



## WOMAN'S CLUB OF ALLWOOD

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**Meeting Date:** Monday, December 2, 2013 – \*7:00 p.m.

**Meeting Hostess:** Doris Monteith

**Program:** Music by Patrick Collins

**Food Collection for St. Peter's Haven:** In the spirit of 'holiday baking' we want to supply the baking needs! We will be collecting cake mixes and frosting, cookie mixes, sprinkles, cupcake liners, fruitcake mix (yes, some people like to eat fruitcake!). Michele Gerke has been kind enough to offer to take our December collection to St. Peter's. Thank you Michele!  
[www.stpeterhaven.org](http://www.stpeterhaven.org)

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**A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT (Dorothy Gondola):** I would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy Healthy New Year! During this Holiday Season, regardless of our cultural or religious background, we can all be thankful for what we have and give to those that are less fortunate than ourselves in any way we can.

***The Home Life/Literature Department would like to invite all club members to their Christmas Party!*** It will be held on December 11th at 12:00 at Dalto Ristorante Italiano, 14 Market Street, Clifton. The cost is \$22 per person and there will be a \$10 grab bag. Please let President Dorothy Gondola know by December 6th if you will be attending. We hope to see everyone there!

**DUES ARE PAST DUE!** *The Treasurer would like to remind anyone with dues outstanding that, DUES ARE DUE!* Please give to Annemarie Hollenback or you can mail to her.

**CONSERVATION & GARDEN** (Shirley Bird): Zero degree temperatures might give us cause for pause, but that's no reason to hold back on our recycling efforts. Did you know that there are at least ten items you can recycle through the mail from the comfort of your warm cozy home? Read more at [www.earth911.com](http://www.earth911.com).

**HOME LIFE DEPARTMENT** (Barbara Bisaccio): The Home Life Department was busy assembling favors for our General Meeting Christmas party and Thanksgiving tray favors for Chestnut Hill Nursing Home. **Our next project will be 'Operation Cookie/Candy'**. All members are asked to please bring a batch of homemade cookies to the December General meeting in a ziploc bag. Barbara Bisaccio and her 'helper elves' will divide the cookies up, add some candy and they will be delivered to Chestnut Hill, so the residents have a special Christmas treat! Thanks to all in advance. *They residents there look forward to the treats they receive from our club and they are VERY grateful!*

**LITERATURE DEPARTMENT** (Rosemarie Coombs): There will not be a literary meeting in December or January, but meetings will recommence at Rosemarie Coombs' home in February.

**FUNDRAISING NEWS** (Doris Monteith): Doris is back – ALOHA E KOMO MAI!

**SUNSHINE** (Toni Salerno): Please let Toni know of anyone who should be sent a greeting.

**ARTS/PERFORMING** (Anita McGowan): The Clifton Community Band, under the direction of Robert Morgan, will present its annual Holiday Concert on Saturday, December 7th at 3pm at Clifton High School, Colfax Avenue. *This is always a wonderful program and it will certainly put you in the holiday spirit!* Other Holiday events will be listed on the Arts/Performing Arts Bulletin available at the December meeting.

*"Here we are as in olden days, happy golden days of yore.  
Faithful friends who are dear to us gather near to us once more.  
Through the years we all will be together, if the Fates allow  
Hang a shining star upon the highest bough.  
And have yourself a merry little Christmas now". ~ Ralph Blane*