



# WOMAN'S CLUB OF LACEY

## SHORE DISTRICT

### NEWSLETTER OCTOBER 2019



**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE - LORI VIRCILLO** - Good morning everyone. Thanks to our luncheon committee for October. Welcome to two new members, Nancy Borghoff and Maria Kowalewski. Thanks to Rite Aid for providing flu and pneumonia shots to members this morning. Thanks to the music department for providing this month's raffle basket. Thanks also to Lacey Day volunteers: Jo, Eleanor, Marianne, Barbara, Carole, Mary, Dot, and Lil.

On September 23, Board members Barbara Bowen, Patricia Pasquale and myself attended the Shore District Council meeting held at the Asbury Park club house. We had the opportunity to learn what projects other clubs are involved in. I was so proud of our club when I highlighted our initiatives and accomplishments including Arts Creative Christmas ornaments for Lacey Foodbank and Domestic Violence Victims in Providence House; lap blankets for Wrapped in Love; collection of sneakers for Nike Reuse a Shoe and bras for Free the Girls by Conservation; seventy-five stockings to be filled for our soldiers by International Outreach; Cookie Day by Home Life; and upcoming performances by Arts Performing both Music and Drama. Additionally, we had eight new members last club year and have filled three positions on the Executive Committee. As NJSFWC celebrates its 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary, congratulate yourselves - Woman's Club of Lacey does make a difference!

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

Rite Aid is giving Flu & Pneumonia Shots starting at 9:00 at our October General Meeting. Our guest speaker is Kathy Cheeseman from an Interfaith Group that provides transportation to Doctors, shopping & Caregiver respite.

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

We have a new report form that's easier to fill out for all events during the year. Do not forget hours and miles!

#### **CORRESPONDING SECRETARY ADRIENNE MELNYK –**

I will report at the meeting. Thank you.

#### **FINANCIAL SECRETARY- ANDREA HIGLEY – We have 119 paid members, 8 resigned and seven honorary members.**

TREASURER – JOAN SCHULER -I am pleased to report that the yearly examination of the Club's accounts has been completed and found to be in order. Thank you to the Club members who spent hours going through the books of the past year. Specifically, Beverly Keubler, Diane Ash, Linda Hintz and Terry Acquavita. The September monthly report will be presented at the meeting. Thank you.

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

**2019 - October 21:** NJSFWC Fall Conference at Battleground Country Club, Freehold. **November 16:** NJSFWC 125th Anniversary - Day of Service. **December 4:** GFWC Holiday Reception, Washington D.C.

**2020 - January 27:** Shore District Council Meeting . **February 1:** Mini-Leads Seminar. **March 7:** NJSFWC Spelling Bee. **March 30:** Public Issues Day. **April 24:** GFWC Day. **May 4-6:** NJSFWC Convention, Atlantic City. **June 1-4:** GCI, Douglass College. **June 26-30:** GFWC Convention, Atlanta, GA

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

#### **COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAMS**

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

Work continues on puzzle wreaths on Tuesday, October 15th. Come join us at 10:00 am at Community Hall. Don't forget your glue gun .

Achievement Day - I have received this year's guide lines! Please see me if you are planning on participating this year. If you are unfamiliar with this activity, I will be happy to talk to you about it.

## **ARTS PERFORMING:**

**Music - Christine Urban, Joan Zucker – Looking forward to a great year!!**

**Drama - Patti O'Donnell – The Christmas Show is now underway. Rehearsals will be held at Community Hall at 3:15 pm on the following days: October 14 and 28, November 11, 18 and 25 and December 9 and 16. The show will be on the 17<sup>th</sup>. Thank you.**

**CONSERVATION: Joyce Huffert, Diane Moser, Diane Bauerhuber, Fran Geduldick Happy Fall! Conservation will be participating in two projects as follows:**

**First, we will be collecting sneakers again!**

**WE ARE COLLECTING (USED) CLEAN, LAUNDERED SNEAKERS THAT WILL BE RECYCLED BY NIKE AND USED IN PROJECTS INCLUDING PLAY SURFACES FOR PLAYGROUNDS.**

**PLEASE CLEAN, LAUNDRER AND REMOVE SHOELACES ON SNEAKERS PRIOR TO DONATING THEM.**

**WE WILL BE COLLECTING THE SNEAKERS AT OUR NOVEMBER GENERAL MEETING.**

**The second project is with an organization called “Free The Girls”. This organization works with victims of sex trafficking in Africa and Central America and teaches survivors to earn a safe income selling bras in the second-hand marketplace.**

**WE WILL BE COLLECTING NEW OR GENTLY USED BRAS IN GOOD CONDITION FOR THE FREE THE GIRLS ORGANIZATION. AGAIN, PLEASE LAUNDRER GENTLY USED BRAS PRIOR TO DONATING THEM.**

**WE WILL BE COLLECTING THE BRAS AT OUR NOVEMBER GENERAL MEETING.**

Thank you,

**EDUCATION: Eileen Tranz, Debbie Smith - We wish everyone a happy fall!**

**HOME LIFE: Carol Jones, Sheila Anderson – COOKIE DAY will be October 24<sup>th</sup> at 11 am at Community Hall to pack cookies and then deliver to Chrystal Lake Health Care. Please sign up TODAY to bake or make a cash donation if you are not a baker! Please continue to save and deliver to us the following: cell phones, eyeglasses, aluminum tabs from cans. We need “preemie” infant hats.**

**NURSING HOME: Sally Blood, Denise Cozenza-Brisco– Our nursing home visits on the calendar are October 16, November 13 and December 18 from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. for all who would like to participate. I appreciate your help and support.**

**For those members who forgot to bring items for the home last month, we would appreciate and accept the following items at all monthly meeting. It includes: Stuffed animals, used clothing, lotions,**

**shampoos, new socks, brushes, combs, toothpaste, toothbrush and items similar to those mentioned. THANK YOU!!**

## **INTERNATIONAL OUTREACH:**

**Carol LaVelle**

International Outreach will be collecting all types of greeting cards each month for our WONDERFUL Women and Men serving in the military aboard. Please donate any type of NEW All Occasion Greeting Cards. The box to put them in is in the back of the room each month.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS STOCKING: Remember to bring in all your donated stocking stuffers to our OCTOBER MEETING, 10/9. Stockings will be filled after the meeting and will be delivered to New Brunswick to be sent overseas. Also, a personal Christmas card thanking the troops for their support will be added to each stocking. Personal greeting cards for each stocking is very uplifting for our troops.

Please bring any of the following suggested items on 10/9: Christmas candy, chocolates, Slim Jim's, Trail Mix, nuts, chewing gum, dried fruit, life savers, healthy snacks, cookies, DVD's, CD's, playing cards, wet wipes, travel dental kits, small shaving cream, razors, lip balm, tissues, iTune cards, batteries, crew socks. **NO** liquids, large items or anything metal.

Anyone willing to help stuff stockings will be greatly appreciated. Thank you for your participation!

## **LITERATURE:**

**Nancy Conway, Fran Celantano**

**HAPPY FALL!!** . Literature will be meeting on Tuesday, October 15 at 12:30 pm. We will be discussing “An American Marriage” by Tayari Jones. Eileen Tranz is our discussion leader, but bakers are needed for goodies. Please contact Nancy or Fran if you can bake. Signups for the remainder of the year will be at the Literature meeting. SANTA LETTER ORDER FORMS will be available at our General Meeting.

## **PUBLIC ISSUES:**

**Carol Crotty - Food Bank/Tuna**

September meeting – members donated 118 cans of tuna and 3 miscellaneous. Thank you for your support!

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

**NJ Sharing Network:** On September 21st, a successful presentation was held at the United Methodist Church in Toms River.

On September 28th, we hosted a table at the Lacey Day Fair and Apple Festival. During the event, many people stopped by to share their stories. We heard from donor families, recipients of organs or tissue, people who inter-act with the Sharing Network through their professions and sadly, people waiting for a lifesaving organ. If you are not already an organ and tissue donor, please register today

at [www.registerme.org](http://www.registerme.org) and let your family know your wishes. Everyone can register to be a donor! The next New Jersey Sharing Network meeting will be Thursday, October 10th, 5:00pm - 6:30pm Jersey Shore University Medical Center, HOPE Tower - Conference Room C&D, 19 Davis Avenue, Neptune City. Anyone interested in attending please see Adrienne Melnyk, Dot VanBlarcom, Joan Schuler or myself. On October 23rd, we will speak at Ocean County College regarding organ transplantation to any nurse looking for 1.0 contact hours. .

**Wrapped in Love Program** - I wish to share this story with you all. This year at Lacey Day, my heart was full when two separate families from Lacey Township stopped at our table to say they received a lap blanket from the Wrapped in Love program. I would like to think these blankets came from our participation in this program. They shared how the blanket has brought them comfort and memories of their loved ones. Now, more than ever, I am in need of knitters and crocheters! There is a need in the community for these lap blankets so if you know someone who knits or crochets, please tell them about our Program. For information on this program please refer to the website or contact me directly. Most times I have yarn so there is no expense on their part. Thank you.

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. 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 and Judy Wisnewski**

50/50 High School and Middle School Special Needs Program

Congratulation to Debbie Smith who won \$99.00 at our September Meeting. Just a reminder to buy your 50/50 ticket at this October meeting. Our Special Needs Programs need constant improvements to accommodate the ever-growing population of our children with special needs. Thank you for your support and good luck. You could be our next winner.

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

Please continue to [make donations](#) to our doggie jar and donate blankets, towels, etc. for the dogs and cats to make their lives a little better and more comfortable. Thanks, the doggie ladies.

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

**Ellena DiCicco. A Parliamentarian Workshop will be held on November 9 (cost \$2.00) at the Federation's Headquarters. If you are interested in attending or want more information on this important subject,**

**please contact Ellena for more information. Thank you.**

##### **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 September meeting were 64 members and four 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.

##### **Local media, photographs and Electronic Billboard.**

Thank you to **Susan Gundersen and Nancy Pribila**. They handle all notifications to newspapers, magazines and the electronic billboards around town **and take photos of events**. (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!) Two months notice is necessary for advertising your event or fundraiser. (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.)

**Facebook: (Facebook - ) We need a Facebook administrator. If you have knowledge of Facebook please who has knowledge of Facebook please contact Jo Faccioli** (or Terry if you are interested. It takes less than 2 minutes of your time for each event.) **Please search Facebook for our organizational page and friend us, like us and share with your friends.** provide your comments. **"Woman's Club of Lacey Inc."** All future meetings, Game Day events, luncheons and fundraising events will be made available here. Don't forget to share with your friends. All upcoming event will be posted here. **If you are hosting an event, please get us the information as early as possible so we can get the word out on Facebook.**

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**Roving Reporter** - Please welcome Susan Morgan who has taken on the new role of **REPORTER**. The position requires her to select a member each month and highlight them in our newsletter. This "getting to know you" article will help us to know each other a little better. This month Susan will start with her own bio. Thank you, Susan!

**DOMESTIC VIOLENCE: Sandy DeYonker Providence House** - We are collecting food for the Providence House Thanksgiving Baskets and Food Pantry this month and next month. They are in need of gift cards to purchase turkeys and perishable items. Also, please donate non-perishable items, such as: stuffing, baking mixes, mac and cheese, corn muffin mix, instant mash potatoes, pasta, sauce, apple/cranberry/sparkling juice, and canned vegetables and yams. I will deliver all food to Providence House after our meeting on Nov. 13<sup>th</sup>. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

**SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

**FUNDRAISING EVENT CHAIRS:**

**MONTHLY BASKET RAFFLES**

- Laurie Burke, Carol Setzer
- Special Committees Fundraising - Basket Raffle Schedule
- Oct. Music
- Nov. Executive Board
- Dec. Literature – at the Christmas Program
- January- Education
- February – Public Issues
- March- Home Life
- April- International Outreach
- May- Conservation
- June-Executive Board

**TRIPS: Barbara Bowen**

Our next trip is Thurs. Dec.5th to Hunterdon Hills Playhouse, The Three Scrooges, a playhouse Christmas. Dinner theatre with a dessert room. Cost \$130.00. All money due by our Oct. meeting. Happy Fall!

**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. **September's schedule is 9/16, 9/23 and 9/30.** 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 and Peggy Bea**

Please look for your smiley face – NONE, we would appreciate your \$5 donation to CASA (Court appointed Special Advocates for Children).

**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.

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**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**

**OCTOBER:**

Denise Cosenza-Brisco	10/1
Frances Purciello	10/1
Jeanne Scaffiddi	10/1
Lori Young	10/2
Marie Dimos	10/3
Florence Fleidner	10/4
Mary O'Malley	10/5
Denise Froberg	10/7
Mary Clayton	10/11
Patti Longo	10/11
Teresa Avella	10/13
Marge Gerba	10/19
Kathy Wilk	10/19
Cathy Katsianis	10/25
Diane Moser	10/27
Christine Urban	10/30

**NOVEMBER:**

Imelda Fragomeni	11/02
Lillis Campbell	11/05
Virginia Costa	11/05
Marilyn Hock	11/05
Jo Ann Norton	11/06
Joan Zuczek	11/08
Elaine Newman	11/09
Sandy DeYonker	11/14
Peggy Bea	11/19
Laurie Burke	11/22
Bunny McGauley	11/25
Patricia Schmelz	11/28
Judy Schermerhorn	11/30
Christine Frandsen	11/30



## **Roving Reporter**

### **Meet and Greet - Susan Morgan**

Hello. I am your new Roving Reporter. My role will be to highlight one member monthly for us all to get to know better. One month it will be a “newbie” member and the next month I will highlight an “old” time member. I will do this by interviewing you. This may be in person or via telephone. With your permission, I will try to include a photo of you as well. Since I am still a relatively new member of the Women’s Club of Lacey, I will start with myself.

I have lived in Forked River since 1980. I grew up in Maplewood, NJ with 4 siblings. I have two daughters and three grandchildren with number 4 on the way. I am a retired nurse having worked for 42 years in my profession.

I have been a part of the Women’s Club of Lacey since September 2018. Since joining, I have participated in Arts Creative and the Literature groups. I am looking forward to being involved in additional committees.

One of my fondest memories growing up in Maplewood is the 4<sup>th</sup> of July. Every year, Maplewood would have all day activities beginning with relay races in the early morning, followed by circus acts in the afternoon and finishing with fireworks in the evening. In between, my parents would have a family cookout in the backyard. What a surprise it was when my second daughter was born on July 4<sup>th</sup>. A piece of advice I would give the next generation is to learn to read and write cursive. Can you imagine a future President of the United States may not be able to read or write cursive since it’s not taught in school anymore?

A few fun facts about me are I am a closet adventurer. I have flown in a helicopter in Alaska, despite fear of heights, parasailed in Aruba and zip lined in Hawaii. But, I will never bungee jump. I hate lima beans. Everyone (friends and family) know I like....no, love to travel. Something I’ve always wanted to do is author a book.