



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

## Presidents' Message

I HOPE THIS MESSAGE FINDS YOU WELL AS WE TRANSITION INTO THE BEAUTIFUL MONTH OF NOVEMBER. AS WE NAVIGATE THE YEAR 2023, THE MEDFORD NEW JERSEY WOMAN'S CLUB CONTINUES TO BE A BEACON OF INSPIRATION AND POSITIVE CHANGE IN OUR COMMUNITY. YOUR COLLECTIVE EFFORTS IN SUPPORT OF VARIOUS CHARITABLE CAUSES AND COMMUNITY INITIATIVES HAVE MADE A PROFOUND IMPACT. WE ARE NOT JUST A CLUB; WE ARE A FORCE FOR GOOD, AND I AM CONTINUALLY INSPIRED BY THE DIFFERENCE WE MAKE TOGETHER. WE HAVE TWO UPCOMING PROJECTS FOR WHICH WE NEED HELP. THE SPELLING BEE IS COMING UP IN JANUARY. ELAINE MAUGHAM IS CHAIRING IT THIS YEAR, BUT SHE WOULD LIKE SOMEONE TO WORK WITH HER AND THEN CHAIR IT NEXT YEAR. I KNOW IT SOUNDS DAUNTING TO "CHAIR" A COMMITTEE. FOR THIS ONE, YOU GET TO LEARN FIRST HAND THIS YEAR AND I AM SURE ELAINE WILL BE AVAILABLE TO CONSULT WITH NEXT YEAR. WE WILL ALSO NEED A CHAIR FOR OUR SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE IN THE SPRING. IF YOU AGREE TO CHAIR, THERE ARE PREVIOUS MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE WHO WILL BE HAPPY TO ASSIST YOU.

BOTH OF THESE EVENTS ARE A PART OF THE HISTORY OF THIS CLUB AND ARE VERY IMPORTANT TO OUR COMMUNITY. PLEASE DON'T BE CONCERNED YOU DON'T KNOW ENOUGH OR THINK YOU CAN'T BE A CHAIR. I KNOW YOU CAN, AND I KNOW THERE ARE MEMBERS WHO WILL BE HAPPY TO SUPPORT YOU. BOTH OF THESE EVENTS HAPPEN FOR A LIMITED TIME AND ARE NOT A LARGE TIME COMMITMENT.

THANK YOU, ONCE AGAIN, FOR YOUR DEDICATION, PASSION, AND UNWAVERING SUPPORT. LET'S LOOK FORWARD TO ANOTHER YEAR OF MAKING A DIFFERENCE AND FOSTERING THE SPIRIT OF TOGETHERNESS THAT DEFINES OUR CLUB.

~ SHAWN AND ELLEN

VISIT OUR WEBSITE MEDFORDWOMANSCLUB.COM

DATES TO REMEMBER

NOVEMBER 7 ~ ELECTION DAY
YOUR VOTING PRECINCT
ALL DAY

NOVEMBER 9 ~ GENERAL MEETING
MEDFORD MEMORIAL COMMUNITY
CENTER
7:00 PM

NOVEMBER 22 AND 23 ~ POLICE
DINNER DROP OFF
NANCY'S HOUSE
CONTACT NANCY FOR TIME

NOVEMBER 23 ~ THANKSGIVING

NOVEMBER 28 ~ BOOK CLUB
ANNAHITA'S HOUSE



NOVEMBER PROGRAM

SPEAKER ~ KATHY

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BUSINESS COACH

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WWW.KATHYBLEIERCOACHING.COM
REFRESHMENTS
PEG. DENISE AND ELAINE



### **Things to Consider**

ONE OF OUR MOST WELL RECEIVED PROJECTS IS

THANKSGIVING DINNER FOR ON DUTY POLICE OFFICERS.

NANCY IS CHAIRING THIS YEAR'S EFFORT. SHE WILL BE

ROASTING A YUMMY TURKEY AND WE HAVE ANOTHER

MEMBER MAKING PIES BUT WE WILL NEED EVERYTHING

ELSE. IF YOU CAN HELP, PLEASE CONTACT NANCY.

OUR MEMBER, JULIE PETERSON HAS BEEN QUITE SICK.

SHE WOULD LIKE MEALS OR FOOD TO BE DROPPED OFF IF

YOU CAN. SHAWN HAS SET UP A SIGN-UP GENIUS.

THE ONLY KNOWN FOOD RESTRICTION IS NO PORK.

PLEASE USE THE LINK BELOW:

HTTPS://WWW.SIGNUPGENIUS.COM/GO/

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OUR HOLIDAY PARTY WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE COMMUNITY

CENTER. MANY OF YOU HAVE SIGNED UP TO HELP BUT WE

COULD ALWAYS USE MORE HANDS!



#### **Social News**

OUR MORNING COFFEE MEET UPS PROVED POPULAR OVER THE SUMMER. WE'D LIKE TO GIVE IT ANOTHER GO SO BEGINNING



TUESDAY,
NOVEMBER 14 WE
WILL MEET AT
HARVEST COFFEE AT
THE FEED MILL ~ 67
NORTH MAIN
STREET AT 9:00 AM.





#### A PARIS APARTMENT By Michelle Gable

BASED ON THE FASCINATING TRUE STORY OF A TREASURE-STOCKED PARISIAN APARTMENT OPENED FOR THE FIRST TIME IN SEVENTY YEARS.

APRIL VOGT, SOTHEBY'S CONTINENTAL FURNITURE SPECIALIST, IS SPEECHLESS WHEN A PARIS APARTMENT SHUTTERED FOR SEVENTY YEARS IS DISCOVERED IN THE NINTH ARRONDISSEMENT, BENEATH THE COBWEBS AND STALE PERFUMED AIR IS A GOLDMINE, AND NOT BECAUSE OF THE ACTUAL GOLD (OR PAINTED OSTRICH EGGS OR MOUNTED RHINOCEROS HORNS OR BRONZE BATHTUB). FIRST, THERE'S A PORTRAIT BY ONE OF THE MASTERS OF THE BELLE EPOQUE, GIOVANNI BOLDINI. AND THEN THERE ARE LETTERS AND JOURNALS WRITTEN BY THE VERY WOMAN IN THE PAINTING, MARTHE DE FLORIAN. THESE DOCUMENTS REVEAL THAT SHE WAS MORE THAN A RENOWNED COURTESAN WITH ENVIABLE DECOLLETAGE. SUDDENLY APRIL'S QUEST IS NO LONGER ABOUT THE BUREAUX PLATS AND LOUIS-STYLE ARMCHAIRS THAT WILL FETCH MILLIONS AT AUCTION. IT'S ABOUT DISCOVERING THE STORY BEHIND THIS CHARISMATIC WOMAN.

# TUESDAY NOVEMBER 28 ~ 6:00 PM ANNAHITA'S HOUSE

NEXT UP:
THE CHRISTMAS BOOKSHOP
BY JENNY LOGAN

# **Projects Updates**

WE HAVE BEGUN PLANNING FOR OUR ANNUAL TEA. WE WILL NEED ALL MEMBERS TO TAKE PART IN SOME WAY FOR THIS - OUR BIGGEST FUNDRAISER OF THE YEAR. PLEASE CONSIDER VOLUNTEERING! WE ARE ALSO LOOKING FOR BACK UP CHAIRS FOR THE SPELLING BEE, SCHOLARSHIP AND SCARECROW COMMITTEES.



THANKS IN ADVANCE FOR YOUR COOPERATION.



### **NJSFWC** NEWS



#### NJSFWC ECONNECTION

November 1, 2023 Shirley A. Holly, NJSFWC President

FOR CLARIFICATION - The Official 2024 Convention dates are Monday May 6 - Wednesday, May 8, 2024.

**REMINDER:** Wreaths Across America Day is December 16, 2023. The last day to order your wreaths is November 28th at wreathsacrossamerica.org/NJ0176. By officially registering (using our NJSFWC ID code), \$5.00 per wreath to be given to the Federation. Wreaths will be laid this year on Saturday, December 16. The cost per wreath is \$17. Our NJSFWC group ID is NJ0176.

#### You Asked We Answer -

What is the difference between Bylaws and Standing Rules? Do club members have to follow Standing Rules?

The key differences between bylaws and standing rules relate to scope and effect. The parliamentary procedure guide "Robert's Rules of Order" explains that bylaws should include all the rules that are of such importance that they cannot be changed in any way without previous notice," while standing rules "should contain only such rules as may be adopted without previous notice by a majority vote at any business meeting. At the core, bylaws are designed to be overarching and procedural, while standing rules are specific and administrative.

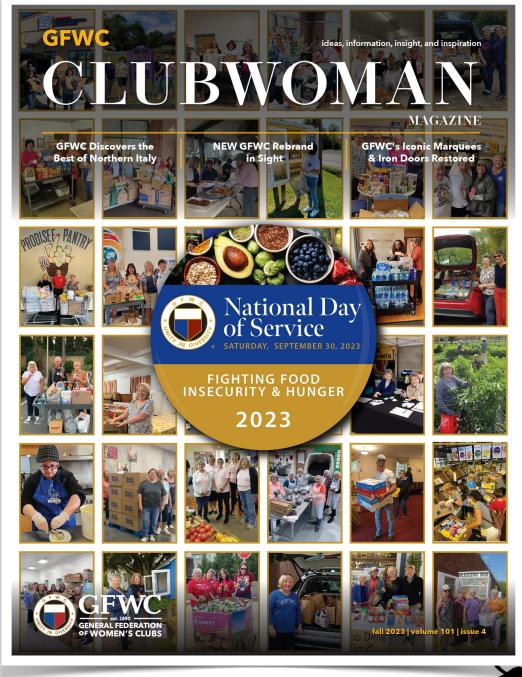
Federation Bylaws can only be amended with written notice and by a majority of those members present and voting. Our Standing Rules can be amended by a majority vote of the Board of Directors. Bylaws and standing rules are interrelated; however, provisions in the bylaws always supersede any standing rule that may be adopted. Yes, we all have to follow the Bylaws and Standing Rules.

#### **GFWC Holiday Open House December 6**

We ARE going to GFWC for the Holiday Open House. There are a few seats left on the bus. If you've never been to GFWC Headquarters, this is a wonderful opportunity to see your Federation home in Washington DC all decorated for the holidays. During this administration, each state has been asked to donate a village piece to be displayed. Come and see all of the village pieces donated from each state throughout our historic home. Contact Annette Bortone – 201–873–1913 to make a reservation for the bus. There will be 3 pick up locations in NJ.



### **GFWC NEWS**



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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'.