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# The BRYN MAWR CLUB of NEW YORK CITY

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May 2004

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## Annual Meeting of the Bryn Mawr Club of New York

The Culture Center  
410 Columbus Avenue, between 79<sup>th</sup> and 80<sup>th</sup> Streets

Tuesday Evening, May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2004  
6:00 - Refreshments  
6:30 - Club Business

All New York City alumnae/i are cordially invited to the Annual Meeting of the Bryn Mawr Club of the City of New York.

**Ann Schack '49** and **Susan Bixby Barron '60**, Co-Chairs of the Fundraising Committee, will announce revised plans for the new bookstore.

Club President **Lisa Tomeny, '91**, will summarize the year's activities and present for confirmation the slate of nominees for various board positions.

Following the business meeting, **Nora Lavori, '71**, Trustee of Bryn Mawr College and gracious host of the Annual Meeting, will introduce our **keynote speaker Julie Beckman, '95**.

Julie Beckman, along with partner Keith Kaseman, designed the 9/11 memorial for the Pentagon. Composed of one-hundred eighty-four benches, each cantilevered over its own reflecting pool, the monument will honor the memories of the victims aboard the hijacked American Airlines Flight 77 which crashed into the Pentagon, and those of the people who were killed inside the Pentagon on September 11, 2001. Maple trees, which will provide shade in summer and retain their foliage in winter, will adorn the structure.

Julie Beckman and Keith Kaseman were working at separate architectural firms in New York City when they submitted their proposal for the 9/11 Pentagon memorial. As finalists, they formed their own partnership KBAS. When their design won the competition, they moved KBAS to Alexandria, Virginia, so they could supervise construction of the memorial, which is to begin later this year.

"We hoped to inscribe in the earth the magnitude of what happened there that day, and in that inscription, we wanted to tell a story of who these individuals were," according to Julie Beckman. "We wanted to invite personal interpretation, not tell the visitor what to think or how to feel." Julie Beckman will discuss the creative process of commemorating those who lost their lives at the Pentagon that fateful day, September 11, 2001.

Please join us.

**Please complete and return the proxy on page 3, whether you plan to attend the Annual Meeting or not.**

## President's Column

It's hard to believe that another school year has passed right before our eyes! The BMC Club of New York City has been busy throughout the year hosting a variety of events from book readings to career panels to art exhibits. The Club will continue to plan events throughout the summer so keep your eyes & ears open!

The Club Web site continues to be under construction but is slated to be debut in the next few months. We will be sure to make an opening announcement via email but you can check by logging onto the College's Web site. In the meanwhile, information will be available via the monthly eletter. If you are not already on this distribution, please email [bmc\\_club\\_of\\_nyc@hotmail.com](mailto:bmc_club_of_nyc@hotmail.com).

The Club is continuing to move forward in its revised effort to re-establish a bookshop presence in New York City. Plans are underway to raise funds in support of this effort so stay tuned – we will need your support!

Finally, we are very excited that Julie Beckman '95 has agreed to be the keynote speaker at this year's annual meeting on May 18th. Julie, along with partner Keith Kaseman, was chosen among 1,126 entrants as the winners of the Pentagon memorial design competition. Julie and Keith are currently residing in the D.C. area to oversee the construction of this project. Julie will share with us her thoughts and inspiration, so please be sure to mark your calendars to join us for this evening!

As always, we welcome your feedback and suggestions on all Club matters so please don't hesitate to contact us! Anassa Kata!!

Lisa Tomeny '91  
([lisatomeny@yahoo.com](mailto:lisatomeny@yahoo.com))

## Events...Events...Events

### **EAST HAMPTON GARDEN TOUR**

The third annual walking tour of East Hampton gardens will be held this year on Monday, June 21, from 11 am - 4 pm. Never-before-seen gardens are more spectacular than ever! \$50 per person, payable to BMC Club of NYC, 205 East 69 Street, New York, NY 10021. [Early-bird discount for checks received by May 21 is \$45.]

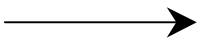
### **METS V. PHILLIES**

Heads up all Mets or Phillies fans! The New York Club will once again be sponsoring a group to see the Mets play the Phillies on Sunday, July 18, game time: 1:10 p.m. at Shea Stadium. Cost is \$25 per ticket. Contact Julie Prall at [jprall@nyc.rr.com](mailto:jprall@nyc.rr.com) to reserve a ticket. She'll tell you where to send your check. If you haven't sent her your check by June 15, you lose your reservation and she'll go to someone on the waitlist!

### **VISITING NURSE SERVICE OF NEW YORK HEALTH FAIR**

Katherine Gordy Levin SSW '61 directs two programs for the Visiting Nurse Service of New York in the Mott Haven section of the South Bronx that are trying to keep youth out of psychiatric hospitals through family friendly community based mental health services

On May 21, the Visiting Nurse Service will hold a health fair at the Peace in the Community Labyrinth. The Labyrinth is part of the Camino de Paz Project, which wants to change the image of Mott Haven from one of drugs, death and violence to one of peace and community through the use of labyrinths. They would like to turn every vacant lot in Mott Haven into a labyrinth. Currently, there are three labyrinths. The first, the Rainbow Labyrinth, painted on a deserted basketball court. The second is behind St. Jerome's Church. The third is the Peace in the Community Labyrinth, the site of the health fair.

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**PROXY for the Bryn Mawr Club of the City of New York**

Submitted by the Present Officers

The undersigned, whose name is (please print)

\_\_\_\_\_ residing at

\_\_\_\_\_, being a voting member of the Bryn Mawr Club of the City of New York, hereby appoints Lisa Tomeny, Jessica Amelar and Gwyneth Degraf full power of substitution, as her proxies to appear and vote in her name as instructed below at the Annual Meeting of the Bryn Mawr Club to be held on May 18, 2004, or any continuation or adjournment thereof.

- 1. The election of the following persons to the indicated offices (length of term in parentheses)
  - Vice President: Jessica Vasquez '96 (2)
  - Treasurer: Elizabeth Chang '91 (3)
  - Bookshop Relocation Chair: Roberta Paula Books '64 (2)
  - Events Coordinator/Member-at-Large: Magda Pecsénye '94 (2)
  - Fundraising: Susan Bixby Barron '60 and Ann Schack '49 (2)

These Board members will join, in continuing positions,

- President: Lisa Kim Tomeny '91
- Secretary: Susanna Prough '99 (filling incomplete term)
- Communication Committee Chair: Carol Boorstein '77
- Young Alumnae Representative: Meera Ratnesar '01
- Fifties Representative: Beth Crossman '54
- Sixties Representative: Emily Bardack Folpe '65
- Seventies Representative: Judith Moldover Cholst '73
- Eighties Representative: Julie Prall '81
- Career Representative: Nancy Kirk '59 (College appoints and determines term)
- Nadine Zamichow '47, Forties Representative Emerita

- 2. At the proxies' discretion, the undersigned instructs them to vote on any other business that may properly come before the meeting or any continuation or adjournment thereof.

This proxy may be revoked by the undersigned's attendance at the Annual Meeting or by a later written proxy.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Class \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**COMPLETING THE PROXY IS EASY. JUST FILL IN YOUR PROXY, FOLD IT SO THE ADDRESS ON THE BACK SHOWS, CLOSE IT WITH TAPE, ADD A STAMP AND YOUR RETURN ADDRESS, AND SEND IT TO THE BRYN MAWR CLUB OF NY.**

See you at the Annual Meeting on May 18<sup>th</sup>!

**The Bryn Mawr Club of New York  
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**PROXY**

## VISITING NURSE SERVICE OF NEW YORK HEALTH FAIR (CONT.)

The health fair will feature health screenings, including blood pressure readings, depression screenings, possibly free HIV screenings, as well as providing a number of health-related activities such as walking the labyrinth, demonstrations of yoga, tai chi, a story time for the children with a reading by an author, and a rock band for the teenagers. They will also be teaching how to make paper cranes for the 1,000 crane project – each year on Sept. 11, they plan to send 1,000 paper cranes to Hiroshima in the name of someone from the community who has been a major force in helping youth. Come and enjoy the activities or volunteer — they need registrants, food servers, people to help make cranes, people to play with children and any number of talents. Contact Katherine Gordy Levine at [klevine@cloud9.net](mailto:klevine@cloud9.net).

May 21, from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. at the Peace in the Community Labyrinth, East 136 St., between Brook and Willis Avenues (take the #6 subway to Brook Avenue).

**More about the labyrinths!** The Rainbow Labyrinth is built over a brook. Plans are to open the asphalt to reveal the brook, and to build a bridge over the brook to link a garden to the labyrinth. The labyrinth behind St. Jerome's Church is on what serves sometimes as a parking lot and sometimes as a playground. The Peace in the Community Labyrinth was dedicated on the first anniversary of 9/11. A fourth labyrinth is being built at one of the housing projects. Camino de Paz also has two portable labyrinths. Visit [www.caminodepaz.org](http://www.caminodepaz.org) to see the works of the labyrinthista.

## 39TH ANNUAL ASSOCIATION OF JEWISH LIBRARIES CONVENTION — THE JEWISH AMERICAN EXPERIENCE: 350 YEARS

Chaired by Elizabeth F. Stabler, Bryn Mawr '69, the Convention highlights include:

- Keynote speaker noted historian Hasia Diner
- Book Lover's Judaica Festival featuring publishers, art, music and storytelling
- Authors' luncheon
- Professional development sessions for academic, school and synagogue librarians

Held at the New York Marriott, at the Brooklyn Bridge, Brooklyn, June 20 – 23.

For information contact:

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## GARLIC, ONIONS & OTHER ALLIUMS

Ellen Spector Platt '56, MA, '59 was once a psychologist experimenting on learning in rats ensconced in the labs of Dalton Hall. More recently a flower and herb farmer/ writer/ lecturer on flower and herb topics, instructor at NYBG, announces the publication of her eighth book, "Garlic, Onions & Other Alliums", Stackpole books, Sept. 2003 (paperback: \$19.95). The book is a full color guide to both culinary alliums like garlic, leeks, chives and shallots as well as decorative allium for perennial beds and borders. It includes planting, harvesting, and propagation information; history and folklore; theme gardens; heirloom varieties; recipes and crafts. Learn more at [WWW.ellenspectorplatt.com](http://WWW.ellenspectorplatt.com) or email [esp@ellenspectorplatt.com](mailto:esp@ellenspectorplatt.com)

## CORRECTION

The cost for the wonderful trip to sail the waterways of the czars, Moscow to St. Petersburg, was listed incorrectly in previous communication. For the correct cost, please contact Jane Keator Talamini ('56) at 203-254-6414 ([tandjtrav@aol.com](mailto:tandjtrav@aol.com)); , or Naomi Powers Thronton ('56) at 212-362-0703, or Fred Waugh at 203-255-5965 ([fred@pequottravel.com](mailto:fred@pequottravel.com)). We apologize for the confusion

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