



# Tidbits

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November 2025

**GFWC  
Woman's Club  
of West Deptford**

**Next Meeting**  
**Tues. November 11**  
**6:30 p.m.** RiverWinds  
Community Center  
**Bring food for**  
**hungry families!**

**Refreshments**  
**NOTE: Please bring**  
**your own beverage!**  
Snacks: Peg S., Susan  
D.

**November Birthdays**  
3—Denise P.  
4—Chris T.  
7— Kim VZC.  
17—Cynthia H-B.  
21—Lisa H.



**GFWC Woman's  
Club of  
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## President's Message

Janice Morrison

*"Hunger is not an issue of charity. It is an issue of justice."*

—Jacques Diouf

*"A hungry man is not a free man."*

—Adlai E. Stevenson

*"Food is our common ground."*

—James Beard

It was difficult for me to choose one quote for this president's message, as it has been distressing for me to continue to hear about food insecurity. Food insecurity leads to so much heartache for families. Regardless of party affiliation, it touches us all in one way or another. None of us wants to see our neighbors go without enough food. There are reported increases in food bank lines, and now, with the stop and potential decrease in SNAP benefits, many will go without the necessities of life.

It is for this reason that I would like to make the food pantries a priority for our November meeting. Please consider filling a grocery bag for either the Dream Center or the Colonial Manor pantry. I've also been hearing that while cereal is great, families also need milk to go with it. Boxes of mac and cheese are great, but butter and milk are necessary to mix them. There are great boxed milk options on the grocery shelves, and sometimes healthy oil can be used as a

substitute for butter. Canned soups, canned vegetables, peanut butter, jelly, and any canned meats are great options.

As we near the holiday season, your club will give money through the school for three families to have a Thanksgiving meal. We also give money to the high school guidance office for a program called Operation Blessing. This program allows families to shop for gifts for their children during the holiday. For those of you who are new to our club, this is money that came from our 2024 basket raffle and internal fundraisers. We vote as a club on how to spend it, and this is just one way we give to our community every year.

**Awards and Technology**

Congratulations to Denise Hosier for winning first place for the NJSF website at the National Convention. We are so lucky to have someone in our club who is good at technology. Denise manages our club communications, Facebook and Instagram accounts, our club website, and our club newsletter. All are critical functions for attracting new members and



keeping current members informed. Denise is looking for someone who can join her committee and help with some of the functions. She is willing to train and supervise. What a wonderful way to learn new skills!

**Meeting Locations**

This is a reminder that we will meet at RiverWinds one more time this year for the November meeting. December is our holiday dinner meeting, and in January 2026, we will meet on Zoom. Beginning in February 2026, we will be meeting at the Middle School Library. The MS Library can accommodate our growing needs, and we are very appreciative to have it at no cost. We can still use RiverWinds for special projects if space is available.

In Federation friendship,

*Janice*

## First Vice President

Jody Harris

Our basket raffle has come and gone, Halloween has come and gone, now we are ramping up for the holiday season, which is just around the corner. As I sit to write my article for this month, the news is playing in the background and one of the anchors just stated 56 days till Christmas!

### Poinsettia Sale

We will end our year with our Poinsettia Sale. The plants will come from Michael William's Florist and Greenhouse. I hope that you will join in this fundraiser. We are offering four varieties of poinsettias: Prestige Red, Pure White, Christmas Beauty Pink, and Christmas Beauty Princess. You may order either the 4.5 inch pot for \$7.00 or the 6.5 inch pot for \$12.00. Sue Nelson is ready to take your order form with payment at your earliest, and also at our November meeting (11/11/25). Please place your payment in an unsealed envelope clearly marked Poinsettia on the outside, as she will also be taking Holiday Dinner monies. Sue can also take Venmo or Zelle, should you prefer that payment method. If you need additional time, but wish to place an order, Sue or I can

accept your orders with payment until Friday, November 21st at the latest. Please make arrangements to get your order to one of us before that deadline. **Pick-up** will be at my home (4 Crofton Dr) on **Friday, December 12th from 4:30-6:30pm.**

### La Sicilia

We have three dates booked for our fundraisers, the first being **December 17, 2025.** The second date is **January 22, 2026** and our final date is **February 26, 2026.** If you are not familiar with this fundraiser, La Sicilia will give us 20% of the funds collected during the hours of 4 to 8pm. The patrons have to mention the Woman's Club of West Deptford when ordering. This will be accepted for both takeout and delivery. This was a very productive fundraiser for us last year. Looking forward to your assistance in promoting these evenings. Please ask your friends and family also!

### Volunteer Hours

If you still have September hours to submit I'd be happy to take them. I am also looking to collect your October hours, as we are now in the fourth

quarter. Thank you to those that have been sending me your hours monthly. You should now be starting to collect November hours. Please make sure you are also keeping a record of your hours, as they will be needed for end-of-year reporting.

### Guest Speakers:/ Programs

If you would like to suggest a speaker, please reach out with their name and what they would be speaking about. I also need their contact information, and a brief biography to be used as an Introduction. In turn, I will send out a confirmation with the month that the speaker has been scheduled, to both the speaker and the member that suggested them. I am currently scheduling into second half of 2026. This month will be our last speaker until February. Thank you to those who submitted names of speakers. I am now looking into speakers for the fall. If you have anyone in mind, please reach out to me so I can schedule them in.

Thank you for your continued cooperation/support.

—Jody

There is no humiliation more abusive than hunger.  
—Pranab Mukherjee



Speakers at our October meeting: HOBY Delegate and GCI Delegates.

## 2nd Vice President/Membership

Ann Caswell

I am sure we are all looking forward to celebrating Thanksgiving with our family and friends. I know that I am thankful to be part of such a wonderful caring group of ladies. You all make a difference in our community.

The Club shirts from the Monogram Shop, Woodbury were delivered just in time for the Basket Raffle Fund-raiser. Great job, Peg Shirey! Your help is greatly appreciated.

Shout out to everyone who participated in the Basket Raffle! What a great afternoon and such a wonderful event. I want to thank the Basket

Raffle Committee for all your hard work.

Our visitor from the October meeting has decided to join our club! Welcome Talibah (Tee) McCall! Our members look forward to getting to know you and working with you.

Remember to reach out to me if you have a friend who would like to visit one of our meetings so that I can make them feel welcome.



Welcome, Tee! And thanks Carol F. for mentoring her during our meeting!

## Holiday Dinner

Jody Harris

**Holiday Dinner December 9  
Seven Star – 6pm  
1890 Hurffville Road – Sewell  
856-228-5166**

Your dinner selections will include:

- Soup of the day
- Garden Salad with Italian Dressing
- Bottomless Beverages (soda, ice tea, coffee, tea)
- Alcoholic Beverages may be purchased individually at the bar

### Choices of Entrees

- Chicken Parmigiana (linguini)
- Roasted Turkey (mashed potatoes, broccoli)
- Roast Beef (mashed potatoes, broccoli)
- Broiled Tilapia (mashed potatoes, broccoli)
- Virginia Ham (mashed potatoes, broccoli)
- Mama's Lasagna

### Dessert

- Sheet cake (vanilla/chocolate)

Please make sure your \$45.00 payment for the dinner is given to Sue Nelson **NO LATER THAN THE NOVEMBER MEETING**. She can accept cash, checks made out the WCWD, Venmo or Zelle.

### Cookie Exchange

There are seven (7) people who have shown interest in participating in the cooking exchange this year. Cookies should be placed in Ziplock bags, and please include your recipe. Each participant should bring a bag to hold their bagged treats, and an additional container to collect their baggies of cookies. I would like to suggest bags with 3-4 cookies in each, and you will be making six (6) bags to share, as you would be the 7th. **The Cookie Exchange is now CLOSED.**

### Holiday Ornament Exchange

You will purchase an ornament ranging from \$8-10, and place it on/near the holiday tree/ menorah (must be NEW). Members will pick a number after placing their ornament on the tree/table. When number is called they select an ornament from the tree. No need to let me know ahead of time if you are partaking in this. Let me know the night of the dinner. If you bring an ornament, you will go home with one.

Looking forward to seeing everyone there to ring out the holiday season.

Jody & Social Committee



## Basket Raffle

April Maska

### Successful Basket Raffle for 2025!

First and foremost, thank you to all of our members who supported our Basket Raffle, our biggest fundraiser of our club year. It takes a village to make this event a success and those of you who donated baskets, worked our event, wrote letters to sponsors, sold seats and just showed up made this event another fantastic occasion. As

we are still going over specifics, I will give a more detailed breakdown at our November meeting but here is what we have:

We booked our event for 200 guests, we sold 176 seats. Between the raffle tickets, super basket and mystery bags, we made over \$10,000. We have not added in the Sponsor numbers yet but that in total is somewhere around \$4,000. Now, out of the sponsor money we did have expenses, but overall we made out really well. We will give exact figures at our meeting. Our 50/50 made \$1,560. This is awesome! \$780 for the NJ Children's Alliance and \$780 for our winner.

A big thank you to our Basket Raffle Committee—I call them our Gems. This would not have been possible without the unwavering support, encouragement, errand running, raffle bookkeeping (all Sue) and last-minute details that needed attention. They all made my job so much easier. The comments

that I received from our guests were very positive as our baskets really are the best around.

As I stated above, I will be going over final numbers with the committee before our next meeting but we all need just a few days away from the raffle to recharge.

Again, thank you to all who supported this event, which will help fund so many deserving organizations. The Woman's Club of West Deptford is one of the best clubs around and I am so fortunate to be part of such a wonderful, caring group of women!

Enjoy this wonderful season and I'll see you all in November!

Warmly,  
April and our  
Basket Raffle Gems

## Sponsors

2025

April Maska

Thank you to our gold sponsors:

- Solvay-Syensqo Specialty Polymers USA, LLC
- Keller Insurance
- Bukenas Automotive

As long as hunger exists, peace cannot prevail.  
—Willy Brandt



# History Spotlight

Linda Jones

## Women's Suffrage National Monument



This is only organization in our country chaired by every living First Lady: First Lady Melania Trump, Dr. Jill Biden, Michelle Obama, Laura W. Bush, Hillary Clinton, and Rosalynn Carter chair this historic project in which Congress tasked the Women's Suffrage National Monument Foundation with building a monument in Washington, D.C. (<https://womensmonument.org>).



The monument is estimated at costing \$100 million and will be funded *entirely* through private donations. On December 20, 2024, the U.S. Senate passed [H.R.1318](#) which authorizes the Women's Suffrage National Monument to be built on the National Mall with the final site expected to be announced in 2026. Prior to that on December 17, 2020, President Trump signed Public Law 116-117 to establish the historic national monument. President Biden signed Public Law 118-226 on January 4, 2025, to be built on the National Mall.

This organization is on a mission to create the very first Women's History Monument. This testament will honor the women who fought for the single largest expansion of voting rights in our country's history. Thirty-six million people each year will visit and experience the honoring of the women who fought for the single largest expansion of voting rights in our country's history.

In 1776, 249 years ago, Abigail Adams wrote a powerful letter to the founding fathers to "Remember the ladies." In 1872, Susan B. Anthony cast an illegal vote in a presidential election, was arrested, tried, and was fined \$100.00, which she never paid. In 2020, in honor of the centennial anniversary of the 19th Amendment, President Trump issued a posthumous pardon for her conviction.

Many women in history paved the way to where we are in history today. The timeline to build the monument includes seven steps: Dream Big, Secure Congressional Support, Raise Funds, Finalize the Location, Design the Monument, Bring the design to Life, and Unveil the Monument. Steps one and two are complete as in progress are steps three to seven. The General Federation of Women's Clubs (GFWC) passed its

pledge to raise \$150,000 to help build this monument.

The Women's Monument Official Lapel Pin is the golden yellow sunflower. It stands for hope, vitality, and lighting the way forward.



These colors were taken from iconic ribbons, sashes, and pins of the past including the colors white and purple to enhance the yellow sunflower. You can visit the Women's Suffrage National Monument SHOP store to purchase numerous other merchandise items and donate.

How nice it would be to one day visit this historic monument on the National Mall in Washington, D.C.! As the project moves along, we will record updates and future information. Check out their website and pages too!



## Arts and Culture

Ann Caswell

### Decoupage Workshop

We had our Fall Project get together at my home on October 16. We had a smaller group but lots of fun creating. We had a guest speaker who guided us with our decoupage and gave us lots of helpful hints. Thank you,

Susan Degnan for arranging Doreen Shroder to instruct us.

Kristen Cervantes provided arts and crafts materials graciously donated by Gloucester County. We were given several boxes of miscellaneous craft-

ing materials which were donated to Atlas Activities department.

### Holiday Card Making

is scheduled for December 4th at 3pm at Denise Hosier's home, 122 Sandpiper Lane, in Riverwinds. Please email me by November 29th if you would like to attend. So that we have enough materials. I am looking forward to this fun project. The cards will be donated to the Atlas Healthcare nursing home patients.



## Advocates for Children

Karen Hink

### Red Cross Blood Drive

In January, Health and Wellness will partner with St. Paul's Methodist Church to host a Red Cross blood drive. Advocates for Children are going to ask our membership to provide childcare to people donating blood. We will need some of your time and some craft supplies and games. More information will follow.

### Mark your Calendars

The holiday shops at Redbank and Oakview Schools are coming Dec.1 thru Dec. 5. I will forward signups when available.

### Crayon Recycling Project

Please collect and bring your used and broken crayons to our meetings for The Crayon Initiative. The crayons are

recycled into new crayons and distributed to children in hospitals. This is an ongoing project.

### Ronald McDonald House

Please bring your soda tabs to our meetings. We take them to RMH -South Jersey where they recycle them to support their programs.

If we can conquer space, we can conquer childhood hunger.

—Buzz Aldrin



# Socially Speaking

Jody Harris

Please read through the list of events and social outings scheduled. Check dates, times, and **RSVP dates where noted**. Thank you.

## **FRIDAY, November 7, 6pm: Fahrenheit Ceramic Studio 8 South Broadway – Pitman**

Each attendee is responsible for cost of their ceramic piece and the discounted \$4.00 studio fee. You are welcome to bring in snacks and beverages, including adult beverages. I will pick up all the items the following week and send out notification so you can get your item from me. The room is on hold for us, and a deposit has been secured. If you are interested, there is still availability. Let Jody know.

## **MONDAY, November 24, 2025: Longwood Gardens – 2pm**

Please note that this is a walking trip – so please wear comfortable shoes. Scooters are available on a first come, first serve basis, and CANNOT be reserved in advance.

If you have mobility issues, you will have to consider if this trip is for you.

Here are the details:

- Meet at RiverWinds Sr. parking lot by 1:50pm – so we can get on the road by 2:00pm This is the lot across from the Senior Center.
- It is approximately an hour drive from West Deptford to Longwood.
- Yes, we will carpool.
- All attendees must purchase their own ticket in advance
- As tickets are timed admission, please get yours for 3:30pm.
- When we arrive, we may grab a bite to eat so that we can walk the gardens in the later afternoon when they are all lit up.

- Dress appropriately for the weather – this is an outside event.
- You may want to make sure you have a few \$\$ on you. I don't know if they take cash or are cashless as so many other venues. – Be prepared either way,

If you are interested and have not told me, please do so, or we won't know to wait for you. If you have told me you wish to go, and no longer choose to attend, I need to know that as well. **THE CARAVAN WILL LEAVE PROMPTLY AT 2:00.**

## **SATURDAY, December 13: Mullica Hill Annual Christmas House Tour**

After further investigation, we decided NOT to do this as a group. Feel free to make arrangements on your own if you are interested. Tour is open from 2-7pm

Some homes and buildings DO HAVE STEPS. Purchasing a ticket acknowledges this fact and the tour is not responsible for falls.

Tickets are non-refundable.

Google: Mullica Hill Christmas House Tour. It will take you to the site where you can order your ticket. Ticket price is \$15.00 plus \$1.30 service fee, plus a 3% charge to use a credit card.

## **Snippets into 2026**

### **WEDNESDAY, January 7, 2026 "Zoom" Book Club – 7pm**

*RSVP by January 4th to Jody if you would like to attend.*

We will be discussing Rabbit Moon by Jennifer Haigh.

Next Book Club is scheduled for: **Wednesday, April 8, 2026.** The book selected for discussion will be: Stephen Kings's 11/22/63.

### **WEDNESDAY, January 28, 2026, 7pm: Trivia Night at Hollywood Café**

*RSVP by January 15th to Jody if you would like to attend.*

A count is needed two weeks in advance, as they have limited space. This should be a lot of fun!

### **TUESDAY, February 10, 2026, Galentine's Day Pollyanna**

"A day for women to celebrate their friendships with their lady friends."

If you wish to participate, we ask that you bring in a small wrapped gift (\$5-10 max.). All the gifts will be placed on a designated table and as you put down a gift you pick a number. When we get to the designated time, we will pick our gifts based on the numbers. Everyone who brings a gift will go home one.



## Civic Engagement & Outreach

Cynthia  
Holmes-Butler

### Food Needed!

Please help those in our community who are less fortunate. Food insecurity is a big problem, now more than ever.

Consider bringing a donation to our November meeting. No donation is too small. Help make this a good Thanksgiving for all this year!

Your donations will go to the SJ Dream Center & Colonial Manor Food Pantry.

Cynthia, Pixie, Joann Kf., Jeanette, Isabella, Sue C. & Peg S. Civic Outreach & Engagement Committee

### Wreaths of Remembrance

Wreaths will be laid in the Gloucester County Veterans Memorial Cemetery on December 6th. Volunteers are needed to help lay the wreaths.

You can also purchase a wreath yourself.

Join this grassroots effort  
To lay 4000 wreaths at the  
Gloucester County  
Veterans Memorial Cemetery

Wreaths with ribbons \$12.00 each  
Volunteers are needed

**WREATHS OF  
REMEMBRANCE**  
DECEMBER 6, 2025

To sponsor wreaths:

Checks: Make payable to: *People for People Foundation*  
write *Wreaths* in memo section

Mail to: PO Box 256, Mullica Hill, NJ 08062

On line: [www.ppfoundation.org](http://www.ppfoundation.org) or  
<https://givebuttr.com/WOR25>

To Volunteer or for more information:  
Call Janis at 856-579-7561 ext. 203 or  
email Janis at [jadoms1ppf@gmail.com](mailto:jadoms1ppf@gmail.com)

An empty  
stomach is not  
a good political  
adviser.

—Albert  
Einstein

## Family Promise

Jeannette Wood

### Family Promise of Southwest New Jersey

#### NOVEMBER IS DESIGNATED OUR MONTH TO DONATE!

We continue our club support of donating duffel bags, which are given to each child and members of these homeless families in the Family Promise program.

You can donate money this month toward duffel bags or purchase a duffel bag yourself.

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



# Health and Wellness

Carol Dechen

Its' that time of year.....time for something warm in your belly!!!!



## Turkey Chili

- 30 oz. lean ground turkey (95-97%)
- 14.5 oz. can of diced tomatoes
- 30 oz. tomato sauce
- 4 tsp. chili powder
- 1/8 tsp. allspice
- 1/8 tsp. cumin
- 1/8 tsp. onion powder
- 1/8 tsp. garlic powder
- 1/8 tsp. salt
- 1 Tbsp. Splenda

1. Brown the ground turkey and drain it.
2. Add all ingredients to crockpot.
3. Cook for 8 hours on low, or 4 hours on high.

(You can also cook this on the stove in a stock pot for about an hour.)

\*Note for a spicy version instead of sweet, replace Splenda with 1/2 tsp.

more chili powder, 1 tsp. Mrs. Dash Southwest Chipotle. Also replace the can of diced tomatoes with Ro-tel.

## Operation Smile

We are off to a great start with 30 Smile Bags already sewn, 40 cut out and ironed with some more sewing with what we have thus far being done this weekend. We are almost at our goal of 100 bags, which we want to complete by mid-January.

November is Health & Wellness Collection month. If you have any fabric or ribbon/cording, please get it to any of us, and thank you in advance!

Sewing Team: Carol D., Debbie H., Joann Kf., and Sandy M.

## Don't forget your FLU shots and/or COVID shots

Free flu shots: Monday, November 10th at the National Park Fire Hall 4:30-5:30.

More information & registration at [www.gloucestercountynj.gov/334/Influenza](http://www.gloucestercountynj.gov/334/Influenza)

## Let's Get Moving

Holy Mackerel!!! Guess how many ladies got moving this month! And then guess how many hours of exercise! You're not going to believe it! 654 hours and 25 participants. That is the most in a month by far the entire year. Thank you, thank you!! Only two more months to keep record of what you are doing. We are a very active bunch and taking our health seriously. Love it!!!

Here's something fun to do. I'll be there!!

## Running of the Turkeys

Thanksgiving Day 9am @ Riverwinds Community Center.

Turkey Trot 5K \$20.00 entrance fee.

Wobble Walk 2-mile Walk \$15.00.

More information at club meeting.

# Community Impact Program

Sandy Mastrangelo

"Helping Hands~Happy Hearts"



# Federation News

Cynthia Holmes-Butler

### Headquarters Anniversary

Come celebrate!! NJSFWC 60th Anniversary of Headquarters

Two dates available:

- Thursday, November 13 @ 1pm; Registration at 12:30pm —OR—
- Saturday, November 15 @ 10:30am; Registration at 10am

Free gift to participants. Register by emailing [openhouse@njsfwc.org](mailto:openhouse@njsfwc.org).

Indicate which date you would like to attend.

### Wreaths Across America

The GFWC supports the national program. Wreaths will be laid on 12/13. There's still time to make a donation. You can designate your donation for the NJSFWC/GFWC. Go to <https://njsfwc.org/wreaths-across-america/>

### State Fall Conference

Several club members attended a very successful Fall Conference at the Lobster Shanty on October 20th. Lots of information was shared by several presenters.

### Douglass College

Douglass College empowering

students has been supported by NJSFWC for over a hundred years.

NJSFWC established Douglass as a women's college and supports academically diverse students.

A Women's club at Douglass is in the works!

### Operation Sisterhood North Jersey

Through Operation Sisterhood many programs have been established to help homeless veterans maintain their jobs. There are over 500 female homeless vets in New Jersey.

There are genuinely sufficient resources in the world to ensure that no one, nowhere, at no time, should go hungry. —Ed Asner

# Environment

Denise Pitchford

### ECO Plastic Product Sorting Day

On October 7th, nine of our club members plus one guest went to ECO Plastic Products in Wilmington, Delaware to sort plastic bottle caps into colorized bins. We had a lot of fun sorting 22 pounds of plastics into red, orange, yellow, green, blue, purple, gray,

black, gold, brown, white & clear containers. We also brought what we had collected over the summer for drop-off and weigh-in of 18 pounds of plastics.

After we completed our sorting, we got a brief tour of the production facility and then drove back home and enjoyed

lunch together at Hollywood Diner. We look to do this volunteer service project again in the spring. Thanks again to our nine club members for logging in a total of 36 service hours for this project.

Environment Committee – Patty W., Isabella C. & Denise P.



# Domestic Violence Awareness

Linda Marple

First, I would like to thank our generous members for their donations to support the women in our shelter. We raised \$150!!! That allowed me to purchase one \$95 Visa card and two \$25 WAWA cards. The extra \$5 helped pay for the Visa card. Thank you so very much!

I have been asked what it takes to be a trained volunteer. When I was trained, first I had an interview. I am not sure that is still the case. Then there are 60 hours of training. Again, before this training was in person. Now only the first and last session are in person, the others are online. The training teaches how to respond to victims, how to respect their confidentiality, how to offer comfort and support. The various possible events a volunteer might encounter are discussed. Also, what we can and cannot do for victims. For instance we cannot transport victims in our cars. If they have no ride and are at

a police station, the police often provide transportation; the same for victims in a hospital. Volunteers inform victims of services we can provide. Some of the support offered includes counseling for the victim and, if necessary, for her family or partner. There is also counseling for children who have been in abusive homes. The abuser cannot be in the home for this counseling.

It can be scary to go out on your first activation, but help from those more well-trained is only a phone call away. Even trained volunteers may encounter a difficult case, for instance if you need to find emergency housing for a person. Again, there is always someone available to talk to.

If you are interested in taking the training, see Linda M. at the meeting or call her. Also, if anyone wants to help on this committee, you do not need to be a trained volunteer.



Join Holly Revelas' Alzheimer's Team November 8 at 8:30am at Citizens Bank Park. We will get to walk the bases! It is a special day and a good cause!! Hope to see you there! 😊

[2025 Walk to End Alzheimer's - Philadelphia, PA: Holly Revelas's Alzheimer's Team | Walk to End Alzheimer's](#)

If you have any extra birthday bags (large size) as well as Christmas bags (all sizes) that are just taking up room, **Emmanuel Cancer Foundation** could really use these items. Please bring any bags to the November meeting.

—Debbie H.

Dear Club Friends,  
Thank you to everyone who purchased a Boscov's Friends Helping Friends shopping pass. I sold thirty-five passes for the GWCM food pantry. About half of those passes were purchased by club members. I hope your shopping day was successful. Happy Thanksgiving to you and your families.

—Joan B.

Linda & Bill J. are proud of senior MIT grandson Jake Cobb for being accepted early into the Master's Degree Program. He will remain at his college in September 2026 to pursue further studies in Computer Science & Molecular Biology. Good luck & congrats Jake!

Also, grandson of Linda & Bill, WDHS senior Brady Cobb was voted by the HS students to represent them at all the BOARD OF EDUCATION meetings and lend a student voice for ideas, suggestions, and feedback in working with the Board. Congrats Brady!





## GFWC Woman's Club of West Deptford

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*Community Service*  
*Spiced with Friendship and Fun*

**UPCOMING**  
**Nov. 7: Fahrenheit Ceramic Stu.**  
**November 9-14: NJSFWC**  
**Membership Week**  
**November 11: Regular Meeting**  
**November 13 & 15: NJSFWC**  
**Headquarters Open Houses**  
**Nov. 21: Poinsettia Orders Due**  
**Nov. 24: Longwood Gardens**  
**Nov. 27: Thanksgiving Day**  
**Nov. 29: Tidbits Deadline**  
**Dec. 1-5 Holiday Shops at Red**  
**Bank & Oakview Schools**  
**Dec. 4: Holiday Card Making**  
**Dec. 6: Wreaths of Remembrance**  
**Dec. 9: Holiday Dinner Seven Star**  
**Dec. 12: Poinsettia Pickup**

Website: [wdwomen.com](http://wdwomen.com)  
Facebook:  
[womansclubofwestdeptford](https://www.facebook.com/womansclubofwestdeptford)  
Instagram: [wcofwestdeptford](https://www.instagram.com/wcofwestdeptford)

### Committee Collection Schedule

- ◆ **Every month**—Food pantries
- ◆ **Special State Project** — Priority
- ◆ **November** Civic Engagement & Outreach, Health & Wellness
- ◆ **January:** Advocates for Children, Health & Wellness
- ◆ **February:** Domestic Violence
- ◆ **March:** Advocates for Children; Health and Wellness
- ◆ **April:** Domestic Violence
- ◆ **May:** Education/GCI,
- ◆ **June:** Civic Engagement & Outreach
- ◆ **September:** Advocates for Children
- ◆ **October:** Domestic Violence, Family Promise

## Dear Secret Pal

Dear Secret Pal,  
Thank you so much for the festive fall mugs and rack. They are adorable. I can't wait to drink my specialty seasonal coffee and teas in them. You're spoiling me!  
—Xo Carol Frisby

Dear Secret Pal,  
You never cease to amaze me. I think you know me better than I know myself. I absolutely love, love, love my Mom-Mom's Little Pumpkins Sweat-shirt. I love everything about it from the design to the color. I have worn it a few times and received so many compliments. I can't wait to find out who you are in December so I can personally thank you for all of the thoughtful gifts I have received this year. Have a wonderful Thanksgiving.  
—Jody

Dear Secret Pal,  
Thanks again for thinking of me on my birthday. Everything was spot on— you even managed to find a book that I haven't read! My family

was surprised. I loved the popcorn so much that I have been buying that kind ever since you gave it to me! I look forward to doing the puzzle, too.  
—Karen B.

Dear Secret Pal,  
Wow! Just Wow! Spoiled by you is an understatement! I just love everything you gave me. The Welcome Witches Kitchen Mat is perfect in my kitchen, the 12 coffees of Fall—oh my goodness! The best! The Hocus Pocus Candy Mix—my favorite Fall candies,

the stack of wooden books saying "I Love Fall" will be on display until I start decorating for Christmas, the Fall Gnome dish towels, pot holder and mitt will also be used throughout the season and the two paint-your-own Halloween Houses were a perfect activity for me to do with my grandchildren. Thank you so much for your thoughtfulness, generosity and just making Secret Pal exchanges so much fun!!! You are amazing!  
—April

