



HAMDEN WOMAN'S CLUB NEWSLETTER

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Strong Women. Strong Voices. Strong Community

<https://www.hamdenwomansclub.org/>

UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER:

October 27 – Dinner Divas September in Bangkok

November 4 – General Meeting Guest Speaker Mayor Sendroff

November 10 – Book Club

November 17 – International Lunch Bunch Honey Baked Hams

November 17 – Eobard Meeting

December 2 – Holiday Dinner

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HOLIDAY CELEBRATION!!!

Wednesday December 2, 2026

Il Gusto Italian Restaurant

286 Maple Avenue-Cheshire

6 P.M.

Dinner Includes:

Family Style Pasta ala Vodka, Mediterranean Salad

Bread & Butter

Dessert, Coffee & Tea

Dinner Choice: Chicken Francese or Italian Sea Base

All dietary restrictions will be accommodated – advance notice required

COST: \$60.00 / per person

Checks payable to: Hamden Woman's Club to pay online through our website.

<https://www.hamdenwomansclub.org/make-a-donation-1>

RSVP Joan Landino

Bring your payment to our November meeting or mail to:

Joan Landino

1980 Shepard Avenue

Hamden CT 06518

PAYMENT IS DUE no later than: November 17, 2026

*In lieu of Secret Santa, your monetary donation will be collected
For a local Hamden Family to help make their season merry & bright!*

Rescheduled! GFWC International Day of Service! Saturday, November 7, 2026

End Domestic & Sexual Violence

ALL MEMBERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO PARTICIPATE BY BRINGING ART SUPPLIES, PAPERS, PENS, CRAYONS, ETC. TO THE HAMDEN LIBRARY on November 7th 10-1 pm

General Meeting-Wednesday, November 4 at 6:30 p.m. Hamden Senior Center. Members are encouraged to bring a guest. Guest Speaker Mayor Sendroff

Hamden Woman's Club 75th Birthday Celebration continues all year long with monthly member spotlights! Thank you, Elle Gaetano and Antonette Antonucci for sharing your member experience!

Member News!

Welcome new members! Gail Guy, Cathy King and Cindy Lane.

Joy Wildman has volunteered to head up the Phone Squad. Members who would like to participate, please contact Joy at 203-314-6590 jswtwins@sbcglobal.net

Thank you, Sharon Welsch, Joan Landino and Leigh Cassidy who have volunteered to organize this year's holiday party.

It's Your Birthday! Linda Canales, Leigh Cassidy, Gail Guy and Annette Lavalley – We Celebrate You!

Spirit Wear! Bring your polo shirt, t-shirt or sweat shirt to the next meeting if you want "the Hamden Woman's Club" to be placed on it. The cost is \$8.00 as you are providing the apparel. Please see Donna

Open Positions

Treasurer and Newsletter Editor.

Display Case Items

November 5, 2026 at 1 p.m. members will be organizing and setting up the display case located between Thorton Wilder Hall and the Library inner entrance way. We are still collecting Woman's Club Keepsakes to into the display case at the library? Pins, notable events including announcements or proclamations, awards, arts and crafts and photographs are being accepted and will be returned to you. Please bring them to the November meeting. Please see Sharon Nolan if you available to help.

Officer's Reports

First Vice President (programs)– get ready to be creative because we are making Snowflakes for Seniors at our November meeting. All materials will be supplied. Snowflakes will be delivered to the Arden House for their holiday decorations around the facility.

2nd Vice President (communications)– Yearbooks are a work in progress. Thank you for your patience. Eblasts continue and those with no email, a copy of the Newsletter and general meeting minutes will be delivered via USPS to those without email. The Phone Squad is back up and calling.

Treasurer's Report – To be provided at the general meeting

General Meeting/Recording Secretary – *see* attached Notes October Meeting

Corresponding Secretary / Sunshine - birthday celebration cards and sympathy cards have been mailed.

Committee Reports

We will no longer go through committee reports at the general meetings unless there are new updates since the Newsletter

Arts & Literature -Photographs will be the only category at the State level. Our club will offer opportunities for crafts to be viewed and judged by members in February. **New Rules will be discussed.**

Communications – Bonnie Anibali will continue with Eblast Communications and Carmela Stora has offered to call members who do not have email. Joy Wildman will be heading up the Phone Squad.

Conservation - Recycle your bottles and cans at Hot Diggity Dog Grooming, 2676 Whitney Avenue to support Where the Love Is / or Mount Carmel Veterinary Hospital, 3320 Whitney Avenue to support 1/2 Way Home Rescue.

Dinner Divas – 4th Wednesday of each month / October 27 September in Bangkok on State Street New Haven

Education / Book Club - Next meeting November 10th 12:30 - Town House Diner, book of choice. All are welcomed!

Home Life –The Children's Center will be honoring Sarah Lockery who is retiring after 35 years of service. Members of HWC have been invited to this celebration. Thursday, November 19th 5:30-8 p. Cash Bar. Brief Remarks at 7. The Loft at New England Brewery, 5 Indian Neck Rd, Branford. RSVP: slockery@tccoh.org by Oct. 31

Mitten Tree Collection. New Scarfs, Hats, Gloves, and Warm Socks for adults and children will be collected for the Mitten Tree at the Thornton Wilder Memorial Location. Members are encouraged to bring items to the November Meeting.

Hospitality – Hostesses for November Meeting: Sue Centone, Donna Cifaldi, Giovanna Coppola, Carolyn DellaPietra and Marie Fattore. Sharon will be calling each hostess before the meeting. **As a reminder**, your responsibilities include bringing a “lite bite” to share, help with set up and clean up. Be mindful of food allergies and offer to bring alternatives. Please bring what you say you are bringing. There is a “\$10 contribution” for forgotten participation.

International – Plan International, formerly Plan USA...for 31 years the HWC has sponsored a child & some years 2 children. This year we are sponsoring two children. While we continue to sponsor Reneris, a young boy since he was two years old and he is now 5 yrs old, he remains living in Honduras. Speaks Spanish is healthy and likes to draw.

HWC will also be sponsoring a young girl by the name of Giang Thi Hanh and goes by Hanh. Giang is actually her last name. Hanh has not been sponsored until HWC chose to sponsor a young girl. She is 5 or 6 yrs old, lives in Vietnam, likes cleaning the house & playing with her friends.

Every day, children, especially girls, face barriers that hold them back from reaching their full potential. But these challenges do have solutions. Plan International and our monetary help creates opportunities for girls to learn, lead, decide and thrive in communities around the world.

If a member chooses to donate to this cause towards sponsoring these children, keep in mind, each check of \$24.00 for one child / \$48.00 for two goes a long way. Make your check payable to Hamden Woman's Club. Contact Donna Cifaldi 203-606-5376 for more information.

Lunch Bunch November 17th Honey Baked Ham Co. 1270 Boston Post Rd Milford at 12:30 for Thanksgiving Buffet. RSVP before 11/12/2026.

December 15th Mona Lisa Restaurant 10 Wakelee Rd Wolcott at 12:30 for Italian and French Cuisine. RSVP before 12/10.

Carpooling is available. If you usually ride with someone, please contact them directly. Stay tuned for updates.

Membership - We are gradually increasing our enrollment and hope to allure more new members. Please bring a friend or 2.

Programs - Snowflakes for Seniors will be created at our November meeting!

Public Affairs/Veteran's – November we will collect flags from 3 cemeteries in Hamden. Stay tuned for dates and locations.

Publicity / Historian - Please continue to send your photos of events to Debbie Boyaji (boyaji@attn.net) for publication in the Advisor.

Scholarship - No report.

Ways & means – Lyman Pies sold 30 pies, profited \$165.00 / Rada Cutlery Profit \$153.50 / 50/50 Raffle – Profit \$26.00 / Barn Sale Donations Profit of \$419.13. Next appointment for the Barn Sale is on Tues. Nov. 10th. **We are collecting gently used holiday items.**

Reflection

For an Election

Almighty God, to whom we must account for all our powers and privileges:
Guide the people of this community and of the United States in the election
of officials and representatives; that, by faithful administration and wise laws,
the rights of all may be protected and our nation be enabled to fulfill your purposes. Amen