

President's Corner

Hello Ladies,

Lots of fun yesterday at the Hollis Primary School where I enjoyed a play-day with the wonderful students and super teachers and other guests!! A wonderful intergenerational time!!

I am certainly sad for our Sisters - Kat McGhee, Kimber Harmon, Joanne Emus and Mary Csakai as they go through the time of loss of their Mothers. Give them all the support they need from us all! Love and Prayers from me!

I send my condolences and Love to Susan Durham for the loss of her husband Frank and to Ellen Baker for the loss of her brother.

We are seeking two Secretaries:

- One for next year as long-term board secretary Grace McGinnis steps away. So sorry to have her go! She is a steadfast leader!
- One immediate need for General Membership meetings, as our dear friend Joline, has a broken wrist. She will again be a caller for the Nominating Committee KUDOS Joline!!

Please, Please, step up as there are several other positions opening and I do not have enough volunteers to fill out the Nominating Committee. Volunteer! Be proactive in calling on your Board to help in the many ways you can. We Can Do It!!

All the Best,

Betsy Cotton, President

Vice President's Desk – March Charity Office for Refugee and Immigrant Success (ORIS)

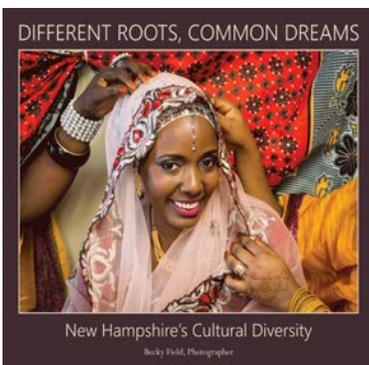


The Organization for Refugee and Immigrant Success (ORIS) is an ethnic community-based organization located in Manchester, New Hampshire. Our mission is to aid in the resettlement of refugee and immigrant groups in the state of NH by providing assistance, training, resources, and opportunities that promote self-sufficiency. ORIS has developed the resources and capabilities to foster the self-sufficiency and integration of new Americans, including the development of an experienced, multinational, and multilingual staff and consultant team.

Nora Lewis, Vice President

MARCH 14TH – POTLUCK LUNCHEON, 11 AM

Please note that, with March being another “typically snowy” month, we will again be starting our meeting at the later time of 11:00 am. As such we will enjoy socializing over a potluck luncheon. This month, we suggest you bring a favorite international dish. All around the world food is something that causes people to gather and share. Food floods our senses and variety, as they say, is the spice of life! Come and experience a host of different flavors, colors, and textures! Please bring serving utensils for your dish and, if you plan to bring something which needs to be kept hot, please bring an extension lead to plug in your crock-pot. For ease of identification, we’ve found it a good idea in the past to have leads, utensils etc. labeled with your name.



After our luncheon, we will enjoy a presentation by photographer Becky Field who, since 2012, has been documenting the lives of immigrants and refugees in New Hampshire through her photographs. Through this work, she has learned that “While we are different in many ways, we all have the same desires for safe homes, good jobs, a strong future for our children and freedom to practice our traditions”. Becky’s presentation of photos, together with stories of New Hampshire immigrants, will offer us a window into the world of some of the families she’s met who have often fled violence to seek a safe environment.

A book, “*Different Roots, Common Dreams: New Hampshire’s Cultural Diversity*” was published in 2015 featuring about 100 of Becky’s photos together with essays by immigrants “about their journeys to find safety in New Hampshire”.

Come and join us this month for a multicultural experience!

ACTIVITY GROUP NEWS

To find out a little bit about each activity group and who to contact to get on their email lists please check out our website at <http://www.holliswomansclub.org/activity-groups/>.



PINOCHLE ANYONE?

Pinochle is a card game for two or more players using a 48-card deck consisting of two of each card from nine to ace, the object being to score points for various combinations and to win tricks. If anyone has an interest in playing this game, please contact Mary Lou Ward at: marylouward@charter.net or call 465-3075.

FOUR SEASONS SUPPER CLUB

Mary Csakai, mcsakai@charter.net

Club members and their partners/spouses meet 4 times a year at host homes for dinner and conversation! The menu is chosen and divided among the participants with the cost shared. Hosts only provide the venue.

OUT TO LUNCH

Rachel Tieman, 465-7459, rachel.tieman@hotairmedia.com

Do you enjoy eating delicious food at wonderful restaurants with delightful company? The Out to Lunch group may be for you! We gather at 12:30 on the 1st Wednesday of the month to try out a different restaurant for lunch. We try to select a variety of restaurants in terms of price range, type of food, and ambiance.



GFWC-NH NEWS

GENERAL FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS NEW HAMPSHIRE URGES SUPPORT FOR MARSY'S LAW

GFWC-NH Joins Growing Network of Support for Constitutional Amendment for Crime Victims' Rights in New Hampshire

CONCORD – The General Federation of Women's Clubs New Hampshire (GFWC-NH) has added its name to the list of non-profit groups to support a constitutional amendment establishing equal rights for crime victims, a measure commonly known as Marsy's Law. The GFWC-NH is comprised of 24-member chapters and clubs statewide. The goal of this service organization is to contribute to specific causes and issues that benefit our state as a whole. The GFWC-NH urges lawmakers to vote in support of CACR 22 when it comes to the Senate and House in the coming weeks.

"The Signature Project of the General Federation of Women's Clubs is Domestic Violence Awareness and Prevention. We know that the passage of Marsy's Law would lend support to those victims of domestic and sexual violence as well as to the victims of other crimes," says **Phyllis Appler, NH President of the General Federation of Women's Clubs**. "The General Federation of Women's Clubs-New Hampshire strongly supports the constitutional amendment that would give rights to these victims."

"As a survivor, I'd like to remind Granite Staters that real-life victims are currently being ignored, silenced, left out, and re-victimized", says **Tina Smith, President of Concord Contemporary Club and GFWC NH Chairman of Domestic Violence Awareness and Prevention**. "Marsy's Law will ensure no sexual predator is given more rights than the child they victimized. It will make sure a victims' safety is taken into consideration when their attacker is being let out on parole.

"This amendment gives a voice to victims of crime," says **Jeannie Woolf, former President, GFWC Pembroke Women's Club**. "Our organization was created to work towards greater peace and understanding. Marsy's Law reflects our group's goals and we stand united with the Governor and legislative leaders in support of this proposal."

"The rights provided to victims by Marsy's Law are the basic rights that I would want in place should my family, friends, or neighbors become victims of a crime," says **Donna Maskwa, Co-President of GFWC Dover Area Women's Club**. "Of all the things I've participated in with GFWC, this is the most important. GFWC-NH club women support Marsy's Law for New Hampshire and believe that crime victims deserve equal rights."

Marsy's Law for New Hampshire, also known as CACR #22, has the support of Governor Chris Sununu and nearly every New Hampshire State Senator. It is also co-sponsored by New Hampshire's House Speaker and Democratic leadership. The constitutional amendment includes the right to notification, the right to reasonable protection from harm, the right to speak and the right to a process free of unnecessary delays.

About Marsy's Law for New Hampshire:

Marsy's Law for New Hampshire is a grassroots effort to bring constitutional rights to victims of crime. Under Marsy's Law, or CACR 22, crime victims would have the right to notification of all proceedings and would be guaranteed the right to be heard in the criminal justice system. Victims would also have the right to have input on all plea deals for offenders as well as the right to restitution resulting from the financial impact of the crime. New Hampshire is 1 of only 15 states that does not have constitutional rights for victims.

The Marsy's Law movement began in 1983 by Henry Nicholas, whose sister Marsy was killed by her ex-boyfriend. One week after her murder, Marsy's mother and Henry walked into a grocery store where they saw the accused murderer. The family had no idea that he had been released on bail. In an effort to honor his sister, Dr. Henry Nicholas has made it his mission in life to help provide victims and their families across the country with constitutional protections and equal rights.



GENERAL FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUB – NEW HAMPSHIRE
Merrimack South District Conference
Saturday, March 3, 2018
Brookline Community Church
2 Main Street
Brookline, NH 03033

GFWC Theme: Unity in Diversity

GFWC-NH Theme: New Hampshire: Inside Out

GFWC-NH Merrimack South District Theme: **G**enerosity **F**orms **W**onderful **C**ommunities

District Director: Lori Dwyer

Hostess Clubs: Brookline Woman's Club & Wilton/Lyndeborough Woman's Club

District Secretary: Christine Raymond, Vice President Brookline Woman's Club

8:30 – 9:00 AM

Registration/Breakfast Buffet

9:00 – 10:55

Call to Order: Lori Dwyer, Merrimack South District Director

Invocation/Prayer: Nancy Greenberg, GFWC-NH Junior Alumnae Leadership Club

Pledge of Allegiance: Sue Phillips, GFWC-NH VP

Welcome: Miranda Terry, Brookline Woman's Club President, Karen Grybko and Ellen Pomer, Co-Presidents of Wilton/Lyndeborough Woman's Club

Response: Anne Engelhardt, GFWC-NH President-Elect

Introductions of GFWC-NH Officers, Past State

Presidents, Past District Directors & Guests

First Time Attendees: Membership Gift (Lori Dwyer)

GFWC-NH Officers Reports:

Phyllis Appler, GFWC-NH State President

GFWC-NH Merrimack South District Report: Lori Dwyer

Presentation of GFWC-NH Committee Chairpersons:

Club Presidents' Highlights Panel

Preliminary Roll Call: Ellen Pomer

Memorial Service: Lori Dwyer

10:55 – 11:20

Game: Brookline Woman's Club

11:25 – 12:00

Speaker: John M. Weidman, co-founder and director of the Andres Institute of Art, Brookline, NH

12:00 – 12:45

Grace: Betsy Cotton, Hollis Woman's Club President

Lunch catered by the Wilton Lyndeborough Woman's Club & Desserts by the Brookline Woman's Club

1:00 – 1:30

NH Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence

1:30 – 2:30

Projects: Making toiletry bags for the Wilton/Lyndeborough Coop Closet & packing supplies for the Wilton Food Cupboard

2:30

Salem Woman's Club Merrimack South District Meeting 2018 Invitation

2:35

Club Collect: Linda Twombly

Junior Pledge:

2:40

Final Roll Call by Club: Ellen Pomer

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Announcements

3:00

Adjournment

In the event of extreme weather, this event will be canceled and not be rescheduled. All checks will be returned.

**GENERAL FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUB – NEW HAMPSHIRE
Merrimack South District Conference
Saturday, March 3, 2018
Brookline Community Church
2 Main Street
Brookline, NH 03033**

GFWC-NH Merrimack South District Meeting Notes

Memorial Service: Please provide the names of members who have passed in the past year. Please include a photo and memorial sentiments. These items will be presented on a memorial display with a vase of yellow roses. Please email this information to Lori Dwyer at hwclori@gmail.com no later than 2/16/18.

Club President Reports: Send copy to Lori Dwyer at hwclori@gmail.com no later than 2/16/18. This year we will have a Presidents' Highlights Panel. Each Club president will mention **one** project in the following categories:

Most Significant Project
Successful Fund Raiser
Orientation Meeting
Projects No Longer Needed

Project: We will be collecting items that the Wilton Open Cupboard Pantry needs that do, most often, have to be purchased because they are not supplied by the NH Food Pantry. These items are listed below:

Salad dressing	Cream rinse	Diapers
Laundry detergent	Shampoo	Coffee/tea
Dish detergent	Paper towels	Fruit juices
Chicken broth	cake/brownie mixes	crackers
Jell-O/puddings	Tooth paste	Canned fruit
Ketchup	Mayonnaise	Vegetable oil

Meals in a can such as ravioli, spaghetti, chili, etc, are very popular.

Project: We will be packing toiletry bags for the Wilton/Lyndeborough Coop Closet. Items needed are:

Toothbrushes	Toothpaste	Tampons & Pads
Antiperspirant Sticks (Old Spice for boys & Degree for girls)		Razors

Travel size shampoo, conditioner, mouthwash, hand sanitizer & tissues.

President's Project Fundraising: Each Club is asked to make up a basket to raffle off. The theme of the baskets can be "Pamper Yourself," "Spring Fun," or "Get Ready for Summer." There will also be a 50/50 raffle. All proceeds from these raffles will go to the President's Project.

**GENERAL FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUB – NEW HAMPSHIRE
MERRIMACK SOUTH DISTRICT CONFERENCE
Saturday, March 3, 2018
Brookline Community Church
Brookline, NH 03033**

Registration fee/Reservation fee (\$5/\$20) totaling \$25 which includes registration, breakfast beverages, pastries and a luncheon of salad, variety of quiches, rolls/butter and dessert. **Registration/reservation must be received no later than 2/16th.**

Special Dietary Restrictions: List number of members who are

Vegetarian _____

Gluten Free _____

Other restrictions; please specify _____

Check payable to: Wilton/Lyndeborough Woman's Club
Send registration/reservation to:
Ellen Pomer
13 Glass Factory Road
Lyndeborough, NH 03082
ellenpomer@mac.com

Club Name _____

Attending Members' Names and Titles

BE SURE TO LIST EVERYONE ATTENDING BY NAME & TITLE PLEASE.

NEWSLETTER

HWC officers, chairs and members wishing to submit articles to be included in the March HWC newsletter need to submit them no later than March 17th. Every effort will be made to get your articles in as requested. However, due to the space limitations articles may be reduced to fit it in.

Lori Dwyer/ HWC Newsletter Editor

SUNSHINE CHAIR



If you are aware of anyone in the Club that is in need of some cheer, please contact Dot Pitman @ 465-7672.

EVENTS CALENDAR



3/3 – GFWC-NH Merrimack South District Meeting
Brookline Community Church
2 Main Street, Brookline, NH
9 am to 3 pm,

3/7 - Hollis Woman's Club Board Meeting @ 9 am

3/13 - Hollis Town Elections 7 am to 7 pm @ Lawrence Barn

3/14 – General Meeting & Potluck Lunch @ 11am

3/17 – Annual Hollis Town Meeting @ 10 am @
Hollis Brookline High School Auditorium, 24 Cavalier Court, Hollis, NH



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Carol Birch

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Kimberly Scott

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Barbara Townsend

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Jody Mitchell

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Dot Pitman

3/10

Amy Watson

3/13

Helen Lombard

3/20

Ellen Baker

3/22

Bonnie Del Signore

3/22

Joanne Emus

3/25

Carol Ace