



**Our Mission Statement** Hingham Women's Club is an organization of women that serves the Hingham and South Shore communities, providing charitable giving, direct community service, and social opportunities for its members.

**Our Vision** is to have a local community well served, through partnerships, for those in need.

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## Hingham Women's Club General Meeting

September 27, 2022

7:30pm - 9:30pm

These are the minutes for the September 27, 2022 general meeting held at Tosca's Wine Room - 14 North St, Hingham, MA.

### Attendees

- **Board:** (5) - Julie Hurley, Christine Andrews, Nikki Nihan, Jennifer Sherman, Jenee Melgoza & Emily Mosera
- **Members:** (42) see member sign-in sheet

Socializing from 7:30pm-8:00pm. Meeting started at 8:00pm.

A copy of the agenda was provided to all attendees.

### Board Updates

- Julie Hurley and Christine Andrews welcomed the 2022-23 HWC club members, and introduced the executive board and committees.
- Jennifer Sherman provided display boards reviewing our past financial successes and where the money is spent from dues.
- Jenee Melgoza provided the agenda and meeting sign-in.

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### Committee Updates

Julie and Christine asked each committee to provide a brief description of their committee and upcoming events.

#### Book Club - Meredith Hollander

- Currently reading: The Paris Apartment by Lucy Foley
- Next book club meeting: 10/17 at Molly Richard's House  
*Interested in joining the next book club meeting? Email [meredithlevin@yahoo.com](mailto:meredithlevin@yahoo.com)!*

#### Bunny Breakfast - Emily Mosera & Julie Hurley

- Gathering general feedback from the event and ideas around collecting artwork from the kids to be used in a meaningful way
- Great event to get our name out there since it is well attended by the community

#### Business Networking - Zoe Pirnie & Joanna Dutra

- The goal of the BNG is to bring together HWC members to support each other in their career endeavors. Networking with one another offers an opportunity to learn about different industries, share wisdom and spread advice. You're also bound to make some new friends along the way! We will host two networking events this year – one in the Fall and one in the Spring. Join us on Election Day, Tuesday 11/8, at 7:15 at the Hingham Public Library. We look forward to seeing you then!

## **Business Sponsorship**

### **Communications & PR - Darleen Lannon**

#### **Festival of Trees (FOT) - Danielle Burke & Hilary Gazarelli**

- Festival of Trees will be held on Friday, December 2nd at the Hingham Community Center during Christmas in the Square.
- We will be decorating trees on the evening of Thursday, December 1st at the HCC.
- Opportunities to volunteer and participate with this event:
  - We're looking for committee members who are interested in assisting with procurement of donations and sponsorship.
  - Decorating the trees prior to the event as well as for setting up the day of the event.
  - Assisting with set up of the event on Friday 12/2 during the day (probably around 11:00/noon)
  - Working the event
  - Clean up and tree pick up on Sunday after the event
  - We may also be looking for a volunteer (tech savvy!) for assistance with running the BetterWorld website which is utilized to facilitate the bidding on trees

#### **Fourth of July Parade - Jennifer Sherman & Wendy Hartman**

- Float participation July 4, 2023 Hingham Parade
- Need (2-4) people to decorate the float on 7/3
- Need (2-4) people to dismantle the float after the parade on 7/4
- Need (10-20) people including kids, spouses & family to march in the parade and ride the float

#### **Go Green - Jenee Melgoza & Christine Andrews**

- New service based committee! Focused on working to protect the watershed and to educate our members and the public on water and land conservation, erosion control, hazardous waste, recycling, and other environmental issues.
- 10/1 Weir River Farm annual Fall Farm Festival volunteer shifts 9:30am-1:30pm or 1:00pm-5:00pm (age 13+/no membership required to volunteer)
- 10/8 Stewardship Saturday at the Boston Harbor Islands 9:00-3:00pm (invasive plant removal/all ages)
- November TBD America's Clean Up Day partnership with Cleaner Greener Hingham for a location cleanup
- Cleaner Greener Hingham Introduction of a New By-Law for small single serve plastic water bottles

#### **Health & Wellness - Sherri Hamm & Hilary Gazarelli**

- 10/21 Hingham Medical Aesthetics annual wellness event from 6:00-8:00pm. Specials offered by HMA along with socializing - light snacks and wine will be served.
- 11/2 The Bar Method annual wellness event from 6:00-8:00pm. Workout followed by socializing - light snacks and wine will be served.

#### **Holiday Gift Giving & Holiday Party for Friends of the Homeless**

#### **Hospitality - Jo Bell**

- Focusing on holding the Open Coffees each month. Hoping to hold the first one Friday October 14.
- Looking into other social opportunities. Welcome suggestions such as Board & Brush possible in November.
- Working on HWC merchandise. Still hammering out design and product choices but we should have items for the Festival of Trees.

**Kids that Care** - Jennifer Lincoln & Jennie Donegon

- Halloween parade @ nursing home (October)
- Christmas caroling @ nursing home (December)
- Need another suggestion- maybe another nursing home /hospice/hospital visit?
- Welcome help with reaching the nursing home. Also need help with setting up invites and publicizing events.

**Membership** - Molly Richards

- New and total membership numbers to be provided closer to the October board meeting to account for new member sign ups after the kickoff meeting.

**Scholarship** - Meredith Hollander

**Senior Events** - Pam Gillig

- Thanksgiving Luncheon at the Senior Center on November 16th
  - Donations needed for side dishes, pies and desserts. Signup will be sent out.
- Valentine's Day Tea in February
  - Welcome food donations and (3) volunteers for the event. Signup will be sent out.

**Spring Fundraiser** - Nikki Nihan & Julia Rosequist

- April/May event promoting women businesses where local vendors can sell items (ex: Hingham Homecoming) with a portion going to the selected cause of choice.
- Brainstorming ideas and will need many volunteers especially members with marketing skills.

## Events

### September

- 9/12 Book Club at Liz Taylor's House
- 9/27 Fall Kickoff Meeting at Tosca's

### October

- Festival of Trees Informational Meeting
- 10/1 Go Green Weir River Fall Farm Festival Volunteering
- 10/14 Hospitality Open Coffee Meetup
- 10/17 Book Club at Molly Richards' House
- 10/21 Wellness Hingham Medical Aesthetics
- Kids that Care Halloween Parade

### November

- Go Green America's Clean Up Day partnership with Cleaner Greener Hingham
- 11/2 Wellness The Bar Method
- 11/8 Business Networking meeting at Hingham Public Library
- 11/14 Book Club at Hilary Garzarelli's House
- 11/15 General Meeting
- 11/16 Thanksgiving Luncheon at Senior Center

### December

- 12/1 Decorating for Festival of Trees
- 12/2 Festival of Trees
- 12/3 Festival of Trees Cleanup & Tree Pickup
- 12/12 Book Club at Darleen Lannon's House
- Kids that Care Christmas Caroling

### January

- 1/9 Book Club at Christine Andrews' House

Meeting ended at 9:00pm followed by additional socializing.

By: Jenee Melgoza, Secretary of Hingham Women's Club

- 1/25 General Meeting

### February

- 2/6 Book Club at Jennifer Sherman's House
- Valentine's Day Tea at Senior Center

### March

- Book Club
- 3/29 General Meeting

### April

- Book Club
- Bunny Breakfast
- Spring Fundraiser
- Business Networking Meeting

### May

- 5/8 Book Club at Jenee Melgoza's House
- 5/31 End of Year Celebration

### June

- Book Club

### July

- Book Club
- 7/3 Decorate Parade Float
- 7/4 Fourth of July Parade Float Participation & Cleanup

### August

- Book Club