

Tidbits

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NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, Sept. 14, 6:30 p.m.
St. Paul's UMC, 74 Church St.
Masks suggested but not required.

Refreshments

Hospitality Committee

Summer & Sept. Birthdays

Summer	September
July 24—Patty W.	17—Janice M.
Aug. 13—Robin E.	26—Carol D.

COLLECTIONS

- ♥ Robin/Lisa H.: Soda/Soup Aluminum tabs for Ronald McDonald House
- ♥ Cynthia/Peg S.: Household items & food for South Jersey Dream Center
- ♥ Chris T.: Clothing and household items for Angels Community Outreach
- ♥ Jeannette: 17" duffel bags for Family Promise
- ♥ Linda M. & Janice: Items & money for SERV. Watch for monthly suggestions.
- ♥ Nancy B: unexpired canned goods for Colonial Manor Food Pantry; NEW hats gloves & scarves, adult & children; dry cat food for the local feral cat program
- ♥ Clara: Old cell phones, wallets, tools, keys, credit cards/used gift cards, bags & suitcases for K-9 training

Woman's Club of West Deptford

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

April Maska

Welcome back, ladies! Our 2021/2022 Club Year is about to begin! I hope all of you had a wonderful, relaxing summer and spent time doing some of your favorite activities. I know my summer was full of family and friends...lots of swimming, BBQs and laughs. As great as the summer was, I am excited to get back into our club year, which is once again full of wonderful activities.

Be that person who roots for others. Who tells a stranger they look amazing and encourages others to believe in themselves and their dreams.

—*fullspiritquotes

Although our summer was all about re-grouping and preparing for a new year, several of our energetic members continued to work and get things done before our new club year begins. You have been so supportive of each other, which is what makes our club so special!!!

Operation Yellow Ribbon has been a great success. Because of so many of you, the stockings are full to the brim with so many items for our military. A big thank you goes to all who contributed items, kept accurate counts of what was received, designed, outlined, cut and sewed the stockings, stuffed stockings and packed them so that they are ready to be delivered when we received the dates. This was definitely a team effort. The few items that did not fit in the stockings will be distributed to the South Jersey Dream Center and the Domestic Violence/Health and Wellness Committees for their "Purse Project."

We also had some ladies work this summer collecting and storing items for the "**Haven for Veterans**" project. Those

household items have been stored at Chris T. and Isabella C.'s homes ready for pickup when we receive word.

Also, 688 books have been delivered to the three

Elementary Schools before the start of the school year. The Principals have received them and will be making them available to all the teachers at their In-Service before the school year begins. Thank you to the Education Committee, Carol M. for collecting all of these books.

Please note that our first **meeting** of the year will be held at St. Paul's Methodist Church on Church Street in Thorofare. We will start at 6:30 and plan to be done by 9:00. Our Hospitality committee will have some individually wrapped light refreshments for all to enjoy. Although St. Paul's Church is not making masks mandatory, we are asking that our ladies please wear them as we are indoors... but it is not required.

I am very pleased to have our **Garden District Vice** President Jill McDonald join us at our meeting. She will be inducting our new Corresponding Secretary, Lisa Hunter and giving out the Honor Roll Certificate to one of this year's Honor Roll recipients who could not attend the Convention. Jill has not only been a member of the Woman's Club in her area for several years holding many positions, she has been the Chair for GCI for many years before becoming the Garden District Vice



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President's Message, continued

President. Jill is also New Jersey's Middle Atlantic Region Jennie Award Nominee. We are confident Jill will do well. We will also be inducting two new members at this meeting. A full night is planned.

Chris T. came up with a great idea that I want to share with all of you. As the library and other facilities are not taking donated books, she suggested that we have a **book swap**. We can all bring books we have read and no longer need and bring them to our meeting. We all can browse through the books and pick some interesting titles to enjoy. We do have to take home any books that are not taken. This is a great idea and this will give us some great reading material for the fall.

West Deptford Day is September 18th and our booth has been reserved. Patty W. has been working consistently behind the scenes to have our reusable bags ready for our booth. She plans to have a sample with her at our meeting.

The first **Garden District Council** will be held on September 16th at the Haddon Fortnightly starting at 6:00 pm. Several Board Members will be attending. Let me know if you wish to join us and hear all about the clubs in our District. The WCWD will be hosting the June 9, 2022 meeting at St. Paul's Church. More information will be coming after the first of the year.

This year's **Day of Service** will be held on 11/13. Advocates for Children Chairs Lisa H. and Robin E. will be handling this year's project. More information will be coming at our meeting.

Each of our **Committee Chairs** have some amazing projects lined up and I can't wait to hear all about them. Our next **Book Club** Zoom meeting is in October and I am looking forward to discussing this very interesting book.

Our big fundraiser for this club year is our **Basket Raffle** which is scheduled for October 19th from 7 to 9 at Adelphia Restaurant. This fundraiser will fill our treasury and help with all of our donations and projects. From the pictures I have seen, the baskets are just amazing. A big shout out to all who have been

participating at our Zoom meetings. We have a great group of ladies assisting Chairs Nancy B. and Nancy D. The licenses are in my hands, the insurance has been paid and we are ready to go. My tickets are gone...I know we will have a great event.

Please take the time to look through all of the articles in this month's **Tidbits** to get all caught up on what is coming. We have a dynamic group of ladies and I can't wait to get started.

Happy Labor Day to you all and I look forward to seeing you in another week. We have a fantastic year ahead of us!

Warmly,
April



CLUB BOARD MEMBERS enjoyed Linda J.'s charcuterie boards at the May Board Meeting. The Board meets monthly to plan club meetings and projects.



- ◆ John and Linda M. are proud to announce that their son, Andrew, has been hired as an Oncologist with the Intercoastal Medical Group in Sarasota, FL. He is having a beautiful house built in Venice, FL. Andrew is Board certified in Internal Medicine and Oncology. In addition to his MD degree, he has a PhD in Immunology. We are so very proud of him.
- ◆ From Elaine R.: Asking for prayers for my husband Tony who will be having surgery on 9/27 for early-stage prostate CA. He has been accepted in U of PA Kidney Transplant program but must have prostate CA removed. He is in excellent health otherwise. Happy Birthday to our daughter Alison Lally. Our granddaughter Gaia is entering kindergarten. Our grandson Jack will be a senior. A lot of milestones.
- ◆ Nancy B. took a Midwest drive to move Tyler to grad school at the University of Minnesota - Minneapolis. Tyler is pursuing a PhD in Astrophysics. He is also a paid research student professional for



Astrophysics. Light rail is the way to go in Minneapolis. It takes him from his new swanky apartment at The Link, to the Mall of America, to sporting stadiums, the airport, as well as to the campus. That's an awesome and cheap mode of transportation considering the frigid winters there. Best wishes for six wonderful years of learning, teaching, and making new friends.

- ◆ IT'S A THREESOME: All in the family! Linda J. was honored to receive the state of NJ highest award of "Order of the Lily" in Atlantic City during the state convention this past August. Her daughters, Cindy and Sheryl were previous winners of this award as members of the WD Junior Club. Sheryl is a past president of the Juniors and Cindy held many board positions through the years. So thankful for this recognition! ♥
- ◆ Harvey and Agnes Karpo are proud to announce that their daughter, Rachael I. Karpo USAF, was promoted to Staff Sergeant, and also graduated on the Dean's List from American Military University receiving her BA Degree in Management.
- ◆ St. Paul's is holding a Chicken BBQ (Rode's chicken) on Sun., Oct. 10. Take-outs are \$12 each. See Denise H. for tix.

FIRST VICE PRESIDENT

Linda Jones

Hello September

...and welcome back to a fantastic club year full of volunteerism, projects, book club, arts & crafts, fundraisers, social activities and so much more. New club activities are underway and past activities are ongoing as we work on the numerous plans set up for our wonderful West Deptford community. So many members give time, skills, monetary donations, or helpful connections to help achieve our goals. Everyone brings ideas, and ways to give to others with much success! Thank you for all that you do and achieve in completing our numerous projects and club activities.



pick up your flowers at the Michael William Greenhouse on October 2nd or 3rd. We welcome orders from your family, friends, and neighbors too. Please print out the attached order slip/color chart along with your payment of cash or check **only** to the Woman's Club of West Deptford. Thank you for helping us start the club year off with funds and enjoying the fun of decorating your doorsteps, porch, deck, or gardens! Much appreciated!!

Mum Sale



The first internal fundraiser for our operating account is the annual chrysanthemum sale.

Flowers are priced at \$7.00 each. Please refer to the color chart of eight mums and order slip (see attached) when purchasing your flowers. Order slips and money will be collected prior to, at the September club meeting, or up until September 27th and recorded by Linda J. and Peg S. A voucher will be given to

SPECIAL CLUB PROJECT

Jeannette Wood

Family Promise of Southwest New Jersey

A special thank you for those club members who generously donating toward the duffle bags this summer.

We have 12 Duffle Bags to be delivered to Family Promise. Each homeless family who enters this program receives a duffle bag. The children in this program also receive a duffle bag if they need one for their gym/sports clothes.

If you want to help with this project, you can purchase a duffle bag online and have the bag sent to my address. If you'd rather give a donation toward purchasing duffle bags, I will be collecting your donations at our September meeting. I will then purchase duffle bags with the money.

Thank you so much for your continued support to help the homeless in our community!



2ND VP/MEMBERSHIP

Cynthia Holmes-Butler

At our September meeting two new members will be installed Meg Czuba and Karen Hink. We also received emails from a couple of other ladies who expressed an interest in our club and may attend the meeting. Please introduce yourself and welcome them.

I hope to have a sample of a purple long sleeve golf shirt and pricing and availability of the other items we've ordered in the past at the September meeting.



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS! Carol D., Holly T., and Ann C. were installed as members at our June meeting. We're so happy to have you!!

Veteran's Project

•••If you have any items for veterans going into their own apartments please hold on to them. State President Jan Hanson will be picking them up at a later date. New or household items in good condition will be collected. Kitchen supplies like microwaves, dishes, silverware, cookware, towels, sheet sets, blankets etc. are needed.

SPECIAL STATE PROJECT

Jeannette Wood & Cheryl Fairchild

The 2021 Operation Chillout Online Summer Supply Drive goals have been reached. T-shirts, water, and hats were donated and delivered to the homeless veterans in this program.

Thank you to all of our club members who made donations to this project this summer. Our club donated 15 cases of water, 6 caps, and 2 T-shirts. We also donated to the Rescue a Veteran Tonight and Emergency Supplies Fund. The total donations came to \$140.00 from our club members.

Each winter Operation Chillout prepares a backpack for a man or woman filled with warm clothing – zipped hooded sweat-shirt, non-leather gloves, knit cap, warm socks, thermals. They are delivered to locations where homeless people gather, including food pantries, soup kitchens, temporary shelters, and places where some sleep in the open in abandoned buildings, parks, and alleyways.



If you want to donate go to www.operationchillout.org for the Online Winter Drive.

When you make an online purchase, be sure to include our club name in the business line. Please email me what you donate so I can keep a total of our club donations for my yearly report.

Thank you for your continued support of our Special State Project.

EDUCATION

Carol M. & Sandy Mastrangelo

Books for Schools

Our book collection for our three elementary schools has been completed. We collected a total of 688 books for our students ranging from pre-k to fourth grade. Our total time spent was 98 hours and in-kind donations, \$3,054.00.

The books were packed in boxes and delivered to our three elementary schools by our President April Maska & her grandchildren. The classroom teachers will choose the books for their classrooms and any remaining books will go into the school libraries. The Principals of each school were thrilled with the number of books and I know the students will be very excited to have new books to read.

Thank you for all those who helped with this worthwhile project.



DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS

Linda Marple, Janice Morrison

Team Work!

Domestic Violence and Prevention teamed up with Health and Wellness on a joint project for **SERV**. Chris Taylor and Kim Van Zoeren-Czoch collected gently used handbags over the summer, donated by the generous women of the club. Domestic Violence is calling for some basic hygiene items to fill the bags, which will then be given to the survivors of domestic violence.

Collections will be accepted at the September and October meetings. Janice will be keeping a list of donated items and will periodically send the list out. Travel size items would work, and due to COVID we ask that the items be new wrapped. For example, shampoo bottles should have the safety seals under the caps, and toothpastes should be in the box.

Below is a list of potential items. Feel free to add something else you think survivors would enjoy.

- bars of soap
- deodorant
- toothpaste
- tooth brushes
- shampoo
- conditioner
- feminine products
- mouthwash
- wipes
- any other small items you think they'd like

If you or someone you know is a victim of Domestic Violence call 1-866-295-SERV (7378) or chat online: serv@centerffs.org



HEALTH AND WELLNESS

Chris Taylor, Linda Marple, Kim VanZoeren-Czoch

Gynecological Cancer Awareness Month—

It's **PURPLE** month!

Operation Smile—in kind \$1090.51, 129 hours

South Jersey Dream Center—1303 lbs, \$583.66, 65 1/2 hours

Angels Community Closet—\$500 (emergency heat/electricity), 110 lbs, \$200 in kind food, 7 hours

Seeds of Hope—Valentine's Day, in kind \$105, 15 hours.

GWCM—hats and gloves, in kind \$50

Food pantries—\$615, in kind \$1385, 106 hours

Rainbow Baby Blanket—\$80 in kind, 145 hours

Jeannette's Closet—313 lbs, 3 hours

Logan—In June the club donated \$250 from the treasury and \$250 in gift cards to a child undergoing cancer treatment at St. Christopher's Hospital for Children.

GWCM school supplies group project—In kind \$1100, 91 hours

Bring any clothing donations to my house at 1206 Parkland Commons, WD and we will divide between Angels and Jeanette's Closet.

(From the CDC, womenworking.com, Fox Chase, and the ovarian cancer research alliance)

Gynecologic, or pelvic cancer, refers to a variety of cancers involving the female reproductive organs. Some of these gynecologic cancers have been called "silent killers" because women are often unaware of the signs of these cancers until it's too late.

Cervical Cancer

Cervical cancer is the second most common cause of death by cancer in women internationally. In the United States alone, 12,000 women are diagnosed with cervical cancer each year. The cancer is caused by a virus called human papillomaviruses (HPV), which spreads through sexual contact. Risk of cervical cancer increases if you smoke, have many children, have many sex partners, use birth control pills for a long time, or have HIV infection.

Generally, cervical cancer produces no symptoms in its earliest stages. Symptoms that may indicate a more advanced stage include abnormal vaginal bleeding that



occurs after sex, after menopause, or between menstrual periods, foul-smelling, bloody, or unusual vaginal discharge, lower back pain, pain during intercourse, pelvic pain, periods that are longer or heavier than usual.

Ovarian Cancer

Ovarian cancer usually occurs in women over age 50, but it can affect younger women as well. The disease causes more deaths than any other cancer of the female reproductive system, and it's the leading cause of death from gynecologic cancer in the world. The cause of ovarian cancer remains unknown, and there is still no effective screening test for the condition. Women with ovarian cancer often have no symptoms until the disease has advanced. Risk factors include a genetic mutation (BRCA1, BRCA2), close family relative who had it (or have had breast, uterine or colon cancer), hormone replacement therapy, advancing age, infertility, obesity, and endometriosis. Generally, ovarian cancer produces no symptoms in its earliest stages. When symptoms do occur, they may mimic symptoms of other diseases and may indicate a more advanced stage. Symptoms may include abdominal bloating, constipation, diarrhea, frequent urination or need to urinate, loss of appetite or feeling full quickly after eating a small amount of food, nausea, pelvic pain.

Endometrial, or Uterine Cancer, is the most common gynecologic cancer. There

are more than 200,000 cases/year diagnosed in the US. Although the exact cause is unknown, increased levels of estrogen appear to contribute to the development of the disease. The uterus and its surrounding structures might change in the size, shape or consistency as the cancer advances. Some risk factors include the presence of estrogen without progesterone, diabetes, hypertension, the use of the medication tamoxifen, experiencing a later age of menopause, and obesity. Women who are overweight have higher circulating levels of estrogen, which increases their risk for developing the cancer.

Symptoms include vaginal bleeding (even brown discharge that lasts more than a day after menopause), pelvic pain or cramping, rapidly growing fibroids, unusual vaginal discharge that is watery and pink, blood-tinged, or brown in color and foul-smelling.

Vaginal/Vulvar Cancer

Vulvar/vaginal cancers are a rare, abnormal growth formed on the external genitalia. The disease typically occurs in older women.

Symptoms include persistent itching, burning, or bleeding on the vulva, changes in the color of the vulva, skin changes in the vulva so that it looks redder or whiter than usual/ a rash or warts, sores/lumps that persist, change in bowel habits (blood in the urine/stool, urinating frequently, unusual constipation), vaginal discharge or bleeding that is not normal for you, and pelvic pain.

The **HPV vaccine** protects against the types of HPV that most often cause cervical, vaginal, and vulvar cancers. It is recommended for preteens aged 11-12, but may be given as young as 9 through age 26. However some adults age 27-45 can talk to their provider about the risk for new HPV infections and the possible benefits. In this age range the vaccine provides less benefit as more people have already been exposed to the virus.

ARTS & CULTURE

Linda Jones & Peggy Grady

Art Workshops

Creative people are creators of ideas, imagination, ambitions, passion, and are on a personal journey to be an explorer of art. As we plan for the future, Peggy has investigated some ideas for workshops that our creative club ladies will enjoy. The Art Department is busy planning some "fun to make" workshops/projects to assemble in late October, November, or early December once our Basket Raffle Fundraiser is completed.

Peggy will plan and instruct us on how to assemble a Thanksgiving centerpiece and a Christmas/holiday wreath. She will provide a list of items needed for these projects, to which we can add our own embellishments in our preferred colors. Also, Peggy is exploring some craft projects done at a local Pitman shop. The centerpiece we design will be individual floral arrangements using fresh greens and fall flowers. The wreath will entail fresh greens on a wire frame or just purchasing a basic green wreath to decorate with our own adornments. Thank you Peggy for helping us decorate our homes!

We are looking forward to the fun of art and craft nights as they resume this fall



and winter. More information and details will be found in our October Tidbits Newsletter. The picture above is a centerpiece that Linda J. is interested in making this fall.



END-OF-THE-YEAR LUNCHEON: Twenty-four members enjoyed getting together for a social time and a delicious luncheon at Kitchen 519 in Glendora.

LUNCHBOX PROGRAM

Joan Baur

Thanks to the generous support of our club members through donations and volunteer hours the GWCM Food Pantry School Supplies Project was a huge success again this year. Thirteen women donated backpacks, notebooks, composition books, crayons, colored pencils, pens, pencils, and lots of other back-to-school supplies (value: \$1,100). Volunteer hours: 91 hours.

Dorothy, Kim, Peg S., Joan, former club member Jo S. and a friend helped to fill backpacks and bags before distribution started. Kim, Joan, former club member Peggy P. and another friend packed and distributed backpacks from their cars throughout August. Fortunately Shop-Rite, GWCM volunteers, churches and friends also donated much-needed supplies. Many students in the Greater Woodbury area are returning to school with supplies provided through this project. Parents and grandparents appreciated our assistance in getting the children ready for school.

In September and October I will sell Boscov's "Friends Helping Friends" Shopping Passes to support the GWCM food pantry/Lunch Box Program. Passes cost \$5.00 and the shopping day is October 20. If you are interested in buying a shopping pass, contact Joan.

SJ Dream Center

Can You Bring a Can?

...Tuesday, September 14th to our club meeting? Whatever you can do will help the needy. The SJ Dream Center is helping victims of Ida in our area!!!

Suggested donations: water, boxed milk, masks, non-perishable food items, can opener, apples, pears, oranges, margarine, butter, eggs, feminine products, sugar, oil, spices also for the SJ Dream Center are needed. Please check the expiration dates; they can't distribute expired items.

I will be collecting donations at the meeting. I'll be there at 6 p.m. before the meeting and after. —Cynthia

BASKET RAFFLE

Nancy Barna, Nancy D'Amico

Ticket sales are going slowly. We are finding that many Club members have not picked up their fundraiser tickets to sell yet.

Under the terms of the contract we are obligated to guarantee 100 tickets sold. I know we can do that. I also know we can sell 300 at capacity. We're getting a bit concerned since all the unsold tickets are to be turned in at the September Club meeting.

Now is the time to be selling them, so we need to crank it up a notch. A lot of work has gone into this so far, but we need to sell those tickets. We are asking each club member to try to sell 6 tickets. If you need more than 6 tickets, please contact Sue so she can have the envelope ready for your pick-up.

You can pick tickets up at Sue Nelson's house or contact her to bring your tickets to the meeting. You will need to sign off on your ticket numbers when you receive the tickets. If you need your tickets deliv-



ered, Sue Nelson and Denise Pitchford have volunteered to deliver them to you for you to sell.

Cash or check will be the only acceptable payments for dinner tickets. No credit card or VENMO

Please get a name and telephone number for each person you sell a ticket to. Keep a list for yourself so that you can

call the people you sold tickets and refund their money in case COVID-19 shuts down or the restaurant is forced to limit its capacity.

Since we have to give a head count one week in advance for food, no tickets will be sold at the door.

ALL UNSOLD TICKETS SHOULD BE RETURNED TO SUE N. AT OUR SEPTEMBER CLUB MEETING!

Our next Fundraiser committee ZOOM meeting will be on Wednesday, Sept. 22 at 7 p.m. —Nancy B. & Nancy D.

Wrapping Raffle Baskets

Busy, busy, and busy describes our committee of ladies meeting together this summer in the process of staging and wrapping forty exceptional baskets for our October fundraiser. A big "thank you" goes out to Jody H., Peggy G., Ann C. (new member), Peg S. and Linda J. for the time-consuming task of preparing each basket attractively as well as storing them for months. Thank you, thank you to Sue N. for the tremendous job of typing out a list of items included in each basket.

There are ten designer bag baskets worth hundreds of dollars as many members filled the bags with additional items that coordinate with each "theme." There are thirty more remarkable themed baskets donated by our awesome club members. Thank you to all those who donated ribbon for the bows on each basket. Our Phillies Super Basket is in the process of being completed. We are moving forward in the preparation and the final details involved with our largest fundraiser of this club year. Everyone is looking forward to the "main event" commencing in October! Below are some pictures of a few wrapped raffle baskets. Thanks to everyone for your very generous donations! 🙏 —Linda J. & Peg



ADVOCATES FOR CHILDREN

Robin Evans, Lisa Hunter

Ronald McDonald House

Hello Ladies! Hope everyone had a great summer! We are asking for donations of laundry pods, small bags of chips, pretzels, etc. Also, we are in need of paper products, plates, forks, knives and cups, all going to Ronald McDonald House. We are asking to have this by the October meeting. We will bring up more ideas at our meeting; just did not want to overwhelm everyone with the bingo coming up. See you all at the meeting!

Special Project for Children

We are interested in supporting Children's Specialized Hospitals. NJSFWC has had a long-time connection with them and they would like to collect arts

and crafts for State Fall Conference in October. They are happy to be able to accept donations again, after COVID.

Some suggested arts and crafts items include:

- Acrylic paint
- Ink pads for baby hands and footprints
- Markers (skinny or thick, packs of 8-10)
- Colored pencils (small packs)
- Canvases
- Wood art projects
- Pony beads
- Sand art (anything but the sand)

We will collect donations at our Sept. and October meetings. Thank you for your support. 😊

SOCIALLY SPEAKING

Jody Harris, Holly Revelas

Welcome back ladies! We are working very hard and are so excited to plan for social events in person and virtually. We cannot wait to see all of you! All events will have more details as the dates get closer.

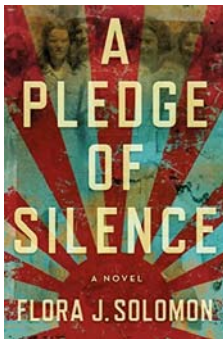
September

30th, Thursday – 6pm-9pm Fahrenheit Studio, Pitman – Inside – ½ Price Studio Fee \$4.00 plus the price of your selected piece. Pieces range in price from \$10-30. Dress for painting and wear your mask, no smocks provided due to covid. If we finish early, we can get ice cream ☺. We need to know if you will be joining us by our first meeting on September 14th, so we can reserve a spot for you! Expect to pay the night of the event to Fahrenheit.

October

5th, Tuesday – 7pm Zoom Book Club Meeting

hosted by Jody Harris and Carol May. The book is A Pledge of Silence by Flora J. Solomon. Carol personally knows Flora, so she may have



additional information for us. We need to know if you will be joining us by September 30th to ensure you receive your Zoom invitation. Please send us an email. There will be an email to select the next book after this meeting.

28th, Thursday – 10:30am-12pm, make Halloween Treats with Holly at the West Deptford Library. We need to know if you will be joining us by the October Meeting, 12th, to ensure you receive the list of ingredients. Nothing healthy...lol!

November

6th, Saturday – 6pm, Date Night at Auburn Winery, Pilesgrove, NJ – Bring your significant other or a good friend to enjoy music, wine, and snacks. We need to know if you will be joining us by the October Meeting on the 12th, to

make a reservation. Attendees are responsible for purchasing their own beverages and snacks.

16th, Tuesday – 12pm, Lunch and Shopping at Hill Creek Farms, Mullica Hill. We need to know if you will be joining us by October 31st, to make a reservation. Please send us an email, or call. Attendees are responsible for purchasing their own beverages and snacks.

30th, Tuesday – 9am, Train into Atlantic City for Shopping and Lunch at Tanger Outlets Atlantic City. We need to know if you will be joining us by November 15th, to make a reservation for lunch. Please send us an email, or call. Attendees are responsible for purchasing their own lunch and train ticket the day of event. Meet at the West Deptford Library parking lot at 9am to leave together for the train.

December

7th, Tuesday – 7pm, Zoom Book Club Meeting, Book to be announced. We need to know if you will be joining us by November 30th to ensure you receive your Zoom invitation. Please send us an email.

9th, Thursday – 7pm, Zoom Cookie Baking with Holly. No healthy cookies this year. ☺ We need to know if you will be joining us by November 30th to ensure you receive list of Ingredients and Zoom link. Please send us an email.

14th, Tuesday – 6pm, Holiday Meeting and Dinner at Kitchen 519. More information to follow.

Looking forward to seeing all of you at these events!



CIVIC ENGAGEMENT & OUTREACH

Carol M.

Cultural Diversity

Unity in Cultural Diversity is a great policy to follow. Unity is based on coexistence and can promote peace in our country and the world. Humankind can realize the truth, that the world is just one family with many differences. We should all be embracing harmony and happiness. By exposing everyone to a diverse range of opinions, thoughts, and cultural backgrounds you will be able to encourage people to feel more comfortable and safe with these differences.

Our nation is composed of many different ethnic groups who came to America for many reasons : religious freedom, political freedom, and a better way of life. Every ethnic group has unique gifts that have helped us thrive as a nation. By respecting all people our world will be a brighter place. We are all created with a purpose in mind.

Respect and always be kind. Treat others how you want to be treated. Remember, kind words and respecting all people who are different is music to the world.

Operation Yellow Ribbon

Hours: 48, Money Spent: \$785.53, Number of items purchased: 1828.

The stockings were filled to capacity with the help of some very energetic volunteers. Thanks to April, Linda J., Sue N., Karen D. and Isabella.

Denise H. will transport the 50 stockings to State Headquarters. These stockings will be sent to our male and female military members who are serving our country overseas.

The few leftover perishable items that could not fit in the stockings were donated to the South Jersey Dream Center for their food bank. The small number of personal essentials that did not fit into the stockings will go to the Domestic Violence and Health and Wellness Committee Joint Purse Project.

A job well done by all.

FEDERATION NEWS

Isabella Cooper

Garden District Council Meeting September 16

Our Garden District September Council will be held the evening of Thursday, September 16, at 6:00 P.M., at Haddon Fortnightly Clubhouse. A light meal and desserts will be served. Raffle tickets for the State handmade quilt will be available at this meeting.

NJSFWC State Fall Conference

will be held at Battleground Country Club in Manalapan, NJ, on Monday, October 18, 9 a.m.—3 p.m. The cost is \$45, and the registration deadline is October 4.

Federation Day of Service Slated for November 13

Our Statewide Day of Service takes place in each District on Saturday, November 13, and supports the Covenant House. They are requesting gift cards in \$10 increments to Visa, AMEX, Walmart, Target, Shoprite, and Dunkin Donuts. Also, they are requesting homemade winter holiday greeting cards for the teens. The gift cards and greeting cards will be collected on the Day of Service.

Covenant House New Jersey, rated 4 stars from Charity Navigator for the past 11 years, is the largest privately funded charity across the state providing loving care, respect, and vital services to youth facing homelessness and human trafficking survivors, helping youth move from crisis to healthy independent living.

GFWC Soup Contest

January is National Soup Month and GFWC is holding a contest for the best kept secret original soup recipe to be featured in the Winter 2022 *GFWC Clubwoman Magazine*. They are looking for original soups of all kinds, including broths, creams, bisques, and chowders. Contestants should list how many servings, list of ingredients with exact measurements, preparation instructions, cooking time and temperature. Also they should include their full name, club's name, and state. Recipes due September 17th.

International President Marian St. Clair will handpick six finalists to cook and be tasted at International Headquarters. Four recipes will be published in the *Clubwoman Magazine*, one the President's pick and three selected by Headquarters judges.

Jennie Award Nomination

Our Garden District's Vice President Jill McDonald is NJ Middle Atlantic Region's Jennie Award Nominee. Good luck, Jill!

Dates to Remember

9/17/21: Best kept secret soup recipe due to PR@GFWC.org

9/17-9/23: Constitution Week— September 17, 1787, commemorates the founding and signing of our U.S. Constitution by 39 brave men.

10/24—10/30: GFWC Advocates for Children Week

3/25/2022: Garden District Performing Arts Day

6/6-6/9/2022: Girls' Career Institute



DONATIONS TO SJ DREAM CENTER: New member Ann C. and Cynthia.

DEAR SECRET PAL

Dear Secret Pal,
Thank you so much for making my summer so special. I loved the adorable bee plates, tea, wafer cookies, and mug. Then you surprised me with two amazing books which I did read over the summer. I read them right away. They both were hard to put down. You totally helped to make my summer special. —Warmly, April

Dear Secret Pal,
You are so generous and kind. The lotions, candle, notecards are right up my alley. I also loved the adorable American flag bag you put them in. Thank you for always thinking of me. —Love, Lisa

THANK-YOU NOTES

A very heartfelt thank you to all my club sisters for the many texts, emails, and especially all of the cards. Your support has encouraged me beyond words. I'm so grateful to belong to such a caring group. —Chris T.

I would like to thank everyone for their prayers and cards during my recent hospitalization. It was quite a scare but the heart catherization revealed there was not a heart attack. I did, however, have pleurisy and the doctors said that would explain the chest pain.

—Thanks again, Debbie H.

I just want to thank all those who sent cards and texts following my hip replacement surgery. I am healing slowly but steadily, and the rehab is helping. Thank you for the flowers, secret pal gift, and thoughts and prayers. —Carla B



NJSFWC SUMMER CONFERENCE: Linda J. & Cynthia received awards.

Woman's Club of West Deptford 2021 Fall Mum Sale

\$7.00 each



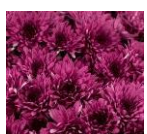
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White ... Quantity: _____



Purple ... Quantity: _____



Orange ... Quantity: _____



Bronze ... Quantity: _____



Gold ... Quantity: _____



Pink Daisy ... Quantity: _____

Total # Mums: _____

Total Cost: _____

Pick Up – October 2nd and October 3rd, 2021

At: Michael William Florist & Greenhouse
403 New Street
West Deptford, NJ 08086

Please make any
checks payable to:
"WCWD"
Thank you!!!

Questions?
Please contact:
Linda Jones at:
856-845-1306

Name: _____

You must have a voucher for pick up...nothing will be given without a voucher!

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2021 Garden Mum Colors



Yellow



Red



White



Bronze



Purple



Gold



Orange



Pink/Purple Daisy