

HOLLIS WOMAN'S CLUB

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

We had a lot of business to attend to at the March meeting and I thank everyone who worked on committees and presented and to all of the rest of our members who listened acutely to all of the presentations. Thankfully we had Rivka Schwarz add a fun twist to our meeting by showing us the rudiments of home fermentation. I may never pull out my canning pot again. I had no idea that the simple use of a clean, fresh oak leaf or wild grape leaf was all I needed to put my veggies up. The back of Shawntel Fugate's van was stuffed with boxes and bags of books that you all donated to the NH HIV/Aids Task Force, the designated charity for this month. Thank you everyone for your donations. Programs will continue and clients helped through your generosity.

UPCOMING YARD SALE

If you have treasures to donate for our April 18th yard sale at the Lawrence Barn, PLEASE bring them Friday night between 6-8pm when we set up. Otherwise, please come and shop on Saturday 4/18 from 8-11am (early birds welcome at 7am with \$20 donation in hand). We have 18 tables of treasures to browse from including some handmade crafters. Mark your calendar, help spread the word and I hope to see you there!

STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL

There is a lot of preliminary work going into the Strawberry Festival to be held on Sunday, June 28th from 2 to 4 p.m. Letters of solicitation for donations are out, permits applied for and invitations to a small group of artists have been mailed. Now all we need is for you to choose committees on which to help. We need chairmen for supplies and for clean-up. The supplies chair assists the Steward in purchasing any items needed for the festival

with the exception of the strawberries, ice cream and heavy cream. In addition she and the Steward make sure that all items stored in the shed storage area are delivered to the Church prior to hulling and the Festival and for helping to return the items to the shed after the Festival.

The clean-up chair is just that. She directs the cleaning up of specifically the church hall and kitchen during the festival and makes sure the church is left clean at the end of the festival. Areas needing volunteers are: hulling on Fri., June 26th needs in excess of 30 volunteers. The more the merrier. Outside workers need at least 40 volunteers. These workers are under the tent serving up the food, scooping ice cream or calling out the orders. Keep in mind that we love to see our high school youth and they can help under the tent and especially as the runners between the kitchen and the tent. We will need 6 cashiers and 5 or 6 heavy cream whippers. The inside workers are in the Church cutting up the shortcakes and putting them in their bowls. This area needs 18-20 workers. It's an ideal place for anyone who prefers to be indoors.

If you have any questions about these areas, please contact Diana Kroeger at 465-2392 or HWC Diana@aol.com or Lynn Dougherty at 465-2723 or ldougherty@charter.net. This is a community event and we welcome family and friends to help up with this fun project.

ANNUAL LUNCH

Don't forget our annual luncheon is Wed, May 13th at the Mileaway Restaurant. Look for your invitation and membership renewal forms in the mail soon! We will be encouraging all who attend to wear a spring hat and perhaps win a prize! Our entertainment will be the talented Janet Chaney at the piano and a wonderful sing-along.

IT HAS BECOME A TRADITION!

Ah, spring in New York City! Please consider joining us on our day trip to NYC on Saturday, June 6th! Everyone is welcome: friends, spouses, kids, you name it! Susan has a big bus and plenty of seats open TODAY but they will go fast! You can shop on Canal St. for bargains, see a show, visit a museum - the day is yours to spend. We leave from the Welcome Center at 6 am and return by 11:30 pm. Seats are \$60 and include a map/guidebook and surprises! Call Susan at 465-3607 or email susan.benz@gmail.com.

Taking Care of Business

Thank you to everyone who accepted the call from this year's nominating committee and said yes to holding an office or committee position. The slate of officers for 2009-10 is:

President	Jane Taylor
1 st Vice President—Parliamentarian	Shawntel Fugate
2 nd Vice President—Membership	Ellen Baker
Recording Secretary – Board Meetings	Susan Durham
Recording Secretary – General Meetings	Audrey Augun
Corresponding Secretary	Ginny Brooks
Treasurer	Diane Raitt
Auditor	Nadia Mandzy
Publicity	Diana Kroeger
Ways & Means	TBD
Steward	Bonnier Currier
Historian	Julie Forgaard
Hospitality	Lori Dwyer
Activities Director	Susan Benz
Programs Director	Donna Drottar
Yearbook Director	Ellen Walker

GOLF ANYONE?

Golf season is just around the corner. If you are Interested in forming a golf league, contact Julie Forgaard at julie@forgaard.com or 465-6463.

OUR NEXT MEETING..

Will be our business meeting on April 8 at Faith Baptist Church with a social hour beginning at 11 am followed by the annual business meeting followed by a program from members of the Hollis Arts Society who will show us what they do. Babysitting is available beginning at noon for a fee of \$5 per family. Contact Ellen Baker at ellenvbaker@yahoo.com to make a reservation.

Upcoming Events – please check website under EVENTS for more details!

HOLLIS TOWN BAND ANNUAL POPS CONCERT: Sun., March 29, at Alpine Grove at 1:30pm. Cost is \$20/pp and a dessert buffet will be served. Tickets must be purchased in advance by contacting any band member or from David Bailey, conductor.

NEXT BOARD MEETING: April 1 at Lawrence Barn at 9 am. All members are welcome to attend.

APRIL BUSINESS MEETING: 11:00 a.m. Social Hour/ 12:00 p.m. General Meeting/ Program, Wed., April 8 @ Faith Baptist Church, 43 Wheeler Rd. Babysitting is available at \$5 per family, please pre-register for this service by contacting Ellen Baker at 465-7981 or ellenvbaker@yahoo.com. April Charity is Plus Co. and they are requesting gift cards to Target, Wal-Mart, Kohl's, Shaw's and Market Basket. Please bring your donations to our April meeting.

YARD SALE: Sat. Apr 18 from 8-noon. Early birds welcome at 7:00 with entry fee of \$20. Contact Susan at susan.benz@gmail.com. Spread the word and Come and Shop!!

ANNUAL LUNCHEON & INSTALLATION OF NEW OFFICERS: 11:30am, Wed., May 13, at The Mileaway in Milford. Invitations will be mailed in late March along with membership dues renewal. May Charity is Girls and Boys Clubs of Nashua asking for cash donations to help meet their challenge.

STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL: Sunday, JUNE 28th from 2-4 pm at Historic Monument Sq. VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!