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

LADIES CHOICE

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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Club Members:

We welcomed in the month of March with expectation of warmer days, starting the yard clean up and getting gardens ready for planting but once again Mother Nature prevailed and reminded us of her fickle ways. I am going to refrain from making any forecasts for the month of April.

On April 22nd (rain date April 23rd) the M.W.C. along with the Lion's Club, Land Trust and Tree committee will sponsor an Earth Day Celebration at Shipyard Park starting at 09:30 to 2pm. I thank all of you who have volunteered to help out for the day and remind our members to donate cookies, brownies etc for refreshments and bring to the park by 12pm to the refreshment tent. This will be a great event for our town residents to get together for a community cleanup and an environmental education exercise for the children. Information about the event is on the Lions Club web site, our Town web site and ORTV. I will follow up with those that have volunteered for the day's events to let you know what we need to do that day.

Our Annual Luncheon and Meeting will be on April 27th and it is the time when we look back at our Club's activities and accomplishments thru the year. The one thing I marvel at is the amount of hours our members have volunteered and the energy exhibited that enabled us to accomplish our goals. I am so proud to be a member of this Club. Elaine Botelho will preside over the installation of officers and we welcome Marianne Hickey to the Board of Directors who will replace Eileen Marum. Eileen was President of the M.W.C. 2012-2014 and served on the Board of Directors 2014-2017 and is responsible for arranging our speakers for the Club's monthly luncheon meetings. I thank her for the entertaining and informative topics that have been presented over the years and look forward to her programs next year.

The Scholarship Committee, Mary O'Keefe, Nancy Fletcher and Carole Clifford, has finalized the 2016 awards and are preparing to review the 2017 student applications for the (2) \$2,500.00 scholarships to be presented this year. Mary said the schools were very pleased with our Club's scholarship grants.

We will be starting to put together our web page in the very near future. I thank the members who have volunteered to participate in this project and will be in contact with you. This will be a great learning experience to enter into the cyber world!

Kathy McAuliffe
President of the M.W.C.

BOARD MEETING

The April Board Meeting will be held at the Mattapoisett Library on Thursday, April 13, 2017 at 1:00 p.m. in the downstairs meeting room.

ANNUAL MEETING

The Mattapoisett Woman's Club Annual Luncheon meeting will be held on Thursday, April 27, 11:30 AM at the Wamsutta Club in New Bedford. The menu and reservation form are on the last page of this Ladies Choice.

Hostesses: Board of Directors

Tea Committee: Eileen Marum, Carolyn Price, Elaine Botelho

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 2018: Carolyn Price

term ending 2019 : Elaine Botelho term ending 2020: Marianne Hickey

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.

July 11, 2016 Tuesday TASTE OF THE TOWN July 15, 2016 Saturday HARBOR DAYS

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: Signup sheets will be available at the Annual Luncheon to collect names of those who would like to help by preparing pie fillings or rolling pie crusts.. Only 2 to 3 hours are required to make the pies that will be baked on Friday, July 14th."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 15th: 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 5, 2017, the Garden Group will meet at the home of Marie Rottler, 23 Channel St., Crescent Beach, at 10:30 AM. There will be a business meeting to discuss plantings, upcoming trips, and May baskets for shut-ins 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 with the theme "cooking from your garden". He will do a Q & A for the group so think of some questions. He suggested you bring a take home container for leftovers. It will be a delicious and interesting meeting as always. 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 3.

LITERATURE GROUP

The Literature Group will gather on Wednesday April 12th at 9:30 AM at the home of Joanne Demski, 7 Tupola Lane. The discussion book will be The Lilac Girls by Martha Hall Kelly. Our final meeting in May will be a trip to the Glass Museum in Sandwich with lunch at the Belfry. Come and join us! You ae welcome even if you haven't read the book.

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				
	4	Bridge I	Home of Betty Parker	12:30 PM
	5	Garden Group	Home of Marie Rottler	10:30 AM
	11	Bridge II	Home of Lou Reade	12:00 PM
	12	Literature Group	Home of Joanne Demski	9:30 AM
	13	Executive Board	Mattapoisett Library	1:00 PM
	25	Bridge II	Home of Joanne Demski	12:00 PM
	27	Annual Luncheon	Wamsutta Club	11:30 AM
May				
	2	Bridge I	Home of Betty Parker	12:30 PM
	3	Garden Group	Friends Meeting	10:00 AM
	10	Literature Group	Park & Ride	10:00 AM

MATTAPOISETT WOMAN'S CLUB ANNUAL LUNCHEON MEETING

This year's Annual Meeting will take place at the Wamsutta Club in New Bedford, on April 27th. Arrive at 11:30 for time to socialize before luncheon at Noon.

The menu includes: Four Entrée choices, Strawberry shortcake for dessert, salad, rolls, chef's choice vegetable, 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, Mattapoisett, MA 02739 by **April 20, 2017** Annual Meeting at the Wamsutta Club in New Bedford on April 27th – 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, Mattapoisett by April No Refunds after April 20th ****************** 2017 - 2018 DUES NOTICE Correction if different than printed in your copy of the Blue Book Tele no:_____ Email _____ Return in hand or by mail with your check for \$25.00 to:

Lois K. Ennis, 5 Pine Island Road, Mattapoisett MA 02739-2125

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

the Bylaws)