

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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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT – NANCY FORTIN

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TOGETHER WE MAKE A DIFFERENCE

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

**February is American Heart Month: Please take the time to read the Flyer included with this month's club newsletter. It could help to save a life. Heart disease, including strokes, are our nation's No. 1 killers.*

Since 1963 Congress has required the president to proclaim February "American Heart Month." The American Heart Association works with the administration to draft and sign this annual proclamation.

Also, the Center for Disease Control has issued a warning regarding the flu. New Jersey has reached epidemic proportions. If you have not had your flu shot, please get it as soon as possible. If you feel as though you are coming down with something, please do not second guess it. See your doctor without delay!

**Thank you to those of you who have entered today's Mini-Achievement Day contest. To everyone, this is a good time to start thinking about your entry in April's Achievement Day.*

**"Thank you" for your reports and "Thank you, Dotty Dobis," for your patience and diligence in preparing and sending the year-end reports to the NJSFWC.*

Happy Valentine's Day to each of you.



2018

FEBRUARY

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

MARCH

Rose Neubauer	03/03
Connie Galvin	03/04
Mary Sharpe	03/05
Fran Verdolina	03/06
Chris Vetro	03/09
Ann De Vita	03/25
Tina Pilot	03/27

Do all the good you can and serve one and other.

UPCOMING EVENTS – 2018

- February 14 Woman’s Club of Lacey
“Mini-Achievement Day”
- March 14 Club Birthday Party
- April 21 Victorian “Afternoon Tea”
- May 22 NY Botanical Garden’s - \$65.
- June 13 Luncheon/Installation, Clarion, Toms River
- September 4 New members & Twp. Committee Breakfast
- Shore District
- March 26 Arts Performing, Pt. Pleasant clubhouse
- April 23 Achievement Day, Spring Lake
- April 24 Spring Conference
- NJSFWC (State/Federation)
- April 24 GFWC Day
- May 7 – 9 Convention, Golden Nugget, Atlantic City
- June 23 – 26 GFWC Convention, Missouri

NJSFWC DEADLINES:

- GCI: Mar. 1
- Honor Roll/Order of the Lily Mar. 1

Honor Roll and Order of the Lily nominations deadline is March 1; follow Standing Rule #8, page 36 – Outline what nominee has done in club. **“NO PETITIONS!”**



Thank you to Tina Pilot and Schiano’s Restaurant for providing us with the delicious pizza today.

Schiano’s Restaurant (Shoprite Mall)
US Hwy 9 Forked River NJ 08731
(609) 693-2171

LITERATURE – Nancy Conway-Herman, Terry Acquavita, Fran Celentano - At the meeting on February 20, we will discuss The Alchemist by Paulo Coelho. The current book list available for groups will be available. Please look it over and comment on something you'd like to read.

NEWSLETTER – Nancy Fortin – Newsletter submissions must reach me no later than the Friday after the Board meeting.

NURSING HOME – Denise Cosenza-Brisco and Sally Blood
Volunteers are always needed. If you can make one or both that would be great. **Happy Valentine Day.**

PUBLIC ISSUES – Carole Crotty - Attendance is going down because of Snowbirds, but the number of hungry has not. Extra tuna would be appreciated.

REGISTRARS AND TELEPHONE – Lil Campbell and Pat Longo.
We had 74 members and 4 guests at the January meeting. Please remember to return calls to your caller so that we can provide seating for everyone.

SPECIAL STATE PROJECT – Mickey Esposito and Peggy Bea
Last chance to donate to the bakeless cakesale. This money goes to help prevent child abuse and trafficking. Thank you in advance.



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

SPECIAL STATE PROJECT- Shore District Chairman Adrienne Melnyk
Today is the last day to add to the canisters on your tables. This is the last month. Thank you for your generosity thus far.

VICE PRESIDENT – Lori Vircillo - Thanks to all the members who have brought their work to display on this Mini Achievement Day. It is wonderful to see our talent; please consider an entry for the District Achievement Day. As we look forward to spring a few bits of info about our current month, February. ♡♡ In addition to being **American Heart Month** February is also the month of Chinese New Year, National Freedom Day, Groundhog Day, Valentine's Day, President's Day, Mardi Gras, Black History Month, Chocolate Lover's Month, National Bird Feeding Month, and National Dental Month. So as we shiver in the cold and look forward to spring, remember we have lots of reasons to celebrate right now.

2nd VICE PRESIDENT – Dotty Dobis – All reports have been filed with the NJSFWC. Thank you for submitting all reports. Please keep them coming on a timely basis.

3rd VICE PRESIDENT– Adrienne Melnyk Welcome new members: Virginia Costa, Mary Jane Luba, Lori Young

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

TREASURER – Ellen Larney – Happy Valentine's Day.
As the club continues with the spring fundraisers I will remind you again that you must use the tax deferred number, see me if you need forms. Also, if you are coordinating an event please contact me two weeks in advance with what you need checks for (with amount) and if you need start-up money for event.

FEDERATION SECRETARY – Patricia Pasquale
See information under Upcoming Events.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY – Dot Van Blarcom Members please pay membership dues of \$36.00 by the general meeting in March. A \$10.00 reinstatement fee is charged if dues are not paid on time. Please wear name tags - it makes it easier for new members to get to know everyone.

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 - Sign up today for February/March craft. \$6.00-

ARTS/PERFORMING - MUSIC– Chris Urban & Joan Zuczek
You can see the Merilee Singers if you go to www.youtube.com then on the "Search" line put Woman's Club of Lacey Christmas Show 2017. Rehearsals are the 1st Friday of each month at Community Hall. New members welcome.

CARING CORNER – Sincere condolences to Sally Blood on the loss of her great-grandson, to Rose O'Brien on the loss of her sister and to Val Brown on the loss of her daughter-in-law. Dot Wickham was ill and hospitalized. Ann De Vita is in Rehab after falling. Please notify Doris Nelson of any situation where a greeting card would be appreciated.

COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

CIP – Mariana Marzacco and Marilyn Hock - Kathy Wilk was last meetings winner of \$98. Please support our 50/50. Not only is it a chance to win some money, but the proceeds go towards our high school special needs children. I was told that some of the money we presented in November paid for a couple of these kids to go to their high school prom, which they would not have been able to attend without some financial assistance. Thank you for your support.

Doggie Angels - Lil Campbell, Val Brown and Kay Eisenmann –please remember our furry animal friends at the zoo. These very cold months take a toll on these animals and the people who volunteer to take care of them. So please be as generous as you can when passing our donation jar. Thank you.

I would also like to take this time to thank all of you wonderful ladies that sent cards and condolences for the passing of our daughter-in-law. We appreciate them all. Val & Alan Brown

Wrapped in Love Program – Jo Faccioli - 43 handmade items were donated to the New Jersey Sharing Network last month. This was an accumulation of donations from all participants. Thank you to all participants. I have yarn and will bring it to the meeting.

CONSERVATION – Gail Cornish - We will continue to collect cancelled stamps and fronts of greeting cards (no metered stamps). Give American Greetings and Disney cards to Arts Creative.

COMMUNICATIONS/WEBSITE – Jo Faccioli

Our website was visited 1425 times during the month of January. A new and improved platform is being reviewed for presentation sometime in the near future.

Communications: Please remember to provide your email address to Jo Faccioli when it changes. If you are not receiving email communications, please contact her.

Facebook - 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**. 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 – President Fortin, Fran Verdolin, Charlene Brown, Sheila Anderson and Judy Schermerhorn interviewed 12 Junior high school girls for the GCI program. It was not an easy decision because they were all impressive. We did manage to select 4 to attend. For those of you that do not know, Tina Pilot was kind and generous enough to provide for 2 of those girls to attend.

FUND RAISERS – Barbara Bowen - Happy Valentine's Day! See me If you would like to go on our next bus trip to NY Botanical Gardens & Arthur Ave. for lunch & shopping on Tuesday, May 22, 2018. The cost is \$65. Twenty- four tickets are sold thus far. It should be a fun trip

HOME LIFE/SOCIAL SERVICES - Carol Jones Mary Clayton

Please continue to save eyeglasses, aluminum tabs, cell phones and Education labels. Our selection committee is working on our Needy Family project. Please let President Fortin know if you are aware of someone in need.