

A COLLECT OF CLUB WOMEN

*Keep us, oh God, from pettiness;
let us be large in thought, in word, in deed.*

*Let us be done with fault-finding
And leave off self-seeking.*

*May we put away all pretense and
meet each other face to face,
Without self-pity, and without prejudice.*

*May we never be hasty in judgement
and always generous.*

*Let us take time for all things;
make us grow calm, serene, gentle.*

*Teach us to put into action our better
impulses straightforward and unafraid.*

*Grant that we may realize it is the little
things that create differences, that in the
big things of life we are at one.*

*And may we strive to touch and to know
The great, common human heart of us all.
And, Oh Lord God, let us forget not to be kind.*



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Woman's Club of Lacey
Proud member of the New Jersey State Federation of

*Happy
New Year!*

January 10, 2018

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT – NANCY FORTIN

TOGETHER WE MAKE A DIFFERENCE and will continue to make a difference. Since September, we have helped to provide Flu & Pneumonia shots, gave over 1000 cookies to Crystal Lake Nursing Home, held a “Jewelry and Scarf Sale,” went on a marvelous bus trip, enjoyed Activities Day, had card parties and 50:50’s and donated to the Special Needs Class at Lacey Township High School, made beautiful wreaths and for the foodbank, adorable candy cane mice. We have donated 75 overstuffed stockings to our Military in war zones, have joined up with the NJ Organ Sharing Network and donated numerous lap robes and scarves to the “Wrapped in Love” program. We have sent warmth and love and toys to the animals at the Popcorn Park Zoo, enjoyed a lovely Christmas luncheon. The Merilee Singers and our wonderful Drama Department have entertained the community with our Annual Christmas Program, enjoyed home baked cookies and a surprise visit with Santa, who handed out candy canes and talked to the little ones. Our Merilee Singers performed for the residents at Crystal Lake. We have had a terrific fund raising campaign which will help to enrich the lives of college bound students, needy families and more. What have I left out? Much more, I am sure, because our ladies have been very busy...working hard and having fun in these past 4 months. I hope you were a part of it. Those who did enjoyed themselves. They had fun and felt good about themselves. Each upheld the promise they made when they became a member of the Woman’s Club of Lacey. Be sure to join us in our future endeavors: District Council Meeting, Public Issues Day, Club Mini-Achievement Day, Mardi Gras Bunco, Arts Performing Day, WC of Lacey Birthday Party, “Afternoon Tea.” Shore District Achievement Day, Spring Conference, Convention, “New Members and Township Committee Breakfast.”

Be a part of the fun! Be a part of the promise.



2018 JANUARY

Lisa Boshnack	01/03
Diane Van Heest	01/03
Mickey Esposito	01/04
Carol Nicolay	01/04
Tina Viero	01/11
Rosalie Flynn	01/14
Rose O'Brien	01/18
Alice White	01/21
Jo Foschino	01/23
Nancy Pribila	01/25
Rose Mary Kaiser	01/27
Nancy Sevinsky	01/28
Carole Crotty	01/30

FEBRUARY

Pat Longo	02/02
Charlene Brown	02/05
Betty Romberg	02/05
Lori Vircillo	02/07
Rose Squeo	02/07
Barbara Fyfe	02/10
Nancy Fortin	02/11
Dot Van Blarcom	02/12
Carol Setzer	02/15
Janet Shwiner	02/18
Ellena DiCicco	02/23
Lina Kazala	02/26
Mimi Schneider	02/27

UPCOMING EVENTS – 2018

Woman's Club of Lacey

February 14	Mini-Achievement Day
February 9	"Mardi Gras" Bunco - \$15 6:00 PM Community Hall-tickets on sale
March 14	Club Birthday Party
April 13	"High Tea" – Community Hall details TBA
June 13	Luncheon/Installation, Clarion, Toms River
September 4	Township/New Members Breakfast
September 12	General Meeting

Shore District

January 22	District Council and Program Assistance 10:30am - \$3.00. Allaire Woman's Club at Wall Municipal Offices, 2700 Allaire Road, Wall Twp.
March 22	Lacey Twp – on behalf of the WC of Lacey Proclaiming April "National Donate Life Month"
March 26 April 23 & 24	Arts Performing, WC of Pt. Pleasant Achievement & Spring Conference – Spring Lake Bath & Tennis Club, 1 Jersey Ave, Spring Lake

NJSFWC (State/Federation)

February 10	"Going to the Dogs." Patricia will be accepting items and monetary donations. Please support this project.
March 9	Special State Project luncheon - WC of Upper Montclair Clubhouse. \$35.
May 7 – 9	Convention, Golden Nugget, Atlantic City
June 5 – 8	GCI at Douglass College, New Brunswick
June 25 –28	GFWC Convention, Missouri – bus might be available - if interested let President Fortin know

LITERATURE – Nancy Conway-Hermann, Terry Acquavita, Fran Celentano- We will be meeting on Tuesday, January 16 at 1pm. We are reading Me Before You by Jojo Moyes. Bakers are needed for desserts. Please see Nancy Conway at the meeting if you can bake

NEWSLETTER – Nancy Fortin - Department Chairmen, continue to do your reporting in the newsletter. Please have your information in **NO LATER THAN** the night of the Board Meeting. Please do not use all CAPITAL letters.

NURSING HOME – Denise Cosenza-Brisco & Sally Blood
Volunteers are always needed. Contact Denise or Sally.

PUBLIC ISSUES – Carole Crotty
We collected 96 cans of tuna and 8 miscellaneous item.

REGISTRARS AND TELEPHONE – Lil Campbell and Pat Longo. We had 95 members and 2 guests at the December luncheon.

SPECIAL STATE PROJECT – Mickey Esposito and Peggy Bea
State project for abused children comes to an end in June. Please check for your smiling face to make your donation and please support the bakeless cake sale. Thank you!



All children deserve
great childhoods
because our children
are our future.

NJSFWC SPECIAL STATE PROJECT – Adrienne Melnyk
Once again the canisters for PCANJ are on your tables. Please give generously to this project. Save your spare change during the month and bring it to the meeting. February will be the end of this campaign. Thank you for your generosity.

1st VICE PRESIDENT – Lori Vircillo (Calendar & Programs) Be sure to participate in today's "Unwanted Gift Auction."

2nd VICE PRESIDENT – Dotty Dobis – (Reports) - keep giving me your reports. Report everything you do even if you think it's not reportable."

3rd VICE PRESIDENT– Adrienne Melnyk – (Membership)
Happy New Year one and all! As we begin a new year I would like to remind you to always let your caller know if you plan on bringing a guest to a meeting. Even if you are not sure, we want to know the number of possible guests to expect. I would also appreciate it if you would give me a call and let me know as well. This may sound as if I am making too much of this but I need you to understand that a guest at our meeting is like a guest in our home. We want our guest to have a chair to sit and have the necessities to make them feel welcome. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY – Rose Mary Kaiser
I will update you at today's meeting.

TREASURER – Ellen Larney - Happy New Year ! My hope for you all in 2018 is a Healthy and Happy Year. As the club prepares for several big events this year I once again will remind you that as a non-profit we do not pay sales tax on anything that you must purchase for these events. Please see me for tax deferred forms that you present to any vendors. If you are running a event that needs start up monies (change for admission -50/50-basket auction) I need at least a week notice so I can obtain this for you and need a breakdown of what you require (1's,5's etc). Please stay within your approved budgets for any budget line expense as this overage can not be paid unless approved by executive board and general membership.

FEDERATION SECRETARY – Patricia Pasquale
Please see dates

FINANCIAL SECRETARY – Dot Van Blarcom
Wishing all a happy, healthy 2018. Membership drive is going on now for the 2018-2019 membership year. Please submit your check for \$36.00 as soon as possible to avoid phone calls and late fees. Dues are due by the March general meeting. I will be collecting dues before the Jan, Feb, & March meetings I thank you all in advance for your cooperation.

ACTIVITY DAY – Lina Kazala - Monday afternoons

12:00-3:30 PM (except the 1st Monday of each month) for Mahjongg, card playing, and other fun board and table games. Contact Lina for the 2018 dates.

ARTS/CREATIVE – Adrienne Melnyk Here's to a creative 2018! As you may already know, I am not planning on meeting in January. The weather has been so terribly cold and SNOWY that I think it best to hold off and try for February. Speaking of February...Mini Achievement Day is scheduled for our February general meeting. If you plan on submitting an entry please let me know as soon as possible. For those of you who are not familiar with this event, please feel free to call me or speak to me after the meeting. Although entry in Mini Achievement is not necessary to be an entrant in District Achievement Day it is a good way to find out about and adhere to district guidelines.

ARTS/PERFORMING - MUSIC– Chris Urban & Joan Zuczek

Our next practice is Friday February 2 - 9:45 to 12:00. Bring your black binder with Amazing Grace and Sister Act. Get a blank tape to me as soon as possible. New members are welcome!

CARING CORNER – Doris Nelson –Please remember Ann Gudzak with a card. She had surgery. Also, please notify me of any situation where a greeting card would be appreciated.

COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (CIP) – Mariana Marzacco & Marilyn -

The winner of the 50:50 at our last meeting was Patti Longo. Please remember to purchase your 50:50's at our next meeting. All proceeds go to the Special Needs High School group towards items that they could not otherwise afford. Thank you and have a happy and healthy 2018.

Doggie Angels - Lil Campbell & Val Brown –

Please be generous and remember our 4-legged friends. Many rescues took place over the holidays and will continue with this cold weather. Popcorn Zoo needs our help. Continue please, to donate blankets and newspapers without glossy magazine sections.

CONSERVATION – Gail Cornish – if you have any idea's, please contact Gail or President Fortin

COMMUNICATIONS/WEBSITE – Jo Faccioli

Website - A google calendar has been added to the website. This calendar contains detailed information and can be updated immediately if needed. Take a look. Comments welcomed

Communications Emails will be moving slowly over to "g-mail" account in a effort to streamline communications. More information to follow.

Facebook - We have a new Facebook Organizational page. Please search for the new Facebook page and provide your comments. All future meetings, card parties, luncheons and fundraising events will be made available here. Please welcome Terry Aquavita who has graciously agreed to assist me with updating Facebook and preparing a donation page for the Club. More to follow. If you are hosting an event, please get me the information as early as possible so we can get the word out on Facebook and the local media.

EDUCATION – Judy Schermerhorn – We will be reviewing GCI and scholarship applications shortly.

GCI – Fran Verdolina, Sheila Anderson, Charlene Brown-Scholarships - Charlene Brown and Sheila Anderson –

FUND RAISERS – Barbara Bowen - Happy New Year! I am now accepting checks for our next bus trip
Today is our “Unwanted Gift Auction.” I hope you will like it.

HOME LIFE/SOCIAL SERVICES - Carol Jones -Mary Clayton

Please continue to save your eyeglasses, cell phones and Education labels. Instead of baby hats, please focus on scarves and shawls. We are looking for another needy family. The committee is ready to read your letter of recommendation. Happy New Year to you.