The Distaff
Newsletter of the Medical University Women’s Club

April 2016

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

Lunch Bunch
at Noon
Thursday, April 7th
Fill Restaurant
& Piano Bar
(Just off IOP Connector)
IRON GATE PLAZA
1150 HUNGRYNECK Blvd.
MT. PLEASANT
http://fillbar.com/lunch

*Watch for an Evite

Bridge Club
Contact: Jenny Reves
Friday, April 15th
Hosted by TBD

Dates & Events for MUWC Calendars

McLeod Plantation Historic Site - 9:45am - 11am
Tuesday, April 26th - 45 minute tour
325 Country Club Dr., Charleston
Cost: $10 (GOLD PASS NOT VALID) Limited to 24
(Slightly more $ if less than 12 sign up)

Spring Luncheon - Tuesday, May 10th
11am - 1pm
The Hobcaw Yacht Club
180 Hobcaw Drive - Mt. Pleasant

Roses at Commencement - Friday, May 20th

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT
MUWC Book Group
Contact: Terri DeVane
Wed., April 13th
at 2pm
Hosted by
Terri DeVane
The book is
The Moor's Account
by
Laila Lalami

Spring is here in earnest - the time for planting and planning and new adventures. MUSC students will be graduating soon and new ones arrive to take their place. Likewise your MUWC board and committees are offering opportunities for your input and participation. I invite everyone to think about the contributions you can make with new ideas and energy. The board positions and committees are listed below. Please feel free to contact me, or any of our current board members to express your interest in 2016-2017. A fun & rewarding experience!

I'm looking forward to seeing you at our Spring Luncheon on Tuesday, May 10th being held at The Hobcaw Yacht Club in Mt. Pleasant. Invitations will be mailed in late April. We are celebrating the beginning of our 50th anniversary as an organization!

Barbara

MUWC Evening Book & Scarf Group

Contact: Terri DeVane
Wed., April 20th
Time 5:30pm
The book is
The Death of Bees
by
Lisa O'Donald

Spring Luncheon & Installation of New Officers
Meet on the rooftop at the Aqua Lounge 3rd floor of the Marriott, Lockwood Dr. Charleston (near MUSC) (if raining the restaurant or lobby)

Supper Club  
Contact: Debbie Lambert  
None Scheduled

The Investment Club  
Contact: Barbara Warburton  
Meets at 1:30 on the last Tuesday of each month at the Charleston Public Library, Calhoun St, Meeting Room B

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11am - 1pm  
The Hobcaw Yacht Club  
180 Hobcaw Drive - Mt. Pleasant  
Invitations will be mailed late April  
Please bring a salad or dessert to share  
Celebrating our 50th Anniversary

Mahjongg Club  
Contact: Karen Gemmill  
1:30 pm Thursday, April 28th at the home of Barbara Smith

Nominating Committee  
The committee is meeting soon!

Join our board for our 50th anniversary!  
There are a variety of fun positions available.
No experience necessary for this very special year!

Any of the following board positions are available or you could be a co-chair

MUWC Board:
President-Elect
Vice President of Programs
Vice President Membership
Recording Secretary
Corresponding Secretary

Also these committees are available or you could be a co-chair

Appointed Officers & Committee Chairs:
Hospitality
MUWC Handbook
Parliamentarian & Historian
Chair for Posies for Patients
Chair for Teddy Bear Day
Chair for Roses for Commencement

Contact Barbara Smith for more information. bsmith007@gmail.com or 843.884.1836
Celebrating 50 Years!

March Lunch Bunch at the Safire Restaurant the Marriott on Lockwood
President: Barbara Smith
President-Elect: Tiffany Takacs
Vice President of Programs: Sylvia Vena
& Eileen Obeid
Vice President Membership: Kathy Harrison-Rockey
Recording Secretary: M.E. Canaday
Corresponding Secretary: Karen Gemmill
Treasurer: Sadhna Patel
Immediate Past President: Charlotte Gillespie

APPOINTED OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE CHAIRS:

Parliamentarian & Historian
Pam Carroll
Hospitality:
Judy Diehl & Jill Katz
"The Distaff" Editor & Publicity
Laura Patrick
Handbook:
Liz Sheridan
Scholarships:
Charlotte Gillespie
Web Site:
Kristi Adams
& Teresa Winful
Communications:
Susan Master
Chair for Posies for Patients:
Megan Zwerner
Chair for Teddy Bear Day:
Catherine Cummins
Chair for Roses for Commencement:
Lynda Selby & Laura Patrick

Posies for Patients
Our Posies event was a great success once again thanks to all the support from so many wonderful MUWC members. Your donations of creative talent, money, vases, and garden greens made it possible to brighten the day of 200 MUSC patients! I also want to note that we had four fabulous MUSC students from the College of Medicine deliver the flowers to the patients!! It was a very special day....

Megan Zwerner, Chair

**MANY thanks to all of you who made this year’s Posies event such a success:**

- M.E. Canaday
- Pam Carroll
- Chris Conway
- Marion Cotton
- Erble Creasman
- Terri DeVane
- Donna Draughn
- Jane Drabkin
- Karen Gemmill
- Charlotte Gillespie
- Carol Green
- Kathy Harrison-Rockey
- Kelly Hedges
- Betty Howell
- Jane Locke
- Eileen Obeid
- Laura Patrick
- Ken Patrick
- Nancy Pellegrini
- Ann Peterson
- Jenny Reves
- Lynda Selby
- Liz Sheridan
- Barbara Smith
- Kathy Squires
- Sylvia Vena

**MUSC Students:**

- Isabel Boersma
- Mary Brooks
- Charles Johnson
- Christine Sawda

Not Pictured: Lynda Selby and Mary Brooks (medical student).
The Posies Event - Held February 24th

The following is an email to Megan Zwerner & the MUWC volunteers from M.E. Canaday

"Megan and all Posie makers....thank you so much for planning and putting together all the pretty flowers this morning. As Nancy and I rolled them along, we had so many comments....and as we told those who passed us and were in the elevators with us...who we were and what we did for MUSC - smiles were everywhere!! And this was before we even got to the patients."

"The patients were appreciative in their own ways. Some very quiet and some more vocal, but all expressed quiet or big 'thank you's.' Those of us who were privileged to see their responses owe it all to the Posie creators and financial sponsors. It was a very successful morning!!"

"Our student volunteers really enjoyed it. These were 1st and 2nd year medical students who had not even been on a 'floor' yet with patients.... this was their first exposure to 'real' patients....what a great way to start with us !!"
New Member Luncheon
Hosted by Kathy Harrison-Rockey
L to R: Standing Inok Loe (new member), Barbara Smith, Kathy Squires; Seated Pam Carroll, Misty Daniels (new member), Tiffany Takacs

Pam, Laura and Tiffany
MUWC Annual Hike
Hiking at Laurel Hill Park

Allée of Oaks
L to R: Jane Drabkin, M.E. Canaday, Ken Patrick, Pam and Steve Carroll and Booth the dog

M.E. and Pam picnicking and Jane on her bicycle
Ken, Laura, Steve and Booth

L to R: Laura Patrick, M.E. Canaday, Ken Patrick Pam and Steve Carroll, Jane Drabkin and Booth the dog.

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Bears and Critters for Teddy Bear Day
After Easter Sales

Many plush toys will be on sale after Easter. We would appreciate you checking out these sales - don't worry if the toy is holding an egg. It's easy for us to remove with small scissors.

**Then bring your bears with you to the Spring Luncheon on May 10th.**

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