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API Celebrates Women's Equality Day

Celebrate the 89th anniversary of women's right to vote in the United States at historic *Paulsdale* on Wednesday, Aug. 26, 6 - 7:30 p.m.

Hear Congresswoman Carolyn Maloney (D-NY) discuss her new book, *Rumors of Our Progress Have Been Greatly Exaggerated:*



Carolyn Maloney

Why Women's Lives Aren't Getting Any Easier and How We Can Make Real Progress for Ourselves and Our Daughters.

In her book, Maloney shatters the myths about how far women have come, highlighting how women's issues permeate every realm of society and how political change has provided only a fraction of a solution.

Maloney is the first woman to chair the Joint Economic Committee, a House and Senate panel that examines and addresses the nation's most pressing economic issues.

A reception and book signing follow the program.

Registration for the celebration is \$10 or \$30 for registration and a copy of the book, a \$5 savings. Register by Monday, Aug. 24, by visiting the events page on API's website, www.alicepaul.org or contacting us at 856-231-1885 or info@alicepaul.org.

Donors Outside of Our Region Value API's Mission

Susan Phifer Johnson of Spartanburg, South Carolina, is one of the Alice Paul Institute's many loyal donors and members throughout the United States.

Johnson became aware of API during the 1990's when she was asked to support the preservation of *Paulsdale*. As a former women's studies teacher, she has a special interest in women's history and in helping women and girls gain equality and develop their leadership abilities.

In 2004, Johnson was inspired by the HBO movie *Iron Jawed Angels* to increase her support of API. She joined the *Alice Paul Leaders Circle*, which had been formed in response to a challenge gift offered by Barbara Lawrence, then chair of API's Board of Trustees, to find 15 individuals who would each give \$1,000 or more.

Johnson and her husband, George Dean Johnson, are generous supporters of many non-profit organizations in their community and state, including Brookgreen Gardens in Pawley's Island and Converse College in Spartanburg.

Johnson is active with the Girl Scouts and is a founder of Daughters of Susan B. Anthony, an organization whose mission is to promote women in politics in South Carolina. She hopes one day to bring South Carolina Girl Scouts to Mount Laurel to experience *Paulsdale* and participate in our leadership programs.

"I have a lot of respect for what Alice Paul achieved. We need the history to remind us of what occurred in the past if we are to achieve full equality," she said.

We are honored to count Susan and George Johnson among our *Leaders Circle* members. For information about joining the *Alice Paul Leaders Circle*, contact Valerie Buckerood, director of major gifts, at 856-231-1885 or e-mail valerieb@alicepaul.org.



Susan Phifer Johnson

API Today

by
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As the Alice Paul Institute has grown and changed, our staff requirements have increased. When I joined API in June 2000, I was the only employee. Now we have five professional staff members directing our educational programming, services and fundraising initiatives.

Valerie Buickerood, our former administrative director, has assumed a new position, director of major gifts, where she will coordinate API's fundraising initiatives. The addition of this position will help us achieve greater financial stability.

Valerie's background includes experience in sales and research, program development and implementation, special events and volunteer management.

As administrative director, Debra Hojsak, our newest staff member, will coordinate volunteer outreach and development, manage membership services, assist with special events and fundraising initiatives and provide programmatic support.

Before joining API, Debra was director of community relations for Perkins Center for the Arts, Moorestown, NJ.

This is an exciting time for our organization as we expand our programs and reach larger audiences. We thank you, our supporters, for being a significant part of our growth and development.



Valerie Buickerood, left, and Debra Hojsak

Save the Dates.

Ice Cream Social and Alice Paul Presentation

Bring the family out to enjoy an old fashioned ice cream social on the *Paulsdale* porch. Saturday, July 18, 2 - 3:30 p.m.

See the premiere of our new 15-minute DVD show, *The Life of Alice Stokes Paul*, and meet its producer, Kathryn Morrison. (See related article on this page.)

Registration is \$5.

Yoga on the Porch

Yoga on the Porch, a beginner yoga series, takes place monthly on the porch at *Paulsdale*. The series introduces participants to the basics of yoga practice.

Remaining sessions are "Finding Your Strength and Power," Sunday, Aug. 16, and "Unlocking Your Creativity," Sunday, Sept. 13, both 7 - 8 p.m.

The series introduces participants to the basics of yoga practice. Bring a yoga mat, blanket or pillow to sit on and a water bottle.

Dana Dabek-Milstein, RYT, API's director of leadership programs and a registered yoga teacher, leads the classes.

Register by the Thursday before each class. Registration fee is \$10 per class.

Leadership Teachers' Institute

API will sponsor the Leadership Teachers' Institute at *Paulsdale*, Thursday, Sept. 10 - Saturday, Sept. 12.

The curriculum includes ways of integrating women's history and leadership into the classroom, current trends in research on girls, building self-esteem and cooperative learning, resources on local history, modeling good leadership and female role models, both current and historic.

Faculty includes Ellen Schultz, co-author of *New Jersey Women's Heritage Trail*; Kris Myers, API's director of heritage programs; and Dana Dabek-Milstein, API's director of leadership programs and author of *Girls Share Their Voice*.

Registration fee of \$150 includes curriculum materials and resources to bring back to the classroom.

Register by Thursday, July 30 and get a 10 percent discount.

You're Invited to Tour Paulsdale

Open house tours of *Paulsdale* take place one Saturday each month at 12 noon and 1 p.m. Future tour dates are July 18, Aug. 15, Sept. 26, Oct. 17 and Nov. 7.

Before the tour, see our new video, *The Life of Alice Stokes Paul*.

Then enjoy a guided tour of the property where you will hear about the Paul family's daily life in the house, the restoration of the site and its present day use as a girl's leadership center.

Tours cost \$5 for adults and \$4 for children.

For information or to register for any of these programs, contact the Alice Paul Institute at 856-231-1885 or info@alicepaul.org or visit www.alicepaul.org.

API's New DVD

API's new 15-minute DVD, *The Life of Alice Stokes Paul*, was produced by Kathryn Morrison of Marlton, a producer for MiND TV, a Philadelphia public television station.

Morrison produced the show, to be used for school groups and to introduce tours, in conjunction with Kris Myers, API's director of heritage programs.

The show aired on MiND TV during Women's History Month in March and was available on Comcast on Demand last spring.

Production of the video was supported by a special project grant from the New Jersey Historical Commission, Department of State.

Wine Tasting Event Supports API Programs

On a lovely May evening, 53 supporters of the Alice Paul Institute gathered on *Paulsdale's* porch to participate in "Women Winemakers of the Napa Valley."

They enjoyed a presentation by wine educator Mary Cammarata, owner-manager of Hops and Grapes, Glassboro, NJ, and tasted four different wines produced by women winemakers of the Napa Valley accompanied by a selection of appetizers and desserts.

Lou McCrory, a registered architect specializing in historic preservation served as chef for the evening. McCrory was the project manager for *Paulsdale's* restoration and rehabilitation.

Other volunteers for the event were Lucy Beard, Jessica Keltos, Matthew Popken and Jason Milstein.

Event sponsors included Capmark Finance, Inc., Horsham, PA; Duane Morris LLP, Cherry Hill and Princeton; Costume Gallery, Burlington; Albrite Cleaning, Delran; the New Jersey Women Lawyers Association, Matawan, NJ; Holman Ford, Pennsauken, NJ; and Cozen O'Connor, Cherry Hill, NJ and Philadelphia.

Proceeds from the event support the educational programs of the Alice Paul Institute.



Moorestown Friends School students participating in Meeting Alice use "history detective" clues to place a series of photographs from Alice's life into chronological order.

Local Children Enjoy Meeting Alice

Fourth-grade students who visited *Paulsdale* this spring to take part in *Meeting Alice* expressed their reactions to the program in thank-you notes.

A Moorestown Friends School student: "Thank you for teaching me about Alice Paul. I really enjoyed it... It's cool that a famous person was born in Mount Laurel. I live there!"

Eric, a Westfield Friends School student: "It's hard to believe that I walked in Alice Paul's footsteps."

Gia, a Larchmont Elementary School student: "Thank you for teaching us all about Alice Stokes Paul. Without her, women would not be able to vote. Alice Paul sounds like she was a brave person."

Each fall and spring, elementary school classes and other children's groups visit *Paulsdale* to participate in *Meeting Alice*, a two-hour educational program that introduces them to Alice Paul. Since API began offering the program in 2004, some 700 children have experienced *Meeting Alice* each year.

In preparation for their visit children read the book *Alice Paul* by Elizabeth Raum.

When they arrive at *Paulsdale*, they take part in a variety of games and activities that teach them about the historical importance of Alice Paul's life and home and about South Jersey farming and a child's life in 1900.



Guests enjoy gala wine tasting event.

API to Maintain Women's Information Network of NJ

The Alice Paul Institute has received a \$5,000 grant from the Women's Agenda of New Jersey to maintain the Women's Information Network of New Jersey (WIN-NJ), a database of primarily state-level women's organizations whose work promotes economic, political, and social equality for women.

Starting in July, the database is available on the API website, www.alicepaul.org.

WIN-NJ facilitates communication among groups and individuals working for women's advancement and includes a link to the websites of the nearly 200 member

groups in the National Council of Women's Organizations.

Information provided in the WIN-NJ database includes, where available, the organization's name, address, phone, fax, e-mail, website, principal contact and title and up to three areas of expertise.

To insure that their WIN-NJ profiles are current, organizations should check the database on API's website and e-mail changes to Valerie Buickerood, director of major gifts, at info@alicepaul.org. API also welcomes suggestions for additions to the database.

API Needs Volunteers, Interns

Visit www.alicepaul.org/volunteer_internships.htm or contact Kris Myers, API's director of heritage programs, at 856-231-1885 or kmyers@alicepaul.org to learn about API's internship and volunteer needs.

API's Leadership Programs Go Global

Elizabeth Siebert, a student at The College of New Jersey, who served as a co-facilitator for one of API's 10-week *Lead-A-Way* workshop programs for eighth-grade girls last spring, is spending the summer implementing a girls leadership program at a school in Uganda.

The students are primarily orphans whose education is sponsored by Outside the Dream, an international non-profit organization.

"I'm incredibly grateful for the support the Alice Paul Institute has given me.

"Seeing how the *Lead-a-Way* students grew from the first workshop to the final days in which they presented their projects made me realize the true value of leadership education.

"Teaching adolescent females practical leadership skills--like setting goals, project planning, and

public speaking--is crucial if we want to support women's leadership globally," Siebert said.

Support API: Join the Alice Paul Legacy Society

The *Alice Paul Legacy Society* is a group of individuals who are supporting API beyond their lifetimes through a variety of planned giving vehicles.

Funds generated by members of the Society become part of API's endowment with The Philadelphia Foundation and enable API to continue its work in future years.

If you share Alice's vision, help it happen by adding API to your end-of-life planning. By investing in API's future, you can help to keep *Paulsdale* open to the public, serving as a center of leadership activity for young girls, to support API's mission to develop future "Alice Pauls."

For more information, contact Rhonda DiMascio, API president, at rdimascio@alicepaul.org or 856-231-1885.



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