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**INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S CLUB OF NEW ENGLAND**  
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The aim of the club is to foster friendship and understanding among people of different nations and to support charities that assist women and children.

# NEWSLETTER

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Grant checks are normally given to our chosen charities at our January monthly luncheon meeting. That luncheon meeting had to be cancelled due to Blizzard Juno which dumped four feet of snow and eight foot drifts on Maine and New Hampshire.

During the calm between storms, 2014 Fundraising Chair Rosa Hernandez hand delivered the first check to Mary Oplinger, Executive Director of Fair Tide, Inc. They are pictured above. Then she mailed grant checks to our other two charities.

### **Fundraising "Save-the-Dates"**

We will repeat last year's Breakfast for a Cause at the Nonantum Resort in Kennebunkport on Saturday, May 2nd. The Hotel donates money to us for our charities for every guest who attends.

We are also planning a Fashion Show at the Stage Neck Inn again on Saturday, May 30, featuring fashions by Daisy Jane's - more on that later.  
Lucille Gentsch, Fundraising Chair

If you would like to help out with either of these events, please contact me - Lucille at [Lucillegen@gmail.com](mailto:Lucillegen@gmail.com) or [207 318-7304](tel:2073187304).

### **Board of Directors 2014**

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The third board meeting of 2015 will be on March 9th at 10 AM at Sentry Hill. Next newsletter deadline will be Monday, March 9. Newsletters will be mailed the week following the Saturday luncheon to members unless they have indicated to us that they are willing to access the newsletter posted on our website:

[WWW.IWCNE.NET](http://WWW.IWCNE.NET)

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## Help Us Find our 2015 Charities!

Every year we search for deserving charities and many suggestions come from the membership. It is our mission to give to charities which primarily benefit women and children and we like to give to smaller organizations where our money can have an impact. If you know of any registered non-profit doing good work and in need of some financial help, please let me ([Lucillegen@gmail.com](mailto:Lucillegen@gmail.com) or [207 318-7304](tel:2073187304)) or any board member, know. Thank you for your input!

## Membership News

Our condolences to Georgiana Gallagher upon the recent loss of her significant other, Vince.

## IWCNE BOOK CLUB

Facilitators: Julie Stathoplos

### FEB BOOK CLUB MEETING

Date: Tuesday, Mar 3 at 6 PM

Book: *100 Years of Solitude*

Author: Gabriel Garcia Marquez

Hostess: Michele Hovde  
207.646.6407

### MAR BOOK CLUB MEETING

Date: Tuesday, Mar 31 at 6 PM

Book: *Animal Dreams*

Author: Barbara Kingsolver

Hostess: tbd

New members are always welcome.  
Please call the hostess if attending.

## **MARCH CALENDAR**

Mar 3 Book Club at 6  
Mar 7 World Cinema at 3  
Mar 9 Board Meeting at 10  
Mar 16 Francophone Lunch at 12  
Mar 21 St Pat's Party/Pot Luck at 5  
Mar 28 Club Luncheon at 11  
Mar 31 Book Club at 6  
May 2 Breakfast at Nonantum 8-11  
May 30 Fashion Show

## Membership

A delightful New Member Luncheon/orientation for six of our newest members was held at the home of Membership Chair Michele Hovde in Ogunquit just before this edition went to press.

Beside describing the many sub-groups our club already offers for members to get involved in, and the many ways in which people can utilize their skills in the IWCNE, much enthusiasm was expressed for a possible Spanish speaking group as well, perhaps, as a second group for those interested in improving their French before joining our existing French-speaking group for the more fluent members.

Getting to know each other better over Michele's incomparable spinach quiche, red and green radicchio salad and crême reversée was a great mid-winter treat.

## Francophone Gourmet Circle

The next Francophone luncheon will be on Monday, March 16 at a member's home. If you want to attend or join the Francophone group, please contact Michele at [michelehovde5@aol.com](mailto:michelehovde5@aol.com).

## Pot Lucks

Hostesses sought for warmer weather dates of your choice. Explore them with coordinator Lynne Gass. Be sure to sign up with her if you are attending our St Pat's Pot Luck Party at Lucille Gentsch's in Kennebunkport from 5-8 PM on Saturday, March 21st with music, as always, by the Ramsdell Ramblers!

## Les Chanteuses

Our group continues to perform at several area facilities for seniors, often receiving donations for our charities. Please come and have a good time. Newcomers always welcome. FMI contact Ellen Farber-Libowitz

## World Cinema Discussion

Date: Saturday, March 7

Time: 3 pm

Place: York Senior Center  
Route 1A York, ME

2013 Film: *Dancing in Jaffa*  
100 minutes in length

Confident that dance will dissolve political and cultural differences, celebrated ballroom dancer Pierre Dulaine returns to his hometown of Jaffa, Israel, after years abroad and teaches 11-year-old Jewish and Palestinian Israelis to dance together.

In Hebrew, Arabic & English with subtitles. Barb Poulin at 337.2623 if you plan to attend.

## Treasurer's Report

As of February 9, 2015, the Club's Administrative Account was \$4,751.87 and the Charity Account \$793.71 for a total of \$5,545.58.

Submitted by Jaye Anderton,  
Treasurer

# LUNCHEON RESERVATION FORM SATURDAY, March 28, 2015

**Stage Neck Inn Restaurant York Harbor ME 207.363.3850**

(Please fill out-clip-send) Send checks for **\$25** by Friday, March 20, 2015 to: Marsha Miller  
75 Hampton Meadows Hampton, NH 03842

**Social Time and Meeting at 11:00 Buffet Lunch at Noon**

**Speaker:**

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_ **PHONE** \_\_\_\_\_

**Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_ for # \_\_\_\_ Reservations**

**NOTE: ALL RESERVATIONS MUST BE IN 8 DAYS BEFORE THE LUNCHEON**

Tossed Salad (dressings on table)

Seafood Stuffed Haddock with Lobster Sauce

or

Chicken Schnitzel with Lemon Caper Butter Sauce

Dessert: Vanilla Ice Cream with Hot Fudge with a Pirouline

**Today's (Feb. 28) Speaker: Devin Burritt, Current Director of the Wells Public Library**

**March Luncheon Speaker: Judith B. J. Totman**

About her art, Judith B J Totman says, "There are two ways to create visual images: one from external stimuli, and the other from inside your head. I love to do both but most recently have tended toward the second. Painting *en plein air* is also inspirational -- one experiences sounds, motion, smells -- even the air contributes to a sense of place. Being present to the moment is at the heart of that whole experience. I strive to create a feeling of place, an atmosphere, something as fleeting as a stampede or as lingering as a peaceful path. Also, when I paint, I have to be emotionally involved. The subject has to capture my heart as well as my mind or I might as well go home!" Art has always been an important part of her life. Currently using pastels, working directly on the surface to create images, provides an immediacy that is different from other mediums. And I love the freedom of being able to make an initial painting, develop it, and follow its lead to fulfillment.

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## Yearly Luncheon Calendar– 2015

JANUARY 24  
FEBRUARY 28  
MARCH 28  
APRIL 25  
MAY 23  
JUNE 27  
JULY 25  
AUGUST 22  
SEPTEMBER 26  
OCTOBER 24  
NOVEMBER 28

The Board strongly encourages members to attend the monthly meetings, which are integral to IWCNE. Luncheons promote friendship, introduce new members, provide information about club activities as well as furthering our mission of understanding the diversity of cultures in our country and throughout the world. It is also your opportunity to invite friends who can learn about the club and its various programs and projects.

## WCI News

The annual WCI Board of Directors Meeting will be held in London from May 11-May 15. Unfortunately I will not be able to attend as I had planned.

If our President, Karen Petersen, is unable to attend we can send a club member, possibly two, to represent the IWCNE. (Our IWCNE delegate does not need to be a board member.) If someone is interested, please contact Zoi and Karen. Zoi will send the new information on to WCI. It is not mandatory that we send a representative.

Next year will be the WCI's Biannual Meeting which is open to all our club members, not just the Liaison and President (who are automatically on the Board of Directors). John and I attended that one in Denver three years ago; it was interesting and lots of fun. Spouses or companions or guests are welcome to both the London and the Biannual Meetings. We will probably learn the location of the latter in May or soon thereafter.

I plan to continue in my role as Liaison until my term finishes at year end.

Zoi Diamond, WCI liaison