



## AHCL NEWSLETTER

JANUARY 2018

The **January general meeting** of the Abington Heights Civic League was held on Monday, January 8, 2018. The board met directly before so this newsletter serves as a reminder of recent news. Our speaker was member Jennifer Seechock who spoke on the Hospice of the Sacred Heart and their many bereavement programs. It was both interesting and heartwarming. Refreshments were served by Kathy Croft (chairman), Janice Kulp, Jen Seechock, and Janel Notari.

**Correspondence** was received by Dawn Riker. Several requests were made for donations. Thank You notes were received from The Clarks Summit Fire Department, Allied Services, the Newton Ransom Kindergarten classes for their Christmas Tree, and the Catherine McAuley House for the gifts and games. Dawn reminds us that **criminal background and child abuse clearances** are needed in order to work with children at any of our events. Please consider completing the forms. It's free and doesn't take long to complete. Assistance is available from Dawn.



**Ways & Means** just completed the Rosario's Fundraiser and is moving on to **The Purse Bingo!!** It will be held on Saturday, February 10<sup>th</sup> from 2:00 to 6:00pm at The Chinchilla Fire Company Hall. Tickets are \$30 and available from Erin Osterhout.

**Education** was to present the book reading and rock painting event at the library on Saturday, January 13<sup>th</sup>. However, the weather caused it to be postponed. Another date will be posted soon. The Education Committee recommended that our Education and Arts Scholarship be selected and overseen by the Student Aid Fund at Abington Heights High School. It will be a much easier process.

**Book Club I** will meet on January 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm at Myrna Diven's home. The subject will be biographies.

**Book Club II** will also meet on January 15<sup>th</sup>, but at Dino's at 6:00 pm. They will be discussing the book "Big Little Lies" by Liane Moriarity.

**Vision Screening** will be held during the first week of March. Jan Klusza will have a sign-up sheet at the February meeting.

The December **State Hospital** visit took place with 3 members in attendance. The Christmas gifts were taken for our ward. The next visit is January 16<sup>th</sup>.



If you are interested in entering this year's **Art Contest**, please have your entries to Sue O'Day or Patty Lawler by the February general meeting.

**Membership** announced that Vicki Vargo has rejoined the AHCL. Welcome back, Vicki!

For **House & Hospitality**, Betsy sent a card to Maria Rehder on the passing of her brother. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Maria and her family.

**Junior's Special Project: Advocates for Children** will be making the first of possibly 2 visits to the children's area at Geisinger CMC for our book visits. We are looking towards a date in mid-February.

**The State's President's Project:** Enrich, Educate, Empower; Every Child Every Day volunteered at the Abington Angels gift wrapping night on Tuesday, December 19th. Ronda reported that there were 6 members who helped. It took approximately 1 ½ hours to wrap gifts for 13 families which included 40 children!

Under **The Women's History and Resource Center (WHRC)**, Liana reports that in January 1958, drapery material was purchased for the Division Street Kindergarten Class. – A dance was held on February 7<sup>th</sup> at The Century Club. Our club, the Dalton Juniors and the Century Juniors joined together for this event. - A ballet recital was held on May 16<sup>th</sup>.

Under **New Business**, for the 2018/2020 AHCL Club Year, our President, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President and 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President will remain the same. This was decided by the board for a more uniform flow of the offices due to special circumstances.



**Happy Birthday** to Kate Hollenberg, Amy Latham, Char Lyon, Maria Rehder, Jacqui Tunis, and all members who celebrate their special day in the month of January. All of the new members' days may not be listed yet.



**God Bless America**

#### **DATES TO REMEMBER:**

Jan 15<sup>th</sup> – Book Clubs I & II

Feb 5<sup>th</sup> – Next Monthly Meeting

Jan 16<sup>th</sup> – Next hospital visit

Feb 10<sup>th</sup> – Purse Bingo

Jan 18<sup>th</sup> – Ways & Means (all are invited)

Jan 29<sup>th</sup> – Next Board