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January Newsletter

President's Message

Happy New Year! I hope that you're inspired to get more involved within the Hollis Woman's Club! How are you benefiting from your membership? Have you tried one or more of our Activity Groups? Consider going skiing with us, purchasing a Flower Show ticket and carpooling with fellow members to the event, or joining us for our day trip to New York City in June. Or, volunteer to serve lunch once a month to the Hollis Seniors. The Strawberry Festival will be here before you know it, and we need YOUR help by serving on a committee or two. *All members of the Hollis Woman's Club are requested to participate in some capacity!* We are always looking for a fresh face, new ideas, and a warm smile. And, give some thoughtful consideration to become a board member in May. We value you and your participation!

During our January meeting, member **Julia Greenspan, ND**, spoke on women's health. She discussed menopause and the importance of women embracing the process as a transition and not the beginning of an end. She commented on nutrition and the positives of organic food consumption. Our members collected women's personal hygiene items for the **Nashua Pastoral Care Center Inc.** This organization offers support and provides services to assist individuals and families to transition from crisis to self-sufficiency. Thank you for donating to enhance the lives of others!

Finally, I hope to see more of you in this new year. Don't be a member who stays at home! Get involved, make new and lasting friendships, and live a happy and fulfilling life. Some of our activity groups meet in the evenings. See you at our next meeting!

Our Next Meeting...

will be held on Wednesday, February 13, at Faith Baptist Church. Our speaker will be **Chick Wetherbee of Earthward**, who will discuss nutrition and outdoor survival strategies.. Babysitting will be available at 12 pm (noon) for \$5 per family, *so please pre-register for this service by contacting Shawntel at srfugate@hotmail.com or 791-4352.*

Our **February Charity** is **Corpus Christi Food Pantry and Assistance**. The items needed most are toothpaste, shampoo, spaghetti sauce, peanut butter, jelly, and breakfast cereals. Please bring your donations to our February Meeting. Thank you for your continued generosity to help those in need!

Upcoming Activities

Start spreading the news! We have our spring NYC day trip booked for Saturday, June 14th. Price per seat is \$58 and includes round trip luxury bus ride, map/guidebook, snacks, and surprises! We leave Nashua at 6am and leave NYC at 7pm. Plenty of time to see a matinee, shop or sightsee. All are

welcome to come. Please call or email Susan Benz (465-3607 or susan.benz@hp.com) right away if you want to reserve some seats - this sells out every time!

New England Garden Show tickets are available at a discount price of \$15 each. These are good any day of the show which runs from March 8-16 at the Bayside Expo Center. No limit on how many you want to purchase. Please contact Susan Benz if interested.

We still have a few *Drowsy Chaperone* discounted mezzanine seats for \$78 each. This is the award-winning show direct from Broadway at the Opera House on Thursday, April 24th, 7:30pm. A group is going from Hollis, so carpooling is potentially available! Please call Susan if interested.

Get ready to hit the slopes! Our first ski day is Wednesday, January 23rd, at Mount Sunapee where it is 2 for 1 day! We will leave Hollis Village Marketplace at 8am and carpool up. Please call Susan Benz to get on the list so that she can call you a day or two before to confirm your attendance. Come and join us for a great day!

Strawberry Festival

The snow may be falling, but that doesn't mean we aren't thinking about the Strawberry Festival! Planning the 2008 Strawberry Festival has begun in earnest. The festival will take place on historic Hollis Green on Sunday, June 22nd, so please mark your calendar. This is such a fun event enjoyed by the community and is a tradition not to be lost. But to keep this tradition going, help is needed from our Hollis Woman's Club members, friends and family. Our 2007 Festival was a huge success both with the number of participants and with the funds raised for both our Club and Hollis Town Band's charities. If you and your family and friends were there to help last year, you know how much fun it was.

Take a few minutes and think about what area you would like to help. Our list of committees is wide open. A chair person (or persons) is needed in all of the areas. Please let Diane Raitt or Jane Taylor know what you will be doing for the Festival this year. If you want to know what committees need help with and what that entails, give them a call or email. There will be sign-up sheets with job descriptions at our meetings. Contact Diane Raitt, Chair, jackandiane22@comcast.net, 882-9350 or Jane Taylor, Co-Chair, taylorclan3@charter.net, 465-2849 today to help!

Nominating Committee

We need two (2) members to serve on our **Nominating Committee**, which will work with a Board member to present a slate of officers during our March meeting. The slate will be voted upon during our Annual Meeting on May 21. Please

contact Diana if you would like to serve on this committee.
Thank you!

GFWC-NH Mid-Winter Meeting

The GFWC-NH Mid-Winter Meeting will be held on Saturday, January 26, at the Courtyard Marriott & Grappone Conference Center in Concord. The speakers will be Dianne Zawacki, executive director of the Lakes Region Boys & Girls Club, and Warden Joanne Fortier with the New Hampshire Department of Corrections. The registration and lunch fee is \$30. Please contact me if you are interested in attending!

Chick Flick Group

Our Chick Flick group is up and running for the new year! We just saw *Juno* last Tuesday and all enjoyed it...could be a best actress Oscar nomination for the actress who is only 17 years old. If you have a teenager it is a must see! The Chick Flick group meets the 2nd Tuesday of the month and typically goes to Cinemagic. We vote on the movie we will see the Friday prior. Email Susan Benz at susan.benz@hp.com if you'd like to be added to the distribution list!

Charitable Contributions Committee

Charitable donation requests must be received by Wednesday, January 16. Please submit your suggestion or idea to

Charitable Donations Committee Chair Terry McKillop at terrymck@charter.net.

Daddy-Daughter Sweetheart Dance

Mark Your Calendars! After a memory-filled evening last year, plans are underway for the 2nd annual Hollis Daddy-Daughter Sweetheart Dance from 7-9 p.m. on Friday, February 8, at the Lawrence Barn. This event is for fathers with daughters ages 6 to 12 (or grandfathers or other special men) and is organized by member Cynthia Andreola and family. Admission is \$5 per person, and music, crafts, and snacks are provided. Dress is semi-formal. Last year, many girls received corsages and most dads were in suits/sport jackets and girls in party dresses.

Tickets will be available for purchase on a cash-only basis at Harvest Market starting on Friday, January 18. To ensure a safe and fun event, the number of tickets will be limited to 200, which was the number of attendees last year. Please note that tickets will *not* be available at the door.

For more information or to sign up to help, contact Cynthia Andreola at 465-3878 or andreola3878@charter.net.

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

CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTION REQUESTS: Deadline for requests is Wed., Jan. 16. Submit request to Terry McKillop at terrymck@charter.net.

SKIING AT MOUNT SUNAPEE: 8am, Wed., Jan. 23. Contact Susan at 465-3607 for more information.

GFWC-NH MID-WINTER MEETING: 9am-3:30pm, Sat., Jan. 26, at the Courtyard Marriott & Grappone Conference Center in Concord. Cost is \$30, which includes lunch. Contact Diana if you'd like to attend.

BOARD MEETING: 9:00 a.m., Wed., Feb. 6, at the Lawrence Barn. Members are welcome to attend.

DADDY-DAUGHTER SWEETHEART DANCE: 7-9pm, Fri., Feb. 8, at the Lawrence Barn. Tickets are \$5pp and may be purchased (cash only) at Harvest Market.

FEBRUARY GENERAL MEETING: 11:00 a.m. Social Hour/ 12:00 p.m. General Meeting/ Program, Wed., Feb. 13, @ Faith Baptist Church, 43 Wheeler Rd.

Babysitting is available at \$5 per family, so *please pre-register* for this service by contacting Shawntel at 791-4352 or srfugate@hotmail.com. Speaker will be Chick Wetherbee of Earthward in Amherst, who will speak on nutrition. Charity will be the Corpus Christi Food Pantry. Please bring toothpaste, shampoo, spaghetti sauce, peanut butter, jelly and/or breakfast cereals to the meeting. Thank you!

BOARD MEETING: 9:00 a.m., Wed., March 5, at the Lawrence Barn. Members are welcome to attend.

MARCH GENERAL MEETING: 11:00 a.m. Social Hour/ 12:00 p.m. General Meeting/ Program, Wed., March 12, @ Faith Baptist Church, 43 Wheeler Rd.

Babysitting is available at \$5 per family, so *please pre-register* for this service by contacting Shawntel at 791-4352 or srfugate@hotmail.com. Charity will be the Home Health & Hospice.

NEW ENGLAND FLOWER SHOW: March 8-16 at the Bayside Expo in Boston. See Susan Benz to purchase discounted tickets!

SKIING AT MOUNT SUNAPEE: 8am, Wed., March 19. Contact Susan at 465-3607 for more information.

MAY ANNUAL LUNCHEON AND INSTALLATION OF NEW OFFICERS: 11:30am, Wed., May 21, at The Mileaway Restaurant in Milford.

NYC BUS TRIP: Sat., June 14. Tickets are \$58 per person. Contact Susan at 465-3607 to reserve your spot!

STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL: 2-4pm, Sun., June 22, on the Town Common. Contact Diane at 882-9350 or Jane at 465-2849 to help!

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