

# NORWICH WOMEN'S CLUB

Community Service Since 1907

NOVEMBER 2011

## PRESIDENT

Whether you have lived in the Upper Valley for decades or have only just arrived, the Norwich Women's Club can provide you with a great opportunity to make new friends. Our membership is diverse in terms of age, background, interests, and past or present employment. The one thing that we all have in common is our fun loving spirit, our ability to stage exceptional events and our love of Norwich.

If you read our newsletter and check our web site you will see the many varied opportunities for fun and community service available to you, our members. It is surprising to me that some Upper Valley residents volunteer to work at the Nearly New Sale but don't take advantage of our other fun and social programs. I still suspect that many people would join if only they were asked. So we have been asking, some have joined, and we are happy to welcome our new members.

Now I want to try asking a different question of all of you who are already members.

Wouldn't you like to be part of our newly designed Spring Fundraiser?

We are trying something different this year. The Spring Gala will be a one-night event, March 16. We will have a spectacular Silent Auction with unique offerings, wine (courtesy of the Selectboard's newly adopted alcohol ordinance, adopted in time for us to serve wine at Tracy Hall) and substantial hors d'oeuvres. We will be awarding our first annual Norwich Citizen of the Year for exemplary service to the community. You can read more about this elsewhere in the newsletter.

This is a wonderful chance for you to help us create a great event that will generate as many dollars in one evening as Floribunda raised in an entire weekend. There are a variety of volunteer opportunities available. You can volunteer for any committee that suits your skills. I can assure you that whatever you choose to do, you will come away with new friends, and the satisfaction of knowing that you helped to make our new Spring Gala a success. The funds that we raise are all given back to various community programs and agencies all of which benefit our town.

Make sure that you mark your calendars now for March 16, 2012. And please give serious thought to helping us stage a great event for Norwich.  
Arline

## NWC CALENDAR

Holiday Gathering  
Thursday 12/8/11 5:00-7:00pm  
Brook Adler's Home  
253 Main Street

NWC Board Meetings: Mondays  
Norwich Public Library at 6:30pm  
11/14/11  
1/9/12  
2/13/12  
3/12/12  
4/9/12  
5/14/1

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## MEMBERSHIP

We extend a warm welcome to new members Alanya Engtrakul, Martha Graber, Susie Hastings, Ellen Hobson, Corlan Johnson, Penny Kurdeka, Melissa Meyer, Joan Michlin, Irene Mullins, Doris Nelson, Nancy Pessia, Leslie Potter, Michie Rogers, Lisa Smith, Tricia Spellman and Lucinda Walker.

Our thanks go to our members who actively recruited, some via invitations to the Fall Gathering and the Shelburne Museum trip, some directly. A great success!

Do you have friends who might join but would first like answers first? Please ask them to contact me – 802-649-2662 or [sophiajcrowford@gmail.com](mailto:sophiajcrowford@gmail.com) – or check out our website.

Sophia Crawford, Membership

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## NWC PROGRAMMING

The fall trip to Shelburne Museum was a great success. Twenty-eight women (and one man!) had a social, educational day viewing the many exhibits - from Firearms to Fashion to Fine Art - something for everyone!



Our next event will be the author luncheon to be held on Monday, March 5 at the Norwich Inn. Local newly published author Katharine Britton will be speaking. Her book [My Sister's Shadow](#) was named the "hottest book for the hottest months of 2011" by Liza Bernard of the Norwich Bookstore. Stop by the bookstore to get her book, and then join us in March for her talk.

Debbie Carter, Holly Sateia, Dana Ireland

## SAVE THE DATE! FIRST TIME EVENT!

A SPRING GALA  
FRIDAY EVENING, MARCH 16, 2012  
HONORING  
THE 2012 NORWICH OUTSTANDING  
CITIZEN OF THE YEAR  
FOR SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY

FEATURING  
SILENT AND LIVE AUCTIONS  
GOOD FOOD, GOOD SPIRITS AND GOOD  
TIMES

Committees are forming and volunteer opportunities are available. This first-time event is totally new to the NWC and we want to make it a smash! Qualifications for being on this high-powered team? A sense of humor! Here are the committees now at work and their chairs. Contact any of them if you'd like to get on board.

Event Chair – Carol Loveland (still looking for a co-chair!)

Awards Committee – Sue Pitiger

Food Committee – Linda Hazard


Operations – Holly Sateia, Marie Colacchio

Silent and Live Auctions – Genevieve Verlaak-Graham, Nancy Snyder

Sponsorship Committee – Arline Rotman

Program and Print Committee – Debby Hall

Publicity Committee – Noelle Vitt



*Norwich Women's Club*  
*Holiday Gathering*  
*(Wine, Women and Fun)*

The Norwich Women's Club's Annual Holiday Party will be held on Thursday, December 8th, 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the home of Brooke Adler, 253 Main Street. Appetizers and desserts will be served. All members are cordially invited to attend and encouraged to bring a friend. When the party ends at 7:00 PM, be sure to stroll down and visit Norwich Square night. The merchants will be open until 8:00 PM for your shopping convenience.

Directions: 253 Main Street is the last brick house on the right as you leave Norwich. For questions, call Cheryl Herrmann, 649-1333.

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## NOVEMBER 2011 NEARLY NEW SALE A HUGE SUCCESS

GREAT NEWS - the Fall/Winter Sale 2011 grand total is \$34,300!!! This sale's total gross is an *all time record!!!!* After consignor checks are issued and mailed (4-6 weeks after the sale closes) and bills are paid, the Norwich Women's Club Scholarship Fund will reap the benefits of this very successful event.

In addition to breaking the financial record, this sale also claims the most consignors!!!! AND thirty-one new volunteers were added to our list! All around it was a grand event.

I was concerned how "Irene" might affect our sale. "She" did ....in a very positive way. I chatted with several first time shoppers who came to the sale because of the limited shopping available in the Upper Valley; on their way out they had nothing but praise for the quality of clothing and pricing. An acquaintance that comes to every sale told me the timing was perfect. Their house was totally washed away and both she and her husband were so pleased to be able to "redo" their winter wardrobe without breaking the budget. I was amazed with her strength, courage and determination to get on with their lives as she relayed their story.

On a personal note, I want to thank Sophia Crawford, Volunteer Coordinator, Priscilla Vincent, Pre-Consignment Coordinator, Debby Hall, Interim NNS Treasurer, and Sydney Smith, Accounting Coordinator for all their time and dedication to the sale. Without their insights and help, the Nearly New Sale would not be possible.

Elaine Waterman, Chair

Spring/Summer Sale 2012  
Volunteer Window  
May 2 - 6



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## **VOLUNTEERS BEFORE, DURING AND AFTER THE SALE WERE:**

Lauren Adams, Betty Ann Aldrich, Anne Alford, Diane Ames, Mary Anderson, Nancy Anderson, Sandie Anderson, Jennifer Andrews, Jennifer Ankner-Edelstein, Sara Bailey, Lilla Barrett, Christine Bartlett, Marguerite Bauch, Ghislaine Belair, Cinny Bensen, Licia Berry-Berard, Carole Bibeau, Sarah Bibeau, Jody Harvey Biddle, Debbie Birenbaum, Karen Bonnett, Dominica Borg, Lydia Bos, Charlotte Bothe, Christine Bothe, Isabelle Bradley, Barbara Bragg, Megan Brendel, Erica Brinton, Katharine Britton, Lin Brown, Judy Butler, Connie Cadow, Thera Callahan, Debbie Carter, Nancy Carter, Suzanne Champlin, Jocelyn Chertoff, Devra Chicoine, Dorothy Cloud, Wendy Cole, Sheila Conrad, Marjorie Cook, Mary Clare Cooper, Fred Crawford, Candace Crosby-Rogers, Donna Crowley, Madeline Dalton, Lise Davini, Marcia Davis, Stephanie Davis, Carole Dempsey, Pat Dempsey, Rosalie DeNike, Ruth Dixon-Vestal, Martha Drake, Dottie Dudley, Laura Duncan, Annah Dupuis, Alanya Engtrakul, Ruth Farney, Cindy Faughnan, Erica Faughnan, Carol Ferrell, Ann Fiedler, Manuela Fonseca, Clare Forseth, Keith Fossett, Kate Fonseca Foster, Carolyn Frye, Milt Frye, Carolyn Fryer, Sally Gage, Charlene Gates, Jenny Gelfan, Deirdre Goodrich, Michael Goodrich, Mary Lee Goodwin, Beverly Gorham, Martha Graber, Ginny Gray, Linda Gray, Lizzie Gray, Taylor Gray, Mary Ann Greene, Abbie Griggs, Dianne Griggs, Peter Griggs, Liz Guest, Susan Haedrich, Debby Hall, Laurie Halpern, Marilyse de Boissezon Hamm, Jilly Harned, Susie Hastings, Ellen Haun, June Hemberger, Barbara Henderson, Flossie Henry, Cheryl Herrmann, Geraldine Higgins, Olivia Hinch, Ellen Hobson, Mary Ann Holbrook, Lisa Holley, Kim Holzberger, Jan Hopkins, Brucie Hubbell, Ellie Huke, Dana Ireland, Antoinette Jacobson, Annie Janeway, Christina Joanis, Corlan Johnson, Jaye Pershing Johnson, Deb Kaplan, Sue Kaufman, Jill Kearney, Carolyn Keck, Joanne Kent, Barb Kline-Schoder, Karen Kniffin, Sarah Kniffin, Jean Krieg, Michele Lacsamana, Jill Lavin, Janice Lavoie, Kathryn Lawe, Bonnie Lawlor, Mary Layton, Emma Leonardi, Nancy LeSourd, Carol Loveland, Phyllis MacDonald, Lorinda MacLeod, Jen MacMillen, Betsy Maislen, Crystal Mattson, Alison May, Marie McAndrew-Taylor, Lisa McCabe, Isabel McCarthy, Virginia McCleery, Lyn Mead, Fifi Milchman, Lisa Milchman, Judy Miller, Marisa Miller, Marion Miller, Pam Mobilia, Brooke Mohr, Heidi Lang Moran, Jane Morgan, Irene Mullins, Bonnie Munday, Janis Murcic, Amy Nartowicz, Candace Nattie, Fran Nye, Jane Officer, Kathleen Otto, Mary Otto, Barbara Payson, Nancy Pessia, Judith Pettingell, Heather Pitiger, Sue Pitiger, Heather Pixley, Mary Poulson, Penelope Prendergast, Vicky Pridgen, Kathleen Raynak, Rebecca Reed, Beth Reynolds, Michael Reynolds, Toby Reynolds, Marcie Rickenbacker, Heidi Rogers, Michie Rogers, Arline Rotman, Laurie Sabatelle, Gail Kiley Sanders, Holly Sateia, Edye Scheier, Jan Scheiner, Nancy Schindler, Ivy Schweitzer, Fran Sherley, Alida Shriber, Lisa Smith, Pauline Smith, Sydney Smith, Susan Spademan, Tricia Spellman, Marieke Sperry, Cindy Stableford, Peter Stanzel, Lydia Starosta, Judy Sterndale, Melinda Stucker, Karen Summer, Hetty Thomae, Veronica Thurston, Gail Torkelson, Anna Typrowicz, Diane Usle, Steve Usle, Deb Van Arman, Candace Vandouris, Jonathan Vincent, Priscilla Vincent, Noelle Vitt, Susan Voake, Shannon Wallis, Suzanne Wallis, Karen Ward, Theresa Warhold, Ann Waterfall, Peter Waterman, Jean Watson, Marie Wesson, Betsy Wheating, Marcia Williams, Reeve Williams, Maureen Wilson, Karen Kuntne Woodward.

In appreciation and with much gratitude,  
Elaine Waterman and Sophia Crawford