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LADIES CHOICE

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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Club Members

In a few weeks we will celebrate the arrival of spring and bid farewell to winter. It is a time to get the rakes out to clean up the residue left by Mother Nature over the winter months and plan our gardens. The M.W.C. June 30th Garden Tour committee has started to meet and the planning for the tour is well underway. At the March luncheon meeting the 9 captains will have their garden signup sheets for club members to enter the time they wish to volunteer on the day of the tour. I'm really excited about the tour. We have an eclectic collection of gardens and each have their own persona. Our biannual Garden Tour started circa 1999 and to this day it continues to be a major fundraiser for our scholarship program.

In July, during the week of Harbor Days, the club sponsors "Taste of the Town" on July 17th and a Pie and Bake goods sale on July 21st. Taste of the Town started circa 2003. The M.W.C. and the Mattapoisett Library hosted the first Taste of the Town This was a shared fund raising for scholarships and the Library Building Fund. FYI, the club pledged a donation of \$1,500 to the Library for the renovations. The M.W.C. has continued the tradition and it is the foremost fundraiser for our scholarships. Lois Ennis is chairman and Eileen Marum is co-chair. We will be hearing more details about these two events in the near future.

The success of the three summer fundraisers is a result of the enthusiasm, support and many volunteer hours of all the club members. This is the second year we are able to award two \$2,500.00 scholarships and a \$1000.00 scholarship for a returning college student because of your belief in the importance of our Education and Philanthropic objectives featured in our club's logo. The Executive Board is very aware of your time and

sponsorship throughout the year, and in the fall voted to be responsible for the gratuity for the Christmas and Annual luncheons to thank you for your support.

Information about the Annual Meeting luncheon and entree choices will follow at the end of this Ladies Choice.

The March 15th luncheon meeting hostess is Sandy Hering and the speaker is club member Christine Voss, former director of the foster grandparent program at Coastline Elderly Services. She will discuss the Memory Café. Come and find out what it is about and how they can help someone with dementia.

The Executive Board meeting is on **WED. MARCH 7**TH at the Mattapoisett Library from 10am to 12pm. (**PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF MEETING DATE**)

Kathy McAuliffe, President of the Mattapoisett Woman's Club

MARCH MEETING

Thursday, March 15, 2018, at 11 AM, Reynard Hall, Mattapoisett Congregational Church

Our guest speaker for March is Christine Voss, retired from Coastline Elderly Services. She will tell us about Memory Cafe

Hostess: Sandy Hering

Committee: Ellen Flynn, Nancy Holland, Kathy Holway, Chris Ketchel, Janet Liljedahl, Judy Livolsi, Sue Mitchell, Debra Nettles, Kathleen Saunders, Ellen Schneider

ANNUAL LUNCHEON MEETING

The Annual Meeting of the Mattapoisett Woman's Club will be held on Thursday, April 26, 2018, 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 15 club meeting. Reservations must be received by April 19, 2018.

MATTAPOISETT WOMAN'S CLUB SCHOLARSHIPS

Mattapoisett Woman's Club is again pleased to offer two scholarship awards of \$2500 to Mattapoisett residents who are high school seniors graduating June 2018. Those who are re-entering the academic world after

graduating prior to 2018, and are in pursuit of a post secondary degree program, will also be considered for an award of \$1000.

The Mattapoisett 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 Mattapoisett resident. Deadline for returning the completed application is April 30, 2018.

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

Sandy Hering and Karen Gardner

The Garden Group is going to the Lyman Estate in Waltham on March 8th for a Greenhouse and Historic House Tour and Camelia Show. We are looking for drivers; let us know if you would drive. Anyone who would like to go should RSVP to Sandy and/or Karen by email or a call. We will meet at the Park'N Ride on North Street at 9:30 a.m.

Sandy has made arrangements with the COA for us to go to the Boston Flower Show in their van on March 17th. However, **if you want to go, you must go to the COA, sign up and pay for the van**. There are 12 seats in the van and the trip will be open to the public soon; the van will fill up quickly.

There also is a Spring Bulb Show at Smith College in Northampton, MA from March 3rd through March 15th. If many members are interested in going, then perhaps we could make arrangements to see it or those who are interested could go on their own.

Please note that our survey questions did not officially sign you up for any activities. We used them as a tool for planning our events or to suggest trips that you may wish to do on your own if the group isn't "wild" about doing them.

Thank you, Sandy, for showing us how to make fresh flower handtied bouquets that stand on their own in a vase or shallow tray of water at our February gathering. This skill is a great tool to know when arranging flowers in a vase without oasis, wire, frogs or tape to support the flowers. We had a good time doing them.

LITERATURE GROUP

The Literature Group will gather on March 14 at 9:30 AM at the home of Carole Clifford, 87 North Street. The discussion book that we have been reading for March is "Cutting for Stone" by Abraham Verghese. The April discussion book is "Irena's Children" by Tilar Mazzeo. In May we will be visiting a museum with lunch at a nearby restaurant. All are welcome to join us.

KNITTING AND CROCHETING

The Knitting/Crocheting/Needlepoint group will meet on Thursday, March 29th. We are doing a trip to several yarn/textile stores. We have the drivers and all we need is to know who will join us for a trip to a yarn/textile/notions store in Franklin, MA, followed by lunch at Not Your Average Joes and another textile store in Easton, MA. We will meet at the Park 'N Ride at 10 AM . Please call or email Sandy Hering with your wish to be a part of our activity. All Woman's Club members are invited!

SOCIAL COCKTAIL GROUP

Our group will be meeting on Friday, March 2, at the home of Judy Livolsi, 8 Beach Road, Point Connett. Please call Judy at 508-758-9505 if you are planning to attend. 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	Cocktail Group	Home of Judy Livolsi	5:00 PM
6	Bridge I	Home of Betty Parker	12:30 PM
7	Board Meeting	Mattapoisett Library	10:00 AM
7	Great Decisions	Mattapoisett Library	1:30 PM
8	Garden Group	Park & Ride	9:30 AM
13	Bridge II	Home of Carolyn Price	12:00 PM
14	Literature Group	Home of Carole Clifford	9:30 AM
15	Monthly Meeting	Mattapoisett Cong. Church	11:00 AM
27	Bridge II	Home of Elaine Grant	12:00 PM
29	Knitting Group	Park & Ride	10:00 AM

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MATTAPOISETT WOMAN'S CLUB ANNUAL LUNCHEON MEETING

This year's Annual Meeting will take place at the Wamsutta Club in New Bedford, on April 26th. 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 prices are listed below (taxes included*) Complete the following Tear off Sheet and send it with your luncheon choice and \$25 or \$30 to: Lois K. Ennis, 5 Pine Island Road, Mattapoisett, MA 02739 by **April 19, 2018** Annual Meeting at the Wamsutta Club in New Bedford on April 26th – Following is my entree choice: \$25.00 Scrod with Rice \$25.00 Lemon pepper chicken with rice_____ \$30.00 Petit filet of beef with roasted potatoes \$25.00 Vegetarian- pasta primavera _____ Name:_____ Tel #___ Remit with \$25 or \$30 to Lois K. Ennis 5 Pine Island Road, Mattapoisett by April 19th No Refunds after April 19th *20% gratuity will be paid by the club in appreciation of all you have done during the year and for our annual fund raisers.

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