

## Toni Morrison Love Fest

On the cold but sunny afternoon of January 19, nearly fifty people filled the Conti Room of the New Providence Library. (One man had driven all the way from Trenton for the event!) The program was a video documentary:

### ***Toni Morrison: The Pieces I Am.***

The film, projected onto the front wall, was a two hour treat. It had generous helpings of Morrison talking about life and values in her own distinctive voice, by turns smooth and low, whispery, resonant, or a deep throaty laugh.

When Morrison wasn't talking, one of the many authors whom she edited, or a friend, or a literary admirer, was talking about her. Among the speakers were Fran Liebowitz, June Jordan, Robert Gottlieb, Hilton Als, Angela Davis, Walter Mosley, and Oprah Winfrey! Nearly all of

them--like our audience--was just a bit in love with Toni Morrison.

Besides photos of Morrison, the documentary filled the screen with black life in art: photographs, cartoons, woodblocks, drawings, sculptures, and paintings. Kara Walker, Rashid Johnson, and many images from Jacob Lawrence's moving Migration Series were on the screen. Artist Mickalene Thomas created the engrossing opening, in which Morrison's face was altered again and again by a hand placing pieces of her face in a collage.

Most people stayed after the film to participate in a spirited discussion led by the SCC president Hedy Tukey and LWV member Jean Crichton. The two organizations partnered with the New Providence Library to sponsor the event.

## Next Monday

On February 3--*next Monday!*--SCC will again partner with the Madison AAUW: Dr. Vivian Bull will speak at 7 pm at the Madison Library, Keep Street, Madison, on "The Changing Environment of Higher Education."

With a doctorate from NYU and several honorary degrees, the highly accomplished Dr. Bull has had a long association with Drew University. She has been a member of the Economics Department, Associate Dean of the College of Liberal Arts, director of the University's European program, and on 21 archaeological expeditions in the Middle East. From 2012 to 2014, Dr. Bull served as President of Drew University.

## SORTING SCHEDULE

This year, the Book Sale Committee is trying something new in order to give volunteers more flexibility. Instead of signing people up for sorting in precise time slots, they're asking that we sign up for segments of the day and then come in within those blocks of time and stay as long as we can.

**The segments or blocks of time are:**

**Morning: 9 am – Noon**

**Early Afternoon: Noon – 3 pm**

**Late Afternoon: 3 pm – 6 pm**

As we get closer to the sale, you will get a call to arrange your dates and day segments. Of course, everyone is welcome to stop in and help sort books whenever they can, whether they're on the schedule or not.

## 2020 BOOK SALE SCHEDULE

### Book Donation Days

April 17 to April 22	Fri to Wed	10 am to 6 pm:	Donations
April 17 to April 22	Fri to Wed	9 am to 6 pm:	Sorting
April 23	Thursday	10 am to 9 pm:	Donations
April 23	Thursday	9 am to 9 pm:	Sorting

### Book Sale Days

April 28	Tuesday	9 am to 2 pm	\$25 entry fee
April 29	Wednesday	10 am to 9 pm	
April 30	Thursday	10 am to 9 pm	
May 1	Friday	10 am to 6 pm	
May 2	Saturday	10 am to 6 pm	
May 3	Sunday	10 am to 4 pm	\$5 per bag
May 4	Monday	9 am to 12 noon	Clean Up Day

## PROCLAMATION

Mayor Nora Radest, Summit, will celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Summit College Club with a proclamation read at the February 19th meeting of the Summit City Council.

The actual date of SCC's founding was February 25, 1920. SCC will celebrate its centennial at the 100th Anniversary Brunch at the Summit Grand Hotel on April 5, 2020.

## The GALA— Reserve Your Seat Now!

Coming to you in the mail very soon is your invitation to SCC's Gala **100th Anniversary Brunch**. It will be at 12:30 p.m., Summit Grand Hotel, on Sunday, April 5th. (Note that the weather should be warm then.) Because our actual numbers need to be set with the hotel, the deadline for response is February 24. (That's *this* month.)

*Please come celebrate with friends at this once-in-a-lifetime occasion!*

To reserve your space, you need to send your name and your check for \$45 per person made payable to Summit College Club to **Bernard DeGuzman**, Treasurer, 7 Webster Avenue, Summit, NJ 07901. Need a ride? See next month's *Bulletin*.

**ALL ARE WELCOME!**



## SCC Calendar

### FEBRUARY

- 3 **Dr. Vivian Bull, former president Drew University, "The Changing Environment of Higher Education.** Madison Library, 7 pm. In partnership with Madison AAUW.
- 5 Great Decisions.
- 10 Board Meeting, 2:00, NPL
- 13 **Lunch Bunch**, Neegen Grill, 330 Springfield Avenue, Summit, 12:15. 908-277-2100. Email [anitameritt@gmail.com](mailto:anitameritt@gmail.com) by Monday, Feb. 10.
- 13 Great Decisions.
- 19 Great Decisions.

### 25 100 Year Anniversary Date

- 26 Great Decisions.

### MARCH

- 4 Great Decisions.
- 9 Board Meeting. NPL
- 12 **Lunch Bunch.** Venue TBA
- 12 Great Decisions.
- 18 Great Decisions.
- 22 **Janet Mandel, "Georgia O'Keeffe." 2 pm, Mondo.** With Madison AAUW.

### MARCH

- 25 Great Decisions.

### APRIL

- 5 **SUMMIT COLLEGE CLUB'S GALA 100TH ANNIVERSARY BRUNCH.** 12:30 - 3 p.m. Grand Summit Hotel.
- 13 Board Meeting. NPL
- 18 **AAUW of NJ Annual Meeting.** 8:30--2:30, The Rutgers Club, Piscataway. (*April Lunch Bunch cancelled*)

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### MAY

- 11 Board Meeting. NPL
- 14 **Lunch Bunch.** Venue TBA.
- 15 **DAYTRIP: The Alice Paul Institute, Mt. Laurel, NJ.** With LWV.

### JUNE

- 7 **Scholarship Reception** 2:00-4:00 pm, Lile Hall, Christ Church.
- 8 Board Meeting. NPL

## Revolutionary Nuggets

The controversy on women's suffrage was particularly animated in Tennessee: "Arguably the only people who enjoyed the summer of 1920 in Nashville were the florists, because the Antis sported red roses while the Suffis wore yellow ones, and soon there was hardly a lapel in the city without a flower." The Tennessee Senate finally passed the resolution on August 13, but the House continued to stall, hoping for more defections

to the Antis. This strategy backfired when a freshman member, Henry Burn, switched his vote in the opposite direction: Casey Cep writes, "In a literal sense we have our foremothers to thank for the vote: In the pocket beneath the anti-suffrage red rose that Henry wore into the chamber was a letter from his mother, Phoebe, pleading, 'Don't forget to be a good boy and help Mrs. Catt.'" --"Finish the Fight!" *New Yorker*, 7/8/19