

## **New England Lace Group Meeting, 17 May 2014**

**Executive Board Attendance:** Sharon Sacco, President; Bryce Wolf, Vice President; Marjorie Dashef, Member-at-Large; Susan Landry, Librarian

**Executive Board absent:** Patty Foley, Treasurer and Membership; Clerk unfilled position

### **Member and Guest Attendees:**

Judy Anderson, Rosalie Bares, Laura Bensley, Anna Bone, Sr. Madeleine Cleverly, Eileen Collins, Karen Davis, Barbara Doheny, Ellen Donkin, Vi Eastman, Denise Lebica, Mary Linden, Gail MacLean, Jim Martin, Jacquelyn Miller, Anneliese Minster, Katherine Moore, Barbara Morrow, Nancy Neff, Carolyn Purcell, Doris Schick, Clare Settle, James Sheff, Linda Sheff, Winann Steinmetz, Anne Tait, Deborah Van Dieren, Elisabeth Wagner, Lorraine Weiss, Carolyn Wetzel, Anne Wooden, Hazel Young.

The meeting was called to order at 12:45

### **President – Sharon Sacco:**

All were welcomed to the biggest meeting of the year.

Minutes from the April meeting were not available for approval.

Retreat participants were encouraged to vote for the ATC entries before dinner. The library is available, so please browse and check out books.

Gail Maclean is collecting pictures of the retreat, so please send them to her. Rosalie Bares is taking retreat photos as well.

### **Nominating Committee - Carolyn Wetzel:**

Committee consisted of Carolyn Wetzel and Marjorie Dashef. Jim Martin has been nominated for Vice President. Barbara Morrow has been nominated for treasurer. Anyone interested in filling the positions should contact a nominating committee member.

### **Retreat Committee - Winann Steinmetz:**

Retreat classes filled this year. Without the silent auction, the retreat is making over \$1000.

The silent auction, organized by Bryce Wolf, ends at the breakfast bell on Sunday.

A bouquet of flowers was sent to Jill Hawkins for all of her extraordinary help with the retreat. Small gifts were given to others who helped with the retreat: Rosalie Bares, Judy Anderson, Sharon Sacco, Clare Settle, Bryce Wolf, Mary Linden, Barbara Doheny, Patty Foley, Sr. Clair Bouchard, and Winann Steinmetz.

Next year Holly will be teaching with Gerry vending. Allie Marguccio will be teaching Idria lace.

### **Member at Large - Marjorie Dashef:**

1833.35 volunteer hours were reported to IOLI.

The upcoming demo opportunities were read including the Mass. Sheep and Wool Festival, Plimouth Plantation (note that the date has been changing so check the website), and the Big E. Any volunteering such as demonstrating or gratis teaching should be reported to NELG (the website supports this) since it is important to us.

The Big E is a major event for NELG. Everyone is encouraged to enter the lace competition so people can see handmade lace. Entries need to be submitted by 1 August. There are lots of prizes. The lace does not have to be extravagant.

The signup for demonstrating at the Big E will happen in the summer. Our coordinator, Jane Chapman will arrange for parking in the employee parking lot this year. A shuttle will be available to bring you close to the demonstration area. Please consider demonstrating.

**Newsletter - Gail MacLean:**

The May newsletter was late. It does include information on the Ithaca Lace Day. She also read a note from Jeannet Van Oord who taught at the retreat for many years.

**IOLI Regional Representative - Carolyn Wetzel:**

Carolyn's term as IOLI Regional Representative has ended. Barbara Saltern has replaced her.

She reminded everyone about the upcoming IOLI:

2014 - Sacramento

2015 - Indianapolis

2016 - Philadelphia

**Karen Davis:**

She would welcome lace visitors to her home in the Four Corners area of Colorado. If you would like to come, please contact her and bring your pillow.

Notes taken by Eileen Collins. Respectfully submitted by Sharon Sacco