

AB TIMES NEWSLETTER OF THE AUXILIARY BOARD OF STAN HYWET HALL AND GARDENS, INC.

MAY 2017

AB EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

MONDAY, May 15, 2017 at 11:30 at <u>Papa Joes</u>. If unable to attend, please call Millie Telford at 330.836.3938 to be excused. Please bring a paper copy of the Year End Review

AB GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday, May 24, 2017, Coffee at 9:30, speaker at 10:00, with business meeting to follow. Our speaker will be Phyllis Woodrum, AB Archivist speaking about the Year in Review. Also, this last meeting before the summer break will include the Installation of Officers and the Introduction of our new Provisionals. Feel free to wear your Spring hats this month.

Please Note!! August 2017 NEWSLETTER DEADLINE: Friday August 5, 2017. All items including change of street or email addresses, marriage, congratulations, illness, death, etc. should be sent to Phyllis Woodrum at jwoodrum@roadrunner.com or 330.666.4713.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Dear AB Members,

Our May meeting will be our last before our summer break and my last as President. I have thoroughly enjoyed serving as President most especially because it has given me a chance to know our wonderful members better. It has truly been an

honor and a privilege to work with such dedicated, warm, funny, insightful, generous (this list could go on forever so I'd best stop) women and men.

Our year isn't quite finished though; there are still things to do!

At our May 24th meeting we'll be installing our officers for the 2017-2018 year as well as meeting our new Provisionals. Phyllis Woodrum, our archivist, will be showcasing our past year's accomplishments in her "Year in Review" presentation.

Congratulations too, to our newly elected Nominating Committee. They are Alice Mull as Chair along with Helyn Docs, Gretchen Gibson, and Ciaran Reilly.

And now ladies it's time to dust off those bonnets for our May 24th meeting. I hope to see everyone there!

Thank you for everything.

Millie Telford, AB President

OHIO MART 2017

Planning for our 51st Annual Ohio Mart (October 5-8, 2017) is well underway! Our next Steering Committee Meeting for chairmen and key volunteers will be on May 17, 2017 from 10a.m. to noon in the Manor House Auditorium. Tram service will be available. Provisional AB members are also most welcome to attend.

Susie Wallace, OM 17 Chairman

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY REPORT Thinking of You card was sent to: Lesley Waldman

Sympathy Cards sent to:
Alice Mull on the death of her father
Joan Reed on the death of her daughter
Char Bolek on the death of her mother

Joann Wallace, Corresponding Secretary

MEET OUR MEMBERS - Karen Warner

What is your involvement with AB? I am a member of the Ohio Mart Exhibitor Committee. I take part in jurying potential exhibitors and find judges. This years judges include local artist/gallery owner Amy Mothersbaugh Roos, University of Akron metalsmith instructor Kristina Malcolm, and Akron Art Museum curator Arnold Tunstall.

What do you do when you are not at Stan Hywet? I work part time for the Vortechs Group, specializing in Technology Transfer recruiting. I also have a part time photography business. I volunteer with Flashes of Hope at Children's Hospital. I recently started a Plexus business. Plexus provides all natural plant-based products. They have helped me so much in the past year I just want everyone to know about them. I am also a member of the Women's Art League, Akron Society of Professional Photographers, Professional Photographers of America and the Cuyahoga Valley Photographic Society.

What attracted you to Stan Hywet? While I was growing up we lived in Germany and Belgium for ten years. (Thanks Goodyear for sending my Dad there!) We did a lot of traveling and I loved historic homes, old churches and beautiful gardens. One of my earliest childhood memories is of my brother and I at Stan Hywet for an Easter Egg hunt, probably around 1960/61. My brother was afraid of the Easter bunny and I remember him crying.

If you were asked to portray a character for "History First Hand" who would you choose and why? I actually am a History First Hand character named Ingrid Keller. I am a friend of Irene's and we went to "Travel School" together along with out chaperones. While I was

doing research for the character I got to go to the archives and read some of Irene's letters. I also had a phone conversation with her daughter.

What is your favorite room or area of the Stan Hywet Estate? Why?

The Birch Allee. One of my many photos of the Birch Allee was an award winner in the Women's Art League Art Show a few years ago.

What are your passions? *Photography, travel, fitness, friends and family.*

What do you appreciate most in life? *Good health*.

If you were to write your biography, what would be its title? Wait, I'm just getting started.

Where did you grow up? Share a favorite experience from your childhood? I was born and raised in Akron until age 11. After that we spent two years in Fulda, Germany and eight years in Brussels, Belgium. In 1968 we went to Communist Czechoslovakia to visit cousins that my Dad hadn't seen in many years. Along the way we stopped in Prague and bought hand decorated Easter eggs from a street vendor. I still have one of them!

If you could live in any other time or place, where would it be, and why? I would live in England or Scotland, pretty much any time period. I like historical fiction set in the Tudor/Stewart era. I think I would make a good princess;)

Where have you traveled? Where would you like to go?

Germany, Austria, Belgium, France, Luxembourg;

Communist countries in the 1960/70s including Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Poland and Yugoslavia

England, Scotland, Wales, Ireland, Italy and Australia.

New Zealand and Iceland are on my bucket list.

What does "living a beautiful life" mean to you? Being surrounded by family and friends with a little travel and photography and some biking thrown in sound just about perfect to me.

STAN HYWET HALL AND GARDENS, INC. AUXILIARY BOARD GENERAL MEETING April 26, 2017

The Auxiliary Board of Stan Hywet Hall & Gardens, Inc. held a General Meeting on April 26, 2017, in the Carriage House Auditorium.

CALL TO ORDER

President Millie Telford called the meeting to order at 9:59am. She reminded members to silence their cell phones.

PROGRAM

Dave Gates of the Summit County Historical Society gave a presentation on the topic "On the Home Front: The Many Hats of WWII."

MINUTES (Kirklyn Kuzdrall): The minutes of the March 22, 2017, General Meeting were approved as written.

TREASURER'S REPORT (Elise Bennett): For the period ending March 31, 2017: Beginning balance \$3080.50; Income \$115.00; Expenses \$16.10; Ending balance \$3179.40. Memorial fund - \$1633.82. CORRESPONDING SECRETARY (Joann Wallace): The deadline for the May newsletter is May 5. ASSISTANT SECRETARY (Dianne Kauffman): There were 64 people present (59 active members, 2 sustaining members, 1 provisional member, and 2 guests.)

ASSISTANT TREASURER (Millie Telford, reporting for Ed Searle) – Dues may be paid to Treasurer Elise Bennett in Ed Searle's absence.

STANDING COMMITTEES

ARCHIVES (Phyllis Woodrum) - No report.

CRAFTS (Wilma Hardman) - No report.

FINANCE (Amy Prather) - No report.

HOSPITALITY (Carolyn Hahn) – Today's hosts are Barbara and Alain Wulff. Barb is a retiree from Babcock and Wilcox, and began volunteering at Stan Hywet 5 years ago. She has been involved in Adopt A Plot and Molly's Shoppe, and served as AB Nominating Chair, Ohio Mart Entertainment Chair and Ohio Mart Gingerbread Co-chair. Since retiring from Weaver Industries, Alain has volunteered at Stan Hywet in such areas as Butterflies, Parking, Founder's Day, and Bunny Breakfast. Alain's mother was a member of the original Women's Committee at Stan Hywet, and he and Barb volunteer here in her memory.

MEMBERSHIP (Kris Henry) – Membership applications are being accepted through May. Provisionals will be introduced at the May General Meeting.

NOMINATING (Barb Wulff) – Barb Wulff conducted elections for the 2017-2018 Nominating Committee. Seven candidates were nominated from the floor: Alice Mull, Ciaran Reilly, Helyn Docs, Marlen Miskella, Karen Jones, Eleanor Redfield, and Gretchen Gibson. Alice Mull received the most votes, and will be the 2017-2018 Nominating Chair. Ciaran Reilly, Helyn Docs, and Gretchen Gibson were also elected.

OHIO MART (Dianne Kauffman, reporting for Susie Wallace) – Welcome to new OM17 Treasurer Joann Wallace, who will replace Stefani Carlson! The entire OM17 thanks Stefani for her many years of dedication to Ohio Mart. We also warmly welcome Donna McKay who will head the Guest Services – Parking committee this year. The next Steering Committee meeting will be May 17, 2017 in the Manor House Auditorium from 10am until noon. Tram service will be available. PROGRAMS (Stefani Carlson) –Next month AB Archivist Phyllis Woodrum will speak on "The Year in Review."

PROPERTIES (Barb Vargo, reporting for Roberta Searle) – The trailer is in good shape, but the freezer should be thoroughly cleaned before being used again. Trailer items that were previously requested for other uses will be distributed at the May General Meeting.

PUBLICITY (Char Bolek) - No report.

REVIEW/PLANNING (Jim Urban) - No report.

VOLUNTEERS (Char Bolek) – Emma Rainear is the Volunteer Coordinator. Forms for recording off-site hours are available.

YEARBOOK/BYLAWS (Joanne Karm) - No report.

STAN HYWET REPRESENTATIAVES

COLLECTIONS (Cindy Bruning)

- Work begins Monday on cleaning & polishing the West Porch; the room will be off line until the work is completed.
- Fabric and trim for the Great Hall curtains has arrived. We hope for a quick turnaround time on drapery completion.
- The Seiberling Legacy exhibit in the lower level of the Manor House has been well received. Final tweaking should be completed this Monday.
- The Garden book is going to the printers next week and is scheduled to be issued in mid-May.
- When asked for her comments, Kim Sorboro said that we "are fabulous and there isn't much more to say!"

FRIENDS (Stefani Carlson)

- The 2017-19 season opening went well.
- The required signatures were obtained for proposing the Stan Hywet commemorative license plate.
- The on-line volunteer calendar is in draft form on the Stan Hywet website. Please give Emma Rainear your feedback.
- The Stan Hywet Magazine is available on line. A few printed copies are available in Admissions upon request. Relate comments and feedback to Friends Committee members.

GARDEN (Ruth Bazzel) – The Garden Committee held its annual organizational meeting on April 24, 2017. They are helping the Horticulture staff with the plant sale, to be held May 19, 20, & 21.

Volunteers are needed to help with the plant sale on Friday, Saturday, and on Sunday afternoon. Please contact Ruth Bazzel at 330.836.2352 if you are able to help.

GILDE (Barb Vargo) – The Gilde will meet on Tuesday, May 16 at 6:30pm for a walking tour of Goodyear Heights; come rain or shine. Meet at the Gazebo located in the Public Square Triangle. Goodyear Heights is recognized as an historic neighborhood.

MOLLY'S SHOPPE (Barb Van Fosson) – The April fashion show met its goal. Molly's is preparing for the May plant sale. The shop has new puzzles, magnets, and postcards, as well as Mother's Day gifts, Founder's Day items, and Car Show items.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Millie announced that Stefani Carlson is moving to Houston, and so will be leaving the AB and resigning her position as 2017-2018 President. Following the procedures set forth in the Bylaws, the Executive Board filled the vacancy by electing Hugh West as President. The Executive Board elected Elise Bennett to fill the Vice President position vacated by Hugh West.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Sue Bedall reminded members that Vintage Finds is accepting items for Ohio Mart every Monday at the Ebe House.

Or call her to arrange other drop off or pick up times.

- Elise Bennett announced that the Program Committee will meet at Molly's Shoppe at 9am on Friday, May 12th.

All interested members are invited to attend.

- Next Executive Board Meeting: Monday, May 15, 2017 11:30am at Papa Joe's Restaurant in the Valley.
- Next AB General Meeting: Wednesday, May 24 coffee 9:30am; meeting 10:00am.
 Remember to wear your pretty HATS!

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 11:27am. Kirklyn Kuzdrall, Recording Secretary