

# BULLETIN

Woman's Club of Ridgewood

January 2012

## Calendar

### Club Days:

#### 11:30-Club Meeting

#### 12:00-Luncheon & Speaker

Jan 11<sup>th</sup>

Feb 15<sup>th</sup>

March 14<sup>h</sup>

April 18<sup>th</sup>

May 16<sup>th</sup>

### Fundraising:

Jan 27<sup>th</sup> 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>rd</sup> -Garage Sale

March 25<sup>th</sup> - Children's Show

May 10<sup>th</sup> – House Tour

### Board Meetings:

#### 9:30 am Clubhouse

Jan 4<sup>rd</sup>

Feb 8<sup>th</sup>

Mar 7<sup>th</sup>

April 4<sup>th</sup>

May 9<sup>nd</sup>

June 6<sup>th</sup>

## President's Report:

Dear Members,

As we begin a New Year I am reflecting that 2011 was a year of club transition, and 2012 will be a year of club growth. By now, operations of our joined organization have become clearer and we are able to focus on key components. As such, I would like to invite you to weekly planning meetings where each week we will focus on something specific. The first meeting will be Thursday, January 12th at 9:30 a.m. at the Club House, and the topic to review will be by-laws and committee descriptions. We will not change anything on the 12<sup>th</sup>, but we will gain an understanding of what they say and mean. We will have a secretary recording our conversations and will have the minutes on file for public record. We do hope you are able to join us, every Thursday morning, and contribute your knowledge to help develop and improve The Woman's Club.

Thank you to the Club Day chairs, Cathy Rossi and Nancy Herink. They put together another wonderful program. Greg Calderone was entertaining and festive, and got us into the holiday mood. Carolyn Mullen organized a delicious catered meal from Park Wood Deli!

We had a great time at the Girls' Night Out. Suzan Campbell and Donna Dorsey made our evening special with champagne and spiked egg nog. I was highly motivated to decorate my house to host the party and all of our guests had fun opening, stealing and exchanging gifts between us at our gift exchange.

Club wide participation made the Holiday Gift Drive for our three Special Service Families complete. The families were overwhelmed by our generosity. Boy, does it feel good to help people!

January, January, January!!! GARAGE SALE! Friday, 1/27, 9-4, Saturday 1/28, 9-4 and Sunday 1/29, 9-2. We will need all members on board. EVERYONE, and that means YOU... can help. We all have unwanted items in our house that we can donate. We all can spare a few hours pricing or selling. On Monday 1/9 we will have a power meeting to divvy up the "to do's". In the mean time, please compile donations. We will happily give you a donation letter. We will start accepting items Jan. 2<sup>nd</sup> at the club house M-F 9:30-3 – just leave them behind the stage in the ballroom. OR we will happily swing by your house and pick up anything you want to donate. Call [201-589-0926](tel:201-589-0926) and leave a message. The profits from this event will be used to improve our clubhouse. We have a lot of to do's to keep the building and furniture looking sharp, clean and new, and these funds are vital to us.

Happy New Year,

Andrea Falco  
President 2011-12



## 2011-12 Board of Directors

### **Executive Board**

**President:**  
Andrea Falco

**1<sup>st</sup> Vice President:**  
Linda Purdy

**2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President:**  
Rosemary Duggan

**3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President:**  
Andrea Rademacher

**Recording Secretary:**  
Maryanne Aman

**Corresponding Secretary:**  
M. Hope Diggs

**Treasurer:**  
Theresa Gregorio

**Past President (Seniors):**  
Ruth Thorne

**Past President (Juniors):**  
Bernie Walsh

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201-797-5025.



The Woman's Club of Ridgewood is now on Facebook!  
**Please "Like" us.**

It's a great way to stay up to date on the happenings at the club. If you have photos from past events, please email them to Meredith Lawida ([meredithmill@hotmail.com](mailto:meredithmill@hotmail.com)) so that she can post them on our Facebook page.

Submissions to the  
February Newsletter:  
Please email [Tarap@careplusnj.org](mailto:Tarap@careplusnj.org)  
By 1/10/12

### **RSVP Policy:**

We require either a check made out to Woman's Club of Ridgewood, mailed to WC 215 W Ridgewood Ave, Ridgewood 07450, for the upcoming event 5 days prior to the event or an Evite YES as a confirmation of attending and responsible for the event cost. All caterers require a number several days prior to the event. Since we are a non-profit, we work on a zero event balance.  
Thank you for your understanding  
~The Event Planners

If you know anyone interested in a rental space, please contact **Stephanie Meyers: Club House Manager**. Stephanie is responsible for getting club rentals and managing the clubhouse.

Contact:  
[201-444-5722](tel:201-444-5722) or [womansclubridgewood@verizon.net](mailto:womansclubridgewood@verizon.net)

For **other** club business please call 201-589-0926 or email [jwcridgewood@gmail.com](mailto:jwcridgewood@gmail.com) and someone will get back to you within 24 hours.

**MEMBERS RECEIVE 20% DISCOUNT**

ALL MEMBERS WELCOME:

WC Planning Meetings

This was a year of transition,  
Next year is a year of growth

Be part of it. Join Me for Weekly Meetings.

Starting Thursday, 1/12, 9:30 Club House

And every Thursday following until we analyze the how, what, where and why's of the Woman's Club to assist in a smooth, strong future.



Start the year off with a clean sweep and donate to the Woman's Club Garage Sale (donate anytime in January M-F 9:30-2:30)

**Sale:**  
**Fri. 1/27, 9-4, Sat. 1/28, 9-4, Sun 1/29, 9-1**

Profits raised will be donated to our club house.  
?'s Andrea 201-589-0926

Planning MEETing: Join Us on Mon., Jan. 10<sup>th</sup>, 9:30am, at the Club to find out how to be involved.

Sign up for pricing, sorting, selling, baking, making signs, hanging fliers, etc.

**Tell friends, neighbors, family to donate...  
We want ALL the stuff we can get!**

(everything accepted except cribs and larger furniture items)  
Need a pick up... let us know!

# COMMITTEE NEWS

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## Bridge Group:

Calling all Bridge lovers:

Join us to play  
**Bridge**  
Third Tuesday of each month  
at the Clubhouse

**1:00-3:00**



The remaining dates for the year are;

**1/17**

2/21,

3/20,

4/24,

5/15,

6/19

Respectfully,  
Cathy Rossi, Chairman  
201-447-0057

## Volunteer Services:

### Monthly Drive:

### Garage sale items

A very big thank you to all members who contributed to our November monthly drive for Social Services. We collected 8 bags filled with personal hygiene items and food for SSA's food bank and the association was very appreciative!

Also, our three families that we support in the Ridgewood area through Social Services had their Holiday Needs and Wishes lists completely filled by generous donations of our club members. They were delighted to receive the items are highly appreciative of the generosity of our club. It was another successful year - thank you!

On February 14th, the Volunteer Services committee will be hosting a Valentine's Day dinner for the women and children staying at Shelter Our Sisters, a safe refuge for women suffering from domestic violence. The dinner will be held at the SOS shelter and our club will be decorating their dining area in Valentine's Day themed decorations and providing a lovely meal.

We continue to need volunteer drivers for the Community Meals (Meals on Wheels) delivery schedule in January and February. The runs take place every Thursday between 11:00 am - 12:00 pm. If you would like to volunteer to help and perhaps bring a friend, please contact Kelly Green at [kelly.green.nj@gmail.com](mailto:kelly.green.nj@gmail.com) or call 201.389.6291.

Respectfully,  
Kelly Green, Chairman, Volunteer Services,  
[kelly.green.nj@gmail.com](mailto:kelly.green.nj@gmail.com), 201.389.6291

# COMMITTEE NEWS

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## House Tour:

Happy New Year! Only 4 1/2 months until House Tour! It is time to start thinking about which shift you would like to work for the tour on Thursday, May 10th. Staffing a home for the tour is a very important job, and we need everyone's help!

The shift times are as follows:

9:10 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.

11:30 a.m. - 1:45 p.m.

1:30 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.

Kristen will be contacting everyone via email or phone in early February for shift preferences. If you need to be on the first floor of a home, or do your shift while sitting, just let Kristen know that.

**If you find that you absolutely cannot work a shift, there are a few other House Tour jobs available, both before tour day, and during. You can discuss this with Kristen.**

Any non-Woman's Club member you refer to help staff will receive one free ticket to the Tour (a \$40 value).

**Woman's Club members may buy a ticket for a reduced rate of \$25.**

We'll be in touch soon!

**Thank you,**

**Kristen Plumley,  
Tricia Mueller and  
Jennifer Edelson,**

**House Tour Committee Co-Chairs**

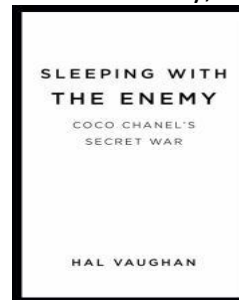
## Book Group:

Time: Join your fellow book readers the fourth Monday of every month at 1:00 in the Clubhouse Living Room

Holiday festivities may be behind us, but you can still add some winter excitement into the blustery days of the season with some good reading and lively conversation. While our reading selections will certainly make a nice accompaniment to some hot tea, our meetings will foster a warm welcoming environment to prepare for the spring season.

Our current selections are the following:

1/23 Sleeping With the Enemy, by Hal Vaughan



2/27 In the Garden of Beasts, by Erik Larson

3/26 Victorian Gothic, by Henry Bischoff

4/23 Killing Lincoln, by Bill O'Reilly

5/29 Year End Luncheon (Tuesday 12:00)

Light refreshments will be served after each meeting. Everyone is welcome to attend.

**Respectfully,  
Julie Presti, Chairman  
201-445-9513**

**Mary McLaughlin, Vice Chair  
201-612-0082**

# COMMITTEE NEWS

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## Social:

We are still looking for homes to host the Progressive Dinner cocktails and desserts (2/4). If you would consider opening your home for this great event please email Donna @ [donnadorsey07@gmail.com](mailto:donnadorsey07@gmail.com)

## Girls Night Out

Mark your calendar for the year for the following events:

**1/25 Get into Shape**

2/4 Couples Progressive Dinner

2/28 Chocolate Fondue at the Melting Pot

3/31 Egg Hunt

4/25 Game Night

5/18 Making Grapes into Wine

6/5 Manicure/Pedicure

*Please note~*

*We continue to maintain our RSVP policy. If you RSVP yes to an event please know we expect you, and have planned for you to attend. If you are unable to attend and don't let us know 24 hours ahead you are expected to pay for that event.*

Respectfully,

Donna Dorsey and Suzan Campbell

Co-Chairs

## Scholarship:

The Trustees of the Scholarship Trust Fund have awarded twenty-three named scholarship grants for the 2011-2012 school year: 7 Freshmen, 5 Sophomores, 5 Juniors and 6 Seniors.

Ridgewood High School seniors are interviewed by the Trustees each May and are selected according to academic standing, financial need and intention to attend a four year college. The students receive the grant at the high school senior awards assembly in June.

In December, all recipients are invited to the annual "Holiday Breakfast" at which time they share with us their studies, projects, activities and interests for future plans. Re-application forms are distributed along with a letter informing them to comply with specific conditions. This enables them to receive the grant for each of the full four years. We find this event to be most enjoyable and rewarding, since we meet with them in person. During the year we receive letters of appreciation, updates and grades from the students. They communicate their gratitude, such as, "I want to thank you for always being so generous and providing me with financial aid" and "The aid you provide is such a big help".

Respectfully,  
Jolene Murphy, Trustee

# COMMITTEE NEWS

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As Women's Club members we often find ourselves giving back to those less fortunate. However, there are times we also need to nurture ourselves and each other.

There are two ways to show support to your fellow Club Members~  
Please read below

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## Sunshine Group:

We support our members by making meals, grocery shopping, driving to doctors or therapy, etc.

We NEED volunteers to be in our HELP CIRCLE.

Please contact us if you are pregnant, ill, planning to have an operation, etc. We are here to help YOU.

Respectfully,  
Rosemary Duggan, Chair  
[973-423-1572](tel:973-423-1572) or [rosemaryduggan@aol.com](mailto:rosemaryduggan@aol.com)



### ADDITIONALLY

A Reminder from our Corresponding Secretary, M. Hope Diggs

Please do call 201-652-0066 or send a note to me regarding any member who may be ill or recuperating from Hospital care. Also, sympathy cards are sent to the family of a deceased member.

Respectfully,  
Hope Diggs, Corresponding Secretary  
201-652-0066

## Arts Creative:

Seasonal arts and crafts projects will be created and donated to local charities



Please Join Us!  
Clubhouse 1:00-3:00

Remaining Dates:

1/18,

2/22,

3/21,

4/25,

5/23

Respectfully,  
The Arts Creative Committee

# CLUB DAY

JOIN US JANUARY 11<sup>TH</sup> AT 11:30  
12:00 LUNCH AND TRADITIONAL CELTIC TALES



The wit and wisdom, humor, hubris and humanity of a people are found in their traditional stories. Compelling storyteller David Emerson retells and "embroiders" the colorful and ancient takes of Ireland, Scotland, Wales and Cornwall in a presentation that will warm, tickle or chill the heart.

**David Emerson** makes his living by being a character. For over 25 years, David has worked at living history museums and as an independent storyteller, teaching history through the eyes of a "person of the past." He is a veteran of Colonial Williamsburg, Plymouth Plantation, Morristown National Historical Park, and the Old Barracks Museum. David's academic credentials include graduate study at the College of William and Mary, and he studied at Oxford as an undergraduate. David is a much requested speaker with the New Jersey Council for the Humanities.

LUNCH: CATERED BY 5 SEASONS BISTRO, \$15 PER PERSON, IRISH THEMED MEAL

OUR CLUB DAYS ARE SPECIAL!  
THIS WAS THE CENTERPIECE FROM OUR NOVEMBER CLUB DAY:



## Member to Member:



Holidays at The Hermitage (335 N. Franklin Turnpike): Themed decorations "Here We Go A' Caroling" in the Victorian Home at The Hermitage through Sunday, January 15, 2012. Hermitage is open Wed – Sun from 1 -4 PM. Each room is designed to evoke the spirit of a different Christmas carol. Admission is \$7/adult; \$5/seniors; \$4/children; free for children 6 and under.



Member and soprano KRISTEN

PLUMLEY will be performing with other fellow local musicians in the annual "**Friends in the Business**" concert, sponsored by Ridgewood Friends of Music. This concert raises funds for scholarships for Ridgewood High School students pursuing a career in music. Musical genres run the gamut from jazz to opera to musical theater to pop. Friday, January 13, 2012, 8:00 at George Washington Middle School. Tickets are \$20, \$15 for students and \$10 for senior citizens. Call 201-906-1235 or email [flute76@aol.com](mailto:flute76@aol.com); tickets will also be available at the door.

KRISTEN PLUMLEY also announces the third offering in a new concert series she's helped to launch: The Society Cafe. The Friday, January 20, 2012 concert will feature THE KENNEDYS: acoustic folk / rock / country / secular gospel, at the Unitarian Society of Ridgewood, 113 Cottage Place. Doors open at 7:00 p.m. with dessert (provided by local merchants) available for purchase; music starts at 8:00. Tickets are \$20 and can be reserved by going to [www.societyscafeconcertseries.com](http://www.societyscafeconcertseries.com), but pay at the door. Come out for an evening of delicious dessert and great music in a casual, intimate setting!

## Charity News:



**Celebrating 30 years with Several Sources**



**Sheltering woman who are pregnant while fostering and educating**

**Girls Night Out workout**  
**Starting 2012 off right!!!!**



Join Us and a Full Body Nutritionist:  
For a workout, body analysis and nutritional consultation  
**Wednesday, January 25<sup>th</sup>, 8pm**  
**Woman's Club House**  
**\$10 per person**  
Healthy snacks and refreshing beverages  
RSVP to EVITE(sent out 2 weeks prior to event)

**Reach out and helps the community**

We could use your help!!!

**Meals on Wheels,**

This national non-for profit,  
Provides home-delivered meal services to people in need.

Can you spare 1 hour on a Thursday?

**1/5, 1/12, 1/19, 1/26**

Pick up from Christ Church at 11:15, deliver meals,  
And then bring the cooler back.  
Same route every time!

Please email [kelly.green.nj@gmail.com](mailto:kelly.green.nj@gmail.com) to get involved.

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 Ridgewood, NJ 07450

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## January 2012

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22	23 Book Group	24	25 Get in Shape	26	27 Garage Sale	28 Garage Sale
29 Garage Sale	30	31				