ELMAR PROGRESS CLUB

# SEPTEMBER PROGRESS IN PRINT

2021 Celebrating 120 Years



#### **President's Message**

In June and July I was so thrilled that health conditions were improving and that we

were slowly returning to normalcy. That bubble burst with the recent surges in COVID cases. My hope is that with vacationers returning home and children going back to school, we will no longer be in a "red" zone.

As I have indicated in previous newsletters, many club members remained active during the pandemic. There were community service projects that individuals could complete at home (thanks to Debbie Gall, Kathy Raffe and Linda Reddy). Knitting and crocheting have occurred all along and members are now meeting in person at the library (thanks to Leda Loux). We were able to conduct Zoom meetings to remain in touch and listen to some great speakers (thanks to Barbara Hogan for setting up a Zoom account). Barbara Hogan has also worked very hard to update our website. Joan Gavrilik is also assisting Barbara with the website and has taken over the position from Barbara of publisher of Progress in Print (thank you Barbara and Joan). Club members have had the opportunity to exercise by walking in many interesting locations (thanks to Joan Gavrilik and Pam Tindall-O'Brien) twice a month. The Literature Study group met via Zoom (thanks to Kathy Schimanski) and a book club formed to discuss books through the summer (thanks to Joan Gavrilik, Pam Tindall-O'Brien and Linda Graf). The Arts and Antiques Study Group provided suggestions of touring museums, etc. online (thanks to Joan Kapral and Robyn Giddings). I know I probably have unintentionally omitted some activities, but I sincerely appreciate everyone who has come up with ideas during this past year.

There are also individuals who have performed important tasks for the club. I already mentioned the website. Barbara Hogan is our technology guru so if you ever need assistance on your computer, please call Barbara (thanks, Barbara for all you do in this realm). Our membership list and information is kept up to date by Karen Winters (thank you Karen).

Karen, with the help of Barbara Hogan, has the membership information in Google as a "living" document. Josie Woods has mailed out sympathy cards and get well cards as needed (thank you Josie). Pam Tindall-O'Brien and Carolyn Bennett have taken the lead on our "In Person Reunion Dinner" on September 9<sup>th</sup>. Debbie Gall has sorted out the club's historical materials and will be bringing some of them to the dinner. Thanks, also, to Phyllis Drew for handling the dinner reservations. Lastly, many have been working on the 2020-2022 Yearbook (thanks to Linda Graf's leadership) as it represents the club's 120<sup>th</sup> anniversary. It will be published very soon and I appreciate everyone who worked on it.

I hope to see everyone soon, either at the dinner or at our regular meetings. Keep well and stay safe.

-Lynne Lenhardt

#### **Board of Directors**

| Lynne Lenhardt      | President               |
|---------------------|-------------------------|
| Pam Tindall-O'Brien | First Vice President    |
| Karen Winters       | Second Vice President   |
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| Christine Doran     | Treasurer               |
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| Joyce Demoly        | Term expires 2022       |
| Rosemary Brown      | Term expires 2023       |
| Carolyn Bennett     | Term expires 2023       |
| Margaret Dilgen     | Term expires 2024       |
| Kathy Newkirk       | Term expires 2024       |
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## **COMMITTEE REPORTS** & RELATED ITEMS

### COMMUNICATIONS AND TECHNOLOGY

Barbara Hogan (hogan.barb@gmail.com) & Joan Gavrilik (jsg85@aol.com), Co-chairs

Welcome back to Progress in Print. We received very encouraging feedback from members that publishing PIP monthly was appreciated, so we're planning to continue that schedule from September through June. Please submit items you wish to be included <u>by the 25th of the</u> <u>previous month to Joan Gavrilik at jsg85@aol.com</u>. We email PIP to anyone with an email address and snail mail it on request. If you would like to receive a hard copy in the mail, please notify Karen Winters, Membership Chair (518-439-0706, kkwinters@verizon.net).

Check out the revised Delmar Progress Club website! **Delmarprogressclub.org** Our plan for 2021-2022 is to use the website more strategically as a communication tool. Are you a Study Group Leader or an officer? Check out the website to make sure that we have the most updated information, and please send any suggestions, corrections or updates on a regular basis including changes to your planned activities. We will keep the website calendar current and can post news announcements as they happen. With reliable information available on the website, our members will always be able to access the Who, What, Where and When of the club's activities. Send things to Barbara Hogan for the website. 518-928-0400; hogan.barb@gmail.com. Also, check out our **Facebook Page** for photos and event announcements

If you would like technology assistance with any of these communication vehicles, contact either Joan or Barbara. Let's build some energy!

#### MEMBERSHIP

Karen Winters, Second Vice President , Chair, kkwin-

ters@verizon.net, 518-439-0706

New Members: None

**<u>Resignations</u>**: Beth Bartley, Donna Green, Charlotte Rounds <u>**Deaths**</u>: Barbara Zautner

#### Edits to Membership List:

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- Pilhofer, Kathryn, 518-992-2766, 20 Provoost Place, Delmar 12054
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- <u>Slagel, Dorothy</u>, 518-788-8824
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#### Soles4Souls

I am eager to accept any shoes you have in your closet. Does not matter what they are: flats, heels, sneakers, slippers; old, new; men's, women's, children's; good condition or not so much. I also need boxes to ship the shoes on their way. Wilma DeLucco, <u>Wilma228@aol.com</u>

#### **DUES REMINDER**

If you have not paid your 2021-2022 dues, please do so now! Send a check payable to "Delmar Progress Club" in the amount of \$45 to ... **Delmar Progress Club, PO Box 423, Delmar, NY 12054.** Thank you!

#### REMEMBERANCE

Josie Woods, Chair



- A card of encouragement was sent to Sheryl Ricciardelli
- A thinking-of-you card was sent to Susan DiMuria
- Sympathy cards were sent to Deb Hoffman on the loss of her husband and to the families of Barbara Coon and Lorraine Carpenter

### **CORRESPONDING SECRETARY**

The DPC received correspondence from two organizations that we support. Soles4Souls thanked us for our recent donation of 36 pairs of shoes and Heifer International sent us a magazine.

Respectfully submitted, Lynn Millspaugh



### **COMMUNITY SERVICE**

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

Celebrating 120 years of Community Service



We found old records from the Service Committee of 1929-1930.

"In November of this year pumpkin pies were donated to the Hospital for Incurables in Albany. In December, discarded toys were collected and remade for poor children. The response was so generous that a truck was needed to carry the delivery of 600-700 toys.

Card Parties were planned to cover the pledge of \$50.00 to the Association of the Blind and \$50.00 to the building fund. We exceeded our pledge by \$5.00."

#### Community Service Committee 2021-2022

Please help us carry on our club's tradition of service. Our theme this year will be: **Empowering Women of All Ages.** Join us at 10am September 13th at the Bethlehem Public Library-Board Room for our annual planning meeting. All are welcome! Bring a club friend!

Please continue to save the pull tabs from soda/seltzer/ beverage cans for the Ronald McDonald House. These tabs are recycled and the funds raised by this recycling are used to help support the day to day operations of the Ronald McDonald House. Bring the tabs to our meeting in October and look for the Ronald McDonald House container to put them in. Thank you!



A tip from the Community Service Committee: If you are an Amazon consumer did you know that you can direct some of your purchase \$ to a charity? Choose your charity and Amazon will donate 0.5% of the price of eligible purchases. You can change your charity at any time. A very easy way to donate for sure!

How to use AmazonSmile on a web browser:

- 1. Visit smile.amazon.com
- 2. Sign in with the same account you use for Amazon.com
- 3. Select your charity
- 4. Start shopping! Remember to checkout at

smile.amazon.com to generate donations for your chosen charity.

Tip: Add a bookmark to make it easier to shop at smile.amazon.com

## STUDY GROUP NEWS

### WELLNESS AND THE NATURAL WORLD

(formerly the Health and Fitness and the Environment, Conservation and Garden study groups)

Pam Tindall-O'Brien, Chair, 518-439-1672, ptindallobrien@gmail.com

<u>Wellness Walks</u> We walk on the second and fourth Mondays of the month - at 10 a.m. in the warmer months and 1 p.m. when it's colder.

**Monday, September 13, 1 p.m.**: **Five Rivers Environmental Education Center**, 56 Game Farm Road, Delmar (Note: Walk is being held at 1 p.m. due to conflict with Community Service Annual Meeting.)

Monday, September 27, 10 a.m.: Albany-Hudson Electric Trail, Riverfront Park Trailhead, Broadway, Rensselaer

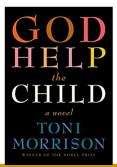
Our bottle and can redemption program through the Hannaford CLYNK program is ongoing. You can pick up CLYNK bags at the monthly meetings or contact Joan Gavrilik at jsg85@aol.com or 518-439-4520 for delivery.

#### **SUMMER BOOK CLUB**

Joan Gavrilik, Chair, 518-439-4520, jsg85@aol.com

**Tuesday, September 14, 2021** 10:00 am (via Zoom) **God Help the Child by Toni Morrison** Discussion facilitator Linda Graf

"Spare and unsparing. God Help the Child ... weaves a tale about the way the sufferings of childhood can shape and misshape the life of the adult." (Amazon)

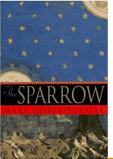


#### LITERATURE GROUP

Kathy Schimanski, Chair. 518-439-7237, gkparfore@aol.com

October: The Sparrow by Mary Doris Russell

November: Currently, we do not have a book selection and facilitator for November. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Kathy Schimanski.



### PERFORMING ARTS

The Delmar Progress Club is extremely grateful to Wilma DeLucco for her outstanding leadership as Chair of the Performing Arts Committee for the past several years. Wilma spent a great deal of time planning, organizing, researching and attending events of interest for our group and did any extraordinary job...we owe her a debt of gratitude for all her efforts!

This coming year, Marie Liddle and Debbie Mazzone will be Co-Chairing the PAC Committee, proving that it takes TWO people to replace Wilma! We'd like the membership to know that we are in the planning stages for the 2021-22 year, though our activities will not be included in the yearbook that will soon be distributed.

Several performing arts venues are beginning to open and are following the guidelines that Broadway will be requiring when they open in September. We will be exploring some creative and intriguing opportunities that we hope will entice our members to participate, while remaining safe and healthy.

Should you have any ideas you'd like us to pursue, please feel free to email us and we'll do some research. Marie may be reached at <u>reeliddle@yahoo.com</u> and Debbie's address is <u>dtmazzone@verizon.net</u>.

We look forward to an entertaining year ahead...thank you, Wilma, for "setting the stage" for excellence on the PAC!

Gratefully, Marie Liddle and Debbie Mazzone

## 2021-22 CALENDAR (as of September 1, 2021)

| SEPTEMBER 2021 |          |          |  |
|----------------|----------|----------|--|
| September 9    | Thursday | 5-7 p.m. | In-person Reunion, American Legion Post 1040, Delmar           |
| September 13   | Monday   | 10 a.m.  | Community Service Annual Meeting                               |
| September 13   | Monday   | 1 p.m.   | Wellness Walk : Five Rivers Environmental Education Center     |
| September 14   | Tuesday  | 10 a.m.  | Summer Book Club via Zoom: God Help the Child by Toni Morrison |
| September 24   | Friday   | 10 a.m.  | Knitting Group, Bethlehem Public Library Board Room            |
| September 27   | Monday   | 10 a.m.  | Wellness Walk: Albany-Hudson Electric Trail                    |

## In-person Reunion & 120th Anniversary Celebration Kick-off

Thursday, September 9, 5-7 p.m.

American Legion Post 1040, 16 Poplar Drive Delmar

| OCTOBER 2021  |         |           |   |  |
|---------------|---------|-----------|---|--|
| October 4     | Monday  | 10 a.m.   | Monthly Meeting                                     |  |
| October 11    | Monday  | 10 a.m.   | Wellness Walk                                       |  |
| October 12    | Tuesday | 1:30 p.m. | Literature Group: The Sparrow by Mary Doria Russell |  |
| October 25    | Monday  | 10 a.m.   | Wellness Walk                                       |  |
| October 29    | Friday  | 10 a.m.   | Knitting Group, Bethlehem Public Library Board Room |  |
| NOVEMBER 2021 |         |           |   |  |
| November 1    | Monday  | 10 a.m.   | Monthly Meeting                                     |  |
| November 8    | Monday  | 10 a.m.   | Wellness Walk                                       |  |
| November 9    | Tuesday | 1:30 p.m. | Literature Group (Book selection to be determined)  |  |
| November 22   | Monday  | 10 a.m.   | Wellness Walk                                       |  |
| DECEMBER 2021 |         |           |   |  |
| December 13   | Monday  | 1 p.m.    | Wellness Walk                                       |  |
| December 17   | Friday  | 10 a.m.   | Knitting Group, Bethlehem Public Library Board Room |  |
| December 27   | Monday  | 1 p.m.    | Wellness Walk                                       |  |

|             |         |           | JANUARY 2022  |  |
|-------------|---------|-----------|---|--|
| January 3   | Monday  | 10 a.m.   | Monthly Meeting   |  |
| January 10  | Monday  | 1 p.m.    | Wellness Walk   |  |
| January 11  | Tuesday | 1:30 p.m. | Literature Group: <i>Outlander</i> by Diana Gabaldon      |  |
| January 24  | Monday  | 1 p.m.    | Wellness Walk   |  |
| January 28  | Friday  | 10 a.m.   | Knitting Group, Bethlehem Public Library Board Room       |  |
|             |         |           | FEBRUARY 2022   |  |
| February 7  | Monday  | 10 a.m.   | Monthly Meeting   |  |
| February 14 | Monday  | 1 p.m.    | Wellness Walk   |  |
| February 15 | Tuesday | 1:30 p.m. | Literature Group: The Four Winds by Kristin Hannah        |  |
| February 28 | Monday  | 1 p.m.    | Wellness Walk   |  |
|             |         |           | MARCH 2022  |  |
| March 7     | Monday  | 10 a.m.   | Monthly Meeting   |  |
| March 14    | Monday  | 1 p.m.    | Wellness Walk   |  |
| March 15    | Tuesday | 1:30 p.m. | Literature Group (Book selection to be determined)        |  |
| March 28    | Monday  | 1 p.m.    | Wellness Walk   |  |
|             |         |           | APRIL 2022  |  |
| April 4     | Monday  | 10 a.m.   | Monthly Meeting   |  |
| April 11    | Monday  | 1 p.m.    | Wellness Walk—Oakwood Cemetery, Troy                      |  |
| April 12    | Tuesday | 1:30 p.m. | Literature Group: The Perfect Couple by Elin Hilderbrand  |  |
| April 25    | Monday  | 1 p.m.    | Wellness Walk   |  |
|             |         |           | MAY 2022  |  |
| May 2       | Monday  | 10 a.m.   | Monthly Meeting   |  |
| May 9       | Monday  | 10 a.m.   | Wellness Walk— Washington Park, Albany                    |  |
| 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      |  |