



**MARCH HAPPENINGS:**

**March 30<sup>th</sup>**  
Hansen Village Dinner

**APRIL HAPPENINGS:**

**April 10<sup>th</sup>**  
Hospitality for the Homeless

**April 19<sup>th</sup>**  
GFWC of MA Fashion Show

**GENERAL MEETINGS:**

**7:00pm**

**@ Lakewood Hills**

March	23 <sup>rd</sup>
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:**

April 13 <sup>th</sup>	@ Nancy Watts'
May 4 <sup>th</sup>	@ Gillian H's
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

**GFWC of MA  
EVENTS**

**May 2-5**  
Annual Meeting  
@Seacrest

## President's Message

Dear friends,

Spring is in the air! Well, it was yesterday. Today, winter seems to be back for a repeat performance. But, we know that it is coming and with that in mind have planned a **March General Meeting** agenda to celebrate the first day of spring (on March 20<sup>th</sup>). I hope that you will join us for the meeting, which will be held on **Monday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>** at Lakewood Hills. The agenda for the meeting will be as follows:

- 7:00-7:30 Gathering Time & Hands-On Project – Potting plants for Cape Heritage residents
- 7:30-8:00 Program – Spring Gardens
- 8:00-8:45 Business Meeting
- 8:45-9:00 Wrap Up
- 9:00 Adjournment

The Dancing with the Stars committee hopes it will have recovered sufficiently from the weekend's activities to provide an update on the success of the event. And, we will collect items for Hospitality for the Homeless (see additional information on page 2). We are still in **need of a dessert for the evening**. If you are able to help, please contact me.

While most of the Board's energy has recently been focused on our upcoming fundraiser, we have also been enjoying reading our mail. During February and March our post office box has been overflowing with thank you notes from the various charities that were on the receiving end of our year-end donations. On page 3, you will find a list of organizations who have written to us and a few particularly meaningful quotes. We hope that you share our pride in all we accomplished last year. We are a small, but mighty, group of dedicated women and we should take a few moments to congratulate each other on a job well-done.

I'm off to practice my line-dance steps. Hope to see you all on the 20<sup>th</sup> and the 23<sup>rd</sup>!

Warm Regards,

## Dancing with the Sandwich



The DWSS committee is putting the finishing touches on our upcoming spring fundraiser, which will take place next **Friday, March 20<sup>th</sup>**. We are grateful for the support of members and all of our friends in the business community, who have stepped up to lend a hand. Special thanks to **Paul Cullotta Painting** and member **Jana Stein**, for their Gold Level Sponsorship. As of today, a handful of tickets remain. If you have decided that you'd like to attend, please contact Kim Butz, 508-888-0182, to purchase your ticket. Dust off your dancing shoes, and come join us for a fun evening!

## Touch-A-Truck

Committee: Gillian Hurrie, Mary Jo O'Neill, Cate Lane, Laurie Jo Tullis

On May 31<sup>st</sup>, we will hold our 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Touch-A-Truck event at the H.T. Wing School. There will be no raindate this year. As you well know, this is a day of fun for more than 1,000 children from Sandwich and surrounding towns, and is one of our top three fundraisers of the year. Last year's event netted the most ever in the TAT history. Good news already is that Two Brothers graciously agreed to donate their time and pizzas this year, as well as Suzanne Tonaire (Rock Babe) from PIXY 103!

**This event requires many hands for a successful day. We are asking for people who would like to bake, volunteer the day of, and/or spread the word with our flyers around town.** If you would like to volunteer for this event, please sign yourself up by contacting Gillian (gillianhurrie@yahoo.com) as some of you have done, or by signing up at the general meeting. Also we are always looking for new and exciting vehicles. An RV, boat, dirt bike.....would be great!

## March and April Community Service

- On **March 30<sup>th</sup>**, we will prepare and serve a meal to the elderly residents at **Hansen Village**. Mary Baird, and Annemarie & Sarah Allen have volunteered to help Lisa Judelson this month. If you are available to join them, please call Lisa at 508-420-7937.
- On **April 10<sup>th</sup>**, we will host dinner for the homeless men 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 March 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.
- At the **March and April General Meetings** we will collect **personal care items** to be donated to the **Hospitality for the Homeless program**. We will package these items into care packages at the May General meeting. Travel size toiletries, socks, etc, would all be appropriate contributions. Please bring your donations and toss them into the designated box at one of these upcoming meetings.

## Social Opportunity

- On **Sunday, April 19<sup>th</sup>** the **GFWC of Massachusetts** will hold a **Fashion Show and Luncheon** at the Doubletree Hotel in Westborough. The event runs from 11:00am – 3:00 pm and the cost for tickets is \$30. This is the only GFWC of MA fundraiser of the year and is expected to be a lot of fun. A group of SWC members are planning to attend. If you are interested in joining us, please contact Kim Butz 508-888-0182 for ticket information.

## Special Thanks to ...

- **Lisa Judelson** for preparing another delicious meal for the elderly at Hansen Village in February and to **Andrea Sutton** and **Kim Butz** for helping with serving.

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“Only by seeking challenges can we hope to find the best in ourselves.”

## GFWC Business

- On **May 2<sup>nd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup>**, the **GFWC of Massachusetts** will hold its **Junior and General Annual Conferences** at the Seacrest resort in Falmouth. The Sandwich Women’s Club will serve as co-hosts with the West Barnstable club. Our responsibilities will include working the registration desk and preparing centerpieces. Please consider attending and getting to know some other Massachusetts GFWC members.
- The **GWFC** provides many **Scholarships** for Clubwomen, High School Students, and College Undergraduates. If you are interested in applying for a scholarship for yourself, or one of your children, please check out the information available at the General Meeting, contact Kim Butz, or visit the GFWC of Massachusetts website for information and applications.

## Thanks for Year-End Donations

The club has recently received letters from the following organizations, who were grateful for our financial support:

Deborah O’Brien, Sandwich High School Library (\$100)  
Lysetta Hurge-Putnam, Independence House (\$500)  
Jan Timmons, Council on Aging (\$1500)  
Marjorie Sanson, NOAH Center (\$200)  
Anne M. Haney, RHCI (\$495)  
Stacy Gallagher, Children’s Cove (\$1000)  
Mary Pat Piersons, A Baby Center (\$1000)  
Sue Daggett, Habitat for Humanity of Cape Cod (\$500)  
Richard Connor, Sandwich Library (\$675)  
Arleen Ellis, Hospice & Palliative Care of Cape Cod (\$200)  
Frederic Presbrey, Housing Assistance Corporation (\$200)  
Gigi Ridgley, Sandwich Food Pantry (\$1000)  
Peter Meyer, Cape Cod Times Needy Fund (\$500)  
Gene Schott, Thornton Burgess Society  
Mary Hebert, CHAMP Homes (\$500)

*“Thank you for your generous donation to help the Council on Aging defray the cost of running our minivan. It provides the opportunity for senior citizens who can or should no longer drive to remain as independent as possible.”*

*“Your thoughtfulness helps us provide basic needed services and more as we strive to make NOAH a place where folks can begin to resolve their difficulties and stabilize their lives.”*

*“My patients are thrilled to be more independent in self care, safe in their homes and able to return to working. Thanks so much for your support – we truly appreciate it!”*

*“As these economic times are changing, ABC is serving more and more families. We could not survive without you. Thank you from all of the babies whose lives (and bottoms!) you have touched!”*

*“... passes to the Children’s Museum of Boston. You should know that the passes were reserved 172 days last year – adding up to a savings of \$2,400 for our museum goers!”*

**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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