



At the Andover Service Club meeting on May 9, members played "Whose Mother Is This?" to celebrate Mother's Day. Pictured are Gerry Tobin, Margie Fenton, Nancy Davis, Jeanne Tate, and Nance Barrett.

Photo: Mary Ofenloch

Andover Service Club Scholarships - Since 1959

By Mary Ofenloch
Andover Service Club

Every year since May of 1959, the Andover Service Club's Board of Trustees has met to review merit scholarship applications from high school seniors and continuing education students. This May was no exception.

When the Service Club members, in 1959, decided to offer a scholarship to a graduate of Andover High School, a Scholarship Ball was held in May of that year. The Ball raised \$203.50, so the first scholarship was awarded to Richard Vaters in the amount of \$200. The remaining \$3.50 was used to start a fund for future scholarships. Through the past 52 years, this fund has grown, and hundreds of awards have been given to students.

In 1976, application forms were written based on the rules for induction into the National Honor Society. Applicants today must be a resident of Andover or East Andover, or a child or grandchild of a Service Club member. They must submit a brief resume with an essay outlining future goals; a transcript with grades of achievement from the school they are attending; three recommendations (one must be from a teacher); and acceptance from the college or university which they will attend.

This year, 10 students submitted application forms. "The quality of the applications is so high that we only wish we could have awarded more," said Diane Rice, chair of the Scholarship Committee. "Only five students will be receiving an award."

The Scholarship Fund has been limited due to the economic situation we are all experiencing. Fundraising income has been down for the past two years or more. Lois Magenau, former chair, added, "Reviewing the applications has been extremely difficult, since so many are so qualified." Lois also stated that she "would like to give something to everyone who applies. Sadly, this is not possible at this time."

Winners will receive the award at their graduation ceremony in June, or through the mail. The names of winners will be announced in the July issue of *The Andover Beacon*.

Income from the Andover Service Club Thrift Shop is the main contributor to the Scholarship Fund, as well as special fundraising events held throughout the year. You can help by supporting club fundraisers, or, if you are a woman, you may become a member of the Service Club. Memorial donations are also gratefully accepted. The Andover Service Club is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization.

Andover Service Club News

By Joyce Egge
Andover Service Club

Our May meeting opened with a welcome from our president, Mary Ofenloch. Opening words were given by Jeanne Tate: "When God Created Mothers" by Erma Brombeck. The theme was celebrating Mother's Day and honoring our mothers.

A report was given on the results of our scholarship committee. They evaluated ten applications, and five recipients were selected. Their names will be released after the scholarships have been awarded.

Some new changes are in the works for the thrift shop. We had a successful trunk sale at Woodcrest Nursing Home

in New London at the end of last month. We can always use more good quality summer clothing items.

Our program consisted of guessing whose mother was whose among several photos brought in by the members and telling a story about these mothers. Wonderful refreshments were enjoyed by all as we studied these photos.

Our next meeting will be our Spring Luncheon on June 13 at the Old Courthouse in Newport. Our next year's budget and slate of officers will be voted on and hopefully approved at this luncheon. Look for us at our "A Slice for Scholarships" pie sale booth on the Green during the Fourth of July activities.

Andover Service Club Thrift Shop Got clothes? We need 'em!

Donating or consigning your clothing to the **Andover Service Club Thrift Shop** benefits your town. Please remember our profits provide **money for scholarships and donations** to local organizations.

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