

First Annual Dorthea Drake Pennington Garden Party

Attendees dined by candlelight under the stars at the First Annual 'Dorthea Drake Pennington Garden Party' on Saturday, August 25th at the lovely home of member Pam Berg.

Formerly known as the Blankets and Books for Babies Summer Potluck, this event was re-named in honor of Dorthea's many years of outstanding leadership, support and service to our organization. It was she who established the Blankets for Babies (BBB) project and organized the first summer potluck as a fundraiser to support this worthy effort.

Dorthea was not feeling well enough to join the party, but she did provide the following comments which were read at the party: "The good work that happened over the years was because of everyone working together and having a good

time coming together to do this project. Jean Morton had access to get into the material stores and could buy whole bolts of cloth to make the blankets so the babies could be rolled up good and tight and be comfortable when they left the hospital. The group can be very proud of how well it's turned out."

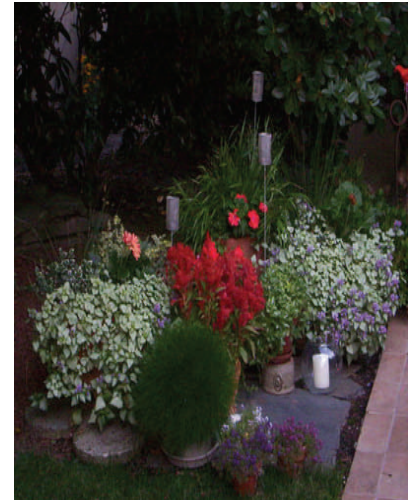
In fact, this well-loved project has been so successful that an ample reserve has been accumulated, sufficient to cover its expenses for a few years. Thus, this year's event was a fundraiser for our special student support initiative, the \$10,000 we have committed to the medical school's "on-call room" project for medical students.

It was felt that this important project would be a wonderful way to support our students and to commemorate the 60th

anniversary year of our founding.

To date the garden party has generated \$2630 toward this effort. If you have not yet had the opportunity to contribute and would like to do so, please send your check (made out to the OHSU Foundation/SMA Student Support Fund) to Ellen Schwarz. Refer to your directory for the address.

Thanks very much to Pam Berg for preparing the delicious main course and graciously hosting this lovely evening, and to her committee, Joan Foley, Susan McNulty and Jean Morton for their help. Thanks also to Andrea Chiu, the charming daughter of Sabrina and Andy, for assisting with preparation and serving.



A view of host Pam Berg's lovely garden.

And, thanks too, to all who came to the celebration and made it a most enjoyable end-of-summer event.

-Kay Dawson



Campus Tour

Led by Mark Kemball, Community Relations Director at OHSU, a group of intrepid members toured the OHSU campus on June 12.

The tour encompassed both the on-hill and new waterfront locations, including a ride on the tram. Lunch at the Daily Café at the new CHH building (Center for Health & Healing) capped the outing.



Nancy Friedman, OHSU's Mark Kemball, Susan Sack, Pam Berg, Susan McNulty and Maxine Reinschmidt

GALA Kicks Off 60th Anniversary Year Celebration

SMA members and guests initiated the celebration of our 60th anniversary year with a GALA dinner dance at Waverley Country Club on Saturday April 28th.

Following welcoming remarks by SMA President Sarah McCarty, GALA co-chairs Joan Foley and Kay Dawson provided a historical perspective on SMA's activities over the years, recognized the past presidents in attendance, and introduced Dean Mark Richardson who complimented SMA on its record of contributions to the medical school.

The program concluded with a rousing SMA tribute song and a ballroom dancing demonstration after which the seventy guests enjoyed dancing to swing music provided by the Dick Saunders Band. The guests also enjoyed an historical exhibit, featuring SMA activities and projects over the past 60 years.

In addition to Joan and Kay, the planning committee included Jackie Bloom, Erica Goodwin, Suzann Lupton, Susan McAnulty Corinna Campbell-Sack and Chris Swanson.

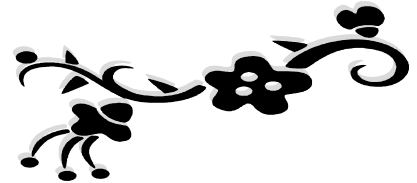
-Kay Dawson



Event coordinators Joan Foley and Kay Dawson.

The SMA song, to the tune of "YMCA", was not to be missed. The dancing demo was like a clip from "Dancing with the Stars".

- Sarah McCarty



Ryan Bonazolla, Jennifer Boyd, Patsy Yeager, Dee Metaj, Kay Dawson, Chris Swanson and Joan Foley perform a musical tribute, (accompanied by David Dawson on guitar).

Student Welcome Party

The Welcome Party for the incoming first year medical student couples and families was a great success on August 12. It was hosted by second year student Rob Hinz and his wife at their home in West Linn. Over 50 students, spouses/partners (with their children) and faculty attended.



There are over 40 incoming students (out of a class of 120) who are married or are partners in committed relationships. One student has three children and two others have teenagers. The SMA sponsored a wonderful event and it much appreciated by the Dean's Office and the students

- Anita Taylor

OHSU Associate Dean for Student Affairs Molly Osborne talks to 1st year students.

Transitions...

Suzann Lupton, SMA member since 2003 and Treasurer during 2005-2006, will be leaving Portland to move to Denver. Her husband, Richard Traystman, has accepted a position at the University of Colorado at Denver and Health Sciences Center as Vice Chancellor of Research.

Suzanne will be back in Portland for much of October and November before their final move to Denver. We'll miss her and we offer both Richard and Suzann our best wishes for their future in Denver.

-Sarah McCarty



Ellen Schwarz prepares a tasty treat for the sea lions as Sarah McCarty, Muriel Thomas and Gillian Casson observe.

A Day at the ZOO!

Member and Treasurer Ellen Schwarz was our guide during a unique tour of the Oregon Zoo on Wednesday, August 1. Attendees were treated to a behind-the-scenes look of Stellar Cove and watched the keepers feed the sea lions and Eddie the sea otter. Then it was off to the Veterinary Hospital where the group observed a warty pig receive x-rays. The Winged Wonders exhibit, the last stop, was a colorful display of flowers and butterflies.



Member Spotlight: Dorthea Drake Pennington

The OHSU School of Medicine Alliance of today is the fortunate beneficiary of member Dorthea Drake Pennington's ongoing energy, enthusiasm, intelligence, and immeasurable generosity. Her contributions were summarized beautifully on a plaque presented to her in 1966 by the Oregon Medical Auxiliary. Over many decades, Dorthea "...has placed her many skills at the disposal of the membership."

Dorthea Drake was born in Idaho Falls, Idaho in 1920, and had two sisters, one of them her twin. She graduated from the University of Portland with a degree in nursing. On March 23rd, 1944, she married Merle Pennington, a medical student. They had three children.

After medical school and Merle's tour of duty in the army, the family settled in Tualatin, Oregon where Merle practiced Family Medicine. During that time, Dorthea was prominent in the American Medical Association Auxiliary at the national and regional levels. Locally, she served as president of the OMA and Washington County Medical Auxiliaries, and as OMA counselor for medical students' wives. Characteristically of her, she worked assiduously to unify the county medical societies.

Upon Merle's retirement, the couple spent three years on a Navajo reservation in Colorado; Merle as the only physician on the reservation, and Dorthea the nurse. Additionally, she taught nursing skills at a local college. After returning to Tualatin in the 1970's, Merle joined the OHSU family practice clinic, participating in development of what is now the Department of Family Medicine.

Dorthea became active in what was known then as the Medical Faculty Wives Club, serving as its president in 1985. Over time, she consistently bolstered the organization's many health education, fund-raising, and charitable endeavors.

Most notable was her establishment of the Blankets and Books for Babies project supplying indigent University Hospital newborns with layettes and books. Dorthea also initiated a revision of the constitution to reflect the service orientation of the organization.

In 2007, the SMA honored her years of service by renaming the annual Blankets and Books for Babies potluck to the Dorthea Drake Pennington Garden Party.

-Betty Kendall

Garden Tour with Kym Pokorny



Kym Pokorny with the Garden Group

August 14 found the Garden Group touring the garden of noted horticultural writer Kym Pokorny. Located in the Overlook neighborhood, Kym's garden was a beautiful show of color and texture. Her back patio was a wash in containers of all shapes and sizes, impressing the group with her extensive drip irrigation system.

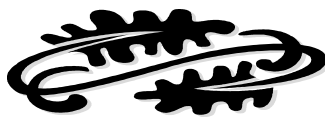
The group finished the evening with dessert and libations at Mint.

Fall Faculty Welcome

Waverley Country Club was again the venue for the seventh Fall Faculty Welcome, held on Thursday, September 20. SMA is delighted to co-sponsor this popular annual event with the Office of the Dean of the medical school. About 90 people were present at this lovely occasion held to welcome the newest members of the OHSU medical school academic community.

SMA member Pamela Berg coordinated the evening's festivities, together with fellow member, Ellen Richardson, and Alison Dillon and Jill Smith in the Dean's Office. Floral arrangements were provided by SMA member Susan Sack. Kay Dawson, SMA president welcomed the group and introduced Dean Mark Richardson, who offered remarks about upcoming plans for the medical school. Several new faculty members commented on the friendly reception they have enjoyed at OHSU and expressed appreciation for the warm welcome to the university and to Portland.

- Kay Dawson



New Members!

Monica Knowles

Joan Kruse

Molly Kulesz-Martin





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Blankets and Books for Babies

PACKING DATES

The layette packing dates for 2007-2008:

Each Monday session runs from 9.30-11.30am in room 2226 at CDRC.

September 10—November 5—January 7

March 3—May 5

If a layette packer needs a parking pass, please contact Robin Kirsch no later than the Friday before the intended packing date.

New Walking Group

Get out your walking shoes!

The SMA now has a Walking Group for all of you who are looking for a fun way to get some fresh air and exercise in a friendly, group-setting. All fitness levels and age groups are welcome—everyone walks at their own pace and distance.

Meeting time is Tuesdays and Thursdays at 8am. Currently, the group is walking in the Kruse Way area of Lake Oswego and in Forest Heights, followed by coffee and chatting at the local Starbucks. For details, contact Ellen Schwarz.

Upcoming Events

Fall Luncheon: October 9, 2007. Bridgeport Brewery-Pearl District

Speaker: Sharon Wood Wortman, "The Portland Bridge Book, 3rdEd."

Wine Tasting Event: October 19, 2007. Square Deal Wine 6.30-8.30pm

Special Event: December 6, 2007. Art Walk/Tour of Contemporary Crafts Museum

Valentine Chocolate Sale: February 13-14, 2008, Locations TBA

Winter Luncheon: February 19, 2008

Spring Luncheon: May 15, 2008

SMA Executive Officers 2007-8

The 2007-2008 Executive Officers are as follows:

President: Kay Dawson

Vice-President: Joan Foley

Treasurer: Ellen Schwarz

Secretary: Sabrina Enochs-Chiu

All board meetings will occur on the first Wednesday of each month from 9.00-11.30am. Contact Kay Dawson for location details.

For details go to: www.ohsu.edu/sma