

LADIES' NOTES

The Civic Club of Harrisburg and Affiliates

“Civility with Purpose”

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The purpose of The Civic Club of Harrisburg (TCCH and TCCH Affiliates) is to promote and engage in civic and social activities which preserve the heritage of the Club and its landmark building; encourage cultural and historic interest in the community; contribute to improving the welfare and education of children and youth, seniors and those in need; and foster relationships with like-minded organizations.

March 2 Luncheon Program: *Ride (or walk!) Harrisburg's Historic Emerald Necklace*

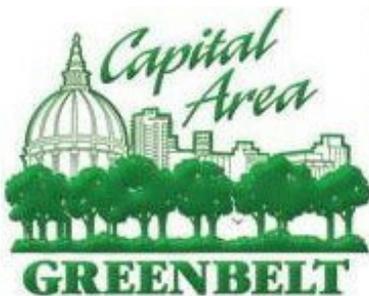


The Capital Area Greenbelt Association was created to “reinvigorate” the ideal of an “emerald necklace” trail system, which was one of the original goals of Harrisburg’s turn-of-the-century City Beautiful master plan. A founding member of the Civic Club of Harrisburg (TCCH), Mira Lloyd Dock was a keen advocate of the plan.

The City of Harrisburg had completed about 60 percent of the “emerald necklace” parkway, when the project stalled due to the 1930’s Depression.

Did you know that the Riverfront Park segment of the trail runs along the western boundary of *Overlook* Mansion? It is heavily used by runners, walkers and bikers who live and work in the city as well as those heading to recreational amenities on City Island. What are the opportunities for TCCH to reconnect with this historic gem?

Today, the Capital Area Greenbelt Association (CAGA) helps to manage the trail. It was formed in 1990 to restore completed



sections of the greenway and begin working on areas that had never been developed. Significant grants obtained throughout the 1990s allowed the 20-mile loop to be essentially completed. Today, the association continues to work on improving the trail through new safety measures and improved maintenance.

Speaker Dick Norford, has been a long-time enthusiast of bike riding and a member of CAGA. He is a familiar face at TCCH’s monthly non-profit Civic Minded breakfast meetings. A resident of Clarks Valley, Middle Paxton Township, Dick is a semi retired sales and marketing executive. In addition to being a passionate bicycle rider, he is a grandfather of 6 and enjoys traveling with his wife Kay to visit his grown children scattered around the US. His extensive travels have taken him to all states and over 70 countries.

The March 2 luncheon/program starts with a “Meet and Greet” reception at 11:30 a.m., followed by lunch and the presentation. The cost of the lunch is \$16.00. For reservations, telephone 717-234-6736 or send an email to civclubhbg@gmail.com by Feb 26, 2015. **The presentation itself, which starts around 12:45 p.m., is free and open to the public.**



TCCH played a key role in the formation of the Capital Area Greenbelt.

Annual Retreat Wrapup ~

The Civic Club of Harrisburg leadership and members spent the last two months on planning for the future. Yes, twelve hours of work led by David Morrison as a member of the Affiliates board provoked a lot of discussion. The attendees reviewed the past and current five goals, the purpose of the club and considered future issues. They used a dollar and cents method to identify the top ideas that would go forward.

In February, the group worked as a committee of the whole on the documents that summarized last year’s committee work and this year’s visions. We all look forward to seeing the five-page strategic document to lead our way to 2018.

Civic Club Provides Facility for Empower Hour Girls Pajama Jam

Here are pictures of the Empower Hour Girls on Saturday, December 20th as they made 25 fleece blankets for the Harrisburg Bethesda Mission. The great evening was complemented by a visit from the Tibetan Monks.



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May 16-17

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A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT - Fundraising Opportunity

Dear Members and TCCH Board,

We have the opportunity to participate in the volunteer program with Hershey Entertainment and Resort Company (Herco) to work at Hershey Park/Hershey Arena/Hershey Stadium and Giant Center.

To summarize the opportunity, the Hershey Entertainment Complex offers a perfect fundraising opportunity to earn money and each volunteer gets a voucher to exchange for a day at the park each time you complete a shift. TCCHA will receive \$6 an hour for whichever type of shift you would choose. Last year I earned 21 vouchers and gave them to my grandchildren.

The purpose of offering this to our membership is to raise money in order to establish a scholarship fund for graduating senior(s) at Harrisburg High School. This is a win-win situation for both volunteers and for deserving Harrisburg seniors. We welcome you to join this program.

Typically, the times are from mid April weekends through Memorial Day and mid August through the end of September and into the holidays. Giant Center can be year round. The shifts are usually 3, 4 or 5 hours. You are required to stand during your shift and be able to walk a distance to your assigned area. All volunteers must be 18 years of age. Non-club members can also participate. Very little training is required since most positions are very basic - clean tables, dispense soft drinks, assist catering staff with special group meals, assist in prep work, serving customers and maintain general cleanliness.

So who is interested in participating in this scholarship opportunity? Your response would be most appreciated. Please either call me at 566-9479 or email at gbishop3@verizon.net. If you have additional questions, I can give you more information. REMEMBER... ALL FRIENDS AND FAMILY MEMBERS MAY PARTICIPATE.

Thank you for your support

Gail Bishop, Ed.D
President, The Civic Club of Harrisburg



Civic Minded Breakfast ~

There were 26 non-profit organizations represented at the Civic Minded Breakfast on Wednesday, February 11, 2015, to hear Matt Hertzog, Economic Development Analyst from the Educational Improvement Tax Credit (EITC) present and answer questions for completing the application process. Thanks to Bob Walsh and Melissa Synder from Jump Street for assisting in the program.

Pictured, L to R, are Matt Hertzog, Beth Cornell from TCCH and Bob Walsh



NOTIFICATION OF CHANGE TO THE CONSTITUTION

In accordance with Article VII of The Civic Club of Harrisburg's Constitution, changes to the Constitution may be made only at the Annual Meeting. Notice of such proposed change(s) shall be sent to every member one month before the Annual Meeting. The Bylaws Committee is notifying the membership that the following amendment which will be presented for vote on Monday, April 6, 2015, the Annual Meeting.

The Bylaws Committee moves that the current Constitution and the current Bylaws of The Civic Club of Harrisburg be combined into one document to be known as the Bylaws.

RATIONALE:

- No state or federal law or regulation requires an organization to have a constitution.
- Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised states "In the majority of groups, the highest level of rules is contained in a document of the organization called the bylaws. Less commonly, organizations have a "constitution" instead of bylaws. The bylaws contain the group's own basic rules relating principally to itself as an organization."
- Having both a Constitution and Bylaws are not necessary as there is duplication of information, and it is not necessary to repeat the same information twice.

TCCH Non-Profit Partner's Update – March 2015

We are pleased to announce that we have 46 non-profit partners to date. Welcome to our newest partners, Christ Fellowship Prayer Tabernacle and PA National Guard Foundation. See this month's events from our non-profit partners:

- **Center for Champions** - Youth and Family Mentoring will be holding their 1st Annual Benefit Dinner on March 26, 2015. Our featured presenter is Dr. Bruce Main, founder and president of Urban Promise Ministries. Registration begins at 6:45 p.m. and we will conclude at 9:00 p.m. For more information visit www.centerforchampions.org or contact Jeff Bruce at cfcjeffb@gmail.com.
- **Junior League of Harrisburg** - Happy hours at Suba during the month of March will benefit the JLH. Please stop by Suba between 5 p.m. and 7 p.m., Tuesday through Friday anytime during the month to enjoy delicious food and drink, and support JLH's mission to train young women to be nonprofit leaders in the community. JLH's community impact focus is helping families with female heads of household become self-sufficient.
- **The PA Breast Cancer Coalition (PBCC)** On March 11 at 7 p.m., we will offer the webinar "Breast Density: What is It and Why Does It Matter", presented by Dr. Susann Schetter, Division Chief of Breast Imaging at Penn State Milton S. Hershey Medical Center. The webinar will explain breast density, its impact on a woman's risk of breast cancer, and appropriate screening techniques. Participants will have the opportunity to ask questions. This webinar has been approved by the PA State Board of Nursing for one FREE CE hour and for credit by the American Society of Radiologic Technologists (ASRT). To register for the webinar, please visit pbcc.me/marchwebinar. Anyone with questions about the webinar or how to register should contact Erica at (717) 769-2307 or Erica@PABreastCancer.org.
- **Paxton Ministries** is no longer the best "well-kept secret" in Harrisburg. Help us spread the word! Like us on facebook and ask your friends to do the same. To learn how we provide affordable housing and support services to adults challenged with poverty, mental illness, and intellectual disabilities watch the video on our website www.paxtonmin.org/about.
- **The Harrisburg Choral Society** will present its Lenten Reflections concert on Sunday, March 15, at 3:00 PM at Colonial Park United Church of Christ, 5000 Devonshire Road, Harrisburg. Singers will perform the Easter portion of *The Messiah* as well as a number of other works. Tickets (\$12 general admission, \$5 students/children) are available at our website, www.harrisburgchoralsociety.org, from any Choral Society singer, or at the door.
- **Market Square Concerts** - On Saturday, March 28, at 8 pm at Whitaker Center Market Square Concerts presents Donald Sinta Quartet. Winner of the 2013 Concert Artists Guild International competition, this exciting young saxophone quartet will perform a special program called "No Strings Attached" featuring the group's arrangements of string quartet works by Dvorak, Barber and Shostakovich, as well as Grieg's "Holberg Suite".
- **Historical Society of Dauphin County** – (1) Second Sunday at the Mansion: A presentation by Fackler Funeral Home, Sunday, March 8 at 2:30 pm. Jim Taljan will present the history of the Fackler Funeral Home since 1865. A suggested donation of \$5 is requested. Admission is Free for members. A tour of the Harris-Cameron Mansion will be offered at 1:00 pm. (2) Kathy Hale, Librarian with the State Library of PA will lead a workshop for beginning genealogists from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. on Saturday, March 21. The fee for the workshop is \$15 per person. Please RSVP at 717-233-3462.
- **Dress for Success South Central PA** - The annual Leadership Series will hold its first event, the York Leadership Luncheon, on Wednesday March 18. The keynote speaker is Sarah Lanphier Himes, Owner of Nuts About Granola. The Capital Area Leadership Breakfast on Wednesday April 1 will feature Dr. Karen Scolforo, President of Central Penn College as the keynote speaker. Then, on Sunday April 12, the Lebanon Cosmopolitan Affair will welcome speaker Sylvia Hepler, owner of Launching Lives, LLC. The purpose of these events is to celebrate our sponsors, volunteers and outstanding clients who make our organization a success. To make a reservation to attend one of our events, please visit www.dressforsuccess.org/southcentralpa. We are always looking for volunteers to sort inventory and participate in other opportunities (717) 232-1333.

TCCH Volunteer Opportunities ~

There are many ways to support TCCH. Contact civicclubhbg@gmail.com or call 234-6736 to volunteer.

- Need someone to check the telephone messages from the answering machine at the clubhouse. This can be done from your home.
- Serve on the Technology committee to help with website updates and video equipment setup for program meetings.
- Help the program committee with the March luncheon/program.
- Serve on one of the Gala 2015 committees.
- Maintain the TCCH Facebook page.
- Serve as "Ladies' Notes" Newsletter Editor for the 2015/2016 year.
- To chair the House Committee or Service Committee.

The Civic Club of Harrisburg is looking for NEW leadership for The Board of Directors slate of Officers for 2015/2016. Anyone who is a member in good standing and is interested in serving and supporting this growing organization, please submit their name to the nomination committee. Send an email to civicclubhbg@gmail.com.

MEMBERSHIP – Submitted by Jo Ann Curado

We would like to welcome 2 new members this month. Please add their personal data to your yearbook. They are:

Deborah W. Fulham-Winston
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Carlisle, PA 17013-3733
717-448-5846 (c)
dwwfw@comcast.net

Paola Kostelac
100 Frazer Rd
Lemoyne, PA 17043
17-443-3840 (c)
paolakostelac@yahoo.com

Please make the following corrections to your Overlook yearbook:

Cindy Dunn's address is 271 Hillcrest Rd, Camp Hill, PA 17011. Cindy's e-mail address is cadunn.444@gmail.

Our membership to date totals 99. Since the current membership year ends May 31, 2005, we are offering half price memberships to those individuals who join The Civic Club now. Their membership will be valid from the day we receive the membership through May 31. Invite your friends and neighbors to one of our program luncheons and encourage them to become part of one of the oldest civic service groups in our area.

JoAnn Curado, our membership chair, fell on some ice the beginning of February and incurred some head injuries.

Membership Spotlight ~

Congratulations to member Melissa Snyder who has been named Executive Director of Harrisburg's Jump Street organization. Melissa was recently honored in the Showcase Magazine.

Congratulations to member Cindy Dunn, former president and CEO of PennFuture, became PA's Secretary of the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources on January 20, 2015.

We would like to wish a "Happy Birthday" to the following ladies:

March – Chantal Atnip, Joan Bretz, Doris Coyne, Jean Cutler, Myrna Delgado,
Lisa DeNicola, Pat Ferris, Phyllis Mooney, Gladys Nelson, Karen Taylor



Ladies' Notes Announcement ~

After the completion of the June "*Ladies' Notes*," Ann Brooks will be stepping down as Newsletter Editor in order to volunteer in other areas. Please consider volunteering for this position in the 2015/2016 year to help carry on the important work of getting the word out to our members. This effort takes a few hours each month we publish the newsletter and can be done at home. If interested, please contact TCCH at civicclubhbg@gmail.com.

TCCH AFFILIATES TO HOST THIRD FUND-RAISING GALA

"*A Great Gatsby Celebration*" is the theme of The Civic Club of Harrisburg Affiliates' GALA III to be held from 5:30 p.m. until 8 p.m. on Sunday, May 17, 2015. Guests will be treated to music of the Roaring Twenties and a glimpse of *West Egg* on the East Shore of the Susquehanna River.

"For only \$135 per person we will host a party where you can frolic with friends and enjoy great food, fabulous entertainment and terrific auction items on which to bid," said cardiologist Dr. George Moffitt, Jr., who is chairing the event with his wife, Ann.

"Guests will be treated to music and era delicacies and experience the chatter, laughter and casual innuendo of Jay Gatsby's parties at his mansion, *Lands End*, in *West Egg on the Gold Coast of Long Island*. We will celebrate in sumptuous comfort at the only remaining mansion on the west side of Front Street on the East Shore of the Susquehanna River. 'Overlook' will become the *Lands End* estate as we replicate the grandeur and lavish lifestyle of that remarkable, unforgettable age," said Ann Moffitt, who added, "Plan to have a great time. F. Scott Fitzgerald would have had it no other way."

Proceeds from the event will go toward restoration and preservation of the historic building and also support the organization's community outreach and "civility with purpose" programs. The Civic Club of Harrisburg/Affiliates has almost 50 nonprofit partners who meet bi-monthly to discuss mutual issues and a program of 6 free public lectures on issues affecting the city and region. It also is a key partner in City Beautiful 2.0 which seeks to improve the region for all area communities in the 21st century.

Allan Ausman, chairman of the Affiliates and his wife and TCCH member, JoAnn Curado, are guiding the GALA Planning Committee.

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**The Civic Club of Harrisburg
2014-2015 Slate of Officers**

President: Gail Bishop

Past President: Jeanne Schmedlen

1st Vice President (Programs): Jean Cutler

2nd Vice President (Finance): Beth Cornell

3rd Vice President (Service): Carol DiMartile

4th Vice President (House & Gardens):

Marybeth Lehtimaki, Victoria Bell

Recording and Corresponding Secretary: Judy Imler

Treasurer: Lynn Campbell

Assistant Treasurer: Brenda Martin

Membership Secretary: JoAnn Curado

Directors: Joan Bretz, Sana Khouri, Doris Coyne

Appointed Chairs:

Parliamentarian/Taxes: Joan Bretz

Non-Profit Partnerships: Kathy Gates

Social and Awards: Karen Best

PR/Communications: Jeanne Schmedlen

Bylaws: Shirley McCormick

Newsletter: Ann Brooks

Technology: Melanie Wagner

**The Civic Club of Harrisburg Affiliates
501 (c)(3)**

Chairman for the Affiliates: Allan Ausman

LOOKING AHEAD:

The Annual Meeting of The Civic Club of Harrisburg Affiliates scheduled for February 10th was cancelled and will be rescheduled.

Monday, March 2, 2015

11:30 a.m. Meet & Greet

Noon Luncheon

**“RIDE HARRISBURG’S HISTORIC
EMERALD NECKLACE”**

Dick Norford

Thursday, March 5, 2015

(8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.)

Philadelphia Flower Show

Monday, March 16, 2015

(10:00 a.m.)

Executive Board Meeting

Monday, April 6, 2015

Annual Meeting and Noon Luncheon

11:30 a.m. Meet & Greet

“THE PROGRAM--IT’S ABOUT CHANGE”

Valerie G Simmons

Wednesday, April 8, 2015

(7:15 a.m.)

Civic-Minded Breakfast

Monday, April 20, 2015

(10:00 a.m.)

Executive Board Meeting

Thursday, April 23, 2015

(5:30 p.m.)

New Member Orientation Reception

Monday, May 4, 2015

11:30 a.m. Meet & Greet

Noon Luncheon

“GET A SERIOUS GREEN THUMB!”

Anne M. Hawk

Sunday, May 17, 2015

(5:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.)

TCCH/A Gala

“A GREAT GATSBY CELEBRATION”

Monday, May 18, 2015

(10:00 a.m.)

Executive Board Meeting

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NOTE: News articles for the April “Ladies’ Notes” should be emailed to Kathy Gates, kgates808@comcast.net by Friday, March 6, 2015.

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