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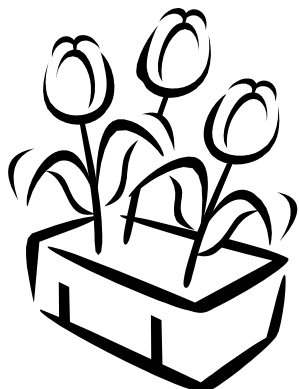
**Special points of interest:**

- May 20th, 2:00 PM, Tea & Spring Social, Home of President and Mrs. McDavis.
- Watch your email boxes for special summer events & the 2009-10 Fall Kick-Off Party!!!

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# Ohio University Women's Club Communiqué



## A Message from the President, Liz Stinaff...

The April meeting of the Ohio University Women's Club was informative and entertaining at the same time!! The setting was the Kennedy Museum, featuring photographer Stanley Livingston, where Katherine Ziff provided an overview of "The Ridges" and a guided tour.

Originally called the Athens Lunatic Asylum, Athens citizens raised money to purchase the 150 acre Arthur Coates farm to give to the State of Ohio for the site. The Asylum officially opened January 1, 1874, and the final patient left in 1993. During this time, the name changed from the Athens Lunatic Asylum to Athens Asylum for the Insane to Athens State Hospital to Southeastern Ohio Mental Health and Retardation Center and before it closed, Athens Mental Health Center.

The complex was nearly self-sufficient. Hospital residents and employees tended to the orchards and farmland. They supplied the town with dairy, linens, and other items. Did you know the Dairy Barn was once part of the Asylum complex? The barn was built in 1941 and when it was set to be demolished in 1977, a Citizens Task Force Committee petitioned the governor to establish a non-profit arts center and thereby preserving the structure. The Dairy Barn is now on the National Register of Historic Places.

Thank you to all those who helped with this wonderful event: Katherine Ziff, Kennedy Museum, Shannon Carley, Jill Russ, and Melissa Barr!!

Join us next month as Mrs. McDavis opens her home to the Ohio University Women's Club Annual Spring Tea. This is a wonderful event to meet the First Lady and enjoy each other's company before the end of the quarter and summer begins.

As my last president's letter, I want to say I had a wonderful time serving as president to this fantastic group!! Thank you to the board and all our members for your support over the past year!! I certainly could not have done it without you!!

See you soon!! Liz :)



## 2009-2010 Board Members

Congratulations to our newest Board Members! Look forward to learning more about these women in the July/August Communiqué!

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HAPPY

BIRTHDAY!!!

MAY

- 1- Priscilla Schaus
- 1 - Tina Stewart
- 4 - Hailey Hayeon Joo
- 5 - Solveig Spjeldne
- 8 - Lisa Bolon
- 10- Lesli Johnson
- 10- Priya Rajan
- 11- Kim Gaffney Corriher
- 11- Susan Urano
- 12- Susan Kaneshige
- 13- Karen Vedder
- 14- Sandy Farrar
- 15- Alice Peterson
- 17- Kate Kahler
- 18- Shirley Higgins
- 21- Peggy Leep
- 25- Marjorie Malcom
- 26- Jeanette Sullivan



*We wish for all your wishes to come true.*

*A very happy birthday wish to you!*

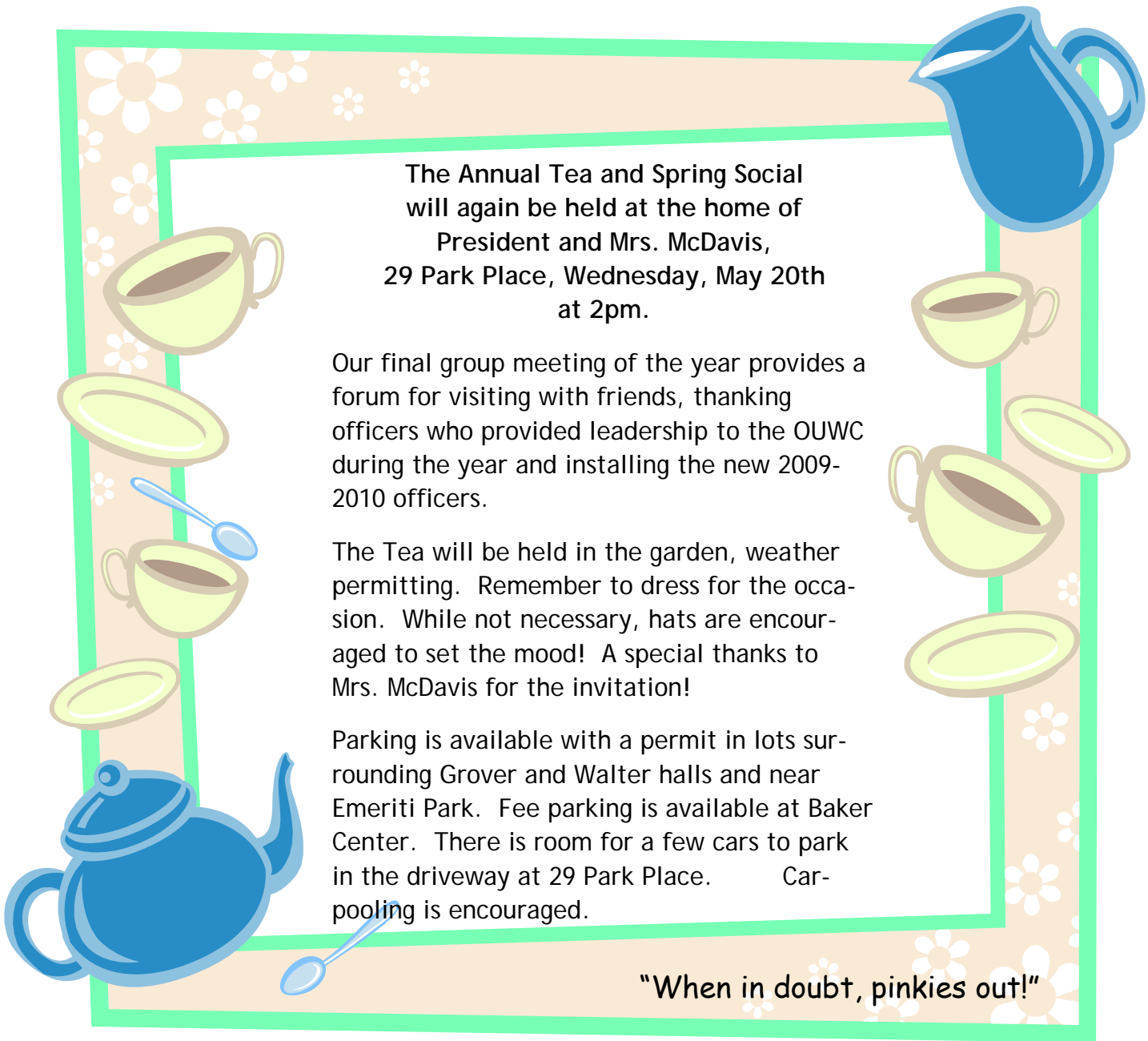
JUNE

- 2- Mary Lou Harris
- 5- Kelli Schoen
- 6- Janet Duerr
- 10- Emilia Alonso Marks
- 13- Deborah McDavis
- 13- Rebecca Rischin
- 19- Jan Tucker
- 21- Ann Grover
- 22- Renee Smith
- 25- Pat Cooper
- 27- Eileen Theodore-Shusta
- 29- Laura Milazzo

A couple of notable changes to this month's Communiqué...

First, some of you might not be reading this on paper!!! Beginning with this issue, we are sharing the newsletter electronically! As we phase into the e-newsletter, hard copies will only be sent to those who opt for it or do not have email addresses. We will also post the newsletter on the official website at [www.ohio.edu/womensclub](http://www.ohio.edu/womensclub). You will be able to reference it there as often as necessary. If you did NOT receive this in your email, please send a quick note to Jane Newton at this email address: [Jane.K.Newton@earthlink.net](mailto:Jane.K.Newton@earthlink.net)

Secondly, this month is a two-for-one deal! The board agreed that we have lots of information to share over the summer months. This newsletter will cover May/June. Look for your July/August newsletter towards the end of June!



The Annual Tea and Spring Social will again be held at the home of President and Mrs. McDavis, 29 Park Place, Wednesday, May 20th at 2pm.

Our final group meeting of the year provides a forum for visiting with friends, thanking officers who provided leadership to the OUWC during the year and installing the new 2009-2010 officers.

The Tea will be held in the garden, weather permitting. Remember to dress for the occasion. While not necessary, hats are encouraged to set the mood! A special thanks to Mrs. McDavis for the invitation!

Parking is available with a permit in lots surrounding Grover and Walter halls and near Emeriti Park. Fee parking is available at Baker Center. There is room for a few cars to park in the driveway at 29 Park Place. Car-pooling is encouraged.

**"When in doubt, pinkies out!"**

### Interest in Interest Groups...

We currently have a wide range of activities members can be involved which including:



Daytime: Book Club, Day Trippers, Lunch/Bridge, Lunch Uptown, Playgroup, Scrapbooking and Stitch & Chat,

Evening: Book Club, Happy Hour, Healthy Cooking, International Cooking, Ladies Night Out, Newcomers, Walking and Wine Tasting

New groups being considered for next year include: Community Involvement/Service, Yoga and Hiking.



As we plan activities for the coming year, please take a moment to offer your thoughts. An online survey is accessible on the Ohio University Women's Club blog at [www.ouwc.wordpress.com](http://www.ouwc.wordpress.com). Or contact Sarah Mitchell. (info on page 2.)

The key to a vibrant and lively group is involvement. YOU make OUWC what it is and what it will be...





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