

Woman's Club of Lacey Shore District NEWSLETTER DECEMBER 2022



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE, LORI VIRCILLO - Greetings to all of you. As we celebrate this holiday season keep in mind that we have a lot to celebrate as members of the Woman's Club of Lacey. From our "tricky tray" sale in January through our jewelry sales, guest speakers, girls to GCI, high school scholarships, donations to Operation Chill Out, trips to Surflight Theater, collections for the Lacey Food Bank, Providence House, nursing home, Holiday Stockings, soldiers in the Ukraine, crafts for children, books, lap blankets, Emanuel Cancer Foundation and more than I can mention here, we have been volunteering our time and talent to better our community and beyond.

Now we are in the midst of "Calendar Club", and we need a final push. We have members who have sold, 10, 20 or more tickets. I know we can't all do that, but we can all do something. If you have not purchased tickets yet, please do so at the December meeting. Money is due at the January meeting and the first drawing is in February.

I wish each of you a very blessed and peaceful Christmas holiday and a healthy and Happy New Year. Remember all those in need of our prayers and pray for world peace.

1ST VICE PRESIDENT, BARBARA BOWEN - Merry Christmas and a Very Happy New Year! In January we will again have a Tricky Tray at our General Meeting.

2ND VICE PRESIDENT, MARILYN HOCK -

Reporting monthly or when your project/event is complete is greatly appreciated. Thank you.

3RD VICE PRESIDENT, CAROL CANDELETTI –

Merry Christmas ! We welcome Barbara Chadwick and Judith Hill as new members of our Club. We will be installing 7 members at this General Meeting. I am expecting 2 guests to join us on 12/14. Please have all guests check in with Lillis and see me prior to the start of the meeting.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY, MARIA

KOWALEWSKI – Wishing everyone a wonderful Holiday Season and a Happy and Healthy New Year.

RECORDING SECRETARY, ANDREA HIGLEY -

Hello Ladies – Wishing everyone a wonderful Christmas! We have 98 members and 8 honorary. Dues are due in March, but I will start collecting in January (\$36). Early payment is greatly appreciated.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY, LORI YOUNG – I will report at the General Meeting.

TREASURER, JOAN SCHULER – Happy Holidays to you and your families!

FEDERATION SECRETARY – SHIRLEY

HOULIHAN – Happy Holidays! I hope the season finds you healthy and whether your loved ones are near or far this holiday season, home is a special place that the heart never forgets. In the past twelve months, NJSFWC clubs have realized the following project donations: • 1,200 filled backpacks to Emmanuel Cancer Foundation so that each child in a family affected by cancer had needed supplies to begin the new school year. • 2,040 holiday stockings filled for distribution to our deployed service

people. • 144 high school juniors who attended our Girls Career Institute at Douglass College, learning about career opportunities and experiencing a touch of college life. The NJSFWC Day of Service is on January 16, 2023, which will coincide with the National Day of Service and align our efforts with all organizations and individuals coming together on that day to address needs in their communities. This year's charity is the Community Foodbank of New Jersey, an organization with more than 800 local community partners distributing needed food items to food pantries, soup kitchens, child and senior feeding centers, emergency shelters, and mobile pantries. The Day of Service project is to supply food items for a variety of meal kits including Dinner-Ina-Bag, Snow-Day-Meal-Bag, and Healthy-Lifestyle-Meal-Kit. In preparation for the Day of Service consider purchasing one or more of the following items for the January meeting. 2 lbs. Bag Brown Rice 1, 14.5 oz. Can Vegetables Low Sodium, 29 oz. Can Tomato Sauce Low Sodium, 14.5 oz. Can Diced Tomatoes Low Sodium, 12.5 oz. Can Chicken in Water low sodium, 8 oz. Grated Parmesan Cheese Shelf Stable Container, 1 lb. Bag Dry Beans,14.5 oz. Can of Vegetables Low Sodium,15 oz. Can Fruit in Fruit Juice, 5 oz. Can Tuna in Water, 12.5 oz. Can Chicken in Water, 12 oz. Bag Quinoa, 1 oz. Cereal Pack, 1 lb. Milk Box Shelf Stable, 14.5 oz. Can of Soup Low Sodium, 4 oz. Fruit Cup in Fruit Juice, Pack of Hot Chocolate Mix, Snack Pack-No Nuts, 1 oz. Pack of Crackers No Nuts.

COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAMS

ADVOCATES FOR CHILDREN: Carol LaVelle -

"Operation Smile" - We are collecting craft items, games, small toys, stuffed animals, etc. at each meeting. The detailed list is on our website & copies will be available Thank you all for your generosity. Wishing everyone a Merry Christmas & a Happy & Healthy New Year!

ARTS & CULTURE: Diana Monia -

The presentation of **"Waves of Hope"** was a success. Everyone who attended enjoyed the presentation and were moved by the story. We hope to bring you more like this in the future. **Jo Facciolli**

ARTS PERFORMING: Jeanne Scafiddi -

Merry Christmas to all! I am looking forward to our sing along at this year's Holiday Luncheon. We will use the same song sheets as last year. Unfortunately, we will not be singing at the nursing home this year, due to some issues at home. Hopefully we can do something in the spring. Hope to see you at the meeting.

CIVIC ENGAGEMENT & OUTREACH

Whatever holiday you celebrate this season, celebrate with a grateful heart and a childlike spirit. Happy New Year!

Congratulations and welcome to all new members and guests.

NJ Sharing Network/Wrapped in Love: Jo Facciolli

Wrapped in Love – A donation of 14 blankets were donated in November 2022 and sent to the N.J. Sharing Network. I am asking for donations of yarn once more because the money has run low at the NJ Sharing Network for this project. My ladies who knit and crochet like using Pound of Love yarn, any color except black. This yarn can be purchased at Joann's Fabric, Michael's and Amazon. Thank you as always for your generosity.

Intergenerational with Girl Scouts: Chris Rakowski – Happy Holidays!

Let's Sock it to Winter! Monika Sisbarro -Thank you to everyone who donated or contributed money for the purchase of socks for soldiers in Ukraine. Happy Holidays!!

DOMESTIC & SEXUAL VIOLENCE

Awareness & Prevention: Maddie Stapleton – : The Domestic & Sexual Violence Awareness & Prevention Group is collecting the following items for Providence House.

- New or gently worn Children's coats
- Grocery and/or Wawa gift cards

We are also collecting motel friendly food storage containers that can be placed in the microwave to eat out of, collecting from now until June. Thank you, DSVAP Group

Providence House: Pinwheel Garden:

EDUCATION & LIBRARIES

Bridges of Books: Debbie Smith -

Last call for gently used children's books. I will be happy to take them from your car at the luncheon. Huge thank you to Dianne R., Judy S., Mariana M, and Joan S. who helped sort close to 800 books with me. Thanks to all who have donated. I will deliver the books to Bridge of Books at the end of this month. Hope everyone has a happy and healthy holiday!

Read Across America: Debbie Smith

Monthly Book Club: Nancy Conway/Fran

Celentano – Merry Christmas! Literature will meet 12:30 on Tuesday, January 17, 2023. We will discuss "Where The Crawdads Sing".

Scholarships: Diane Bauernhuber -

Girls Career Institute: Sheila Anderson/Monika Sisbarro

ENVIONMENT ISSUES

Conservation: Joyce Huffert/Diane Moser

Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukah, and Happy and Heathy New Year to all!

Sneaker Collection

We are collecting sneakers again! We will be collecting sneakers through May. Please bring your clean, new or used sneakers to our general meetings, activity day or they can be dropped off at Joyce Huffert's home. Her address is in our WCOL handbook.

Thanks to all who purchased Milkweed packs. We sold over 200 packs which will help the Monarch butterflies! Thank you for making this project a great success!

Looking forward to 2023! We hope that everyone will help us make both projects a success!

Thank you!

Diane Moser and Joyce Huffert Environmental Co-Chairpersons

Doggie Angels: Lil Campbell – Please continue to donate old towels, blankets, sheets, etc. for our hairy friends. It sure makes their life a lot better. We love the treats and toys, the Animals at the Pop Corn Zoo!

HEALTH & WELLNESS

Home Life: Carol Jones/Sheila Anderson – Merry Christmas and a Happy, Healthy New Year! Please collect cell phones for soldiers, eyeglasses and aluminum tabs. Thank you for your support!

Nursing Home: Sally Blood – Merry Christmas! Donations for the following items are always appreciated: toiletries, toothpaste, toothbrushes, stuffed animals, dolls and gently used clothing. Please bring the items to our general meetings. Thank you.

Food Bank: Carol Crotty – Hi Ladies. At our November meeting we collected 108 cans of tuna and 34 miscellaneous food items for our local food bank. Please continue to bring 3 cans of tuna, potato and rice sides and/or hamburger helper and/or food staples this month for Christmas meals to our General Meetings so we can continue to support the Lacey Food Bank. Thank you!

STANDING COMMITTEES

CARING CORNER: Diane Moser

COMMUNICATIONS

Email/Website/E-Billboard – Jo Facciolli – If you are not receiving emails from the Club, make sure I have your email address.

Advertising - The lighted signs at the corner of Lacey Rd. and Route 9 and Manchester Ave. have advertised the WCL meeting. Future meetings will be sent to the various free newspapers. If you are hosting a fundraiser, please send the information to Jo Facciolli for advertising.

Website - Please review for your department and let me know if there are any corrections or changes. Check out the photos of each event. Also, if you wish to advertise your fundraiser on the website, you must send me your information.

Facebook: Nancy Conway/Carol Candeletti –

Photos: Linda Hruska -

Newsletter: Joan Schuler – Please try to forward information for the Newsletter by the Friday/Saturday after the Board Meeting. Thank you. **Roving Reporter: Joan Engelhardt -** Diana Monia is a new member of Woman's Club of Lacey. In fact, she is being installed at our December 14th holiday luncheon.

Diana was born in Newark, N.J. moved to Point Pleasant when she was just five years old. She lived in Toms River for 27 years and moved to Bayville 1-1/2 years ago. A graduate of Point Pleasant High school; she then attended Glassboro State School and graduated with a BA degree in Home Economics and Elementary Ed. Diana also graduated from Kean University with a degree in Early Childhood Education. Diana retired from teaching in Howell, NJ. schools.

Married to Jim for almost 40 years she is the proud mother of a son and daughter. Jim and his wife Bruna are the proud parents of a 15- mouth old daughter Alice. Diana and Jim also have a daughter Melissa. Diana enjoys crafting and traveling in her spare time. They have traveled to Europe and throughout the United States. She also works part-time at Mathis House in Toms River.

Diana is a lovely lady who commits fully to doing a good job. Her motto is "Be careful what you say and be careful what you do. You never know who knows you".

Diana thank you for your interview, wishing you and your family a Merry Christmas.

COMMUNITY IMPACT PROGRAM (CIP):

Mariana Marzacco and Dot VanBlarcom -50/50 Raffle for Multiple Disability School Programs

Congratulations to Kathy DeMey on winning November's 50/50 in the amount of \$123.00. Please continue to support this year's project which is focused on supporting the Cedar Creek Autistic Sensory Decompression Room. Thank you for your support.

EULOGIES: Nancy Fortin –

HOSPITALITY: Milli Pape -

PARLIAMENTARIAN: Ellena DiCicco -

<u>REGISTRATION/PHONE</u>: Lil Campbell/Nancy Conway –

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

ACHIEVEMENT DAY: Joan Schuler – Achievement Day is right around the corner (April 2023). Please consider submitting whatever your creative project may be on behalf of the WCOL. The categories are endless, from door decoration, jewelry, needlepoint to photography; just to name a few. If you are interested, please see me for a list of the categories as well as its specific sizes and rules for each. Thank you.

<u>ACTIVITY DAY</u>: Lina Kazala – Come have fun learning or playing Mah Jongg or cards Mondays from 12-3:30. We will play every Monday except for certain holidays (\$2 fundraiser donation).

FUNDRAISING: Shirley Houlihan -

Monthly Baskets: Carol Setzer – Congratulations to Monika Sisbarro on wining the basket at our November meeting. It brought in \$135.00. Thank you.

Calendar Club: Helen DelaCruz – We will be selling tickets for this fundraiser (\$25 a ticket which entitles you to win more than once for six months). A great Christmas gift. Your support is greatly appreciated. Thank you!

Bunco (to benefit Emmanuel Cancer Foundation): Carol Setzer –

Trips: Barbara Bowen – Further trips will be discussed at our January meeting.

SPECIAL STATE PROJECT: Emmanuel Cancer

Foundation: Joan Engelhardt – Ongoing Book Stamp Funding; Spring events include Bunco in March and a spring Victorian Tea at Mathis House, Toms River in April.

BIRTHDAYS

DECEMBER

DECEMBER:	
Carol Jones	12/3
Eleanor DelVecchio	12/8
Robin O'Brien	12/10
Betty O'Neill	12/13
Joan Engelhardt	12/16
Jo Facciolli	12/17
Jackie Ott	12/19
Carol LaVelle	12/23
Carol Candeletti	12/29
BJ Graham	12/29

JANUARY:

Fran Geduldick	1/2
Mickey Esposito	1/4
Carol Nicolay	1/4
Diane Bauernhuber	1/5
Nancy Pribila	1/25
Carole Crotty	1/30