



APRIL 2017

**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

Dorothy Lusk

Although the temperatures are fluctuating, spring is definitely in the air. This President's Message comes to you before our Spring Event, **An Afternoon By the Sea**, scheduled for Sunday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> and I am taking advantage of one last opportunity to plead for every member's assistance to help make this event a success. First and foremost, if you have not purchased your tickets for the luncheon, please contact Helen Piasecki immediately and arrange to pay for and get your tickets. Secondly, I am so grateful to those members who have already reserved their seats at the luncheon. However, we still have some tickets available and this would be the perfect opportunity to ask a friend who may be interested in becoming a future member of the club to join us at our Spring Event! In this way, prospective members can experience first-hand the camaraderie, excitement and dedication the members of our club enjoy throughout the year.

About the event, I am especially looking forward to our guest speaker, author of *The Memory Box*, Eva Lesko Natiello. I am confident that her talk about her book and the effort she made to have it published after 81 rejections will be inspiring to all of us. She recently shared with me that she is now in the process of negotiating a movie deal...an absolutely amazing story of true perseverance. Additionally, I had a sneak peek at the Select-a- Gift Baskets and once again our members have really outdone themselves with their generosity and time they took to solicit donations from merchants in our community. On top of that, the Silent Auction promises to have spectacular choices for an exciting bidding experience. Our 50-50 Raffle promises to once again pay a substantial amount to the winners as well as contribute to our scholarship fund. Finally, our new raffle, the 55-inch Samsung television donated to College Club by my brother, Michael Culley and our family business, CMC Food, is a real bargain at just \$5.00 a chance. We are planning on selling just 500 tickets, which are far better odds than the lottery that so many people take a chance on every day!

April is busy on all fronts for the club as Co-chairs, Tish Isack and Marie Walford and their committee continue to work diligently reviewing applications and selecting our 2017-18 scholarship recipients. Pat Goldberg and Melissa Tice are in the process of planning the May Scholarship Dinner, scheduled at First United Methodist Church on Terrill Road in Scotch Plains, on Monday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>. Please be sure to sign up to contribute a dessert, drink or other needed supplies as well as plan on attending by sending \$15.00. Additionally, we are accepting donations to offset the cost of the meal for the recipients and their two allowed guests.

Our next meeting is April 17<sup>th</sup> at the Fanwood Presbyterian Church and we will be hosting a presentation on "The Zoo that put Scotch Plains on the Map". I am looking forward to learning more from Scotch Plains resident, Pete Terry, as he shares, Tales of Frank Terry and his Terry Lou Zoo.

Also an early reminder: our May 8<sup>th</sup> meeting will be a combined meeting beginning with the Board meeting at 6:30, followed by the General and Annual meetings at 7:30 pm.

All Board members should send me their prepared Committee reports for the year by **April 24<sup>th</sup>** so that I may prepare my annual report for the Club

**PROGRAM**

Ellen Harrison/Marie Leppert

***College Club welcomes Pete Terry to share tales of the  
Terry Lou Zoo***

***“The Zoo That Put Scotch Plains on the Map”***

***Monday April 17th, 7:30-8:30 pm***



**TERRY LOU ZOO**

*“The Zoo That Put Scotch Plains on the Map.”*

634-9616

Corner of OLD RARITAN ROAD & TERRILL ROAD

SCOTCH PLAINS, NEW JERSEY

322-7180

The College Club of Fanwood-Scotch Plains welcomes Pete Terry, lifelong resident of Scotch Plains, who will entertain us with tales of Franklin and Louise Terry and their Terry Lou Zoo on Raritan Road in Scotch Plains, the historic site of the Betty Frazee house. You will hear of the Zoo’s beginnings and how it evolved into a popular site for school groups and families near and far to visit. Pete will also share many stories about the family over the decades beginning in the 1700’s with the Revolutionary war. Please come and join us to hear about the Terry family and the rich history of Scotch Plains.

Please bring a friend and join us for this fantastic program at **our new location, The Fanwood Presbyterian Church**. We will meet in the side Chapel Room on Marion Avenue at the top of the ramp. The program will begin at 7:30 pm with the general meeting and refreshments to follow.

## **HOSPITALITY**

Jean Naugle/Marie Leppert

The following hostesses are assigned for the month of April: Marie Leppert, Jean Naugle, Joanne Sheffield, Judy Terry and Lillian Wiener.

Please e-mail or call Jean Naugle or Marie Leppert with your contribution for our April meeting. Hostesses, please let us know who will be able to help with set up and/or clean up. We invite our hostesses to welcome members and guests to our April program as participants arrive. Thank you for sharing hospitality with our members and guests.

## **BOARD AND REGULAR/ANNUAL MEETING**

On May 8<sup>th</sup>, we will meet at the Fanwood Presbyterian Church for our “trio” of meetings. Following our format of last year, the Board will gather for a short meeting at 6:30 pm, followed by the regular General Business Meeting at 7:30 pm and then the Annual Meeting will commence. There will also be the election of our officers in the Annual Meeting. We would encourage you to attend these important meetings. We will enjoy Fellowship Time after the meetings.

## **MEMBERSHIP**

Meril Davies/Joan Skubish

An Open House and informal light supper for prospective members will be held prior to the April general meeting at 6:00 pm in the Chapel Room at the Fanwood Presbyterian Church. A flyer about the event is attached and we are counting on our members to invite a friend, neighbor or relative to this open house. They are welcome to stay for our program to hear Pete Terry speak on his memories of the Terry Lou Zoo. Tell your prospective member that membership in College Club provides for social interaction throughout the year and the opportunity to form new friendships. From general meetings, social events, fundraising and hands-on volunteering, there are many opportunities for us to come together as a group and adding new members will make us a better and a stronger organization. If you know of someone you think would be interested in attending the open house, contact either Meril or Joan.

## **SCHOLARSHIP**

Tish Isack/Marie Walford

The Scholarship Committee has been working for the last month and has completed its review of the 2017-2018 applications. The Committee will be meeting in the next few weeks to select the semi-finalists and then to interview and determine the 2017-2018 scholarship recipients.

## **CC+ME=OUTREACH**

P. Goldberg/C. Hirschhorn/C. Salisbury

We have sent each of our scholarship recipients a \$10 Dunkin Donuts gift card this month with a note of our continued support. Thank you to all who contributed.

## AN AFTERNOON BY THE SEA

Pat Swick

Our Scholarship Fundraising luncheon is less than two weeks away and the Board would like to thank all of you who have helped in this large fundraising endeavor: soliciting gifts from many vendors, personally donating items for the Silent Auction and Gift baskets, selling raffle tickets before the event to friends and family and sending monetary donations that we are applying directly to the scholarship fund. Needless to say, without the help of so many of our Club members, this event would not be possible. Thank you!

To those unable to attend this year, a wrap-up of the festivities will appear in the next newsletter. (We will be missing you!) In the meantime, please continue to sell your 50/50 chances, TV raffle chances and bring your scratch-off Lottery tickets to the meeting.

If you are unable to come to the luncheon and did not get to make your donation to the Silent Auction or Gift basket area, please consider helping by:

- Returning your sold raffle tickets (50/50 and TV raffle)
- Donating a few scratch-off lottery tickets for our lottery trees. We could use about \$40 more to bring us to the \$200 value of tickets we collected last year. Please contact Pat Goldberg before April 19 if you have some to contribute.
- Donating a \$10 bottle of wine to be handed out with a few restaurant gift certificates.

ALL members helping in any way possible will make this endeavor a success! We will be in touch the week of the general meeting to remind you about times you volunteered to help with set-up, selling tickets and clean-up. See you on the 23<sup>rd</sup>! Be ready to enjoy the BEACH BREEZE\* and our Guest Speaker, the bestselling author, Eva Lesko Natiello, of *The Memory Box*.

\*This year's specialty drink - a BEACH BREEZE (a mimosa with a themed twist!)

## LITERATURE GROUP

Ellen Harrison

Our last book of the year is *The Little Paris Bookshop* by Nina George. We will meet at the home of Joanne Sheffield, 1415 Graymill Drive on Tuesday May 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm. Joanne will also review the book.

Monsieur Perdu owns a floating bookstore. He calls it a "literary apothecary" because he "prescribes" literature to mend broken hearts, soothe souls and allay fears. He himself has been the victim of a broken heart since his lover left him 21 years ago with only a letter as notification. He has never found the courage to read the letter.

## LADIES WHO LUNCH

Ginger Rachko

Ladies Who Lunch will meet on Wednesday, April 26<sup>th</sup> at Il Gabiano, South Avenue, Cranford at 12:30 pm. Please respond by Monday, April 24<sup>th</sup> if you are planning on coming. Please join us.

## CALENDAR

Mari McDevitt

Our Scholarship Luncheon will have just ended and we will move right into plans for our other major fundraiser! Come to our one and only ☺ planning meeting for the 54<sup>th</sup> edition of our Community Calendar – **Thursday, April 27<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 - 9:30 pm** at my home, 1475 Golf Street, SP. Please consider being part of this highly visible Community Service project. You will be MOST welcome! And you are MOST needed!

Listed below are the 4 committees with the approximate time frame involved for each. On the 27<sup>th</sup>, you can help me cut and paste last year's ads onto this year's letters to the advertisers. I hope about 25 of you will choose one or more of the following ways to help:

- Advertising:
  - 10 people from late April to early June and one day in late August
  - Would anyone like to chair or co-chair this project?
  
- Production:
  - a) Community Organizations and Churches - 5 people to gather info in June
  - b) Municipal Info for SP & Fanwood - 1 person in late June/early July
  - c) Board of Ed liaison for all monthly school info & Bd. of Ed. insert - 2 people from mid-June through mid-July
  - d) Info for Skeleton of Calendar - holidays, monthly layouts for Sept.'17 - Dec.'18 & the 2019 calendar & holidays - 1 person in late May or early June
  - e) Input & Layout of all material for body of calendar - 2 people in June and July
  - f) Cover Design - 2 people in May & June
  - g) Proofreading – 4-6 people in late June, mid-July, late July, and early August (4 days total)
  
- Marketing:
  - a) Sales - 4-5 people - August through October
  - b) Publicity - 1 person mid or late August
  
- Distribution:
  - 3-5 people from 3rd week of August to Dec. (esp. late Aug. - mid-Sept.)
  - a) CC Members
  - b) SP stores & Library
  - c) Fanwood stores & Library

Use your special skills and talents! Ideas and suggestions are most welcome! If you want to help, but you cannot attend the meeting, please call Mari at 233-6513 or cell 917-5979. Thanks.

## MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY/DATA SHEETS/DUES

Pat Swick

It's almost time to wish all of you a Happy New Year! Yes, our new fiscal year begins May 1, 2017 and you know what that means - time for Data Sheets to be filled in! We can't wait to find out how each of you *wants* to help the Club in the New Year.

Please print out the Data Sheet included as an attachment and return your completed sheet *via* e-mail, snail mail or bring with you to the General Meeting (copies will also be available at

the April general meeting to fill out prior to your leaving!) Since the data sheet has been updated this year, please review carefully.

- Data Sheet due by May 8 – Annual Meeting
- Dues for the 2017-2018 year will continue to be **\$45.00 -- due by June 30<sup>th</sup>**
- Sustaining Members' dues will remain at \$25.00, also due by June 30<sup>th</sup>
- All Membership dues payments should be sent to the PO Box or given to Pat Swick by June 1<sup>st</sup>
- **Payments AFTER June 30<sup>th</sup>:**
  - A late fee will be assessed - thus Membership dues owed will be \$50.00
  - You ***will not be included*** in the Membership directory (applies to both Members and Sustainers)

**TREASURER’S NOTES**

Barbara Timko

**COLLEGE CLUB OF FANWOOD SCOTCH PLAINS**

**TREASURER’S REPORT 03/31/17**

	<u>Books</u> <u>03/31/17</u>	<u>Bank Actual</u> <u>03/31/17</u>	<u>Difference</u>
<b>CHECKING ACCOUNT BALANCE</b>	1,348.64	\$ 1,598.64	\$ 250.00
<b>SAVINGS ACCOUNT BALANCE</b>	\$ 57,713.01	\$ 57,713.01	\$ -
<b>Total - Both Accounts</b>	<u>\$ 59,061.65</u>	<u>\$ 59,311.65</u>	\$ 250.00
<b>Lord Abbett Mutual Fund Account update:</b>			
Ending Value on 12/31/16	<u>232.6010 Shares @ \$14.41</u>	\$ 3,351.78	
Ending Value on 9/30/16	<u>229.9530 Shares @ \$14.36</u>	\$ 3,302.13	
Ending Value on 6/30/16	<u>228.385 Shares @ \$13.93</u>	\$ 3,181.40	
Ending Value on 3/31/16	<u>226.5470 shares @ \$13.68</u>	\$ 3,099.16	
<b><u>RECEIPTS</u></b>			
Calendar Sales	\$ 900.00		
Calendar Ads	\$ 365.00		
Spring Luncheon tickets	\$ 5,500.00		
Spring fundraiser - books paid for by members	\$ 105.00		
Lunch Ads and donations	\$ 230.00		
TV Raffle tickets	\$ 310.00		
50/50 Raffle tickets	\$ 854.00		
Memoriums / Honorariums	\$ 600.00		
INTEREST	\$ 9.02		
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<u>\$ 8,873.02</u>		
<b><u>DISBURSEMENTS</u></b>			
Current month program	\$ 75.00		
Mar/April/May meeting venue & Keys	\$ 163.50		
Scholarship Dinner Venue	\$ 100.00		
<b>TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS</b>	<u>\$ 338.50</u>		
<b>TOTAL OUTSTANDING CHECKS</b>			<b>\$ 250.00</b>



## NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Joan Skubish

The Nominating Committee is pleased to present the following slate of officers for approval at the May meeting:

President – Melissa Tice  
Co-Vice-Presidents – Teri DiFrancesco and Sue Spirko  
Co-Recording Secretaries – Irene Nunes and Pat Swick  
Corresponding Secretary – Pat Goldberg  
Treasurer – Connie Sensor  
Director – Dorothy Lusk

Election of officers will take place at our annual meeting on May 8<sup>th</sup>. As per Article IV, Section 3 of our Bylaws: “At the time of election at the annual meeting in May, additional nominations may be made from the floor provided the prior consent of the proposed nominees has been obtained.”

Thank you to Teri DiFrancseco, Carol Kiley, Connie Sensor and Pat Swick for their service on the Nominating Committee and thank you to all those who agreed to serve on the 2017-2018 Executive Board.



## ***Our Annual College Club Scholarship Dinner***

**When:** Monday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>. Arrive at 6:15 pm to meet our honorees

**Where:** First United Methodist Church, Terrill Road, SP

**Why:** To celebrate with our wonderful scholarship recipients and to listen to their stories, hopes and dreams!

**What:** You need to **RSVP** by May 15<sup>th</sup> so we can determine the amount of food to prepare.

**Please e-mail or call:**

Melissa Tice: [dmptice@gmail.com](mailto:dmptice@gmail.com) or (908) 889-6517

Pat Goldberg: [pgold81@aol.com](mailto:pgold81@aol.com) or (908) 789-8634

**Cost:** \$15.00 per person. If you would like to contribute additional funds to help cover the cost of one of our recipients or their guests, that would be wonderful. Let us know you are coming as soon as you can.

**What else do we need:** Water, salads (green, pasta or fruit) punch supplies and desserts (individual servings)

Does anyone **need a ride** or want to carpool? Please let us know by e-mail or by calling Melissa or Pat.

*Please make every effort to attend this enjoyable evening!!*

**MEMBERS' NEWS**

**Happy birthday** to the following club members who are celebrating their birth dates in April: Ethel Barth, Jane Clausen, Carol Rizzo and sustainers, Anne Johansen and Lois Koral. Very special birthday wishes go to Marie Leppert who is celebrating her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday this month!

Our sympathies are extended to Helen Ling who lost her father in late December and to Ellen Sherry whose mother-in-law recently died.

**Please note:** Marie Leppert's new address is 306 South Avenue, Fanwood, NJ 07023. Her home phone number is the same, 908-233-3829 and her cell phone is 908-410-3753.

**DATES TO REMEMBER**

- Apr. 17 - General Meeting
- Apr. 23 - An Afternoon by the Sea
- May 8 - Board meeting, 6:30 pm. at Fanwood Presbyterian Church
- May 8 - Regular meeting, 7:30 pm. at Fanwood Presbyterian Church
- May 8 - Annual meeting, with election of officers, following the regular meeting
- May 22 - Scholarship dinner, 6:15 pm at First United Methodist Church, SP
- June 12 - Old/New Board pot luck dinner and meeting at Dorothy Lusk's, 6:30 pm

**SCHOLARSHIP RECEPTION**

Melissa Tice/Pat Goldberg

Plans are underway for our Annual Scholarship Dinner which will be held on **Monday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>** beginning at **6:15 pm** at the first United Methodist Church. This event is the culmination of all the hard work which goes into making our Club year successful. We ask ALL members to make every effort to attend and celebrate the work accomplished and to greet and meet the young women who will be recipients of our scholarships.

We ask you to confirm your attendance by completing the form below and sending the form or bring to our CC general meeting April 17<sup>th</sup> or May 8<sup>th</sup> and your check for **\$15.00** per person, payable to College Club of Fanwood-Scotch Plains to Melissa Tice, 2271 Old Farm Road, Scotch Plains no later than **Monday, May 15<sup>th</sup>**. If you have any questions, contact Melissa at (908) 889-6517 or e-mail her at [dmptice@gmail.com](mailto:dmptice@gmail.com).

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TEAR OFF AND RETURN TO  
Melissa Tice, 2271 Old Farm Rd, Scotch Plains NJ 07076

\_\_\_\_\_ I am planning to attend the Scholarship Reception on Monday, May 22, 2017

\_\_\_\_\_ I cannot attend but would like to donate money to cover a meal for a scholarship recipient

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE # \_\_\_\_\_