

# The Woman's Club of Medford



**VOICE** May 2023

NJSFWC GARDEN DISTRICT - WOMAN'S CLUB OF MEDFORD, NJ

## Presidents' Message

April showers bring May flowers! Memorial Day weekend we will hang flower baskets along Main Street. All summer long residents and visitors enjoy the bright colors of the flower baskets. There is a way for everyone to help. You can sponsor (or encourage friends) a flower basket for \$26. You can help hang the baskets on Saturday, May 27th. You can drive the water buffalo and water the flowers. There is so much going on in Medford! At this month's meeting Jeff Lucas joins us to talk about Studio 67. We encourage you to continue your valuable work and to inspire others to get involved in making a positive difference in Medford.

Thank you for all that you do!

*~ Shawn and Ellen*



## Dates to Remember

May 5 ~ Cinco de Mayo Social Lunch  
12:00 Noon  
Tacos El Tio

May 11 ~ General Meeting  
7:00 PM  
Medford Memorial Community Center

May 14 ~ Mother's Day

May 31 ~ Book Club  
6:00 PM  
Susan's House

June 7 ~ Installation Dinner  
6:00 PM  
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## May Program

**STUDIO 67** MEDFORD

Join us as we welcome  
Jeff Lucas  
Owner of Studio 67



## Proposed Slate for 2023-2024 Executive Board

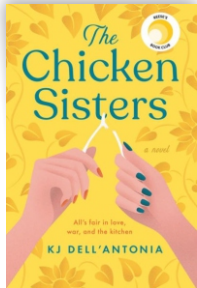
Co-Presidents ~ Shawn Shaffer and Ellen Walsh  
Co-1st Vice Presidents ~ Peg Czekay and  
Denise Mazza  
Co-2nd Vice Presidents ~ Joyce Scholz and  
Susan Michaelides  
Treasurer ~ Nancy Clipper  
Secretary ~ Julie Peterson

### FUNDRAISING

We are running a year long fund-raiser  
with See's ~ YUMMY!

[Click here to access and share the  
link to our storefront.](#)

We are excited to announce that our fund raising  
tea brought in \$3,805 in profit!



### Book Club

The Chicken Sisters  
by KJ Dell'Antoni

May 31  
6:00 PM ~ Susan's House

In tiny Merinac, Kansas, Chicken Mimi's and Chicken Frannie's have spent a century vying to serve up the best fried chicken in the state—and the legendary feud between their respective owners, the Moores and the Pogociellos, has lasted just as long. No one feels the impact more than thirty-five-year-old widow Amanda Moore, who grew up working for her mom at Mimi's before scandalously marrying Frank Pogociello and changing sides to work at Frannie's. Tired of being caught in the middle, Amanda sends an SOS to Food Wars, the reality TV restaurant competition that promises \$100,000 to the winner. But in doing so, she launches both families out of the frying pan and directly into the fire. . .

Wanna Read Ahead?  
Up Next ~ The Clover Girls  
by Viola Shipman



## Thanks to:

Nancy for organizing and running the  
Community Wide Yard Sale!

Alice, Nora, Ann, Kathy, Sharon and Shawn  
for stepping up to the challenge  
to decide the recipient for our  
scholarship.

Alice for once again making the calls and getting it done  
for our nominating committee.

Susan for organizing our installation dinner.

## Congratulations!



We are happy to announce the  
2023 recipient of the  
Woman's Club of Medford  
Alice Mietz Scholarship.  
Sidney Bernhardt, a senior at  
Shawnee High School, will be  
attending Millersville University  
and hopes to become a high school  
history teacher. Good Luck Sidney!

## Social News

Kathy will be reintroducing  
monthly social events.

We will offer a daytime  
and an evening option.

We also hope to eventually  
offer day long events such as  
trips to NYC for a show or

Longwood Gardens or Grounds for Sculpture  
for their holiday lights.

First up will be a Cinco de Mayo celebration on  
Friday, May 5th at Tacos El Tio in  
Village of Taunton Forge.

We will make this first one a lunch.

Let Kathy know ASAP if you would like to attend  
and she will make reservations.





# NJSFWC NEWS

*From Mary Kay Tokar  
Director Girls' Career Institute,  
New Jersey State Federation of Women's Clubs:*

Donations GCI needs from members and clubs

In order to control the ever rising costs of GCI, we are asking for donations of many supplies needed.

Feminine Hygiene Products - We will be working with "The Flow Initiative"

You may purchase items to donate anywhere - or for convenience you may use the Amazon with list ~ [GCI Flow Initiative Wish List](#)

Pads, tampons - all brands or sizes, especially teen size

Purse size packets of flushable wipes - ex. Stall Mates from Amazon

Paper Lunch Bags - red or black - to repackage items into smaller batches

You may purchase anywhere to donate or for convenience you can buy from Amazon wish list ~ [Amazon Wish List - GCI Supplies](#).

Items range from \$6 - \$39 and will be delivered directly to Headquarters - pay attention to quantity needed:

Mod Podge

Disposable Foam Brushes - 1 inch flat

Various Colors, plastic or satin headbands for women (to be decorated for seniors)

Stick on gems, sequins, pom poms, small feathers and flowers for decorations on headbands for senior citizens

Glue guns - mini, low temp classroom pack (to be reused every year)

Hot glue sticks for mini glue guns - 4 inch x 2.07

Scissors 8" all purpose - classroom packs (to be reused every year)

[For more information about the NJSFWC Girls' Career Institute.](#)



# GFWC NEWS

## Mark Your Calendars GFWC Day of Service

**National Day of Service**  
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2023  
Living the Volunteer Spirit | www.GFWC.org | #GFWC23NDS

**What Clubs Have Planned...**

**GFWC Woman's Club of Newport News**  
Newport News, Virginia

Plan to coordinate a "Rise Up Against Hunger" event to fill 10,000 bags of food in 2 hours! Also, in collaboration with local Food Bank the club plans to fill backpacks for students to take home on weekends.

**Help Us to End Hunger in the United States**

For more information visit the Day of Service page on the GFWC website. Follow the link [here](#).

## GFWC Affiliate Organization



### HOPE FOR JUSTICE

Founded in 2008 in the United Kingdom, [Hope for Justice](#) works from more than 30 locations across five continents to bring an end to modern day slavery and human trafficking by preventing exploitation, rescuing victims, restoring lives, and reforming society. Hope for Justice is made up of world-class specialists with the skills and experience to help end human trafficking and provide trauma-informed care to survivors. Hope for Justice focuses on rescuing victims, empowering people to protect themselves and their families, working with survivors to rebuild their lives, and reforming society by training professionals to spot the signs of trafficking.



## Starfish Project

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.

Starfish Project: Words of Love Collection  
Give the gift of love and appreciation with the Starfish Project's selection of heartfelt gifts for the special women who raised us.

Don't forget to include "GFWC" in the discount code box at checkout to ensure 25% of full-priced purchase goes towards the "GFWC Access to Education Scholarship Fund."

Please use the link below to shop:

<https://starfishproject.com/collections/words-of-love>



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THE GENERAL FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS. CLUB WOMEN ARE 'DEDICATED TO COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT BY ENHANCING THE LIVES OF OTHERS THROUGH VOLUNTEER SPIRIT.'