



Woman's Club of Lacey Shore District NEWSLETTER MAY 2022



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE, BEVERLY KEUBLER and SHIRLEY HOULIHAN –

"Motivation comes from working on things we care about." - Sheryl Sandberg

Happy Mother's Day to all our club sisters! We thank all mothers for the sacrifices they have made on a daily basis. We thank them for putting the needs of others before her own and for her unconditional love.

Thank you, Joan Schuler, for taking the lead for Shore District Achievement Day at the Red Lobster. At the District level we received several awards and three gold which went to the State level. At the State level, we took one gold, which has gone on to Nationals, One First place and One Third place. Congratulations to our winners which will be named and presented with their certificates at the May meeting. I am also looking forward to announcing our Honor Roll and Order of the Lily recipients. In addition, at the meeting we will be voting on the next slate of officers to lead our club! June's meeting will be held at the Captain's Inn for our end of the year celebration, our induction of new officers and new members. The meal will be \$40 menu: Soup, Salad, choice of Seafood Combo, Petite Fillet, or Chicken Romano with artichoke hearts, mushrooms and sun-dried tomatoes, potato and vegetable, Apple Strudel ala mode, coffee, tea, soda. The price also includes your tax and gratuities. Remember, checks only at the door!

At the State NJSFWC Convention, Shirley Holly was sworn in as the new NJSFWC President and she presented her new initiative for the next two years. The Emmanuel Cancer Foundation will be our state project which serves families of children that have cancer. Her slogan which will be used for the next two years utilizes the Irish Claddagh with Love, Loyalty and Friendship, the Bonds of Volunteerism as her slogan. Furthermore, at convention Operation Chillout was presented with a check in the amount of \$63,795.97 an amazing amount considering we were under the auspice of Covid 19 for the majority of our statewide fundraising period.

From GFWC: May is **Mental Health Awareness Month**. Many of us would like to forget the last two years, but instead let's pause and reflect on our lives and the current state of our mental health. The National Institute of Mental Health says that nearly one in five Americans lives with a mental, behavioral, or emotional condition. The goal of Mental Health Awareness Month is to increase public awareness and educate communities to expand the understanding of the effects that mental health can have on all age groups. As an organization deeply rooted in our local communities, GFWC clubs can impact how mental health is viewed and spread the word about assisting anyone in need—children and adults. Sometimes just starting a conversation about mental health can help someone. The green ribbon is the international symbol for mental health awareness. By wearing a green ribbon every day during May, you can show people you walk past that you care about their mental health, and possibly help someone needing to talk. Clubs can make ribbons for their members and for community distribution at places like schools, businesses, and government centers.

1ST VICE PRESIDENT – BARBARA BOWEN -

Hope everyone had a lovely Mother's Day, despite the weather. Our guest speaker will be Claudia from the Garden Shoppe in Manahawkin arranged by Regina Flach. She will be demonstrating the making of a summer planter which will be won by one of our members. Looking forward to seeing everyone. The sign-up sheets for the plays at Surfflight will be passed around again.

2ND VICE PRESIDENT, CAROL NICOLAY –

Keep track of your hours spent on projects, etc. and send me your reports. Thank you.

3RD VICE PRESIDENT, CAROL CANDELETTI –

Happy Mother's Day !! We have one guest that has been invited to join us at the General Meeting on 5/11. Please have all guests check in with Lillis and me before the meeting.

**CORRESPONDING SECRETARY,
MARILYN HOCK** – No report at this time.

**RECORDING SECRETARY, MARIA
KOWALEWSKI** – I will report at the meeting.

**FINANCIAL SECRETARY, ANDREA
HIGLEY** – Hi Ladies Hope everyone had a fantastic Mother's Day! As of May 4, we have 86 members and 7 honorary! Perhaps a few more checks will come in , in the coming days but if not, this will be our final number! Our licenses are up to date and unless something special comes up we are good thru next September! Hope to see you at the May meeting! Regards Andrea

TREASURER, JOAN SCHULER –I will report at the General Meeting. Wishing everyone a wonderful Mother's Day Week!

**FEDERATION SECRETARY - LORI
VIRCILLO** –
New NJSFWC president is Shirley Holly
New Shore District vice president is Kathleen Doty.

COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAMS

ARTS & CULTURAL:

ARTS PERFORMING:

MUSIC: Christine Urban -

CONSERVATION: Joyce Huffert, Diane Moser, Diane Bauerhuber, Fran Geduldick -Hello everyone,

Hope all enjoyed Mother's Day!

Thanks to everyone who donated wands for Our Wands for Wildlife Collection. We collected 267 wands! Thank you so much for you help!

EDUCATION: Debbie Smith and Lori Vircillo – Hope everyone has a great spring!

HOME LIFE: Carol Jones, Sheila Anderson – Please continue to bring eyeglasses, aluminum tabs and cell phones to each meeting. Every donation counts! Thanks!

NURSING HOME: Sally Blood, Joyce Huffert and Andrea Higley – In need of the following items: toiletries, toothpaste, toothbrushes, stuffed animals, dolls and gently used clothing. Please bring the items to our general meetings.

**INTERNATIONAL OUTREACH:
Carol LaVelle** – Happy Spring!

LITERATURE: Nancy Conway, Fran Celantano – Happy Mother's Day! Literature is meeting on Tuesday, May 17 at 12:30. We will be discussing "How the Light Gets In".

We have the room in June with no book. Would we like to have a pot-luck luncheon? We can discuss at the May 17 book discussion.

PUBLIC ISSUES: Carol Crotty – At our April meeting members contributed 87 cans of tuna and 9 miscellaneous items. Great participation. Thank you.

**Happy Mother's Day to All
Happy Memorial Day**

"Beyond the Sea" - The Life and Music of Bobby Darin. IS SOLD OUT!

No more tickets will be sold. We still need additional volunteers to bake cookies or cupcakes for that evening. A sign-up sheet will be passed around again at the meeting.

N.J. Sharing Network: Jo Faccioli, Dot VanBlarcom and Joan Schuler - No Report.

Wrapped in Love – Five lap blankets are ready to be delivered. Lisa Colasurdo did a nice report in the Wrapped in Love Notes. Thank you for your participation.

STANDING COMMITTEES

COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM:

Mariana Marzacco, Chairperson 50/50/ Raffle for Multiple Disability Program

Congratulations to Judy Schermerhorn on winning \$115.00 at our April 50/50 raffle. Please remember that the proceeds from the 50/50 help support the Multiple Disability Programs for the high school and middle school levels. Your support is greatly appreciated.

DOGGIE ANGELS: Lil Campbell, Rachel

Clemmer and Rae Mauri – Thanks for all the great stuff you have been donating. It sure makes our life a lot better. We love the treats and toys. Sincerely, The Animals at the Pop Corn Zoo.

BY LAWS/PARLIAMENTARY:

Ellena DiCicco - I want to wish everyone a Happy Mother's Day. With our dedicated members, we can be proud of our club. Be safe!

EULOGIES: Nancy Fortin - It is with great sadness that member Ruth Ward and former member, Arlene Kearney, have passed away.

NEWSLETTER: Joan Schuler. Please forward information to jschuler13@gmail.com or 1-609-661-2100 by the Friday before the General Meeting date. Thank you.

REGISTRATION/PHONE:

Lil Campbell, Linda Hintz, Nancy Conway

COMMUNICATIONS: Jo Faccioli

If you are not receiving emails from the Club, make sure I have your email address. . Jof1217@comcast.net

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.

Advertising and Publicity - We need a volunteer for this department. It is a very easy task and should not cause you to lose more than 30 minutes of your time. Emails need to be sent to Lacey Recreation Department for the electronic bulletin board and precise information about the event to the Sandpiper Newsletter and WOBM via email. Please let Shirley know if you are interested and I will be happy to assist you the first time.

Photographer: Linda Hruska – .

Facebook: Carol Candeletti

Roving Reporter: Joan Engelhardt – .

My interview for May is with Sally Blood who has been a member of the Woman's Club of Lacey since 2010. Sally has been involved with visiting nursing homes in this area bringing residents gifts at holiday time. Sally was born in Philadelphia and moved to Forked River at the age of twelve. Sally was married to Kenneth for 49 1/2 years until he passed away. Mother to two sons and a daughter, grandmother to eight. She is a lucky lady to have most of them living in this area.

While her kids were growing up Sally was actively involved as a den leader with boy scouts and the brownies. Her career as a medical technician lasted for 32 years. Sally definitely appreciates spending time with family. Happy Mother's Day Sally you certainly deserve a special day.

DOMESTIC & SEXUAL VIOLENCE AWARENESS AND PREVENTION:

Domestic Violence - Nancy Fortin - Your advocacy helped secure the 2022 reauthorization of the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA). Now we must urge Congress to fully fund VAWA and related programs in the 2023 federal Fiscal Year (FY23).

Providence House: Maddie Stapleton and Carol Candeletti = Donations needed: most urgent needs are Laundry Detergent and Paper Towels. Donations will be collected at the General Meeting. Also, Volunteers are needed for various activities.

COVENANT HOUSE: Helen DelaCruz

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

FUNDRAISING EVENT CHAIRS:

CALENDAR CLUB: Beverly Keubler -

MONTHLY BASKET RAFFLES

Laurie Burke, Carol Setzer – Congratulations to our lucky winner for April who was Jo Faccioli.

TRIPS: Barbara Bowen – Surfflight!

ACTIVITY DAY: Lina Kazala – Have fun learning or playing Mah Jongg or cards Mondays from 12-3:30. Our new location which is warm, sunny and bright and a great place to gather is the Charles Smith Community Center on Lacey Road across from the library. We will play every Monday except for Memorial Day, May30, July 4 and Labor Day (\$2 fundraiser donation).

ACHIEVEMENT DAY: Joan Schuler

A sincere thank you to those members who represented our Club at the Shore Conference. Three of our members, Nancy Conway, Lori Young and Linda Hruska, received a Certificate of Merit Grand Award which meant that their unique and beautiful work went on to the State Convention. Start thinking about what you might like to enter next year. There are numerous categories.

SPECIAL STATE PROJECT: Barbara Bowen Operation Chillout.

CARING CORNER: Diane Moser

Please remember to get card needs to me in a timely manner. Let Bev and/or Shirley know first as I will only mail cards that they instruct me to.

WAYS AND MEANS:

Card Parties/Luncheons: Terri Candeletti, Luncheon Chair: Millie Pape

CIVIC ENGAGEMENT AND OUTREACH

THE GIRL SCOUTS AND INTERGENERATION PROGRAM - Jo Facciolli - Girl Scout Intergeneration Project - Will resume in September.

BIRTHDAYS

MAY:

Lee Verkouille	5/2
Carol Acevedo	5/11
Margit Verrone	5/12
Janet Sramaty	5/14
Rose Mary Milo	5/17
Sandra Leonardis	5/25
Adrienne Melnyk	5/28

JUNE:

Barbara Fragasso	6/2
Diane Kautzmann	6/2
Gayle Cornish	6/5
Dianne Rogalski	6/6
Kathy Barrett	6/12
Carol Nichols	6/14
Jane Rogers	6/26