

The Chatham Woman's Club, Inc.

Newsletter

General Meeting – February 9, 2007

A Gentle Reminder

Please turn off your cell phones during the meeting. If you must get a call, put the phone on the vibrate mode.

Federation Day at the State House - Thursday, March 29, 2007

Barbara Lynyak, chair of the Legislative Department, tells us that every couple of years the GFWC of MA runs a program for its members at the State House in Boston in order to help members gain insight into the state legislative process and also to give members an opportunity to meet their state legislators and convey their opinions on legislative issues. The next Federation Day program will take place on Thursday, March 29, 2007 from 10 AM to 2:30 PM. The cost to attend the Federation Day events is the cost of the included lunch in the Great Hall of Flags, \$15.50 (while you're there locate the Chatham flag!). Our district legislative representative, Joan Anderson of East Dennis, is running a bus for Cape Cod members to the State House for \$25 round trip. Of course you can drive, but parking on Beacon Hill is difficult to say the least.

On a separate sheet is an application to register for Federation Day. Please make your check for \$15.50 payable to GFWC of MA and send it and the form to the address stated therein. You will receive your ticket for Federation Day upon your arrival at the State House.

To take the bus please send your check for \$25 with a brief note containing your name, address and phone number and that you are in the Chatham Woman's Club to: Joan Anderson, P.O. Box 781, East Dennis, MA 02641 The point of departure for the bus will be determined depending on who is going. If you have any questions about the bus please call Joan Anderson at 508-385-9155. If you can't get your check to Joan by Saturday, February 10 please call her and let her know it is on the way.

The speakers scheduled for Federation Day include Lieutenant Governor Timothy Murray, Assistant Secretary of State Michael Maresca, Senator Susan Tucker, the State House representative for Veterans Affairs and several other state legislators. If a group of you would like to meet our new representative Sarah Peake or our State Senator Rob O'Leary, you can either invite them to join your table at the luncheon or visit their office (preferably by prior appointment). Because a new two year legislative session just started January 1, and all bills that didn't get enacted into law automatically died at the end of the previous session, we do not have any pending "alerts" stating the state-wide federation's adopted position on pending or possible legislation to lobby for, but feel free to advocate your own views!

If you have any questions please call Barbara Lynyak at 945-4477 or Janet Daly at 945-2520.

Congratulations to our 25 Year Members

Three of our members have been identified from historical records as members of the Chatham Woman's Club for 25 years. Evelyn Helides, Janet Herbert, and Mary Stratico will be honored today, their silver anniversary, at this meeting.

Program on Volunteers

The Chatham Woman's Club reported to the General Federation of Women's Clubs that our members worked for 15,533 hours last year on volunteer activities. Our Club is planning a volunteer forum at the March 9 General Meeting. We will have several members talk about their experience as a volunteer and provide some handouts with information on opportunities for volunteers. There are many ways our members can make a difference in the community.

Please Support our Sponsors

Renee Woodard, the talented chef from Coastal Provisions who prepared crab cakes at the Life Is Good Party, still has those delicious crab cakes available for our members. Please **call Renee at 508 430-0169** to order up a dozen or two for your next get together.

Theater Party

Another fundraising social for our Woman's Club will be held Sunday, March 4th, 2:00pm at the Chatham Drama Guild on Crowell Road in Chatham. This performance is three irreverently humorous monologues that take place in a mid-west funeral parlor. Sure to be a great hit! Don't miss the fun! A reception with complimentary hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar will follow the performance. Please call Judi Clifford now for your tickets at 508-945-0223. Thanks. We are looking forward to a full house at the theater.

Captain's House Tea

Anyone wanting to attend the Tea at the Captain's House on Old Harbor Road , Wednesday, April 18th, 12:30-2:30 p.m., please make your reservation with Judi Clifford by calling 508-945-0223 as soon as possible.

House Tour --Summer Solstice by the Sea

Save the date: Thursday, June 21 Noon to 4:00 pm. Many volunteers are needed. Tickets will be \$30 each and will go on sale April 8. Watch our website for more information. <http://chathamwomansclub.org>

Community Service and Veterans Committee

Chairman Bette Hahner reports that last month we collected volunteer forms that show a total of 15,533 volunteer hours put in by our Club members from January through December. For more information, call Bette at 945-9962.

Friendship Luncheon – Friday, May 11

Mark your calendars for this end-of-year luncheon to just get together, have fun, eat a wonderful lunch, and enjoy a fashion show at the Wequassett Inn. Chairman Peg Flynn has lined up fashions from Mulberry Corners in Osterville, models for our Club, and a few other surprises to make the final meeting of the year a very special event. More information will be coming.

American Heritage Department

The American Heritage Department does not meet at this time of year. In the interim, many have been to the Atwood House Museum twice to help work on the archives. They've labeled and filed photos and materials from an old exhibit on Chatham cemeteries, and have read and clipped some old newspapers.

The officers of the Chatham Historical Society have noted how valuable their volunteer work has been. In two days, they have accomplished about two weeks full-time work. It's really gratifying to see how much assistance is being given to the Society's archivist Mary Ann Gray, who is a Club member. Thank you!

Quilt Project

Clara Slockbower reports that the quilt project is still recruiting members to create squares for the handmade Chatham quilt that will be auctioned off to the public upon completion. The next meeting is on February 27 at Clara's home. Any member is welcome to participate and create a hand-made square of a Chatham location. You do not need to be highly skilled. Call 945-4490 for more information.

Sad news – In memoriam – Mary Smolens

We received word that Mary Smolens, former president of the Chatham Woman's Club in 1992-1994, passed away. She had been with her daughter in Oregon. A memorial Mass will be said for Mary on Monday, March 5, at 11:00 a.m. at Holy Redeemer Church in Chatham.

Calendar for February, March, 2007 and Beyond!

Feb. 9, Friday – General Meeting, Speaker James Coogan on Women at Sea in the Nineteenth Century, Noon

Feb 15 , Thursday– Literature and Drama Department – home of Roseann Stephens – Favorite Books. 1:00 p.m.

Feb 16, Friday – Legislation Department – home of Marta Dutkewych, 16 Lakeview Avenue at the southern edge of the Riverbay area. Please call her at 945-6499.– Coast Guard Auxiliary and Air Wing of Chatham, 10:00 a.m.

Feb 27, Tuesday - Quilt Group, home of Clara Slockbower, 2:00 p.m.

March 4, Sunday--Theater Party Fundraiser – Chatham Drama Guild, 2:00 p.m.

March 29, Thursday – Federation Day at the State House

April 18, Wednesday –Fundraiser Luncheon at the Captain's House, 11:30 a.m.

May 11. Friday – CWC Friendship Luncheon, Wequassett Inn – Please mark your calendar.

June 21, Thursday – House Tour: Summer Solstice by the Sea. SAVE THE DATE!.

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FEDERATION DAY AT THE STATE HOUSE

Pre-Registration Form

Thursday, March 29, 2007 - The State House, Boston, MA 02133

10:00 a.m. GARDNER AUDITORIUM (Lower floor)

Speakers To Be Announced

12:15 p.m. – GREAT HALL OF FLAGS (Second Floor)

Luncheon: \$15.50

Speakers To Be Announced

Please enclose your check with form payable to GFWC of MA, and mail to:
Miss Eloise Wellington, 24 Harding Rd., Melrose, MA 02176-2424,
Eloise Tel: 781-665-5191 – Sally Hoyt, Legislation Chair, Tel: 781-944-1191
Tickets to be picked up at Gardner Auditorium on March 29, 2007.

DEADLINE DATE: MARCH 24, 2007

REGISTRATION FORM

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12:15 p.m. Great Hall of Flags, Second Floor

Luncheon Fee: \$15.50

*Name: _____ Address: _____

City/Town/Zip _____ Club Name: _____

Club /State Position: _____ Tel: _____

*Please duplicate for each reservation.

Amount Enclosed: \$