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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

Founded in 1992 by Anna Kristina Sawtelle  
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## Slate of 2016 Officers

To be voted upon by those members attending November 28 luncheon during the Business Meeting at 11:30 AM

- President - Lucille Gentsch
- Vice President - Ellen Farber
- Secretary - Karen Ida Petersen
- Treasurer - Barb Poulin
- Membership - Michele Hovde
- Fundraising - Ellen O'Toole
- Luncheons - Mary Lee Pons
- Programs - Deborah Forster and Jane Bagnell
- Activities - Betty Williams
- Historian - Regina Godfrey
- Newsletter and Publicity - Marge Dunnington

Additionally nominations from the are floor always welcome.

## Invitation to All Members

Once again your IWCNE Board of Directors invites you to a Holiday Celebration party at the Clubhouse of Shephards Cove in Kittery. This is the Board's way of thanking the membership for all your support and hard work.

It will be held from 2-4 PM on Saturday, December 5. There will be light food (this is not a pot luck) and beverages, music and merriment. (No football). So bring your holiday cheer and sing-a-long voices! Please email Lucille at [lucillegen@gmail.com](mailto:lucillegen@gmail.com) or call (207) 967-5623 if you would like to attend and for directions.

### Board of Directors 2015

President	Karen Ida Peterson
Vice President	Ellen Farber-Libowitz
Secretary	Charline Ludgate
Treasurer	Jaye Anderton
Fundraising	Lucille Gentsch
Programs	Judith Maxted-Rice
Luncheons	Marge Dunnington/ Mary Lee Pons
Membership	Michele Hovde
Newsletter	Barb Poulin
Activities	Betty Williams
Publicity	Maureen Clayton
Historian	Betsy Wilde
WCI Liaison	Zoi Diamond
Founder	Anna Kristina Sawtelle

The first board meeting of 2016 will be on Monday January 11th at 10 AM at Sentry Hill. Note: Next newsletter deadline will be Monday, January 11. Newsletters will be mailed the week following the luncheon to all members who did not attend Saturday's luncheon unless you have requested that we not do so. Newsletters will continue to be able to be accessed on our website

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

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## THANKS TO ALL

Celebrating the Holiday Season, the IWCNE held another wonderfully successful Holiday Fair on November 7 at the Village Elementary School in York. We had approximately 350 people who came through the door to enjoy all the holiday gifts, raffle and the delicious homemade soups. Thanks goes out to all the help with cooking and service that our members provided. It is a joint effort as well as a great benefit that goes to our charities.

These are the businesses that donated to our Fair: Village Food Market - Ogunquit, Dunkin' Donuts - Moody Beach, Congdons Donuts, Mike's Clam Shack Restaurant and Bull n Claw- Wells, Bagel Basket and Hannaford - York, Bobs Clam Hut - Kittery and Beach Pea- Kittery, Spiller Farm- Wells

### IWCNE BOOK CLUB

Facilitators: Julie Stathoplos and Charline Ludgate

#### NOV. BOOK CLUB MEETING

Date: Tuesday, December 1 at 6 PM

Book: *The Girl on the Train*

Author: Paula Hawkins

Hostess: Michele Hovde 207.646.

#### JAN. BOOK CLUB MEETING

Date: Tuesday, 26 at 6 PM

Book: *Continental Drift*

Author: Russell Banks

Hostess: tba

New members are always welcome.

**Please call the hostess if attending!!**

### **DEC/JAN CALENDAR**

Dec 1 Book Club at 6  
Dec 5 Holiday Party 2-4 PM  
Dec 10 World Cinema at 3  
Dec 14 Francophone Lunch at 12  
Jan 11 Board Meeting at 10  
Jan 14 World Cinema at 3  
Jan 18 Francophone Lunch at 12  
Jan 23 Club Luncheon at 11  
Jan 26 Book Club at 6

**Choosing 2016 Charities** I will be sending applications in January to charities we will consider for our 2016 awards. Each one will be discussed and voted on in March. We prefer helping organizations that help women and children. Also, we usually choose groups that are small enough for our donation to make a difference. We usually like to give to local charities, but we do sometimes choose international groups. If you would like to submit a group for our consideration, please send me charity name & contact info via [ccludgate@comcast.net](mailto:ccludgate@comcast.net) or call me at 207-439-8884

### Member News

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### Francophone Gourmet Circle

The next Francophone luncheon will be at on Monday, December **14** at noon. Note the date change! For more information if you want to attend or learn more about the Francophone group, please contact Shona at [downpat26@comcast.net](mailto:downpat26@comcast.net).

### Dining Divas

Please contact Lynne Gass to offer suggestions for venues: 207.490.1391, 207.607.1405, or at [lgass@metrocast.net](mailto:lgass@metrocast.net)

Not too soon to think about possibly hosting a pot luck fundraiser in 2016 at a date most convenient for you. Explore the possibility with Lynne.

### 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 at 207.251.1746

### World Cinema Discussion

Date: Thursday, December 10  
Time: 3 pm

Place: York Senior Center  
Route 1A York, ME

2015 US film:

***I'll See You In My Dreams***

Written and directed by Brett Haley; stars Blythe Danner, Rhea Perlman, June Squibb, Martin Starr and Sam Elliott

With her well-ordered life thrown out of balance by the death of her beloved companion, an aging widow who hasn't dated in 20 years, unexpectedly finds herself involved with two very different men. Please call Barb at 207.337.2623 if you plan to attend.

### Treasurer's Report

As of November 9, 2015, the Club's Administrative Account was \$501.55 and the Charity Account \$10,142.47 for a total of \$10,644.02. Submitted by

Jaye Anderton, Treasurer

**LUNCHEON RESERVATION FORM SATURDAY January 23, 2016**

**York Harbor Inn 480 York Street York Harbor, ME 207.363.5199**

Reservations Due Friday, January 15. You can email Mary Lee Pons  
MaryLee\_Pons@yahoo.com

or call 207.985.6273 and pay at door. Or send check for \$25.00 to:

Mary Lee Pons

14 Nottingham Court Kennebunk, ME 04043.

**Social Time and Meeting at 11:00 Lunch at Noon Program: Announce our 2015 Charities!**

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

Entrée: Steamed Haddock Genovese  
(Atlantic Haddock Steamed with Pesto Butter and Fresh Vegetables)

OR

Brochette of Beef (Tenderloin Tips, Mushroom Gravy)  
All Entrees served with warm rolls & butter Chef's Choice Dessert

**Today's November 28 Program features: Art HOPE 1000 Healing Cranes**

Laura Jaquays Board President & Executive Director

Expressive Arts Practitioner, Educator

Artist, Writer, Founder of Art HOPE – Ogunquit, Maine

**January 23 Speaker:** Leslie Morissette of Grahamtastic Connection, one of our four 2015 Charities. Grahamtastic Connection provides free laptops, tablets, robotics (VGo robots) and internet access to seriously ill children for educational purposes. Leslie Morissette founded Grahamtastic Connection in honor of her son Graham who sadly lost his battle to cancer in 1997 at age 8. While spending many hours with Graham at the hospital, Leslie became keenly aware of a great need for children and families to access the internet. It was this need that inspired her to create Grahamtastic Connection. She will tell us about the wonderful accomplishments of the organization she founded and introduce us to one of their Robots!

A Womanaid spokeswoman will report to us later in the year to tell us who we have actually helped through their efforts. A fourth program will feature End 68 Hours of Hunger.



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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.

## In Memoriam

Long-time member Carol Gronquist died on November 8<sup>th</sup>. She served on the IWCNE Board during 2000-2001 and hosted our twentieth anniversary celebration at the Reading Room in York Harbor. With her dear friend Cynthia Raymond she regularly attended our monthly French luncheons and enjoyed decorating tables at our annual fashion show fundraisers. She is survived by a daughter, two grandchildren and two brothers. A memorial service is being planned for early spring. Donations in her memory may be sent to St. George's Episcopal Church PO Box 364 York Harbor ME 03911 where she had long served as a Lay Eucharistic Minister at area nursing homes.

## Member Birthdays

December  
3 Enid Topchik  
14 Charline Ludgate 26  
Maria Toomey Thompson  
January  
1 Nancy Ramsdell  
14 Ellen Farber  
18 Lee Regan-Jacks  
25 Sally Sulloway

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