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Spring Luncheon

May 1

Richland Country Club

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President's message

Namaste:

an ancient Sanskrit greeting still in everyday use in India and especially on the trail in the Nepal Himalayas. Translated roughly, it means "I bow to the God within you," or "The Spirit within me salutes the Spirit in you" - a knowing that we are all made from the same One Divine Consciousness.*

As this year draws to a close I want to stop and thank you. You have been present, generous, and welcoming. Thank you.

Our final luncheon is on May $1^{\mbox{\tiny st}}$ at the Richland Country Club.

Please fill out the form in this newsletter and send to Kendra Holroyd by April 25th or go online to pay by credit card.

In closing I want to say, be as kind, patient, and generous with yourself as you are with others. Be your own best friend.



Namaste,

Sheila

* Urban Dictionary: Namaste http://www.urbandictionary.com/define.php?term=Namaste

Available at the Spring Luncheon Vanderbilt Woman's Club Wine Glasses and Tribute Cards

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Happy stories:

This February I went to upstate New York to be with my daughter and her family as Wendy underwent ACL repair surgery on her left knee. There was more than two feet of snow in all directions, but the roads were fairly clear. Most nights the temperatures were in the single digits, and the day temperature highs hovered in the teens or twenties. Those temperatures were close to what you were experiencing here in Nashville as you were coated with a layer of ice and most of you were homebound.

This NE family loves the snow and spends most of their free time on the slopes skiing. (By the way, that is how Wendy injured her knee.) On Sunday Paul recommended that I try a little of the outside sports as the temperatures hovered close to freezing. He said that he would attach my boots to some snowshoes and I could walk "on the snow" and have a New York experience. I headed out behind the house down to where I thought the creek was to see how it looked covered in snow. I walked in the tracks of a snowmobile that had passed through the area earlier. It was great fun as I enjoyed the blue skies and the quiet clarity of snow everywhere.

On Monday Wendy had her surgery and all went better than anticipated. Possibly it was because she knew what to expect since she had had the same surgery on her other knee about eight years ago. I did not drive while I was up there because the roads were still precarious due to the fact that salt does not work as effectively when the temperature starts dropping below 25 degrees. So Paul did all the driving. Just before he left to pick up Hazel at school on Wednesday I decided that I wanted to take one more walk in the snow before I left the next morning. Paul very kindly set me up again with my walking gear and offered me Hazel's ski poles as stabilizers if I needed them. He asked if I would like to take the dogs with me. I was concerned that they would run away, but he assured me that they would stay with me and return with me when I headed back. So Beau, a black and white boarder collie, and Bubbles, a red Australian Shepherd, joined me. They were so happy to get out of the yard, jumping and playing in the snow as I walked. I decide to stay on top of the snow this time

because my previous tracks were covered in fresh snow.

The dogs walked in those tracks as the snow became more and more difficult to manoeuver. **Bubbles**, the younger dog, led the way.





Beau was right behind him as they walked with me. I decided to venture in a new direction because Wendy told me that the creek had been moved and that possibly I could see it from a different bluff. As I walked in the fresh snow each step dropped about 10

inches into the powder. The dogs were working harder because they did not have a track to walk within, but they stayed right with me and they looked like they were still happy to be out "playing." Suddenly I fell in the snow. The dogs jumped on me and wanted to give me "kisses." I said, "No, I am not down here to play with you," and then I attempted to get up. My right hand went down, down, down into the snow. My left hand did the same. I could push the ski poles two feet down until they hit the frozen ground, leaving only about six inches of pole sticking out of the ground, giving me no help. How was I going to get up? I was not in distress. I was not cold. The house was still visible. I had a phone on me, but I knew that Paul had gone to get Hazel and that Wendy would be no help in her condition. I contemplated rolling back if necessary. I tried again to raise myself with my hands, but I could not get leverage. Then I noticed that Beau had positioned himself on the snow next to my body and was not moving. Could he have placed himself there to help me? I certainly was not going to do anything that could possibly injure him. Beau continued to lie there. I applied gentle pressure up and down his spine to see if he showed any discomfort or signs of pain. He remained perfectly still and calm. I did it again with a little more pressure, and still the same result. I think Beau had positioned himself to help me. I placed my left hand on his stronger upper back with my weight being distributed over several anchor points of his body in the snow. In less than two seconds I had my right foot under me. Beau stayed right there. I tested other options but came to the same conclusion that I needed Beau one more time. Again I was able to get my left foot under me and up I went. Both dogs were up at this point, and I turned around and headed back to the house. I do believe that Beau knew exactly what he was doing, and he was there to help me. I did give them both treats when we returned, but I think they never made the connection. I do believe that this was all just in a day's work. I will Love and Bless those dogs ALWAYS.

P.S. Beau was a rescue dog that Wendy found online who lived in West Tennessee. *Sheila Jensen*





Members of Book Group One met at the home of Sheila Jensen on March 8th to discuss Karen Joy Fowler's *We Are All Completely Beside Ourselves*. Left to right: Anne Plummer, Penny TeSelle, Ann Ercelawn, Ellie Raths, Mary Claire Bradshaw, Mary Raffety, Becky Atack, Tilly Najjar

Future reading

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			by Anna Quindlan



The Community Service and Community Explorer interest groups combined efforts on Wednesday, March 18th at the *Second Harvest Food Bank of Middle Tennessee*. The VWC sorted 9,000 pounds of canned and boxed foods! Left to right: Peggy Curci, Maddy Berezov, Anne Manner, Faye Brown, Carmen Gherman, Kathleen Donofrio, Randi Young, Linda Nicholas, Lisa LeMaster, Rita Hall



Randi Young and Anne Manner discuss the finer points of food sorting at the Second Harvest Food Bank of Middle Tennessee.

VANDERBILT WOMAN'S CLUB Wineglasses VANDEDBILT Woman's Club On Sale at the Spring Luncheon Special Introductory Rate: \$6 each or 2 for \$10

Help support our new fundraising venture by buying VWC wineglasses. Perfect for Cocktail Club hosting, VWC events, or just enjoying a glass of wine at home any old time. All proceeds dedicated to the Vanderbilt Woman's Club Stapleton/Weaver Scholarship.

If you are searching for the perfect gifts for those persons who have it all, consider making a donation in any amount in their names to the **Vanderbilt Woman's Club Stapleton/Weaver Scholarship**. You will receive **Tribute Cards** in your honorees' names. And of course, you ultimately are making a truly meaningful gift to worthy Vanderbilt students. We will be accepting cash or checks for the donations at the **Spring Luncheon** where you will receive the **Tribute Cards**. Donor acknowledgments will be mailed out by Gift Processing at Vanderbilt so please bring your honorees' mailing addresses, if you wish for them to be acknowledged by mail from Vanderbilt. If you have any questions contact Kelly Chambers, <u>kellychambers420@yahoo.com 409-771-5731</u>



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Regal Rendezvous - Future movie dates:

April 14th * May 10th Lunch place and time TBD See you at the movies - Betsy Fleetwood 615-579-0903



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

Sue McDougall Cemele Richardson

Kaffeeklatsch

Wednesday, April 29, 2 - 4 pm at the home of Susanne Riess, 2811 Polo Club Road (off Vaughn Road)

Carol Webster will treat the group to a German cheese cake.

414-241-1246 susriess@hotmail.com



INTEREST GROUPS WEEKDAY MEETINGS

BOOK GROUP TWO

BOOK GROUP TWO	Kathleen Donofrio	615-383-8732	kafdonofrio@gmail.com	Meets first Monday from 1:00-2:30 p.m. in the Green Hills Library
	2015	Hostess/Leader	Author	Title
	April 6	Rebekah Hickson	Denise Kiernan	The Girls of Atomic City:
	May 4	Dede Clements	William Kent Krueger	Ordinary Grace
	June 1	Lisa LeMaster	Daniel James Brown	Boys in the Boat
	July 6	Rita Hall	Lily King	Euphoria
	August 3	Kathleen Donofrio	Dave Eggers	What is the What?
	September 14	Carmen Gherman	Jon Meacham	American Lion
	October 5	Joy Belton	Elizabeth Warren	A Fighting Chance
	November 2	Nancy Fruetel	Malcomb Gladwell	David and Goliath
	December 7	Mildred Tilley	Leo Tolstoy	The Death of Ivan Ilych
	2016			
	January			Book Ballot Luncheon
	February 1	Cassandra Estes Estelle Condra	Anthony Doerr	All the Light We Cannot See
BRIDGE TUESDAY	Bea McGee	615-473-7807	mcgeebea@gmail.com	2nd and 4th Tuesdays after lunch from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m.
BRIDGE THURSDAY	Lynne Siesser	615-298-5659	lsiesser7@gmail.com	Every Thursday from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.
COMMUNITY EXPLORERS	Anne Manner	615-289-1040	acmanner@gmail.com	Join us in exploring historic and cultural sites as well as other points of interest in the Nashville area.
COMMUNITY SERVICE	Kathleen Donofrio	615-383-8732	kafdonofrio@gmail.com	Volunteers meet on selected Wednesday mornings at LP Pencil Box, offering free school supplies for Metro teachers.
MAH JONGG	Lin Watson	615-776-3848	linrw@comcast.net	Wednesdays 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.
PLAYGROUP	Kerri Obstein	781-258-8556	kerriobstein@gmail.com	Looking for playmates for your pre-schooler? Join the mums and their toddlers in parks, playgrounds and homes every Thursday from 10 a.m. to noon.
MOVIES	Betsy Fleetwood	615-579-0903	befleet@aol.com	Join the group monthly on Tuesdays for a movie at Regal Green Hills Cinema and lunch beforehand at a nearby restaurant. Contact Betsy to be placed on the email list.
OUT TO LUNCH BUNCH	Joyce Gore	615-783-0681	joycegore0681@gmail.com	Try out local restaurants with congenial company.
PARLEZ-VOUS FRANCAIS?	Joan Harshman	615-292-2260	joan.s.harshman@att.net	Lunch and conversation with friends. Second Thursday from 1:00 to 2:00 p.m. at Amerigo's Restaurant, 1920 West End Avenue.
ESPAÑOL POR FAVOR	Lorena Rivera Wilson	615-517-1064	lorenaktw@comcast.net	Lunch and conversation with friends at a Green Hills restaurant.
SPRECHEN SIE DEUTSCH?	Susanne Riess	414-241-1246	susriess@hotmail.com	Meet in homes in the afternoon for coffee and conversation.

INTEREST GROUPS WEEKEND MEETINGS

BOOK GROUP ONE	Becky Atack Ann Ercelawn	615-790-3500 615-298-4766	rebecca.w.atack@vanderbilt.edu ann.ercelawn@gmail.com	We meet the second Sunday of the month from 2:30 to 4:00 p.m., except in May when we meet on the first Sunday. We do not meet in December, January and August.
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	July 12	Margaret Norris	Margaret Norris	<i>Still Life with Bread Crumbs</i> by Anna Quindlan
COCKTAIL CLUB	Lynne Siesser	615-298-5659	lsiesser7@gmail.com	Bring a bottle of wine and your favorite hors d'oeuvres. Meet new friends from other departments.
GOURMET GROUP	Carmen Gherman	615-354-4421	cggherman@yahoo.com	If you love to cook, join us for fine dining and scintillating conversation.



May 9 at the Siessers Volunteers for hosts during the summer needed.





Community Explorers

Thursday, April 23, 2015 - DayTrip to tour Jack Daniel's Distillery in Lynchburg with lunch at Miss Mary Bobo's Boarding House.

Please email or call **Anne Manner** if you would like more information. acmanner@gmail.com; 615-289-1040

Vanderbilt Woman's Club

April

Be sure to send your reservation for the End-of-the-Year Luncheon at Richland Country Club on Friday, May 1st, 11:30 – 1:30 p.m., to Kendra Holroyd ASAP! We hope to see all members together for a final gathering before we scatter for summer!

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2 VWC Board Mtg. 8:30 a.m. Playgroup 10 a.m.–Noon Bridge 1 – 4 p.m.	Good Friday Passover Begins	4
5 EASTER	6 Book Group Two 1:00 p.m. @ Green Hills Library	7	8 Mah Jongg 1-4 p.m.	9 Playgroup 10 a.m.–Noon Parlez-Vous Français? 1-2 p.m. Bridge 1 – 4 p.m.	10	11
12 Book Group One 2:30 – 4 p.m. @ Penny TeSelle's	13	14 Movie Group TBA Bridge 12:30 – 3:30 p.m.	15 Community Service @ Pencil 9-Noon Mah Jongg 1-4 p.m.	16 Playgroup 10 a.m.–Noon Bridge 1 – 4 p.m.	17	18 Gourmet Group
19	20	21	22 Mah Jongg 1-4 p.m.	23 Community Explorers to Jack Daniels Distillery Playgroup 1x a.m.–Noon Bridge 1 – 4 p.m.	24	25 Cocktail Club at the Siessers' 6-8 p.m.
26	27	28 Bridge 12:30 – 3:30 p.m.	29 Mah Jongg 1-4 p.m. German 2-4 p.m.	30 Playgroup 10 a.m.–Noon Bridge 1 – 4 p.m.	1 MAY End-of-the-Year Luncheon @ Richland CC 11:30 – 1:30 p.m.	2 Gourmet Group

2015



Vanderbílt Woman's Club Spríng Luncheon

Please join us in celebrating a wonderful year of memories and service at our annual Spring Luncheon. Friday May 1, 2015 11:30 - 1:30 Richland Country Club 1 Club Drive Nashville TN 37215

Program to begin at 11:35 with lunch service to start at 12 noon. *Luncheon Menu*

<u>Regular</u>: Strawberry Spinach Salad - Grilled Chicken, Fresh Spinach, Jicama, Mushrooms, Red Onions and Caramelized Pecans Tossed with Poppyseed Dressing.

<u>Vegetarían</u>: Strawberry Spínach Salad - Fresh Spínach, Jícama, Mushrooms, Red Oníons, Extra Vegetables and Caramelízed Pecans, Tossed with Poppyseed Dressing.

Dessert: Keylime Pie with Mango Sorbet Lollipops and Passion Fruit

Caramel Sauce

Coffee, Iced Tea and Water



Please send your reservation and Luncheon choice to: Kendra Holroyd 5130 Murray Lane Brentwood TN 37027. Make checks payable to Vanderbilt Woman's Club. *Reservation Deadline is Saturday April 25, 2015*

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