

MATTAPOISETT WOMAN'S CLUB
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LADIES CHOICE

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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Club Members

What wonderful warm weather we had at the end of February. I was walking the dog up to the light house and there were snow drops and crocus popping up here and there, a sure sign Spring is on its way. This is also a good time to start thinking about the Garden Tour for June 2018. If you know of a garden or you are out walking and see a garden or landscape that would be great for the tour let the Garden Tour Committee know. Late May or early June of 2017 is the perfect time to view the potential gardens for the tour and speak to the owners to ask them if they would like to participate in it. Once we have the list of the Gardens for the tour we will be more than 50% ready for a great tour for 2018.

Due to the weather and construction in the kitchen which shut off the water, last month we were unable to have our Luncheon meeting and honor our Club's past Presidents. The celebration has been postponed till our Annual Luncheon Meeting on April 27th. If you know of past presidents that are not active with the Club but live in the area please contact them and ask if they would like to attend the luncheon. Email me if there will be a nonmember president coming so we can give them information about the luncheon. The Annual Luncheon will be held at the Wamsutta Club, New Bedford MA. Menu and information is in this month's Ladies Choice.

Our March 16th Luncheon Hostess is Sandy Hering. We can gather to socialize from 11:30 – 12:00 and lunch will be served at 12:00. At this meeting we will be voting the M.W.C. donations for our Fiscal Year 4/1/17-3/31/2018. Our guest speaker will be Amy Wilmot, Interpreter for the Department of Conservation and Resources, who will give an overview of state parks and recreation areas within a 30 minute drive of Mattapoisett and 2 or 3 parks further away.

There will be a few signup sheets for different activities located at the table on the east wall of the hall. Please review them before the meeting starts. The Earth Day event will be on April 22nd from 9am to 2pm. We need volunteers to be at our table for information about the Club and to sign up new members and there will be activities for the children etc. From 1pm to 2pm there will be music and refreshments for all who helped with the clean up so I am asking club members to bake cookies, brownies etc. (just like the tree lighting in Dec.). The event will be at Shipyard park. Rain Date will be Apr. 23.

Kathy McAuliffe,
President of the Mattapoisett Woman's Club

BOARD MEETING

The March MWC Executive Board Meeting will be held at the Mattapoissett Library Thursday, March 9, 2017 at 1:00 p.m. in the downstairs meeting room. PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE OF TIME

MARCH MEETING

Thursday, March 16, 2017, at Noon, Reynard Hall, Mattapoissett Congregational Church

Our guest speaker for March is Amy Wilmot, Interpreter for the Department of Conservation and Resources. As noted in Kathy's letter, she will tell us about nearby parks and recreation areas.

Hostess: Sandy Hering

Committee: Ellen Flynn, Janet Jenney, Connie Kearns, Judy Livolsi, Kathleen Saunders, Ellen Schneider, Christine Voss, Jan Campos

ANNUAL LUNCHEON MEETING

The Annual Meeting of the Mattapoissett Woman's Club will be held on Thursday, April 27, 2017, from 11:30 AM to 3:00 PM, at the Wamsutta Club, New Bedford. Guests are welcome. Please look at the end of this Ladies Choice for menu choices and a tear-off slip to return your reservation. Reserve early: bring your reservation and check to the March 16 club meeting. Reservations must be received by April 20, 2017.

MATTAPOISETT WOMAN'S CLUB SCHOLARSHIPS

Mattapoissett Woman's Club is again pleased to offer scholarship awards to Mattapoissett residents who are high school seniors graduating June 2017. Those who are re-entering the academic world after graduating prior to 2017, and are in pursuit of a post secondary degree program, will also be considered for one of these awards. The number of scholarships and the dollar amount of the awards will be voted upon at the March meeting.

The Mattapoissett Woman's Club is a Philanthropic organization that plans and executes fund raising events to help generate the revenue for these scholarships and other charitable donations. In offering these scholarships the club supports educational leadership and helps to give back to the community that has partnered with the club in its fundraising efforts.

To apply and obtain the scholarship applications contact the Guidance offices at the local high schools or preparatory schools. Both applications will be available. You must be a Mattapoissett resident. Deadline for returning the completed application is April 30, 2017.

The following schools will be participating: ORRHS, Bishop Stang High School, Old Colony Regional Voc Tech, Tabor Academy and Bristol County Agricultural High School

GARDEN GROUP

Mary O'Keefe

March 2nd is our regular meeting, 10 AM at the Library. Bring a container, cut or dried flowers - succulents etc. Lets try to make some nice

arrangements for the Library's enjoyment for the week. Ellen Flynn has generously offered to lead the meeting with her ideas and knowledge. There will be a brief meeting during or following the arranging.

We will have a sign up sheet for the Thursday April 13th invitation to the Wareham Garden Group meeting. We will be guests of Barbara VanInwegen a member of Wareham Group. I'm sure she will have more information. The speaker is Deborah Trickett of The Captured Garden. She is an expert in container gardening. I know this will be a worthwhile lecture to catch. If not attending the Wednesday meeting let me know if you are interested in going so I can sign you up.

April 5th Meeting is at Marie Rottler's Home and we will have details at the meeting.

LITERATURE GROUP

The Literature Group will gather on March 8 at 9:30 AM at the home of Alice Williams, 6 Briar Road, Point Connett. The discussion book that we have been reading for March is "Before the Fall" by Noah Hawley. The April discussion book is "The Lilac Girls" by Martha Hall Kelly. In May we have planned a trip to the Sandwich Glass Museum with lunch at a nearby restaurant. All are welcome to join us.

KNITTING AND CROCHETING

There will not be a meeting in March.

SOCIAL COCKTAIL GROUP

Our Group had another gathering on Saturday, February 4th with 20 members present. We had one more MWC member join our group and one of our members brought a guest. Once again Barb and Richard Van Inwegen served as our gracious hosts.

As always, we welcome anyone to join us, be you married or single. The only thing required is that you bring an appetizer, your choice of beverage and a willingness to make friends! If you are considering joining us, you can call Roxanne Bungert @ 508 758-6636 to sign up!

CALENDAR.

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	TIME
March			
2	Garden Group	Mattapoissett Library	10:00 AM
2	Great Decisions	Mattapoissett Library	1:30 PM
7	Bridge I	Home of Betty Parker	12:30 PM
8	Literature Group	Home of Alice Williams	9:30 AM
8	Great Decisions	Mattapoissett Library	1:30 PM
9	Board Meeting	Mattapoissett Library	1:00 PM
14	Bridge II	TBA	12:00 PM
16	Monthly Meeting	Mattapoissett Cong. Church	Noon
28	Bridge II	Home of Carolyn Price	12:00 PM

**ARTICLES FOR THE NEXT LADIES CHOICE DUE BY MARCH 22
TO PEG OLNEY**

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**

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Annual Meeting at the Wamsutta Club in New Bedford on April 27th –
Following is my entree choice:

- Baked 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 20th
No Refunds after April 20th

2017 - 2018 DUES NOTICE

Name: _____

Address: _____ Correct if different than printed in your blue book

Tele no: _____ Correct if different than printed in your blue book

Email _____ Correct if different than printed in your blue book

Return in hand or by mail with your check for \$25.00 to:

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

I will collect dues at the Annual Meeting.

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