

MATTAPOISETT WOMAN'S CLUB  
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# LADIES CHOICE

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## LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Club Members:

The M.W.C. is involved in 2 events at the beginning month. The Tick Talk is jointly sponsored by the Mattapoissett Land Trust and the Mattapoissett Woman's Club. It will be on Nov. 4<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 am at the Mattapoissett Library Meeting Room. Entomologist Blake Dinius, who was recently employed by Plymouth County, will discuss the facts about ticks, the diseases they carry and proven methods of protection. If you have any questions about the event call Barbara Van Inwegen. The M.W.C. is sponsoring Ringing of the Bells to honor our veterans on Nov. 11<sup>th</sup> at 11am. Churches and organizations in the tri town and Fairhaven area will be participating in the bell ringing and moment of silence. For more information call Mary O'Keefe or Lori Bardwell for the various locations where the bells will be rung. Your attendance would be very much appreciated for both events.

We are entering into the Holiday Season with all the activities and family customs. November brings football, homecomings, parades and best of all Thanksgiving dinner and pumpkin pie. The fall planting of the post office window boxes and Library are beautiful! It is also our Club's custom to enter the RJD's "Celebrate the Seasons". The theme this year is Guess Who's coming to Dinner and our Club's entry will be A Late Dinner after the performance with Liberace. It will be open to the public Friday, Nov. 17<sup>th</sup> thru Sunday, Nov. 19<sup>th</sup> from 10am – 4pm. Pre-purchased tickets \$20.00 and at the door \$25.00. If you have any questions email [rjdmusrum.org](mailto:rjdmusrum.org) or call 508 997 1401. After you have toured the entries you can cast your vote for the best entry. Get the hint!!

I have been summoned for jury duty in Boston from Nov.6<sup>th</sup> to Nov 22<sup>nd</sup>. In my absence our vice president Roxanne Bungert will take my place. If you have any questions about club activities during this time please call Roxanne. I am hoping to be excused at an earlier date before the 22<sup>nd</sup>. Executive Board meeting is Nov. 9<sup>th</sup> from 10am to 12:00pm at the Mattapoisett Library Meeting Room.

Our Luncheon Meeting will be on Nov. 16<sup>th</sup> 11am to 11:30 to socialize and Luncheon will start at 11:30. Our hostess is Betty Parker. The speaker this month is Bruce Strickrott “Alvin” pilot/manager. Come learn more about the world’s hardest working submersible.

Kathy McAuliffe  
President of the M.W.C.

#### **New procedure for Thursday Luncheon Meetings**

The procedure for the next Thursday luncheon will be a bit different than in the past

- 1) We assemble at 11:00 to 11:30 for socialization and preparation
- 2) At 11:30 President Kathy will open the meeting and declare a quorum is present (25 members)  
Do the Pledge ,Prayer, Blessing and act on any items that require a vote of the club.
- 3) At approximately 11:45 luncheon will be served.
- 4) The speaker will follow the luncheon. It may start while we are eating dessert.
- 5) As soon as the speaker is finished, the meeting will be reconvened
- 6) We encourage all members to please stay for the meeting. Attendance has been dropping and these changes are being made to encourage all club members to participate in the functioning of the club.

**Thank You, Kathy**

#### **NOVEMBER LUNCHEON MEETING**

We will gather on Thursday, November 16 at Reynard Hall, Mattapoisett Congregational Church between 11:00 and 11:30 AM, with the meeting being called to order at 11:30. The speaker is Bruce Strickrott, “Alvin” pilot/manager.

Hostess:Betty Parker

Tea Committee: Tina Binette, Lori Bardwell, Linda Clifford, Doris Gray, Myra Hart, Patricia King, Anne Layton, Eileen Marum, Dorothy Ross

## **NEW MEMBERS-PLEASE ADD TO YOUR BLUE BOOK**

Chris Ketchel, 65 Mattapoissett Nk Rd, 508.758.8599 chrisketchel1@msn.com March Tea Comm

Nancy Holland, 27 Pine Island Road, 508.758.8018 March Tea Comm

### **GREAT DECISIONS**

Ellen Flynn

“Great Decisions” is a Foreign Policy Association discussion group sponsored by the Mattapoissett Woman’s Club and is open to the community, men included. The discussions will begin in late January 2018 and continue for eight consecutive weeks on Wednesdays from 1:30pm to 3:00pm. The group will meet in the conference room at the Mattapoissett Library 7 Barstow Street, Mattapoissett Ma, where there is an accessible entrance and elevator. The discussion topics and fees for 2018 were not available for this publication and will be announced soon. You will find this a stimulating community experience; we look forward to your participation.

### **SOCIAL COCKTAIL GROUP**

Mark your calendars for Sunday, December 10th @ 5:00 P.M. for the Social Cocktail Group holiday gathering. Jim and Myra Hart have volunteered to host this party @ their home at 115 North Street, Mattapoissett. Myra has requested that we park across the street from their home on Winter Hill Road, as parking in their yard is limited.

As always any MWC member is welcome to join our group. We request that you notify the hostess by phone or email so she can have an idea as to how many to prepare for. You may reach Myra @ 508 758-4703 or email @ [myrahart@gmail.com](mailto:myrahart@gmail.com).

Many thanks go to out to Peg Olney and Ellen Schneider for hosting the October gathering. The food was delicious, conversation lively and I received many comments on the success of the party.

Please consider joining our group, whether you are single, married, have a partner or guest that you would like to include. We welcome all. Just remember to bring an appetizer and your favorite beverage and join us for a fun evening getting to know each other better!

If you have any questions you may contact me @ 508 758-6636 or email @ [roxannebungert@gmail.com](mailto:roxannebungert@gmail.com).

Roxanne Bungert

### **GARDEN GROUP**

Sandy Hering and Karen Gardner

Ms. Samantha Gray, Park Ranger, US Army Corps of Engineers, Cape Cod Canal Field Office is the guest speaker at our 10:00a.m. meeting on Wednesday November 1<sup>st</sup> in

the Meeting Room of the Library. Her presentation is “Wildflowers along the Cape Cod Canal.”

October was a busy month, and we want to thank you for your participation in all the activities. The turnout for cleaning-up Suzanne’s Garden at Center School on September 28<sup>th</sup> was phenomenal and the transformation was remarkable. The fall transition planting of the window boxes at the Post Office and the urns at the Library was accomplished as well. We also had the trip to Tower Hill on a beautiful, sunny day.

Please save December 6<sup>th</sup> for our luncheon and holiday flower arranging at the Quaker Meeting House.

### **LITERATURE GROUP**

The November meeting of the Literature Group will be held on Wednesday, November 8<sup>th</sup>, 9:30 AM, at the home of Nancy Fletcher, 6 Channing Road. Our discussion book for November is “The Book Thief” by Markus Zusak . New members are always welcome and everyone is encouraged to come even if you haven’t read the book.

#### Literature Group Reading List

- December: “Before We Were Yours” by Lisa Westgate  
January: “Midwives” by Chris Bohjalian  
February: “Mr. Mercedes” Stephen King  
March: “Cutting For Stone” by Abraham Verghese  
April: “Irena's Children” by Tilar Mazzeo

### **NEEDLEWORK GROUP**

Knitting, Crocheting, Needlepoint and More: Whatever your favorite craft is, if it is portable, please consider joining the Knitting Group. We meet once a month with our current projects, and share what we are working on, drink tea or coffee, and chat. It is a pleasant way to get to know one another and find new projects for the winter months.

The Knitting/Crocheting Group has traditionally met on the 4th Thursday of the month from 2-4 PM at various members homes. We would like to do the same this year, but due to travel schedules and the holidays, it appears that we will not be meeting until January. If anyone wishes to host the meeting before January, please let Sandy Hering know and otherwise, please mark your calendar for January 25th from 2-4.

Call Sandy Hering at 508 758-3008 for more information.

### **THEATER GROUP**

Mary O'keefe and Marianne Hickey

On Monday, October 16, we had a great first outing to Providence to have lunch at Flatbread Company and to see Victoria and Abdul at the very vintage Avon Cinema!!

Our next planned outing will be in early December to attend the holiday concert presented by the Sippican Choral Society. There are 2 possible dates: Friday evening , December 1 at 8:00 at St. Lawrence Church in New Bedford or Sunday afternoon , December 3 at 4:00 pm at Wickenden Chapel at Tabor Academy. Our understanding is there is more seating available at St. Lawrence Church and if we wish to sit together it might be easier. Please let us know if you wish to attend and which date you would prefer.

### **BELLS OF REMEMBRANCE**

We presently have just under a dozen participating in the 11/11 at 11:00 Bells of Remembrance. The Bells, being in several towns, will be hard to notice unless you are near by. Hopefully by next year it will spread throughout the tri-town area and beyond.

In order to do that we need our members and other women's clubs to adopt a town and research and contact the churches and buildings with Bells & Towers. to see if the new tradition can be set up in their town for next 11/11. I have done all contacts so far by phone and it is well received if not always possible. We are waiting to hear from Selectman's meeting at Fairhaven to see if they will join us.

### **CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON**

**December 7, 2017**

Our Annual Christmas Party will be held this year at the Wamsutta Club, 427 County St., New Bedford on Thursday, December 7, 2017. A full description and meal choices is the last article at the end of this Ladies Choice. We will arrive at 11:30 a.m and the meal will be served at Noon - fee for the luncheon is \$25.00 which includes tax and gratuity.

Hostess: Madeline Reid

Tea Committee: Lois Ennis, Joan Flaherty, Karen Gardner, Barbara Ketchel, Ruth Souza, Barbara VanInwegen

Please use the tear-off slip at the end of this Ladies Choice to make your reservation. You may bring it to the November club meeting or send it with your check made out to Mattapoissett Woman's Club to Lois K. Ennis, 5 Pine Island Road, Mattapoissett, MA 02739. Reservations must be received by Friday, December 1st. No refunds after December 1st.

### **CALENDAR**

DATE	LOCATION	EVENT TIME
November	1	Garden Group
Mattapoissett Library	10:00 AM	

	4		Tick Talk
	Mattapoissett Library		
10:30 AM			
	7		Bridge I
	Home of Betty Parker		
1:00 PM			
8	Literature Group	Home of Nancy Fletcher	
	9:30 AM		
9	Board Meeting	Mattapoissett Library	
	10:00 AM		
11	Bells of Remembrance-Various Locations		
11:00 AM			
14	Bridge II		
Home of Lou Reade			12:00 PM
16	Monthly Meeting	Mattapoissett Cong. Church	11:30
17-19	RJD Show	Rotch Jones Duff House	
			10-4:00
23	Happy Thanksgiving!		
28	Bridge II	Home of Jackie Slade	12:00 PM

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**ARTICLES FOR THE NEXT LADIES CHOICE DUE BY NOVEMBER 18 TO PEG OLNEY. PLEASE BE PROMPT BECAUSE OF THE HOLIDAY!**

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**ANNUAL CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON DECEMBER 7, 2017**

The Mattapoissett Women's Club Christmas Luncheon will be held at The Wamsutta Club in New Bedford on Thursday December 7, 2017.

The cost is \$25 which includes tax and gratuity.

Arrival time is 11:30 with lunch to be served at Noon.

The meal includes salad, rolls, choice of entree with seasonal vegetables, coffee, and apple crisp with ice cream for dessert. Please choose one of the four entree choices on the reservation form below

Please send your check for \$25 made out to the Mattapoissett Woman's Club with your choice of entree to: Lois Ennis, 5 Pine Island Road, Mattapoissett, MA 02739

Deadline is December 1<sup>st</sup>. No refunds after December 1<sup>st</sup>.

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**RESERVATION FORM**  
**Please choose your entree**

- Baked Scrod with Rice
- Lemon Pepper Chicken with Rice
- Petite Filet with Oven Roasted Potato

\_\_\_\_\_Pasta Primavera (vegetarian)

Name\_\_\_\_\_

Address\_\_\_\_\_Email\_\_\_\_\_

Enclose check payable to MWC for \$25.00 and mail or give to Lois Ennis, 5 Pine Island Road, Mattapoisett, MA. 02739 Reservations by Dec. 1, 2017

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