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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

In March we celebrate International Women's Day and it is a great opportunity to pat ourselves on the back! An anthropologist once told me that the female of the species passes on the culture. We are certainly doing our best, as a small group of women, to propagate the culture of generosity and caring about others less fortunate than we are. We proudly distributed \$10,000 at our January Luncheon and look forward to another successful year of fundraising!



## 2017 CHARITY RECIPIENTS

From Left:

Roland Fernaid from Footprints Food Pantry; James & Marcia Christensen, from Amenyo Corporation in Kpenoe, Ghana; Theresa Tozier from Lydia's House of Hope.



## Board of Directors 2018

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The next board meeting will be Friday, March 9th at 10:05 AM at York Public Library. If any non-board member would like to attend please contact Lucille.  
NOTE: Next newsletter submissions will be on or before this date.

**The newsletter will be sent to members who request it or those who do not use a computer. As always it can be downloaded on our website:**  
[www.iwcne.net](http://www.iwcne.net)

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## MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Hi Ladies, **FINAL CALL** TO RENEW YOUR DUES FOR 2018--February 28th is the deadline to pay if you want to be included in the new Membership Directory. The Dues remains the same: \$35. Please Mail to: IWCNE, PO Box 351, Cape Neddick, ME 03902 OR pay on our website [www.iwcne.net](http://www.iwcne.net) with Pay Pal or credit card by clicking on Membership on the site.

Please make the following changes in your directory: Lynne Gass has a new email: [lynnegass@gmail.com](mailto:lynnegass@gmail.com)  
Joanne Lamothe--correct email address is: [jolamothe@comcast.net](mailto:jolamothe@comcast.net) - Mary Lee Pons has a new home phone: 207-467-3277



**Remembering Michele Hovde:** A donation has been made in honor of Michele Hovde. "It is hard to believe that she has been gone for two years. I am sure many members of the International Women's Club miss her. She surely left her mark and will continue to be remembered for her grace, wit and intelligence."

### IWCNE BOOK CLUB

**Date: Tuesday, February 27 at 4:00 PM**

Book: Killers of the Flower Moon

Author: David Grann

Hostess: Barb Poulin 207-337-2623 or email [barbpoulin@aol.com](mailto:barbpoulin@aol.com)

**Date: Tuesday, March 27 at 4:00 PM**

Book: A Gentleman in Moscow

Author: Amor Towles

hostess: Charline Ludgate 207-439-8884 or email: [ccludgate@comcast.net](mailto:ccludgate@comcast.net)

**Please call or e-mail if you plan to attend. We would love to have new members join us!**

### WORLD CINEMA

**Thurs., March 8th at 3:00 PM**, York Senior Center, York, ME.

Saudi Arabian Film: **Barakah Meets Barakah**

A candid and humorous view upon romance in Saudi Arabia: A guy from the middle class meets a girl from a wealthy family and they start a romance in a country that frowns upon it. 1 hour 28 minutes long, English Subtitles

### Treasurer's Report as of Feb. 9, 2018

Administrative Account	\$ 3,073.45	
Charity Account	642.55	
TOTAL:	\$3,716.00	(6
MONTH CD: \$5,005.87)		

Nancy Geyerhahn, Treasurer

### MARCH CALENDAR

**Feb. 27 Book Club**  
**Mar 08 International Women's Day**  
**Mar 08 World Cinema**  
**Mar 10 St. Patrick's Day Pot Luck**  
**Mar 20 Francophone Luncheon**  
**Mar 24 IWCNE Luncheon**  
**Mar 28 Holiday Fair Meeting**  
**Mar 27 Book Club**

### LES CHANTEUSES

We continue to entertain throughout York County at Sentry Hill, Kennebunk Nursing Center, Varney's Crossing, Huntington Common, Durgin Pines. Please join us! Call Ellen Farber for details: 207-251-1746 and sing, sing, sing!!!

### FRANCOPHONE

Le groupe francophone se reunit chaque mois pour un dejeuner, avec conversation en francais. Si vous etes interesse (e) a pratiquer votre francais, venez nous joindre! Pour plus de renseignements, contactez Lilliane a [mcgeelilliane@gmail.com](mailto:mcgeelilliane@gmail.com).

### ST. PATTY'S POT LUCK

GET YOUR IRISH ON EARLY--Saturday, March 10th at our annual St. Patrick's Day potluck at the Lookout, Israel Head Road, Ogunquit at 5 PM. It will be \$15 per person plus your food/beverage as we will once again be entertained by the York River Ramblers. We will have valet parking to help with parking and would also recommend car-pooling. If you are planning to bring a hot dish, please try to bring it in a crockpot as there is not oven (there is a microwave). All are welcome. Bring your friends and family. The room can hold a lot of people so we would love to make this a big FUNdraiser. RSVP Lynne Gass :[lynnegass@gmail.com](mailto:lynnegass@gmail.com) or 207-607-1305. SEE YOU THERE!



Our thanks to Ellen Farber for hosting the Super bowl Scrabble Pot Luck on Sun., Feb. 4th. Ellen, Howard and the 8 members & 2 guest who attended had a really great afternoon.

### HOLIDAY FAIR - Nov. 10th, 9-2

We had a meeting on Monday, February 4th at Ellen Farber's house. The meeting was productive and, of course, we're looking for members to help. The next meeting will be Wednesday, March 28th, 6 PM, at Ellen's. Please join in on the planning. Call Ellen if you can make the meeting: 207-251-1746 or email: [musicaellen@yahoo.com](mailto:musicaellen@yahoo.com)

### MARCH BIRTHDAYS

01 Margareta Claesson	09 Anna Kristina Sawtelle	13 Irza Almonor
02 Shona Taplin	10 Gwen Knowlton & Nancy Winograd	14 Jane Bagnell
03 Barbara O'Leary	12 Marge Dunnington	15 Mariene Benoit
		27 Monique Zombec
		30 Madeline Franchi

**Save Your Treasures for Our Flea Market Sale! Time to Declutter!**

This coming summer we plan to have a flea market table at St Aspinquid's in York. The date is to be determined, but you can start collecting treasures now. If you have no storage space, but have goodies to contribute, please let me know and

I will find someone near you with space. This event has been a lot of fun in the past and we look forward to having fun again. The good news is that after the sale we can take leftovers to Savers Thrift Store and they will pay us by the pound for what we give them (because we are a non-profit). We are also looking for people willing to organize and sell the goods so please get in touch if you would like to help. This can be a golden opportunity to have a nice day and earn several hundred dollars for our charity fund! Contact Contact Micky



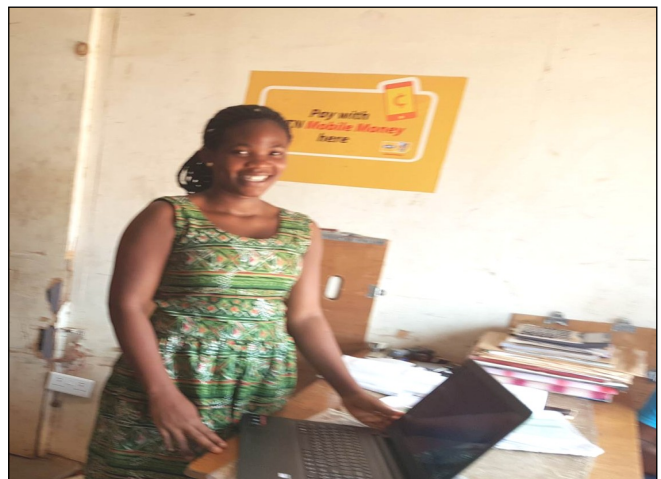
**CHEON POLICY STARTING IN MARCH**

Directors requests that all luncheon reservations be accompanied by the \$28 payment, either in person at the luncheon before or by mail to the PO Box or by Pay pal or credit card through our website. If a reservation is made without payment we will charge \$30 at the door. The reason behind this is that the restaurants charge us for every meal reserved, even if people don't show up, and we cannot afford to spend more than necessary from our administrative account. We hope you understand.

**HOW TO PAY ON THE IWCNE.NET WEBSITE:** (1) Go to the IWCNE website: iwcne.net. (2) Select 'Events' (3) Scroll down and select green Events button. PayPal will come up and you will be given the option of paying with a pay pal account, debit card or with a credit card. Put in amount for luncheon \$28 and click Continue and follow the prompts

The Sentinel recently featured a front page photo article about one of our members, written by another of our members! Jeanne Couturier wrote the article "Angela Pollino - A Touch of Lace" describing Angela's beautiful artwork created with bobbin lace. We have been fortunate enough to see Angela demonstrate her talent and are pleased to see her story in print. Congratulations Angela and Jeanne!  
  
The link to the issue: [https://issuu.com/weeklysentinel/docs/sws\\_020218](https://issuu.com/weeklysentinel/docs/sws_020218)

**OUR CONTRIBUTIONS AT WORK**  
"Pictured are Delati and Priscilla receiving their laptops in Kpenoe, Ghana. Thank you to International Women's Club of New England!! Delati, who is studying hospitality at Home Polytechnic University and Priscilla, who is studying nursing."  
Received from Marcia Christensen, **Amenyo Corporation.**



**LINK TO ITINERARY:**

<https://www.firebirdtours.com/client/itinerary-a081A00000p693G-0061A000014HGbY>



Celebrate Midsummer in Rättvik, Dalarna, Sweden, 2018. See UNESCO World Heritage Farm "castles" in Hälsingland and unforgettable Stockholm, capital of Sweden.  
Trip and itinerary prepared by Margareta Claesson. Deadline for reservations: April 1



Benjamin Schulze  
Phone: +1 (800) 884-1721 ext 102  
Web: [www.firebirdtours.com](http://www.firebirdtours.com)

Reservation **Deadline: March 17, 2018**

**LUNCHEON RESERVATION FORM, Saturday, March 24, 2018**

**Clay Hill Farm, 220 Clay Hill Rd., Cape Neddick (York), ME**

You can text or call 207-229-8785 and pay \$30.00 at door  
or send a check for \$28.00 to: IWCNE, Box 351, Cape Neddick, ME. 03902  
You can also pay \$28 by going to our website and paying with Pay Pal or Credit Card  
**(see directions on insert page)**

Once your reservation is received you will get a confirmation email or call.

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

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

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

**CHOICE OF:**

**Asparagus and artichoke stuffed chicken with Chardonnay cream sauce**

**or**

**Salmon with a lemon chive butter**

**All Entrees will be served with Chef's garden salad, warm rolls and butter and Chef's seasonal dessert.**

**Coffee, tea and iced tea available.**

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

**March Luncheon Speaker**

**Karolina Bodner/Belize**

Karolina Bodner, a retired 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade teacher, has made trips to Belize for the past 26 years. Her first trip, in 1991 was made at the request of a New Hampshire teacher serving there for 2 years with the Peace Corp, as part of the development of the UNH Belize/NH Teacher Program.

In Belize, Karolina has worked with teachers and schools, mostly in remote southern Mayan villages, where many families still live in thatched houses without electricity or running water. Since most people in Belize are subsistence farmers, Karolina has helped family and women's cooperatives to market and sell their crafts in order to pay school fees and to encourage young women to attend and complete a high school education.

Karolina will display many of these crafts: Mayan embroidery, woven bags, bracelets and palmetto baskets for our members to view and purchase.

**TODAY'S LUNCHEON PROGRAM**

**SPEAKER: Carly Hellen**

**Carly Hellen facilitates 'Dynamic Aging' study groups in Durham, NH and has been a frequent guest speaker in the UNH Women's Studies Program.**

**Bequeathing our values, blessings, life lessons, traditions, and dreams.... Carly will encourage us to examine our values, traditions, and cultural experiences in preparation for sharing them with our loved ones as well as an insightful gift to ourselves. She will share samples of legacy wills from participants of her Dynamic Aging study groups.**



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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 26 (Wed)

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.

## International Women's Day (Preregistration required)

### March 8 - 10-12

Eldredge Lumber and Hardware Atlantic Design Studio

Guest Speaker: Sarah (Tinker) Newick

Refreshments compliments of Eldredge and IWCNE

International Women's Day is celebrated throughout the world on March 8. While it has been a relatively quiet event in the United States, in many parts of the world it is an occasion for celebration and gift-giving. It's like Mother's Day for all women. The United Nations theme is "Time is Now: Rural and urban activists transforming women's lives". It is a reminder that women all over the world, in all walks of life, are making a difference.

Join us and hear about Tinker Newick's world travels and how she makes a difference.

Please contact Lucille at [lucillegen@gmail.com](mailto:lucillegen@gmail.com) or (207) 318-7304 to register.

**This event, sponsored by Eldredge Lumber and IWCNE, is open to the public and usually has a high attendance. It is a great opportunity for us to enhance our public image!**

