



Ellington Women's Club

Next meeting, Wednesday, October 1 at 6:30 PM

Ellington Senior Center
40 Maple Street

October 2014

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Happy New Year Ladies!

Yes, can you believe summer 2014 has come and gone and we are beginning a new Club year? I'm not sure I'm quite ready for fall, but here it is already! Hope you all had a terrific summer.

Our first meeting of the new year will be on Oct. 1st with our Pot Luck Dinner beginning at 6:30 PM. It will be a little different this year as due to Senior Center rules and regulations, we can only bring cold dishes. Unfortunately, they are not allowing us to bring in hot foods or any electrical appliances. They will however, provide us with a coffee urn.

We have some new members and new faces in new places! I look forward to working with all of you and hope to make this year a fun and productive one. With that being said, we still have an open position on the Board. We are looking for someone to take on the **Fundraising** job. If anyone would like to help, please contact me or our VP Joan Robinson. We encourage everyone to get involved and we look forward to all of your ideas!

Special thank you to the ladies who have manned our booth at Ellington's Farmers Market selling "All Things Ellington!" Way to go ladies!!!

The October agenda will have a few things to discuss:

- Fall Conference is October 18 at the Farmington Marriott. The theme this year is "Building to the Future".
- Our state project this year is "Manes & Motion", which is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to improving the well-being of children and adults living with physical, cognitive and/or emotional disabilities through the benefits of equine-assisted activities.

Hope to see all of you at the meeting!

Karen Antonetti

Hospitality Corner

Ann Williams

We are starting a new tradition for our October 1st meeting - "Cold Pot Luck". Dig out your recipes for cold salads and accompanying dishes -- some suggestions:

- Pasta salad
- Potato salad
- Chicken/Meat salad
- Tossed salad
- Cole slaw
- Deviled eggs
- Rolls/bread (buttery spread will be provided)
- Pickles, olives, etc.
- Chips
- Other??

Please bring serving utensils if your dish requires some.

Call Ann at 860-875-4620 or e-mail her at Panndora@Comcast.net with your choice.

Ann may ask you to revise your selection - e.g. if we wind up with ten members choosing to bring potato salad and no one bringing rolls.



October's Program

Joan Robinson

Welcome to the Ellington Women's Club 2014-2015 club year! We hope you had an enjoyable summer.

Our featured speaker will be Doris Crayton, Ellington's Human Services Director, who will share her experiences with us and how we can continue to support Ellington's community.

October History Fact

Maria Mitchell, American astronomer, discovers a comet and is elected the same day to the American Academy of Arts—the first woman to be so honored. The King of Denmark awarded her a gold medal for her discovery.



Tussie Mussies

Thank you everyone for tending the herb garden this summer. We didn't get much rain this year but everyone did a great job of watering. I will be sending an email the beginning of October to ask for volunteers to prepare the garden for winter. Yuck, I can't believe I said that word. Thanks again, *Diane Harrington*

C.I.P. - Veteran Monuments

Pat Tardif

Thanks to Darlene and Ron Hull's diligence, the rose bushes on the traffic island are looking very good. The bushes that had a setback are coming back into bloom. They are still taking care of them.



As to weeding the flowers around the Veteran Monuments, Liz Laroche and Dottie Shackway are scheduled to weed the weeks of September 29 and October 6. I plan on cleaning the beds for winter sometime during the week of October 14. Scheduled to help me are Liz Laroche, Janet Wieliczka, Nadene Lake, Diane Harrington and Darlene Hull. If anyone else would like to join us, please call me at 860-875-6394.

Connecticut Trolley Museum



The Connecticut Trolley Museum is being considered as a field trip for our May 5, 2015 Club meeting. The evening would include museum history, current exhibits, trolley ride along with our monthly meeting. More details at the October Club meeting.



Membership's EWC Pamphlet

Darlene Hull

As Membership Chair, I am looking and asking for ANY input from our members. Initially, I am quite curious about the thoughts, concerns and interests of our current members. Please tell me what EWC means to you and what the Club should focus on in the future. Contact me via email or phone – at any time. I am serious about the future of our Club and want to address the needs and concerns of our members. While I have updated our EWC pamphlet, I would be grateful for any suggestions to enlighten interest and new members. The pamphlet will be sent via email and regular mail to all members. Please review the pamphlet and contact me with ANY comments – constructive criticism is welcome.

GFWC/CT State Project - Food Pantries

Pat Tardif

I'm afraid we got a little confused about our food contributions for September. As a result we only collected 32 lbs. of food plus a 2 gal. container of All Detergent. The food pantries were still very appreciative. For the rest of the Club year we will be collecting food before each monthly meeting and the months during which we do not have meetings. Therefore, the Yellow Box will be at the Senior Center from the Tuesday afternoon before our meeting date until the end of our meeting on Wednesday night.

Yellow Box at Senior Center



September 20 - October 1, 2014

November 4 - 5

December 2 - 3

January 6 - 7, 2015

(No meeting, box will be there for anyone to drop off items and Pat will pick up.)

February 3 - 4, 2015

March 3 - 4

March 31 - April 1

May 5 - 6

The food pantries always like the following items but feel free to donate other items:

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| Pasta | Dessert mixes | Pancake mix & Syrup |
| Tuna | Spaghetti O's | Canned meats |
| Canned fruit | Pasta & Sauce | Peanut butter |
| Cereal | Toothpaste | Toilet Paper |
| Soups (not condensed) chicken noodle, rice, etc. | | |

Don't forget to bring your Education Box Tops to the meeting.



All Things Ellington

Fundraisers are always a challenge. Our recent EWC fundraiser has proven to be one of the same. A few members have stepped up and provided wonderful representation of our Club. The Ellington Farmer's Market (Thank you to Dianne Trueb) has been extremely generous by allowing our Club to have a spot at the Farmer's Market on a monthly basis (free of charge). Our fundraiser has had its ups and downs-financially. The first appearance at the Market was very positive but the following month was disappointing. Fundraisers—not always easy but our September appearance was a resounding SUCCESS!!!



October 4 will be another opportunity for our Club to raise some money - **Ellington Farmer's Market** volunteers, Lois Goodin and Diane Harrington have graciously offered to cover the October 4 booth. Thank you, Lois and Diane!!! Be sure to stop over and say hi to them.

Financial details will be specified at a later date.

Winterfest is a Go!

Dot Shackway

Hear Ye! Hear Ye! We will be hosting our part of the Winterfest celebration at the Town Hall Annex. We were worried for awhile since the former Senior Center is no longer available. There is a place so plans for goodies and volunteers can proceed. Sign-ups will take place at our October meeting. Thanks for your support.

Remembering Our Veterans

Dot Shackway

We will again be supporting our Veterans this Holiday Season. Please bring your donations of clothing, games, puzzles, gift cards, or financial means to any of the upcoming meetings. Donations are accepted for both men and women.



GFWC/CT Fall Convention

Date: October 18, 2014
Location: Farmington Marriott

Further details will be provided as soon as they are available. Historically, the meeting timeframe has been 9:00 am – 2:00 PM and the cost has ranged from \$28 - \$34. The transition of the 2014 – 2016 GFWC/CT administration is presenting a few challenges with the details of various meetings. Thank you for your patience and we hope to see you at the meeting. ANY questions, contact Darlene Hull.

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10 Reasons to Join the Ellington Women's Club

1. Friendship
2. Opportunity to Serve
3. Fun
4. Entertainment
5. Citizenship in the Community
6. Nice People
7. Personal Growth & Development
8. Continuing Education
9. Leadership Development
10. Business Development

Our goal is to be of service to others, improve our social, cultural, and physical environment and to promote the appreciation of the arts. We strive to become responsible leaders in our community.



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