DELMAR PROGRESS CLUB



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President's Message

"Spring into Action" was the theme adopted by Pam Tindall-O'Brien and Carolyn Bennett for our reunion dinner on

March 23rd. It was a wonderful gathering where members not only reunited through conversation but also demonstrated their talents by drawing beautiful spring flowers and expressing their thoughts of what they would like the club to do as we venture out of the two years of COVID. It was great to witness so much enthusiasm!

I was also able to finally (almost two years later!) honor our past president, Debbie Gall, with gifts and a past president pin (they are not manufactured anymore, but this one belonged to Mary Richards). I cited some of Debbie's accomplishments as president and her continued contributions to the club through community service and obtaining and preparing the club's historical documents for the archivist at UAlbany. Thank you, Debbie, for all you have done and continue to do!

At the dinner, we also collected money for the Women's Club of Ukraine, part of the General Federation of Women's Clubs. UNICEF-USA will distribute the funds to them. If you would like to contribute, please send a check made out to the Delmar Progress Club and write "Women's Club of Ukraine" on the information line on the check, to treasurer Christine Doran or bring it to the next meeting.

Our next General Meeting is on April 4th in the Library. I hope you are able to attend, especially so we can see your smiles and facial expressions that have been hidden behind masks for so long!

-Lynne

NOMINATING COMMITTEE Rosemary Brown, Chair

The Delmar Progress Club Nominating Committee is working on establishing a slate of officers to lead the Club from June 2022 to June 2024. Candidates have been identified for all positions except First Vice-President (President-Elect). According to the bylaws, the duties of this position are as follows:

First Vice-President (President-Elect): To serve as chairman of the Program Committee, perform all the duties of the President in her absence, and render assistance when needed.

Anyone interested in this position should contact Nominating Committee Chair Rosemary Brown at 518-977-3009 or 1rosemanybrown@gmail.com.

The other nominees are:

President: Pam Tindall-O'Brien

Second VP (Membership): Debbie Gall

Recording Secretary: Barbara Kavanagh
Corresponding Secretary: Margaret Dilgen
Treasurer: Christine Doran
Assistant Treasurer: Phyllis Drew

Board Members:

Barbara Hogan & Mary Alice Svare Voting Delegates to the State Convention: Lynne Lenhardt & Pam Tindall-O'Brien

Nominating Committee: Deanne Sodergren

April General Meeting

Monday, April 4, 10 a.m. Bethlehem Public Library Guest Speaker:

Jody Monroe, Superintendent Bethlehem Central School District









































STUDY GROUP NEWS

LITERATURE

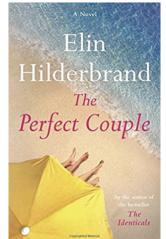
Kathy Schimanski, Chair

Tuesday, April 12, 1:30 pm, Bethlehem Public Library Board Room

The Perfect Couple by Elin Hilderbrand

Facilitator: Sue Haswell

They are the perfect couple, about to have the perfect wedding until a shocking discovery reveals that nothing is ever as good as it seems.



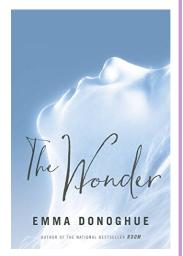
May: Tuesday, May 10, 12:30, Bethlehem Public Library Board Room (Note: New time due to room availability.)

The Wonder by Emma Donahue

Facilitator: Karen Winters

An English nurse is brought to a small Irish village to ob-

serve what appears to be a miracle.



Dear Readers: It's time to start thinking about books for the 2022-23 program year! If you have a book to recommend and/or would like to facilitate one of the book discussions, please contact Kathy Schimanski at 518-439-7237 or akparfore@aol.com. Ideally, the final selections will represent a variety of genres, engender interesting discussions, be available at the library, and not be much longer than 400 pages.

<u>Also</u>, please share any opinions you have as to whether you prefer Zoom or in-person Literature Group meetings, as well as any preferences you may have as to the time or day of the meetings.

Thank you in advance for your input!

PERFORMING ARTS

Marie Liddle and Debbie Mazzone, Co-chairs

The Performing Arts Committee has some suggestions if you'd like to pursue cultural opportunities in the month of April. Since the comfort level of our members varies in terms of attending live performances, these are provided for your reference if you choose to purchase tickets and make your own plans:

"Destroying David" - April 9-16 at the Opalka Gallery through <u>Harbinger Theatre</u> (actingclasswithpatrickwhite.net)

"Mozart's Jupiter" - April 23 and 24 - Albany Symphony at the Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, <u>AlbanySymphony.com</u>

"3 Porches" - an original musical - April 29, 30, May 1 and May 6, 7 and 8 - Sand Lake Center for the Arts (slcactp.org)

TRAVEL GROUP

Kathy Newkirk, Chair

COME TRAVEL WITH US — At last, we are happy to announce an in-person travel group meeting.

Please join us on April 20, 2022, 10 a.m., at the Bethlehem Public Library Board Room for a presentation as follows;

Visit to Scotland — Land of My Father

Presentation by our Member Linda Graf



WELLNESS AND THE NATURAL WORLD

Pam Tindall-O'Brien, Chair

Wellness Walks We walk twice a month on Mondays — at 10 a.m. starting in April

Monday, April 11, 10 a.m.: Rail Trail – Meet at the intersection of Hudson Avenue and Adams

Monday, April 25, 10 a.m.: Oakwood Cemetery, Troy -- We should carpool to Oakwood. If anyone needs a ride, please contact Pam Tindall-O'Brien at ptindallobrien@gmail.com or 518-439-1672.



Our bottle and can redemption program in support of our Emergency Relief Fund through the Hannaford CLYNK program is ongoing. You can pick up CLYNK bags at the monthly meetings or contact Joan Gavrilik at jsg85@aol.com or 518-439-4520.

Spring Recycle Fest: Saturday, April 9, 10 am—1 pm, Elm Avenue Park — clothing & textile reuse & recycling, book reuse & recycling, bicycle reuse, document shredding (3 boxes per household)

Pharmaceutical Drop Off: Saturday, April 30, 10 am — 2 pm, Elm Avenue Park — bring expired or unwanted medications for safe disposal

ITEM OF INTEREST

Saturday, April 2, The Second Annual **Albany Film Festival** at The University at Albany (NYS Writers Institute). For information and trailers, visit <u>al-banyfilmfestival.org</u>.



COMMITTEE AND RELATED REPORTS

COMMUNITY SERVICE COMMITTEE

Debbie Gall, Kathy Raffe & Linda Reddy, Co-chairs

We will be collecting all items for our **To Life!** gift baskets at our next meeting on April 4th. Be sure to bring yours if you signed up for something. Thank you!



We are still doing **Soles4Souls**. If you have shoes that you no longer use, let me know. You can bring them to my house at 228 Murray Ave. If I am not home, just leave them at my door.

Wilma DeLucco

Soles4Souls is a program that turns unwanted shoes into an opportunity for needy people to continue to be active, perhaps to get to work, or to see family and friends. It also helps the planet by keeping unwanted items out of landfills. Soles4Souls lets us put our no longer needed or wanted shoes to good use.



APRIL BIRTHDAYS

The following members are celebrating birthdays in April. If you have a chance, call or email them your good wishes.

(Not everyone has shared their birthday with us.)

4/7 Margaret Krause

4/11 Barbara Hogan

4/14 Christine Doran

4/15 Laura Cooper

4/21 Doris Beckman

4/23 Deanne Sodergren

4/26 Mary Crangle

Teresa Dexter

Virginia Mead

4/28 Marie Liddle



MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Karen Winters, Second Vice President, Chair

New Members: None

Resignations: Sheryl Ricciardelli:

for health reasons.

Deaths: None

New Contact Information:

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Dorothy Geyer 518-641-0917

Peregrine Delmar Place

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Delmar NY 12054.

Sue Ann Ritchko 518-635-4000

Kim Watson kimberlyawatson20@gmail.com

Changes to Contact Information: Send to Karen Winters

at kkwinters@verizon.net or 518-439-0706

REMEMBRANCE

Josie Woods, Chair

Cards of encouragement were sent to Joyce Demoly, Joy Ford, Dorothy Geyer, Marion Michaels, Anne Mosher, Audrey Watson, Peggy Zimmerman, and Sheryl Ricciardelli.

A sympathy card was sent to Anne Prentiss on the loss of her husband.





March General Meeting



2021-2022 CALENDAR

APRIL 2022			
April 4	Monday	10 a.m.	General Meeting, BPL Community Room
April 11	Monday	10 a.m.	Wellness Walk—Rail Trail, from Hudson Ave & Adams
April 12	Tuesday	1:30 p.m.	Literature Group: <i>The Perfect Couple</i> by Elin Hilderbrand, BPL Board Room
April 20	Wednesday	10 a.m.	Travel Group: <i>Visit to Scotland — Land of My Father</i> presented by Linda Graf — BPL Board Room
April 25	Monday	10 a.m.	Wellness Walk — Oakwood Cemetery, Troy
MAY 2022			
May 2	Monday	10 a.m.	General Meeting, BPL Community Room
May 9	Monday	10 a.m.	Wellness Walk— Washington Park, Albany
May 10	Tuesday	12:30 p.m.	Literature Group, <i>The Wonder</i> by Emma Donahue, BPL Board Room (Note new time due to room availability)
May 23	Tuesday	10 a.m.	Wellness Walk
JUNE 2022			
June 13	Monday	10 a.m.	Wellness Walk
June 14	Tuesday	Noon	Literature Group Picnic (Book selection to be determined)
June 27	Monday	10 a.m.	Wellness Walk—Rose Garden, Central Park. Schenectady