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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

The trees are beginning to show an array of colors and promise a spectacular show by mid-October. Nature's paintbrush is certainly exquisite.

Enjoy this wonderful time of year when most of the tourists have left. I often hear people say that Autumn is their favorite month. They can still enjoy outdoor activities with warm, comfortable days and fairly long hours of daylight. They are less busy than they will be during the holiday season in November and December. Those days can be quite hectic.

Unfortunately, Covid is still a threat because the number of cases is increasing, those of us who have been vaccinated may still have concerns. Vaccinated people have greatly reduced the possibility of contracting Covid and reduced the risk of a serious case of the illness. Hopefully, we will be able to get a booster shot soon.

We will be having a potluck early in October and are planning to have an October and possibly November luncheon. Plans are being finalized for the Fashion Show in early November.

Stay healthy.

Mariene Dargan Benoit

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The next board meeting will be Wednesday, October 13th at 10:05 AM, York Public Library. If any non-board member would like to attend please contact Mariene Benoit. NOTE: Next newsletter submissions will be on or before **October 15.**

The newsletter will be sent to those members who request it. As always it can be downloaded on our website:
www.iwcne.net

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Rides Needed - Seeking Coordinators

Now that we are scheduling more events at IWCNE, it becomes apparent that some of our members, need a lift once in a while. We have a long tradition of carpooling - it's better for the environment and it's nice to have company when finding a new or unfamiliar place. It seems most sensible to have regional coordinators - one number to call if you need a ride or can offer a ride. We will need a volunteer for each of these regions: 1. Wells, Kennebunk and North, and 2. Ogunquit, York Yvonne Chainey has already volunteered for the Portsmouth, NH area, The Coordinator would maintain a list of willing drivers and organize rides when needed. Please contact Lucille lucillegen@gmail.com if you are willing to volunteer for your region.



Membership

2022 DUES

The IWCNE By-laws, under Article IV-Dues states as follows: Sec. 1: Membership dues shall be determined and approved annually by the Executive Board. Sec. 2: Dues shall be payable on or before January 1st.

At the September 8th meeting of the Executive Board, it was voted on and approved to return the dues to \$40.00, the pre-Covid level for 2022.

If you are paying via check, please make your check out to IWCNE for \$40 and indicate it is for dues. Mail your check to Yvonne Chainey, Membership Co-Chair, 58 Harding Rd., Portsmouth, NH 03801. If you are paying via Pay Pal go to www.IWCNE.net, click on Events and then select Membership.

The Nomination committee is trying to fill 3 slots, Treasurer, Webmaster & Newsletter. Please contact Ellen Farber or Jane Bagnell if you are interested.

IWCNE BOOK CLUB

Thursday October 28th at 4PM

Book: Caste

Author: Isabel Wilkerson

Hostess: Charline Ludgate

207-439-8884

or ccludgate@comcast.net

Please contact the hostess if you plan to attend.



We welcome newcomers!

FRANCOPHONE



Salut Francophones! Si vous voulez pratiquer votre français, venez déjeuner avec nous. Contact Zoi for more information zoidiamond6@gmail.com

Treasurer's Report August 2021.

Charity Account \$9459

Administration Account \$5772

CD \$5020

Anne Supenia

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Oct 1 Potluck Fundraiser
(Oct 2 rain date)

Oct 28 Book Club

Nov 7 Fashion Show

Fundraising Activities

FASHION SHOW

Date: Sunday, November 7, 2021

Place: Wentworth By the Sea Country Club

Time: 11:30 -arrival time

12:15 -luncheon

1:30- 3:00 fashion show

Fashions by: Daisy Jane of York

Putting on the Glitz of Portsmouth, NH

Models: from the club

Menu: choice of Onion soup or Pumpkin Bisque

Choice of Maine dish is Beef Bourgenione or pumpkin ravioli

Choice of dessert is pumpkin pie or pecan pie with ice cream

Tea & or coffee

Wonderful raffle prizes

Committee: Ellen O'Toole, chairperson, Lynn Pahland, assistant chair, Mariene Benoit, President, Yvonne Chainey, Ellen Farber- Libowitz, Donna Freni, Linda Kahn, Marion McCauliffe, Marsha Miller, Mickey Robinson, Anne Supenia

Potlucks

(Potlucks are social gathering where we all bring food to share AND donate \$15 to the charity fund)



One more outdoor potluck on **Friday, Oct 1 at 12:30 at Anne Supenia's** - please BYO chair, food to share and \$15. Rain date is Saturday, Oct 2. RSVP to Lynne Gass - lynnegass123@gmail.com, 207-607-1305.

Please note: We expect all members and guests attending IWCNE luncheons, "Potlucks", or activities to be fully vaccinated!

Thrift Shops

An easy way to raise money for our charities is to consign clothing and household items. The shops are now taking fall and winter clothing as well as household items. In the 4 months that the shops were taking items, we earned \$438. Another \$438 went to local charities supported by the shops.

If you have items to donate, you should contact Mariene Benoit (mdarganb@gmail.com or 207-646 5839).

THE GIVING TREE OF RANGELEY MAINE



At our July luncheon we learned about The Giving Tree of Rangeley, a charitable organization that collects gas and food cards for the elderly and warm clothing and books for children in Rangeley Maine. Your participation is voluntary, but if you would like to contribute to this organization, you can bring your donation to the fall luncheons and/or our November fashion show and drop it in the "Rangeley Donation Bag". Posted near the bag will be a list of items needed and published in an upcoming weekly message.

(Always needed: gas cards - prefer Citgo because we have one in Rangeley but Irving or Shell will also work, new pajamas, and new children's books). Cash donations can be made by check payable to The Giving Tree of Rangeley.



Margareta's Report from Sweden:



I have now been at Fristad's Folkhogs school for 2 weeks, where I am taking a course in weaving and design. I am in southern Sweden and the weather has been gorgeous - in the 70's with bright sunshine. We are 10 people in the class with various background and age. Nowadays I am always the oldest and the youngest is 18. There are 2 girls from Minnesota in my class. They are 18 and 19 years old and beginner weavers. One of them is going into fashion and the other girls is going to be a scientist. They are both of Swedish Heritage. We also have 5 people that have attended this school 1-4 years and another girl that has studied fashion and textiles for 7 years.

In the pictures you see us harvesting flax. It's an overwhelming amount of steps to get the fibers ready before the flax can be spun to linen threads. After this practice I will have tremendous respect for linens. One of the largest Textile Universitet's are located only 1/2 hours drive from here. We already made a trip to this university where they have wonderful inspiring exhibits. I have no car but get around fine on my bike and then there are busses and a trains for transportation

Margareta Claesson



October Birthdays

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| 04 Jean Wilcox | 26 Betty Williams |
| 10 Angela Pollino | 27 Grace Sullivan |
| 20 Karen Stathoplos | |
| 25 Regina Godfrey, Betsy Wilde and Anne Supenia | |



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MEETINGS/LUNCHEONS Calendar- 2021

Oct. TBD
Nov. 7 Fashion Show

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.



WELCOME CLUBS INTERNATIONAL

IWCNE is a member of Welcome Clubs International. In fact, the current WCI president is our own member Linda Anderson. The WCI website was updated last year and includes much information useful to members. The website address is: www.wciclubs.org. As a member of our club you can access the members only section of the website with a password, which is **WCIMembers2123** (case sensitive).

Among the many things you will find under the tab **WCI Today** is an interview with Anna Kristina Sawtelle, our founder, in June 2020 and another with Mariene Benoit in July, 2020. Both are interesting to listen to and give you more insight into our own club.

Other things you can find is information about special events, literature from different countries, activities by our sister clubs, and more. Do check it out!