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Many members agree that the clubroom of the Propylaeum seems made for chamber music. Over seventy Prop members and guests attending the 17th Annual Salon Society Event, got to experience the beauty of a live chamber performance on April 28, 2019.

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MISSION STATEMENT

To advance educational and cultural opportunities for women and the community and to maintain and preserve the historic Propylaeum.

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.

OFFICERS

Rose Wernicke, President
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Executive Director: Liz Ellis
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Commemorating the
*Centennial of
Women's Suffrage*
1920-2020



President's Letter

This month marks the end of my first year as the President of the Propylaeum Board. The busy year has yielded great rewards for the organization and for me personally. I have enjoyed learning more about the Prop, interacting with the members, collaborating with other non-profit organizations in the city, and attending workshops to gain the knowledge of best practices for leading the board. You will learn more about the advances made during the last year at our Annual Meeting on May 15 at 11:00. Please join us!

Rose Wernicke



Note from the Executive Director

Two Steps Forward and One Step Back

Membership in the Propylaeum continues to grow and programs are well attended. We have both an endowment and a building fund in place. But, we still have unexpected maintenance needs associated with an historic building.

This past month a collapsed pipe from the carriage house had to be dug up and repaired. We were fortunate to have the building fund for the repairs, but the fund is now lower than we like.

We took two steps forward and a step back. However, behind us are the women who built and supported the Propylaeum for over a century.

Stepping back with these women behind us feels like just the strength we need.

Liz Ellis

Bishop cont.

Jennifer Baskerville-Burrows. Burrows spoke to a sold-out crowd on Thursday, April 25.

Baskerville-Burrows began the evening by detailing the circumstances that lead her to be in Trinity Church Wall Street on 9/11. She then went on to talk about her upbringing in the projects of New York City, her Ivy League education, and her rise in the ranks of the Episcopal Church to become the first African American Woman Bishop in the Episcopalian Church worldwide.

Baskerville-Burrows received her undergraduate degree from in historic preservation from Smith College and continued to Seminary to combine her interest in historic buildings with her call to the ministry.

With humor and grace, Baskerville-Burrows inspired all in attendance to believe that their paths in life can change many times, and that God can be found anywhere.



Propylaeum board president Rose Wernicke, Marianne Glick, Bishop Jennifer Baskerville-Burrows.

The 2019-2020 season of the Marilyn K. Glick Women's Enrichment Series will begin October 17 and feature Carolene Medley-Mays. Tickets are on sale at www.thepropylaeum.org/upcomingevents or by calling 317-638-7881 x4.

Performance cont.

Mendelsson, and Brahms. Huntington is one of the youngest principal musicians in the United States.

Following the performance a silent and live auction was conducted in the carriage house. Members and guests had the opportunity to bid on items ranging from unique experiences, to theater tickets, to Scotch and bourbon baskets. A highlight of the evening was a wine pull, where attendees paid \$20 to select a wine cork from a basket corresponding to bottles of wine ranging in price from \$20—\$200 each.

At the end of the auction, Executive Director, Liz Ellis asked guests to support a matching grant from the Department of Historic Preservation and Archaeology. The DHPC will provide \$50,000 in grants to organizations who can meet their guidelines and match the dollar amounts. In under five minutes \$25,000 of the \$50,000 was raised.



Austin Huntington

The evening concluded with dinner in the mansion.

The Salon Society Event is an enjoyable evening and raises funds to continue the mission of the Propylaeum.

Propylaeum Annual Meeting

Please join us for the Propylaeum's Annual Meeting, Wednesday, May 15 at 11 a.m. We will present the highlights of 2018, give a preview of what to expect for 2019, induct two members into the Circle of May Wright Sewall, elect board members, and remember those who have passed away. Lunch will be served at noon. Please RSVP to LaurieAnne 317-638-7881 ext. 4 or l.wickens@thepropylaeum.org by Friday, May 10.

New Propylaeum Members

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Celebrate Mother's Day at the Indianapolis Propylaeum. The Café at the Prop will be open for brunch on Sunday, May 12. Reservations are required.

Sunday, May 12
11 a.m., 12:15 p.m., 1:30 p.m.

Members: \$32
Non-Members: \$37
Children 6-12: \$16
Children 1-5 years: \$1 per year of age.

Reservations are required and may be made by calling
317.638.7881 x.2



**1980S
MURDER MYSTERY
DINNER**

Like, oh my gosh, there's been a murder!

**FRIDAY, JUNE 14
6:30 P.M.**

**\$75 MEMBERS
\$85 NON-MEMBERS**

WWW.THEPROPYLAEUM.ORG/UPCOMINGEVENTS

Fun Friday Events

May 10 Indiana Medical History Museum

We have an interesting Fun Friday planned for Friday, May 10, 2019. We will be meeting for lunch at 11 a.m. at The Working Man's Friend Tavern. This is a cash only restaurant. After lunch, we will go to the Indiana Medical History Museum. There will be a one hour docent-led tour starting at 1:00 p.m. Please note the museum has a second floor and no elevator. The cost is \$10.00. Please contact LaurieAnne Wickens if you plan to attend l.wickens@ thepropylaeum.org or 317-638-7881 x4.



June 14 Catacombs of Indianapolis City Market

Tour and learn about the catacombs under the Indianapolis City Market. Meet at CATH Coffee at City Market at 10 a.m. on June 14. City Market Executive Director Stevi Stoesz will lead the tour. City Market Catacombs are an undeveloped historic asset and are not accessible for all guests. The Catacombs feature a very rough, uneven dirt floor. The tour is not navigable for guests with walkers, canes, strollers, or wheelchairs. Closed-toed shoes are recommended. Please contact LaurieAnne Wickens if you plan to attend l.wickens@ thepropylaeum.org or 317-638-7881 x4.



Marilyn K. Glick

Women's Enrichment Series

the fourth season of the Marilyn K. Glick Women's Enrichment Series. This series highlights women who have "broken the mold" in Indiana.



October 17, 2019

Carolene Mays-Medley is the Executive Director of White River State Park Development Commission and a co-host of Community Link on WISH-TV. While serving as Commissioner for the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission, she was elected President of Mid-America Regulatory Conference, and elected National Chairperson of the Critical Infrastructure, and was named a Top 50 Smart Grid Pioneer in Smart Grid Today for her leadership in cyber and physical security.

Having served three terms in the Indiana Legislature as a State Representative, Carolene received several "Legislator of the Year" awards. Mays-Medley serves on several boards and has been awarded

the Center for Leadership Development's Madam CJ Walker Outstanding Woman of the Year; Martin University's Community Leader and Servant Award; Girl Scouts Courage Award; and a Sagamore of the Wabash. Mays-Medley has been named one of "Indy's Most Powerful" and one of "Indiana's Most Influential Women."



February 20, 2020

Jennifer Pope Baker Jennifer Pope Baker is a respected, innovative and passionate philanthropic leader, serving as Executive Director of Women's Fund of Central Indiana since 1998.

Under Jennifer's leadership, Women's Fund has become an expert resource for issues impacting women and girls in central Indiana. She is recognized nationally for creating bold, transformative initiatives focused on systems change as well as innovative programming which fosters the next generation of philanthropists and community leaders.

Jennifer is a sought-after speaker and commentator, appearing regularly on Inside Indiana Business and speaking at venues such as

The White House, the Clinton Global Initiative and the Give an Hour Global Mental Health Forum.

Jennifer is an active member of the central Indiana community, currently serving as Local Organizing Committee Chair for IWIT LPGA Tournament. She has been named a Torchbearer by the Indiana Commission for Women, an Indianapolis Business Journal Woman of Influence and Forty Under 40, and a member of Class XXIV of Stanley K. Lacy Executive Leadership Series.



April 16, 2020

Allison Barber is President and Chief Operating Officer of the Indiana Fever. Previously, Allison served as president of Western Governors University (WGU) Advancement and Chancellor of WGU Indiana. Under her leadership, WGU Indiana experienced unprecedented growth in helping Hoosiers improve their lives by earning a college degree – growing from 250 students to 5,000 students and enrolling students in all 92 counties of the state.

Barber was formerly president of Sodenta, a strategic communications firm, and Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense and Special Detail to the Office of Global Communications in the White House. A recipient

of the Department of Defense Medal for Distinguished Public Service, Barber is as a state lead volunteer for the American Red Cross and serves on the boards of the Indiana Chamber of Commerce, Techpoint, Indiana Internet and the Elizabeth Dole Hidden Heroes foundation.



Suffragists Needed

To All Interested Propylaeum Marching Suffragists:

One of the events planned for the Propylaeum's Votes for Women Centennial Commemoration is to march in four parades in 2020 that we are working to confirm now. We will recreate ourselves as 1913 suffragists who marched in protest the day Woodrow Wilson was inaugurated. This was the beginning of the protests that led to the signing of the 19th Amendment in 1920.

To be a suffragist, you will be expected to conform to a standard outfit that includes a white skirt, white blouse, and hat. We anticipate the cost to be roughly \$100. We have someone who will make the skirt and the rest can be bought online. If you have a conforming white outfit of that era, you may use it or you may wear your academic robes. The parade routes vary from .7 mile to 1.7 mile in length.

If you can't participate, maybe you would like to contribute to the cost of parade registrations, sashes and signs. Your check, in any amount, can be sent to the Propylaeum.

Please contact Sue Morreale at smorreale@indy.rr.com if you are interested in participating.

Donald Davidson to Speak at June Prop Day

Donald Davidson has officially been IMS Historian since 1998, but in reality, he has been the foremost authority on Indianapolis Motor Speedway history since arriving at the track in May 1964.

Gifted with what is known as a “selective retentive easy access” memory, Donald possesses an incredible ability to recall even the most minute statistics, facts and trivia about Indianapolis 500 drivers, teams and team owners, and its many other colorful personalities.

A frequent author, television and radio commentator, Donald was inducted into the IMS Hall of Fame in 2010, the Indiana Broadcast Pioneers Hall of Fame in 2013, he was awarded the “Sagamore of the Wabash,” Indiana’s highest civilian honor, in 2016, and entered the USAC Hall of Fame in 2017.

Davidson will speak at the Prop on Wednesday, June 19 at noon. For reservations please visit www.thepropylaeum.org/upcomingevents or call 317-638-7881 x4.



CALENDAR

May

- 10: Indiana Medical History Museum. 11 a.m.
- 12: Mother’s Day Brunch Buffet. 11 a.m.
- 14: ICW Luncheon and Program. 11:30 a.m.
- 15: Prop Day Luncheon and Annual Meeting. 11 a.m..
- 20: Investment Group. 10 a.m.
- 28: Book Group. *Indianapolis* by Vincent and Bladic. Noon

June

- 11: Board of Directors Meeting. 11:30 a.m.
- 14: Fun Friday. Tour City Market Catacombs. 10 a.m.
- 14: Murder Mystery Dinner. 5:30 p.m.
- 15-16: Talbot Street Art Fair. 9 a.m.
- 17: Investment Group. 10 a.m.
- 19: Prop Day Luncheon and Program. Noon
- 21: Porch Party.
- 25: Book Group. *The Silent Patient* by Alex Michaelides. Noon.

July

- 12: Fun Friday. TBD
- 15: Investment Group. 10 a.m.
- 17: Prop Day. Noon.
- 20: Women’s History Tea. Noon.
- 23: Book Group. *Where the Crawdads Sing* by Delia Owens. Noon.
- 30: July/Aug. Board of Directors Meeting. 11:30 a.m.

Students Perform at the Prop

A quartet of clarinetists from Indiana University Jacobs School of Music performed a Chamber Night at the Propylaeum on Friday, April 19, 2019. Public performance is a part of the curricula at Jacobs and the Propylaeum was the beneficiary of these outstanding musicians.



Musicians included from left to right: senior Jerry Su, and graduate students Julian Sanchez, Darius Bennett, and Salvador Perez Lopez.

For all upcoming events, follow us on:



Membership

Active Memberships contribute to the culture and social life of the organization. Dues are partially tax deductible and members may carry a monthly account, receive a 30% facility rental discount for private events held at the Propylaeum, receive special event pricing for Propylaeum Events, and enjoy member benefits through Columbia Club reciprocity. Visit thepropylaeum.org for more information.

May Birthdays

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| 1 | Carol McHenry | 19 | Nora Spitznogle |
| 9 | Virginia Francisco | 23 | Marge Cislak |
| 15 | Terry Mumford | | |

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