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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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President's Message

As the calendar year draws to an end, so does our fundraising year. We have held many different types of events over the course of the last 11 months, but the crowning glory is our Holiday Fair which took place last Saturday. This event is a culmination of hard work which started right after last year's Fair. I cannot praise the Holiday Fair Committee enough. It was headed by Ellen Farber, Lynne Gass, and Mary Lee Pons - this Triumvirate, along with the Mistress of the Kitchen, Micky Robinson, guided a small army of member volunteers along the path to Holiday Fair success. It was well -organized, well -attended (300 plus at last count) and well-received. I counted over 40 members who participated either on the spot or behind the scenes. Any president would be proud of this group and I appreciate everyone's hard work. It has been an honor to be at the helm this year and honestly, a lot of fun, too. And, in the end, we will again have managed to raise close to \$9,000 for our chosen charities.

Thank you, Lucille

Ellen O'Toole & Ellen Farber



Merci, Gracias, Danke, Tack sa mycket, Todah

In any language, many thanks to our dedicated committee, all the volunteers (including all of the men who gave us invaluable assistance), and vendors who all had a hand in making our 25th International Women's Club Holiday Fair a huge success. All of our hard work certainly paid off, and we can all feel very proud of our efforts. What an amazing organization!

I would especially like to thank our generous donors and encourage you to patronize their businesses: Beach Pea Bakery, Kittery - Bob's Clam Hut, Kittery - Congdon Donuts, Wells - Dunkin Donuts, Wells - Hannaford, York - Food Market, Ogunquit - When Pigs Fly, York. We couldn't have done it without their contributions.

We had 35 talented vendors and over 300 guests who supported our vendors and enjoyed delicious food and baked goods. The end result of this gave us a profit that even surpassed last year's total. We are so grateful to be able to award so much to our deserving charities.

Now we have to start planning for the next year! Our follow-up meeting will be Wednesday, November 30 at 1 PM at Ellen Farber's home. Please feel free to attend and/or send us any suggestions/comments you might have. Thank you all again.

In Friendship, Ellen Farber, Lynne Gass, Mary Lee Pons



Vendors & Shoppers



Mary Lee, Vendor, Lynn



Lucille and Regina

Board of Directors 2016

President	Lucille Gentsch
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Activities	Betty Williams
Historian	Regina Godfrey
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Founder	Anna Kristina Sawtelle

The eleventh meeting of 2016 will be on Monday, Jan 9th, 10 AM at Sentry Hill. Note: Next newsletter deadline will also be due on this date. Newsletters will be mailed Monday of the week following the luncheon to all members who did not attend Saturday's luncheon unless they have requested that we not do so. Newsletters will continue to be able to be accessed on our website.

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Julie Stathoplos would like to thank the IWCNE members for the many cards and notes she received after her husband's passing. They were very comforting to her .

Our condolences to member **Monique Zombeck** on the loss of her husband Martin on September 28th.

CONGRADULATIONS! To **Susan Heckaman** of the financial services firm Edward Jones in York recently won the firm's Edward Jones Sr. Founders Award, for her exceptional achievement in building client relationships. Susan was one of 2,262 of the firm's 14,000 financial advisors to receive the award. It is named after Edward Jones Sr., who founded the firm in 1922 under the principle that financial advisors would be treated as business partners rather than employees.

TIME TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP

Dues for 2017 are \$35 and can be paid by check or on our website. Pam will be collecting checks at both the November luncheon and our Holiday Party. Please help us save time and pay today before we all get busy with the holiday season. If these options don't work, please mail your check to: Pam Lynch, POB 1753, Ogunquit, ME 03907 or go to www.iwcne.net.

PLEASE NOTE - As of January, we will discontinue general mailings of the newsletter. We will, however, send to members who request them. If you would like to have a copy via mail, please contact Barb Poulin at 207-337-2623 or barbpoulin@aol.com

IWCNE BOOK CLUB

Date: Tuesday, Nov. 22nd at 6:00

Book: Let The Great World Spin

Author: Colum McCann

Hostess: Polly Coletti 813-633-2987

Date: Tuesday, Jan. 31st at 6:00

Book: Saving Sophie

Author: Ronald H. Belson

Hostess: To Be Announced

Please call hostess if you plan to attend

World Cinema

Thurs. , Jan. 12th at 3:00 PM

York Senior Ctr., Rt. 1A, York Beach, ME.

The Wave, a 2015 film from Norway, 145 minutes long, some subtitles.

Everyone in the Norwegian village of Geiranger knows that one day the mountain overlooking their homes will collapse into the fjord and set off a tsunami. When the alarm finally sounds, residents and tourists have 10 minutes to get to high ground.

Treasurer's Report-Nov. 14 , 2016

Administrative Account \$ 1,776.43

Charity Account \$ 8,875.54

TOTAL: \$10,651.97

Reserved within the administrative total is for Club's 25th Anniversary Event in 2017 :

Anniversary Fund \$ 1,575.00

Barb Poulin, Treasurer

DECEMBER/JANUARY CALENDAR

Dec. 04 IWCNE Holiday Party

Jan. 12 World Cinema

Jan. 16 Francophone Luncheon

Nov. 22 Book Club

Nov. 29 Gallery Goers

Jan. 31 Book Club

Les Chanteuses

We continue to entertain throughout York County. Our schedule for November: 10th Sentry Hill, 23rd Kennebunk Nursing Center, 25th Vaney's Crossing, 29th Huntington Common, 30th Durgin Pines. Please join us! Call Ellen Farber for details: 207-251-1746.

Francophone

We welcome new members who are able to converse in French. The next luncheon will be at noon, Monday, January 16th. Please contact Shona Taplin at downpat26@comcast.net for more information or if you are interested in attending this luncheon.

Welcome New Member

Margaret Miller Weeks, PO Box 2231, Ogunquit, ME 03907, 207-646-8194, email: Mweeks@maine.rr.com

Members: Once again your IWCNE Board of Directors invite you to a Holiday Celebration Party on Sunday, December 4th, from 2 to 4 PM. This is the board's way of thanking the membership for all your support and hard work. The location is pending; however, we will notify everyone as quickly as possible. There will be light food (this is not a pot luck) and beverages, music and merriment. So bring your holiday cheer and sing-a-long voices! Please email Lucille at lucillegen@gmail.com or call 207-967-5623 if you would like to attend and to get directions.

Gallery Goers November 29th. This month I suggest going to the Victoria Mansion in Portland. A National Historic Landmark, it is beautiful any time of the year but especially over the holidays when area designers decorate the rooms. The theme this year is "A Currier and Ives Christmas". We can meet at the Wells Transportation Center at 10:30 and carpool. If we have 10 people, we can get a group rate and guided tour. After touring the mansion we can go to lunch. If you would like to come, please contact Lucille at 207-967-5623 or lucillegen@gmail.com.



"Adopt" a Child in Rural Maine We were able to provide 10 children with gifts for Christmas. Thank you all for your help. Pam Lynch

December

03 Enid Topchik
05 Selena Noiles
07 Barb Poulin
09 Mary Kinnear
11 Virginia Souza

Birthdays

14 Charline Ludgate
18 Muriel Rogers
26 Maria Toomey-Thompson
30 Lynne Gass & Karen Ida Peterson

January

01 Nancy Ramsdell
14 Ellen Farber
18 Lee R Jacks
22 Marian McAuliffe

LUNCHEON RESERVATION FORM, Saturday, January 28, 2017

The Roost Café & Bristo, 262 Shore Rd., Ogunquit, Maine 207-646-9898

You can email **deborah.foster13@comcast.net** and pay at door or send check for \$28.00 to:
IWCNE, PO Box 351, Cape Neddick, ME. 03902

Social Time: 11:00 AM, Meeting:11:30 AM, Lunch at Noon followed by program

NAME: _____ PHONE _____

Reservations Due No Later Than Saturday, January 21st

Reminder: Cancellations need to be 7 Days before luncheon or you will be asked to pay.

CHOICE OF:

- 1: Herb Roasted Chicken Breast, Lyonnaise Potatoes, Fricassee Vegetables/Jus
2. Crispy Salmon with Lemon Beurre Blanc, Saffron Couscous, Vegetable Medley
3. Tender Butternut Pasta, Marinated Vegetable Medley, Toasted Sage Jus

Served with Chef's Choice of Amuse Bouche, Apple Cobbler w/Caramel Sauce or Chocolate Pot de Crème

Coffee, Tea, and Iced Tea available

If you are in need of transportation to the luncheon, please contact Deborah Forster at 310-749-8356

JANUARY LUNCHEON PROGRAM:

At our January Luncheon meeting, we will welcome representatives from our 2016 charity recipients and learn about the good work they are doing in our community and beyond:

Dress a Girl Around the World believes that every girl deserves the dignity of owning at least one dress. Volunteers make the dresses, which are personally delivered around the world, some by Ambassador Southern Maine Jacqueline Dewey. Jackie will share with us how owning a dress shows that someone cares for this girl and is a protection against abuse. **Time of Wonder Early Learning Center** is a new child care center and a family resource center. They believe that every child deserves an exceptional early childhood experience. Executive Director Katie Schindler saw a need for quality, affordable child care in this area. Our grant will help them offer tuition assistance. **Girls on the Run New Hampshire** inspires girls to be joyful, healthy and confident using a fun, experience based curriculum which creatively integrates running with life skills. Executive Director Jennifer Hubbell sees lives changed by the experience, giving girls from difficult backgrounds the confidence to meet problems and set goals. **Hospice Help Foundation** provides financial needs for non-medical services, in order to improve their quality of life by lifting financial and emotional burdens that accompany a terminal diagnosis. Executive Director Janet Prescott will share with us how different needs are met, usually within 24 hours of the request.

TODAY'S LUNCHEON SPEAKERS:

Patty Cohen and Amy Craig
Past and Present Presidents of the Board of Directors for
Womanaid of Greater Portsmouth

This organization is one of our 2016 charity recipients. Since its inception in 2005 by eight women who wanted to help their neighbors in need, Womanaid has provided over \$270,000 in assistance and helped over 1,700 community members. By working with community validators such as social workers, school officials, local clergy and teachers and paying expenses directly, Womanaid is able to provide short-term support for expenses up to \$500 to help their needy neighbors when they have nowhere else to turn. Womanaid has realized that covering small expenses has made a significant impact in the lives of fellow community members and will share how our donation has made a difference in many lives.



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Yearly Luncheon Calendar– 2017

JANUARY 28

FEBRUARY 25

MARCH 25

APRIL 22

MAY 20

JUNE 21 (Wed)

JULY 26 (Wed)

AUGUST 23 (Wed)

SEPTEMBER 23

OCTOBER 28

NOVEMBER 18

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.

OCTOBER LUNCHEON REPORT

Our October luncheon and meeting was a great success at Stage Neck Inn. We all enjoyed a delicious meal and afterward, delightful and informative speakers, Marcia and Reverend Jim Christiansen. They shared their missionary experiences in Ghana. The Christiansens, encouraged by local leaders, are instrumental in many developmental projects benefitting the people of Ghana. On their first trip they helped build a church, followed by establishing a kindergarten. Later projects included a water distribution system and electricity grid. They brought back necklaces, purses, and other goods made in the village they work in and we were able to see the crafts and purchase them. All the monies earned go back to the village.

PROPOSED BOARD MEMBERS FOR 2017

The membership will elect the board for 2017 today. This is the slate of proposed board members that will be presented by the nominating committee:

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