars for Scholars Committee, two Bethlehem High School Seniors each received a \$1,500 Scholarship. John Courtney was honored at the May Spring Banquet. He will be attending Northeastern University in Boston, Massachusetts. Eva Castagna was honored at our regular May meeting. Eva will begin her college career at Williams College in Williamstown, Massachusetts. Both Eva and John have impressive records of academic performance as well as activities and service to the community. Congratulations to Eva and John!

MaryAlice Svare



TRAVEL GROUP

We have an exciting year of travel adventures to share. Our first meeting will be "Show & Tell". Join us on Thursday, October 18 at 1:30 pm in the Bethlehem Public Library Community Room. Bring a favorite remembrance from your travels. On Thursday, November 8 at 1:30 pm, also in the BPL Community Room, a program "Coast to coast from Los Angeles to Miami via the Panama Canal" will be presented by Connie Mulligan. Join us this program year to see the Wonders of the World.

Doris Kirk