



# MASHPEE WOMEN'S CLUB

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## 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 we begin the 21st year of the Mashpee Women's Club, we want to thank the outgoing board members. **Jeanne Dennis** has headed our organization for two years. Jeanne was born to be a leader; she is well prepared, confident and on top of her game. She has fully supported our generous philanthropic tradition during her tenure. Good news for us is that Jeanne will stay on the board as Past President, and she will continue to be the web mistress. Thank you so much, Jeanne.

**Jean Bounty**, our past, past President is leaving the board after many years of service. Her guidance and steadiness have been invaluable to so many of us. Jean and **Janet Molloy** have also developed our programs for the past two years. Their selections have entertained and enlightened us all. Thank you, Jean and Janet. You will be missed. Special thanks to **Laura Kuzia** for her myriad contributions. She has presided over the luncheons and the directory, and her calm logic and quiet leadership will be missed. **Carolyn Anderson** has excelled (lol) as our treasurer, and she has joyfully handed her well-balanced reins over to **Suzi Rego**. We thank Carolyn for all her hard work on our behalf. And **Sigrid Howell** -- so important to so many of us. Sig has been our recording secretary and our hospitality chairperson. She speaks softly, but her words are always important. **Sue Riley** continues her expertise with MWC by becoming recording secretary. **A sincerest thank you to all of our retiring superstars, you will be missed!**

We welcome our own **Diane Mahoney** as our new Vice President. We know she will continue to work diligently for Mashpee Women's Club. She will be our go-to person as she prepares to be our president in 2020. **Annette Brooks** will be arranging our monthly programs. She brings great ideas and positive energy to our group. Annette is open to suggestions for programming that will be enriching to our group. We are so fortunate to have these hard-working women on our board for the next two years. I look forward to working with all the MWC volunteers.

Although we meet throughout the summer, our Board changes in September. Logically, as a former teacher, I will always believe that the year starts in September. We really have some great things planned for you this year. Cherylann Gengel, co-founder of Be Like Brit Foundation was an inspira-

tion. The tragedy of her daughter's death became the inspiration and hope for so many children in Haiti. In October we will welcome Mary Lou Palumbo, Executive Director of the Mashpee Chamber of Commerce to talk with us about a community vision for Mashpee. Marylou is a community leader who is also a talented speaker. We look forward to hearing her comments.

Charities, social activities and philanthropic endeavors allow our group to donate generously year after year. Bravo to our Board, but also bravo to you, our members, who continue to give and give and give some more. You define us.

I am honored to be your new President. I have learned so much from Jeanne Dennis and the amazing group of women who coordinate the day-to-day machinations of our club. Their hard work has paved the foundation for this new board...we will continue their good work. We will move forward with vigor. We implore you to get involved. We have room for everyone and your experience as a member of MWC will be enhanced when you get involved. A great year awaits...

**Jane Murphy, President**

**Welcome to the new 2019-2020 MWC officers.** Thanks to all for their willingness to work to maintain this great organization!

**From top row left to right Diane Mahoney**, Vice President; **Jane Murphy**, President; **Carolyn Holmes**, Corresponding Secretary; **Sue Riley**, Recording Secretary. **Below in chair: Suzi Rego**, Treasurer



# Membership News

# WELCOME!

Our Mashpee Woman's Club continues to attract new members. Please welcome the following ladies: **Lenore Ableson, Leona Linsky, Marlene Marsh, Julie Mayo, Karen Bibo, Rita Ray, Evangela Jones, Lorraine Viglione, and Andrea Watson** to our ranks. These ladies bring their many talents and diverse backgrounds to enrich our club and we are happy to welcome them!

## Dues

Don't forget — dues for current 2018-2019 year are overdue! Please complete the membership application (see page 6) and send it with the \$30 fee to Mashpee Women's Club, PO Box 1613, Mashpee, MA 02649. You will be included in the Membership Directory and will remain in good standing with your current clubs. Thanks!



Mary Liz McCahill, Membership

Mashpee High School and a \$12,000 donation to culinary and art and media communications from Mashpee Middle/High School's Career and Technical Education Department (CTE). Our coffers are thanks to all of you for supporting our events such as the annual fashion show, our 2017 Murder Mystery Dinner; the annual golf tournament, as well as the ongoing 50/50 raffles from the monthly luncheon to Cape Cod charities. **Thank you!**

- ◆ **Thank You** all for your donations of coupons to 'A Baby Center'. In the month of September we collected 76 coupons totaling \$221.00. With little effort on our part, we are able to help our smallest Cape Codders. Good job, ladies!
- ◆ And a huge **Thank You** to our monthly greeters who come early each month to welcome everyone to the luncheons and help them to run smoothly!
- ◆ Always a special **Thank You** to all the ladies who have made our luncheons look so beautiful with their spectacular centerpieces! We appreciate all the time and effort that goes into those creations. Well done, ladies!



## Thank you to our Members!

- ◆ **WOW!** For the past 2 years, the Mashpee Women's Club has donated over **\$30,000** — **yes, \$30,000** — to community accomplishments throughout the Upper and Mid Cape, including two annual scholarships from



## Member Contact Information

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

# Save the Dates!

## Upcoming Luncheon Programs

**PLEASE NOTE:** During the months of November through tentatively April, 2019, our luncheon will be held at the Popponeset Inn because the New Seabury Country Club will be closed during renovations.

The Mashpee Women's Club hosts a luncheon on the third Tuesday of each month. The cost is \$25 for members and \$28 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 7 days before the luncheon. Luncheons are held on the third Tuesday of each month at the New Seabury Country Club at noon each month unless noted differently.

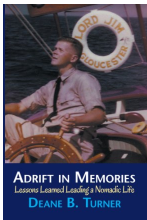
As always, Sue Riley continues to take donations for the Mashpee Food Pantry at every luncheon. Cash donations preferred but products are also always appreciated. The food pantry let us know that for every \$100 in cash they receive, they can purchase approximately \$1,000 worth of products because of their bulk quantity purchasing power! That's some great re-

turn on our investment!

A segment at each monthly luncheon includes a five-minute "Getting to Know You" (GTKY) presentation prior to the luncheon program. This introducing a community speaker from a local organization or business. **And a big thank you to our greeters who come early each month to welcome everyone to the luncheons!**

**Tuesday, October 16** — Join us on Tuesday, October 16, at 12:00 noon for our monthly luncheon. We are pleased that Mary Lou Palumbo, Executive Director of the Mashpee Chamber of Commerce, will join us to update us on its vision of Mashpee and Mashpee Commons.





**Tuesday, November 20** — Join us with author Deane Turner, a true New Englander, born in Boston, brought up in Cambridge and Winchester, MA; Boothbay, Maine and Gardner, MA. — and now from Mashpee. You might assume that someone who had moved twenty-nine times in their life- would be weary and eager to settle down and finally retire to a full-time life of leisure. For Deane Turner, the opposite happened; he flunked retirement and had to reinvent himself. In **Adrift in Memories** Deane shares

how his desire to explore and travel started early with summer jobs during his high school and college years: crewing aboard schooners off Camden, Maine and Marblehead, Massachusetts, harvesting hay in the fields of Walla Walla, Washington, and others. His memoir recounts victories and losses, celebrations and despair, triumphs and failures.

**Tuesday, December 18** — Holiday performance from Cape Cod's John Salerno on keys/vocals and Dennis Nobrega on brass/wind/vocals.



**It's not that far away for our 2019 upcoming fundraiser. Stay tuned! Because of you, the MWC has supported many community efforts — for the last two years, we contributed over \$30,000!**

**If you would like to help on the fundraising committee, please contact Suzi Rego.**

## Recent Happenings!

### Tuesday, July 17 — Cape Harmony Performance —

Cape Harmony is Cape Cod's leading a cappella group, comprised of ten very talented young



collegiate women from all over the nation; I am so sorry that I was not able to attend this month. From what I hear, it was a wonderful performance from



Cape Harmony! Rumor has that the Barbecue Buffet was terrific! Thank you to Wendy Boon as the GTKY speaker from Sea Bags in Mashpee Commons. And the fun centerpieces provided by Marilyn Land were great!



### Tuesday, August 21 — Author: Margo Nash Author, of the book "The Politics of Murder".

Our August luncheon was compelling. Margo Nash was a trial lawyer for 29 years, litigating both civil and criminal cases in Massachusetts. The Politics of Murder, her first book, reflects her passion for the courtroom. More importantly, it reflects her commitment to helping the innocent who are convicted by failures in the legal system. She shared her story and

her on-going investigation of "The Politics Of Murder: The Power and Ambition Behind " about Edward O'Brien. In November, 2017, Ms. Nash created the Edward O'Brien Expert Witness and Forensic Fund. The impetus behind the Fund was twofold. One, the Innocence Program (and New England Innocence Project as well at <http://www.newenglandinnocence.org/>) are experiencing shortages of funding for crucial blood and DNA analysis and testing that will prove innocence.

Thank you to our Getting to Know You speaker, Town Clerk Deb Dami. Deb told us about many things that are available in

how his desire to explore and travel started early with summer jobs during his high school and college years: crewing aboard schooners off Camden, Maine and Marblehead, Massachusetts, harvesting hay in the fields of Walla Walla, Washington, and others. His memoir recounts victories and losses, celebrations and despair, triumphs and failures.



Town of Mashpee, for example, passport documents can be provided by the Town including taking the pictures. Are you or a family member live in Mashpee and are a veteran? If so, the Town of Mashpee can provide a lifetime sticker. Check it out with the

Town Clerk. Thanks to Marsha Slayton, Mary Ellen MacDonald, and Christine Champagne for the beautiful centerpieces!



### Tuesday, September 18 — Cherylan Gengel, co-founder of Be Like Brit Foundation,

presented her personal story about creating the foundation to honor her daughter's life through the legacy of a Haiti orphanage. This heartwarming and uplifting story was a wonderful way that pain and tragedy can be pulled to become a loving memory through the Be Like Brit foundation. See <https://www.belikebrit.org/> for more information.



Our Getting to Know You speaker was Ann MacDonald from the Friends of the Mashpee Library who updated us on the wonderful activities that are available. So many of you have supported this outstanding library. Thanks for all for the Friends! See <https://friendsofmashpeelibrary.org/> for more information. We are pleased that the 50/50 raffle was donated to the Friends of the Mashpee Library.

The beautiful centerpieces are with thanks to Terry Herman and Gail Reilly. They were outstanding -- and I am very sorry that I was not one of the raffle winners!

It was a dreary grey day at the Popponesset Inn but it didn't stop us to enjoy the afternoon!





# Facebook MWC Group



If you would like to join the Mashpee Women's Club group on Facebook, just log into Facebook and do a search for the Mashpee Women's Club or click on the link below. Then submit a request to join. Once I receive it, I will add you to the group and you will receive updates and postings as they are published. And don't forget – if you read our postings, remember to hit "like"! Note that this is a "closed" group, and its postings are visible only to members.

To join the Mashpee Women's Club Facebook group, you may do one of two ways:

- 1) Link on Facebook to the MWC group at this URL: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/mashpeewomensclub/>. Then send the request, and when I receive your request, I will approve it if you are an existing member.

or

- 2) Send me an email at [dineencom@gmail.com](mailto:dineencom@gmail.com) with your Facebook ID. When I get it, I'll add you to the Facebook group.

**Lisbeth Dineen**, Facebook Coordinator

## New Members' Welcome Coffee and Tea



We will continue to host our semi-annual New Member Coffee/Tea this fall for those members who joined from May thru August (2018). This gathering is a welcoming for our new members of the MWC. We meet in a comfortable home setting where they will meet other new members, a few board members, and learn about the club and its various activities. We look forward to welcoming this next "batch" of wonderful ladies.

Our next Coffee/Tea will be next May.

**Chair: Sigrid Howell**

## Knitting Group



Both knitting groups are continuing to meet to work on various projects. IF you are interested in joining please let us know. Contact: **Mary Liz McCahill** at [pmccahill@aol.com](mailto:pmccahill@aol.com)

We look forward to meeting you...

**Chairs: Sigrid Howell and Mary Liz McCahill**

# Cultural Events



Join us with the Mashpee Women's Club Cultural Events Group! We are a fairly new group started since last year. The Cultural Events group meets monthly to enjoy a play, concert, gallery, or some other type of cultural entertainment. Because most of the events are on the weekend, we will usually meet on Friday evenings. And you will have the choice of attending dinner before the event as well. Planned events include

- October -Vanya and Sonya and Mashable and Spike at Cotuit Center for Arts
  - November- Fun Home at Highfield Hall at Falmouth
  - December-Cape Symphony Holiday presentation
- Please contact **Norma Waring** at [normajejanwaring@msn.com](mailto:normajejanwaring@msn.com) if you would like to be added to the event group email.

**Norma Waring, Mary O'Connor, and Sheila Salomon**, Cultural Events Coordinators

## Centerpiece Creation



A special thank you to all the ladies who have made our luncheons look so beautiful with their spectacular centerpieces! We appreciate all the time and effort that goes into those creations. Well done ladies! Thank you to all who participate. The commitment is only once a

year, and MWC pays for all supplies. If anyone is interested in helping please contact **Laura Kuzia** or **Carolyn Holmes**

## Couples Dining



Couples dining is a great way to get to know other Mashpee Women's Club members and their spouses. We meet together at each other's houses; our menus are planned by the group so that everyone's palate can be satisfied. It's a wonderful way to cement new friendships on the Cape. We have several couples interested in couples dining. We will be starting up in the fall.

**Carolyn Holmes**, Couples Dining Coordinator



# Mashpee Women's Club

## Membership Application and Renewal

<p>Please send completed form with check payable to the Mashpee Women's Club for \$30.00 annual dues to</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Mashpee Women's Club P. O. Box 1613 Mashpee, MA 02649</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> New Member</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Renewal</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;"><input type="checkbox"/> No change needed in directory listing</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;"><input type="checkbox"/> Please make the following changes in the directory listing</p>
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*Please print* all the following information (for renewals, please include only your name and those items that are a change from your existing information):

<b>Name:</b>	
<b>Mailing Address:</b>	Street or P.O. Box _____ City _____ ST _____ Zip _____
<b>Telephone:</b>	Home _____ Cell _____
<b>Email Address:</b>	

(by providing my email address, I agree to receive electronic communications from the Mashpee Women's Club)

The Mashpee Women's Club offers many social, educational, and charitable opportunities for its members. Please identify below any areas of interest to you. This helps us as we plan programs and activities for the membership. We welcome your participation!

### SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

<input type="checkbox"/> Book Groups	<input type="checkbox"/> Couples Dining
<input type="checkbox"/> Bridge: afternoon bridge groups; couples bridge; game day luncheon	<input type="checkbox"/> Solo Dining
<input type="checkbox"/> Golf: Annual outing and luncheon	<input type="checkbox"/> Canasta
<input type="checkbox"/> Memoirs and more Writing Group	<input type="checkbox"/> Knitting

### CLUB COMMITTEES

<input type="checkbox"/> Charities: Monthly 50/50 raffle; annual scholarships	<input type="checkbox"/> Centerpiece Creation: Working with others to create centerpieces for monthly luncheons
<input type="checkbox"/> Membership: Club information; greeters at monthly luncheons; annual directory	<input type="checkbox"/> Fundraising: Activities and events to increase scholarship and charity funds
<input type="checkbox"/> Public Relations: News and/or photos of club activities	

Do you have any suggestions for programs or social activities? Any other interests or suggestions you would like us to know about?

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

# Who's Who



If you wonder who does what within the Mashpee Women's Club, we are very lucky to have a large contingent of active members who make sure that the social and charitable missions of the Club are developed, maintained and grown. If you have any questions or if you are interested in joining an activity or helping on a committee, here are the people to contact. 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, 2016, are:

### Officers

<b>President</b>	<b>Jane Murphy</b>
<b>Vice President</b>	<b>Diane Mahoney</b>
<b>Treasurer</b>	<b>Suzi Rego</b>
<b>Recording Secretary</b>	<b>Sue Riley</b>
<b>Corresponding Secretary</b>	<b>Carolyn Holmes</b>

### Board of Directors

<b>Charities</b>	<b>Sue White</b>
<b>Fundraising</b>	<b>Suzi Rego</b>
<b>Historian</b>	<b>To be determined</b>
<b>Hospitality</b>	<b>Jean Boundy, Sigrid Howell, Katherine Schwartz</b>
<b>Membership</b>	<b>Mary Liz McCahill</b>
<b>Immediate Past President</b>	<b>Jeanne Dennis</b>
<b>Newsletter Editor</b>	<b>Lisbeth Dineen</b>
<b>Programs</b>	<b>Annette Brooks</b>
<b>Public Relations</b>	<b>Jo Ann Burk, Debbie Landsiedel</b>
<b>Web Mistress</b>	<b>Jeanne Dennis</b>

## 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.

<b>Annual Golf Outing and Luncheon</b>	<b>Sue Riley</b>
<b>All Bridge Activities</b>	<b>Janet Molloy</b>
<b>Book Groups</b>	<b>Sigrid Howell, Carolyn Holmes</b>
<b>Centerpieces</b>	<b>Laura Kuzia, Carolyn Holmes</b>
<b>Couples Dining</b>	<b>Carolyn Holmes</b>
<b>Cultural Events</b>	<b>Norma Waring, Mary O'Connor, Sheila Salomon</b>
<b>GTKY Speaker</b>	<b>Laura Kuzia</b>
<b>Knitting Groups</b>	<b>Sigrid Howell, Mary Liz McCahill</b>
<b>Luncheon</b>	<b>Linda Gervich</b>
<b>Memoirs &amp; More Writing</b>	<b>Fran Giambarba</b>
<b>New Members Coffee</b>	<b>Sigrid Howell</b>
<b>Solo Dining</b>	<b>Peggy Youdelman</b>
<b>Special Events</b>	<b>Nancy Jo Goulart</b>

## MWC Past Presidents

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





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**Proud recipient of the Mashpee Chamber of Commerce**

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