



The Laurel News and Notes

*Newsletter of The Women's Club of Madison Member of General Federation of
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Hope everyone had a very Happy Holiday Season and a Happy New Year!

The next meeting of the Women's Club of Madison will be held on Tuesday, January 10th at 6:30 p.m., at the Madison Senior Center. The meeting will be a hybrid, with Zoom available for those unable to attend in person. Our speaker is **Mauro Diaz-Hernandez, Program Administrator at the Yale Center on Climate Change and Health.**

Board Meetings will continue to be held via Zoom on the third Monday of each month at 5:30 p.m. Watch for emails from President Lynne Sarro. Remember to send Lynne any agenda items or committee information for both the General Membership and Board Meetings. Lynne's email address is lynnesarro@gmail.com.

If you have information for the newsletter, please email me at patriciathal@aim.com.



To stay up to date on the latest GFWC news, sign up for **GFWC News and Notes** at **GFWC.org** under **News and Publications**.



Food Pantry – Both **Donna Dougherty** and **Phyllis Denton** volunteer at the Food Pantry every Wednesday. You may bring your donations of peanut butter and jelly to the General Membership Meetings or drop off your donations at Phyllis' house, 8 Runnymede Lane.

Thank you to Donna and Phyllis for bringing in the donations and thank you to all members who have donated!





Book Club - If you are interested in joining the Book Club or have any suggestions for future books, please contact **Josephine Mokriski**.

Josephine may be contacted at either josephinemokriski@hotmail.com or at 203-245-0706.



If you know of a member who is ill, in need of a bit of cheer, or is celebrating a special event, please contact **Sue Hermonat, Corresponding Secretary**. She will send a card from the Club, letting our member know that we are all thinking about her.

Sue's email address is shermo1981@att.net.



Attention All Walkers – Time to work off all those holiday goodies and get a jump start on your New Year’s resolution. Our Walking Group meets Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday at 9:00 a.m. at East Wharf and Wednesday at 9:00 a.m. at Hammonasset Park.

Contact **Barbara DeRosa** for details.



Knitting Club – Anyone interested in knitting or crocheting afghan squares may contact either **Barbara DeRosa** or **Denise Daly** for instructions. Barbara’s email address is dderosa73@comcast.net or call her at 203-245-6063. Denise’s email address is ddaly524@gmail.com or call her at 203-458-3309.

Thank you to Barbara, Denise, and all the Knitters!



Website – Check out our website at: <https://womensclubmadisonct.com>. **Denise Rose** is doing a great job keeping the website updated. She is including a newsletter section, snippets from meetings regarding upcoming events, news from the State GFWC, information about the book clubs, etc. **Thank you Denise.**



Gail Lennox is collecting empty plastic prescription bottles for Doctor's Without Borders. Please remove the labels from the bottle prior to giving them to **Gail**. Bottles may be brought to the meetings or contact **Gail** for drop off information. These containers are not recyclable so here is a way to put them to good use. **Thank you Gail!**



Pat Sangster is collecting tabs from soda and beer cans – just the tab, not the whole can or top. Please start collecting them. They will be donated to the Ronald McDonald House in New Haven. Please bring the tabs to a meeting or contact **Pat Sangster**. Ronald McDonald house will receive all of the recycling money. **Thank you Pat!**



St. Jude Fund - Josephine Mokriski continues to collect money for the St. Jude Fund. She will be collecting at the meetings. If you would like to make a contribution, and are unable to attend the meeting, please contact Josephine at either 203-245-0706 or email her at josephinemokriski@hotmail.com . **Thank you Josephine!**

WHIST FUND RAISER



The Women's Club of Madison will be holding a Whist Party on **April 28, 2023**, at the **First Congregational Church**. More details to come. **Anna Marie Lane** has volunteered to co-chair the Whist. If you would like to volunteer to be a co-chair or to help out with the event, please contact **Anna Marie**. **Thank you Anna Marie!**

DATES TO REMEMBER:

01/10/2023 – General Membership Meeting
01/16/2023 – Board Meeting via Zoom
01/16/2023 – Martin Luther King Day

JUST FOR FUN:

01/13/2023 – Friday the 13th

01/21/2023 – National Hugging Day

01/24/2023 – Compliment Day