



# WOMAN'S CLUB OF LACEY

## SHORE DISTRICT

### NEWSLETTER MARCH 2019



**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE - LORI VIRCILLO** – During March we Celebrate Women's History Month. In 1980 President Jimmy Carter issued a proclamation declaring the week of March 8 as National Women's History Week. Then in 1987 Congress passed legislation designating the month of March as Women's History Month. We know there are, now famous, women who made great strides in advancing women's rights, but each of us has a Woman's History to Celebrate.

My mother, Eleanor, was the 5<sup>th</sup> of six children: two older brothers and four sisters. Her mother, an Irish American was married to a Frenchman who emigrated from Paris alone at the age of 21. My grandmother was widowed when her youngest was only five and as one can imagine times were very tough.

In the summers my mother was sent to live on a farm in Pennsylvania as a "Fresh Air Fund" kid. She hated it as the farmers put her to bed before sunset. Not acceptable for a girl who was used to playing stickball on the streets of New York and who could put her fingers in her mouth and produce a whistle that could be heard blocks away.

My mother worked as a telephone operator for two years, saved money for nursing school while living home and paying her mother rent. She told me that there was not much money for new clothes and with four sisters, the one who got up first got to wear the best dress. She worked hard to make her dream of becoming an R.N. come true.

There are many more stories, like darning socks, which I have shared with my children and now I will share with my grandchildren. This Women's History Month let's remember and celebrate our family "Woman's History". We all have a history we can pass on.

#### **1ST VICE PRESIDENT - BARBARA BOWEN**

Happy St. Patrick's Day. Unfortunately, I will be canceling the bus trip. We only had 21 people signed up. I'm very sorry to disappoint those who were looking forward to the trip as I was. I'll try again in the fall.

#### **2ND VICE PRESIDENT - PATTI O'DONNELL** **HAPPY SPRING WCOL!!**

#### **CORRESPONDING SECRETARY**

**ADRIENNE MELNYK –**

**Happy Birthday Woman's Club of Lacey!**  
**Thank you, MILLIE PAPE, for chairing today's Celebration!** Mail report will be given during the meeting.

#### **FINANCIAL SECRETARY-** **ANDREA HIGLEY**

All woman's club dues are due at March meeting. The amount is 40.00. After a short grace period a \$10.00 reinstatement fee will be charged. As of March 2019, we have 134 members paid, 6 honorary and 18 resigned. Thank you.

#### **FEDERATION SECRETARY - NANCY FORTIN**

##### **Shore District**

\*Performing Arts Day Monday, March 25, 2019 – 10:30 a.m. Snow Date – Monday, April 1, 2019. Woman's Club of Asbury Park, 57 Wickapecko Drive, Ocean.

\* Achievement Day Monday, April 22. 9:00 am-12:00 pm. Clarion Hotel, 815 Route 37, Toms River, NJ.

\*Spring Conference - Tuesday, April 23, 10 a.m. @ Clarion Hotel, 815 Route 37, Toms River, NJ.  
**\$38 check only**, written out to: WC of Lacey. You can mail your check to Nancy Fortin for receipt NO LATER THAN April 5

##### **NJSFWC:**

**Convention May 6 – 8; Golden Nugget, Atlantic City**

## **COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAMS**

### **ARTS CREATIVE: Adrienne Melnyk**

Thanks to all who came to the first session of puzzle piece wreath making! Our next session will be Tuesday, March 19th at 10:00 am. If you have any of the following please bring them with you: a glue gun and sticks, extension cord and or a power strip, and puzzles. Please note, whether you are not crafty at all or extremely crafty we need your help and you will enjoy yourself. Hope to see you there! Meanwhile.... Happy Birthday and enjoy yourself today!

### **ARTS PERFORMING:**

#### **Music - Christine Urban, Joan Zucker**

Merilee Singers - Happy Birthday!! Happy St. Patrick's Day!!!

The last rehearsal in March is Tuesday, March 19, 9:30 am. EVERYONE MUST ATTEND.

Performance on Wednesday March 27 at Point Pleasant Women's Club. Car Pool from Community Center.

#### **Next Rehearsal Friday April 5 @ 9:45 am**

#### **Drama - Patti O'Donnell**

Arts Performing Day Event - Monday, March 25 at the Woman's Club of Asbury Park, 57 Wickapecko Drive, Wanamassa, NJ. Anybody interested in performing, please contact Patti O'Donnell - 609-529-6153. Please try to support our District by expressing your talents and/or joining us for a day of fun!!

#### **CONSERVATION: Joyce Huffert, Diane Moser**

We will be collecting CLEAN, LAUNDERED sneakers that will be recycled by Nike and used in projects including play surfaces and playgrounds. Please remember to CLEAN and LAUNDER sneakers prior to donating them. "NO SHOELACES, PLEASE." Thank you!

#### **EDUCATION: Eileen Tranz, Debbie Smith -**

The third grade students at Lanoka Harbor School took part in the Read Across America contest sponsored by the Education Department. Each student drew a picture of their favorite book. The first-place winner was Anthony Tuorto, second place was Ryleig Fisher and third place was Kyan Smith. Their pictures and the honorable mentions are on display in the ShopRite window for the month of March.

#### **HOME LIFE: Carol Jones, Sheila Anderson -**

Thank you to our membership for your kitchen donations for this month's raffle basket. We are now collecting cell phones, eye glasses, aluminum tabs. NO MORE GREETING CARD FRONTS.

#### **NURSING HOME: Sally Blood, Denise**

##### **Cozenza-Brisco**

The Nursing Home date for the **Birthday Party** this year is **March 27 @ 2p.m.** Supplies are needed as follows: small bottles of lotions, shampoos, conditioners, new socks, gently used clothing, stuffed animals, etc. Thank you.

#### **INTERNATIONAL OUTREACH:**

##### **Sandy DeYonker, Carol LaVelle**

Basket of the month for April - Gardening Theme. Please bring donation to March meeting. Thank you.

#### **LITERATURE:**

##### **Nancy Conway, Fran Celantano**

Happy Spring! At least we're hoping Spring arrives soon. Literature is reading The Secret Keeper when we meet on March 19th. Come join us and hear opinions on a new book each month. Bakers are always needed. See Nancy or Fran at the general meeting.

#### **PUBLIC ISSUES:**

##### **Carol Crotty - Food Bank/Tuna**

February meeting - members donated 104 cans of tuna and 3 miscellaneous items of food.

##### **Jo Faccioli, Adrienne Melnyk, Dot Van Blarcom**

**NJ Sharing Network - April is Donate Life Month.** Do you know a business who would display a poster in their window or a table tent for their tables during the month of April? Please let me know as soon as you can. We also have coffee sleeves for any business that does take out hot drinks. Next month in April we will ask all members to please wear Blue or Green for Donate Life Month. If you would like to know more about the NJ Sharing Network and the Wrapped in Love Program please reach out to Jo Faccioli, Adrienne Melnyk, Dot VanBlarcom or Joan Schuler or visit [www.newjerseysharingnetwork.org](http://www.newjerseysharingnetwork.org). A few of us are planning on walking in the Annual 5K Walk/Run in Long Branch on May 19th - more details to follow next month but a sign-up sheet will be passed around for those who might be interested in walking. *It's more than a walk, it is a celebration of life.* An informative news release is available on the NJ Sharing tab of the website.

**Wrapped in Love Program:** We received 11 hand-made items to donate this month. I have yarn! If you need any, please look for me at the meeting. Please take time to read the *Wrapped In Love Notes* on the website under N. J. Sharing. You will be filled with pride at the work we are doing with this program when you read the heart felt gratitude from donor families. If possible, please use darker colors for men's lap blankets and scarves as we are in great need for men's items. Lap blankets should be no larger than 30 x 36 and scarves should be 14 x 60. Thank you.

## **STANDING COMMITTEES**

### **COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM:**

**Mariana Marzacco and Kathy Barrett**

#### **50/50 High School Special Needs Program**

Congratulations to Lina Kazala on winning last month's 50/50 in the amount of \$94. In the future, I am happy to announce that we will not only be designating proceeds to our High School Special Needs, but also to our Middle School Special Needs Program. Our Middle School also needs funds to help support and enhance programs for these special kids. As always, I urge you to take a chance to win money, while supporting these programs that teach our children life's skills.

### **Thank you for your continued support.**

#### **DOGGIE ANGELS: Lil Campbell, Val Brown, Kay Eisenmann**

Happy 54th birthday ladies. Please make a donation to our doggie jar, we have very little money in the kitty and when it comes time to buy food for the dogs and cats, we won't be able to do what we set out to do (make their lives a little better and more comfortable). Thanks, the doggie ladies

#### **BY LAWS/PARLIAMENTARY:**

**Jackie Ott, Ellena DiCicco**

#### **EULOGIES: Nancy Fortin**

**NEWSLETTER: Joan Schuler.** Please forward information to [jschuler13@gmail.com](mailto:jschuler13@gmail.com) or 1-609-661-2100. Thank you.

#### **REGISTRATION/PHONE:**

**Lil Campbell, Linda Hintz**

Attending the February meeting were 65 members and one guest.

## **COMMUNICATIONS:**

### **Jo Faccioli - Website/Emails:**

Please remember to provide and/or update your email address. If you are not receiving email communications, please contact Jo Faccioli or [Jof1217@comcast.net](mailto:Jof1217@comcast.net).

**Website:** Please send updated information for the website as soon as convenient. The website is edited and moved live twice a month.

**Facebook:** Please search Facebook for our organizational page and provide your comments. "**Woman's Club of Lacey Inc.**" Please visit our Facebook page, friend us, like and share. All future meetings, card parties, luncheons and fundraising events will be made available here. Please send your information to Terry Acquavita who has graciously agreed to update Facebook. **If you are hosting an event, please get us the information as early as possible so we can get the word out on Facebook.**

**Local Media, Photographs and Elec. Billboard:** Thank you to **Susan Gundersen and Nancy Pribila**. They handle all notifications to newspapers, magazines and the electronic billboards around town. They also take those lovely photos of all events for our website and scrapbook and Facebook. If you see Susan or Nancy hovering around, just smile for them! For all events which you would like advertised, please provide a written notice or printed flyer of the event at least two months prior to the event.

### **DOMESTIC VIOLENCE: Sandy DeYonker**

**Providence House - The Providence House**

19<sup>th</sup> annual Gift Auction is their largest fundraiser of the year. It will be held on Friday, June 7<sup>th</sup> at Georgian Court College. Tickets are \$20 and must be purchased in advance. They sell out quickly every year. I will be collecting checks made out to Catholic Charities Providence House or cash along with the names of each person attending for table assignments.

Any donations or sponsorships will be gladly accepted at our March and April meetings. All items must be new. Here are some suggested donations. Gift Certificates, pet supplies, kitchen items, camping/fishing supplies, event tickets, sports equipment, games, car care products, wine/liquor, jewelry, home décor items, tools, etc. These items will help to fill the over 400 baskets for the event. Please put your name on all items donated since Jennifer likes to thank everyone personally in the event program. Unlabeled donations will not be listed.

Please give your check (made payable to Catholic Charities Providence House) or cash to Sandy DeYonker at the March or April meeting. I will bring your tickets to the May meeting. Thank you in advance for your participation!

### SPECIAL COMMITTEES

#### FUNDRAISING EVENT CHAIRS:

#### MONTHLY BASKET RAFFLES

Laurie Burke, Carol Setter

The February Basket was provided by Public Issues and contributed \$76. It was won by Lina Kazala.

**BUS TRIPS:** Barbara Bowen – Unfortunately, the bus trip is cancelled

#### VICTORIAN TEA PARTY:

Ellena DiCicco and Marilyn Hock, Co-Chairpersons  
Tickets for the Victorian Tea Party are available. Janet Sramaty will be selling them at today's general meeting, tickets are \$20.00. The date is April 6, 2019, 1:30 to 3:30. Thank you for your support!

#### ACTIVITY DAY: Lina Kazala

At Community Hall – 12:00 noon to 3:30 PM on Mondays – all dates are on Activity Day Schedule: be sure to ask me for a schedule. Have fun snacking, playing cards, Mah-Jongg, Dominoes and Rummikube's, etc. Learn new games or teach us a new game. We play all year. **REMEMBER** to invite your friends!! Activity Day is now open to non-members.

#### ACHIEVEMENT DAY: Adrienne Melnyk

Welcome to the celebration of the beginning of our club!!! I hope you are all considering submitting an entry to the District Achievement Day. There are so many categories to consider! Please know that you need not be an "expert" to participate. I have an extensive list of categories and would be happy to let you check it out. The list consists of everything from baking cookies to showcasing your favorite African violet to recycling a tee shirt and crocheting an afghan. I have the information with me today and am willing to share ideas with you. The deadline for the submission of entry forms is just a couple of weeks away. Your project need not be finished before submitting the paperwork. I will take care of submitting the paperwork. You will need to be sure that I have your project on or before April 19th. I will be at Community Hall on April 16th from 10:00 till noon so you can drop off your entry(ies). However, if you are baking, you can bring the goods to my home on Sunday, April

21<sup>st</sup>. Achievement Day is Monday April 22nd at the Clarion Hotel on Route 37 in Toms River. In the meantime, let's have fun!!!

#### **SPECIAL STATE PROJECT: CASA**

##### **Book Stamp Funding: Mickey Esposito**

If you haven't done so yet, get a Happy Face on your handbook and support CASA.

##### **Wine Tasting: Tina Pilot**

#### **CASA (Court appointed Special Advocates for Children) Fundraiser**

Wine & Beer Tasting event is May 17, 6-10 PM at the Knights of Columbus Hall on Lacey Road. Ticket donation is \$35 per person. The fundraiser will have a 70's theme and Disco too!! So exciting!!

#### **CARING CORNER: Doris Nelson**

#### **WAYS AND MEANS:**

**Card Parties/Luncheons: Terri Candeletti**

##### **Luncheon Chair: Millie Pape**

Thanks to all who help in the kitchen/luncheon events.

#### **SHORE DISTRICT**

##### **DOMESTIC VIOLENCE: Nancy Fortin**

**Resources and help can be found by calling 1-800-799-SAFE (7233). Individuals who are Deaf or hard of hearing may use TTY 1-800-787-3224.**

#### **CLUB BIRTHDAYS**

##### **MARCH**

Rose Neubauer	3/3
Connie Galvin	3/4
Mary Sharpe	3/5
Susan Morgan	3/19
Tina Pilot	3/27

##### **APRIL**

Linda Hintz	4/1
Debra Smith	4/3
Nancy Conway-Hermann	4/10
Ruth Ward	4/13
Renee Zebrowski	4/16
Doris Nelson	4/24
Dotty Dobis	4/26
Barbara Bowen	4/27
Patti O'Donnell	4/27
Theresa Candeletti	4/28
Valerie Freidman	4/28
Erna Phillips	4/30
Shirley Schwartz	4/30

