



LADIES CHOICE

The Mattapoissett Woman's Club Newsletter

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Historical performance by Sheryl Faye planned for April

“Susan B. Anthony – Failure is Impossible”

On Sunday, April 26th at 2:00 PM our Club will be sponsoring a free historical performance by Sheryl Faye, giving a compelling one-woman show for children and adults. The subject will be Susan B. Anthony, women’s rights activist, who was one of the strong supporters of the 19th Amendment. Our Club is highlighting the year 2020 with our canvas tote bag fundraiser, having speakers who will be speaking about women who have impacted our society, and presenting this free program.

“Susan B. Anthony was a women’s rights activist, and she devoted her life to racial, gender, and educational equality. She is one of the most famous women in American history; she played a prominent role in the women’s suffrage movement, the 19th Amendment, which gave women the right to vote and she also was in support of women’s labor organizations and for a woman’s right to own property.

In 2020 we celebrate not only 100 years since the ratification of the 19th Amendment, we’re also celebrating Susan B. Anthony’s 200th birthday!”

See page 5 for another Historical performance by Ms. Faye!

Please reserve your space by signing up at the February meeting or at here on [Eventbrite!](#)

UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS

February Meeting

February 13

11:00 am

Reynard Hall

Mattapoissett Congregational Church

11:30 am Meeting begins

11:45 am Luncheon

12:15 pm Speaker

1:00 pm Meeting resumes

Please note:

These times are general estimate.

Guest Speaker:

Lauana Josvold

League of Women Voters

Hostess: Jennifer Shepley

Committee:

Ann Butler

Patricia McCarthy

Jan Campos

Peg Olney

Alison Henderson

Lou Reade

Wendy Lessard

Laura Von Zweck

Board Meeting

Thursday, February 6

10:00am - 12:00pm

Mattapoissett Public

Library Meeting Room

Join our MWC FACEBOOK Group
to keep informed of all
MWC news & events!



JOIN NOW!

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Dear Club Members,

Who can believe that we are in the year 2020? It seems like yesterday that we were celebrating the beginning of a new century back in the year 2000, 20 years ago!

My thanks go out to our January Tea Committee hostess Sandra Dawson and her committee. We were treated to a delightfully presented luncheon with a generous variety of choices. The teal color theme on the luncheon tables was complimented by the lovely wintry arrangements provided by Sharon Doyon and Kathy McAuliffe.

Robin Lepare, Nancy Tinkham, Kathy Coucci and Corinne Marlow were welcomed as our guests at this month's meeting. We hope that they all enjoyed the experience and will consider joining our Club. Jennifer McIntire and Carole Clifford, from the Mattapoisett Historical Museum, delighted us with their slide presentation on "Notable Women of Mattapoisett," which included various historical notes of Mattapoisett.

The Nominating Committee has been appointed (and volunteered) to establish the slate for the 2020-2021 officers which will be announced at the March meeting. They will be looking to fill the office of Vice President and Treasurer. The offices of Recording Secretary and Auditor, which were needed, have already been filled! Please consider volunteering when called upon to fill these important positions.

The Board has voted to repeat our "Pathway to Planting" fundraiser this coming May on the week-end of the 16th & 17th. We are looking for a couple of volunteers to help with this project. Deb Nettles has agreed to design the "passport" again this year. If you would like to help with this fundraiser please contact me at 508-758-6636 or email me at roxannebungert@gmail.com.

Mary O'Keefe and Karen Gardner have agreed to establish a new MWC Member Directory, including pictures of each member. This will be a great addition to our "Blue Book" and we look forward to its' establishment.

The speaker at our February 13th meeting will be Lauana Josvold from the League of Women Voters. I hope that we will be spared a snow storm, or as last year's cancellation, no heat in Reynard Hall! I hope to see you then and bring a guest to enjoy this informative program.

Fondly,

Roxanne Bungert
President, MWC

***"You have to have confidence in your ability,
and then be tough enough to follow through"***

Rosalynne Carter, Former First Lady

GROUPS SCHEDULES

Garden Group

Wednesday, February 5

The Garden Group will tour the New Bedford Whaling Museum on February 5th, led by current Garden Group members, Erin, Kathy and Barbara. The tour begins at 1 PM. *Ride sharing is available and all members must register in advance for this event via email to Sandy. Admission is covered by our dues.*

Bridge I Group

Tuesday, February 4

1:00pm - 4:00pm

Host: Betty Parker

Bridge II Group

Tuesday, February 11

12:00pm

Host: Elaine Grant

Tuesday, February 25

12:00pm

Host: Lou Reade

Knitting, Crocheting, Needlepoint & More

February 27

2:00pm - 4:00pm

The Knitting Group will be meeting on February 27, from 2 - 4, at the home of Roberta Oakley. 21 Brant Beach Avenue. *Members are asked to RSVP to Roberta prior to the group meeting.*

Great Decisions

Wednesday, February 5

1:00pm - 3:00pm

Accessible Community Room
Mattapoissett Free Public Library
5 Barstow Street, Mattapoissett, MA

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For details on each MWC Group visit:

www.MattapoissettWomansClub.org

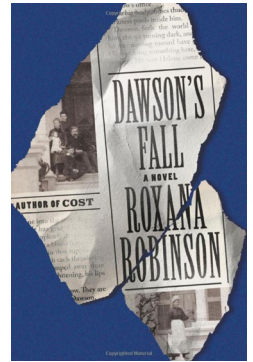
Literature Group

Wednesday, February 12

9:30 am

Host: Marianne Hickey

The Literature Group will meet on Wednesday, February 12, 9:30am, at the home of Marianne Hickey, 52 County Rd., Unit 2. The discussion book is "Dawson's Fall" by Roxanna Robinson. We always welcome new members. Come even if you have not read the book.



In "Dawson's Fall," a novel based on the lives of Roxana Robinson's great-grandparents, we see America at its most fragile, fraught, and malleable. Set in 1889, in Charleston, South Carolina, Robinson's tale weaves her family's journal entries and letters with a novelist's narrative grace, and spans the life of her tragic hero, Frank Dawson, as he attempts to navigate the country's new political, social, and moral landscape.

LITERATURE GROUP READING LIST 2020

February	"Dawson's Fall" Roxanna Robinson
March	"A Prayer for Owen Meany" John Irving
April	"A Gentleman in Moscow" Amor Towles
May	Museum Trip

Social Cocktail Group

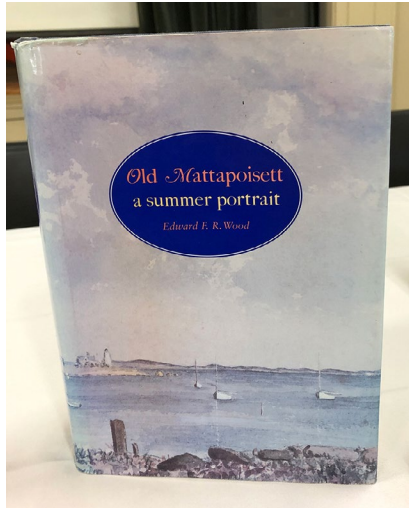
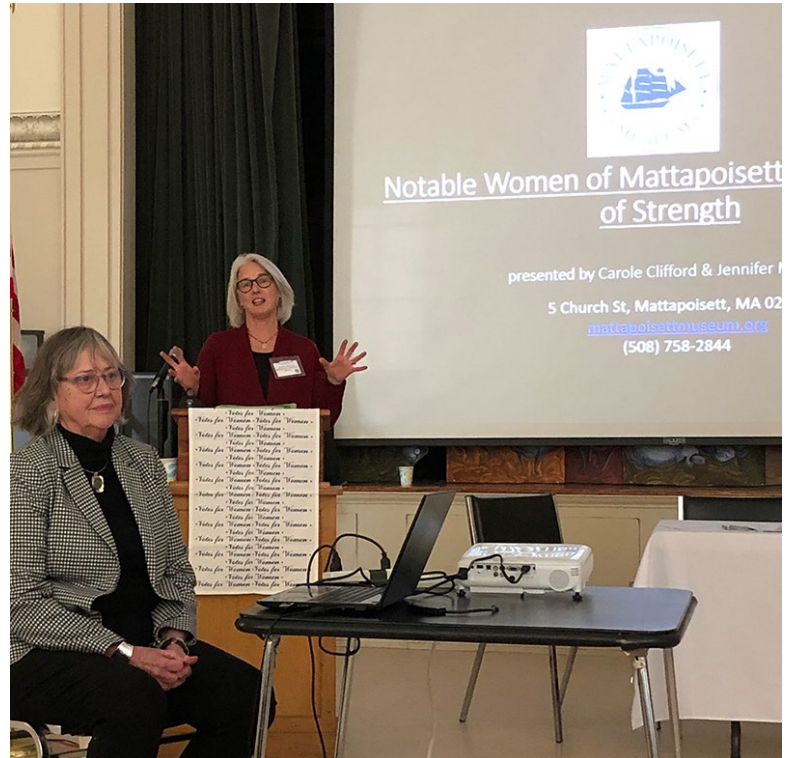
Sunday, March 22

5:00 - 7:00pm

The Social Cocktail Group will gather at the home of Myra and Jim Hart at 115 North Street to welcome SPRING. Guests should bring an appetizer to share and beverage/s of choice. Please RSVP **Myra 508.758.4703** or myralhart@gmail.com or add your name to the sign-up sheet at our February luncheon.

“Fearless Women in Mattapoissett History” presentation at MWC January Meeting

Eileen Marum introduced our speakers, Vice President Carole Clifford and Jennifer McIntyre, from the Mattapoissett Historical Museum. Their talk titled “Fearless Women in Mattapoissett History,” covered the stories of 4 women who were important to the history of our town. The women they selected were Elizabeth Barstow Stoddard, Hubertie Lansing Pruyn Hamlin, Minerva Miller Sparrow and Florence Eastman. So nice to learn more about the history of Mattapoissett.



MWC Spring Fundraiser “Pathway to Planting” Returns May 16 - 18, 2020

The Executive Board has voted to continue the Pathway to Planting fundraiser that was begun last spring. Deb Nettles has agreed to revise last year’s passport, having established the one for 2019.



We are looking for a few volunteers to approach the garden centers who participated in last years’ fundraiser. The response from them was very positive so we are anticipating that we won’t have a problem securing the same vendors. The passbooks will be available at the April 16th Annual meeting at a cost of \$10.00 each, prior to Mother’s Day. The week-end of May 16th and 17th is the date of the fundraiser and we are hoping that some of the vendors will extend the discount date, as in last year’s event.

Marion COA presents Sheryl Faye as Helen Keller: Champion of the Disabled

Monday, February 10th 12:30 p.m. This program is written from Helen’s mind eye. The story is told on a taped voice over as Helen reenacts her full life from her childhood through her discovery of language when she was seven years old to the writing of her twelve books. She will show the audience how she speaks and reads in Braille, her story continues through her graduation from college. A catered lunch of roast beef sandwiches with pasta salad will be served at 11:30 a.m.

Reservations are required for the lunch. Call 508.748.3570 by February 6th to make your reservation.



CARE Project for Military Women

The CARE Project for military women was well supported at previous meetings. This project is ongoing and “the white box on the side table” will be at all monthly meetings. A list of the items desired by these women is below. Christine Voss, who resides at 30 North Street has agreed to have a bin on her front porch for any contributions to this effort. Please support this project as it has been noted that some of these women serving overseas NEVER receive a package from home.

- Multivitamin or vitamins such as Hair/skin/ nails, vitamin C
- Adult coloring books and markers
- Hair ties
- Hair gel
- Trail mix, granola, nuts, energy bars, peanut butter, Nutella
- Lip balm
- High quality body wash
- Shampoo/ conditioner
- Resistance bands
- Yoga mat
- Candy/gum
- Motivational quotes and books
- Female hygiene products including new razors
- Hand sanitizer
- Nice deodorant
- Sudoku/word finds/cards/magazines
- Face and body lotion with Aloe or Shea butter
- Turkey jerky
- 5 hour energy bottles
- Books/ magazines
- Shaving cream (non aerosol)
- Baby wipes
- Ovaltine

Mattapoissett Woman's Club Offers Scholarships

Mattapoissett Woman's Club is pleased to offer three \$2,500.00 scholarship awards to Mattapoissett residents who are high school seniors, graduating June 2020.

In addition there will be a \$1,000.00 scholarship granted to a Mattapoissett resident who is reentering the academic world after graduation and is in pursuit of advanced education. Please call 508-207-6572 or email info@mattapoissettwomansclub.org for further information and to request an application.

The Mattapoissett Woman's Club is a philanthropic organization that plans and executes fundraising 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 support the community whom has partnered with the club in its fundraising efforts.

For High School seniors the scholarship application will be available in the Guidance offices at the local high schools or preparatory schools. Deadline for returning the completed application is March 31, 2020.

The following schools will be participating:

- Old Rochester Regional High School
- Bishop Stang High School
- Old Colony Regional Vocational High School
- Tabor Academy
- Bristol County Agricultural High School

Final deadline for returning completed applications March 31, 2020. No one will be considered after this date.

If you have any further questions you may contact the Mattapoissett Woman's Club

info@www.MattapoissettWomansClub.org

