



# Woman's Club of Lacey Shore District NEWSLETTER JUNE 2025



**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE, LORI YOUNG** – As our Club year comes to an end, I want to extend my sincere thanks to all our members for your fine work this year. What wonderful things we have accomplished: a successful Hobby Fair, a successful Calendar Club raffle, work at Providence House, visits to nursing homes, cookie day, big success at the state convention, funding donated to Lacey Township schools, holiday stockings, formation of our special needs adults committee and social committee, so many children's books, food bank and pet items donated. This is just a portion of all the great things that happened this year all because of our caring and committed members. I thank you for your participation this year and wish you a restful and rejuvenating summer.

Watch your email for information on the Lacey 5K on August 23 and Lacey Day on September 27. See you all in September!

**1ST VICE PRESIDENT, MARIA KOWALEWSKI** – Wishing all a happy, healthy, safe summer. If any changes need to be made to your information in the handbook, please let me know by email or personally at the June meeting. Thank you.

**2ND VICE PRESIDENT, JO FACCIOLLI** – Report narratives will be emailed to all chairs this summer.

**3RD VICE PRESIDENT, CAROL LA VELLE**  
We accepted 2 new members into our club. They are Patricia Werner and Janet Mulero. They will be installed at our general meeting along with Valerie Negra, Debra Gamsby, Sheri Prato, Patricia Rosato and Tracy Ann Zuccaro. Congratulations ladies and welcome to our club. Wishing everyone a safe & happy summer.

**CORRESPONDING SECRETARY, JOAN ENGELHARDT** – I will report at the meeting.

**RECORDING SECRETARY, LEE CASSARINO** – I will report at the meeting.

**FINANCIAL SECRETARY, ANDREA HIGLEY** – We have 89 members and 8 honorary. All licenses are up to date.

**TREASURER, JOAN SCHULER** – Enjoy your summer!

**FEDERATION SECRETARY, LORI VIRCILLO** – Congrats to club members receiving Honor Roll and Order of the Lily recognition. Congrats on the new members installed in June: welcome to WCOL and NJSFWC. Shore District Council Meeting will be June 24 in Pt. Pleasant- all are welcome. Wishing everyone a relaxing summer!

## ***COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAMS***

**ADVOCATES FOR CHILDREN: Mariana Marzacco** – Congratulations to Robin O'Brien winning \$123 at our May meeting. Thank you for your support this past year. Wishing everyone a safe and happy summer. See you in September.

**ARTS & CULTURE: Carol Candeletti** – Our committee has been asked to oversee the Showcase that is by the front door in the Community Center. If anyone has ideas or wants something displayed in the case, please let me know.

Have a safe and healthy summer ! See you in September !!

### **ARTS PERFORMING: Jeanne Scaffiddi –**

At our June luncheon we will have a sing along of old time tunes. Will be lots of fun!!

### **SPECIAL NEEDS ADULTS**

#### **Debbie Gamsby/Janet Mulero –**

Join us for a special night of fun! The Woman's Club of Lacey is thrilled to host our very first special needs themed Mad Hatter Dance Party on Friday, June 27, 2025, from 5:30 PM to 8:30 PM at the Charles A. Smith Community Center. Thanks to the generous support of the Manahawkin Elks, our Mad Hatter decorations are all set to bring whimsy and wonder to the event. A big shoutout as well to the Bayville Elks Antlers, who will be on-site serving food to our amazing attendees. We are incredibly grateful for the many in-kind and cash donations we've received. Our committee is looking forward to making this a joyful evening for everyone. We also encourage members of the Woman's Club to attend and help with:

- Registration of adult participants
- Setup before the dance
- Breakdown and cleanup afterward

Let's come together to make this a night to remember for our special needs community!

### **CIVIC ENGAGEMENT & OUTREACH**

*A safe, happy, restful summer is wished for all. See you in September!*

**NJ Sharing Network: Jo Faccioli** – The annual 5K Celebration went off without thunderstorms. Check out the website for photos.

**Wrapped in Love: Jo Faccioli** – Ten blankets as of this date will be donated.

**Wreaths Across America: Jo Faccioli** – New forms are available on the website or see me if you wish to purchase a wreath for St. Joseph's Cemetery. If you know of a business other than in Lacey, please ask if they have a grant program. Get the name of the manager and send it to me. I have two grants I hope to get donations from so we can meet our goal in December. Questions: talk to me or call me over the summer.

**Holiday Stockings: Amy Meyer** – See you in September. Thank you for your support.

### **DOMESTIC & SEXUAL VIOLENCE**

#### **Awareness & Prevention: Maddie Stapleton – Providence House:**

The Woman's Club of Lacey's members donated 10 rolls of paper towels for the Providence House bringing our total to: 91 rolls of paper towels, 49 individualized drink/juice boxes, and 140 individually wrapped snacks. Thanks for all of your generosity.

**Pinwheel Garden: Jackie Stephens** – See you in September!

### **EDUCATION & LIBRARIES**

#### **Bridge of Books: Debbie Smith**

#### **Read Across America: Debbie Smith**

Have a great summer – read a book!

#### **Monthly Book Club: Nancy Conway/Maria**

**Kowalewski** – Our last meeting is June 17 at 12:30 in the Community Center. We will discuss Blame Game by Sandie Jenkins. If you haven't signed up to bring a dish to the potluck, see Maria or Nancy at the General Meeting. Bring your favorite book for pictures for the website.

**Scholarships:** On May 29, four outstanding students at Lacey Township High School were each awarded a \$1,000 scholarship from the Woman's Club. Congratulations to Marissa Flores, Francisco Jimenez, Avery Johnson and Brendan Schuler. Thanks to all who participated in the Calendar Club for making this possible.

#### **Girls Career Institute (GCI): Sheila**

**Anderson/Mariana Marzacco** – Starting in September Darlene Johnson and Diana Monia have agreed to take over as chairwomen for this Committee. Thank you, Darlene and Diana.

### **ENVIRONMENT**

#### **Conservation: Joyce Huffert/Diane Moser –**

Wishing all a happy and healthy summer! A special thank you to all those who participated in the Lacey Beach Cleanup on May 31st. It was supposed to rain but the weather held out for us!

**Doggie Angels: Lil Campbell, Rachel Clemmer and Rae Mauri** – Please continue to bring in old towels, newspapers, etc. for our friends at the Popcorn Park Zoo. Thank you.

### **HEALTH & WELLNESS**

**Home Life: Sheila Anderson** – Please continue with your usual donations. Thank you for your support!

**Nursing Home: Dawn Korman** – As always donations are always welcomed, and please try to donate your empty Parmesan Cheese shaker containers!!!

**Food Bank: Carol Crotty** – At our May meeting we collected numerous items of food for our local food bank. At this time, the Lacey Food Bank is requesting box macaroni and cheese, any kind, on a regular basis. They have enough tuna to last through 2026! Happy summer and as always thank you for supporting the Food Bank!

**Operation Smile: Carol La Velle** – I will be collecting small packs of crayons & coloring books in September for the children of Operation Smile. Thank you.

Happy summer. See you in September.

**Let's Get Moving: Lori Young** – On Memorial Day, 13 members of our Club waving flags walked the 1.5-mile parade route honoring those military members who died in service of our country. This added 6 hours to our exercise hours this year. Thank you, marchers. The Lacey 5K is on August 23 at Gille Park. Who's walking with me? Keep moving this summer, ladies! Send me your exercise hours!

**Social Committee: Joan Engelhardt** – Next on the schedule is Cuisine on the Green on July 23rd. Cost is price of entre and \$7.00 extra for tax and tip. We will be carpooling. The sign-up sheet was circulated at the May 14<sup>th</sup> meeting. Call me if you missed the sign up.

**Judi Fisher and Kathie DeMey** – September 17<sup>th</sup>, High Tea at A Sweet Memory Cake Shoppe, Waretown, \$51 for a five-course meal picked by a chef (includes tax and gratuity). Check should be made payable to Judith Fisher. A sign-up sheet will be at the June meeting. Any questions please see Judi and/or Kathie.

## ***STANDING COMMITTEES***

**CARING CORNER: Diane Moser**  
Wishing all a happy and healthy summer! No cards were sent out since our last meeting. If you know of anyone of our members in need of a card, please notify our president or me. Thank you.

## **COMMUNICATIONS: Jo Faccioli**

**Email:** If you are not getting emails from the Woman's Club of Lacey, I don't have your email address.

**Advertising:** If you are hosting a fundraiser, it is your responsibility to get the information to me as soon as possible. Several announcements and photos were posted on Lacey Patch under Neighborhood News and the Woman's Club of Lacey and NJSFWC Instagram and Facebook pages.

**Website:** Please visit [www.womanscluboflacey.org](http://www.womanscluboflacey.org) and make sure your information is correct. Also, if you wish to advertise your fundraiser on the website and add it to the calendar you must send me your information.

**Facebook/Instagram:** Please follow us on both social media sites.

**Calendar:** It is updated regularly. Any information or dates you have in advance can be placed on the calendar.

**Photos: Linda Hruska**

**Newsletter: Joan Schuler** – Please Read the **Newsletter** before our meetings to be advised of upcoming events and what has been happening with the individual committees and of course, how you can help make them successful. Thank you!

**Eulogies: Nancy Fortin**

**Hospitality: Helen DelaCruz** – Hospitality signup sheet will be circulated at the general meeting. Every member is asked to help with hospitality at least once per year. Thank you all for making our meetings so inviting!

**Parliamentarian: Our Club needs a parliamentarian.** A parliamentarian sits beside the president and advises her on proper meeting procedures. If you are willing to take on this challenge -- do some reading, watch some videos, possibly take an on-line course -- please let President Lori Young know. Your help will be greatly appreciated.

**Registration/Phone: Lil Campbell/Nancy Conway** – Members, please remember \$2.00 is being collected by all those attending our General Meetings to help offset the cost of administration costs of our Club. Thank you.

**Roving Reporter: Justine Weinberg** – Due to unexpected health problems, I regret I was unable to adequately interview anyone this month. I hope everyone has a happy and restful summer! See you in September!!

## ***SPECIAL COMMITTEES***

**ACHIEVEMENT DAY:** Joan Schuler – It's never too early to plan and work on your project for Achievement Day. It's an excellent way to spend some of your summer hours when it's too hot outside or on a rainy, indoor day. Last year's instructions and different categories can be found on NJSFWC's website or give me a call to discuss. Enjoy your summer!

**ACTIVITY DAY:** Lina Kazala – THANK YOU for supporting Activity Day. This is a social fun day, and we are exercising our brains with card playing and Mah Jongg games and enjoying good snacks. We play on Mondays 12-3:30 at 15 E. Lacey Road all summer. If there are any changes in the schedule, I will let you know.

**FUNDRAISING:** Diana Monia – Send me your ideas.

**Calendar Club:** Debbie Terry – The Calendar Club drawing was on May 14. Our lucky winners were:

\$500, Carol LaVelle ticket #251  
\$100, Beverly Keubler, ticket #346  
\$100, Patti Bahrle, ticket #341  
\$100, Mary O'Malley, ticket # 389 and  
\$100, Phyllis Chanda, ticket #216.

**Monthly Baskets:** May's lovely basket contributed by the Arts and Cultural Committee raised \$130. Our lucky winner was Nancy Fortin. Congrats Nancy! Thanks to everyone for contributing.

**Trips:** Barbara Bowen – I hope you all have a wonderful summer! Money is due at our meeting for 42nd Street at the Surflight (\$80). This will be the last opportunity to view the sign-up sheets for West Side Story and The Buddy Holly Story. Money for those plays may be given to me on Activity Days or mailed or brought to my house. I will have the tickets for 9 to 5 at the meeting. I look forward to seeing you at the plays.

**SPECIAL STATE PROJECT:** Cathy Katsianis  
Thanks again to all who made our Hobby Fair a success. Have a great summer.

## ***BIRTHDAYS***

### **JUNE:**

Barbara Fragasso	6/2
Gayle Cornish	6/5
Dianne Rogalski	6/6
Kathy Barrett	6/12
Carol Nichols	6/14
Barbara Moreau	6/24

### **JULY:**

Laura McDonald	7/7
Sheila Anderson	7/15
Andrea Higley	7/23
Anne Gudzak	7/26
Patricia Spielman	7/29

### **AUGUST:**

Rachel Clemmer	8/1
Joyce Huffert	8/3
Marianne Ras	8/5
Mariana Marzacco	8/8
Beverly Eichler	8/11
Barbara Tomalo	8/14
Maddie Stapleton	8/15
Rachel Mauri	8/29