

MATTAPOISETT WOMAN'S CLUB
P.O. BOX 1444, MATTAPOISETT, MA 02739

LADIES CHOICE

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Peggy Olney, Editor

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Club Members:

This is my last President's Letter as my two -year term ends at our Annual Luncheon. These two years have just flown by.

In fact, life just seems to fly by. On March 20th, Mike and I celebrated my Sweet Aunt Frances' 104th birthday in Stone Mountain, GA with my GA family. In reflection of my memories of my Aunt, she was so important in my life. If you would like to read my personal letter to her, I am happy to share with you. Simply, she is the kindest, most positive person ever in my life! Her example of a woman is reflective in my life.

Mike and I highly recommend spending the winter in Florida with sunshine and warmth with no shoveling and freezing walkways.

I walked 30 miles a week along the Peace River in Port Charlotte Harbor. We saw the most gorgeous sunsets in Punta Gorda as the sun set over the Gulf of Mexico!

Spring began on my Aunt's Birthday with Georgia's camellias, azaleas, flowering pear and plum trees all in bloom. Daffodils smiled in the sunshine. Oh! Spring is here!! Now, driving north thru South Carolina and North Carolina, the stunning lime green leaves are bursting on trees.

The last leg of our journey home to Massachusetts is our relaxing few days' visit at our daughter, Angie's mountain home in Waynesboro, Pennsylvania with her precious family. We just saw them on our Disney trip the second week in March. Disney is magical with Grandchildren and safe too! Sunrise over the Pennsylvania/Maryland mountain range is stunning

I am so thankful and privileged to work with the finest Officers, Board of Directors and Committee Chairmen who served with me during the past two years.

The 75th Diamond Jubilee Anniversary committee has been so very busy. The final summary and the audio recording script is in edit stage. At our Annual Installation Luncheon, the DVD will be presented to all of you. I can't wait to see it! This committee, headed by Kathy McAuliffe, has done an incredible job! I wish to thank every single member on this committee: Katrina Beneker, Roxanne Bungert, Joanne Demski, Nancy Fletcher, Elaine Grant, Eileen Marum, Pat McCarthy, Peg Olney, Betty Parker, Kay Smith, Barb Van Inwegen, and Lee Yeaton. (Editor's note: Elaine Botelho was also a leader in this project, especially spending many hours working with ORCTV)

Thank you to all those who have worked as my Officers, Board of Directors and Chairwomen! Your diligence, dependability and enthusiasm have given me great support. I knew I could always count on you.

Kathy, you have been an invaluable Vice President. As Acting President last winter and this winter while I was in Florida, you have done an amazing job. You have always been by my side for support.

Erin, as Recording Secretary, your minutes have been outstanding!

Carolyn, you were so dependable as recording secretary the previous 5 years.

Sue, as Treasurer, you are a great asset keeping our finances in good hands.

Claire, thank you as Treasurer the previous Club's term keeping our records in order.

Elaine, you have been a fabulous Corresponding Secretary for two years. I can count on you always.

Lois, as Assistant Treasurer, you do so much, collecting dues and luncheon money, compiling Blue Book yearly, coordinating Taste of the Town and more.

The Board of Directors, Barb, Eileen and Carolyn, you are so instrumental by your guidance and wisdom.

All the chairwomen, I can't thank you all enough.

Mary, you co chaired for Suzanne and have kept us all together as our garden group. Lee, thank you for correspondence on our members in time of recovery, sickness and losses in our lives.

Ellen, thank you for Great Decisions which is so well-received by the public .

Betty and Jackie, your bridge groups appreciate you too.

Literature group so enjoys their monthly gathering discussing a shared reading.

Eileen, your monthly presentations/speakers have been varied and so interesting.

Sandy, we just keep knitting and crocheting by your inspiration of monthly meetings.

Barb, thank you so very much for outstanding publicity of every event of our club and which has given our club public awareness.

Peg, your monthly newsletters are invaluable by keeping us all informed about all our club activities.

Marie and Mary, thank you for our thoughtful Devotions and welcoming our members and guests as Hospitality Chairmen.

Scholarship Chairmen, Joan, Mary and Nancy, thank you for selecting this year's high school seniors and returning college bound students for our generous scholarships.

Ladies, your active participation in our club makes it so special. Nothing good happens without you.

Thank you so much. We will celebrate our Annual Installation Luncheon at the Wamsutta Club on April 21st. I look forward to seeing you at this gorgeous place. Not only will we enjoy our annual luncheon but also celebrate the Club's 75th Diamond Jubilee Anniversary debut!

See you then.

Proudly serving,

Elaine Lainie Botelho, President

Mattapoissett Woman's Club

BOARD MEETING

The April Board Meeting will be held at the Mattapoissett Library on Thursday, April 14, 2016 at 1:00 p.m. in the downstairs meeting room.

ANNUAL MEETING

The Mattapoissett Woman's Club Annual Luncheon meeting will be held on Thursday, April 21, 11:30 AM at the Wamsutta Club in New Bedford. We will meet at the Park & Ride at 11 AM to carpool to the luncheon. The first showing of the 75th Anniversary DVD will be at the luncheon. Those who were interviewed and everyone who worked on this project are urged to come to see it. The menu and reservation form are at the end of this Ladies Choice.

Hostess: Barbara Van Inwegen.

Tea Committee: Eileen Marum, Carolyn Price, Mary O'Keefe, Barbara Thommen

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

President: Kathy McAuliffe

Vice President: Roxanne Bungert

Recording Secretary: Marie Rottler

Corresponding Secretary: Elaine Grant

Treasurer: Sue Mitchell

Assistant Treasurer—Membership, Dues: Lois Ennis

Board of Directors—term ending 2017: Eileen Marum

term ending 2018: Carolyn Price

term ending 2019 : Elaine Botelho

NEW MEMBER – PLEASE ADD TO YOUR BLUE BOOK

Patricia King PO Box 1073 508.758.7822 pking222@live.com

IMPORTANT REMINDERS TO POST

Following are important dates for all of our summer activities. These are the events where we raise money for our scholarships and other philanthropic missions. We'll be using email and the "Telephone Tree" to remind everyone of the help needed but you certainly can make a note of the following as a reminder.

June 25, 2016	Saturday	GARDEN TOUR
July 12, 2016	Tuesday	TASTE OF THE TOWN
July 16, 2016	Saturday	HARBOR DAYS

Garden Tour coordinator is Marie Rottler 508.828.8091. If you haven't signed up to help that day, please call Marie to see where you can be useful. Every club member is encouraged to use or sell 2 tickets to the Tour. **Tickets will be in your Annual Luncheon envelope or mailed to you. Instructions will be included.**

Taste of the Town: co-chaired by Lois Ennis 508.758.8269 and Eileen Marum 508.748.1282. Lots of people are needed during the serving hours, (help should arrive by 4:15) but we also need help Tuesday morning with setting up, dressing tables and early preparations. At that time floral bouquets are also arranged from flowers dropped off by members to the big tent. Immediately after the Taste is over we need everyone to help undress the tables and put everything away.

Harbor Days Pie Parties: Pie Party hostesses are Betty Parker 508.758.4381, Peg Olney 508.758.3069 and Barbara Van Inwegen 508.797.4623. Signup sheets will be available at the Annual Luncheon to collect additional names. Only 2 to 3 hours are required to make the pies that will be baked on Friday, July 15th. "Many hands make for light work" so if you would like to join in the fun, please call one of the hostesses and offer your services. Dates will be set by the hostesses.

Saturday July 16th: Remember, on the day of the sale all types of baked goods are needed or if you cannot bake, your donation would be most welcome. You can start bringing your goodies to our booth anytime after 8 AM. Some sugarless items are always welcome.

LOOK FOR SIGNUP SHEETS AT THE ANNUAL LUNCHEON

GARDEN GROUP Mary O'Keefe

On our regular meeting day, Wednesday April 6, 2016, the Garden Group will meet at the home of Marie Rottler, 23 Channel St., Crescent Beach, at 10 AM. There will be a business meeting to discuss our display shelf at the Library, plantings, May baskets for shut-ins and Fairy Gardens to be worked on at the May meeting as well as sign ups for our special May salad luncheon. After the business, Chef Colby will take over to tell us how to add flavor to vegetables. Please call (508-828-8091) or email Marie if you are planning to come so that seating and the amount of food can be planned. The always special May meeting will be at the Friends Meeting at 10:00 AM on Wednesday, May 4.

LITERATURE GROUP

The Literature Group will gather on Wednesday April 13th at 11:30 AM at the Park & Ride for our annual library visit and tour. This year we had hoped to visit the new library at the New Bedford Whaling Museum but since it is not yet ready for the public we will tour the Whaling Museum instead. Lunch will be at Freestone's. Group members please call Myra (508-758-4703) if you will be coming as we will need a count for lunch reservations.

KNITTING AND CROCHETING

The Knitting and Crocheting group is taking a break and will resume meeting in the Fall. The group would like input from anyone who is interested in participating as to the best day and time for meeting. Please contact Sandy Hering.

THERE IS NO MAY ISSUE OF LADIES CHOICE

ARTICLES FOR THE JUNE LADIES CHOICE ARE DUE BY MAY 22

CALENDAR

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	TIME
April			
6	Garden Group	Home of Marie Rottler	10:00 AM
12	Bridge II	Home of Lou Reade	12:00 PM
13	Literature Group	Park & Ride	11:30 AM
14	Executive Board	Mattapoissett Library	1:00 PM
21	Annual Luncheon	Wamsutta Club	11:30 AM
26	Bridge II	Home of Joanne Demski	12:00 PM
May			
4	Garden Group	Friends Meeting	10:00 AM
10	Bridge II	Home of Barbara Thommen	12:00 PM
24	Bridge II	Home of Alice Williams	12:00 PM

MATTAPOISETT WOMAN’S CLUB ANNUAL LUNCHEON MEETING

This year’s Annual Meeting will take place at the Wamsutta Club in New Bedford, on April 21st. Arrive at 11:30 for time to socialize before luncheon at Noon. **We suggest people carpool. We’ll meet at the Park & Ride at 11 am. Please call Barb Van Inwegen (508.797.4523) or email barbvani1@gmail.com if you would like a ride or can be a driver.**

The menu includes: Four Entrée choices, Strawberry shortcake for dessert, salad, rolls, seasonal vegetables and beverage. A cash bar will be available

The price will be \$25 per person (tax & gratuity included)
 Complete the following Tear off Sheet and send it with your luncheon choice and \$25 to: Lois K. Ennis, 5 Pine Island Road, Mattapoissett, MA 02739 by **April 14, 2016**

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 Annual Meeting at the Wamsutta Club in New Bedford on April 21st – Following is my entree choice:

- Scrod with Rice _____
- Lemon pepper chicken with rice _____
- Petit filet of beef with roasted potatoes _____
- Vegetarian- pasta primavera _____

Name: _____
 Tel # _____

Remit with \$25 to Lois K. Ennis 5 Pine Island Road, Mattapoissett by April 14th
 No Refunds after April 14th

2016 - 2017 DUES NOTICE

Name: _____

Address: _____

Correction if different than printed on your copy of "Ladies Choice"

Tele no: _____

Email _____

Return in hand or by mail with your check for \$25.00 to:
 Lois K. Ennis, 5 Pine Island Road, Mattapoissett MA 02739-2125

Dues shall be paid on or before the Annual Meeting (Article IV, Sec. 1 of the Bylaws)

