



"Service to others is the rent you pay for your room here on earth."  
Muhammad Ali

**APRIL HAPPENINGS:**

**April 27<sup>th</sup>**  
Hansen Village Dinner

**MAY HAPPENINGS:**

**May 2<sup>nd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup>**  
GFWC Annual Conference

**May 12<sup>th</sup>**  
Hospitality for the Homeless

**May 31<sup>st</sup>**  
Touch-A-Truck

**GENERAL MEETINGS:**

**7:00pm**

@ **Lakewood Hills**

April	27 <sup>th</sup>
May	18 <sup>th</sup>
June	22 <sup>nd</sup>
September	28 <sup>th</sup>
October	19 <sup>th</sup>
November	23 <sup>rd</sup>

**BOARD MEETINGS:**

May 6 <sup>th</sup>	@ Gillian H's
(Please note change of date)	
June 8 <sup>th</sup>	@ Cate Lane's
Sept. 14 <sup>th</sup>	@ TBA
Oct. 5 <sup>th</sup>	@ TBA
Nov. 2 <sup>nd</sup>	@ TBA
Nov. 9 <sup>th</sup>	@ TBA

## President's Message

Dear Friends,

We have shaken off the "winter doldrums", successfully completed our first fundraiser of the calendar year, and are running at full speed towards spring and early summer projects.

In March, our Dancing with the Sandwich Stars event raised close to \$4,000. While not quite as lucrative as last year, the night drew an enthusiastic crowd who seemed to thoroughly enjoy the festivities. The board is pleased with our results given the challenges presented by the tight economy. Thanks go out to the DWSS Committee: Annemarie Allen, Ellen Hayes, Cate Lane, LaurieJo Tullis, and co-chairs Kim Butz and Ellen Guerin. We extend our special appreciation to Annemarie and Ellen G. who, in addition to their hard work as committee members, brought the house down with their fabulous showcase performances.

Following tradition, our April General Meeting will take the format of a mock baby shower to benefit *A Baby Center* in Hyannis. We hope that you will all come to support this amazing organization. Included below is additional information about *ABC* and requested donations. The meeting will include a hands-on project – hooded towels & care packages – a brief message from a representative of *ABC*, and a general business meeting.

May is just around the corner, as are two big events that we hope you will support. The first week of the month brings the *GFWC of MA Annual Conference* at the Seacrest Resort in North Falmouth. The weekend's activities include the **Junior Conference** on Saturday, and the **General Conference** Sunday through Tuesday. Saturday's morning agenda includes our own Gillian Hurrie, who will lead a chair yoga workshop, and DWSS friends Deb Israel and Paul Gavonni, who will instruct and entertain us. Several members of the board are planning to attend. Please consider joining us. Additional information follows.

At the end of May, **Touch-A-Truck** is coming. Thanks to Gillian Hurrie, we are well on our way to another fun-filled day. Please look for her update and plan to help on the 31<sup>st</sup>.

I continue to be amazed at what our small group of women is able to accomplish. You are all to be commended for your hard work and dedication. I know that our efforts are appreciated by the community. I also know that there are times when we would all be thrilled to have a few more friends to help us out. To that end, the board is working on some new ideas to recruit and retain members. Thanks to Nancy Watts, our head of membership, who is already working on several new initiatives. Please see her update.

I hope that you are enjoying these warmer days and look forward to seeing you on the 27<sup>th</sup>.

Warm Regards,

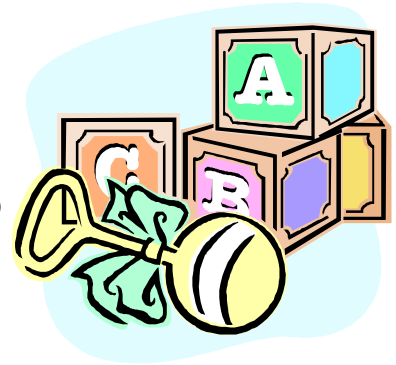
## April Showers

Please come to our "Baby Shower" with a new, or gently used, gift for *A Baby Center*. *ABC* provides, at no charge, critical basic items for infants and toddlers up to the age of three who live on Cape Cod and the Islands; and whose families meet income guidelines as identified by the federal WIC program. (Continued ...)

## A Baby Center's Wish List



Diapers (Sizes Newborn to 6)  
Pull-Ups (Sizes 2T-4T)  
Baby Wipes  
Baby Wash (Head to Toe)  
Diaper Rash Cream  
Wash Cloths  
Infant Towels (Hooded)  
Pacifiers  
Bedding, Crib sheets and pads  
Cribs (No more than 4 years old)  
New Crib Mattresses  
Children's Clothing (sizes newborn to 4)  
Toddler shoes and socks  
Toddler Pajamas  
Single and Double Strollers  
High Chairs  
Potty Seats  
Formula (dry and liquid)



## GFWC Conference Almost Here!

The **2009 Annual Conference of Junior GFWC Clubs** will be held **May 2<sup>nd</sup>** at the Seacrest Resort in North Falmouth. The SWC is serving as co-host of this event. The event begins at 9am and concludes with an evening banquet and dancing. The agenda includes:

- 9:00 Registration
- 10:00 Business Meeting, including a Hatha Yoga demonstration by member Gillian Hurrie
- 11:30 Recess: STAR Boutique, Basket Raffle, Displays
- 12:00 Awards Luncheon, including a Dance lesson by Deb Israel
- 5:30 Cocktail Hour
- 6:30 Evening Awards Banquet
- After conference festivities

As co-hosts, our duties include registering and welcoming guests, and the luncheon centerpieces. Several members of the board are planning to attend. **Please contact Kim Butz ASAP if you wish to join us.**

Additionally, the **2009 Annual Conference of General GFWC Clubs** will meet May 3<sup>rd</sup> through the 5<sup>th</sup>. In support of Mary Baird, some members of the board will be attending the dinner portion of the conference on Monday evening, **May 4<sup>th</sup>**. Please contact Kim if you would like to join us.

## Touch-A-Truck

Please remind friends and family that the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Touch A Truck is just around the corner, on May 31<sup>st</sup>, from 10am-2pm. The next meeting will be held before our general meeting, April 27, at 6:30pm at the clubhouse. Members will be encouraged at the general meeting to take some flyers for various schools and strategic places around town. We still can use volunteers so please sign up or contact [gillianhurrie@yahoo.com](mailto:gillianhurrie@yahoo.com) if you are unable to attend the meeting but want to volunteer at the event.

## Upcoming Community Service Projects

- On **April 27<sup>th</sup>**, we will prepare and serve a meal to the elderly residents at **Hansen Village**. Mary Davis, Mary Baird, and Kathy Kelly have volunteered to prepare and serve the meal this month. If you are available to join them, please call Mary Davis at 508-833-4406.
- On **May 12<sup>th</sup>**, we will host dinner for the homeless women served by **Hospitality for the Homeless** at the Quaker Friends Meetinghouse. We are looking for volunteers to prepare items for this meal. A signup sheet will be available at the April General Meeting. If you are unable to attend the meeting and can help with the meal. Please call Mary Jo O'Neill at 508-420-5959 or Joyce Noonan at 508-420-7944.
- We are planning a one-day Spring Clean-Up and Kitchen Wrap-Up project at **Safe Harbor** on a Saturday in June. We will announce the date as soon as it is confirmed.

## SWC Comes to Facebook

Have you heard of Facebook? Are you on Facebook? Are your friends on Facebook?

**Facebook** is a very popular social networking website. Membership was originally limited to students of Harvard University, where founder Mark Zuckerberg was attending, but expanded in phases to include anyone older than 12, and is now the most popular social networking site in the world.

Contrary to popular perception, Facebook isn't just for students. In fact, over 50% of Facebook's users are over 30 years old. And, it's also a place where you'll find middle-aged adults playing around and connecting with long-lost friends, too!

We think it will be a fun way to spread the GOOD NEWS about the Sandwich Women's Club and have launched the Sandwich Women's Club on the site.

We'll use it to promote events and meetings. And we'll report on the successes of our fund-raising events. We'll generate interest from prospective new members.

And we'll be asking YOU to help by letting your friends know about it.

Within the next week, each of our members will receive an invitation to join the Sandwich Women's Club Facebook Community! We hope you'll accept the invitation.

And then, we hope that you'll invite your Facebook friends on the Cape to join the Sandwich Women's Club Facebook site, too. As more people hear about the great things that we do, our meeting attendance will grow and our group of volunteers to work on our fundraisers and outreach programs will grow, too. Thank so much for your help on this fun endeavor. ~Nancy Watts, Membership

## DWSS 2010 ??

Soon after breathing a sigh of relief that DWSS 2009 was behind us, the DWSS Committee and the board turned their thoughts to next year. At this time, we are considering a repeat of the event in the spring of 2010, but have not committed to it. Key factors contributing to this decision are the availability of dancers, and the number of club members who wish to work on organizing the event. At the April General Meeting, we will solicit members for the 2010 committee. If you are interested in working on this, but are not able to attend the general meeting, please contact Kim Butz to be added to the committee list.

## Special Thanks to ...

- **Nancy Watts** for launching the club’s new “Facebook” site and coordinating a membership table at the library, and to **Ellen Hayes, Kathy Kelly, and LaurieJo Tullis** for staffing the table.
- **Kathy Kelly** for coordinating the April 10<sup>th</sup> meal for Hospitality for the Homeless.
- **Lisa Judelson, Mary Baird, Annemarie Allen and Sarah Allen** for preparing and serving another delicious meal for the elderly at Hansen Village in March.

### PLEASE PAY YOUR 2009 ANNUAL DUES

We hope that you’ll join us again this year! Your membership is valuable and appreciated.

Please use the attached coupon to pay your dues. An active membership is \$30 and an inactive is \$15 for the year. Checks can be made payable to the SWC and returned to **Ellen Hayes** at the February General Meeting, or mailed to P.O. Box 757, Sandwich, MA 02563 **ASAP**.

If you do not plan on rejoining, we’d appreciate it if you’d let us know. Thank you!

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Active Membership (\$30)      \_\_\_\_\_ Inactive Membership (\$15)

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