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# WOMAN'S CLUB OF LACEY

## SHORE DISTRICT

### NEWSLETTER DECEMBER 2018

**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE - LORI VIRCILLO** - Good morning. Well the holiday season is upon us, and I know we are all busy. Our Woman's Club committees are no exception: The Merilee Singers have been rehearsing for our Christmas Program and their other performances; drama has not only been rehearsing but also performed at the Municipal Alliance Luncheon; Literature has completed Santa Letters; and Arts Creative has completed a record number of items for the Lacey Food Bank and Providence House. Our needy family has had some important bills paid and Domestic Violence is collecting Christmas gifts at our December luncheon for the women and children in shelters.

CIP presented a check to the Special Needs class at the high school at the super Thanksgiving Breakfast, Day of Music fundraiser for Carolina Hurricane victims took place on December 2, and plans are underway for a "Wine Tasting" event to benefit CASA and a "Victorian Tea" for our scholarships. Thank you to Committee Chairpersons for their Newsletter submissions. The Newsletter is the way to communicate with the general membership and it becomes a part of our monthly minutes. This officer accepts the resignation of Treasurer, Ellen Larney and 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President, Monika Sisbarro who regrettably cannot continue to serve in these positions. This officer thanks them for their service to the Club and looks forward to their continued participation as club members.

Thanks to everyone for all that you do. I wish each club member a joyful and peaceful holiday: Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah, and a very wonderful New Year.

**1ST VICE PRESIDENT - BARBARA BOWEN**

Don't forget the pocketbook sale at our luncheon (\$5.00 & \$10.00). New trips will be considered at our meeting. We will have a tricky tray sale as we did last year. Please bring your new or slightly used unwanted gifts (regifting). There will be red cups for you to put your tickets in (\$5.00 for 25 tickets). We will also have a guest speaker, Jennifer Bauer from Providence House. **Have a wonderful Christmas and a Happy Healthy New Year!**

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

Wishing everyone a blessed Christmas.

**3rd VICE PRESIDENT- MONIKA SISBARRO**

Please take time to introduce yourself to our EIGHT new members! They are a very talented group and this officer is proud to conduct a candlelight ceremony welcoming them into our sisterhood. New members taking place in our ceremony are: Carol Candeletti, Diane Bauernhuber, Eleanor DelVecchio, Susan Morgan, Paula LeRiche, Frances Gedulick, Judi Wisnewski and Joan Schuler.

**CORRESPONDING SECRETARY**

**ADRIENNE MELNYK**

Merry Christmas to all! Report will be given at meeting.

**TREASURER- ELLEN LARNEY**

Report at meeting.

**FINANCIAL SECRETARY-ANDREA HIGLEY**

We have 138 paid members, 5 honorary and 15 resigned. Thank you.

**FEDERATION SECRETARY - NANCY FORTIN**

I wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a happy, healthy and safe 2019.

**Woman's Club of Lacey**

December 18 – WCL Christmas Program - Com. Hall.

**Shore District**

NJSFWC Shore District Council Meeting

January 18, 2019 \$3.00 – TBA

**NJSFWC:**

The NJSFWC is sponsoring one trip beginning October 4, 2019 to England, Scotland & Wales. For more info go to <https://njsfwc.org/>. Look in right-hand column under events.

NJSFWC Convention will be at the Golden Nugget in Atlantic City. May 6, 7, 8, 2019.

## **COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAMS**

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

A heartfelt THANK YOU to all the ladies who worked endlessly to complete our projects for the Food Bank and Providence House. We will be delivering these items soon. See me for details. We will not have a craft in January but will meet as usual to talk about Achievement Day. This event will take place at the February meeting on the club level, provided the interest is there. The district event takes place in April. If you are new or newer to the club and have questions, please contact me. I wish you and yours a Blessed and Joyous Christmas with Peace and Love in 2019.

### **ARTS PERFORMING:**

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

**Merry Christmas and Happy Hanukkah** to all. The Merilee Singers and Drama department will perform their Christmas Concert on the 18<sup>th</sup> of this month and we would encourage all to come. It is a free concert and light refreshments will follow the concert. Santa will make a surprise visit!! Don't miss this one!!

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

Christmas Show December 18 – 1 PM

### **CONSERVATION:**

**Joyce Huffert, Diane Moser** - Conservation will be working in conjunction with Shore District Conservation on a project called "Nike Grind". Beginning in January 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 LAUNDRER sneakers prior to donating them. We also want to wish all our members and their families a Merry Christmas and Happy and Healthy New Year.

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

Wishing everyone a Merry Christmas. If you would like to contribute to our January basket just give your item to Debbie or Eileen. We will have a child's basket of education items. Thank you in advance.

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

**Seasons Greeting** to all and **Happy New Year** too. Thanks for all your donations. We do wonderful things together!!

### **NURSING HOME: Sally Blood, Denise Cozenza-Brisco**

### **INTERNATIONAL OUTREACH:**

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

Wishing all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

### **LITERATURE:**

#### **Nancy Conway, Terry Acquivita, Fran Celantano**

Literature is the host of the Christmas program open to the community. Everyone is asked to bring in two dozen cookies for the program on Tuesday, December 18 at the Community Hall. Please bring your cookies to the kitchen before 1 o'clock that day. Help is also needed in setting up and cleaning up after the program. We want to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a very happy, healthy New Year!

### **PUBLIC ISSUES:**

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

November meeting members donated 130 cans of tuna.

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

**Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to All!**

**NJ Sharing Network** – We are attending a Holiday get together at the NJ Sharing Network on December 6<sup>th</sup> and all hand-made items will be presented. Let me know if you have an idea for a group who would like a presentation on organ and tissue donation. If you would like to know more about the NJ Sharing Network and the Wrapped in Love Program, please reach out to Jo Facciolli, Adrienne Melnyk or Dot Van Blarcom.

**Wrapped in Love Program:** We received 19 hand-made items to donate this month. Winter is coming and long evenings can be spent knitting or crocheting. I have yarn! Let me know if you need some. Thank you for remembering to use darker colors for our male population. Lap blankets should be no larger than 30X36 and scarves should be 12X60 at least. Thank you.

## **STANDING COMMITTEES**

### **COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM:**

**Mariana Marzacco, Fran Celentano, Virginia Costa**

Thank you for your support of our 50/50 during this past year. We were able to present our High School Special Needs Children with a substantial check at their Breakfast on November 21<sup>st</sup>. I look forward to your continued support during the next year. Wishing everyone a very Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah and a happy, healthy New Year!

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

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from the Doggie Angels and all the animals at the Popcorn Park Zoo!

### **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**

### **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/Elec. Billboard:** Thank you to Terry Acquavita. 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 and the local electronic signs within the community. **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 and Photographs:**

Thank you to Susan Gundersen and Nancy Pribila. They will be handling all notifications to newspapers and magazines as well as taking photos at the events. In most cases papers will require two months' notice for publishing.

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

Ten bags of food were delivered to Providence House on November 13<sup>th</sup>. Jen Bauer was very appreciative of the Woman's Club assistance. Special thanks to Jo Faccioli for coordinating Pheasant Run to help with our Providence House efforts. They contributed five bags of food.

For December we will be collecting Holiday Wish List items for Providence House. The wish list was distributed at the last meeting and can be seen on our website. All donated items can be brought to the Holiday Party at the Captains Inn on December 12<sup>th</sup>. I will deliver all donated items after the luncheon. Domestic Violence increases during the holiday season. Abusive partners could be stressed over financial concerns with holiday expenses or other issues and family members may suffer. One way to help is to give these individuals information about getting help at [dcf-publications@dcf.state.nj.us](mailto:dcf-publications@dcf.state.nj.us) or by calling 1-609-888-7915.

*Local information through Providence House Domestic Violence Services 24-hour hotline 1-800-246-8910 or 1-732-244-8259. Free and confidential.*

## **SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

### **FUNDRAISING EVENT CHAIRS:**

#### **MONTHLY BASKET RAFFLES**

**Laurie Burke, Carol Setter**

November's basket was donated by Victorian Tea. January's basket will be sponsored by Education.

#### **BUS TRIPS: Barbara Bowen**

### **VICTORIAN TEA PARTY:**

**Ellena DiCicco, Marilyn Hock**

SAVE THE DATE – APRIL 6, 2019 – 1:30-3:30 P.M.  
This committee needs a few 2 tier serving plates on a loan basis from April 1 to April 10 and will be returned after the party.

**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. Thank you to all who have helped and brought in snacks.

**ACHIEVEMENT DAY: Adrienne Melnyk**  
Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

**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 Evening is February 12 - Time 6-10 PM at the Knights of Columbus Hall on Lacey Road. Ticket donation is \$35 per person.

**CARING CORNER: Doris Nelson**

**WAYS AND MEANS:**  
**Card Parties/Luncheons: Terri Candeletti**

**Luncheon Chair: Millie Pape**  
Looking for members to sign up for Birthday Luncheon in March.

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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**

**DECEMBER:**

Carol Jones	12/3
Robin O’Brien	12/10
Betty O’Neill	12/13
Kay Eisenmann	12/15
Jo Faccioli	12/17
Virginia LaVelle	12/19
Jackie Ott	12/19
Carol LaVelle	12/23
Ellen Larney	12/25
BJ Graham	12/29
Carolyn Quinn	12/30

**JANUARY:**

Diane Van Heest	1/3
Mickey Esposito	1/4
Carol Nicolay	1/4
Rose O’Brien	1/18
Alice White	1/21
Josephine Foschino	1/23
Nancy Pribila	1/25
Nancy Sevinsky	1/25
Carole Crotty	1/30