

MASHPEE WOMEN'S CLUB NEWSLETTER Fall 2021

P.O. Box 1613 Mashpee, MA 02649

http://www.mashpeewomensclub.org Email: MWC@mashpeewomensclub.org

Mashpee Women's Club Mission Statement: "The mission of this Club is to bring all women of Mashpee and surrounding towns into a social environment, provide educational and recreational programs to the benefit of our members, and charitable programs to support our towns. The Club's first meeting was December 9, 1997."

President's Message



As I crouched on a stool in my basement in the wee hours recently, while the threat of a nearby tornado was heading in my direction, I contemplated the challenges that we have

faced in the last year. Anxious because I had seen a tiny mouse scurry across my kitchen floor earlier, I now realized I was sitting in the basement where the mouse had probably retreated, and then the lights went out! After reassuring myself that the mouse was not really interested in finding me, I recounted all the challenges of the ongoing threats posed by COVID and the new mounting threats posed by climate change and how they were disrupting my life and my sleep. So, what do we do when the going gets tough?

We have choices! And we, the hearty women of the Mashpee Women's Club have proven that we will prevail! And how do we carry on? We do it together! We count on our relationships to help us through and we deepen our friendships with one another. Since we reopened, we have had a wonderfully successful fashion show and many fun and interesting lunches, both at New Seabury and with our Lunch Bunch. Our

knitting group has remained active throughout and our book clubs are growing in numbers. We are also adding new members at a rapid rate and we have initiated several new activities.

Our crowning achievement, however, is our upcoming fundraising event 'Art, Wine and Jazz' with the extraordinary Bart Weisman Group at The Cape Club in East Falmouth on Thursday, September 30, 2021 from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Scrumptious hors d'oeuvres and tasty wine will provide pleasure for the palate, as we enjoy a feast for our eyes from the art on display. We are very fortunate to have so many talented women who were able to pull this event together in a short period of time! The proceeds from this event will be donated to Cape Abilities, a very worthy organization whose mission is to assist individuals with disabilities. Not only will we be supporting this valuable organization, but it will be our own celebration of our fortitude, our relationships, and our growing friendships. Please bring your friends and let's make this an opportunity to grow our community and also to support the incredible work of our fundraising committee! Let's make this a fabulously grand celebration of endurance, fortitude and new connections. Remember, as I said at our last luncheon, having many friends enhances your longevity. So, take this wonderful opportunity to celebrate with us by making new friends and

increasing your lifespan! Hope to see you there.

Like the beautiful and changing autumn leaves that will soon surround us, each one of you has a beautiful and unique gift to contribute! Please consider becoming a larger part of our organization by volunteering your personal talents to one of our committees for a new interest group activity! As always, I welcome your input. Please contact me with your concerns, ideas, and suggestions. Happy Autumn!

Diane Mahoney, President

Who's Who

There is a large contingent of active members who make sure the social and charitable missions of the Club are developed, maintained and grow. Please check the latest directory for their contact information.

Officers and Board

The Officers and Board of Directors for the MWC 2-year term beginning September 1, 2020 are:



Officers

President Vice President Susan Creed
Treasurer Katherine Schwartz
Recording Secretary Corresponding Secretary Carolyn Holmes

Board of Directors

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Fundraising Barbara Marchio
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Luncheons Linda Gervich
Membership Mary Liz McCahill

Newsletter Nancy Kurtz
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Public Relation Lise Bean/Susan Thomas

Committee and Activities Chairs

The Mashpee Women's Club offers a wide variety of activities for all its members. Contact the activity chairs listed below if you are interested in participating in any of these activities:

Annual Golf Outing/Luncheon Suzi Rego/ Sue Rilev Sigrid Howell/ **Book Groups Carolyn Holmes Sheila Salomon** All Bridge Activities Laura Kuzia/ Centerpieces **Carolyn Holmes** Sue Riley/ **Knitting Groups** Mary Liz McCahill Webmistress Meg Brady Ladies' Lunch Susan Creed Memoir & More Writing Helenka DeLuca

MWC Past Presidents

Sunny Merritt	12/1997 - 08/2002
Joan Brown	09/2002 - 08/2004
Ceil Sneider	09/2004 - 08/2008
Grace Talmage	09/2008 - 01/2009
Vye Larkin	04/2009 - 03/2012
Diane Scovil	02/2012 - 08/2013
Terry Herman	08/2013 - 08/2014
Jean Boundy	08/2014 - 08/2016
Jeanne Dennis	09/2016 - 08/2018
Jane Murphy	09/2018 - 08/2020

Members' Contact Information

Please Note

Contact information for any MWC members may be found in the club directory. Since this newsletter is distributed to others outside of MWC, we typically **do not** publish contact information for members in the newsletter.

A Gentle Reminder – if you have not yet paid your dues, please do so immediately. Failure to remit will mean that your information will not be included in the upcoming directory.

Membership Luncheons

Mashpee Women's Club hosts a monthly luncheon on the third Tuesday of each month. The cost is \$30 for members and \$35 for guests. Checks payable to the Mashpee Women's Club should be mailed to: Mashpee Women's Club, P.O. Box 1613, Mashpee, MA 02649 - to arrive at least 10 days before the luncheon.

Programs

MWC programs has brought us all together again with a wonderful variety of topics covered. We look forward to enriching our monthly luncheon programs allowing us to reconnect as friends. If you have any ideas or suggestions for Programs, please let us know.

Save the Date!

September 21, 2021 – Ready-Set-Travel with Karyn Wendell of Adventures with Karyn, Cape Cod residents and MWC members have been travelling with Karyn for some 13 years. Her presentation includes tips for travel from Broadway shows to Hot Destinations to Plan now!

September 30, 2021 – Art Show, Wine Tasting & Jazz at the Cape Club

November 16, 2021 – MWC Holiday Boutique at New Seabury Country Club **December 9, 2021** - Annual Book Club Luncheon at the Cape Grille in East Falmouth – the entire membership is invited to this event

December 14, 2021 - Baby Shower for A Baby Center on December 21 at MWC Luncheon at New Seabury Country Club

Recent MWC Luncheons



May – Mary Gardener Bowker joined us with tips for a Spring Garden.

June – MWC Annual Fashion Show presented by Chico's.

July – Julia Cooke, author of "Come Fly the World", a story of Pan Am World Airways at war and peace.

August – Dr. Margaret "Midge" Frieswyk explored the challenges and opportunities presented to public schools during COVID-19.

Book Group

SAVE THE DATE! On Thursday, December 9, we will have our annual Mashpee Women's Club Book author/luncheon at the The Cape Club in East Falmouth.



We are pleased to announce that Catherine Grace Katz, author of The Daughters of Yalta: The Churchills, Roosevelts, and Harrimans: A Story of Love and War, will be our guest author. This year we

are inviting the entire membership for this event, as the Board is providing the honorarium fee to bring this author to us. Stay tuned for the specifics on the exact time and the luncheon menu. We look forward to seeing you. In the meantime, keep reading, enjoy the beautiful fall months, and, hopefully, we will all get together in December.

Sigrid Howell

On July 28th, Book Group Two had their annual pot luck summer gathering on the beautiful deck of Mary Liz McCahill's home. Her yard is overflowing with gorgeous flowers and plants; what a perfect backdrop for our gathering. After missing last year, due to Covid, we had much to celebrate. We started the morning with an assortment of pastries and breads with fresh brewed coffee and tea.

Helene Defoe led our book discussion, "On the Corner of Bitter and Sweet" by Jamie Ford. We all enjoyed the book and it was wonderful to be able to get everyone's perspective in person, not via zoom.

A pot luck lunch followed with an assortment of salads and much missed conversations with our members. We ended the day with desserts and a champagne toast to celebrate the 50th anniversaries of Sigrid Howell, Mary Ellen MacDonald, and Pat Smith. We were also able to wish belated happy birthdays to Lola McCray and Ann O'Hare and a very special happy retirement to Kathy Rohnstrom. So, all and all it was a wonderful summer day on Cape Cod.

The Mashpee Women's book club has purchased a Zoom membership for the club. Everyone is encouraged to use it. Book Chairs - please let your members know about this, to schedule your book meetings. Contact Meg Brady at mwc@mashpeewomensclub.org to get on the monthly schedule, so times do not overlap. It's a great way to connect until we can all meet safely in person, which we hope will be soon with the distribution of the vaccine finally becoming available. Keep reading... Sigrid Howell/Carolyn Holmes

Book Groups #7 and #9 Book Club 7 recently enjoyed discussing "Don't Let's Go To The Dogs Tonight", a memoir by Alexandra Fuller, while enjoying a beautiful summer afternoon in Kathy Osol's yard overlooking the ocean while enjoying scrumptious Greek hors d'oeuvres. Our next selection will be "The Island of Sea Women" by Lisa See. Diane Mahoney

The Lunch Bunch

The Lunch Bunch (formerly Ladies' Lunch) is back. After enjoying several beautiful days at Mashpee Green with Brown Bag lunches during the pandemic, we are now ready to venture out together at some of our local restaurants. This is a fun way to get to know other members and renew old friendships. Since July, we have enjoyed the Chart Room in Cataumet, Flying Bridge in Falmouth and The Bog Tavern in Bourne. We are changing the days up a bit hoping you can join us. Susan Creed.

Knitting Group



Our knitting group never broke stride. We enjoy our group sessions, sharing knitting secrets, skills, love, laughter

and so much more. Contact us and join in. Sue Riley and Mary Liz McCahill

Centerpiece Creations

As we begin to gather together again for our



monthly luncheon meetings, we will be looking for interesting centerpieces to adorn our tables. These centerpieces can be floral, balloons, sand

and seashells or just something to coordinate with our program theme each month. MWC covers the cost of the supplies up to \$15.00 for each table. MWC is a 'tax exempt' club and will supply the form for you to use for purchasing items. If you are interested, please contact **Carolyn Holmes** for more information.

Breast Cancer Awareness Month



Pink has taken on a whole new meaning over the years, and in the month of October each year, it is the color of choice for so many people either in honor of the

survivors, in memory of those loved ones who lost their battle to breast cancer, or simply to support a great cause. We honor all those people and thank them for making the advances in breast cancer research possible.

Our Web-site

Did you know that the Mashpee Women's Club has a website located at: www.mashpeewomensclub.org

It's a pretty useful tool where you can find a multitude of information such as luncheon details, scheduled events, and the mission and by-laws of our organization. There are even links to programs that have been recorded by Mashpee TV. Check it out. If there is anything you would like to see added.

Mashpee Food Pantry

email us at: mwc@mashpeewomensclub.org

The Mashpee Food Pantry is very appreciative of all the support that the MWC has provided in the past. As a reminder, the food pantry has let us know that cash donations are preferable to donated products because the pantry is able to purchase in bulk at a cheaper cost than we can individually. But they will gratefully accept all product donations if you would still prefer to do so.

A Friendly Reminder

A friendly reminder to please continue to collect your coupons for diapers. We send the coupons monthly to A Baby Center in Hyannis With so many little Cape Codders in need, it is nice to help out as often as we can. By clipping coupons that come in the Sunday paper and also the monthly BJ's mailer, we can easily give aide. Just drop the coupons in The pink basket at the monthly luncheon. Thank you. Mary Liz McCahill

Something to Think About – Let Us Know

Please let us know of events you would like to share with our members – get-well wishes, congratulations or condolences. We would love to hear from you. Contact **Carolyn Holmes** (contact information is in the directory).

Are you looking to become more involved in Mashpee Women's Club? We are looking for women to enhance our activities like 'Getting To Know You' speaker or would you like to start a group? Let us know.



Getting To Know You: We are always looking for new speakers for the GTKY

segment of the monthly luncheons. If you know someone who would be interesting, a small business from anywhere on Cape Cod, or someone who has an idea about something we would be interested hearing more about, please let us know.

The speaker has 5-7 minutes to speak and cannot be someone who spoke as a GTKY speaker with the last two years.

We Have Come a Long Way Since Re-Opening

Lunch Bunch – Casual get-togethers at various restaurants throughout Upper and Mid Cape areas Join Us by contacting Susan Creed

Great Time at Lunch Bunch at the Chart Room in Cataumet - July 22, 2021





Lunch Bunch at The Bog Tavern at Brookside – September 1, 2021 with our amazing server, Eddie





Book Group Two annual summer gathering on the beautiful deck of Mary Liz McCahill's home



Dr. Margaret "Midge" Frieswyk - August 17, 2021



Lisa Genova "Remember – "The Science of Memory And the Art of Forgetting" – April 13, 2021 Luncheon



Dr. Margaret "Midge" Frieswyk - August 17, 2021 Luncheon



Our May Fashion Show featuring Chico's Carolyn Holmes



Diane Mahoney

THE CAPE CLUB



Mashpee Women's Club will host a very special event on September 30th presenting ART SHOW, WINE & JAZZ. The proceeds will benefit one of our favorite charities, CAPE ABILITIES. The Art, Wine, Jazz, Hors d'oeuvres and Silent Auction are all ready to go at the stunning Cape Club from 5:00 PM TO 7:00 PM. Now we need our members and their guests to make this a smashing success!

THE ART – Some of the Cape's best-known artists will be showing and selling their works including Falmouth's own Karen Rinaldo. Other noted artists include Mindy Reasonover, Barry Beder (Hullscapes), Cheryl Benson (The Glass Girls), Liz Murphy, our own MWC member Arlene Weibel and others. The artists will contribute a portion of their proceeds to benefit Cape Abilities.

THE WINE - The Tasting will feature a delightful selection of Private Label Wines from Cape Cod Cellars, Chatham, MA. There will also be a cash bar. The drinks are accompanied by Contemporary Craft Hors d'oeuvres and Savory Sliders by the Cape Club.

THE JAZZ — If you have not heard the dulcet notes of The Bart Weisman Smooth Jazz Group (and even if you have) you are in for a real musical treat!

THE CAPE CLUB – OUR VENUE Just look at the picture and imagine yourself there surrounded by the art, music and atmosphere! The Cape Club, 125 Falmouth Woods Road, East Falmouth.

Our evening includes a Silent Auction – a chance to win art, wine, liquor, gourmet foods and other items!

DO NOT MISS THIS EVENT! TO ENSURE YOUR ATTENDANCE, REGISTER NOW BY VENMO: To Mashpee Womens Club. Or send checks to MWC, PO Box 1613, Mashpee MA 02649.

TICKETS \$75 pp. BENEFACTORS \$100 pp.



Mashpee Women's Club Acknowledgements During 2021

February

Janet Malloy - Thank You

March

Nancy Kurtz - Get Well Wishes

<u>April</u>

Kathleen Rohnstrom – Happy Retirement Barbara Marchio – Deepest Sympathies Carolyn Potter – Deepest Sympathies

May

Marcia Wagner – Deepest Sympathies

<u>June</u>

Laura Kuzia – Deepest Sympathies
Susan Kuzia – Deepest Sympathies
Terry Herman – Thinking of You
Suzie Rego – Get Well Wishes
Jean Boundy – Get Well Wishes
Elanah Traub – Thank You
Marita Donahue – Get Well Wishes
Sigrid Howell – Happy 50th Anniversary
Mary Bowker – Thank You
Terry Cordo – Happy 40th Anniversary
Regina - Chico's of Mashpee – Thank You
Kathy Olson – Deepest Sympathies
Jo Newell – Deepest Sympathies
Midge Frieswyk – Deepest Sympathies
Midge Frieswyk – Get Well Wishes

<u>July</u>

John Miller – Congratulations - named Citizen of the Year by the Chamber of Commerce Maureen Rounds – Well Wishes – New Home Mary Bowker – Thank You Terry Cordo - Congratulations Mary Ellen MacDonald – Happy 50th Anniversary Pat Avis – Deepest Sympathies

<u>August</u>

Katherine Schwartz – Get Well Wishes Peggy Youdelman – Get Well Wishes Dr. Margaret Frieswyk -Thank You Pat Smith – Deepest Sympathies Mary Liz McCahill – Well Wishes



If you are receiving this newsletter via regular U.S. mail, it is because we do not have an email address on file for you or because you have requested it to be sent to you through regular mail. If you did receive a mailed copy and have an email address and would like to receive the newsletter and other Mashpee Women's Club correspondence via email instead of hard copy, please contact Nancy Kurtz: nancypasbc@comcast.net

One advantage of receiving the emailed copy is that there are lots of color photographs and pictures that do not reproduce as well in the black and white hard copy. Email also reduces our reproduction and mailing costs for the newsletter.

Note: To continue receiving the newsletter via regular mail, <u>you do not need to do anything</u>. We are very happy to continue to mail the newsletter to you as we have done in the past.



MWC Charitable Mission

One of the missions of this Club is to provide charitable programs to support our towns. We are proud to continue its charitable mission each month during our monthly luncheon plus the extraordinary fundraising activities this year through the fashion show, golf tournament, and the Casino Night. Thank you to all our members for your support!

An important part of our charitable mission is the 50/50 raffle that we hold at each monthly luncheon. The recipient of the 50/50 raffle is a Cape Cod charity suggested by our members. Any MWC member can submit a suggestion for a charity that is a 501(c)(3) charity. It will have a chance to win the 50/50. If you have a charity you would like to suggest, please complete the following form and bring it to the next meeting or email the information to **Barbara Marchio** (her contact information is in the directory).

PLEASE NOTE: The charity **MUST** be a Cape Cod charity and must be a not-for-profit 501(c)(3) charity.

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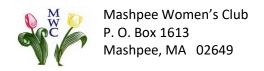
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Mashpee Women's Club

Membership Application and Renewal

Mashpee Women's Club for \$30.00 annual dues to Mashpee Women's Club P. O. Box 1613 Mashpee, MA 02649		□ New Member □ Renewal □ No change needed in directory listing □ Please make the following changes in the directory listing	
Please print all the from your existing i		e include only your name and those items that are a change	
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MWC Members' Dire	ectory: Do you want to: 🗆 Red	ceive via hard copy? □ Or receive via on-line?	
		and charitable opportunities for its members. Please identify programs and activities for the membership. We welcome your	
	SOCIAL	ACTIVITIES	
□ Book Groups		□ Bowling	
□ Bridge Groups		□ Ladies Lunch	
□ Golf: Annual outing and luncheon		□ Cultural Events	
□ Memoirs and More Writing Group		□ Knitting	
	CLUB CC	DMMITTEES	
□ Charities: Month	ly 50/50 raffle; annual scholarships	□ Centerpiece Creation: Working with others to create centerpieces for monthly luncheons	
 Membership: Club information; new members; annual directory 		□ Fundraising: Activities and events to increase scholarship and charity funds	
Public Relations: News and/or photos of club activities		□ Hospitality (New members' tea/coffees)	
□ Greeters at Montl	nly Luncheons		
Do you have any su	ggestions for programs or social activitie	s?	
Signature:		Date:	



Mashpee Women's Club
Proud recipient of the Mashpee Chamber of Commerce
2006 Community Commitment Award