



# LADIES CHOICE

The Mattapoissett Woman's Club Newsletter

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## Lois Murray, receives Honorary-Life Membership



*Lois Murray with her two daughters,  
Sandy Murray (on the left) and Judy Homer*

Our long time member, Lois Murray, was nominated to receive the distinction of Honorary-Life Member at the Executive Board meeting. Her service to the Club is long-standing, holding the office of president from 1972-1974. She was also instrumental in organizing the MWC Choral Group and directed the group at many performances throughout the area. Before moving to Ashland to be closer to her daughter, Lois was always an active member, attending most monthly meetings, working tirelessly in support of our Club and a strong proponent of Robert's Rules of Order. It is an honor to award our friend Lois with this status.

## Challenge your mind with art

Jill Sanford of *Art For Your Mind* will speak to us about new ways to think about what we see. She will discuss the benefits of how the process of interpreting art becomes relevant, intriguing, enjoyable – a great way to learn and broaden your mind.



*Art For Your Mind*  
ART HISTORY PRESENTATIONS

## UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS

### February Meeting

Thursday, February 14, 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:

**Jill Sanford**, Art for your Mind, LLC

**Hostess:** Jennifer Shepley 207.8410

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### Save the Dates!

## FREE Community Pruning Days at Haskell Gardens

Haskell Public Gardens is hosting a **FREE** winter pruning series for the community.

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February 23rd and March 6th.  
Come to one or all.

**More information on page 4**

### Board Meeting

Mattapoissett Library  
February 7, 2019 1 - 3 pm

## PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Dear Fellow MWC Members,

How fast time goes! We are already nearing the end of January of the new year but I think we can be grateful that the winter has given us no snow, to speak of, and the temperature has been relatively mild.

Our January meeting was hosted by Sandy Dawson and her tea committee. Sandy wanted me to thank Sharon Doyon for stepping in as co-chairman and for creating the lovely floral arrangements for the tables. The roses on the tea table were exquisite and the individual bud vases added a festive touch to our meeting. Delicious sandwiches and a varied assortment of deserts were enjoyed by all!

Richard Van Inwegen delighted us all with his fabulous photographs and shared how he researches his subject, (the how, when and where of obtaining such spectacular photos). We were in awe of his work and would welcome him back anytime to delight us once again.

A vote was taken as to whether the Club wishes to continue with the Bells of Remembrance program. It was unanimous and Cindy Turse and Deb Nettles are working on creating a Facebook page" to "get the word out" about how to honor our veterans.

The February monthly meeting will include voting on the new By-Laws and the presentation of the newly created budget. I am hoping that as many members as possible will plan on attending this important meeting.

The meeting scheduled for February 17th will include being entertained by Jill Sanford, speaking on "Art for your Mind". Here's hoping our pleasant weather continues and that we won't have to cancel the meeting because of snow!

See you then.

Fondly,

Roxanne Bungert,  
President, MWC

***"Work hard, keep the ceremonies,  
live peaceably and unite your hearts."***

Native American Proverb ~ Hopi tribe

*Thank You!*

*I would like to thank  
**Mary O'Keefe,**  
**Anne Layton** and  
**Tina Binette** for  
stepping forward and  
volunteering to take  
on the position of  
auditors. They will  
serve for a one, two  
and three year term  
respectively. Thank you  
so much, Ladies, for  
making the job of the  
nominating committee  
much easier!*

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*Thank you, also, goes  
to **Judy Livolsi**, who has  
accepted the position  
of Executive Board  
member for a three  
year term. Judy is a  
former president and  
we appreciate her  
dedication to our club.*

## HELP WANTED

The Club is looking for a person to fill the role of Historian. It would entail gathering articles about our Club, and/or Club activities, in the local papers. In lieu of someone coming forward to fill this position, a box has been purchased, and you are encouraged to bring articles to the monthly meetings to place in the box. It is planned that, at the end of our calendar year, these articles will be placed in a scrapbook. In the past there have been scrapbooks organized and these books enabled us to trace the history of the Club back to its' organization in 1941. Our 75th Diamond Jubilee celebration was more special because of the pictures and articles that were researched from those scrapbooks. Let's not let our present be lost in history.

## GROUPS SCHEDULES

### Garden Group

February 6, 2019 10:00 am  
Mattapoissett Free Public Library  
Meeting Room

### Literature Group

February 13, 2019 9:30 am  
Host: Nancy Fletcher  
6 Channing Road, Mattapoissett  
*See Reading List on page 4*

### Bridge 1

February 5 1:00pm

### Bridge 2

February 12 12:00pm  
Host: Elaine Grant

February 26 12:00pm

Host: Jackie Slade

### Great Decisions

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

### Knitting, Crocheting, Needlepoint & More

February 21, 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

### Literature Group

The Literature Group is a longstanding interest group of the MWC. The name of the group may sound serious but it is a group of people who love to read and we read many kinds of books. At the beginning of the year we choose discussion books for the year from member's suggestions. Group meetings are on the second Wednesday of the month at various members homes. We have a social time, then discuss the book chosen for that month.

For many years, at the last meeting of the year, we visited a library and had a tour, stopping for lunch afterward. After many years, we have gone to most of the libraries within a reasonable driving distance so we have begun visiting a museum instead. The museum chosen for this year is at **Rhode Island School of Design in Providence.** *We welcome new members!*



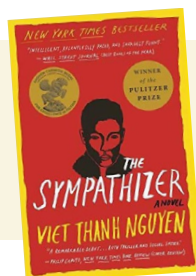
Left to right: Peg Olney, Marianne Hickey, Sherry Hoines, Kathy Holway



Left to right: Ruth Ann Walega, Nancy Fletcher, Myra Hart



Left to right: Dorothy Ross, Linda Clifford, Carole Clifford

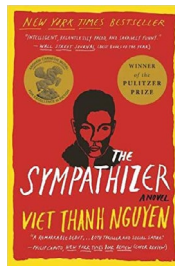


Our next meeting will be at the home of Nancy Fletcher, 6 Channing Road at 9:30am on Wed., February 13. The discussion book for is "The Sympathizer" by Viet Thanh Nguyen.



The MWC Garden Group took a trip to the Blithewold Mansion, Gardens & Arboretum on December 12, 2018.

## Literature Group to discuss “The Sympathizer” by Viet Thanh Nguyen



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*The winner of the 2016 Pulitzer Prize for Fiction, as well as seven other awards, The Sympathizer is the breakthrough novel of the year. With the pace and suspense of a thriller and prose that has been compared to Graham Greene and Saul Bellow, The Sympathizer is a sweeping epic of love and betrayal. The narrator, a communist double agent, is a “man of two minds,” a half-French, half-Vietnamese army captain who arranges to come to America after the Fall of Saigon, and while building a new life with other Vietnamese refugees in Los Angeles is secretly reporting back to his communist superiors in Vietnam. The Sympathizer is a blistering exploration of identity and America, a gripping espionage novel, and a powerful story of love and friendship.*

### LITERATURE GROUP READING LIST 2019

- March ..... **The Sympathizer**  
Viet Thanh Nguyen
- April ..... **In the Heart of the Sea**  
Nathaniel Philbrick

## February Fun! Join the Social Cocktail Group on February 22nd.

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, Mattapoisett. We will have a sign up sheet at the February meeting.




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## Community Pruning Days

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




**Wednesday January 16<sup>th</sup> and March 6<sup>th</sup>**  
**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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