

Hamden Woman's Club Celebrates Successful Year



Pictured (L-R): Antoinette Antonucci, Joy Wildman, and HWC Co-President Linda Melillo.

Hamden: On Wednesday evening, May 7, the ladies of the Hamden Woman's Club gathered for a delicious dinner to celebrate our growing membership and our many accomplishments during this past year. This annual event is usually called our "Installation Banquet" but each of our excellent board members is continuing for a second year, so this was a "Celebration Banquet" - wonderful news for our club!

Our continuing Executive Board Officers for the 2025-2026 term are: Co-Presidents - Linda Melillo & Pat Johnson; First Vice- President - Christy Palumbo; Second Vice-President - Melinda Saller; Recording Secretary - Meg Boice; Corresponding Secretary - Sue Centone; Historian - Deb Boyaji; Treasurers - Zunny Martinez & Ellen Young; Parliamentarian - Carol Noble. We also thank all of the Chairwomen of our many committees and all of their dedicated volunteers who have made our HWC such an amazing civic organization in our area and in the GFWC - CT.

This fun event was held in a spacious private room at The Playwright in Hamden, the perfect place for our Mistress of Ceremonies, Antoinette Antonucci, to entertain us with her quick wit and humor. Everyone enjoyed a fabulous, fun time! We wish to thank Joy Wildman and Anne Wetmore for their work in organizing everything, and say "Kudos to the Playwright" for fantastic food, awesome atmosphere, and super

friendly service. Well Done!

The Hamden Woman's Club, Inc., GFWC, is open to any woman over eighteen years of age who would like to volunteer in the community, develop new friendships, and have fun at the same time! We are a civic, educational and social organization that was organized in 1950 and joined the General Federation of Woman's Clubs, Inc.(GFWC) in January, 1951. Our motto is "The Club that Cares and Shares", and we are proud to be part of the largest volunteer service organization in the world. Our volunteers are continually developing new projects to improve the quality of life within our community.

You do NOT have to reside in Hamden to join - and we are very pleased that our membership has now grown to fifty members and we won the "Best in Membership Award" for the GFWC-CT Southeast District this year! Meetings are held at 6:30pm on the first Wednesday of each month from September to June, at the Hamden Senior Center (located in the rear of the Miller Memorial Library). **OUR NEXT MEETING** will be on Wed. JUNE 4 - and **NEW MEMBERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME** to attend meetings. **PLEASE JOIN US!** We urge anyone interested in learning more about the HWC to please contact Sharon Nolan @ 203-248-2538 or @ Snolan_06514@yahoo.com. Also, please look at our Facebook page - Hamden Woman's Club, GFWC, Inc. - for more information and fun photos of our friendly club!

Hamden Lions and American Red Cross Blood Drive

Heroes come in all shapes and sizes. They do not wear capes or special suits, and their badge of honor is the bandage that shows they gave the gift of life. The Hamden Lions Club invites you to become a hero and answer the call of patients in need by donating blood. Please take the time on Monday, May 19 from 10am-3pm at American Legion Post 88, 3005 Dixwell Avenue in Hamden to give the gift that means something.

Donors can schedule appointments by calling 1-800-RED-CROSS (1-800-733-2767); going to redcrossblood.org; downloading the Blood Donor App; or contacting the Hamden Lions Club at lionalannhct@gmail.com

The Red Cross RapidPass offers donors a way to complete their pre-reading and donation questions online from the comfort and privacy of their home or office, reducing the time you spend at blood drives by as much as 15 minutes. Using RapidPass is simple: Visit redcrossblood.org/ RapidPass

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FOR SALE: 5-tier H.D. plastic shelving unit, 36"x72"x24, 3 units available \$35 ea.; Craftsman 1hp router, in case \$40; (203) 269-5362, leave message

FOR SALE: Wheelchair, Medline 2000, Model # T94HE, narrow, weight cap 300 lbs., 16 inch seat \$100; (203) 208-5630

Breastfeeding Support Group

Hamden: La Leche League (LLL) of Hamden/North Haven will meet on Wed., May 14, 9:30am at Grace & St. John's Church, 2927 Dixwell Ave. Led by accredited LLL Leaders, our group will gather in the upstairs church living room. We meet every 2nd Wednesday of each month.

We also provide phone and online help at any time with your questions/concerns.

To RSVP and get details on our monthly meeting, contact: Anne.M@LLLCT.org

Red Cross Blood Drive

The North Haven Sons and Daughters of Italy, Lodge 2805 will be hosting a Red Cross Blood Drive on Mon., June 2, from 10am-3pm at Hope Christian Church Hall, 211 Montowese Avenue.

Help us contribute to the blood banks for the summer by making an appointment! Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit redcrossblood.org.

FOR SALE: Oak TV stand with glass doors \$25 or best offer; (203) 675-3989 • **FOR SALE:** Rototiller, exc. cond., new \$500; (203) 440-4172

FOR SALE: Drive walker/ transporter, handles with rubber grips, folds, sturdy, blue, great condition, used mainly inside \$50; (203) 214-5885

FOR SALE: Hubley, toy Flintlock pistol in box \$75; Mattel, toy Remington Derringer belt buckle \$65; (203) 269-6562, leave message

Prom to be Held for Disabled Adults

The Hamden Recreation Department and the Hamden Commission on Disabilities Rights & Opportunities are sponsoring a Prom for adults with a disability on Saturday, May 24, from 7-9pm at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church Hall. **Please register by May 16th** at Hamden Recreation Dept., 2750 Dixwell Ave.

The cost is \$15 for Hamden residents and \$20 for non-residents. Checks payable to: "Treasurer Town of Hamden." NO Electronic payments - "Cash or Check."

For further information, please contact Nicole at Hamden Park and Rec office of Pat Delaney at (203) 287-1414.

Al-Anon 12-Step Program

Does someone else's drinking trouble you? Do you feel that there is no one who understands your problems? Attending Al-Anon and Alateen Family Group meetings can help.

In Al-Anon, members do not give direction or advice to other members. Instead, they share their personal experiences and stories.

To learn more, browse the website ctalanon.org. To find a meeting in CT, please use the Meetings tab at the top of the page. Alternately, calls can be made to 1-888-825-2666.

FOR SALE: Phillips Dream Station CPAP, has carrying case, heated hose & humidifier \$50; (203) 494-1753 **WANTED:** Antique country store items, old tins, bins, signs, boxes or anything related; (203) 915-7662



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Question & Answer - Dr. Richard Durocher

Q: What is a Tailor's Bunion?

A: A Tailor's bunion is similar to a bunion which occurs at the joint between the big toe and the foot. A Tailor's bunion is located at the joint where the 5th or small toe and the foot meet. It is a bump of bone that protrudes outward. Some people are predisposed to this condition due to heredity and an imbalance in the functioning elements of the foot. Irritation and pressure from shoes can also contribute to the development of this condition. In the beginning of its development it is usually not painful, but as it enlarges, it may become painful.



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Initial conservative approaches may include padding, wearing wider shoes and orthotics (custom-made inserts). Orthotics will help the foot function better. When conservative care has not helped, surgical intervention may be recommended to realign the bones and remove the bump.

Contact Dr. Durocher for an evaluation of this condition. Doctor is fluent in French & Spanish



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