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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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## New Feature: This Was the Month That Was

2012 was such a good year for the IWCNE. We raised more money than in the past with fun events and our international friendships are going strong. We closed the year with a Holiday Party at Shepherd's Cove – 60 of us sang, ate and drank – enjoying the warm ambience and elegant décor, ending the year on a high note.

2013 is off and running! Snowfall postponed our monthly Dejeuner Français. Nevertheless 12 of us from France, Venezuela, England, Canada, Sweden and Ireland met the following week to chat in French and eat delicious food. Another 12 members (with minor overlap) will be meeting on the 29th for Book Club, discussing Madeline Albright's Prague Winter, a fantastic read,. Meanwhile our World Cinema group enjoyed the colorful and quirky US film Moonrise Kingdom and Les Chanteuses continued to delight nursing home residents with jaunty, uplifting music. Looking forward to seeing you at some future event, Michele Hovde, Membership Chair [michele-hovde@aol.com](mailto:michele-hovde@aol.com).

## In Memoriam

We note the recent passing of two charter members of the

IWCNE:

Barbara Grover at 91 on Nov. 16

and

Priscilla Ropke at 90 on Jan. 14

## Luncheon Program Today

The International Women's Club of New England will award charitable grants to the 2012 recipients **A Safe Place** of Portsmouth, NH, **Seacoast Family Promise** of Stratham, NH and **The Children's Initiative** of Portland, ME.

Representatives from the three organizations will speak briefly about the important work their organizations do.

## Lindt Chocolate Bar Fundraiser — Reserve Your Spot Now!

Join us **Friday, February 8 at 3 pm** at the Lindt Chocolate Shop in the Kittery Outlet Mall

For only \$12 per person, you can design your own Valentine chocolate bar, you can shop for Lindt truffles or browse the neighboring stores.

Bring your spouses, partners, children, grandchildren, neighbor and friends to enjoy this delightful event.

Please call in your **reservation by Feb. 6** to Marsha Miller (207.671.5154) or Rosa Hernandez (207.239.0263)

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The second board meeting of 2013 will be on February 11th at 9:30 AM at Sentry Hill. Next newsletter deadline will be Monday, February 11. 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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## The President's Corner

Welcome to a new and exciting year with IWCNE!

I will be serving as a long distance president for the first four months with the help of the incoming vice-president, Marsha Miller. I will be conducting the Board Meetings via Skype from Florida and Marsha will run the luncheon meetings in person. Ellen Farber will be on stand-by, waiting in the wings as a reserve assistant.

We begin the year by, today, awarding significant monies to our three 2012 chosen charities. These monies were a result of a lot of hard work and I'd like to thank our many members who gave an inordinate amount of their time in these fund raising activities. And I also would be remiss if I did not take the opportunity to extend my thanks on behalf of all of our members to Ellen Farber-Libowitz, our outgoing president, for having served three full years, instead of the usual two. Ellen dedicated a great amount of her time to managing the many activities of the club and did so with a high level of competence and goodwill. We should all be appreciative. (continued on opposite page)

## Membership News: Directory Updates

New Member: Ellen Dawson (Stu) 207.363.7436 ew-dawson@maine.rr.com POB 1113 York Hbr ME 03911

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Carol Gronquist: 2 Victoria CT, apt 204 (Sentry H)

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Johanna Mangion robertbmangion@gmail.com

Jane Page jane.hohn@gmail.com

No longer members: Muriel Poulin & Michele Hatch

### Book Club

Co-Facilitators: Julie Stathoplos/

Anna McGann

JANUARY BOOK CLUB

Date: Tuesday, January 29 at 6 PM

Book: *Prague Winter*

Author: Madeline Albright

Hostess: Michele Hovde 207.646-6407

FEBRUARY BOOK CLUB

Date: Tuesday, February 26 at 6 PM

Book and Author: TBD

Hostess: Pat Dateo 207.251.4402

Be sure to call hostesses first!

### Francophone Gourmet Circle

The next Francophone luncheon will be on Wednesday, February 20th at noon. Zoi Diamond will email venue details. If you want to attend or join the Francophone group, please contact Zoi at zoidiamond@aol.com 603.828.2631

### Potluck Fundraiser

On Thursday, February 28<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM at the home of Ellen Farber we will be holding a RED themed party, \$10 p/p and your dish. Wear Red? Cook /bring something red?

To sign up contact Lynne Gass at 207-490-1391 or [lgass@metrocast.net](mailto:lgass@metrocast.net)

### Jeans and Jewels

Mark your calendars for this major Club fundraiser on Wednesday, June 26, 2013 6-8 PM at the Sheraton Harborside Hotel in Portsmouth. This fun event will feature a delicious Italian buffet, cash bar, best jeans and jewels contest, door prizes and raffle to win desirable items. Stay tuned for more details over the coming months.

### World Cinema Discussion

Date: Monday, February 4

Time: 6 pm

Place: Yorkshire Commons York

Film: *Beasts of the Southern Wild*

Directed in 2012 by Ben Zeitlin

This fantastical drama follows a little girl named Hushpuppy who lives in a dilapidated pocket of homes in the Mississippi Delta. When her father falls ill and natural disasters strike, Hushpuppy sets off to find her long-lost mother.

No subtitles. 93 minutes long.

Light refreshments served. Call Barb Poulin at 337.2623 if you plan to attend. \$3 suggested donation.

### Les Chanteuses

Call Ellen Farber at 207.646.8666 for more info on on-going activities.

### FEBRUARY CALENDAR

January 29 Book Club  
February 4 World Cinema  
February 8 Lindt Fundraiser  
February 11 Board Mtg  
February 20 Francophone  
February 23 Club Lunch  
February 26 Book Club  
February 28 Pot Luck  
June 26 Jeans and Jewels

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# LUNCHEON RESERVATION FORM SATURDAY, February 23, 2013

**Bintliff's Restaurant 335 Main St. (Rt 1) Ogunquit, ME 207.646.3111**

(Please fill out-clip-send) Send checks for \$20 by Friday, February 15, 2013 to: Marsha Miller

75 Hampton Meadows Hampton, NH 03842

**Social Time and Meeting at 11:00 Lunch at Noon SPEAKERS TOPIC: Wells Public Library**

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

**Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_ for # \_\_\_\_ Reservations Our private room is large enough for just 25!**

Demi Mixed Green Salad or Cup of Chowder

Choice of: Mother Earth Vegetable Wrap or French Dip on Potato Focaccia

Cranberry Herb Chicken Salad over Baby Spinach

Chef's Choice Dessert Coffee, Tea, Soft Drinks

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

**Alice Schleiderer**, Wells Public Library Board of Trustees, helped to co-found the Tatnic Hill School in Wells, worked two years for the Sanford public schools as a counselor, and remained in private practice for 30 years, retiring in 2009. She has an undergraduate degree in psychology from the University of California, Santa Cruz and a doctor's degree in counseling and human relations from the University of Massachusetts, Amherst. Alice developed a love for public libraries early in life from her mother who was a public and school librarian.

**Jacqui Boyko**, Wells Public Library Board of Trustees and Secretary of the Wells Public Library Foundation Board, cooked professionally for eight years with a degree in Culinary Arts from Johnson & Wales University. She is currently pursuing a degree in Nutrition at the University of New Hampshire to become a Registered Dietician. Jacqui feels that libraries are an invaluable resource and a true center for life-long learning.

**Cindy Schilling**, Wells Library Director since November of 2011, received her masters degree in library and information science with honors in 2003 from Dominican University in River Forest, Illinois. She has an undergraduate degree in Political Science and Human Services Administration from Hastings College, has worked for the Social Security Administration, and worked in a public library in the northern suburbs of Chicago. In 2006 Cindy and her husband moved to Maine and she joined the Well Public Library as Assistant Director and Youth Services Librarian.

### **President's Message** (continued)

In keeping with tradition we will be holding our summer Flea Market and finally the important, annual Holiday Fair in November. This has been held every year since the Club started and gets better every year. We desperately need two co-chairs for this event and are asking membership to step up for this purpose. The information packet is completed and ready to be handed over to the new co-chairs. Most of last year's volunteers will be available for working the

Fair, so all that is left is for volunteers to come forth!

As a final thought, let me hear from you about anything but especially ideas or suggestions that you might have that you feel would be helpful in moving the Club forward.

Mary Lee Pons, IWCNE President

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## Yearly Luncheon Calendar– 2013

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

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 CORNER

Our club will be hosting the WCI Executive Committee Meeting the first week in October. They would like to visit New England and enjoy some leaf peeping as well as meet our members. Several fun field trips and social activities will be planned which we hope you will attend and enjoy!

Stay tuned for news as plans develop. This event promises to offer all of us the opportunity to meet some very interesting people and have a wonderful time!

In friendship, Zoi Diamond, WCI Liaison

### A Heartfelt THANK YOU from all of us

To be a volunteer takes time and effort. Most of us likely fit into that category but how much have you been willing to contribute. For the past three years our President Ellen has fulfilled her roll to its fullest with pose and skills. She has been surrounded and aided by a very able executive Board who among several accomplishments has surpassed previous fundraising efforts to aid our Club's Mission to assist women and children. The baton has now been passed on to President Mary Lee Pons who with her Board I am sure will continue on the path the Club was founded upon. If you feel that your time has come to give back to IWCNE what you have received from her or maybe you are being new to this club. You will be rewarded not in monitory funds but with a friendship far surpassing many tasks you likely have encounter.

Thank you to all, who has and now want to make a difference as a human being.

Anna Kristina Sawtelle, IWCNE Founder 1992 and 3 times President