



President's Notes

January 2009

Happy New Year!

Another turn of the calendar brings the Club into the formal 50th year of its organization! This is an exciting time for the club which is occurring in a very difficult economic time. Other organizations, individuals and families are reaching out more now than in the recent past. Our work becomes even more vital.

Looking back at the first half of our "2008/2009" year boasts some increased revenue with the success and hard work of many Committees. The upcoming second half is also looking bright with the Wine Tasting at the end of this month, Middle School dances starting up again, the Fashion Show on April 1st, Bunny Breakfast on April 4th! Thank you to everyone who has already worked so hard, and for those in the thick of their events – please ask for help, if needed.

Membership dues are due. The yearbook will be published soon, and if you want your information in the Yearbook dues need to be paid. You can mail your \$30 check to the Norwell Women's Club c/o Jessica Chase, Membership Chair. We are still searching for additional members for our 50th year – so let's spread the word!

The February meeting is scheduled for February 12th at Pat Bigger's home. Please RSVP to her about bringing an appetizer or wine.

If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact me any time.

Warmest Regards,

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Membership update

UPDATE For those who have not yet paid this year's membership dues please forward \$30 to Jessica Chase (30 Wildcat Lane). The annual Yearbook will be compiled and distributed to all members soon – if you or someone you know would be interested in placing a business ad in the back of the directory please contact Karin Gilmartin at karingilmartin@comcast.net. Ad's are \$25 and are seen by all of the members of the Women's Club – it's an inexpensive way to get your business' name out there!

Next Meeting

Our next meeting will be on February 12th at Pat Bigger's home (2 Loring Drive) at 7:30 pm. Please RSVP to Pat to let her know if you will be bringing wine or an appetizer. (659-3465)

Wine Tasting

This year's Wine Tasting event is January 30th and is sold out. It is a 3 course sit down dinner at the Barker Tavern. We are very excited this year to have the Winemaker from Milbrandt Vineyards attending that evening to discuss each wine that we will be tasting. Please let Nicolle Wychulis, nwychulis@yahoo.com know if you can help.

Fashion Show

NWC Fashion Show Ticket Site is LIVE!!!

The fashion show planning is well under way! The theme this year is "Back in Black" and will be on Wednesday, April 1st at 6:30 pm at Indian Pond Country Club in Kingston. It will coincide with our 50th anniversary and guests are encouraged to wear black or black and white.

Our first committee meeting of the year is Friday, January 23rd at 10:30 am at our venue, Indian Pond Country Club in Kingston. We will meet there to go over any questions, ideas, etc., and then afterwards, we will go to the Sun Tavern for lunch. We hope that you can join us. All are welcome!

If you have any suggestions or feedback for the show, please contact us and share! Co-chairs are Beth Noterman at bethnoterman@comcast.net or 781-659-0421 and Heather Creel at creel35@comcast.net or 781-378-1607.

Also - please go onto the NWC website and purchase your ticket(s) for the Fashion Show. It's so quick and easy. Just click on the big orange "BUY A TICKET" button from the main page. Encourage your friends to do so soon as well.

www.norwellwomensclub.org

Bunny Breakfast

The Bunny Breakfast is Saturday, April 4th at the Norwell Middle School from 8:30- 9:45. If you are interested in helping run the event please contact me. We need volunteers to help Set-Up on Friday, April 3rd (4-5:30). We also need volunteers to work the event on Saturday from 7:45-9:45. If you don't have young kids, please consider helping out with the event. Also, if you have children in 7th grade and above, we need help working games and art tables. Clean up will take place after the Egg Hunt(10), so I need volunteers for that time also. I need people to sign up to bake or buy items for the Breakfast, since we had over 200 people last year, we are always looking for bakers. Please email Allison Ryan and let me know how you can help with this event. Thanks! allisonhryan@comcast.net.

I am also looking for someone to run this fun event for young kids next year. If you are interested please let me know.

Publicity

Members are welcome to submit items for publication to Patti Nelson, marshman59@aol.com or 781-659-6620 for the Norwell Mariner, a minimum of *two weeks prior* to the publication coming out on Thursday. Please indicate if you would like to run the announcement/item just that once or several times leading up to the event (I can usually tell by what it is). Should you want something to be included on the cable channel, please do the same. For other publications (e.g. Patriot Ledger), include the appropriate email address for submission.

Youth Dances

The next youth dance is scheduled for January 23rd from 7:30 to 10:00 pm. Please contact either Diane Daly at diane.daly@comcast.net or Dianne Malloy at dimalloy@yahoo.com to chaperone this dance or to sign up for a future dance. The dances remain one of the club's major fundraisers, and much help is needed for their success. Please also encourage your friends who have 7th and 8th graders that their help is always welcome. Thanks in advance for your help! Please have students bring school snacks for the Norwell Pantry.

Baking for the Norwell Knoll

It has been a tradition for many years for members of the Norwell Women's Club to provide snacks on the first Monday morning of each month to the residents of the Norwell Knoll for a coffee social. The address is 329 Washington St. and the food can be left on a table in the first room on the left as you enter the building. Please email Micci Fitzgibbons (Miccifitz@aol.com) or call her (659-5972) to sign up for baking.

The Norwell Food Pantry and Adopt a Family

The Norwell food pantry would like to thank each and everyone that participated in the adopt a family program. This year was totally amazing. The support that we saw was outstanding in all areas. The Norwell Woman's Club, as always, was there when we received the request of over 60 families (203 individuals). With your help and the help of other Norwell company's and private donor's all requests were handled with the out most sincerity and confidentiality. These economic times and situations are becoming harder and harder for everyone and Norwell is still right there to help, how awesome is that... Be proud to be part of a wonderful organization that lends a hand where ever they are needed. Thank you all once again for helping those in need maintain their dignity and pride through a difficult time. Wishing you all a wonderful happy healthy New Year - The Norwell Food Pantry, Kathy King Tedeschi

The Pantry is extremely low on inventory, especially toiletries, cleaning supplies, juice boxes, and snacks for school.

The Closet

The Closet is located on the third floor of the Town Hall and is open on Thursdays from 2 – 3:30. We provide clothing and household items for the shelter and those in need. The Closet is in need of winter clothing, children's boots, hats, and mittens. We are always in need of volunteers to help sort through and hang new clothing donations. If you would like to help out please email Micci Fitzgibbons (miccifitz@aol.com) or Chris Gillis (seagirley@aol.com).

Community Updates

Friendship Home:

Save the date: January 29th - Friends of Friendship Home Present: A Groundbreaking Gala, Help Us Build a Home with a Heart! At Indian Pond Country Club in Kingston, MA from 6-10 pm. Join us for music, comedy, great food and live and silent auction items. Help us cross the finish line to receive the Doris Buffett Sunshine Lady challenge grant of \$250,000 - watch our website for details. Friendshiphome.net.

Norwell Sociables:

The Norwell Sociables celebrated 10 years! The Norwell Sociables is an organization designed to welcome new residents and help them become acquainted with their new hometown and neighbors. Members may participate in book clubs, wine tastings, playgroups, cooking classes and many more. Membership is \$15 for the year. If you are interested please contact Maria Johnson 659-4262 or at Samanthalucia@aol.com.

Norwell Women's Club
Schedule of Events
2007-2008

Please note that this schedule was coordinated with the Norwell School calendar, various PTO meetings and key non-profit organization. These dates are subject to change and all changes will be announced on our website, norwellwomensclub.org, the Chatter, and the Norwell Mariner.

January:

- 1/13 Monthly Meeting Middle School 7:30pm
- 1/23 7th and 8th Grade Dance Town Hall 7:30pm
- 1/30 Wine Tasting Dinner Barker Tavern

February:

- 2/12 Monthly Meeting Pat Bigger's Home 2 Loring Drive 7:30pm

March:

- 3/16 Monthly Meeting Middle School 7:30pm
- 3/20 7th and 8th Grade Dance Town Hall 7:30pm

April:

- 4/1 Fashion Show 6:30pm Indian Pond CC
- 4/4 Bunny Breakfast 8:30 – 9:45 am Norwell Middle School
- TBD Monthly Meeting 7:30pm

May:

- 5/13 Monthly Meeting Middle School 7:30pm
- 5/15 7th and 8th Grade Dance Town Hall 7:30pm
- 5/21 Year End/50th Anniversary Dinner Blackstone's @ Indian Pond CC