

Wilton Encore Club

Member Survey

The Wilton Encore Club has been around for many years. As we move forward with our wonderful members, and welcome new members, we want to take some time to better understand what draws people to Encore, what members most enjoy, and any changes they'd like to see. To that end, we would appreciate your completing this short survey, as our starting point. Please take the next 5 to 10 minutes to complete, so we can even better serve our members! Provide as much specificity in your answers as you can. (If you are seeing this on-line, please print to complete.) We do ask that you include your name, only so we can keep track of any members we have missed. Thank you!

1. Why did you join Encore - what was appealing to you? Provide as many details about this as you can.

2. Why do you stay in Encore - what keeps you coming to activities and events?

3. What would you change about the current Encore Club? In other words, what's missing that you'd like to experience or have added, or what's currently in place that you'd like to see changed a bit or eliminated?

4. What specifically would you miss if the encore club wasn't available anymore?

(turn over to complete)

5. Are you participating in Encore as much as you would like? If not, why not?

Your Name: _____

(so we can keep track of members we've missed)

Thank you again for completing this important survey. Together, we will make Encore even better!

Please mail this completed survey to

Wilton Encore Club PO box # 7531 Wilton CT 06897
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President's Letter

Dear Encore Members,

March comes in like a lion and goes out like a lamb! Much awaited, Spring is due to arrive on the 20th!

In an effort to better serve Encore's membership, the first two pages of the Newsletter is a "5 Question Member Survey" that we'd like you to complete and either give to an Activity Chairperson or mail to: Encore Club, PO Box #7531, Wilton, CT 06897.

The Nominating Committee is hard at work filling open slots for the 2026/2027 term. If you would like to "get more involved" and chair or co-chair an activity, please let Pauline or me know. Your contribution helps Encore continue to be a great club for everyone.

Happy St. Patrick's Day. May the luck of the Irish be with you!

Pat



V.P. News

Welcome March We start off the month of March with winter days and hopefully end off the month with promise of spring days to come.

There are many Encore activities to enjoy this month perhaps you will bring a new friend to one of our activities and introduce her to all that Encore has to offer.

We would love to have members become more involved in our group. If you are not ready to take on a chairperson's position, perhaps you would like to be an assistant to one of our positions for next year ... reach out and let us know! It is a wonderful way to get more involved and make new friends.

We are happy to welcome Linda Salmon to our Encore group. Linda has moved to Wilton recently from Avon CT. Linda's contact information is listed in our Member News section of the newsletter. Please take a moment to add Linda's contact information to your directory and welcome her at one of our events. On another note, we were saddened to learn of the recent passing of long time Encore member Barbara Clancy. She will be missed by our Encore group.

Think spring!
Pauline

Ladies Who Brunch- PLEASE NOTE THE TIME CHANGE

Hello ladies...our March brunch for Encore members will be meeting on Wednesday, **March 18th** at 9:30 at Orem's Diner. Located at 167 Danbury Rd. Wilton.

Come join us for breakfast and conversation. **Please RSVP** to Kathy de Vos by phone/text at 646-661-0122 or email kdv1947@hotmail.com by Monday March 16th.



Monthly Coffee

Encore coffees are a popular activity and we thank all our wonderful hosts for opening their homes to us over the years. **Since we do not have a host for our March 6 coffee, we are asking our members if they might be interesting in hosting.** I am happy to answer any questions you have before you commit. In meantime, here is some information:

1. The host opens up their home to Encore members on Friday, March 6th from 10-12 noon.
2. We ask hosts to provide coffee, tea, milk, sugar, plus plates/cups/utensils
3. The guests are very generous bringing all types of baked goods, fruit etc so host does not have to provide food. By the way, Encore coffees are not meant to be breakfast, but rather coffee, great conversation and small bites.
4. We can provide a co-host who will come early to help set up and stay later to help clean up.

Please let me know if you are interested in hosting. We would greatly appreciate it.

Contact: June Amori---- june2015@optimum.net or cell 203-964-7601



Save the Date for ABT Ballet

On Wednesday, **July 1 at 2:00 pm**, ABT will be performing **Don Quixote** at the Metropolitan Opera House at Lincoln Center.

The Encore group last saw this ballet in 2022. This is a new staging of the beloved classic tale of chivalry and devotion, as it follows the misadventures of the knight errant of La Mancha and his loyal squire Sancho Panza, as they aid the young lovers Kitri and Basilio. The stage will burst with color, and theatrical brilliance to the beautiful music of Ludwig Minkus.

I am ordering 16 tickets in orchestra prime seats for this performance. ABT has not released the group sale price yet.

Please note that ABT is starting their summer season later in June now, so thus we have a July performance.

If you have any questions, please email or call Inta Adams



Board Meeting

Date: Thursday, March 5 **Time:** 9:30 A.M.

Location: Lounge on main floor of Wilton Senior Center in the Comstock Community Center, 180 School Road, Wilton.



Newsletter Deadline

Please submit all information for the March newsletter by **Wednesday, March 4**

To: Gail Nielsen gvnielsen38@gmail.net Questions? 203-762-0559 or 603-540-0266

Encore Spring Theater Trip: Deadline approaching to secure tickets!

Save the Date: Sunday, April 12, 2026 at 2:00p.m.

Where: Curtain Call Theater 1349 Newfield Avenue, Stamford, CT 06905

Musical: Anastasia

Price per ticket: \$34

Anastasia

From Tony winners Terrence McNally and Stephen Flaherty and Lynn Ahrens, creators of such Broadway classics and **Ragtime** and **Once On This Island**, this dazzling show transports its audience from the twilight of the Russian Empire to the euphoria of Paris in the 1920s, as a brave young woman sets out to discover the mystery of her past. Pursued by a ruthless Soviet officer determined to silence her, Anya enlists the aid of a dashing con man and a lovable ex-aristocrat. Together they embark on an epic adventure to help her find home, love and family.

20 Tickets have been ordered for Orchestra Seats. If you are interested in attending, please let me know as soon as possible. Deadline for securing tickets is **March 3, 2026**

After March 3rd. I will be releasing any tickets that have not been sold!

Checks in the amount of \$34 should be made payable to ENCORE and mailed to:

Marie Catauro, 29 Lambert Cmn, Wilton, CT 06897

Any questions, please call 401-523-6515 or email me: momcatauro@gmail.com



Book Discussion

The book club will be meeting **on Thursday, March 19 th at 2:00 pm.**

For March we will be reading **BROKEN COUNTRY** by Clare Leslie Hall. It is a story of love and tragedy, past and present. The setting takes place in rural England.

Please join us at the Senior Center on Thursday, March 16th at 2:00 pm.

Sylvia Freige



Lunch Bunch

Dear Encore Members,

Our March lunch bunch is at Papa Joe 's restaurant, **Friday, March 13th**, at Noon. The restaurant is located at 1973 Post Road, Darien, Ct.

Parking is on the side. If you need a ride, please call me. RSVP to: jploder@optimum.net or 203- 762- 3512. Keep warm and stay well



Our Best, Pat and Joyce



Sew and Sew Social

Encore Sew & Sew Social group meets at 10am to Noon at Wilton Senior Center Lounge the following Monday dates: March 23 and April 27.

All Encore members are invited to come with their knitting, crochet, needlepoint, embroidery, quilting, crafts or your clothing repairs.

For more information contact: Kathleen_Wrampe@Yahoo.com



. Take a Walk With Us

We will be taking a few months off of the Walking Group for the winter. If the weather is fantastic I will email you all about a walk.

Amelia



American MahJongg

Encore American MahJongg meets every Wednesday from 1:00-3:00pm at the Wilton Senior Center.

It is time to order your 2026 from the National MahJongg League:
www.nationalmahjonggleague.org

For more information contact: Kathleen_Wrampe@Yahoo.com



Happy Hour

The March Happy Hour for Encore will take place on **Tuesday, March 10th**, from 4:00PM to 6:00PM at one of our favorites - Tavern on 7, 611 Main Street, Norwalk.

I hope you can join us - we even have no-alcohol drinkers in our group!

RSVP to Diane at: Email: druss1013@gmail.com, Or (203) 834-0059 (home), or (203) 952-8719 (text).



Chick Flick

We will enthusiastically welcome Spring when we get together on **March 24, 2026** for our March Chick Flick night. The Oscars will be announced on March 15, so there should be some Oscar winners playing when we meet a week later,

I will send an email to the Encore group a few days before March 24, so you will know what we will see and where we will meet.

Alice Morgan



Bridge

Hey ladies....how 'bout joining us for a few rounds of contract bridge...Monday afternoon at 12:30. We meet in the downstairs card room at the Wilton Senior center, All levels welcome. Call and see what we can arrange.

Contact Ellen Raleigh at 203-762-0632



Member News

HAPPY MARCH BIRTHDAY TO: June Amori - 5 th, Francesca Runge - 8th, Jeanne Egut - 9th, Joan Tancredi - 11th, Carol Kopfmann - 14 th, Beverlee Kutner - 14th and Rosalie Riley - 30th

New Member:

Linda Salmon
15 Silvermine Woods
Wilton, CT 06897
lindasalmon@gmail.com



Monthly Calendar of Activities

Wednesday, March 4	Newsletter Deadline	To gvnielsen38@gmail.net
Thursday, March 5	Board Meeting	RSVP to: Pat Vezendy
Friday, March 6	Monthly Coffee Event	RSVP to: June Amori
Tuesday, March 10	Happy Hour	RSVP to: Diane Russ
Friday, March 13	Lunch Bunch	RSVP to: Joyce Ploder
Wednesday, March 18	Ladies who Brunch	RSVP to: Kathy deVos
Thursday, March 19	Book Discussion	RSVP to: Sylvia Freige
Monday, March 23	Sew and Sew	RSVP to: Kathleen Wrampe
Tuesday, March 24	Chick Flick	RSVP to: Alice Morgan
Mondays 12:30 PM	Bridge	Contact Ellen Raleigh
Wednesdays 1:00-3:00	Mahjonn	RSVP to: Kathleen Wrampe
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