Woman's Club of Lacey, Inc. P.O. Box 777 Forked River NJ 08731

ARTS AND CULTURE- 2022

Our members were very busy this past year pursuing their interests and using their talents. Probably the most notable was the knitting of lap blankets for **Civic Engagement & Outreach** Project "Wrapped in Love". Between January and December members donated 5240 volunteer hours knitting **131 lap blankets**. Blankets were given to families whose loved one gave the gift of life of organ donation.

Craft projects completed at meetings included candies fashioned as spiders, turkeys and gifts to be donated to the Lacey Foodbank for Kids and Providence House (for battered women and their children) at the holidays.

Achievement Day saw five projects from members in the areas of photography and painting and flower arrangement.

In May our guest speaker was from the Garden Market in Barnegat who gave us instruction on making a planter for our gardens.

June was a very special time as the club sponsored a special evening open to the public, "Beyond the Sea". This was a presentation of the life and times of Bobby Darin presented by Jimmy Scalia, the official Bobby Darin archivist. The artist's music came to life and the 137 attendees were presented Bobby Darin's story in a truly engaging way. Members baked lots of desserts for audience to enjoy after the performance. Additionally, \$1575 was raised for our scholarship fund!