



## Presidents' Message

**HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

ANOTHER HOLIDAY SEASON HAS COME AND GONE AND IT'S TIME FOR US TO GET DOWN TO BUSINESS. WE ARE LOOKING FOR COMPLETE PARTICIPATION IN OUR PROJECTS ~ IN LINE WITH OUR BYLAWS EACH AND EVERY MEMBER IS REQUIRED TO ATTEND TWO MEETINGS, PARTICIPATE IN FUNDRAISING AND AT LEAST ONE OF OUR MANY SERVICE PROJECTS. ON ANOTHER NOTE, THE MEDFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION HAS MADE THE UNDERSTANDABLE BUT UNFORTUNATE DECISION TO ASK US TO CANCEL OUR SPELLING BEE THIS YEAR SO LET'S HOPE WE CAN SEE THE KIDS BACK IN 2023.

~ KATHY AND SHAWN

VISIT OUR WEBSITE [MEDFORDWOMANSCLUB.COM](http://MEDFORDWOMANSCLUB.COM)

### JANUARY MEETING PROGRAM

WE WILL BE CREATING VALENTINES FOR THE RESIDENTS OF THE VINELAND MEMORIAL VETERANS HOME

REFRESHMENTS  
SAVORY SNACK ~ SHAWN  
SWEET SNACK ~ KAREN

**UPDATE ~ THIS MAY BE A ZOOM MEETING.**



### DATES TO REMEMBER

JANUARY 1 ~ HAPPY NEW YEAR!

JANUARY 13 ~ GENERAL MEETING  
MEDFORD MEMORIAL COMMUNITY CENTER  
PLEASE BRING NON-PERISHABLE ITEMS FOR THE RUTGERS STUDENT FOOD PANTRY TO BE DONATED AT THE GARDEN DISTRICT COUNCIL MEETING  
7:00 PM  
**UPDATE ~ THIS MAY BE A ZOOM MEETING.**

JANUARY 17 ~ MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY

JANUARY 19 ~ BOOK CLUB  
SHAWN'S HOUSE  
6:00 PM

JANUARY 20 ~ GARDEN DISTRICT COUNCIL  
MEDFORD MEMORIAL COMMUNITY CENTER  
10:00 AM

JANUARY 21 ~ SOCIAL ~ NIGHT FORMS  
GROUNDS FOR SCULPTURE  
RSVP BY JANUARY 10  
PENDING COVID UPDATES







**NEW JERSEY STATE FEDERATION OF  
WOMEN'S CLUBS OF GFWC**  
Volunteers in Action



**GARDEN DISTRICT  
ARTS & CULTURE**

KATHY C. HAS TAKEN ON THE ROLE OF ARTS AND CULTURE GARDEN DISTRICT CHAIRPERSON. DISTRICT ACHIEVEMENT DAY IS SCHEDULED FOR APRIL 14, 2022 AT THE PENNSAUKEN COUNTRY CLUB. THERE ARE SO MANY TALENTED WOMEN IN OUR CLUB, IT WOULD BE WONDERFUL TO DISPLAY THOSE TALENTS FOR ALL TO SEE.

**GARDEN DISTRICT  
COUNCIL**



THE WOMAN'S CLUB OF MEDFORD WILL HOST THE JANUARY GARDEN DISTRICT COUNCIL MEETING. THIS MEETING WILL TAKE PLACE ON THURSDAY, JANUARY 20 AT 10:00 AM. WE WILL BE MEETING AT THE MEDFORD MEMORIAL COMMUNITY CENTER AND WE WILL BE COLLECTING NON-PERISHABLE ITEMS FOR THE RUTGERS STUDENT FOOD PANTRY.

**UPDATE ~ THIS MAY BE A ZOOM MEETING.**

**NJSFWC 2022 CONVENTION**

THE NJSFWC 2022 CONVENTION WILL BE HELD FROM SUNDAY, APRIL 24TH - TUESDAY, APRIL 26TH AT THE TROPICANA IN ATLANTIC CITY. PLEASE LET SHAWN OR KATHY KNOW IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN ATTENDING.



**RESOLUTION TO SAVE THE BEES**

IN 2017, A RESOLUTION WAS PASSED TO RESTRICT THE USE OF NEONICOTINOID PESTICIDES. THESE ARE THE PESTICIDES RESPONSIBLE FOR KILLING HONEY BEES. THIS BILL, A2070, IS FINALLY COMING BEFORE THE FULL ASSEMBLY, SO PLEASE CONTACT YOUR STATE ASSEMBLYPERSON BY EMAIL OR PHONE AND LET THEM KNOW YOU AND THE NJSFWC SUPPORT THIS BILL. THE NJ SENATE HAS ALREADY PASSED THIS BILL. SAVE THE HONEY.

**GIRLS' CAREER INSTITUTE:  
A PROGRAM OF THE NJSFWC**



GIRLS' CAREER INSTITUTE (GCI) OFFERS A "MINI COLLEGE EXPERIENCE" AT DOUGLASS RESIDENTIAL COLLEGE ON THE CAMPUS OF RUTGERS UNIVERSITY. DELEGATES EXPERIENCE A SAMPLE OF COLLEGE LIFE BY LIVING IN A DORM, EATING IN A CAFETERIA, AND ATTENDING LECTURES AND WORKSHOPS. THEY LEARN ABOUT CAREER CHOICES FROM VOLUNTEER PROFESSIONAL SPEAKERS AND HOW TO NETWORK WITH OTHER DELEGATES FROM ALL OVER THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY. MANY ESTABLISH LASTING FRIENDSHIPS WITH ONE ANOTHER.

DELEGATES ARE SPONSORED AND THE COST IS UNDERWRITTEN BY A LOCAL NJSFWC CLUB. DELEGATES ARE SELECTED ON THE BASIS OF INTEREST, COMMUNITY SERVICE AND PARTICIPATION IN SCHOOL ACTIVITIES. FORMERLY KNOWN AS GIRLS CITIZENSHIP INSTITUTE, THE PROGRAM BEGAN IN 1947 AND WAS FIRST HELD AT MONTCLAIR STATE TEACHERS COLLEGE WITH 100 SCHOOL GIRLS ATTENDING. SINCE 1948, GCI HAS BEEN HELD AT DOUGLASS COLLEGE, NOW DOUGLASS RESIDENTIAL COLLEGE CAMPUS OF RUTGERS UNIVERSITY.

NEW JERSEY WAS THE FIRST STATE TO DEVELOP THIS TYPE OF TRAINING PROGRAM FOR GIRLS.



# FROM GFWC NEWS & NOTES

## SUCCESS FOR SURVIVORS SCHOLARSHIP



AS PART OF THE GFWC SIGNATURE PROGRAM: DOMESTIC AND SEXUAL VIOLENCE AWARENESS AND PREVENTION, THE GFWC SUCCESS FOR SURVIVORS SCHOLARSHIP WAS CREATED IN 2012 TO LEND A HELPING HAND TO THOSE IMPACTED BY INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE WHO ARE PURSUING HIGHER EDUCATION. THE SCHOLARSHIP AIMS TO PROVIDE SURVIVORS WITH A MEANS TO ACHIEVE BOTH FINANCIAL AND PERSONAL INDEPENDENCE. SINCE ITS INCEPTION, GFWC HAS AWARDED MORE THAN \$97,500 IN SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS.

EACH YEAR, GFWC AWARDS THESE SCHOLARSHIPS TO HELP SURVIVORS OBTAIN A POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION THAT OFFERS A CHANCE TO RESHAPE THEIR FUTURE BY SECURING EMPLOYMENT AND GAINING PERSONAL INDEPENDENCE.

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION IS FEBRUARY 2, 2022. IF YOU HAPPEN TO KNOW ANYONE WHO WOULD BENEFIT, PLEASE PASS THIS INFORMATION TO THEM.

[SUCCESS FOR SURVIVORS APPLICATION](#)



**GFWC**  
AFFILIATE ORGANIZATION

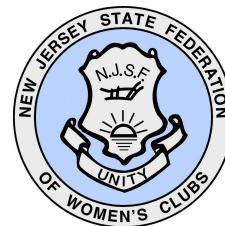
SHOT@LIFE, A UNITED NATIONS FOUNDATION'S CAMPAIGN, SEEKS TO EDUCATE, CONNECT, AND EMPOWER AMERICANS TO CHAMPION VACCINES IN ORDER TO SAVE CHILDREN IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES. EVERY 20 SECONDS, A CHILD DIES OF A VACCINE-PREVENTABLE DISEASE LIKE PNEUMONIA, DIARRHEA, MEASLES, AND POLIO. YOU CAN HELP SAVE A CHILD'S LIFE BY ENCOURAGING, LEARNING ABOUT, ADVOCATING FOR, AND DONATING VACCINES.



## STARFISH PROJECT WEAR HOPE, GIVE HOPE

GFWC IS EXCITED TO ENTER A FUNDRAISING AGREEMENT WITH STARFISH PROJECT FOR THE 2020–2022 ADMINISTRATION. STARFISH PROJECT IS AN ORGANIZATION THAT SUPPORTS WOMEN ESCAPING HUMAN TRAFFICKING AND EXPLOITATION. THE ORGANIZATION IS CURRENTLY WORKING WITH MORE THAN 150 SURVIVORS TO PROVIDE A FRESH START IN LIFE BY ARRANGING SAFE HOUSING, HEALTHCARE, EDUCATION AND TRAINING, AND EMPLOYING THEM TO MAKE JEWELRY AND GARMENTS TO SUPPORT ITS MISSION.

THROUGH THIS ENDORSED FUNDRAISER, 25% OF THE PROCEEDS FROM ANY STARFISH PROJECT PRODUCTS PURCHASED THROUGH THIS DEDICATED [link](#) WILL GO TO GFWC'S SUCCESS FOR SURVIVORS SCHOLARSHIP! VIEW STARFISH PROJECT'S NECKLACES, EARRINGS, BRACELETS, RINGS, AND GARMENTS. ORDER YOUR NEXT FAVORITE PIECE OF JEWELRY TODAY AND HELP A SURVIVOR OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING SUCCEED.



THE WOMAN'S CLUB OF MEDFORD IS A PROUD MEMBER OF THE NEW JERSEY STATE FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS AND IN TURN OF THE GENERAL FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS.

CLUB WOMEN ARE 'DEDICATED TO COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT BY ENHANCING THE LIVES OF OTHERS THROUGH VOLUNTEER SERVICE'.