



# WOMAN'S CLUB OF LACEY

## SHORE DISTRICT

NEWSLETTER JUNE 2019



**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE - LORI VIRCILLO** - Here we are completing another year. We have so much to be proud of. NJSFWC Convention in Atlantic City was a great time to celebrate the clubs across the state and all we do. The Woman's Club of Lacey had two members named to the NJSFWC Honor Roll: Joan Zuczek and Jo Faccioli. Order of the Lily honor was awarded to long time dedicated club woman, Patti O'Donnell. Congratulations to these deserving members!

At Convention the Club also achieved state recognition for: Domestic Violence Awareness- 3<sup>rd</sup> place, Arts Performing, 2<sup>nd</sup> place, and Membership - 2<sup>nd</sup> place. Our club was nominated by NJSFWC for the GFWC Creativity Award for GFWC Signature Project, Domestic Violence for the Ski Cap Ornaments and Bowling Pin set. Kudos to Adrienne Melnyk, Arts Creative Chair! WCOL had three acts in the talent show: Barbara Bowen sang "Count Your Blessings", Adrienne Melnyk dazzled with her stand-up comedy, and the "Not Ready for Prime Time"??? group got lots of laughs with the Twelve Days of Christmas.

The "Wine Tasting" event was a great success and over \$4000 was raised for CASA. Great job Tina Pilot and committee.

Our club was represented in the Lacey Memorial Day Parade with seventeen members marching. Thanks to Rose Neubauer and friends for their vehicles. A wreath was presented at the memorial service.

Club members, some highlights of our accomplishments this year: last week we awarded \$7000 in scholarships to LTHS graduating seniors; in November we gave \$1150 to the high school special needs class; in October 70 Christmas stockings were sent to deployed American service men and women; \$3000 was sent to the Woman's Club of North Carolina for Hurricane Florence Relief; over 90 shawls or lap blankets went to the Wrapped in Love Program; close to 300 candy cane holders and tree ornaments were sent to Lacey Food Bank and Providence House; we sent a LTHS girl to GCI at Douglass College; a thousand greeting cards have been collected and will be mailed to the USO for our service men and women; locally we supported the volunteer firefighters, EMS, LTHS TV channel 21; Lacey Foodbank with close to 1000 cans of tuna; the nursing home, Pop Corn Park Zoo and a local needy family. Applaud yourselves; what we do does make a difference! I am proud to have served as WCOL president. I look forward to another great year.

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

We have two trips planned to the SurfFlight Theatre on LBI for Tues., July 9th Flashdance at 2:00 with dinner at Antoinetta's and Thurs., Sept 5th Ain't Misbehavin' 2:00 with dinner at Spray Beach Inn, The Sanddollar at 5 p.m. Both are \$60.00 each.

### **2ND VICE PRESIDENT - PATTI O'DONNELL**

Congratulations to all the award winners at State this year!!! Have a wonderful and safe summer!

### **CORRESPONDING SECRETARY**

**ADRIENNE MELNYK -**

I will report at the meeting. Thank you.

### **FINANCIAL SECRETARY-**

**ANDREA HIGLEY**

WE have 125 members total! 110 paid members and 9 unpaid. WE have 9 resigned in 2019 and 6 honorary members. Regards, Andrea Higley, Financial Secretary.

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

**Convention Chatter - CONGRATULATIONS!**

NJSFWC: NJSFWC celebrated their 125th year as part of the GFWC, the largest women's club in the world. In the past year, the 7000+ members of NJSFWC had 21,585 projects. Volunteers donated 548,977 hours of time; cash donations equaled

\$1,299,455, In-Kind donations equaled \$1,124,246. Thanks to the works of **Adrienne Melnyk** and her department, the WC of Lacey has been nominated for the GFWC Club Creativity Award.

**WC of Lacey** - Awards: Arts Performing 2nd place, Domestic Violence 3rd place and Membership 2nd place.

### Shore District

Jackie Ott was awarded her NJSFWC 25-year pin. Jo Faccioli and Joan Zuczek were placed on the Honor Roll and Patti O'Donnell received Order of the Lily.

### **NJSFWC/Domestic Violence - Nancy Fortin, Shore District Chairman**

From the NJSFWC, our Summer Project - "1st Night Kits" for our local shelter: Bring in items to fill a colorful container or basket for a woman which she would enjoy receiving on the 1st night she arrives at the shelter. **Items to donate:** pajamas, T-shirts, socks, panties, toilet items, note pad, pen, magazine, paperback book, etc.

**Bring items to Community Hall on Activities Day each week and at the September and October Woman's Club meetings.**

Thank you in advance!

### COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAMS

**ARTS CREATIVE: Adrienne Melnyk – I will report at the meeting.**

#### **ARTS PERFORMING:**

**Music - Christine Urban, Joan Zucker – Have a great summer!**

**Drama - Patti O'Donnell**

**CONSERVATION: Joyce Huffert, Diane Moser**  
Have a nice summer! Thank you for all your sneakers and the Club's participation in Conservation.

**EDUCATION: Eileen Tranz, Debbie Smith -**  
We wish everyone a fabulous summer!!

**HOME LIFE: Carol Jones, Sheila Anderson –**  
Please continue to save and deliver to us in September the following: cell phones, eyeglasses, aluminum tabs from cans, infant baby hats. No cards are needed at this time. We thank you for the year's good work. Have a great summer!

**NURSING HOME: Sally Blood, Denise Cozenza-Brisco– There will be a Birthday Party on June 19<sup>th</sup> at 2 p.m. at the nursing home. Thank you to all the volunteers this year. I appreciate your help and support.**

**It has been suggested that SEPTEMBER'S GENERAL MEETING be designated as NURSING HOME MONTH. At that meeting items requested are as follows to be distributed during the year: Stuffed animals, used clothing, lotions, shampoos, new socks, brushes, combs, toothpaste, toothbrush and items similar to those mentioned. THANK YOU!! HAVE A GREAT SUMMER!!**

#### **INTERNATIONAL OUTREACH:**

**Sandy DeYonker, Carol LaVelle**

New greeting cards are still being collected for the troops. Please make sure they each have an envelope. Thank you for your participation!

#### **LITERATURE:**

**Nancy Conway, Fran Celantano**

Literature celebrated the end of the year with a picnic. Hope everyone received a copy of the book list for the next year. Please look it over and decide if you would be a group leader for one of the books. You can contact Nancy or Fran at the June luncheon.

**Happy summer reading!**

#### **PUBLIC ISSUES:**

**Carol Crotty - Food Bank/Tuna**

May meeting – members donated 75 cans of tuna and 4 miscellaneous. Thank you for your support!

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

**NJ Sharing Network:** The 5K Celebration of Life took place on May 19 in Long Branch. The day started out rainy and cloudy, but the sun came out just before the run at 8:30 a.m. There were 6 participants representing the Woman's Club of Lacey and we collected \$130.00 in donations. It was more than a walk! There was food, music, water, refreshments and heartfelt stories were told by many and some donor families were reunited with their donor recipients. If

you haven't already signed up to be an eye, tissue and organ donor, please do so. You may be one person to the world, but to one person you may be the world.

There are photos of the event on WCL Facebook page as well as on our website. Thank you again for your support. Have a wonderful summer.

*To learn more, get involved, and register as an organ and tissue donor, visit [www.NJSharingNetwork.org](http://www.NJSharingNetwork.org).*

**Wrapped in Love Program:** Thank you for all the support this program has gained from this organization. Please take time to read the *Wrapped In Love Notes for May* on the website under N. J. Sharing. This month you will be surprised as we are mentioned by name in the Newsletter which goes out to all Donate Life Organizations. I am very proud of the work we have accomplished this year and I hope we continue into next year. Your efforts are not going unnoticed.

This month we have collected 7 hand-made items. 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. There is still some yarn available if you need it. Thank you.

### **STANDING COMMITTEES**

**COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM:**  
**Mariana Marzacco and Kathy Barrett and Judy Wisnewski**  
50/50 High School and Middle School Special Needs Programs

Since June is our last meeting until September, PLEASE remember to take a chance. Because we are dividing our proceeds between the High School and Middle School Special Needs Programs, we would like to reach a higher goal. If everyone took a chance, we could achieve that. Congratulations to Barbara Bowen who won \$70 at our May Meeting. You could be our next winner. Wishing everyone a happy and safe summer. See you in September.

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

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 May meeting were 53 members and no guests.

### **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, game day, 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.

HAVE A WONDERFUL SUMMER!

**DOMESTIC VIOLENCE: Sandy DeYonker  
Providence House –**

Thanks to all who donated items, bought 50/50's and paid for a ticket for the Providence House Gift Auction. The Providence House 19<sup>th</sup> annual Gift Auction took place on Friday, June 7 and I am happy to report it was again a memorable occasion and very successful. Your help is truly appreciated!

**SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

**FUNDRAISING EVENT CHAIRS:**

**MONTHLY BASKET RAFFLES**

Laurie Burke, Carol Setzer  
Happy Summer!!

**TRIPS:**

Trips to Surfflight: Tues. July 9th Flashdance at 2:00 with dinner at Antoinetta's. Thurs. Sept 5th Ain't Misbehavin' 2:00 with dinner at Spray Beach Inn, The Sanddollar at 5:00. Both are \$60.00 each.

**VICTORIAN TEA PARTY:**

Ellena DiCicco and Marilyn Hock, Co-Chairpersons  
Happy Summer!!

**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**

I will report at the meeting.

**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**

The only person with pics from our CASA night was Patti O'Donnell. It was a huge success!!!

**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**

**JUNE**

Barbara Fragasso	6/2
Florence Gradzki	6/2
Diane Kautzmann	6/2
Gayle Cornish	6/5
Dianne Rogalski	6/6
Kathy Barrett	6/12
Carol Nichols	6/14
Ronnie Hecker	6/21
Patricia Pasquale	6/24

**JULY**

Debbie Fetherston	7/1
Irene Koutishian	7/2
Vivien Bower	7/9
MaryJane Luba	7/9
Karlynn Gaff	7/11
Sheila Anderson	7/15
Sally Blood	7/15
Francine Celentano	7/18
Lillian Tommasone	7/20
Gloria Keyes	7/22
Andrea Higley	7/23
Anne Gudzak	7/26
Patricia Spielman	7/29

**AUGUST**

Rachel Clemmer	8/1
Kathy Britton	8/2
Joyce Huffert	8/3
Marianne Ras	8/5
Mariana Marzacco	8/8
Eileen Tranz	8/11
Maria Bowblis	8/15
Edith Meehan	8/16
Mary Moise	8/18
Diane Ash	8/27