## MARLTON WOMAN'S CLUB

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### **Club Meetings**

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

#### Time

6:30 pm Social Time 7:00 pm: General Meeting

#### **Place**

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

## **NEXT MEETING Monday, Jan. 22**

7:00 p.m. Gibson House



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Editor Jan Martin
<u>Jan@MarltonWomansClub.com</u>



# PATCHWORK



"Love, Loyalty, Friendship: The Bonds of Volunteerism" Shirley Holly, NJSFWC President



January 2024

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**Garden District** 

#### FROM THE PRESIDENT'S PEN

"There is no I in TEAM and that's what makes this club so wonderful."

Hi everyone!

Happy New Year!! I hope everyone enjoyed the Holiday Dinner. Thank you for your generous donations to our adopted families. It seems like so much has happened since we all were together. Since our last General Meeting in November, we enjoyed the play "Annie" at Cherokee, celebrated the December holidays, wrapped gifts at Boscov's, welcomed in 2024, and Book Club met Jan. 11.



Our annual weight loss challenge kicked off again on January 1 and will run until March 31. Please let Sue Gaskill know if you would like to join the "losers." The member who loses the most weight will pick the charitable organization to receive a dollar for every pound lost by all during this event.

Committee Chairwomen are busy consolidating their 2023 annual reports and narratives. Reports are due to Andrea and me by Jan. 15 as they must be postmarked by Feb. 1.

June is leading the Spelling Bee efforts. Our local spelling bee has been rescheduled to **Thursday, February 15** at Van Zant School and we can't wait. We are in need of volunteers that evening. The Garden District Spelling Bee will be **Sunday, February 25**. Again we will need volunteers for that event. It's an exciting time watching the children as they correctly spell some very challenging words. Please consider helping us during these events.

This is a club election year. Members of our Nominating Committee are Andrea Hearing, Sue Gaskill, and Sherry Haines. If you have questions about any position, please feel free to contact the person currently in that position. If you are interested in any of the elected positions, please contact a member of the Nominating Committee.

Our 60th Anniversary Committee will be meeting in January to plan the celebration. Look for an email on the topic within the next week. Our next General Meeting is **Monday, January 22**. I hope to see you then!

Linda Magee linda@marltonwomansclub.com (609) 636-9797 cell/text General Meeting Monday, January 22

Gibson House Rec Center 6:30 pm Social Time 7:00 p.m. Meeting Page 2 PATCHWORK

### **Vice President**

- ⇒ Committee chairwomen: Please remember that yearly NJSFWC reports are due on **January 15th.** Send to <a href="mailto:andrea@marltonwomansclub.com">and linda@marltonwomansclub.com</a> please.
- ⇒ Remember you may sign up at any time for any committee. Please contact me to join or be removed from a committee. An updated committee listing has been sent to club members.
- ⇒ Please remember to provide your in-kind donations, hours worked and monetary donations to committee chairs for any event.
- ⇒ We are looking for a chair for the Civic Engagement and Outreach committee. We have removed the Hospitality committee since we're bringing our own beverages and snacks.
- ⇒ If you would like a Marlton Woman's Club email address, please let me know. Email me at <a href="mailto:andrea@marltonwomansclub.com">andrea@marltonwomansclub.com</a>.

**Contact: Andrea Hearing** 

andrea@marltonwomansclub.com 609-304-6521 cell

## **Federation Secretary**

- Garden District Council Meeting The January Garden District Council meeting will be held Thursday, January 18, 2024 at the Porch Club. Meeting begins at 10:00 a.m.
- ◆ Save The Date, Ladies: NJSFWC State Convention, May 6-8, 2024 at the Hard Rock Hotel & Casino, Atlantic City, NJ (Mon-Wed). Registration information will be available soon from the District.

Contact: Mindi Carleton mindi@marltonwomansclub.com (609) 304-5825 cell



## Corresponding Secretary

Our MWC mailbox has been chock full of updates/ newsletters and Holiday and New Year greetings from the many organizations that we have helped throughout the year. They all send thanks and wish us well while asking us for our continuing support. We received a lovely note from Mary Beth Iannarella, thanking us for allowing her to speak at our November meeting about Girl Talk of Marlton. We enjoyed learning about this impressive and wonderful organization that empowers young women, while serving their community. A Thank you letter was also received from Catholic Charities for our continued support of Providence House. Our club's hands-on work as well as monetary and donated items are so appreciated by the staff and families.

#### Treasurer

The Financial Committee is exploring new fundraisers to replace Scentsy and the PSE&G grant. If you have ideas, let us know!



When paying for anything in *cash* at the meetings, please write your name, amount and purpose on envelopes provided at each meeting to ensure that payments can be correctly attributed. Envelopes are available on the literature table.

Contact: Barbara Greco (917) 225-3324 cell Barbara@marltonwomansclub.com Page 3 PATCHWORK

## **Fundraising**

A very big Thank You to all the ladies that helped with our first-ever project to wrap gifts for Boscov's. We raised \$533.00.



The date for our Spring Bingo will be Sunday, April 21, 2024. Start thinking about those gift baskets and donations!

Please also start putting aside those items to collect for our spring Yard Sale. We do not have a date yet but it will likely be in June and will be at Jan Martin's house. More information to follow.

**Contact: Sandy Meltz** 

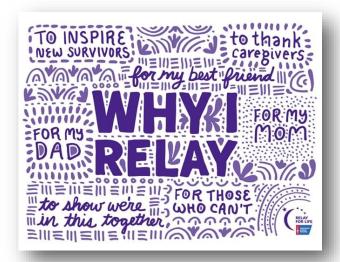
(856) 630-4118 ~ sandysmiley1229@gmail.com

## Relay for Life Marlton Save The Date Saturday, June 1

<u>Team:</u> Sweet Charity We're signed up!

To join our Marlton Woman's Club team contact Sandy Meltz or visit www.relayforlife.org.





## **GFWC Rebrands Its Mark**



It is an exciting time for the Federation! On November 13, GFWC officially released the new rebrand for the Emblem. A Style Guide has been published and digital files of the Emblem will be available on the Digital Library under "E" for Emblem at <a href="https://www.gfwc.org">www.gfwc.org</a>.

In addition, there are two versions of the new rebrand available for the Emblem:

1) horizontal and 2) vertical. The primary Emblem is the horizontal. However, the secondary Emblem, vertical, can be used when space is limited or designs require more flexibility. Each will be available in full color, black (light backgrounds), and white (dark backgrounds).

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## **Civic Engagement and Outreach**

#### Save The Date

The NJSFWC Civic Engagement and Outreach Day will be held at Battleground Country Club in Manalapan on March 7, 2024

### **Veterans Day Essay Contest**

Our committee read 24 essays and picked 3 winners for Jaggard and Van Zant Schools. We were very impressed with their work and learned amazing facts too! On November 8th, Michele, Sherry, Janet, Eileen and June attended the two schools' assemblies. The students did a wonderful job reading their essays.

We gave everyone who wrote an essay a certificate (thank you Jan) and a bag of goodies (thank you Donna). They were so excited! The winners also received a \$25 gift card. Thanks for all your support!

**Contact**: June Adair ~ (856) 264-1808

jadair446@gmail.com

District Civic Engagement and Outreach chair; looking for MWC chair



Martin Luther King Birthday Observed January 15, 2024



### **Social Events**

Treat your Valentine to a elegant luncheon at the historic John Inskeep Homestead on **Saturday**, **February 10**, **2024**. Reservations must be made in advance by sending a check to Evesham Historical Society, 10 Madison Court, Marlton, NJ 08053. Tickets: \$30 per person. Please include an email for confirmation and the names of those in your party to help with seating. Let Social chair Sue Price know if you plan on attending and, when mailing your check, indicate you are a member of the Marlton Woman's Club to be seated together. Seating is limited, your prompt response is suggested. Inskeep (1757-1834) was twice elected mayor of Philadelphia and was born on his family's homestead in Evesham Township.



The John Inskeep Homestead is a historic house located at 70 N. Locust Road in Evesham Township, Burlington County. It was added to the National Register of Historic Places on August 26, 1993, for its significance in architecture, commerce and community development from 1771 to 1810. The house is part of the Historic Resources of Evesham Township, New Jersey.

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## I'm still going to Starbucks



### Thank You

Sal and I would like to thank all of our Marlton Woman's Club friends for bringing food to our Christmas get-together for our grandson Chase's school project (Chase is our son Steven's oldest at age 13).

Together with donations from our car club, Chase collected 17 bags of food for Prince of Peace food pantry. Pictured is Chase with some of the bags.

- Genni Fardella



## **Arts Performing**

There are many varied performances happening close to home this winter:

**The Walnut Street Theatre** has Edward Albee's celebrated Tony Award-winning Best Play Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf? January 9 – February 4

Followed by: Groucho: A Life in Revue a hilarious and moving tribute to 'The Kings of Comedy February 13 – March 10

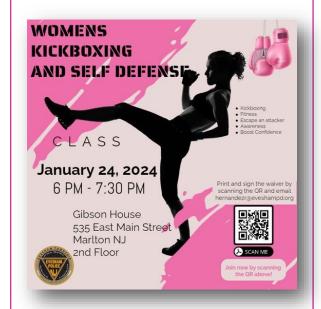
**The Kimmel Cultural Campus** has Ain't Too Proud, The Life and Times of the Temptations January 3 – 21

Followed by: Mrs. Doubtfire February 6 – 18

**The Broadway Theatre of Pitman** has Rodgers and Hammerstein's Cinderella January 14 – February 4

Followed by: Ghost the Musical March 1-24

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(856) 906-2031 cell



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### **Health and Wellness Awareness**

Happy New Year, everyone – and welcome to the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual MWC Weight Loss Challenge! Our 90-day challenge began on January 1st, but you can certainly join the group - just email me (Gaskill Susan@yahoo.com) and I'll add you to the list. The rules are: lose as much weight as you can between 1/1 and 3/31/2024, report your total number of pounds lost to me at the end of the 3 months, share tips, tricks, and encouragement with friends, and think of your favorite charity, because the member who loses the most weight chooses a charity to receive a donation from the club this spring! No weigh-ins, no need to report your actual weight. The only person whose total weight loss will be reported will be our winner. January is a great time to put those New Year's Resolutions into action, so let's get healthy together! To that end...

The MWC Walking Clubs continue — after an informal December hiatus, we welcome all MWC members to join us on Tuesday and Friday mornings (ask Sue G to be added to the texts to find out exactly what time and where in either Cambridge Park or Country Farms we will meet — it's weather and seasonally dependent), Wednesday or sometimes other evenings at the Promenade (ask Michele Fleming-Waters to be added to her text list), or occasional Sunday mornings (ask Michele about this one, too). We enjoy exercising while strengthening our MWC friendships!

## January is National Blood Donor Month and Cervical Health Awareness Month –

The winter months are often a time of increased blood shortages in hospitals due to reduced donations and increased need. If you are healthy enough to donate, this would be a great time to start – a person is allowed to donate a maximum of once every twelve weeks. What a wonderful way to save a life! Our country is facing a critical blood shortage.

No woman needs to die of cervical cancer. The tools exist to prevent this deadly disease. Be sure you and your loved ones get regular pap smears! To learn more ab out how you can help yourself and others, visit the National Cervical Cancer Coalition online <a href="https://www.nccc-online.org/">https://www.nccc-online.org/</a>

**Contact: Sue Gaskill** 

Gaskill\_susan@yahoo.com ~ (856) 979-8595 cell

## **Advocates for Children Collections**

#### **Ronald McDonald House**

Collecting pull tabs. The club may host a breakfast at Ronald McDonald house. More info to come.

## P.A.L.S. (Peace A Learned Solution)

Arts and crafts supplies, non-holiday, gender neutral wrapping, wrapped snacks, 6" stuffed animals, 12-15" stuffed animals. (This program utilizes a research-based, therapeutic program model to reduce the effects of trauma on children and their non-offending parent. Through creative therapies such as art, dance movement and drama, the PALS program is available for children ages 4-12 that are exposed to domestic violence.)

#### Little Hands, Little Feet

Provides new or gently used clothing for newborns up to size 16 children in crisis with an urgent need for clothing. Also collecting books for children of all ages.

### St. Jude's Ranch for Children

At this time we are discontinuing the collection of greeting cards (see page 8)

**Contact: Meryl Schindler** ~ (856) 912-2043 cell mschin48@gmail.com





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#### **Environment**

The following items can be dropped off at Sephora. Two locations in our area accept them: 500 Rte. 73 S. in Marlton and 2000 Rte. 38 in Cherry Hill. Clean and dry items first please:

- ⇒ Plastic Bottles (smaller than a fist)
- ⇒ Plastic jars
- ⇒ Squeezable tubes all sizes and materials
- ⇒ Palettes and compacts
- ⇒ Pumps and Dispensers
- ⇒ Droppers
- ⇒ Caps and Closures
- ⇒ Plastic pencils, Liners and brow products
- ⇒ Colored Glass
- ⇒ Lipstick/lip gloss tubes and applicators
- ⇒ Mascara Wands and tubes
- ⇒ Supplement bottles
- ⇒ Ceramic and Porcelain
- ⇒ Floss Containers
- ⇒ Silicone containers
- ⇒ Pouches

Contacts: Val Pelerin and Genni Fardella Val.pelerin@gmail.com; (856) 906-2031 gfardella@aol.com; (856) 278-4880



## **Programs**

Our next guest speaker will be for our March 25th meeting and will be a representative from the Prince of Peace Community Food Pantry, located at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, 61 Route 70 East, Marlton.

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gfardella@aol.com ~ 856-278-4880 cell/text





Begin the New Year safely ...

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## **Membership**

Wow! What a great year for our club! We had 12 new members join us in 2023!

- 1. Lynda Calderone (Jan)
- 2. Nicole Greco (Jan)
- 3. Bari Wachs (Mar)
- 4. Sherry Haines (Apr)
- 5. Christine Marshall (Apr)
- 6. Barbara Devine (May)
- 7. Shelly Thomas (May)
- 8. Caren Staskin (Sept)
- 9. Nancy Schwartz (Sept)
- 10. Kelly Kerns (Oct)
- 11. Linda Lazar (Nov)
- 12. Patrice Scuteri (Nov)

We continue to field requests for more information about our club from individuals who are finding us on Facebook, our website, and from YOU, our members. Prospective members are sent a descriptive email and membership packet, as well as the recent issue of *The Patchwork*. **Tell your friends** about the impressive work of this club. <u>Please remember to SIGN IN at each meeting for attendance records</u>.

**Contact: Andrea Hearing** 

andrea@marltonwomansclub.com

(609) 304-6521 cell

## Marlton Woman's Club Apparel

Are you interested in a new MWC shirt? Or want another one? Club members wear these pink shirts at almost all of our events, and the new designs have been very popular!

#### Choose from:

- ⇒ Soft T-Shirt = \$25.00 (regular crew neck)
- ⇒ V-Neck = \$20.00
- ⇒ Collared Polo Shirts = \$35.00
- $\Rightarrow$  Zip up hoodies \$40 and \$45

Shirts are ordered periodically throughout the year to group orders together. See the order form at club meetings or sign up with Andrea Hearing at (609) 304-6521 or andrea@marltonwomansclub.com.





#### Communications

Deadline: February 1 for February issue (issue emailed week of the 15th of the month)

Articles due to editor Jan Martin jan@marltonwomansclub.com



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### **Education and Libraries**

**Bee There** — Mark your calendars: **February 15, 2024 (5:30 pm)** will be the 10th spelling bee for the Marlton Woman's Club! Volunteers are needed for this fun family event. The bee will be held at Van Zant School (270 Conestoga Drive, Marlton).

Since 1989 local clubs in the New Jersey State Federation of Women's Clubs (NJSFWC) have sponsored spelling bees for 4th and 5th graders. Clubs either hold a spelling bee of their own or ask schools to hold spelling bees, after which the club sponsors the three winners in the District Spelling Bee. Winners from the District Spelling Bee compete in the State Spelling Bee at NJSFWC Headquarters in New Brunswick, NJ.

By sponsoring spelling bees, NJSFWC aims to keep spelling a valued component of education, one that can also be fun, rewarding and encouraging to students. The ultimate goal is to have students do their best to be the best.

The Garden District spelling bee will be **February 25, 2024** at Haddon Fortnightly in Haddonfield.

The NJSFWC State spelling bee is **April 20, 2024** at the NJSFWC headquarters in New Brunswick, NJ.

#### **January Book Club**

The Book Club met on January 11th at Linda Magee's house and discussed the book "Chestnut Street" by Maeve Binchy. A date and book have not yet been selected for the next Book Club.

## Adopt-a-Family

Thank you to everyone for your generous Adopt-a-Family donations. We continued to work with the school nurse from Rice School to identify families in need. Your generosity is most appreciated.

## Joanne Lotierzo Memorial Scholarship

Please contact June Adair if you would like to help with this year's scholarship selection process.

#### **Contact: June Adair**

jadair446@gmail.com ~ (856) 264-1808 cell







Sue Staton ·····	·····January 12
Sue Gaskill ······	·····January 26
Shelly Thomas	·····February 13
Paula Wormald ·····	·····February 15
Kathleen Somers	·····February 16
Genni Fardella ·····	·····February 23
Kelly Kerns ······	·····February 23

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## **Remote General Meeting Reminder**

Remember, Google Meet is available for anyone who wants to join remotely. Please let <u>Andrea Hearing</u> or <u>Linda Magee</u> know that you will join remotely so we can bring our laptop.

## **Dollar Store Savings**

If you are purchasing items at Dollar Tree, remember we have a tax exempt form so you don't pay state sales tax. Please contact Linda Magee for a copy.

## **Marlton Mondays**

Visit any of the participating Marlton Mondays businesses on Mondays and mention "Marlton Mondays" to **get 10% OFF your total purchase!** It's that simple! Eat Local! Shop Local! Play Local! Support your township by supporting your local economy! #MarltonMondays. See the complete listing at <a href="https://evesham-nj.org/marlton-mondays">https://evesham-nj.org/marlton-mondays</a>.

Want to have your business join the Marlton Mondays program? Contact Stacy Webb at (856) 985-4338 or <a href="mailto:webbs@evesham-nj.gov">webbs@evesham-nj.gov</a>

Spring Bingo has been moved to Sunday, April 21, 2024 from March.

## **Holiday Dinner Fun**





## **Club Group Email Addresses**

Are you looking to send an email to a group in the Marlton Woman's Club? It's simpler than ever. Simply address your email to the following pre-set distribution groups and it will easily reach those you intend:

MWC-Board@marltonwomansclub.com
Group email for MWC Board Members

MWC-Members@marltonwomansclub.com
Group email for all club members

MWC-Chairs@marltonwomansclub.com Group email for Committee Chairwomen

## **Ongoing Collections**

- ⇒ Gently used or new bras (Free the Girls, DV)
- ⇒ K-Cups, Brita Filters (Environment)
- ⇒ Sanitary napkins (I Support the Girls, DV)
- ⇒ Coats and clothing (Little Hands, Little Feet)
- ⇒ Children's books (Little Hands, Little Feet)
- ⇒ Used clean mascara wands (Environment)
- ⇒ Gently used shoes (Environment, DSW)
- ⇒ Towels and Washcloths (Providence House)
- ⇒ Eyeglasses for the Lions Club (Education)
- ⇒ Soda tabs (Ronald McDonald House)
- ⇒ Spare Change (Heifer)

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### **Domestic Violence Awareness**

A million THANKS to Genni, Sue P, Michelle, Paula, Val, Antoinette, Caren and Sherry for the many hours spent unpacking, sorting and displaying items for Providence House Domestic Violence Holiday Shop. Thanks to your hard work, over 50 families enjoyed a wonderful Holiday Season filled with gifts and much needed items.

Barbara Katz and the staff along with the families experiencing the crisis of domestic violence are so grateful to our club for our longtime and continued support. We look forward to future hands-on projects for this wonderful and vital organization.

Once again, we will be asking you to grab your scissors to help us at a fun "No-Sew" tie blanket making get-together in early spring — date and place to determined. The recipients of the blankets will be the residents of Covenant House Atlantic City, a safe-haven for homeless teens and youth at risk for human trafficking. There is a constant need in the shelter for these blankets. We hope to have a few members of Girl Talk help us with this fun project. If possible, donated blanket kits are very welcome for this activity and are usually available at JOANN Fabrics or on Amazon — size 48" x 60" — please select a pattern appropriate

for teenagers. Stay tuned for more information in the coming weeks. Questions, please call Donna.

**Contact: Donna Gatti** 

609-828-6505 cell/text ~ zeets1@comcast.net



## 60th Anniversary Celebration 1964-2024

In April 2024, the Marlton Woman's Club will celebrate 60 years of service to the Marlton and Evesham communities. The club was organized in 1963 and federated in 1964. The anniversary committee is exploring various options for honoring this milestone to commemorate our club 60th anniversary.

We are well on our way after our December Boscov's gift wrapping fundraiser which was a huge success. We raised \$533 wrapping gifts. Thanks to Sandy Meltz and Boscov's for giving us the opportunity to kick off our fundraising efforts for our 60th anniversary gift to the Evesham Parks Department. Thanks to our ace wrappers too.



### 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.



# **EXECUTIVE BOARD**

President Linda Magee
Vice President Andrea Hearing
Corresponding Secr. Donna Gatti
Recording Secretary Debbie Price
Treasurer Barbara Greco
Federation Secretary Mindi Carleton

January Board Meeting Tuesday, January 16

5:30 pm dinner Marco's Restaurant at Indian Spring



## **UPCOMING DATES**

## **January General Meeting**

Monday, January 22 Social Gathering 6:30 p.m. Meeting at 7:00 p.m. at Gibson House (see pg. 1)

**February General Meeting** 

Monday, February 26, 2024

## 2023-24 Committee Chairwomen

Advocates for Children	.Meryl Schindler
Arts & Culture	.Mindi Carleton
Arts Performing	.Valerie Pelerin
Civic Engagement	OPEN
& Outreach	
Communications	.Jan Martin
Contact	Linda Magee
Domestic Violence	.Donna Gatti
Awareness	
Education & Libraries	.June Adair
Environment	.Valerie Pelerin
	& Genni Fardella
Finance	.Barbara Greco
Fundraising	.Sandy Meltz
Health & Wellness	.Sue Gaskill
Holiday Dinner	Linda Magee
Installation Dinner	.Linda Magee &
	Andrea Hearing
Legislation/Resolutions	. OPEN
Membership	.Andrea Hearing
Special State Project	.Michele Fleming-
	Waters
Photography	.Barbara Greco
Programs	.Genni Fardella
Social	.Sue Price
Sunshine	.Sue Price
Website	.Jan Martin
Women's History	.Sandy Ellis





