

Braintree Women's Club



January Newsletter 2014



Program: "Secret to Aging Gracefully" Bella

Derma Aesthetics LLC of Braintree is an innovative skin care facility owned and operated by Judith A. DiGravio, RN, ADN and Gail S. Driscoll, RN, BSN/Medical Aestheticians. Their combined experience in Dermatology, Women's Health and Internal Medicine, ensures clients the best in skin care. Gail will start the program at 7:00 P.M. She will use a volunteer from our club members do a non-surgical facelift.

Date: January 2, 2014

Time: 7:00 P.M.

Place: Sons of Italy Hall
161 King Hill Road
Braintree, MA 02184

Program Chairmen: Therese English

Invocation: Carolyn Puleo

Meeting Greeters: Margarete Cropley and Joan Adams

Hospitality Hostesses: Margaret Jonson and Marilyn Valencius

American Home: The trip to Niagara Falls and Toronto is scheduled for June 16-20, 2014. The price for this trip is \$599 – includes 4 nights lodging, 8 meals (4 breakfasts and 4 dinners). If you are planning to go, a deposit of \$100 per person is due to me by January 15, 2014 – full payment by April 11, 2014. If you have any questions, please call me at 781-749-7176 – Lorraine.

Lorraine Letteney and Barbara Moriarty, Chairmen

Community Improvement: Many thanks to all of our members who were so generous in giving for the Holiday projects. Many bags of toys were collected and delivered to the Marge Crispin Center for distribution to the young people in our community.

We also provided wonderful gifts to our two adopted young men as participants in the Braintree "Adopt A Family" program with donations of \$700 from all of you. Special thanks to Marilyn Valencius, Susanne Cantone, Rosemarie Doherty and Karen Abell for their shopping expertise.

A reminder: We will be collecting school supplies at our January meeting to support the School On Wheels program. Our February meeting collection of school supplies will specifically be donated to the Braintree school system to support the students during the second half of the school year.

Plans for our Valentine's Day Party at the John Adams Nursing Home are underway for February. We will have music, refreshments and gifts for the residents to enjoy the day. We look forward to your support for this event on a date to be confirmed.

More to come regarding participation in our "Dress for Success" project in April. Start putting aside your gently worn clothing items you no longer wear to provide outfits for women having a need as they prepare to go back into the work force.

We continue to collect coats (January is your last chance), cell phones, glasses and magazines. You have been most generous so keep up the good work; your donations are most appreciated. Thank you.

Birthday Wishes: Very generous monetary donations were received from Mary Kyne, Elena Lydon, Peggy Kehoe and Lil Bolton. Pat Tobin donated a Charlie Brown doll and the book, A Charlie Brown Christmas, as well as tattoos. We are overwhelmed with the generosity of our club members each month with monetary donations. Because of you, we are able to do a little extra some months. At the shelter this month, five children celebrated their birthdays and they made gingerbread houses with all the candy trimmings. We served a cake donated by Stop and Shop in Weymouth, along with juice boxes, Hoodsies and paper products. Each small child received a pair of hand knitted mittens and the bigger children received gloves in their "extra special" goodie bags. We also gave one of our helpers, who is a freshman at the shelter, a couple of pairs of gloves and slippers for all her help each month. *Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!* Ina Jones, Jane Palmer & Barbara Swain - Birthday Wishes Chairmen
Jane Fogg and Deanna Freddie, CIP Chairmen

Drama Drama Committee will resume on Monday, January 6, at 7 p.m. in the The Glen. Hope to see you!
Edna Pento and Mary Rochon, Chairmen

Hospitality: Hospitality hostesses are Margaret Johnson and Marilyn Valencius – assisted by Mary Hartin, Maria Gentile, Peg Jenkins, Eleanor Kane, Phyllis Kerr, Catherine King, Nancy LaPlants, Ann Moore, Gilda Mullen, Christine Sheehan.
Pat Tobin and Geraldine McCarthy, Chairmen

Literature: We will meet Tuesday, January 14th at 7:00 P.M. at the home of Adrienne Allen. The "snow date" is January 21st. Our reading choice is *The Goldfinch* by Donna Tartt.
Tommie Roy, Chairman

Membership: Thank you to our December greeters, Pat Clark and Marjorie Callahan.
Below are member updates for your membership book:

New Members:

Lauren Crook	674 Commercial St, Braintree	781-664-0328 feedmysoulbraintree@gmail.com
Meghan Michalak	301 Washington St #4, Braintree	617-877-2085 meghanmichalak@bullfinchgroup.com
Theresa Murphy	60 Bramblewood Lane, Braintree	781-843-4647 theresa4647@gmail.com
Virginia Tobin	8 Blake Road, Braintree	781-817-5667 ginnytobin@verizon.net

New Email Address:

Patty Pettinelli - pjpett422@gmail.com

Anne Marie Brady and Mary Ryan, Chairmen

Music and Glee Club: We are thinking of performing at a Valentine's Day party at the John Adams Nursing Home in February in conjunction with CIP. More information to follow.

Yvonne Colligan and Phyllis Dugan, Chairmen

Remembrance: Please call Rose (848-0278) or Lil (843-8193) if you know of a club member who is ill or hospitalized, or of the death of an immediate family member. Cards were sent to Anne Flaherty, who is recuperating at Rose Court at Linden Ponds, 203 Linden Ponds Way, Hingham 02043. Lorraine has visited her. Also, cards to Catarina Farrell who is at Hancock Park Rehabilitation Center, 164 Parkingway, Quincy 02169. Rose Farrell was going to take her a plant. There is a "Sunshine Fund" container at the sign-in table at each meeting – any donation is appreciated.

Lil Bolton and Rose Farrell, Chairmen

Scholarships: I have copies of the 2014 GFWC Scholarship applications on my computer. If anyone is wanting a copy please contact me and I can either email it to you or send you a hardcopy - whichever you prefer. The available scholarships are listed on our website: **braintreewomensclub.weebly.com**.

Terry Rouvalis: Scholarship Chairman

Veterans: Join us at the Brockton VA Hospital on Saturday 1/18/14. We will meet at 1:00pm in the Building 4 lobby. We will host a NIGHT AT THE RACES. Refreshments will be served. Stickers, coffee and diet soda are always appreciated. ALL ARE WELCOME!

A great big thank you to all the wonderful singers who participated at the Christmas party and sing along. What a great group we are. Thank you all so much. HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Cora Madrid and Peggy Nisby, Chairmen

Ways and Means: The Wine Tasting will be held on Sunday, February 9, 2014, from 2:00 – 4:00 P.M., at the Sons of Italy Hall. Tickets can be purchased from Barbara Swain, Ina Jones or Therese English at our January meeting. Please help make this a success. More information to be presented at this meeting.

"Strut into Spring" Fashion Show - March 30, 2014 at Lombardo's. Luncheon and Show.

Fashions by Caryn's Corner. Tickets \$35. per person

Meeting of Way/Means Committee for Fashion Show only will be on Monday, January 13, 2014, at 7:00 PM. at the Sons of Italy Hall.

Maureen Crowley and Corinne Fasano, Chairmen

~News and Notes~

Note from Lucille:

What a wonderful year this has been for our Club! The accomplishments you have achieved through all your efforts have received recognition throughout the state, notwithstanding the good will that is most accountable. The response to charities and services are invaluable to those who have been the recipients of your good will; the homeless, our veterans and visits in various hospitals and nursing homes, the abused, the financial assistance in the form of scholarships, the food pantries, the shelters, orphans in Africa who now have some of your dresses and some who have received vaccine donated through the Federation. The

list is limitless. In the name of all those who have received, I thank you from the bottom of my heart. You all have a golden halo surrounding you. Only Good comes from Good!

I wish you all a very Happy New Year - Good Times, Good Health and Good Fortune in 2014!

Snow cancellations will be posted on Channel 7 News or you may go to their website www.whdh.com

Dates to Remember:

BWC

Wine Tasting – February 9, 2014

GFWC

January 18, 2014 GFWC Mid-Winter Meeting – Crowne Plaza Hotel, Newton, MA

Jane Gillis, Corresponding Secretary

Executive Board Meeting: January 16, 2014 at Grove Manor at 7:00 P.M.

Hostesses: Jane Gillis and Terry Rouvalis

