Plainfield Renaissance Designers' Showhouse

Monday Afternoon Club
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PRESENTED BY THE AUXILIARY OF MUHLENBERG HOSPITAL
"Whatever is rightly done, however humble, is noble."

— Sir Frederick Henry Royce

The heart and soul of a masterpiece
Muhlenberg Hospital is a fully licensed and accredited regional teaching hospital offering a wide range of health services to the greater Plainfield communities. Founded in 1877, the hospital has grown to become a 469 bed facility serving residents of Union, Somerset, and Middlesex Counties.

Muhlenberg Hospital offers a wide range of services including emergency, medical, surgical, obstetric, pediatric, psychiatric, intensive medical/surgical and cardiac care. In addition the Hospital operates the only free-standing hospital-based emergency center in the state which is located in Green Brook. Muhlenberg Hospital also serves residents of Central New Jersey as a regional hemodialysis center. Through its mobile intensive care team the hospital provides pre-hospital emergency care to victims of heart attacks and serious trauma. A variety of diagnostic procedures are also available through the facilities of the Hospital.

As an educational facility the Hospital offers nationally accredited programs in graduate and post-graduate medicine, professional nursing, radio-logic technology, medical technology, cytotechnology and histotechnology. The Hospital also provides a variety of health education programs for the public.
In Appreciation Of
The Auxiliary's Dedication
To Muhlenberg Hospital...

The Medical and Dental Staff
of Muhlenberg Hospital
Letter from President of Auxiliary

When Muhlenberg Hospital Auxiliary made a pledge to raise funds toward the high risk nursery, we knew that with this improved facility area residents could be confident that their children and grandchildren would continue to receive the highest quality of health care. Presenting a Designers’ Showhouse was the project we chose to attain our monetary goal, but we also undertook this venture for another reason. We wanted to get to know better and to work more closely with the people in our surrounding communities and to familiarize them with the work of the Auxiliary. We needed their assistance in this enormous effort to raise funds to help seriously ill infants. At the same time we would be working together to enhance the city of Plainfield, home of our hospital, and we have been extremely gratified by the enthusiasm and support contributed by individual volunteers, corporations and the hospital administration.

To organize our project the first step was to find a suitable house. An obvious choice was a residence that was linked historically to the Muhlenberg Hospital Auxiliary. By coincidence the creator of the Auxiliary in 1877, Miss Elvira Kenyon, was also the founder of the Monday Afternoon Club, the present owners of our lovely Georgian Showhouse. This community-minded woman would be proud of our selection.

Dr. Paul Winokur, Chief of Pediatrics, stated that the modernization of the current special care nursery will add to Muhlenberg Hospital’s ability to provide up-to-date care for newborn infants. The existing unit is inadequate due to space limitations and the lack of an observation nursery for isolation of infants with possible infection. The proposed remodeling will provide this as well as an expanded area for a new high-risk nursery. Staffed by nurses especially trained in the care of sick and/or premature newborn infants, the area will be covered in addition by pediatric house physicians on a 24-hour basis.

Working to achieve these goals has been a challenging and exciting experience. As President of the Auxiliary I am awed by the countless hours of service given by our General Chairman Kay Funkhouse, all our Committee Chairmen and their committees. Special thanks to Walter Dilts and his staff from the hospital, without whom we couldn’t have gotten off the ground. All their efforts are greatly appreciated. In the true spirit of American volunteerism, we have seen how dedicated volunteers can accomplish what at times seemed an impossible task. They have made both the raising of the funds for the nursery and creating the Plainfield Renaissance Designers’ Showhouse a reality.

Mrs. Jane H. Lynch, Jr.
President
Muhlenberg Hospital Auxiliary

About Our “Showhouse”

An idea conceived, nurtured, refined and brought to fruition —
An idea turned into a viable, visible, vital reality —
A jewel, this PLAINFIELD RENAISSANCE DESIGNERS’ SHOWHOUSE: a showcase, a restoration, an heirloom, an artwork, a marketplace, a garden, a rendezvous —
Proof the spirit of volunteerism transcends the doldrums of ennui.

My heartfelt thanks — Jackie, Barbara, Steering Committee, Executive Board, Auxiliary-at-Large, Hospital Family, Plainfield Community, business associates, friends and family — for your steadfast patience with my slow forward process, and sometimes back again, your smiles with me in the throes of my despair, and then forward again to this fabulous finale!

YOU have made this dream come true.

Thank you,

Kay

Hearty congratulations to the Muhlenberg Auxiliary for their efforts in the Plainfield Renaissance — A Designer Showhouse. As Chairman of the Board of Governors of Muhlenberg Hospital and on behalf of the entire Muhlenberg organization, I salute the Auxiliary for their good works in the Hospital’s behalf. The Auxiliary’s support has provided a vital link in our ability to provide exceptional health care facilities for our patients and their physicians. The Auxiliary’s outstanding commitment to Muhlenberg and the people of the greater Plainfield communities is again evident in the Plainfield Renaissance project. Please accept our sincere wishes for a successful endeavor.

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Welcome. It is my pleasure to be the first designer to greet you. The Entry Hall is designed to reflect the natural elegance of the house. Since first impressions are lasting ones it is also my intention to have you leave it with a feeling of warmth and serenity. As you ascend the stairway to tour the upper floors I suggest you look back for a good view.

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Elegant design and feet-up comfort are combined in an after-hours room for two. Soft upholstered furniture is arranged for intimate conversation. A game table for the obvious, but useful for a late, private supper. We intended this room to be withdrawn from the rest of the house, or maybe even the world!

SOURCES:
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The Oval Dining Room

Designed by: Lee Weissglass Interiors, Inc.
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The oval room is beautifully proportioned and architecturally interesting with leaded windows and wonderful moldings. The space is exciting, lending itself to both the traditional dining room area, along with the extra bonus of a massive fireplace with a table set for two for special dinners or just a cup of coffee.

A happy mix of oriental, English and contemporary furnishings and accessories create the ambience of a room that is lived in by people who cherish the beauty of their surroundings.

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We have created a Baker's Garden which combines the best in modern appliances and the charm of country antiques with the elegance of a breakfast solarium. While your favorite pie bakes or the bread rises, attend to your plants in the adjacent greenhouse or create your oil impressions of your favorite flower. Display your masterpieces in your own gallery. You may never get out of the kitchen and you may not want to.

SOURCES:
Oils by Sally Kemper, Mendham, N.J.
Bazaar Bizarre, Plainfield, N.J.
Grand Bazaar, Mendham, N.J.
Gibriano's Kitchen Korner, North Plainfield, N.J.
Eisman's Lighting Emporium, Plainfield, N.J.
Smith's Floral Shop and Greenhouse, Watchung, N.J.
James L. Kline, Antiques, Brookside, N.J.
Quimby Street Book Shop, Westfield, N.J.
Osterman Nursery, Middlesex, N.J.
Well-Sweep Herb Farm, Port Murray, N.J.
Eber's Garden Furniture, No. Plainfield, N.J.
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An English Country
Sitting Room

Inviting grace and charm in this cozy sitting room with an adjoining powder room characterize true English flavour.

Old world furnishings are resplendent against an English print wallcovering enhanced by glazed chintz draperies in solid cyclamen. The secretary with its curio cabinet, the handcrafted copy of a circa 1700 tea table, all harmonize in this graceful atmosphere. An oriental carpet in soft muted colourings blends everything together to complete the warmth of the room. The rich colourings in the sitting room are carried through to the powder room in the mini design border print wallcovering.

Sources:
Furniture: George J. Kempler Co., NYC
Wallcovering and fabric: Greiff Fabrics, Inc., NYC
Handcrafted tables: Mel Robert Coakley, Rosewood Ventures, Yarmouth, Nova Scotia

Hearth appointments: Summit Auction Rooms II, Summit, N.J.
Oriental carpet: Einstein Moomly, N.Y. and N.J.
Custom radiator cover: James A. Pitts, One Man's Hands, Chatham, N.J.
Mirror, pictures and accessories: Swain's, Plainfield, N.J.
Lamps and accessories: Lamp Importers, Greenbrook, N.J.
Paint: Essel Paint and Wallpaper Co., Plainfield, N.J.
PaperHanging: Edward Cook, Springfield, N.J.
Antiques and accessories: David P. Willis, Plainfield, N.J.
Bath fixtures and accessories: Elegant Bath Shoppe, Madison, N.J.
Powder room floor: Ed's Linoleum Service, Plainfield, N.J.
Floor refinishing: William Powell, So. Plainfield, N.J.