



Judith Viorst

GETTING OLDER AND GETTING FATTER

Presenter: Judy Dillen

Date: Thursday, March 31, 2005

Time: 7:30 p.m.

Location: Michael Baker Engineer
(Please note this is the 5th Thursday)



Erma Bombeck

Don't miss the March general meeting when Judy Dillen will present one of her many great programs. Some of our more senior members will remember Mrs. Dillen present from "Burma Shave to Velcro" (1988), "Mothers of Presidents" (1991), or more recently "Four Generations" (2003). Judy Dillen has been the Director of the New Cumberland Library for many years. She has been presenting programs on a regular basis for education, but mostly for entertainment.

The program "Getting Older and Getting Fatter" is based on books by Erma Bombeck and poetry by Judith Viorst. Come to the Auxiliary general meeting March 31st at the Baker building – you won't want to miss this program!



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

In a few weeks, this beautiful white snow will be all melted and we will be anxiously awaiting the flowering of the spring bulbs we planted last fall. It is delightful having four seasons!

By the time you receive this letter, our Fashion Show will have been completed. We pray that all goes well, including the weather. Thank you in advance, Betty Lou Waldner, Joan Waldner and crew for all your hard work. Engineers' Week went very well. Thank you, Lori Dixon for a lovely Auxiliary display at the mall. It was so nice to see many of you at the Engineers' Week Banquet despite the snow storm. Our speaker was stranded in D.C., and I hope that he will be able to come next year to speak to us.

I am looking forward to seeing you at our next meeting, Thursday, March 31, 2005 at 7:30pm at Baker Engineers'. We always enjoy hearing Judy Dillon from the New Cumberland Library. If you would like a ride, please call me or someone near you.

Karen Bradshaw, President

SPECIAL SURVEY

Please help your Board plan for next year. Our local members will find a survey and a postage paid return envelope enclosed with this issue. The Board desires to offer the best programs it can, and the best time for the most members. Your input is essential! Please complete the survey and return as soon as possible. Feel free to also return your reservation form for our April 28 event at the Cornerstone Culinary Kitchen in the same envelope and save on postage!



COMMITTEE / PROJECT NEWS

Education

Scholarship applications are now available in high school guidance offices and online at www.pspehbg.org/auxiliary.htm. The application deadline is March 15, so if you know of any potential applicants please advise them to submit their application immediately. For more information please contact Riet Jongsma at jongsma@verizon.net or 717/545-2418

MATHCOUNTS

Over 200 middle school students from 29 central Pennsylvania schools were on hand to compete on February 5. Members of the Harrisburg Chapter ran the competition, with Auxiliary members on hand to help staff the coaches lounge and serve lunch to the participants. Thank you Debbie Williams and her Committee: Lana Buchek, Joan Waldner, Lori Dixon, Gladys Ciarrocca and Karen Bradshaw for a job well done for MATHCOUNTS. Congratulations to the top finishers:

	<u>Team Competition</u>	<u>Individual Finishers</u>
1 st Place	Mechanicsburg Area Intermediate School	Lee Kennedy-Shaffer, Mechanicsburg
2 nd Place	Central Dauphin Middle School	Derek Rowe, Lemoyne Middle School
3 rd Place	Hershey Middle School	Eric Friedman, Linglestown Jr. High School
4 th Place	St. Theresa School	Jonathan Banks, St. Theresa School
5 th Place	Lower Dauphin Middle School	Timothy Gahr, St. Theresa School
6 th Place	Good Hope Middle School	Chris Ha, Lamberton Middle School

Program

Coming in April – Dinner with Chef Chuck!

April brings spring rains, flowers and this year – a chance to enjoy a culinary light dinner with chef Chuck at the Cornerstone Culinary Kitchen in Camp Hill on April 28. You will find the reservation form in this newsletter. Fill it out now! Reservations are due by April 6th. Seating is limited and this is a great opportunity to enjoy an evening with the Auxiliary members and see Chef Charles LaPorta make an asparagus quich for everyone to enjoy. See you on April 28th!

--Joan Waldner, Vice President/Program Chairperson

Ways & Means

March 5 was positively indulgent - beautiful day, with beautiful Doneckers fashions modeled by our members, friends, and engineers of the Harrisburg Chapter, a delicious luncheon, and fantastic chance prizes. Indulgence was a memorable event with its “day at the spa” theme. Our own Susan Bruening served as commentator for the fashions. And we had a very special performance by Meredyth Morrison and Will Curry of selections from *Phantom of the Opera*. These are two very talented young people! Proceeds benefit MATHCOUNTS, scholarship, and Science Fair prizes. Look in next month’s Sparkles for a financial report on the show.

HARRISBURG CHAPTER SPONSORS HABITAT FOR HUMANITY PROJECT

Members of the Harrisburg Chapter, PSPE will soon participate in a special service project with Habitat for Humanity Harrisburg. The Chapter is accepting financial contributions for Habitat, which provides the opportunity for the working poor to enter into home ownership, and will also hold a work day at Habitat on April 2, 2005. Please see the last page of this issue for complete information on the project. Auxiliary members are welcome to also participate!

NOMINATIONS FOR 2005-2006 AUXILIARY OFFICERS

The following persons will be nominated for our 2005-06 Auxiliary offices. Please be sure to attend the April 28 meeting at which we will vote on the slate:

President-	Joan Waldner
Vice President	Lori Dixon
Recording Secretary	Shirley Hart
Treasurer	Nancy Flint
Corresponding Secretary	Karen Miller
Directors 2 yrs	Lana Buchek
	Betty Lou Waldner
Directors 1 yr	Helen Stallknecht
	Mary Lynn Morrison

Thank you to the following members of the Nominating Committee for putting together the slate: Gladys Ciarrocca, Chair (in place of Gloria Minnich); Charlotte Lazarchik; Lois Lewis; Suann Gouhin; and Linda Grubb

STATE NEWS

Please mark the upcoming state conference. The PSPE Annual Conference will be held May 19-21, 2005 at The Chateau at Camelback in Tannersville.

MEMBER NEWS

Happy Birthday to the following Auxiliary members:

Mary Fortran	March 25
Betty Lou Waldner	April 2
Betsy Faber	April 12



Get well wishes to *Shirley Herbert* and *Charlotte Lazarchik* – we missed you at the Fashion Show. Hope you're feeling better soon!

From the Editor:

March – that wonderful month in which winter ends and spring arrives! We've already begun the month with a indulgent luncheon and fashion show, and we will be end our month with the delightful Judy Dillen. What a treat for Auxiliary members! Please come out to join us a Baker Engineers on March 31 – see you then!

Nancy Flint
nancyflint@comcast.net

DATES TO REMEMBER

Mark your calendar!

March 31	Auxiliary Meeting at Michael Baker (note this is the 5 th Thursday)
April 6	Board meeting at the home of Charlotte Lazarchik
	Deadline for reservations for April 28 meeting at Cornerstone
April 28	Auxiliary meeting at the Cornerstone Culinary Kitchen (reservations required)