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INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S CLUB OF NEW ENGLAND

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An affiliated member of Welcome Clubs International, Inc.

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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Message from the President

Please consider:

Once more our club has presented a late spring fashion show that has been declared a success! Congratulations to Lee Regan-Jacks and her hard working committee. Cheers for what you've accomplished.

As you know IWCNE has many dedicated members who worked quietly for months in advance of all fund raisers. You don't hear that much about what's happening behind the scenes, but when the big day arrives, their tireless energetic effort is evident and, once again, our charities will benefit.

We can't accomplish all of this without you, our members. We always need your help. We need people to help physically as well as your new ideas for fund raising activities. We welcome your suggestions. Please remember, though, the way these ideas must be presented. Contact the activities director and the club president who will then present your suggestions to the board. If the project can be done we'll most likely ask you to be part of the group doing it and we'll do our best to make it fun for you—just give us a chance!

Esperanza Academy

IWCNE Charity Recipient

Esperanza Academy, School of Hope, will receive our major charity grant for 2009. This school serves 80 economically disadvantaged girls, grades 5-8, in Lawrence, MA, one of the poorest cities in Massachusetts. Girls come from homes where the median annual family income is less than 60% of the statewide average, and they are chosen by lottery, reserving 20% of openings for "at risk" referrals by the MA Department of Social Services.

The girls attend school 11 hours a day, including music, art, sports, and other special interest activities. The school also finds summer camps and scholarships for their students to enrich their education. Following 8th grade, they find further educational opportunities for their graduates in private high schools. Each girl has mentors who will follow her all the way through college, and they do plan to go to college! Our donation will help them expand their counseling program.

Statistics on the progress students have made at Esperanza are very impressive, but it was meeting some of the girls at our interview with Laurie Bottiger, head of school, that made our decision easy. These young women are bright, well mannered, and articulate, and they are focused on goals for education and careers in the bright future they expect.

A relative of each girl is required to volunteer at least 2 hours a week, and they do all of the supportive work in the school. Waleska Caceres and Angeline Garcia, who have girls in the school, attended our Fashion Show. Waleska coordinates the volunteer program, and Angeline teaches Spanish. Members enjoyed talking with them, and we're all cordially invited to visit the school when they open in the fall.

Website additions

Please send any web site additions (pictures, text, etc.) through Mary Lee Pons as she now will be the main contact for the web site process.



Birthdays



Bonita Thomas	7/9
Elizabeth D'Agostino	7/14
Julie Stathoplos	7/15
Kirsten Ivancevic	7/21
Donna Peaker Ritzo	7/22
Susan Heckaman	7/25
Linda LeBlanc	7/26
Ania Kowalska Davis	7/27

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Deadline for the March 2009 Newsletter is Monday, March 9, 2009. The Newsletter will be mailed the week following the Saturday luncheon. If you cannot attend and do not receive your newsletter in the mail, please leave a message for Ellen O'Toole at 207-439-3172. Items submitted are subject to editing, due to space.

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Three Cheers for America 2009

Fashion Show

Three Cheers for America was a fine American style fashion show with its red, white, and blue theme. From the color guard, to the table decorations and floral pieces, to the patriotic quilt crafted by Betty McPhee, it was both colorful and festive. Music for the event was provided by Ray DeMarco, pianist, and Lee Griffin, vocalist.

Fashions from Saco Bay Classics ranged from the casual to formal, and member models looked wonderful as they moved through the crowd. They all seemed to enjoy their role, and the 96 members and guests in attendance rewarded them with frequent applause. Thank you all for your participation.

Because of your support we are able to assist our chosen charities. Our treasurer is gathering a financial total and will give us a report of this event at a future meeting. There were several donations along with over \$1,400 realized from our raffles. The fashion show committee and I hope that you as members of this unique organization will participate in all of our fund raisers, and that you will present your ideas for future events. All suggestions are most welcomed.

Raffle Winners

Breakfast at Blue Water Inn: Eileen Robert

Raffle Results from the Fashion Show:

Breakfast at Blue Water Inn: Eileen Robert

Lunch at Maine Diner: Priscilla Schwartz

Dinner at Chapman Cottage: Allison Burdon

Necklace: Marilyn Herbert

G.Irwin: Judy Totman

Japanese Laquered album: Pat Dateo

Greek basket: Kirsten Ivancevic

Place mat set: Priscilla Thomson

Weekend getaway: Barbara Bohl

Saco Bay Certificates: Hannelore Simonds, Susan West, Irma Philips, Julie Stathoplos

Geraniums: DiAnne Forrest, Nancy Winograd, Donna Ritzo, Kirsten Ivancevic, Darleen Chadwick, Carol Battersby

Total Raffle: \$1,467.00

IWCNE Activities

Please note: We are asking that members give a call to the hostess or facilitator when an event is in someone's home, by no later than the day before for all scheduled activities, including **Book Club** and **Foreign Film Discussion** evenings, so that appropriate arrangements may be made. Also in case of poor driving conditions, we are then able to telephone those expected if it seems best to cancel an event.

Foreign Film Discussion Evening



Date: Monday, July 6

Time: 7 pm (please note the later time)

Place: Yorkshire Commons Community Room in York (just off Route 1A)

Film: **Secrets & Lies**, British so no sub-titles, filmed in 1996, length: 136 minutes

A family confronts shocking secrets and long-forgotten lies in this bittersweet drama. With no man in her life, single mom Cynthia (Brenda Blethyn) finds life with her sullen daughter, Roxanne (Claire Rushbrook), one big disappointment. But everything changes when Hortense (Marianne Jean-Baptiste) shows up claiming to be the daughter Cynthia gave up for adoption -- a revelation that shakes Cynthia's entire family. Timothy Spall also stars.

Light refreshments will be served. Please call/leave message for Barb Poulin at 207.337.2623 if you plan to attend. All are welcome to bring friends, neighbors. \$2 donation, if you wish.

Barb Poulin, coordinator

July Pot Luck Dinner

Cookout on July 18th, at noon, at the home of Darlene

Chadwick in Rye.

Please call Betty Williams for reservations --
207 646-5772

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Coordinators: Julie Stathoplos and Anna McGann

Date: Tuesday, June 30

Time: 7 pm

Place: Michelle Hovde's Home (646-6407)

Book: **The People of the Book** by Geraldine Brooks

Date: Tuesday, July 7

Time: 7 pm

Place: tbd

Book: **The Good Women of China: Hidden Voices** by Xinran Xinran

Les Chanteuses



The chorus will meet Thursday, July 2 at 5:30 at the home of Ellen Farber followed by dinner (optional) at a local restaurant. The group will meet weekly until the July 25th luncheon, as they will be performing as the Program for that day. This will be a real treat, so sign up for the luncheon asap.

July Luncheon

July 25 Luncheon at... Coastal House

2128 Post Road, Wells, Me.

Menu: (\$20) (circle choices-clip-send)

Tomato Basil Soup, Rolls and Butter

Roast Centercut Pork Loin or

Stuffed Sole

Coffee, tea and Strawberry Shortcake

Send check by July 21 to:

Micky Robinson, 5 Meadowlark Drive,

York, Me. 03909

July 25 Program:

Back by popular demand, the July luncheon will feature IWCNE's own Les Chanteuses, led by Ellen Farber. Ellen has promised a surprise for us, so mark your calendar to attend the July 25 luncheon at the Coastal House in Wells. See you there!

