



JULY 2018 Newsletter

Women's International League for Peace & Freedom Cape Cod Branch

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Attending: Mary Z, Elenita, Alycia, Donna, Karen, Laurie, Sherrie, Noreen

We also had two potential new members attending: Sue, Lucia. We hope they both become part of our circle.

Donna & Elenita had set-up a peaceful room for this 'Dreaming Circle', with soft lighting and tea candles around the room.

Next Meeting: Sat, Aug 25, 9AM – 3PM.

This is our annual all day circle to plan our next season starting in September. It will be held at either Hawk's Nest as usual, or at Laurie's house. Laurie will advise later. Alycia, Elenita, Mary will facilitate.

Dreaming



After check-in, we moved our chairs inside the tables, facing each other, to create a circle. We stood then Donna opened with invocations to the Four Directions. A few of us were in our 'Goddess' attire.

After a brief recap of our June meeting, where we wrote our involvements on colored-paper to post on our Community Garden, we sang, “Inch By Inch”, a song of peaceful growth used by many activists and folk singers.

Alycia gave a reading of her poem, “To Dream”, after which we donned veils to cover our faces, to meditate quietly, and focusing on our hearts and wishes. Every so often, Elenita or Donna would read a short inspiration.

When the mediation ended, we turned our chairs around away from each other, and wrote what our meditation was saying to us. From there, one-by-one, we went to the front, placed a pebble in a water dish, returned to our seat, and shared what we wrote or thought about for a minute each, then went around several times more. Some of what we shared will be used at our August meeting.

After the meditation, we had a couple of branch items:

National... It was decided to make a contribution to WILPF National of \$ 500.

Functionaries....Reviewed functionaries for next season. With those present, most agreed to continue their functions next season, to be finalized at August circle, and fill open seats.

Donna will continue as Treasurer & Convener; Alycia-Newsletter; Membership-Sherrie (with Laurie assistance). We do want to vastly improve our public face through social media, monthly newsprint notices of meetings, a business card we can give to others at events or people we meet.

Think about our collective and individual roles, passion interests, what we want our meetings and our branch’s role to be next season for our August circle. We hope all will attend this annual important circle.

walk in peace!