GREETINGS ALL:

Hopefully those who have not been attending our virtual meetings, will have read the notices, that our name has changed to: "TOGETHER WOMEN RISE". So far, I've only heard positive responses, as we all continue on. This is a notice to announce our May 4th chapter meeting is going to be held **physically together**!!!! At our April virtual meeting, all attending had had their 2 vaccines, and it was decided, if we continue to wear our masks, keep our distance, and we're all vaccinated…….. why not? The Charlestown chapter will again meet with us, and continue to do so, until the group is too large. So….

MAY 4, 2021, @ 6 pm MEETING AT the CLUB HOUSE @ The Village at Wardens's Pond, address: at 14 Little Pond Rd, S. Kingston!!!!

Directions are go to Tucker Town flashing signal - follow Worden's Pond Rd. (going west) and turn left on Leisure Dr.., club house is about 1+ mile down the road on the right. If the weather is good, we will again meet outside on the deck, and if it's too cool or inclement, we'll meet inside. We will individually bring our own food and drink, plates & utensils. As far as I know, the UUCSC will not be available for gatherings until the fall. There also has been discussion of meeting where the Charlestown group has been meeting, at Saint James Chapel, 2079 Matunuck Schoolhouse Road, Charlestown, RI 02813, later in the summer.

I thank Val Follett for the years she has put in being my "co-leader". With her decision to step down, Diane Conyers remains with me, and Susan Jordan and Sue Strakosch join in leadership positions. Thanks to all for your volunteering. Our monthly presentations have been a credit to all who have presented and for our upcoming May program, Etta Zasloff, will share info regarding our Sustained Grantee, "Grandmother's Project", strengthening communication between generations of girls & women to promote girls's holistic development, in Senegal. This fits in so well, with our Feature Grantee, Terrewode, & the reintegration Program for obstetric fistula survivors, in Uganda……. and the thoughts of change that we hope will someday eliminate genital female cutting, which often leads to these fistulas. And for the future, Cathy Soloman has taken on May and Sue from Charlestown for June. THANK YOU!!!!

Records from our donor services show our chapter has contributed $31,888. through April 10. You might want to go to the revised https://togetherwomenrise.org/ and check out all that continues to go on -, how to give & under the Join Us. For those unable to meet with us on May 4, there will be a virtual national meeting on Thursday, May 6. All are welcome to join - introduce new friends, what we are all about.

Hoping vaccines are being had and you're in good health. Enjoy the warm spring time days (when we have them!). Any questions, give me a call - 401-294-6789.

Best wishes all,

Gail Burchard - chapter leader, Peace Dale, RI 01