

MARLTON WOMAN'S CLUB

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Club Meetings

We meet on the fourth Monday of the month August-May (no meeting in December).

Time

6:30 pm: Refreshments
7:00 pm: General Meeting

Place

The Gibson House
535 E. Main Street
Marlton, New Jersey

NEXT MEETING

January 27, 2020
Come visit us!
(see back page for calendar)



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PATCHWORK

"A Proud Legacy ~ A Shining Future"
Mary Wolfe, NJSFWC President



December 2019

www.marltonwomansclub.com

Garden District

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S PEN

"The World is HUGGED ~ by the Arms of Volunteers"

Hi Ladies,

Wow, it's almost the end of the year! That went by so quickly, it seems like a blink! We have accomplished so many great things during this club year! You have volunteered countless hours and have true dedication to this wonderful club. This is never taken for granted, you are all amazing women!



Thank you for your generous donations of filled Christmas Stockings for the Troops! I will report the grand total of stockings collected, at our January meeting.



We are looking forward to our annual Marlton Woman's Club Holiday Dinner on Monday, December 9th at Femmina Italian Restaurant in Medford (408 Stokes Road). It starts at 6:30 pm. Please remember to bring your wrapped token gift for our gift swap. Please only spend about \$5 for your gift item. We always enjoy this special evening; it is a time to celebrate the holidays and enjoy the night!

On December 4th, a few of our members will be going on the bus trip for the Holiday Tour at the GF WC Headquarters in Washington D.C. This is always such a lovely day with a delicious buffet and spending time with our GF WC International President Mary Ellen Brock. Last year, we had quite a few members from various Women's Clubs from New Jersey in a photo with President Mary Ellen Brock and she is a Jersey girl also!

As we wind down this year, I must tell you, that you touched my heart and life in so many ways. I am grateful for your friendship, love and support.

Warmest thoughts and Best Wishes for a Wonderful Holiday and a very Happy New Year!

~Lisa

LisaLevin445@gmail.com

REMINDERS FOR JANUARY MEETING:

- ⇒ HAPPY NEW YEAR!
- ⇒ Guest Speaker: Dee Frazier, Women With Voices
- ⇒ Invite a friend to come
- ⇒ Recap our festive Holiday Dinner
- ⇒ Leave donations on the back table (see page 6)

NEXT MEETING

Monday, Jan. 27, 2020
Gibson House

6:30 pm Refreshments
7:00 pm Meeting
ALL ARE WELCOME!

Vice President

In November there was a meeting for all committee chairs to assist with preparation for year-end reports and narratives. I hope this meeting was helpful. I am looking forward to seeing the amount of work accomplished in 2018-2019!

*All narrative reports must be turned in to me no later than **Friday, Dec. 14**, to allow for review and submission to NJSFWC. Copies of last year's reports have been sent to chairwomen as a guideline.*



Please Remember: For every project that you attend, help with, bring in-kind donations to, please fill out the reporting form that is found on our website and the back table at every General Meeting. Contact the chairwoman of the project and ask her for one. Then complete it and return it right away to that chairwoman. Include hours devoted to the activity, time shopping or travel and money spent.

Contact: Irene Hartman
dentalimh@msn.com ~ (856) 905-2210 cell

Treasurer

- ⇒ Fall Bingo Breakdown:
 - \$3,128 Bingo Tickets
 - \$495 50/50 Raffle
 - \$3,443 Gift Baskets (awesome work)
 - **\$7,066 TOTAL**
 - ⇒ Checks for the Holiday Dinner (\$30) were due November 25. Have you RSVPd?
- Sue Gaskill
 4 Wyndmere Road
 Marlton, NJ 08053
- ⇒ If you aren't sure if you renewed your dues (\$40) for 2019-2020, please contact me.
 - ⇒ Please remember when submitting checks for several events, please give separate checks, labeled accordingly on memo line.

Contact: Sue Gaskill
Gaskill_susan@yahoo.com ~ 856-979-8595 cell

Corresponding Secretary

Our MWC mailbox contained several Thank you notes. Suzanne Connolly, Cherokee Food Pantry Advisor, expressed amazement at the amount of food, paper products and toiletries that were donated as a result of the October Bingo event. She thanked our club for our continued support of their much-needed pantry. We also received a Thank you note from Carol O'Neill, who expressed appreciation for allowing her to speak at our October meeting about Heifer International. She also thanked us for the donation to the organization.

Contact: Donna Gatti
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2019 MWC Holiday Dinner

Monday, December 9

6:30 p.m.

[Femmina Italian Grill](#)

408 Stokes Road in Medford

\$30 per person

Choice of Chicken Saltimbocca, Salmon
 or Veal Parmesan

Bring \$5 wrapped gift for gift exchange!
 Drop off Adopt A Family gifts too.

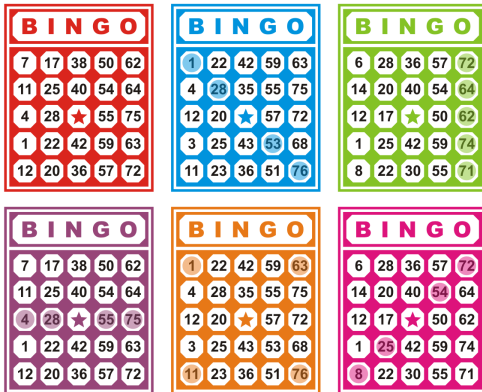
*Checks payable to Marlton Woman's Club;
 bring to meeting or mail to Treasurer Sue Gaskill by Nov. 25 (4 Wyndmere Road, Marlton,*

Thank You for an Incredible Fall Bingo & Basket Raffle

Ladies,
I would like to say Thank You to all the hard working ladies of the club who helped out with our successful Fall Bingo on Sunday, October 20, 2019. **We all did a great job and made \$7,700!**

SAVE THE DATE!

Marlton Woman’s Club Spring Bingo
Sunday, March 15, 2020
Indian Spring Country Club



Contact: Sandy Meltz
sandysmile1229@gmail.com ~ (856) 630-4118

Fundraising

I would like to say Merry Christmas and Happy New Year and Happy Hanukkah. Stay safe over the holidays and we will see you next year!

At the January meeting I will let you know about some of our upcoming fundraising events. We will have dinner out fundraisers at Mexican Food Factory sometime in March plus other dinner out events also are being planned.

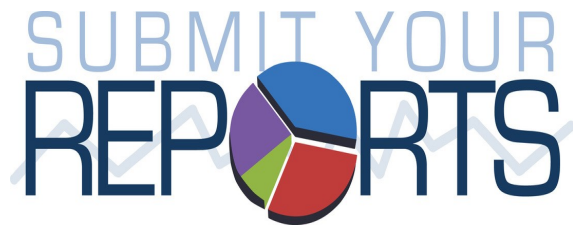
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Wow!



THANK YOU!
In late October, NJSFWC had collected \$1,740 filled Christmas stockings from women’s clubs within the NJSFWC for our troops. SO far! There was still another collection date in November at the Operation Yellow Ribbon Office in Mount Laurel. Pictured: (L-R): George Tencza (Operation Yellow Ribbon volunteer); Carol Niemiec (NJSFWC Historian Chairperson); Lisa Levin (NJSFWC Public Issues Chairperson); and David Silver (owner of Operation Yellow Ribbon).



REMINDER

Annual committee report forms and narrative reports are due to Vice President Irene Hartman by **Saturday, December 14** (see page 2).

Need help? Please contact Irene or Lisa Levin.

Federation Secretary

GARDEN DISTRICT JANUARY COUNCIL
Thursday, January 16, 2020
 West Deptford, New Jersey

This informative day features interesting presentations from Arts Creative, information about the upcoming 2020 NJSFWC Convention in Atlantic City and legislative updates. Cost is \$3.00. Breakfast offered; please bring a bag lunch. Please sign up with [Mindi Carleton](#) by **December 31**. Watch your email for a flyer ...

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mindi39@aol.com ~ (609) 304-5825

Attention Holiday Shoppers!

Amazon will donate .5% of all sales made through the [NJSFWC Amazon Smile](#) account to support NJSFWC. You're going to shop anyway-- why not support NJSFWC?



THANK YOU to Marlton Woman's Club's Barbara Greco for jumping in to spearhead the sale of reusable NJSFWC grocery bags. Bags were sold at Stop and Shop stores for \$2.50 as a fundraiser, and Barbara Greco, who passes this store in her travels, offered to coordinate and purchase bags for members to reimburse. She sold 31 bags, which means \$31 donated to NJSFWC! Way to go Barbara!



Special State Project — CASA

Have some loose change? Please consider donating it to the little blue CASA house at General Meetings. Every little bit helps our CASA kids.



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Borrow A Book For Just \$1.00!

Please bring in any books that you would like to share with us all. The proceeds we make from this project can go towards the books we'd like to buy, such as: "Winning the Vote: The Triumph of the American Woman Suffrage Movement."



In 2020 women will celebrate 100 years of earning the right to vote. Our newest entry is the book by Chanel Miller's "Know My Name" (see page 6). Take a look at the book donation table at the January General Meeting and bring in yours!

Valerie Pelerin



- See Irene Hartman if you'd like a pink Club shirt. They are \$12.00. We may order more to have on hand.
- Genni Fardella has investigated the limit for 50/50 tickets and learned from NJLGOC and IRS that there is NO limit, but that if the winnings exceed \$1200 (total \$2400 take-unlikely at our Bingos), an IRS form must be completed.

Membership

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED in joining our club, or want more information about the Marlton Woman's Club, please contact Membership Chair Keisha Cogdell at 856-452-5489 or keisha1097@comcast.net or visit us online at www.marltonwomansclub.com. Like us on Facebook!



NEW! Watch for the Sign-In Sheet. At General Meetings, we will begin *passing* a Sign In Sheet to ensure that all members sign in. Sometimes it's hard for members to stop by the sign in table. Please watch for this and simply check off your name. This records information that we use for the year.



Contact: Keisha Cogdell and Irene Hartman
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Advocates for Children

ONE OF THE traditional January projects in which our club participates, is making tied fleece blankets for Cozies 4 Chemo. Because that organization is becoming more restricted as to what chemo patients are and aren't able to use, they are not accepting blankets at this time.

We may look at doing the blankets for an animal orphanage to help cats and dogs looking for a forever home have something to snuggle with. Watch for more information from Advocates for Children, which sponsors this blanket-making project.

Contact: Grace Coghlan
Gracie.mastoras@gmail.com ~ (914) 261-7922 cell

Public Issues

⇒ Please remember to bring in your **manufacturer's coupons** and leave on the back table. Jenn Nehring is working with a local girls group to cut out the coupons for us. Special thanks to Chuck Nehring's company (Jenn's husband) for donating the shipping to send the coupons in last month!

⇒ Don't forget your blank **all occasion greeting cards**. These are shipped overseas to have on hand for military personnel, who obviously can't dash out to a Hallmark store or even their PX frequently, to send back home (Happy Birthday, Miss You, all Holidays, blank too).



⇒ Did you turn in a Christmas stocking for our state Public Issues project with Operation Yellow Ribbon? Thank you! Please fill out an **in-kind donation form** and return to State Public Issues Chair Lisa Levin.



⇒ Because you know, she's not busy enough, Jenn Nehring has kindly offered to help support our club's Membership area, as current chair Keisha Cogdell is working on her advanced degree and is also working full-time. VP Irene Hartman is also assisting in the membership area. Many thanks Jenn for all you do!

⇒ Mark Your Calendars: March 30, 2020 is **State Public Issues Day** for the NJSFWC. Lisa Levin, State Public Issues chair, can use help with this all-day event at the Hotel ML in Mount Laurel, which will feature several extraordinary speakers. Cost is \$40 per attendee.

Contact: Jennifer Nehring
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Domestic Violence Awareness and Prevention

A total of 31 donated new bath towels were delivered to Providence House Domestic Violence Shelter. These towels are part of the client intake kit when they are admitted to the safe house. Barbara Katz, Community Relations Liaison, stated that they are, as always, very grateful to receive donations from our MWC. A special Thank you to Amy Ettelson for her generous donation of assorted jewelry, which will be used for the shelter's Sister Shelf and holiday gifts for the safe house residents. Ms. Katz stated that their recent Taste of Burlington fundraiser was hugely successful and once again thanked our club for attending, advertising in the event program and donating a basket.

Providence House and Covenant House will be the recipients of the donations from our Spring Bingo in 2020 and their wish lists will be updated on the back of the ticket.

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At the Fall Bingo, collections were taken for non-perishable food items for Wiley Food Pantry and the Cherokee High School Food Pantry. Both locations are in great need of supplies. *Make sure to write donations down as an in-kind donation and submit your form to Sandy Meltz.*

Both organizations were so incredibly grateful for our donations! These will immediately be used to help those in need who struggle. Thank you to thanked Donna Gatti, Terry Zito, and Jeffrey Price for sorting the products.

Thank you!

Club Meeting Hostesses

Monday, January 27, 2020

Jane Fischer, Mary Ann McCormack, Jenn Nehring

Contact: Terry Zito, Hospitality

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Our Collections

WE ARE COLLECTING the following items at our general meetings. Please bring items and place on the back collection tables:

- Unused seasonal greeting cards for military
- *Manufacturer's* coupons for the troops, expired are okay (do not need to cut)
- Box tops for Education
- Pill bottles (labels off please)
- Dr. Seuss books (NJSFWC project, 2 years)
- Pop tabs and printer ink cartridges for Ronald McDonald House (collect at home please)
- Gently used bras for FreeTheGirls.org
- Pads and pantliners for ISupportTheGirls.org



December Birthdays

December 2Pat Fusco
 December 18Mary Ann McCormack
 December 23Christine Hastings
 December 28Lynda Lathrop
 December 29Sandy Meltz

Arts Creative

On **Saturday, January 25** from 3-4 p.m. we will have a craft outing at Kresson View Center to help senior residents make framed inspirational sayings. Thanks to everyone who brought white 5" x7" frames to the November meeting! The guests will stamp and frame an inspirational quote they can look at every day. Contact Amy Ettelson to sign up to come—help is needed. Kresson View is located at 2601 E. Evesham Road in Voorhees.

Contact: Amy Ettelson

amyspapertreasures@gmail.com ~ 856-810-7670

Communications

At the November meeting, copies of the **2019-2020 MWC Yearbook** were distributed. Please contact [Jan Martin](#) at (630) 750-7622 if you did not receive your copy.

The Marlton Woman's Club "**Patchwork**" newsletter is printed monthly. Articles for the *Patchwork* are due to editor Jan Martin by the 15th of each month for the next month's issue.

Next "Patchwork" Deadline:

Articles due December 15

(for January issue)

⇒ We're in the news! The Marlton Woman's Club was prominently featured in the Nov. 22nd *Marlton Sun* for its partnership with [Operation Yellow Ribbon](#) and support of NJFWC clubs to fill and donate Christmas stockings to the troops. Read the *Marlton Sun* article here! <https://thesunpapers.com/2019/11/22/stocking-stuffers/>

Contact: Jan Martin



At our November meeting, Tom Martin told us about the work of his Camden County Pop Up Library, getting

books into the hands of the disadvantaged. Tom accepted donations of gently used or new books our members brought that evening as well as a \$50 check from the club. Learn more at <https://camdencountypopuplibrary.org/>.

January Guest Speaker

COME MEET Dee Frazier from Women with Voices Charity Inc. (WWVCI), a charity she founded after experiencing hardship herself. WWVCI is the mechanism used to attract likeminded, caring individuals into a space to make a positive impact in the lives of children and families in need. WWVCI serves communities in New Jersey and New York through three programs: (1) Back-to-School Events, (2) It Pays to Have Good Grades: Honor Roll Program, and (3) Feeding Our Friends. Learn more at our January 27, 2020 meeting. Visit <http://www.womenwithvoices8.com/>

Watch more here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NxYOpewAu0Y>

International Outreach

I Support the Girls - Throughout the year we will be collecting menstrual hygiene products, bras and underwear, allowing women experiencing homelessness, impoverishment, disasters or distress to still stand tall with dignity. Learn more at www.isupportthegirls.org. Of particular need are winged maxipads. No tampons please.

Free The Girls - Donate gently used or new bras to help stop sex trafficking by allowing women to become entrepreneurs. Visit www.freethegirls.org.

Heifer International - Brochures will be in the basket we pass around at General Meetings to return nametags to share what this organization does. Please make a donation if you would like. We'll share about an animal to bring some fun! Visit www.heifer.org.

Please remember to fill out a log sheet if you've donated in-kind bras, underwear, feminine products, or pill bottles.

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Education

Marlton Woman's Club Spelling Bee

Wednesday, January 8, 2020

Van Zant School

- ◆ This special event is for 4th and 5th graders, and we present Barnes & Noble gift cards to First, Second and Third place winners. This year, thanks to MWC and School Board member Elaine Barbagiovanani, students at other area schools may now enter! Winners advance to the Garden District Spelling Bee and may advance to the NJSFWC State Spelling Bee. Spelling bees are a hallmark of the General Federation of Women's Clubs.
- ◆ Please continue to collect **Box Tops for Education** and **Dr. Seuss books**. Bring all donations to the General Meeting (back table).



Contact: June Adair
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Conservation

Please bring in used, cleaned mascara wands for the wildlife refuge for injured animals. Also, please bring in medicine bottles, with labels removed, so we can deliver them to Whole Foods as part of the Gimme 5 program.

At the November meeting, we shared an interesting article about ponderosa pine cones, which will grow into seedlings, that can be used to reforest fire-scarred hillsides.

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Contact: Charlotte Muoio
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Attention Stage Hounds!

Garden District Arts Performing Competition

March 19, 2020

Salem Community College

The acts with the most votes will advance to the NJSFWC State Convention. This year we're going to field a team for the first time in several years! Our group will be doing "Wrecking Ball". Contact June Adair if you'd like to help!

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Home Life

- ⇒ Our club provided eight \$25 **Thanksgiving grocery gift cards** to needy families, partnering with the school nurses from Rice School. Gift cards were given to struggling families to provide a small lift for Thanksgiving.
- ⇒ **Adopt A Family** child wish lists and names were selected at our November meeting for less fortunate families in the Rice School area. Please bring WRAPPED Adopt a Family gifts to the Dec. 9 Holiday Party. Gifts may include clothes, toys, shoes, gloves, socks etc. Please remember to turn in an in-kind form for your donation to June Adair.
- ⇒ **Neat New Projects:** Samaritan Hospice Heart project-making **clay hearts** to tell people someone is thinking of them (see Christine). Also assembling 10 nutritious **snack bags** for Ronald McDonald House (December).
- ⇒ We will be collecting donations of gloves, hats, scarves and purses for **Helping Hearts and Handbags, Inc.** to support homeless women in NY, NJ and PA. This group has lost its storage ability so please HOLD all collections until we are ready to take them.
- ⇒ **Save the Date: Cookie Pack** on February 10, 2020 at Genni Fardella's home (14 Gaylord Lane). Board Meeting about 5:00 pm followed by Cookie Pack about 6:30 pm. This year we will donate bags of cookies to St. Mary's, Wiley, and NEW: Kresson View Center, approx. 275 bags of cookies. Warm up those ovens! Each member should make 7-8 doz. cookies.
- ⇒ YES, we continue to collect **soda pop tabs** and **printer cartridges** for the Ronald McDonald House. Please HOLD donations at your home until we are ready to take them. Remember your in-kind donation form!

Contact: Christine Hastings

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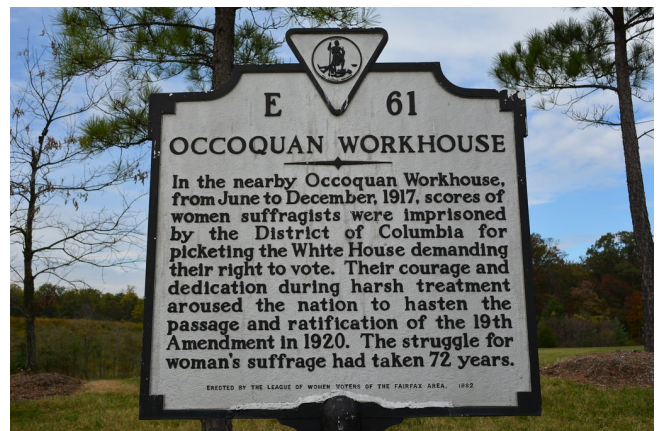
Cell: 609-313-4138

Women's History

In recognition of and to honor the Centennial of the Women's right to vote (1920-2020), the Marlton Women's Club will have a display at the Evesham Public Library from **March 1-30, 2020**. A new site memorializing the women's struggle for the vote will be brought to life in Lorton, VA at Occoquan Park, site of imprisonment of suffragists demanding their right to vote. Throughout 2020, the Women's History Alliance is planning interesting and fun activities. On August 26, 2020, women will be celebrating the 100th anniversary of women's right to vote. It was a long (72 years) hard fight but the women of that time succeeded in making it happen.

Contact: Sandy Ellis

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1920  2020
WOMEN'S VOTE
CENTENNIAL

Who We Are

GFWC Marlton Woman's Club is a proud member of the General Federation of Women's Clubs ([GFWC](#)) and the New Jersey State Federation of Women's Clubs ([NJSFWC](#)).

Our Mission

The mission of the Marlton Woman's Club is to enhance the quality of life within our respective communities and state by transforming public interests and concerns into meaningful projects and programs; to afford our members opportunities for the development of individual skills, talents and abilities; and to serve as a volunteer resource in New Jersey communities.

Purpose

The purpose of this club, which is non-political and non-sectarian, shall be to advance the welfare of the Community and to promote the progress and work of the General Federation of Women's Clubs through the education, civic and charitable interests of its members.

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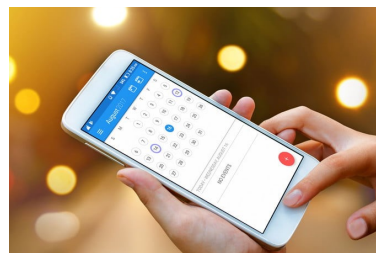
EXECUTIVE BOARD

President	Lisa Levin
Vice President	Irene Hartman
Corresp. Secretary	Donna Gatti
Recording Secretary	Genni Fardella
Treasurer	Sue Gaskill
Federation Secretary	Mindi Carleton

Next Board Meeting:

Monday, January 13
6:30 p.m.

Marco's Restaurant
115 S. Elmwood Road
Marlton, New Jersey



Upcoming Meetings

Monday, January 27, 2020

January General Meeting

No December Board Meeting or
December General Meeting
(Holiday Dinner is Monday, Dec. 9)

2019-20 Committee Chairwomen

Advocates for Children	Grace Coghlan
Arts Creative	Amy Ettelson
CASA	Mindi Carleton
Communications	Jan Martin
Conservation	Roberta Calabria & Charlotte Muoio
Contact	Terri Zito
Domestic Violence Awareness	Donna Gatti
Education	June Adair
Fundraising	Sandy Meltz
Home Life	Christine Hastings
Hospitality	Terry Zito
International Outreach	Amy Ettelson
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Programs	Lois Szwajkowski
Public Issues	Jennifer Nehring
Social	Pat Fusco
Sunshine	Sue Price
Women's History	Sandy Ellis

