MARLTON WOMAN'S CLUB

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(609) 636-9797 cell

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, October 28

7:00 p.m. Gibson House



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





PATCHWORK

"Together in Service, United in Friendship" Barbara McCloskey, NJSFWC President



October 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."

Who is ready to play BINGO? We are! Our Fall Bingo is on **Sunday, Oct. 20** and again, we are SOLD OUT. Remember to wear your pink shirts and bring your raffle baskets and donations for Providence House and Covenant House (see page 3). Thank you to Nancy for holding 2 basket making sessions on October 1. It was a lot of fun.

Are you Wonder Woman? We need all our Wonder Woman members and others to help distribute candy and snacks at Trunk or Treat on **Friday, October 18** at Savich Field. It's always so fun to see all the kids in



their Halloween costumes. And to see how many of them return to our table for second, third, etc. helpings! If you can't attend, please let Sandy M. or Linda know if you want to donate candy or snack bags. We will gladly bring them that night. Rain date is Saturday, October 19.

Speaking of rain, thank you to everyone who helped with Harvest Fest on Sept. 28. The crowd was light due to the weather so we will be selling Hershey bars at Bingo and the next few General Meetings. See Sandy M. if you want to buy some. All proceeds support Veterans Haven South.

Don't forget the sale date for Boscov's Friends Helping Friends is **October 22**. If you don't have a coupon, see Sandy M. on the 2nd floor of the Moorestown store that day. Coupons are \$5 and we will donate all the money to NJ Alliance for Children, the new NJSFWC Special State Project.

Thank you to everyone who brought holiday stockings to the September meeting. If you still have your stocking or items for a stocking, please contact June Adair. She will be dropping off the stockings at NJSFWC Headquarters after our October General Meeting (see page 5).

Our October General Meeting is our Open House. We passed out a lot of reminder postcards at Harvest Fest and hope to see some prospective members that night. Committee chairs will be describing what their committee does and it's a fun evening!

Looking ahead, there are Report Writing seminars for Committee Chairs, Book Club, and various Committee Meetings including the Holiday Party Planning committee. Check the calendar on our website and come join us.

Linda Magee linda@marltonwomansclub.com (609) 636-9797 cell/text

October Open House Monday, October 28th

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

Vice President

- ⇒ At our October 28th General Meeting and Open House, committee chairs will have 3 minutes to briefly talk about their committee. Ideas: What does your committee do? Ask your members to stand. Use a poster if you want. What events do you have? NOTE: Due to time, committee chairs will NOT give their normal reports during this meeting (please send any updates to Jan so she can include in Patchwork)
- ⇒ We are planning a Committee Chair meeting which will include Report Writing information. Any help you'd like to cover, please let me know so we can address at the meeting. Year-end reports are due to NJSFWC in December.
- ⇒ HELP WANTED: We are looking for chairwomen for: Legislation, and Civic Engagement and Outreach, a chair or two co-chairs.
- ⇒ Interested in having a club email address (yourname@marltonwomanclub.com) to keep your emails separate? Just let me know. The email will also give you access to the club's Google Drive where items are centrally stored.

Contact: Andrea Hearing

andrea@marltonwomansclub.com



Federation Secretary

We are registered for the Sept. 28, 2024 **GFWC National Day of Service** and, like last year, our Bingo donations will satisfy our goal. The campaign will again focus on food insecurity and hunger to generate public awareness. <u>Visit:</u> https://www.gfwc.org/nds/

Contact: Linda Magee

linda@marltonwomansclub.com, (609) 636-9797

Corresponding Secretary

Our Marlton Woman's Club continues to receive newsletters, updates, notes of gratitude and requests for ongoing support from the many charities and organizations that we contribute to throughout the year. Cathedral Kitchen in Camden is holding its annual major fundraiser — Harvest for Hunger 2024 on 11/7, 6-9 pm, Lucien's Ballroom. Enjoy a night of bidding, food, drinks, and fun! For more information, please visit their website. Reminder: if you received a gift card or item from a business or individual for our October Bingo Basket auction, please inform Donna Gatti or Genni Fardella so that we can send a thank you for their generosity!

- Donna Gatti

Treasurer

- Operating Account Balance \$7,327.42
- ♦ Fundraising Account Balance \$3,176.08

Remember NOT to include lottery tickets in your raffle baskets. These were collected at the September meeting.

NEW: Bank reconciliations will be kept in a binder in the back of the room for General Meetings if you'd like to look at them.

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

Fundraising

Fall Bingo — SOLD OUT! Sunday, October 20 (Noon-4 pm)

It's going to be a great day! We are again bursting at the seams. You may have some new friends at your table, please welcome them. If you still owe ticket money, please get it to Barbara Greco. Tickets are \$40 each.

- Box lunch choices: Turkey, Roast Beef, Veggie & Chicken Salad—all wraps.
- Please remind your guests that Wish Lists for items to donate to Covenant House and Providence House are on the back of the ticket (see page 11). NO expired food please!
- Please bring fun snacks for your table too and remember to wear your pink shirts.
- You may arrive at 10:00 am that day to set up. Remember to bring a beverage if you like, as the bar will not be set up yet.
- Please put a theme on your basket including list of items included, and bring basket(s) the day of the event. Let Genni Fardella know what you are donating too.

 We'll be selling candy bars for \$2 at Bingo from Harvest Fest. Proceeds support Veterans Haven South. Pick up a few.

Boscov's Friends Helping Friends

THANK YOU to everyone that helped sell \$5.00 coupons at Boscov's store Sept. 6-7. We raised \$867.00 for our Special State Project, NJ Alliance for Children. Awesome work! The date for the Big Sale is **Tuesday, Oct. 22** from 8 am - 11 pm. Coupon entitles shoppers to 25% off the lowest price in most departments. Great savings!

YES, Sandy Meltz still has \$5 coupons left if you'd like some!

Evesham Harvest Fest Saturday, September 28

Thanks to everyone who helped staff our booth at Harvest Fest. Even the rain couldn't dampen our spirits. Kids loved the Tootsie Pop game and we passed out mammogram reminders for October's Breast Cancer Awareness Month and our October Open House. We raised \$391.88 including 14 Venmo payments. Our profit for Veterans South after paying for the Hershey bars was \$101.70. Great job team!

Contact: Sandy Meltz

(856) 630-4118

NEW EMAIL: <u>sandy@marltonwomansclub.com</u>

60th Anniversary Bench Dedication September 18, 2024



Mayor Jackie Veasy (L) cuts the ribbon on a bench commemorating our club's 60th Anniversary.



See more photos on the Evesham Facebook page:

https://www.facebook.com/EveshamTownship/
posts/

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NEW: 2024-2026 Special State Project

New Jersey Children's Alliance promotes hope, healing and justice for victims of child abuse throughout New Jersey by supporting Child Advocacy Centers with training, resources, advocacy, and leadership. Their goal is for every child abuse victim in New Jersey to have access to the hope and healing provided by the full range of quality, comprehensive, coordinated and evidence-informed services offered by Child Advocacy Centers in order to create a world without child abuse. New Jersey Children's Alliance is the New Jersey Chapter of the National Children's Alliance.



Having fun and meeting the community at the Evesham Harvest Fest



Social

We are looking at doing a Cookie Exchange for the holidays. More information to come.

Contact: Sue Price

smprice0509@comcast.net ~ (856) 313-6831





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Civic Engagement & Outreach

Holiday Stockings

Ho ho ho! Working together, we are bringing a ray of sunshine to our troops at the holidays. I'm amazed to report we filled 61 stuffed stockings! With the 25 stockings from my friends, we are sending **86 stockings** and \$173 for shipping! Thanks for opening your hearts to send a little something from home to our troops. Learn more about Operation Jersey Cares at www.operationjerseycares.org.

Trunk or Treat

Evesham Police Department's Trunk or Treat Halloween Celebration will be on **Friday, October 18** at Savich Field (6-8 pm) and we will again be Wonder Women. Donations of individually wrapped Halloween candy are needed! Please drop off at the home of Linda Magee (39 S. Elmwood, Marlton) or Donna Gatti (7 Sunnyside Court, Marlton). Sign up with June Adair if you can help. Thanks to Sandy for loaning us her trunk!

Contact: June Adair, interim chair <u>jadair446@gmail.com</u> ~ (856) 264-1808



Advocates for Children Collections

Ronald McDonald House

We continue to collect pull tabs. Thank you!

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 books for children of all ages.

St. Jude's Ranch for Children

We are no longer continuing the collection of greeting cards.

Contact: Paula Wormald ~ (267) 496-0330 cell paula@marltonwomansclub.com (NEW EMAIL!)

Contact: Debbie Hessler ~ (609) 744-6053 dahess52@gmail.com



We will again sponsor our Veterans Essay Contest in November for local fifth graders

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Health and Wellness Awareness

Calling all MWC members - we have a new opportunity to help a great cause this year. The GFWC has highlighted a few clubs nationally who have fielded teams in the Walk to End Alzheimer's. Now our club is joining them. Save the date and join our team - we will be walking at Citizens Bank Park in Philadelphia on **Saturday, November 9**th. This is a very cool chance to actually walk on the field where the Phillies play, and even more importantly, to raise more money than ever for the Alzheimer's Association, an organization that provides funds for research toward a cure as well as funds to support patients, caregivers, and loved ones of those suffering from Alzheimer's and other forms of dementia. The link below will allow you to join our team and to donate to the team. Through the website, you can create your own personal participant page, send emails to friends and family asking for donations, link your donation page to social media, and more! And, if you don't want to/can't attend the walk yourself, please join our team and do some of MWC's amazing trademark fundraising!

<u>GFWC Marlton Woman's Club's Walk to End Alzheimer's Team Page</u>

(Right click on the link and select "open hyperlink" to go to our page and join or donate; also see email from Sue Gaskill)

The MWC Walking Club continues to invite anyone who's interested to come out on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Fridays, Sundays, and any other day we can get a group together. There is someone (or a group) walking almost every day of the week! Feel free to reach out to Sue Gaskill (Gaskill susan@yahoo.com or 856-979-8595) if you want to get on the text list for any of the days. If it's not a day I walk, I'll put you in touch with the right person.

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Ladies – be sure to get your regular mammograms, do self-exams, and pay attention to what your body is telling you. The life you save may be your own.

Contact: Sue Gaskill

Gaskill susan@yahoo.com ~ (856) 979-8595







Celebrating the Marlton Woman's Club 1964—2024

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Environment

America Recycles Day is the only nationally-recognized day dedicated to promoting and celebrating recycling in the United States. Held on and around November 15, America Recycles Day (ARD) educates and encourages individuals to be more mindful of what they consume, where and how to properly recycle, and to pledge to recycle more and recycle right in their everyday lives.

This highlights actions we can all take to address the challenges facing our nation's recycling system. Through ARD, Keep America Beautiful and its partners inspire communities and individuals to recognize the economic, environmental, and social benefits of recycling. Keep America Beautiful urges people to reduce, reuse, repurpose and recycle in every aspect of their life.

- Recycle at home, work, school, on the go
- Buy products made with recycled content
- Educate and encourage friends, family, and neighbors to do the same

Also known as National Recycling Day, the first America Recycles Day was officially held on November 15, 1994, and had over 40 states taking part.

WHY IS RECYCLING IMPORTANT?

Recycling is important to ensuring our planet remains healthy. There are many great reasons and benefits to recycling which include:

- Reduce landfill waste
- Conserve natural resources such as oceans and forests
- Help lessen the burning of fossil fuels which can decrease the emission of greenhouse gas

REDUCE WASTE

It all starts with having less things. Before you shop, think about whether you really need that item. If you do need the item, then you can determine if it is a "green" product. Is it eco-friendly, has it passed standards for energy savings and is it something that is built to last?

Everyone can make a difference in their community. Recycling is an active step we can all take to clean, green, and beautify our lives. Let's take the step together! Join the movement!

For information about America Recycles Day, a program of Keep America Beautiful, go to www.kab.org

Contact: Val Pelerin and Genni Fardella val@marltonwomansclub.com; NEW EMAIL! gfardella@aol.com; (856) 278-4880

A Note from President Linda

MWC Friends,

I would appreciate it if you would please copy me on **every email** that you send regarding club events or activities. I have to keep our District Vice President and others informed and if I am not in the loop, I can't do that efficiently. Unless you are making plans for a personal event such as lunch with only a few members, I need to know what is happening. If in doubt, just copy me and I can easily delete your email after I read it. If you have questions, just reach out. Thanks so much for including me on all your emails.

Email: linda@marltonwomansclub.com.

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 Page 8 PATCHWORK

Membership

Hello Marlton Woman's Club! I have to say we are doing a fabulous job of referring family & friends and also getting the word out about us during the events we participate in. At our September meeting we welcomed 3 new guests learning more about us.

The terrific news is one of our August guests, Donna Cisowski, has officially become a member of The Marlton Woman's Club! Welcome Donna!! Donna has jumped in to the deep end of the pool by already participating in multiple events! We look forward to doing great things with you.

We continue to field requests for more information about our club from ladies who find us on Facebook, our website and Instagram. Let's not forget You, our members, are a wonderful tool to spread the word about our club.

All Prospective Members receive a descriptive email and membership packet, as well as the most recent issue of The Patchwork. Please continue to tell your friends about the impressive work of this club.

Please remember to SIGN IN at the back table each meeting for attendance records.

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 a laptop.

Contact: Sherry Haines ~ (856) 630-2640 cell Sherry@marltonwomansclub.com



Please Welcome our Newest Member Donna Cisowski

1317 Barclay Blvd.
Marlton, NJ 08053
donnacisowski@gmail.com
(215) 816-3566

ASK ME IF I DID

ANYTHING EXCITING

OVER THE WEEKEND...

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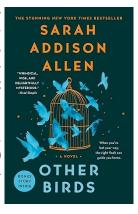


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Education and Libraries

Book Club

The Book Club is reading *Other Birds* by Sarah Addison Allen. Kathleen Somers has picked up large print and regular print copies. Please text her at 609-923-6207 if you'd like a copy. The Book Club will meet at Irene's on **Tuesday**, **October 29th** at 6:00 pm. Books are due back October 30th.



Essay Contests

We will sponsor a fifth grade Veteran's Day essay contest at Van Zant and Jaggard Schools again this November to celebrate Veterans Day. The committee will judge the essays on **Wednesday**, **Nov. 6** at 6:00 pm at the Evesham Library. Winners will be announced at a **Nov. 11** program at the schools.

11th Marlton Woman's Club Spelling Bee

Watch for details soon. Garden District Spelling Bee is February 23, 2025 at Haddon Fortnightly.

Contact: June Adair

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

Arts Performing

- As mentioned at the General Meeting it is not too early to think about writing a Poem, Haiku, Play/Skit, Short Story or Book Review to enter in the Member Creative Writing Contest. To review the Contest Categories and Rules which are on page 3 in the Arts Performing Supplement go to www.NJSFWC.org and look in the Materials tab. Entries have to reach the NJSFWC Literature Division Chairman by February 1, 2025. Please get your entries to me by January 20, 2025 and I will mail all of them together.
- For ballet lovers, the Philadelphia Ballet is performing Le Corsaire which is a "spectacular swashbuckling romance" October 18 26. For details visit: www.philadelphiaballet.org; 215.893.1999

Contact: Val Pelerin

val.pelerin@gmail.com; (856) 906-2031



MWC Promotional Products

Nancy Schwartz is coordinating production of our Marlton Woman's Club shirts and swag. If you want a shirt, please let her know. Shirts are typically men's sizing.

The primary promotional website Nancy uses is www.sanmar.com. If they carry it she can often get the item and personalize with our logo.

Contact: Nancy Schwartz

bobnburner@aol.com ~ (973) 615-0353 cell

Arts and Culture

Thanks to Nancy Schwartz for hosting a gift basket



building demonstration at her house on **October 1**.

We are also looking for centerpiece ideas for the

December Holiday Dinner. Any neat ideas?

Contact: Nancy Schwartz bobnburner@aol.com

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Communications

- ◆ Deadline for the November issue of *The Patchwork* is **November 1.** Patchwork issues are mailed mid-month to allow for Board meeting information to be included. Articles are due to editor Jan Martin at jan@marltonwomansclub.com.
- Work is underway for the 2024-2025 Marlton Woman's Club Yearbook, which will be distributed in October. If you have had any changes to your contact information or perhaps discontinued your home phone, please let Jan know.
- NJSFWC Canva Workshop is being offered Saturday, Nov. 9 at 10:30 am. RSVP is required. Use Canva to make beautiful, customizable documents for just about anything! A laptop is necessary to attend the workshop. See Linda Magee to sign up.
- We are exploring Instagram as an additional platform for exposure on social media to reach others who may be interested in the club.

Contact: Jan Martin 630-750-7622 cell/text jan@marltonwomansclub.com

Did You Know ...

Yom Kippur begins at sundown on Friday, October 11 and ends at nightfall on Saturday, October 12, 2024. Also known as Day of Atonement, Yom Kippur is the holiest day of the year for Jews. Its central themes are atonement and repentance. Yom Kippur completes the annual period known in Judaism as the High Holy Days. Blessings to all who celebrate.



Programs

October 28th will be our Fall Open House. Member and dental professional Nicole Greco will speak about the effect of our oral health on our physical health at the November meeting. We have two speakers a year, fall and spring.

Contact: Genni Fardella

gfardella@aol.com ~ (856) 278-4880



Birthdays (Oct. 15-Nov. 15)

Jan MartinOctober 19
Meryl Schindler ······October 21
Donna Gatti ······November 13

Ongoing Collections

- Gently used shoes to DSW
- Used mascara wands to Sephora for wildlife
- Brita water filters, K-cups, etc. to Val Pelerin
- Towels and washcloths for Providence House
- Gently used or new bras for Free the Girls
- Sanitary napkins for I Support the Girls
- Spare change for Heifer
- Coats and clothing for Little Hands, Little Feet
- Children's books for Little Hands, Little Feet
- Soda can tabs for Ronald MacDonald House

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Domestic Violence Awareness and Prevention

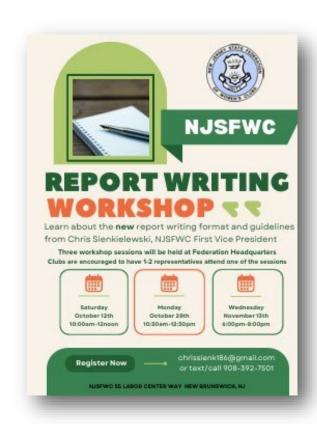
October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month! New Jersey continues to lead in legislative efforts to protect victims and prevent further violence which often has devasting outcomes. Presently, Lisa's Law, named for Lisa Zindell, is working its way thru the N.J. legislative process. In 2009, Lisa was murdered by her ex-fiance a day after he was released from jail for violating a restraining order. This new law would require offenders to be electronically monitored and the program would notify victims if their assailants came within a certain proximity. If victims are aware of impending danger, every second counts when attempting to flee or contact police for help. Please support this effort to ensure the safety of victims and prevent further domestic violence!

Our Marlton Woman's Club continues to support Providence House, Catholic Charities Domestic Violence Safe House and Services Burlington County and Covenant House, Atlantic City, a safehaven for homeless teens and youths at risk for human trafficking. These wonderful organizations will be the recipients of the donations brought by our guests to our October Bingo event. (NO expired food please). Thank you in advance for the

amazing generosity of our attendees. A report of the donations will be presented at the October general meeting.

Contact: Donna Gatti

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





Save The Date: Holiday Dinner

Our Holiday dinner will be **Monday**, **Dec. 2** and this year, will be catered at the Gibson House instead of going to a local restaurant. We've found that it's been difficult to hear our program at a restaurant that is also open to other diners not to mention fitting our growing club into a confined space. The dinner replaces our December General Meeting.

It's time to start planning for this fun evening so let Linda know if you'd like to be on the planning committee. Andrea Hearing has the sign up sheet.

Contact: Linda Magee

linda@marltonwomansclub.com, (609) 636-9797

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.

I see people my age out there climbing mountains and zip lining and here I am feeling good about myself because I got my leg through my underwear without losing my balance.

EXECUTIVE BOARD

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

October Board Meeting

Monday, October 21 6:00 p.m. Gibson House



October General Meeting and Open House Monday, October 28

Bring a friend or two!

November General Meeting Monday, November 25

Social Time 6:30 PM/Meeting 7:00 PM at Gibson House

2024-25 Committee Chairwomen

Advocates for Children	
Arts & Culture	
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Photography	.Barbara Greco
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Social	.Sue Price
Sunshine	.Sue Price
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