

WOW!!!! To say that the Hollis Woman's Club Charity ball was a fabulous, phenomenal, fantastic event, would be an UNDERSTATEMENT!!! I have to hand it to the women of the Charity Ball Committee, chaired by Lorie Ball and co-chaired by Kathleen Barnes for putting together a night of not only sophistication and elegance, but of incredible FUN!! The band was unbelievable, and kept the dance floor filled all evening long! As you all know, the raffle items procured were top notch, and generated over to \$5000 in raffle sales alone!

When the Lawrence Barn Community Center first approached us to help them raise monies, we were thinking that if we could contribute \$10-15 thousand, we would be doing great! Well, thanks to the hard work of the HWC Charity Ball Committee, we have been able to raise over \$25,000.00 to donate!!!! Great work ladies!!! For those interested in seeing some pictures from that fabulous night, check out the photographer's web site at WendyRichardson.com and use password "Hollis" after April 23rd.

ANNUAL LUNCHEON REMINDER! The deadline to get in your reservation for our annual luncheon at the Bedford Village Inn is just around the corner! Please get these back to Susan Benz no later than May 1st!!

NEW YORK, NEW YORK!!! Join us as we cruise in a luxurious motor coach to New York City on Saturday, June 11! We still have a few more seats, so grab a friend, neighbor, spouse, or child and join us! Deadline is May 11th! Cost \$49 pp.

UPCOMING EVENT: This is the time for all good members to come to the aid of their club! It's time to sign-up for the Strawberry Festival! Mark your calendars for Sunday, June 26th, and we can use all the help we can get. Please review the following committee choices (you can sign up for more than one if you want!)

BEFORE FESTIVAL:

HULLING: On Friday the 24th, at 6:00 PM, we will be hulling the strawberries at the Congregational Church. Here we need as many of you as we can get. It's a lot of fun and only takes a couple of hours. Contact Susan Benz to volunteer: 465-3607 or Susan.benz@hp.com.

SHORTCAKES: On Saturday, the 25th we will be baking the shortcakes at the Congregational Church. Bev Waitt is heading this and wants 4 to 5

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helpers. Contact her at Bevwaitt@jlc.net or call 465-7484.

DAY OF FESTIVAL: (Sunday, June 26th)

INSIDE WORKERS: First activity of the day will be the Inside Workers - these are humble folk who work behind the scenes. Ginny Brooks needs a couple more helpers to sugar the berries, cut the shortcakes and clean up the kitchen, the work begins late morning. Contact Ginny at grambrook@charter.net or 889-4505.

WHIPPERS: The whippers get going at 1:00. Freda Bromberg needs 4 or 5 of you to help her whip the cream. Contact Freda at fredatutu@charter.net or 465-6562.

OUTSIDE WORKERS: This is where it all gets put together. These workers fill the orders. You might be serving up the strawberries, the whipped cream, or the ice cream (usually men, a fun job for the husbands). Besides actually handling the food, we need people to call the orders to the servers. A quick clean up of the tables at the end and your fun day is finished. We need 34 people! Please contact Hanne Newell to join the team at hannenewell@aol.com or 465-9773.

CASHIERS: We need a couple more cashiers. It's a fun job—you just sit, meet nice people and take their money! The cashiers arrive at 1:00. Please contact Eve Day at eday944@aol.com or 465-3214.

LINE WORKERS: You will take orders while people stand in line and make sure they move ahead to the cashiers when a cashier becomes available. Contact Victoria Witt at 465-9196.

As it has been said, many hands make not only light work but fun times and valuable friendships! Come join us!

WORKING HAND IN HAND: In last month's newsletter, I mentioned that with our sisters in the Brookline Woman's Club, we have the opportunity to help feed some hungry workers! As I had previously mentioned in our October newsletter, teens and their adult leaders from throughout our country will be

coming to Hollis in July to be part of Group's Work Camp. Their 'home base' will be the Congregational Church of Hollis and they will be eating and sleeping at Hollis/Brookline HS as they spend the week repairing and renovating home of the needy in our area. We have been asked to help provide snack foods as they return from their work day on Thursday, July 21st. In addition to snack items (cookies, popsicles, etc.) we also need one person to help serve. If you can provide a food or helping hands, please call me (465-6277). We are in need of 16 dozen snack items. As of this date, we are still need food and a volunteer. Call me!!!

MARCH WITH ME! On Monday, May 30th, I will be marching in the Hollis Memorial Day Parade, which starts at 5:00 pm. I need other Hollis Woman's club members to join me for

companionship, to put a "face" on our club, and most of all to hold the other side of our banner! Call me for details if you are interested! 465-6277.

ACTIVITY GROUPS: Although our activity groups are well underway, it doesn't mean they aren't open to you! Check out our website for group descriptions and contacts.

Please note our new groups...Mother's Group, which will be meeting on April 20th for a mom & tot yoga class. Our new Golfing Group will start up as soon as conditions permit. Contact Lorie Ball at 465-3791 to get on her list.

LOOKING AHEAD! Watch your mail for our annual HWC renewal, we will be including in that mailing a recipe form. We are hoping every member will submit at least one of their favorites for our new anniversary edition cookbook.

- **BOARD MEETING:** Wednesday, May 4th, 9:00 AM. At Lynn Wolaver's, 3 Rebekahs Way
- **MAY ANNUAL SPRING LUNCHEON:** Wednesday, May 11th 11:30 AM. Bedford Village Inn, by reservation only. Call Susan 465-3607 if you haven't received your invitation.
- **BOARD MEETING:** Wednesday, June 1st, 9:00 AM. Combined boards, at Kaaren Eastman's, 70 Crestwood Dr.
- **MEMORIAL DAY PARADE:** Monday, May 30th, 5:00 PM. Call Kaaren for info 465-6277.
- **NEW YORK, NEW YORK- BUS TRIP:** Saturday, June 11th. Contact Susan 465-3607.
- **STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL:** Sunday, June 26th, 2-4 PM, on Town Common.

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