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Our main goal
has always been
to award
scholarships to
deserving
students.

North Central District

Organized in 1943

State Federation 1944

General Federation 1951



Carolyn Tinsley, Editor 2008—2014

Sterling Women's Club

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A note from our President:

Now that our lovely summer has come to an end, we are off to a new beginning at the Sterling Women's Club and I am excited to be starting my presidency on a high note!

On September 13th, we have started our year of celebrating the 70th anniversary of the SWC with the kick-off dinner at the Chocksett Inn by honoring all of the past presidents and especially Charlotte Gildutis, daughter of Rachael Patton, who started the SWC and was the inspiration and first president. Charlotte Gildutis is a charter member and the only remaining original member. We were thrilled to have her join us at the dinner and give us the background to the formation of our Club.

We have planned a busy year for our club with many interesting and enjoyable meetings already in place. Please check out Page 2 for the first half of our meetings and events.

I am fortunate to have a dedicated and hard working board and directors with me who are already busy making sure the next year is a success. I look forward to this coming year.

Ranny

Sharing and Caring

We have some "sharing" news to give you. One of our members, Jean Reger, and her husband have sold their home in Sterling this summer and have moved out of town. We will sorely miss her contributions to the club and the fun times we shared with her. Good luck and best wishes to Jean and her husband.

On the flip side, we were happy to meet Jill DeSpagna, who bought Jean Reger's lovely home, and attended our opening dinner. We hope she'll join as she would be a great asset to our club.

2012—2014 Executive Board and Directors

President - Ranny Sabourin

Vice President - Joy Layden

Recording Secretary - Brenda Ware

Treasurer - Kristin Reynolds

Corresponding Secretary - Dorothy Knight

Directors

Betsy Sabourin

Carolyn Tinsley, *Newsletter*

Clara Gorczynski

Melanie Glynn, *Website Editor*

2012 Proposed Schedule of Events

September 13, 2012: Kick-Off Dinner — At the Chocksett Inn, Sterling, MA honoring Charlotte Gildutis, Charter Member, and also past presidents. Photos were taken of the new slate officers and honorary attendees for our records and also for publication. Ranny Sabourin was our hostess and outgoing President, Brenda Ware, did a great job turning over the reigns.

Sterling Yard Sale — In an effort to make our presence more known in the community, the Club will participate in the town-wide yard sale on Saturday, Sept. 22 from 8:00 to 2:00, rain or shine. We'll have a spot on the Common at the cost of \$25.00. Members will be encouraged to bring yard sale items and/or baked goods for sale. Bottled water will also be sold. Brenda will be soliciting help from members to work a couple of hours each, and the Club aprons will be worn by all helping. Brenda will have additional Club brochures printed and available and also update and display the board showing activities of the Club.

October 11, 2012 — Crystal Brook Farms The owner will talk about her farm and tempt us with samples. Gail Bergeron will be our hostess.

November 8, 2012 — Annual Veterans Acknowledgement with participation in Operation Christmas Stocking will be held once again and Captain Caitlin Hall talking with us about her experiences in Afghanistan with the Women's Center that we supported. Brenda Ware will be our hostess.

December 13, 2012 (or earlier) — Sterling Greenery. We are hoping to host this event again this year where members and guests will be invited to make boxwood trees or decorate wreaths to celebrate the upcoming holiday season. We are asking for someone to be the hostess for this event.

Don't forget...we will be looking for donations for our November "Month of Tuesday Night's" Fundraising.

As we've said before, they know us now and always look forward to our delicious food!

Feel free to contact Ranny or Brenda and find out how easy it is to help out—whether you volunteer to serve, cook/bake or donate inventory.



GFWC News

Ranny Sabourin, Brenda Ware, Joy Layden, Eris Nash and Priscilla Wilson attended the North Central District Roundtable in June, hosted by the Lunenburg Club. At that time, our club agreed to host the Monday, April 29, 2013, Roundtable Meeting at the First Church parlor.

Since these meetings are held in the morning, we understand that fewer of our members can help, but we still will look forward to all who can come. Approximately 12 – 15 attend these meetings and lunch is provided (at cost to the attendees). In addition, raffles are normally held, with proceeds going to the hosting club. If you have any questions or would like more information about this, feel free to contact either Ranny or Brenda.