



LADIES CHOICE

The Mattapoissett Woman's Club Newsletter

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Proposed new bylaws for the Mattapoissett Woman's Club

"These bylaws may be amended at any regular meeting of the Club by a two-thirds vote of those present or represented by proxy, provided that a notice of the proposed amendments has been given at a previous regular meeting. A printed or written notice of the same shall be sent to the entire membership at least a week prior to the meeting."

In accordance with the above this document will be emailed to the membership in early January for your review and then again in early February with a vote being taken at the February meeting.

The bylaws have been amended to include 3 Auditors to our fiscal team. In addition to the elected Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer, we will have 3 elected Auditors. The Treasurer's responsibilities have been increased. The remaining changes are basically to bring the bylaws up to date with current practices. Honorary Life Membership guidelines have been added. The bylaw changes are the first since 2003.

You can review these changes by comparing them to your blue book.

[Download the proposed bylaws here.](#)

MWC Christmas Luncheon at the Inn at Shipyard Park

Martin Sandler, the award winning author of more than 80 books for children and adults, gave us a very interesting and entertaining program at the Christmas Luncheon.

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*From right to left:
The Christmas Luncheon speaker, Martin Sandler, his wife Carol and friend.*

UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS

January Meeting

Thursday, January 17, 2019
Reynard Hall,
Mattapoissett Congregational Church

11:00 am - 11:30 am Social time
11:30 am Meeting begins
11:45 am Luncheon
12:15 pm Dessert and speaker
1:00 pm Meeting resumes

*Please note:
These times are general estimate.*

Guest speaker:
Richard Van Inwegen
Photo slideshow

Hostess:

Sandra Dawson	758.2519
Beneker, Katrina	992.2508
Atkinson, Carol	758.4383
Clifford, Carole	774.582.1913
Doyon, Sharon	758.2208
Fletcher, Nancy	758.6065
Haugen, Lynn A	758.2485
Jackson, Mary	758.2625
Voss, Christine	758.3348

Save the Dates! FREE Community Pruning Days at Haskell Gardens

Haskell Public Gardens is hosting a **FREE** winter pruning series for the community. Save the Dates - January 16th, February 23rd and March 6th. Come to one or all.

More information on page 4

Board Meeting
Mattapoissett Library
January 10, 2019 1 - 3 pm

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Dear Fellow MWC Members,

Here it is January 2019, with the holidays behind us and looking forward to a new year. I am hoping that you all enjoyed your holidays, making memories with family and friends.

Our annual Holiday Luncheon was a very successful event with a sellout crowd of sixty! The Inn at Shipyard Park provided us with a delicious luncheon and the Garden Group added to the holiday theme by arranging various greens in holiday mugs provided from Gifts to Give. (Again, thanks to Mary O'Keefe for her connection to GTG and obtaining the mugs!). Our entertaining program at the Inn was provided by our speaker, Martin Sandler. Thanks go to Madeline Reid for arranging all of the details for our luncheon and speaker and to Lois Ennis for her part in organizing the event. Karen Gardner took pictures of all of those in attendance and provided a slide show of same at the Social Cocktail Group's gathering. Fun times!!

Our meeting on January 17 will feature Richard Van Inwegen, husband of our own, Barbara Van Inwegen, who will be presenting a slide show set to music of some of the interesting places he has visited. Having seen some of his photographs, I look forward to this program with anticipation.

One of our newest members, Cindy Turse, has volunteered to help with some new ideas for the Bells of Remembrance program. We are looking for other members who would be willing to step forward and help with the expansion of this program.

We are looking into having a new fund raiser this spring with details to be presented at the January meeting. We will need volunteers to help co-ordinate this exciting new program which will happen in May.

I look forward to the new year and to seeing you at the meeting on January 17th. As always, you are encouraged to bring a friend so that they can see what a great group of women that we have in our Club.

I am wishing you all a happy and healthy 2019.

Fondly,
Roxanne Bungert,
President, MWC

*"During the remaining time during my presidency I am requesting that we NOT provide individual bottles of water at our tea/luncheon. If anyone has had the misfortune of hearing me on my soapbox, I am an advocate of "saving what we have left of our planet" for the next generations to come. Therefore, I am providing a cold beverage container, along with PAPER cups, for those who would like to have water along with their refreshments. The container will be placed on the counter beside the tea table and will be readily available for those of you who desire water. I welcome any and all of you who would like to join me on the "bandwagon" and work toward creating **LESS TRASH.**"*

***"Don't let yesterday use
up too much of today."***

Native American Proverb

~ Cherokee tribe



GROUPS SCHEDULES

Garden Group

January 9, 2019 10:00 am
Mattapoissett Free Public Library
Meeting Room

All MWC members are invited to attend. If you are interested in participating, please bring some of your garden books or magazines or seed catalogs for a 1 month swap with other garden group members.



Literature Group

January 9, 2019 9:30 am
Host: Ruth Ann Walega
24 North Street, Mattapoissett
See Reading List on page 4

Bridge 1

No Meeting in January

Bridge II

January 15, 2019
Host: Carole Atkinson

January 29, 2019
Host: Alice Williams

Great Decisions

(Meets 8 weeks)
January 16 - March 6, 2019
1:00pm to 3:00pm
Mattapoissett Free Public Library

Knitting, Crocheting, Needlepoint & More

January 24, 2019
2:00pm - 4:00pm
Host: Marie Rottler
23 Channel Street, Mattapoissett

Social Cocktail Group

February 22, 2019 5:00pm
Host: Judith Livosi
8 Beach Road, Point Connett,
Mattapoissett

MATTAPOISETT WOMAN'S CLUB GROUP FOCUS



Social Cocktail Group

The Social Cocktail Group Holiday Party was hosted by **Jim and Roxanne Bungert** on **Sunday, December 9th**. Club members enjoyed lively conversation, delicious nibbles and holiday cheer. A good time was had by all with everyone in a festive mood!!!

The next Social Cocktail Group get together is planned for February 22nd, 5:00 pm at the home of Judith Livolsi on 8 Beach Road, Point Connett, Mattapoissett.

We will have a sign up sheet at the January and February meetings for those wishing to attend.

The MWC is making a concerted effort to increase membership and group attendance.

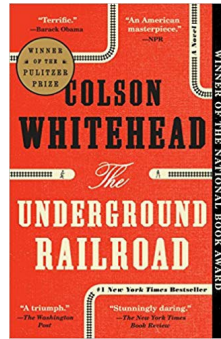
Please take photos at your Group Meetings as we will be highlighting each group on a rotating basis.

Please forward any information and/or photos to debra@nettlesdesign.com

Thank you! Debra Nettles

Literature Group to discuss “Underground Railroad” by Colson Whithead

The Literature Group will meet on Wednesday, January 9 at the home of Ruth Ann Walega 24 North Street, Mattapoisett at 9:30 am. The discussion book is “Underground Railroad” by Colson Whithead. Everyone is welcome. Please come and bring a friend.



Cora is a young slave on a cotton plantation in Georgia. An outcast even among her fellow Africans, she is on the cusp of womanhood—where greater pain awaits. And so when Caesar, a slave who has recently arrived from Virginia, urges her to join him on the Underground Railroad, she seizes the opportunity and escapes with him. In Colson Whitehead's ingenious conception, the Underground Railroad is no mere metaphor: engineers and conductors operate a secret network of actual tracks and tunnels beneath the Southern soil. Cora embarks on a harrowing flight from one state to the next, encountering, like Gulliver, strange yet familiar iterations of her own world at each stop. As Whitehead brilliantly re-creates the terrors of the antebellum era, he weaves in the saga of our nation, from the brutal abduction of Africans to the unfulfilled promises of the present day. The Underground Railroad is both the gripping tale of one woman's will to escape the horrors of bondage—and a powerful meditation on the history we all share.

LITERATURE GROUP READING LIST 2019

- February **Less**
Andrew Sean Greer
- March **The Sympathizer**
Viet Thanh Nguyen
- April **In the Heart of the Sea**
Nathaniel Philbrick

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Community Pruning Days

Allen C. Haskell Public Gardens
787 Shawmut Ave, New Bedford



Wednesday January 16th and March 6th

Saturday February 23rd

10:00am- 12:00pm

Winter is the best time to prune your trees and shrubs, this task gets us gardeners outside and ready for the upcoming spring.

Join a group of professional horticulturists on a winters day and learn some new pruning tips. Pick one session or come to all three.

FREE

For questions please e-mail Horticulturist Kristin McCullin



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New home for printer?

The MWC has a Lexmark E260dn printer that is not being used. We are looking to find a new home for it.



Please contact Roxanne Bungert here with any suggestions!

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Some of the lovely ladies who attended our "sold out" Christmas Luncheon!



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February Meeting

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Guest speaker:
Jill Sanford,
Art for your Mind, LLC.

Hostess Jennifer Shepley	207.8410
Butler, Ann	758.3488
Campos, Jan	763.2503
Dawson, Elizabeth	758.2414
Frazer, Anne	774.503.5178
Henderson, Alison	758.4373
Lessard, Wendy	401.500.3452
McCarthy, Patricia	758.4577
Olney, Peg	758.3069
Reade, Lou	758.9840
Von Zweck, Laura	317.0616