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INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S CLUB OF NEW ENGLAND
NON-PROFIT NON-POLITICAL NON-SECTARIAN

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

Last month's luncheon was about as close to perfection as it gets. During the business meeting we congratulated Betty Williams and Marilyn Barnett, both long-standing members, on their 90th birthdays! We also laid out a plan for buying holiday gifts for needy children. We had a delicious lunch and then two marvelous speakers. Elissa Kaplan Senter and Yasmin Alani are remarkable women who eloquently expressed the values of friendship and harmony which are also the principles of our organization. These women filled the room with enthusiasm and love which resonated with all of us. As Yasmin's husband said, we should not tolerate each others' differences, but rather celebrate them.

In conclusion, a short October poem I found appropriate:

A warm sunny day in October, Can be a special treat.
 The harvest has begun - Of pumpkins, gourds and wheat.
 So, on this happy day, here's my wish for you -
 May you gather joy and laughter, And love and friendship too.



PROPOSED BOARD MEMBERS FOR 2017

At the monthly luncheon on November 19th, the membership will elect the board for 2017. This is the slate of proposed board members that will be presented by the nominating committee:

President	Lucille Gentsch
Vice President	Ellen Farber-Libowitz
Secretary	Karen Ida Peterson
Treasurer	Barb Poulin
Fundraising	Ellen O'Toole
Programs & Luncheons	Deborah Forster & Jane Bagnell
Membership	Pam Lynch & Jaye Anderton
Newsletter & Publicity	Marge Dunnington
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Founder	Anna Kristina Sawtelle

The eleventh meeting of 2016 will be on Monday, Nov. 14th, 10 AM at Sentry Hill. Note: Next newsletter deadline will also be due on Nov. 14th. 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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We are pleased to WELCOME three new members:

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PLEASE UPDATE YOUR DIRECTORY: Marsha Miller's new address: 7 Sterling Hill Lane, #742, Exeter, NH 03833

TIME TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP

We hope you are enjoying all of our club activities and events and plan 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 October & November luncheons. Please help us save time and pay today before we all get busy with the holiday season. If you won't be at the luncheons, please mail your check to: Pam Lynch, POB 1753, Ogunquit, ME 03907 or go to www.iwcne.net

IWCNE BOOK CLUB

Date: Tuesday, Oct. 25th at 6:00

Book:Father of the Rain

Author: Lily King

Hostess: Barb Poulin, 207-337-2623 or
barbpoulin@aol.com

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

Book: Let The Great World Spin

Author: Colum McCann

Hostess: Polly Coletti 813-633-2987

Pls. call the hostess if you plan to attend.



HOLIDAY FAIR – NOVEMBER 5TH

We're getting close folks!! Next Holiday Fair meeting will be at Ellen Farber's house on Wednesday Oct. 26th at 1 PM. Collect your give away jewelry and volunteer to help. Call Ellen for details: 207-646-8666. It's such a fun event and just think of the wonderful goodies!!

Les Chanteuses

We continue to entertain throughout York County at least 5 times a month. We are compensated for our singing as well. Please join us if you want to have fun and bring good cheer all year round to people who cannot get out. Call Ellen Farber for details: 207-251-1746

Francophone

We welcome new members who are able to converse in French. The next Francophone luncheon will be at noon, Monday, November 21st. Please contact Shona Taplin at downpat26@comcast.net for more information or if you are interested in attending the luncheon.

Potluck Sunday Brunch - The Calm Before the Storm

November 13th, 11 AM to 2 PM at Lucille's house. Let's relax for a Sunday brunch before the holiday frenzy starts. Sit back, enjoy the view and munch on delicious food. We'll have a cozy fire and some tasty coffee and tea drinks. Would you like a Borgia (yes, named after Lucretia), which is Espresso coffee, hot chocolate, whipped cream and grated orange rind? Or homemade chai with cinnamon, cardamom and star anise? Admission: A brunch dish and \$10 donation for our charity fund. Sign up with Lynne Gass lgass@metrocast.net or (207-) 607-1305.

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

World Cinema

Thurs. Nov. 10th at 3:00 PM

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

2015 Academy Award Winning

Estonian/Georgian Film: **Tangerines**

During the vicious Georgian-Abkhazian conflict of the 1990's, two Estonian tangerine farmers refuse to leave their homes as the fighting grows ever closer. After each one rescues a wounded soldier from the opposite side, a very personal battle ensues. Subtitles in English. 86 minutes in length.

Treasurer's Report-Oct. 10, 2016

Administrative Account	\$2,063.12
Charity Account	\$6,870.64
TOTAL:	\$8,933.76

25th Anniversary Fund	\$1,550.00
Barb Poulin, Treasurer	

NOVEMBER CALENDAR

Oct. 25	Book Club
Nov. 5	Holiday Fair
Nov.10	World Cinema
Nov.13	Pot Luck Brunch
Nov.21	Francophone Luncheon
Nov.22	Book Club
Nov.29	Gallery Goers

November Birthday

Nov. 16 Catherine Trent
And a late birthday wish for Rosa Hernandez
(Oct. 16)

LUNCHEON RESERVATION FORM, Saturday, November 19, 2016

Jonathan's Restaurant, 92 Bourne Lane, Ogunquit, Maine 207-646-4777

You can email marylee_pons@yahoo.com and pay at door or send check for \$25.00 to:

Mary Lee Pons, 14 Nottingham Ct, Kennebunk, ME. 04043

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

NAME: _____ PHONE _____

Reservations Due No Later Than Saturday, November 12th

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

CHOICE OF:

Lemon Baked Haddock

OR

Roast Loin of Pork

Served with Garden Salad & Chef's Choice of Dessert

Coffee, Tea, and Iced Tea available

If you are in need of transportation to the luncheon, please contact Mary Lee at 207-985-6273

NOVEMBER LUNCHEON SPEAKERS:

Board Members from 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.

TODAY'S LUNCHEON SPEAKERS

MARCIA AND REVEREND JIM CHRISTIANSEN - MISSIONS TO GHANA

In their innumerable missions to Ghana over the last seventeen years, the Christiansens have been instrumental in many developmental projects benefitting the people of Ghana. Encouraged by local leaders, they first built a church, followed by the establishment of a kindergarten. Later projects included a water distribution system and an electricity grid. Recent missions have concentrated on providing desks, school supplies and books for the local public kindergarten, elementary and junior high schools.

A partnership between local clan leaders, counsel chiefs and this dedicated couple evolved into the current 501C3 corporation, Amengo which focuses on education and health issues. Amengo is presently supporting 28 students in private high schools, universities, business, trade and nursing schools. Since Ghana presently has no public high schools, this support is necessary for future growth. Priority is given to supporting young women and several have since graduated from universities.



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Yearly Luncheon Calendar– 2016

JANUARY 23
FEBRUARY 27
MARCH 26
APRIL 25
MAY 28
JUNE 22 (Wed)
JULY 23
AUGUST 24 (Wed)
SEPTEMBER 24
OCTOBER 22
NOVEMBER 19

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.

SEPTEMBER LUNCHEON REPORT

The September luncheon, attended by 25 members and guests, was held at York Harbor Inn. During the business meeting the club presented beautiful bouquets to Marilyn Barnett and Betty Williams (Betty was unable to attend the luncheon so her flowers were delivered to her home). Both long-standing members are turning 90 in October. Pam Lynch described the Ogunquit Spirit of Giving program which we intend to support this holiday season. After lunch the speakers, Elissa Kaplin Senter and Yasmin Alani told us about their lives and friendship with wit and charm. Elissa is the wife of a Rabbi and Yasmin the wife of an Imam. Both women stressed how much they are alike. Their bond is symbolized in the bread baking they do together. In fact, Yasmin brought us beautiful loaves of challah to take home and enjoy. Their positivity was infectious and made us all feel good. (Photos compliments of Jane Bagnell)



Elissa, Yasmin and Lucille



Yasmin holding freshly baked loaves of challah