

<u>President's Message</u>



I know everyone will agree that we feel happier now that spring has arrived! It feels like the start of a new year when the leaves come out on the trees and flowers burst through to show their vibrant colors.

For our Club it means we are close to the end of the "fiscal year" which is our budgetary cycle; July 1st to June 30th. It is the time of year when we evaluate our finances and plan for expenditures for the next year. At the upcoming May meetings, we will review and approve the new Operating Budget for 2023-24. It is also time for us to evaluate the money we have collected with fundraisers and distribute the money. This is the goal of all our fundraising efforts and fulfills our mission to "support both organizations and individuals in need by contributing either time, monetary or in-kind donations."

We are proud to be able to promote education in the community again this year by awarding scholarships totaling \$4,500. Scholarships and awards will be presented to two high school girls who participated in community service, to two women who are seeking a career in healthcare and enrolled in the LPN program at Morris County School of Technology, to a sophomore student who will attend a HOBY leadership program, to two high school students who will participate in the Girls Career Institute held at Rutgers University, to a JBWS woman enrolled in an educational program to enhance her career and path toward independence, to three eighth grade school students who exhibit outstanding effort.

In addition, we have over \$600 to donate to various non-profit organizations throughout the community such as the public libraries, food pantries, pet shelters, homeless and social service organizations.

It was a good year! But after disbursement of these monies, we start fundraising all over again for next year. Our Fundraising Chairs, Patti Manton, Lin Zrike, Kathy Elko, Val Kenny work very hard planning and organizing fundraisers throughout the year. They do need the support of every member of our club. Don't be shy! You can help by volunteering to assist with the organization of the fundraisers, by making suggestions for new fundraising events, and by inviting your friends to participate in our club fundraisers. Yours in federation friendship, *Lanet Walker*

- May 1st-3rd Monday-Wednesday
 NJSFWC Convention
- Hard Rock Hotel and Casino, Atlantic City
- May 2nd-5th Tuesday-Friday
 Gold and Silver Buy Back Fundraiser for Scholarships- Bilori Jewelers extended.
- May 4th Thursday 12 noon National Day of Prayer Denville Clock Tower
- May 4th-Thursday 6:00 PM -9:00 PM Denville P.R.I.D.E Award Dinner Mansion of Mountain Lakes
- May 7th Sunday- Noon-4:00 PM Ayres Knuth Farm Foundation Pathway to History Ayres Knuth Farm –Denville
- May 8th -Monday- 7:00 PM Woman's Club Eve Meeting-Denville Community Church
- May 9th Tuesday- 1:30 PM Woman's Club Day Meeting
- May 21st Sunday- 10AM-4PM Denville Historical Society Yard Sale
- May 29TH Monday 10:00 AM
 Denville Memorial Parade
 Starts at Indian Road/ East Main Street
 May 30TH Tuesday- 7:00 PM
- Woman's Eve Book Discussion Ann Weissenburger Home
- June 5th 8th Monday -Thursday
 Girl's Career Institute
 Rutgers's Institute
- June 9^{th.} 13th Friday -Tuesday
 GFWC Convention
 Louisville, Kentucky
- June 14th -Wednesday -6:00 PM Highlands District Council Meeting Madison Community House, 25 Cook Avenue, Madison

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April Events April was Child Abuse Awareness Month





Susan Richardson at Rockaway Library. Our Woman's Club continued Its tradition of placing blue pin wheels at our local Libraries. To commemorate April is Child Abuse Awareness Month.

April 10th – Monday 7:00 PM Eve Meeting and April 11th – Tuesday 1:30 PM Day Meeting



Pajamas for the Center for Family Services children ages 5-18 and costume jewelry for our Yard Sale Fundraiser on May 21st at the Denville Historical Society. was collected at the April meetings!

Collected PJs for children in Center for Family Services was presented to LoriDana Henry, Director of Center of Family Services, at day club meeting

Nancy Fitch (on right) with LoriDana Henry.





April Events Continued

April 12th – Wednesday – 10AM - Highlands District (Spring Conference) Achievement and Arts/Culture and Environment Day

Centenary University



(L-R) Phyllis Duddy, Nancy Levy, Nan Amato (Joan's Mom) Carolyn Toale, (Joan's Sister). Joan Chiaravalloti, Kathy Holland and Janet Walker



Nancy Levy winning an award. Phyllis Duddy winning an award. Acknowledging all the Presidents in the District.



(L-R) Phyllis Duddy, Janet Walker, Carolyn Toale, Barbara McCloskey, Nan Amato, Nancy Levy & Joan Chiriaravalloti



During the spring conference Shirley Holly, the current NJSFWC President recognized ALL the presidents of the Highland District clubs. (Janet Walker is fifth from the left). Through their dedication our clubs exist and continue to grow. These dedicated ladies do so much to keep our clubs running smoothly. Janet goes above and beyond, and we forget how much work goes into her daily tasks. Thank you Janet W., Phyllis D., Barbara M & Kathy H. for the article and the photos.





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April Events Continued. April 15th – Saturday – 10AM Rid Litter Day



On Saturday, April 15, Denville Rid Litter Day, coordinated by Denville P.R.I.D.E took place, an effort to get members of the community to volunteer to clear areas, within Denville, of trash . At Gardner Field, Chair of Rid Litter Committee, Geoff Millington and Susan Richter handed out to all who wanted to participate in this cleanup, a tee shirt, gloves, large plastic bag and voucher for free drink and frank at Denville Dog. Nine members of our Woman's Club showed up to take part in this Denville cleanup that Saturday. The area (which our Woman's Club have chosen for several years already) was the strip of land, on Morris Ave, opposite the Hampton Inn, running along Route 80 (going all

Hampton Inn, running along Route 80 (going all the way up to the intersection of Green Pond

Road).

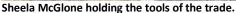
(L-R) Maureen Valente, Janet Walker, Karen Lazur, Mary McAleer, Kathy Holland, Phyllis Duddy, Sheela McGlone & Ann Weissenburger

Ruth Gimbel











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And there were no limits (almost no limits) where we would tread to achieve picking up trash in that area. In fact, we thought the police were coming to arrest us. Instead, it was Chief of Denville Police, Frank Perna, going out of his way to award each one of us a beautiful Denville Police Challenge Coin for our part in volunteering on Denville Rid Litter Day.



Denville Police Chief Perna & Phyllis Duddy



Sheela McGlone using tool





L-R) Kathy Holland & Ruth Gimbel (L-R) Ann Weissenburger and Mary McAleer





Thank your Karen for your

. (L-R) Karen Lazur, Janet Walker, Kathy Holland, Karen Lazur-there are no limits Mary McAleer & Ann Weissenburger (at Dunkin Doughnuts)



photos.

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see 4-minute video. <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=B_9nx6l3oX8</u>

April Events Continued April 15th – "Art and Tea"- The Tea Lady Opening- 2:00 PM- 5:00 PM – Rockaway Townsquare Mall.



On Saturday, April 15, seven members went to an open house at The Tea Lady, a new shop at the Townsquare mall. Members sampled teas, snacked on cookies, and looked at the assortment of teapots and various knickknack items for sale.

The store serves tea, coffee, and sweets throughout the day, and is located on the upper level, JCPenney wing, between Victoria's Secret and Pandora. *Thank you Nancy Levy for article and photo*

(I-R) Mary McAleer, Janet Walker, Nancy Levy and Kathy Holland

April 20TH – Thursday- Bingo Day Fundraiser- Joan Chiaravalloti's Home



(L-R) Maureen Valente, Flo Lucchesi, Eva Cervenka, Joan Chiaravalloti, Lydna Gronemann,, Janet Walker. Kathy Elko, Louise Sassano and Candy Starace-O'Bara.



(L-R) Kathy Elko, Louise Sassano, Candy Starace-O'Bara, Mary McAleer, Janet Walker, Lynda Gronemann, Joan Chiaravalloti, Nancy Levy, Maureen Valente, Flo Lucchesi and Eva Cervenka.

On April 20, ten club members spent the afternoon at Joanne Chiaravalloti's house playing bingo. Avid bingo player Lynda Gronemann kept everyone on their toes with variations on the traditional bingo game. Prizes were handed out to the winners, and everyone enjoyed tea and homemade scones. Everyone's donation to play netted the club \$100 toward the scholarship fund.



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April Events Continued April 23rd – Sunday – Spring Festival - Rockaway Township Library The Theme-Earth Day (April 22nd)



The Rockaway Township Library hosted a Spring Festival on April 23rd. Fortunately, the rain stopped a couple of hours before it was to begin at noon. The sun came out and it was a lovely day. There were many things for kids to do including a petting zoo, face painting, balloon animals, Star Wars character, a fire truck, and many community groups with information about their group.

Our Woman's Club table was down at the end of the side parking lot. I thought that was not a good location although it was away from the band with loud music. I was wrong because the lady who was doing beautiful face painting was very popular. We were also popular because the parents waiting in the long line for face painting stopped at our table with their kids to plant marigold seeds in little pots to take home along with various games including word games, mazes, and pictures to make with stickers. The theme was all about **Earth Day**.

Many thanks to Karen Lazur, Nancy Fitch, Janet Walker and Linda Leming who helped the kids have a great day at the library. *Thank you Ann W. for article and Karen L. & Nancy F. for photos.*

(L-R) Ann Weissenburger and Karen Lazur



(L-R) Linda Leming, Janet Walker and Ann Weissenburger.



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(L-R) Ann Weissenburger and Karen Lazur in action.

April 24th – Monday- 7:00 PM. Woman's Club Eve Book Discussion

Ann led a discussion of "Saving Grace" with her questions. The next discussion will be TUESDAY, May 30th. (The 29th is Memorial Day.)

The book will be "Three Words for Goodbye" by Hazel Gaynor.



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NJSFWC 125 years

NJSFWC CONVENTION – MAY 1ST -3RD – MONDAY- WEDNESDAY- HARD ROCK HOTEL AND CASINO, ATLANTIC CITY

GIRL'S CAREER INSTITUTE- JUNE 5TH – 8TH -MONDAY-THURSDAY- RUTGERS UNIVERSITY

GFWC CONVENTION JUNE 9TH - 13TH - FRIDAY- TUESDAY - LOUIVILLE, KENTUCKY

HIGHLANDS DISTRICT JUNE COUNCIL MEETING - JUNE 14TH – WEDNESDAY THURSDAY MORNING CLUB, MADISON, NJ





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Gold and Silver Jewelry Buy Back Fundraiser for Scholarships

Sponsored by The Woman's Club of Denville-Rockaway



Clean out your jewelry box and sell your old gold and silver jewelry for cash! Other silver items, silverware, pictures frames, serving dishes may be sold! Support our scholarship fund!

Extended - Tuesday, May 2nd

– Friday, May 5th

Bilori Jewelers – 23 Diamond Spring Road, Denville, NJ Telephone – 973 – 664 - 1995

Call Bill at Bilori Jewelers with questions and to schedule an appointment to have your jewelry appraised. Bilori Jewelers will purchase jewelry at the current price of gold or silver.

The Woman's Club of Denville-Rockaway will receive 10 percent of the profits for their annual scholarship fund which benefit:

- 8th grade students at ValleyView, Copeland, Thomas Jefferson middle schools
- Senior girls at Morris Knolls and Morris Hills high schools,
- Women enrolled in the LPN program at Morris County School of Technology.





Ayres/Knuth Farm Foundation



Pathways of History Open House: May 7th, 2023, Noon-5pm The Ayres/Knuth Farm at 25 Cooper Road in Denville will be open from Noon to 5pm on Sunday, May 7th, as part of the Morris County Pathways of History weekend. Ayres/Knuth will be open for self-guided tours, with related artists, vendors and craft demonstrators. A Secret Victorian Lady historic costume presentation featuring Lydia Chiappini is scheduled for 1 PM. Foundation members will be available to answer questions and provide details about the history and the completed and planned restoration of the property. Vintage farm tools and implements will be on display. Admission to all Pathways locations is free that weekend. The Farm is located at 25 Cooper Road in Denville.

This working farm, operated continuously since first settled, is one of the most complete examples of a 19th century agricultural complex in Morris County. The Farm is listed on the



Morris County Heritage Commission, New Jersey Register of Historic Places, and National Register of Historic Places. The Ayres/Knuth Farm Foundation is a registered IRS 501(c)(3) organization tasked with restoration and preservation of the historic farm.



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Memorial Day



27 Ideas to Celebrate Mental Health Awareness Month (2023

https://www.goodgood.co/articles/how-to-celebratemental-health-awareness-month

May is Mental Health Awareness Month! This national month of awareness and action has been recognized since 1949, as mental health activists and practitioners across the country work to spread the word that mental health is something everyone should care about.

With events, screenings, activities, and more, Mental Health Awareness Month is a catalyst for us to learn more, seek help, offer support, and open our hearts and minds to vulnerable conversations.

Mental illness is not a result of any character flaw, weakness, or choice, but is instead caused by a combination of genetic and environmental factors.

It is important to educate oneself and show empathy and care to those living with these disorders.

Mental Health Action Day is on May 19

The National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI)

https://www.nami.org/home

For more info on Mental Health



Lyme Disease Awareness Month

https://www.lymedisease.org/get-involved/take-action/lyme-awareness-month/ May is National Lyme Disease Awareness Month, a chance for Lyme patients, activists and educators to spread information on how to prevent Lyme and tickborne diseases.

You can find more from this site.



https://projectlyme.org/

Jennifer Hoffmann, on the board of this organization gave us a wonderful informative Zoom Presentation. This site is good to look at for info on Tick

Borne Diseases. May is remembering to put your Tick Repellent on before you go outside.





May is-Continued



https://www.nursingworld.org/ana-enterprise/nurses-month/

National Nurses Month is divided into four weekly focus areas — Self-Care, Recognition, Professional Development, and Community Engagement.

National Nurses Week History. National Nurses Week begins each year on May 6th and ends on May 12th, Florence Nightingale's birthday. These permanent dates enhance planning and position National Nurses Week as an established recognition event. As of 1998, May 8 was designated as National Student Nurses Day, to be celebrated annually. And as of 2003, National School Nurse Day is celebrated on the Wednesday within National Nurses Week (May 6-12) each year. The nursing profession has been supported and promoted by the American Nurses Association (ANA) since 1896. Each of ANA's state and territorial nurses' associations promotes the nursing profession at the state and regional levels. Each conducts celebrations on these dates to recognize the contributions that nurses and nursing make to the community.

The ANA supports and encourages National Nurses Week recognition programs through the state and district nurses' associations, other specialty nursing organizations, educational facilities, and independent health care companies and institutions. For the Nurses among our members and the dedication of all our nation's nurses.



May Is Skin Cancer Awareness Month! (May is remember your sunscreen) https://www.skincancer.org/get-involved/skin-cancer-awareness-month/

With over 5 million cases diagnosed in the United States each year, skin cancer is America's most common cancer. Fortunately, skin cancer is also one of the most preventable cancers. By sharing facts about the dangers of unprotected sun exposure and encouraging people to check their skin for warning signs, we can and will save lives.



American Association for Cancer Research®

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The American Association for Cancer Research (AACR) initiated and supports National Cancer Research Month to highlight the importance of lifesaving research to the millions of people around the world affected by the collection of devastating diseases we call cancer.



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CLASSICAL MUSIC IN YOUR BACKYARD



The MacDowell Recital will be Sundays at 3 p.m. at The Oaks, 19 Pocono Road, Denville, NJ 07834. For more information on MacDowell, please visit https://mtnlakes.org/Community/macdowell/cal.php and

Calendar of Events 2022-2023 Recital Series May 7, 2023 Keith Calmes, guitar

COLLECTION FOR

Rockaway Food Pantry

Presbyterian Church, 35 Church St., Rockaway

This small pantry serves approximately 300 families a year. Donations recently have been very low...

Right now we're low on peanut butter, tuna, canned vegetables, pasta, macaroni & cheese, coffee and tea. Of course, all non-perishable items are welcome.

Paper goods are a constant need too- paper towels and toilet paper. Also shampoo, toothpaste, soap, laundry detergents.

Donations can be dropped off: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday 9:30-12:30. And Tuesday 4-6 pm. Go around back door by cemetery. If you make a donation, estimate the cost and send to Pat Bomus at <u>bomusp@msn.com</u> who will put together a report for this project

If someone prefers to make a monetary donation, they can make check payable to: Rockaway Food Closet 35 Church St. Rockaway, NJ. 07866. *Pat Bomus*





Ukrainian American Cultural Center of New Jersey



60 North Jefferson Road Whippany, NJ 07981

https://uaccnj.org/

Tel no. 973 585 7175



At this time, we will ONLY be accepting aid deemed to be most critical: military and medical items. We have created an Amazon wish list, which contains these high-priority items that Ukraine needs at this time. When ordering items on Amazon, please use the UACCNJ address as the destination. (Go to the website to connect to UACCNJ Amazon wish list or to donate, as well as to find more information of where to donate. The website has been built up very well.



Beautiful Ukrainian church at UACCNJ.



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Upcoming Events and Activities

NJSFWC CONVENTION- MAY 1ST-3RD – MONDAY-WEDNESDAY HARD ROCK HOTEL AND CASINO, ATLANTIC CITY

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER- MAY 4TH -12 NOON-CLOCK TOWER -DOWNTOWN DENVILLE

DENVILLE P.R.I.D.E AWARDS DINNER - MAY 4TH - THURSDAY- 6:00 PM-9:00 PM -**MANSION OF MOUNTAIN LAKES** tickets \$45- can be purchased at Denville Townhall & Flowers by Candle-Lite

AYRES KNUTH FARM OPEN HOUSE- PATHWAYS TO HISTORY- MAY 7TH - SUNDAY- 12:00 PM-4:00 PM **60 COOPER ROAD. DENVILLE**

WOMAN'S CLUB EVENING MEETING -MAY 8TH - MONDAY- 7:00 P.M. **DENVILLE COMMUNITY CHURCH**

WOMAN'S CLUB DAY MEETING -MAY 9TH – TUESDAY- 1:30 P.M. **DENVILLE AMERICAN LEGION POST 390**

DENVILLE HISTORICAL SOCIETY YARD SALE--MAY 21ST - SUNDAY- 10 AM - 4PM OUR WOMAN'S CLUB WILL HAVE A TABLE AT THE YARD SALE

WOMAN'S CLUB EVE BOOK DISCUSSION--MAY 30TH - TUESDAY- 7:00 PM **"THREE WORDS FOR GOODBYE" BY HAZEL GAYNOR**

THE FIRDAY WALKING GROUP FOR ALL SEASONS- CONTACT BARBARA MCCLOSKEYWe are still walking every week. If it is too cold or raining, we walk at Rockaway mall. Barbara McCloskey



(L-R) Kathy Holland, Sue Jancerak, Janet Walker& (Jennifer Ireton (in front) front row-Susan Jancerek, Jennifer Ireton, Kathy Holland, Barbara McCloskey,





(back row) Kathy Holland & Karen Lazur



Karen Lazur & Janet Walker (back row)



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Sunshine Corner

Get Well Wishes and better days to all our members recovering or going thru illness.



~~~ Birthday Month Get Togethers ~~~

Feel free to share your birthday with other members that have their Birthdays the same month as yours with a get together, a walk in the park safely, lunch or afternoon tea





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nds District



Welcome to our new members; Maureen Valente, Brenda Burrow, Patricia Cincotta & Linda Leming



AFTERNOON BOOK CLUB

Contact Lin Zrike at 973-586-7803 or foggypond@optonline.net



EVENING BOOK DISCUSSION

May 30th, 2023-TUESDAY evening 7:00 P.M. "Three Words for Goodbye" by Hazel Gaynor. Location –Ann Weissenburger's Home Contact: Ann Weissenburger at 973-627-2509 or <u>aweissenburger@yahoo.com</u>

** Ongoing Club Collections **

All items can be brought to our meetings and given to the person collecting them

*Collection for Rockaway Food Pantry –Presbyterian Church – Pat Bomus. The Rockaway Pantry is low and needs several types of donations. See page 10 for items requested, location and hours of drop off.



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*Aluminum Tabs – Susan Kleczynski. From beer and soda cans for Ronald McDonald House, a nonprofit family & children's charity dedicated to supporting families with sick children in their time of need.

*Inkjet/toner cartridges – Joan Bowling. Don't forget that we continue to collect used inkjet and toner cartridges. Thanks to Joan, many are sent back to be recycled for cash back. She deals with three companies and gets prepaid shipping labels from them. The club has drop offs locations at Provident Bank.

***Eyeglasses** – Joan Bowling.-They go to Eyes for the Needy and the Lion's Club. If Joan has a big load of eyeglasses she contacts a person in Rockaway who takes them to Millburn to Eyes for the Needy.

*Cell phone collections – Joan Bowling. This is a good moneymaker. Joan gets prepaid shipping labels and sends the phones to a company who sends our club a check. Joan is putting out plea for more cellphones to be delivered to her. She needs more cell phones in order to send a box in.

*Collecting of Greeting Cards – Joan Bowling. Joan is collecting the fronts of greeting cards.

*Collecting of Christmas Greeting Cards – Nancy Levy. Nancy is collecting the fronts of greeting cards.

*Coupon Flyers – Joan Bowling. Only coupons that have NOT expired. These are given to Social Services in Denville.

*Birthday Bags – Joanne Chiaravalloti. The Birthday bag items consist of cake mixes, frosting, small birthday design plates and napkins, candles and a birthday gift bag. Joanne puts them together and they are given to Social Services in Rockaway and Denville.

***Small Toiletries** – Nancy Levy. These items, small and trial size, are needed for the care bags that are given to social services and other local organizations. They include: shampoo, soap, toothbrush, toothpaste, deodorant and lotion.

Rockaway & Denville Township Public Libraries Update. May 2023 Check the websites to see what the library policies are.

Rockaway Township Library: <u>http://www.rtlibrary.org</u> Tel: 973-627-2344 Rockaway Borough Library Facebook

https://www.facebook.com/pages/category/Library/Rockaway-Borough-Public-Library-117410801674019/ Tel: 973-627-5709



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Denville Libraryhttp://www.denvillelibrary.orgTel: 973-627-6555Denville Library Facebookhttps://www.facebook.com/denvillelibrary/.

Both Denville and Rockaway Township continue to have virtual programs. Check out their websites for what these wonderful libraries continue to offer. Register for these virtual programs on their websites. *Check out this new complementary digital media service offered by Denville and Rockaway Libraries. Requires your library card. Download the App. "Hoopla"*

DENVILLE LIBRARY EVENT DETAILS

Friday Films are BACK! 1-3 PM REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED! Check Denville Library Website.



The Denville Library has passes to the following Museums

Please check the museum's website to plan your visit

- Brooklyn Botanical Garden (Brooklyn, NY)
- Children's Museum of Manhattan (New York, NY)
- Fosterfields Living History Farm (Morris Township, NJ)
- The Intrepid Sea, Air & Space Museum (New York, NY)
- Montclair Art Museum (Montclair, NJ)
- Morris Museum (Morristown, NJ)
- The Museum of the American Revolution (Philadelphia, PA) NEW FOR 2023!
- The New York Transit Museum (Brooklyn, NY) NEW FOR 2023!
- Newark Museum of Art (Newark, NJ)
- Storm King Art Center (New Windsor, NY)
- USS Constitution (Charlestown, MA)



Please e-mail newsletter articles to Ruth G. rgbutterfly777@gmail.com 3 days before end of month



