## The Women's College Club of Princeton

"Enriching and empowering women since 1916"

Come join us on Monday, APRIL 21, 2025 from 1 PM to 3 PM at

the Stockton Education Center at the Morven Museum 55 Stockton Street, Princeton, NJ 08540



Speaker:
Cathy Kreyche

Topic:

## 24 Hours for Africa

Women Baseball Benefit Game 2003

In 2002, the HIV/AIDs epidemic had claimed 2.4 million lives in Africa, more than 70% of the 3.1 million deaths worldwide. Over the weekend of October 18–19, 2003, 75 women baseball players from Japan, the US, and Australia came together in Tucson, Arizona, to play baseball for 24 hours, 65-inning and raised more than \$60,000 to support the organization U.S. Doctors for Africa. The 24-hour all-women game highlighted the love of playing baseball shared across generations, geography, and gender. This presentation provides a snapshot of this 2003 game and shows its impact on the players, including the presenter, who was one of the women fortunate to be a part of this unique community and to participate in this once-in-a lifetime event.

U.S. Doctors for Africa (USDFA) is a humanitarian organization committed to increasing access to medical care for diseases affecting areas of Africa.

Cathy Kreyche is an independent editor, writer, and researcher who helps individuals and organizations capture and publish their histories. Her recent work includes editing and contributing to the History of the Princeton University League and collaborating with local tennis legend Marty Devlin (also a former professional baseball player) on his memoir. She has participated in Major League Baseball's Take the Field program and has presented at conferences including the Cooperstown Symposium on Baseball and American Culture at the National Baseball Hall of Fame. Cathy has served on the executive board of Rutgers University Writers Conference and develops programs for the Hopewell Public Library.

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