

# The Women's College Club of Princeton Newsletter

## SEPTEMBER 2022

### President's Message

I've always liked September and the anticipation of a new year ahead. Whether going shopping for new school clothes (and wearing them even though it is still summer outside) or looking forward to seeing old friends and new teachers, it was always an exciting time of year.

That is what I am feeling now, the anticipation of an exciting new year for the College Club. Our membership has increased, and as always, they bring new thoughts and ideas with them. Our Board is working hard to expand the many activities we've had in the past as well as starting new ones.

I am especially looking forward to working with Jackie Bloom (an enthusiastic and hardworking board member) and a large multifamily apartment community in Princeton to explore the possibility of starting a volunteer program with our members and young students. More information on this in the future.

Our Program Committee, led by Jackie Bloom, Joan Goodman and Janet Reiche have chosen great new speakers for our monthly meetings, as well as some of our old favorites. I thank you now for all the goodies you bring to the meetings. Special thanks to Lorraine Haucke for coordinating everything.

Kathy Hutchins, our trip leader, has been busy scheduling interesting trips as well as movie outings. A few of us went to the New Jersey State Museum last week followed by lunch at Malaga. Well worth going to both.

I am thrilled to welcome all of you back to Morven's Education Center. What a beautiful place to meet, reconnect with old friends and make new ones.

I look forward to seeing all of you again on September 19.

**Connie Loukatos**

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### BOARD MEETING

Our next board meeting will be on **Thursday, September 8 at 10 AM** at the West Windsor library.

### SEPTEMBER GENERAL MEETING Monday September 19, 1 PM Stockton Education Center at Morven

#### Princeton The Nation's Capital 1783 A Talk with many images

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### MEMBERSHIP

If you know of women who would like to join our club, please contact Membership Chair, Alyce Conlon, [alymar@comcast.net](mailto:alymar@comcast.net) or 609-448-7064.

Please make sure that your dues are paid, since we are printing a new directory, this fall.

## LUNCHING OUT GROUP

We will be meeting for lunch at the **Seasons 52** on **Tuesday, September 13 at noon**. Please let Bonnie Larson know if you will be attending the luncheon so that she can make a reservation.

If you would like to join the group, please contact Bonnie Larson, [bonniejarson63@comcast.net](mailto:bonniejarson63@comcast.net) or 609-655-2663.



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## BOOK DISCUSSION

The book group is meeting on Friday, **September 30** at 11 AM at Windrows. The book we are reading is *Beyond the Beautiful Forevers* by Katherine Boo.

The group will be meeting at **Windrows**, in the Barnhart room on the lower level, next to the bank. Bring your drink with you. All members are welcome to join this group.

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## WALKING GROUP

When: **Friday Sept 9, 9 AM**

Where: Mercer County Park starting from the top of the marina parking lot. We'll walk about 2.5 miles.

Please let Jan Stout know if you will be joining the group, 609-475-5649.

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## TRIP GROUP



Suggestions are welcome. Specific dates will follow.

**September** - We will return to Phillips Mill in New Hope for their juried art show of Pennsylvania artists from the Doylestown area. We will stop in Lambertville for some shopping, lunch locally and proceed to Phillips Mill for the show which opens at 2:00 P.M.

Also opening in September at the Mitchener Art Museum is an exhibit of the Stuart Weizman Shoe Collection from the New York Historical Society.

In **October** we will visit Kean University in Union to see "Rarely Seen" Photographs of the Extraordinary", an exhibition from National Geographic.

Also, on October 14 we will visit the Arts Council of Princeton to see "Retrieving the Life and Art of James Wilson Edwards and a Circle of Black Artists: Rex Goreleigh, Hughe Lee-Smith, Selma Burke and "Wendell T. Brooks". At 4:00 there is a panel discussion on "Art Collecting as an Act of Love, Resistance, and Preservation of History". There is a reception following at 5:00 P.M. The Arts Council website has more details.

In **November** we will visit the Montclair Art Museum to see their rehung George Inness collection and have lunch in Montclair.

In **December** we will visit the Newark Art Museum.

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## GETTING TO KNOW YOU

We would like to welcome **Mary Ann Restuccia**. Mary Ann is not only a new member but is joining our board as a Member-At-Large.



Mary Ann grew up in Mercer County New Jersey. After graduation and becoming a registered nurse, she worked at a local hospital for a short time then moved to Arlington VA with friends to work in a big city like Washington D.C. She worked at Georgetown

University Hospital for several years. She loved working in the university setting but was also ready for regular hours and work week. That all ended up in a career change to the health insurance industry and working at one of the headquarter offices for Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association located in Washington.

At the Blues she wore many hats such as medical review, benefit development and interpretation, and benefit audits. After over 20 years with the Blues, she started working for the Federal Government at the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) Health Insurance Division. That was a lesson on how differently private industry and the federal government operate. As a medical professional there she performed reviews of appealed claims as well as many other tasks that needed some medical expertise. After a few years at OPM she transferred to the Department of Defense Tricare to administer a program for active-duty family members and retirees with access to care issues.

That was her last experience before deciding to retire in 2017. She sold her house in Arlington VA and relocated to New Jersey to be closer to her family. In 2017 she sold her home and moved to Evergreen, a 55+ community, Hamilton Township.

Now in retirement some of her favorite things to do are traveling, visiting art museums, arts and crafts, movies, trying new restaurants, playing Mahjong and Rummikub, and volunteering at the Grounds for Sculpture.

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## MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

This month we are highlighting Jan Stout, our Vice President and past program co-chair.

Jan has a BS in Nursing from TSC and MBA from Rider.



Our Vice President Jan Stout has been a member for almost three years. Last year she worked on the Club Bylaws as a Member-at-Large. Originally from PA, she's been a Hamilton resident since the 70's. In her working years she was a nurse in

several hospital administrative roles including Quality/Patient Safety, risk management and censure/accreditation. She's a Deacon/Treasurer in a Presbyterian Church and enjoys machine quilting for Quilts for Kids, music, art museums, walking, and book discussion groups.

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## THANK YOU NOTES FROM OUR 2022 SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

"I've just completed my first week of the NYU summer program that is required to attend to be a part of the Fall 2022 semester. The scholarship has allowed me board on campus. I am so grateful to the Women's Club for your generosity!"  
*Stephanie Dudowitz, class of '22*

"Thank you so much for awarding me the Katherine Ness Scholarship. I am honored for being the recipient of this award. Not only does this scholarship help pay for school this year, it provides me motivation and encouragement to excel at Rutgers. I hope to make all of you very proud of me. Thank you again."  
*Holland Engel*

"I am extremely thankful for your consideration and recognition towards my future education as an undergraduate. The Molly Updike Award means a lot to me and will be put to good use in college. Again, I want to express my gratitude."  
*Ayaka Numata*

## **FACEBOOK**

[www.facebook.com/Womens-College-Club-of-Princeton-111458471467151](http://www.facebook.com/Womens-College-Club-of-Princeton-111458471467151)

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## **WEBSITE**

*For more information about our club and its activities, please visit our website:*

[www.wccpnj.org](http://www.wccpnj.org)

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## **Dates to Remember**

Board Meeting	Thurs., Sept 8, 10 AM
Walking Group	Friday, Sept. 9, 9 AM
Luncheon Group	Tuesday, Sept. 13, noon
General Meeting	Monday, Sept. 19, 1 PM
Book Discussion	Friday, Sept. 30, 11 AM
Trips	TBA
Movies	TBA

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## The Women's College Club of Princeton

*"Enriching and empowering women since 1916"*

Come join us on

**Monday September 19th, 2022**

**from 1 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. at**

***The Stockton Education Center at The Morven Museum:***

**55 Stockton Street, Princeton, NJ 08540.**

### **"Princeton: The Nation's Capital 1783 — A Talk with Many Images"**

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