

December 2015

HAPPY KWANZAA!  
Merry Christmas  
Happy Hanukkah  
Happy Holidays

# Hadley Mothers' Club

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- FB Vote for Money
- Banquet THIS week!
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## Important dates:

12/10 Winter Banquet  
1/20 Media and Kids  
2/24 Make a Terrarium  
3/16 Meeting  
4/4 Candidates Night  
4/10 Town Election  
4/23 Recycle Day  
4/27 Meeting  
5/5 Town Meeting  
5/12 Spring banquet

## Officers 2015-2017:

President: Denise Devine  
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**VOTE FOR FREE MONEY!**

## Florence Bank

Florence Bank, (formerly Florence Savings Bank) is **GIVING AWAY MONEY** through their Customer's Choice Community Grant program. It is open to all non-profits based on customer votes!

To vote, simply go to the web site below OR while in one of the branches, fill out your ballot and turn it in! Be sure to list "**HADLEY MOTHERS CLUB**" in town of "**HADLEY**" ---- IT'S THAT EASY!!!

Vote here: <https://www.florencebank.com/vote>



**It is not too late.....**

Please join us for some fun, laughter and just togetherness with such wonderful women!

This Thursday, 12/10/15 6pm at:



26 Main St.  
Amherst MA, 01002

## Letter from the President



Thanks to all the members who came to the November meeting and filled 42 boxes! We have a great start, thank you for making a child/teens holiday fun.

We voted to buy more signs for the Holiday Fair and Recycling Day 2016 (a great sale!), donation for daisy start up troop, approve funds for yearbook ad and approve recorder purchase.

Our Hadley Holiday Fair was a great success! We had a wrap up meeting and we earned over \$4000 on the event. We had more shoppers, more kitchen sales, bake table was great, etc. Thanks to all members who came and worked. We are working on thank you notes to folks who donated for our fair and anyone who helped in 2015.

Our Christmas dinner will be on 12/10 at Pasta E Basta in Amherst; drinks/social at 6pm dinner ordered at 6:30. Contact Donna if you haven't already. Don't forget your ornament!

The next subcommittee meeting of the web site will be 12/14 at Barb Pliska's home on East St, 7:00 pm.

We hope you got your Hillside pizza and cookie dough order into Diane Kieras-Ciolkos or Cathy West, thanks.

We had a great 2015, hard to believe the year is ending. Thanks for all of your efforts!!

Please pass this on to anyone you know who works at UMass we are on the 'list' for contributions last year we got on the 'list' and we got a check for \$133 and we were added last minute. Thank you! **K15205 is our COMEC code.**

If anyone asks about Hadley Mothers' Club be sure to send them to our great web site: [www.hadleymothersclub.org](http://www.hadleymothersclub.org)!

~Denise

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## Upcoming Fun for Jan & Feb .....

### January 20, 2016: “Media and Kids: How rich it is”

Our guest speaker **Erica Scharrer**, Professor & Chair of Communication Department, Umass Amherst. Her research interests involve the study of media content, opinions of media, media effects, and media literacy, particularly regarding gender and violence.



Her work has appeared in *Communication Research*, *Human Communication Research*, *Journal of Broadcasting & Electronic Media*, and *Media Psychology*. I've co-authored three books with first author, George Comstock, including *Media and the American Child* (Elsevier, 2007) in which we provide a critical synthesis and review of the children and media literature. My edited collection *Media Effects/Media Psychology* (Wiley-Blackwell, 2013), part of the *International Encyclopedia of Media Studies*, provides a state-of-the-art review of the field. Particular emphases in my work include media depictions of masculinity, the third-person effect and other opinions about media influence, and the effectiveness of media literacy curricula.

### February 24, 2016: Make a Terrarium (\$)

Our guest speaker will be from the **Hadley Garden Center**. We will be making hanging or desktop mini terrariums at this fun filled winter meeting. HGC will bring the plants and containers to purchase for the project (but you can bring your own special holder from home if you wish). We will try to keep the cost around **\$15** for this project. Kris will bring one for show and tell to the January meeting! More details to come!

**We will be starting the project first, so be there ready to tackle the project @ 6:30!**





**WOW!** What a fantastic turnout for our November meeting!

**Together,** we wrapped and filled 42 **Friendship Boxes!**

These go to local toddlers, youth and teens this holiday season.



**THANK YOU!!!!**



I wanted to thank everyone who volunteered their time for another great fair. We had 64 vendors and they all gave great reviews. We are already starting to get facts ready for next year.

Thanks again, Donna Berg

**THANK YOU!!!!**

**Another successful Hillside Fundraiser in the books!**

**Reminder:** Pickup after HES Winter Concert  
**THIS Thursday 12/10!!!**

I wanted to thank everyone who supported us!  
Please don't forget to pick up your goodies!  
Look for our pickup station outside the Café.  
Thanks again, Diane Kieras-Ciolkos

