

# BULLETIN



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# Dr. Lisa Harris to Speak February 21





Since 2004, Dr. Lisa Harris has transitioned Wishard Hospital from an organization with an outdated facility into the brand new Eskenazi Health System. Under her leadership, Eskenazi has become a health center that champions a healthy lifestyle for

all and advocates for the health of the poor. The state-of-the-art healthcare facility and physician training programs provide primary

care and prevention services that help many more people stay healthy.

Harris has dedicated her career to improving health care for vulnerable and underserved populations and has practiced medicine for 30 years .Today, Dr. Harris serves as Eskenazi Health's chief executive officer, leading one of America's essential health care systems that serves as a vital training ground for the Indiana University School of Medicine. In addition to her leadership role at Eskenazi Health, Dr. Harris remains actively engaged in patient care, research, and teaching.

The second of our three-part Marilyn K. Glick Women's Enrichment Series, Dr. Harris will speak on Feb. 21 at 5:30 p.m. Tickets are available at www.thepropylaeum.org/upcomingevents or by calling 317

# Remembering Helen Rudesill

Generous. Kind. Gentle. Those are the words that best describe Helen Frances Black Rudesill, a Propylaeum member who died Dec. 13 at age 93.

Active until the end, Helen had delivered holiday cookies to Executive Director Liz Ellis the day before her passing.

Liz and numerous others noted that Helen never failed to offer a heartfelt compliment each time she encountered a friend or acquaintance.

Her sweet smile brightened many Prop events. She believed firmly that if she made a commitment to an organization, she should give it her all. The list of those commitments is long: She served as president of Stansfield Circle and the parent-teacher organizations at Schools 84 and 86. She led Caroline Scott Harrison Chapter, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution; chaired the Indianapolis Symphony Association and served on the ISO board; chaired the Indiana Aspen Music School Scholarship Committee; and served on the Ensemble Music Society board. At St. Paul's Episcopal Church, she taught Sunday School for 48 years, as well as serving on its Vestry.

While she wielded a gavel with the best of them, she was renowned for her pound cake. Using a recipe handed down from her mother, Helen contributed her confections to numerous fundraisers, bringing in hundreds – even thousands – of dollars for ISO, Prop and DAR events. The bidding was fierce.

At Prop auctions, she was an active bidder and always carried away several items, as did the friends and family members who attended as her guests.

A graduate of Butler University, Helen taught at Park School until "retiring" to become a stay-at-home mother. She and her husband, Dr. Robert Rudesill, were the parents of three children (Charles Rudesill, Geoffrey Rudesill and Barbara Kleinschmidt). The couple met on a blind date arranged by his sister and were married in 1947. He died in 2016.



For years, the Rudesills

vacationed in Wisconsin, where they hiked, fished and harvested berries. "It is truly God's country," Helen told an interviewer in 2014.

Helen's many friends would beg to differ. Wherever Helen happened to be, that was truly "God's country."

### **A Letter From the President**

### **Dear Prop Members and Friends**

Happy New Year! My husband and I celebrated the turn of the new year at the Prop's Murder at the Mansion. The event was a great way to ring in 2019 and all it has to offer at the Prop. The new Program Coordination Committee has been planning an inspiring slate of programs and events for 2019, especially those that will kick-off the commemoration of Women's Suffrage leading to 2020. I look forward to all 2019 brings at the Prop: meeting the new members, participating in our programs, making plans for restoration of the property, and spreading the message of the Prop to the public. Please join me in celebrating this exciting year at the Prop!



Rose Wernicke

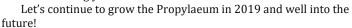
### Rose

## A Note From the Executive Director

**New Members** 

Included in this issue is the list of all new Propylaeum members from 2018. The Membership Committee and other members of the Propylaeum have worked tirelessly to grow our membership through outreach and outstanding programs. It is s a very exciting time to be a part of the Propylaeum.

Our **New Member Open House** on Thursday, January 10, will allow new members, and those who inspired them to join, to meet and hear about the great programs and opportunities available at the Propylaeum. There are a lot of ways to be involved at the Propylaeum, from serving on the Board or one of our many committees, to helping plan events, to attending events and special interest groups, and even holding your own events here.





Liz Ellis

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Commemorating the Centennial of Women's Suffrage 1920-2020



### MISSION STATEMENT

The historic Propylaeum brings women and organizations together to learn, connect, and grow, promoting individual and community development.

#### **IMPACT STATEMENT**

The Indianapolis Propylaeum is the center of Indianapolis women's history. It has always focused on providing a platform for women to express cultural and intellectual ideas and a continuing opportunity to enhance our community in every time period since 1888.

### Indianapolis Propylaeum

#### **Officers**

President – Rose Wernicke Vice President – Jim Glass Secretary – Diane Tolliver Treasurer – Susan Fasig

### **Other Board Members**

Alex Barnstead Veronica Embry Cheryl Eyed Gloria Harbin Cathy Michel pegg kennedy Marjorie Kienle Troy Montigney Karen Pfeiffer Debra Renkens Melissa Smith Tiffany Talbert

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Governance — Alex Barnstead
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# Executive Director Liz Ellis

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Liz Ellis

The Bulletin is published monthly by the Propylaeum Historic Foundation. The foundation is a 501(c)(3) public not-for-profit corporation established in 2013. It is responsible for preserving and maintaining the Propylaeum building and its Carriage House; increasing awareness of their historic significance; and furthering its educational and charitable endeavors.

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# **Group News**

# 2018 New Propylaeum Members

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### **Honorary Members:**

Pearl Bassett Angela Brown **Jennifer Christen** Dr. Sue Ellspermann Martha Hoover Alister Howlett **Gregory Martin Jennifer Nelson Williams** Iudy O'Bannon Rabbi Sandy Sasso







# New Member Open House

New members of the Propylacum will be treated to an Open House Reception

Thurs., January 10, 2019 at 5:30 p.m.

Board and committee members will be present to answer questions, make brief presentations and summarize committee and membership activities, and volunteer opportunities.

Join us for an exclusive

# Bridal Open House

Saturday January 19th 12:00-4:00

The Propylaeum is perfect for ALL couples.





Weddings Bridal Showers Rehearsal Dinners Wedding Brunches Engagement Parties

Meet with some of our preferred vendors, tour the property, and receive special discounts on wedding-related events.







Marilyn K. Glick
Women's Enrichment Series

presents:

Dr. Lisa Harris Thursday, February 21, 5 p.m.

Tickets available at www.thepropylaeum.org/upcomingevents



# **Group News**



### **Murder at the Mansion**

Members, guests, and friends rang in the new year with a murder mystery dinner at the Propylaeum. Dressed in character for the masquerade ball, guests were treated to cocktails in the carriage house, followed by dinner in the mansion, all while solving a murder mystery.

**The Hatter's Ball Murder Mystery Dinner** will be held on Saturday, March 9 at 5:30p.m. Tickets are available now. If you are interested in attending, we urge you to book your tickets as soon as possible, the New Year's Eve event sold out in fourteen days. For tickets you may go to www.thepropylaeum.org/upcomingevents or contact LaurieAnne Wickens at 317-638-7881 ext. 4.









# **Holiday Open House**



Janet and Richard Barb talk with Marianne Glick



CICF President Brian Payne talks with Prop board member Marjorie Kienle

To kick-off the holiday season, the Propylaeum once again threw open the doors for a wonderful holiday open house. Over 150 attendees enjoyed wine with hors d'oeuvres hosted by Propylaeum preferred caterers Food Guys Catering, and MBD Distinctive Catering. The Propylaeum, decorated from the first to the third floor in Victorian holiday regalia, was open for tours. Prop board members, committee members, and staff were on hand to answer questions about our mission, events, and the historic mansion.

Mark your calendars for next year's Open House, Thursday, December 5, 2019, 4:30p.m.-7p.m.

# **Etiquette Luncheon**

Middle school students from St. Frances and Clare attended an etiquette luncheon at the Propylaeum. Led by Propylaeum member Diane Tolliver, the students were instructed in the finer points of dining etiquette followed by a tour of the mansion.

Students from St. Frances and Clare have been attending etiquette luncheons at the Propylaeum for several years . We look forward to meeting new students each December.

If you are interested in assisting with etiquette events, please contact Diane Tolliver at tolliverd@aol.com .



Students from St. Frances and Clare

## **Happenings**

# January Prop Day Sharrona Moore



Sharrona Moore is a terrific example of the power of one. She doesn't own a big garden, but she fed 13,000 people last summer. Think 20,000 pounds of fresh vegetables. On land that is a great campus for a beer distributer.

We'll let Sharrona tell her empowering story at the January Prop meeting but be prepared to be en-

lightened and get the chills from the story of this activist who knows how to feed people fresh produce. She's a woman who had an idea and the will - and then got the facts to back it up.

Sharonna was a 2017 Spirit and Place speaker on "The Power of Food." Sharrona's got a whole different take and is plowing the fields! She has been featured in the Indianapolis Business Journal and WFYI's Side Effects. We'll let her tell the story. It's compelling.

# **Investment Group**

The Propylaeum Investment Group will meet on January 21 at 10 a.m. If you would like more information on how to join, please contact Cheryl Eyed at eyed@att.net.

# **Opportunities Available**

Looking for ways to get involved at the Prop? Many one-time and monthly options are available. A few below:

- Propylaeum Centennial of Women's Suffrage Commemoration Committee Members. We are in need of people to help with many different types of events, including a gala, speaker's, voter registration, film series, book groups/reading lists, interviewing Prop members, etc. All skill levels are needed. Short and long-term opportunities available.
- Prop Events —With the addition of new events for Prop members and guests, we need help with planning, decorating, and organizing events like the Murder Mystery Dinners, wine and canvas, porch and parlor parties, and more. Contact LaurieAnne if you are interested in helping with one or multiple events l.wickens@thepropylaeum.org or 317-638-7881 x.4
- Heritage Day Planner We celebrate Heritage Day at Prop Day in August and honor our 25-year members. A planner is needed for this once per year event. Contact Rose Wernicke, <a href="mailto:rdwernicke@yahoo.com">rdwernicke@yahoo.com</a>, 317.372.3625.
- Prop Road Show Event Organizer—We will be visiting
  with Prop members at different locations in and around
  Indianapolis including The Barrington, and The Stratford.
  An organizer is needed to call each place, reserve a room,
  and contact Prop Members who are there.
  Contact Diane Tolliver at tolliverd@aol.com, 317.258.5605.
- **Newsletter Editor** We publish the *Bulletin* each month for members and friends of the Prop. If you are interested in helping with the *Bulletin*, either design, mailing, or writing articles, contact Liz Ellis, <u>liz.ellis@thepropylaeum.org</u> 317.638.7881 x5.

### **Calendar**

### **JANUARY**

- 8: Board of Directors Meeting. 11:30 a.m.
- 10: New Member Open House 5 p.m.
- 16: Prop Day—Luncheon and Program. Noon.
- 19: Bridal Open House
- 21: Investment Group. 10 a.m.
- 22: Book Group. *Fly Girls* by Keith O'Brien. Noon.
- 22: Euchre Group. 1 p.m.
- 23: Prop Road Show at The Stratford. 1 p.m.

### **FEBRUARY**

- 1: Carriage House Concert. 7 p.m.
- 6: Card Group. 1 p.m.
- 8: Fun Friday (TBD)
- 12: Board of Directors Meeting. 11:30 a.m.
- 14: Valentine's Day Dinner. 7 p.m.
- 18: Investment Group. 10 a.m.
- 20: Prop Day—Luncheon and Program. Noon.
- 21: Women's Enrichment Series Featuring Dr. Lisa Harris. 5 p.m.
- 26: Book Group. Noon

### **MARCH**

- 1: Carriage House Concert. 7 p.m.
- 5: ICW Luncheon and Program 11 a.m.
- 6: Card Group. 1 p.m.
- 8: Fun Friday. TBD
- 9: Hatter's Ball Murder Mystery Dinner. 5:30p.m.
- 12: Board of Directors Meeting. 11:30 a.m.
- 18: Investment Group. 10 a.m.
- 20: Prop Day—Luncheon and Program, Noon.
- 26: Book Group. Noon.

# **January Birthdays**

- 1 Patricia Lyster
- 3 Nancy Roth
- 18 Michelyn Gallagher
- 21 Joanne Solomon
- 23 Rachel Barnstead
- 28 Brenda Huston



\*We love to honor our members. Please let us know if you have an upcoming birthday or if we missed your birthday.

### January Specials—Café at the Prop

National Slow Cooking Month
Pot Roast w/ French Baguette

National Chocolate Cake Day Individual Triple Chocolate Ganache Cakes