

May Court Club News

The May Court Club of Windsor

1122 Wyandotte St East

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Spring 2016



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Spring is here and I am sure we can't wait to see our first tulip or daffodil in our gardens. Linda Monforton has been busy going through photos, newspaper articles, and old records. She came across the First Annual Report of the May Court Club of Windsor for 1934-1935. I would like to share the first paragraph with you, written by Florence M. Robinson, President.

"The conclusion of the first year activity of the May Court Club of the Border Cities, I feel marks a momentous milestone in the history of our organization. This year of achievement follows eight successful years of service when the organization was known as the Junior Hospital League of the Border Cities. The progressive growth of the organization has continued and developed to a greater extent, probably by virtue of the larger scope that the new organization, the May Court Club, affords."

Now in 2016, we can take pride in the commitment, generosity, support, and enthusiasm of our members. We have grown, faced difficult situations, and have always accomplished our goal... to help our community.

The May Court Club Shoppe opened its doors on Tuesday, March 1st, 2016. Since the fire, Mary Lou Laliberte and I have worked diligently with Lisa Donnelly and Ljilijana Spasojevic from Southland Insurance and Robert VidAmour from WinMar Restoration Company. The results are amazing!!!

Many, many thanks to:

Debbie Buckner (daughter of our member, Loretta) for her consulting advice with paint colours and materials.

The Windsor Symphony who donated hundreds of pieces of jewellery, purses, scarves, hats, and belts.

Lisa, Ljilijana, and Cypher Systems who generated the Clothes Drive to assist us in the re-stocking of the shop.

Robert who provided us with sound advice, professional service, and so many extras.

Nancy Allen who represented us professionally in the media.

Linda Monforton for the window treatment, "Wall of Fame" and all the creative finishing touches.

Irene Hoffman who made the beautiful curtains for the dressing rooms.

Many of our husbands who repaired, hammered, painted, and supported our endeavours.

Our shop volunteers who not only donated clothes and items, but spent endless hours ironing, sorting, hanging up clothes, and pricing the merchandise. Special thanks to the Wednesday volunteers who have gone above and beyond the call of duty! **Our members** for their encouraging words, cards, and donations. See your invitation to our Grand Re-Opening on Page 2.

Plans are being finalized for the **Association** of May Court Clubs of Canada **Annual General Meeting** on April 29th and April 30th at The St. Clair College Centre for the Arts. <u>See your invitation on Page 3 of this newsletter.</u>

Tickets will be available for purchase on Saturday, April 2, during our Grand Re-Opening and on Tuesday, April 12th during our Pot Luck Meeting which is also a shower for the shop. You may also purchase tickets at the shop.

I encourage all of you to attend the Pot Luck General Meeting on Tuesday, April 12th. With our Shower for the Shop members will be able to contribute materials to run our shop. **Thank You, Kathy Roy, for organizing this event.**

Mark your calendar for the Wine and Cheese General Meeting on May 31, at Westchester Place.

The Christmas Tea was enjoyed by all. Our members and guests sipped tea from the "Milka Brown China Cup and Saucer Collection" and nibbled on appetizers, scones, and desserts. **Thank you, Kathy Roy, for organizing our Tea!**

The Christmas Annual Luncheon Meeting was held at Beach Grove Golf and Country Club. The venue was perfect! We overlooked the lake and were surrounded by holiday flair. It was such a pleasure to see many members in attendance. To conclude the luncheon, Francine Sala, our pianist, played as we sang Christmas Carols. Thank You, Francine. Thank You, Joan Guignion, for sponsoring us. Thank You, Kathy Roy, for organizing another fabulous

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Your enthusiasm, support, and commitment to all our May Court activities and endeavours has made such an impact on our revenue. Let's continue to make a difference with others and for others.

I am so grateful to be working with a dynamic, energetic board of directors who truly value a team approach.

Love...Luck...Laughter Respectfully Submitted mj asick

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AN INVITATION TO OUR MEMBERS

You are cordially invited to attend the

Grand Re-Opening of

The May Court Club Shoppe

1122 Wyandotte Street East

On Saturday, April 2nd, 2016

From 2:00 to 4:00



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April Showers and May Court Flowers!

You're invited to a 'Shower for the Shop' at the Annual Pot Luck Dinner

Please join us for our annual potluck dinner on Tuesday, April 12th at 5:00 p.m. at Riverside United Church. Bring a dish to share, savoury or sweet, your choice. Our theme this year will be a shower for the shop. It has been beautifully decorated and is running very well but there is still a need for some "essentials". Please choose something from the list below to bring to the potluck if you can. Split the cost of an item with a friend or bring something from home. Looking forward to seeing you! RSVP to Kathy Roy at 519 255-1649 or email kroy53@hotmail.com by April 2nd please.

Linda Monforton has asked also for donations of long, white sheer curtains that anyone may no longer need. She is planning on using them as a backdrop for the windows on the receiving side of the Shop.

glass cleaner (Windex)	fabric deodorizer (Febreze)	plastic bags (all sizes)	dust cloths
paper towels	toilet paper	tissues	hand soap
masking tape	cellophane tape (Scotch, 3M)	electrical tape	metal measuring tape
large garbage bags	toilet bowl cleaner	spray cleaners	'goo' remover
disinfectant wipes	magic sponge cleaners	dust mop head (24" length)	glass scraper razor
ground coffee	metal book ends	snow/ice melt crystals or salt	hand disinfectants
sponges	dish detergent	bleach cleaners (Comet, Ajax)	stapler and staples

Your Invitation to the 82nd Annual





ASSOCIATION OF MAY COURT CLUBS OF CANADA DINNER MEETING SATURDAY, APRIL 30TH 2016 ST CLAIR COLLEGE CENTRE FOR THE ARTS

5:30 Reception and Silent Auction6:45 Seating of the Head Table7:00 Opening Remarks and Dinner

MENU

Antipasto
Caesar Salad
Penne with Blush Sauce
Chicken Picatta
Roasted Strip loin with Mushroom Jus
Roasted Potatoes
Honey Roasted Root Vegetable
Decadent Chocolate Torte
Tickets - \$60.00

Please RSVP to Milka Brown or Alicia de Souza Milkab<u>rown735@gmail.com</u> or <u>Aliciatherese49@gmail.com</u>

Please join us as we celebrate the installation of Alicia de Souza as Association Vice President

Projects Report

I am very pleased to report that the three fundraising projects for the May Court Club of Windsor have been arranged for this year.

The first project will be the **Wine Tour**, which will take place on **Saturday**, **June 25th**, **2016**. We will be shopping at Cindy's in Kingsville, wine tasting at Pelee Island Winery, enjoying a Broasted Chicken Lunch at Colasantis, wine tasting at Colios, shopping at Foxgloves and wine tasting and eating outdoor pizza oven pizza at Muscedre Winery. There will be door prizes and the 50/50 draw on the bus. Please call Milka at 519-735-6894 to reserve a spot.

The second project is the **Stratford Trip**, which will take place on **Tuesday**, **August 16th**, **2016**. This year we will see the fabulous presentation of A Chorus Line. A delicious dinner is also booked at the Elmhurst Inn. Milka and Alicia look forward to hosting Bus Bingo once again. Of course we will also have door prizes and a 50/50 draw on the bus. Please call Milka at 519-735-6894 as these tickets are going very quickly.

The third project is the **Card Party/Fashion Show**, which will be on **Saturday**, **October 1st 2016** at the Windsor Yacht Club. More information will appear in a future newsletter but please mark your calendars.

Respectfully Submitted by Milka Brown

Calling all Members!

We are looking for a May Court member to join our Board of Directors as Membership Treasurer. This job entails keeping a record of those who have paid their dues and those who owe dues, collecting dues at our annual general meetings such as our Fall Annual General Meeting, our Christmas Luncheon Meeting, our Pot Luck Dinner and Members' Wine and Cheese in the Spring. Please contact Placement Chairperson Minelle Toussaint-Greene at 519-251-4796 if you see yourself serving in this way.

Mary Lou LaLiberte has taken on this position until we are able to fill this office. She reminds all our members that if your dues for 2015-2016 have not been paid you are asked to do so as soon as you can. We have many events coming in April and you can pay your dues then. On April 2nd is the Re-Opening of the Shop, on April 12th the Pot Luck Dinner and Shop Shower and on April 30th the Association Dinner. A star on the envelope of your newsletter mailing label means that our records show that you are in arrears.

"To err is human; to forgive, divine."

Alexander Pope from "An Essay on Criticism" (1711)

Our apologies to Jamie Lynn Stachow for printing the wrong telephone number in our annual report. Her phone number is $\underline{519-979-5000}$.

Apologies to Gloria Elcock. Her number is also incorrect. It should read <u>519-972-1201</u>. Her cell number is <u>226-787-7003</u>.

Please add to your annual report the new address for Betty Barlow:

Villages at St Clair Harrow Neighbourhood, Rm # 1312 1800 Talbot Rd Windsor, ON N9H 0E3 519-960-1050