



The Laurel News and Notes

*Newsletter of The Women's Club of Madison Member of General Federation of
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May 2023



The next meeting of the Women's Club of Madison will be held on Tuesday, May 9th, at 6:30 p.m., at the Madison Senior Center.

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 lynesarro@gmail.com.

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

**IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM ASSISTANT TREASURER
DUES ARE DUE**

Dues are **\$50** and are due by **June 1, 2023**. Please make checks payable to **The Women's Club of Madison**. You may mail your check to:

The Women's Club of Madison
P.O. Box 691
Madison, CT 06443
Attn: Dues

In addition, please provided the following information:

Name

Address

Preferred Phone Number

Email Address

Spouse's Name

Three Committees for which you would like to volunteere

WHIST FUND RAISER



The Whist Fund Raiser was a success! Thank you to Anna Marie and her committee for all of their hard work.

Check out the photos at the end of this newsletter.

TAG SALE



The **Tag Sale** will be here before you know it. Start cleaning out those closets, attics, and cellars looking for those hidden gently used gems that no longer bring you joy. Remember – one woman’s trash is another woman’s treasure. **The Tag Sale** is scheduled for **June 24, 2023, on the Green.**

Please price your items and bring them to the Green between 6:15 a.m. and 7:30 a.m. on the day of the sale. If this is not possible and you need assistance, please contact **Dawn Tiscia** at 203-530-1552 or dawn.tischia@gmail.com.

Please let Dawn know if you are able to help on the day of the sale (two-hour shift) or are able to provide a card table, or 8’ or 6” table, or tarps for display.

Thank you Dawn!





The **114th GFWC New England Region Conference** will be held on **September 21-24, 2023** at the **Sheraton Hartford South Hotel, 100 Capital Boulevard, Rocky Hill**. Looks like an informative and fun filled event. Watch for the Call.

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 Runnymead 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 – 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 about the Walking Group.



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.**



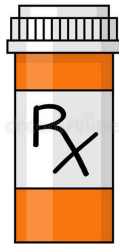
Madison's Annual Green Up, Clean Up was held on Saturday, April 29th. Thank you **Carol Musante** organizing the group and for all your hard work and keeping the Club informed of environmental and conservation concerns and activities.

Despite the less than stellar weather, **Carol and her team** did a great job helping to keep our town clean and beautiful!

Check out the photos at the end of the newsletter.



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!**



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!**



MEMORIAL DAY

Monday, May 29, 2023, is Memorial Day. The town of Madison Memorial Day Parade will be held starting at 10:00 a.m. The parade will proceed west on the Boston Post Road, through downtown, and conclude with a ceremony at the Town Green. Marchers to assemble on Samson Rock Road at 9:30 a.m. The schedule is attached.



**ANNUAL JUNE DINNER
TUESDAY, June 13, 2023
Maritime Grill
Guilford, CT
Mark your calendars!
Flyer is attached**

WHIST FUND RAISER



GREEN UP CLEAN UP 2023



DATES TO REMEMBER:

05/09/2023 – General Membership Meeting

05/11/2023 through 06/04/2023 – Friends of Hammonasset Plant Sale

05/14/2023 – Mother’s Day

05/15/2023 – Board Meeting

05/29/2023 – Memorial Day

JUST FOR FUN:

05/05/2023 – Cinco de Mayo

05/06/2023 – Kentucky Derby

05/11/2023 – National Eat What You Want Day

05/20/2023 – World Bee Day

05/31/2023 – National Smile Day





Women's Club of Madison
June Dinner

When: June 13th 2023

Where: Maritime Grill, 2548 Boston Post Rd, Guilford

Time: 6:00pm

Menu: Buffet

- Garden Salad, Roasted Sirloin of Beef with au Jus, Chicken Marsala, Thai Crispy Fish, Roasted Red Potatoes, Vegetable, Coffee, Tea, Soda, and Dessert

Price: \$46.00

Please reply by June 6th.

Name _____ Contact _____

Make Checks payable to: Women's Club of Madison

Bring your check to the meeting or send to:

Dawn Tiscia
126 Laurel Crest Road,
Madison, CT.

Madison Memorial Day Parade 2023

May 29, 2023

Here is the schedule for the 2023 Memorial Day Parade to be held in Madison, CT on 29 May 2023.

- 08:00-08:15 Ceremony at West Cemetery with wreath laying. Prayer.
American the Beautiful is played at this ceremony. Wreaths are laid. TAPS are played.
- 08:30 Ceremony at West Wharf with 2 wreaths thrown into water. Recitation of Navy Hymn.
Two (2) wreaths thrown into water. Prayer. TAPS are played.
- 09:30 All marchers to assemble on Samson Rock Road in the Stop & Shop parking lots. There will be Officials and a member of the American Legion with signs to get you in the right position. Parade Marshal 2023: Larry Brundrett, Commander, VFW Post 2096
- 10:00 Parade begins – marchers will proceed up Samson Rock Rd onto the Boston Post Road to the Madison Green. Contingent will turn down Copse Road, Fire Trucks/Ambulance will go straight ahead.
- 11:00 Assemble on the Town Green, in front of Memorial Town Hall at the three memorials for ceremonies. The ceremonies taking place here will be:
Invocation, Wreath Laying, Flag Raising, Pledge of Allegiance by Town Representative.
National Anthem will be sung by Maddy Wines of DHHS.
Speeches by Dignitaries.
- 11:00 Flyover from Air National Guard unit out of Granby, CT
- 11:45 Reading of "In Flanders Fields" by Auxiliary Member Rebecca Stone. Benediction
Special Ceremonial flag Folding by Commander Corso and TSgt Farrell.

This ceremony will end with a volley fired by the Firing Squad and the playing of "TAPS" by a member of the DHHS Band/and George Delmhorst from Griswold Post 79 of The American Legion.
- 12:00 Participants will be invited at this time to the American Legion Hall for the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony. Refreshments will be available.
- 1:00 Ribbon Cutting at the newly renovated American Legion Hall on Bradley Road.

With the exception of the start time of precisely 10:00 a.m., all times are approximate.

In the event of rain, at 0930, the parade will be canceled and the ceremonies adjourned to the American Legion Hall on Bradley Road to be performed at 10:30. At the conclusion of the indoor ceremonies, members of the American Legion, the VFW and Veterans will go to the Green, West Cemetery and West Wharf to lay wreaths and raise the flags. All interested persons are invited to attend any or all of these ceremonies.