

The Women's College Club of Princeton Newsletter

October 2026

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Welcome Fall. The weather has certainly changed to the fall. Soon the leaves will be colorful and dropping.

We had a wonderful presentation by Helene van Rossum in September. If you missed

the presentation, do go to our website (www.wccpnj.org) to see what she has done. Helene was able to find out information about our founding members, she made a timeline of our group and the interesting highlights in history, she scanned all of our documents and even scanned our whole cookbook.

As a new year has begun, so has the scam emails. Unfortunately, some of our members have received them. Please just delete them and do not respond.

We plan to print our new directory in Oct. so if you have not sent in your dues, do so right now!

We have an interesting presentation this month about The Watershed Institute, and then there will be a trip to the Watershed to coincide with the presentation.

Remember that you are welcome to attend any activities that take place each month.

I look forward to seeing all of you at our next meeting.

Bonnie Larson

October Board Meeting

The October board meeting will take place on Thursday, October 8 at 10 PM in the West Windsor library.

OCTOBER GENERAL MEETING Morven Education Center ***Monday, October 19, 1:00 PM***

An introduction to The Watershed Institute: A place for all to discover the joy of nature

Sophie Glover is the Chief of Strategy and Program at The Watershed Institute where she is responsible for strategic planning and works with staff to develop and deliver programming that fulfills the organization's mission. Sophie previously worked in the policy Department, partnering with elected officials and community members to develop and implement strong environmental protections at the local level. Prior to joining The Watershed Institute, Sophie was Director of Philanthropic Support at Greenway Land Trust, where she led the fundraising campaign to preserve the 340-acre St. Michaels Preserve in Hopewell. Sophie is a former Chair of the Princeton Environmental Commission and is a team member of C-Change Conversations and the author of *Walk the Trails in and Around Princeton*. Before her work in the nonprofit sector, she had a career in advertising, rising to Senior Vice President, Account Director at Y&R Inc. Sophie is a graduate of Princeton University and Columbia Business School and received a Post Master's Certificate in Sustainability Strategy from the New School.

MEMBERSHIP

Membership is open to women who have post-secondary school backgrounds. If you know someone who would be interested in joining our organization, please contact membership Chair LuAnn Wood, luannwood16@gmail.com or Laura Steinberg, lss1421@aol.com.

LUNCH OUT Monday, Oct. 26, noon



the strip mall are open.

Our next lunch out will be on **Monday, Oct. 26 at noon** at **Capuano** on **Clarksville Rd.** Even though the bridge on the road is under repair, the restaurant and other stores in

If you would like to join us, please contact Bonnie Larson, 609-655-2663 or bonniejarson63@comcast.net.

TRIP GROUP

Wed. Oct. 28, 10:00 AM

As a follow up to our October 19 meeting and presentation at Morven, on October 28 Wednesday, we will be going to The Watershed Institute located at 31 Titus Mill Road Pennington, NJ 08534. Please be there at 10 a.m.

Founded in 1949, as the second watershed organization in the nation, The Watershed Institute is dedicated to keeping water clean, safe, and healthy.

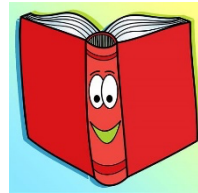
They have a butterfly house and wonderful, easy walking trails which are lovely this time of year.

Lunch will be at 12 pm at Francesco's Restaurant located at [21 NJ31](#) in the Shoppes at Pennington.

Please advise Jan Stout at stoutsnj@gmail.com if you are attending.

BOOK GROUP Oct. 30, 10:30 AM

In October we will meet at our regular meeting time of 10:30 in the Barnhart Room on the Terrace Level at Princeton Windrows.



We will be discussing *Sipsworth* by Simon Van Booy.

After our book discussion, we go upstairs to the café for lunch. If you would like to participate in this group, please contact Joan

Goodman (joan2larry@aol.com).

HOSPITALITY

Thanks to the September hospitality volunteers who provided a scrumptious luncheon spread for our members. You all are truly the best!

October Volunteers
SAVORY SWEET DRINKS

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| 1. Patrish. | 1. Bonnie. | 1. Renee S. |
| 2. Danuta. | 2. Marilyn S. | 2. Marlene. |
| 3. LuAnn. | 3. Evelyn D. | 3. Juliann. |
| 4. Jackie. | 4. Barb R. | |
| 5. Joan. | | |

I will e-mail a reminder to each of you a week before the meeting date and ask what item you will bring to avoid doubles. If possible, please bring food/drinks by 12:40 on October 19th. If you are unable to volunteer, please let me know. Thanking you in advance.

Barbara Rinaldo, 732-742-2827

Getting to know you....



This month we are highlighting a new member, **Roberta Adams.**

Roberta Adams grew up in Iselin and is currently living in Rossmoor in Monroe Township.

She graduated from University of Rhode Island with a BS in Home Economics/ education.

Her career began at JFK Medical Center in Edison as an Assistant Dietitian.

Robert then became a Human Resources professional. She worked at the John Von Neumann National Supercomputer Center, ABB SUSA (an international engineering company) and NEMF New England Motor Freight. Unfortunately, she has been known to family and friends as the “Terminator” as the three companies listed above were closed, sold, or went bankrupt. She assisted in the termination of all employees at these companies - not an easy or rewarding role. Her last position before retirement was as a part-time, receptionist at a dental practice.

She enjoys traveling, reading, walking, swimming, jigsaw puzzles, days at the beach, dining out, and spending time with her lifelong friends. She has a wonderful and creative and daughter, Carly.

An important step in preserving our heritage was made at our last meeting. We signed an agreement to have our documents stored at the Princeton Historic Society.

Thanks to Doris Ju and her team for making this possible!



Dates to Remember

Board Meeting	Thurs. Oct. 8, 10:00 AM
General Meeting	Mon. Oct. 19, 1:00 PM
Lunch Out	Mon. Oct. 26, noon
Trip	Wed. Oct. 28, 10:00 AM
Book Discussion	Fri. Oct. 30, 10:30 AM

Meeting Pictures September 14, 2026



Hospitality Table Centerpiece by Barbara Rinaldo



The Women's College Club of Princeton

"Enriching and empowering women since 1916"

Come join us on Monday, **October 19, 2026**
from **1 PM to 3 PM** at
the Stockton Education Center at the Morven Museum
55 Stockton Street, Princeton, NJ 08540



Speaker:

Sophie Glovier

Topic:

**"The Watershed Institute
And Your Community"**

Our speaker, Sophie Glovier, will give an overview of The Watershed Institute and how it is working with community members to address waterways issues. Topics to be covered will be flooding, water quality, water testing programs, monitoring waterways, and partnerships with local municipalities. The Watershed is also a beautiful place to visit with opportunities to connect to nature with a naturalist or on a walking trail.

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For further information about WCCPNJ, visit our club website at:

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