

# News & Notes

WOMEN'S CLUB OF FARMINGDALE

Founded 1913

Dedicated to: Education, Philanthropic Endeavors, Civic Pride and Social Enrichment  
October 2018



GENERAL FEDERATION  
of WOMEN'S CLUBS  
Member Since 1916

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RECORDER'S PRESENTATION

## THE YEAR IN REVIEW

As I looked back on the year, I am never surprised by the generosity of our Club! No matter the event, the charity, the program, you are always there willing and able to help. Our Club truly embraces the theme of "Giving Back".

Our projects are year round (we are supposed to take a break during the summer). Here is what we did:

**BEAUTIFICATION:** In September, we joined with other community members to plant mums at Village Green, in the fountain, 16 street pots, and Main and Melville. In November, we strung lights on 85 wreaths to be hung on Main Street and fluffed 85 bows to be put on the wreaths. In May, we again joined with other community members to plant 70 street pots, Main and Melville, Northside Pocket Park, Village Green and the fountain. Well done ladies! The Village looked beautiful all year.



### WELFARE:

**ST. KILIAN OUTREACH:** In August, we collected school supplies to be taken to St. Kilian Outreach. We delivered backpacks, composition notebooks, loose leafs and paper, pens, pencils, crayons, rulers, magic markers, post-its, and colored pencils. St. Kilian Outreach serves approximately 150 families. Our supplies were combined with those of other organizations to help these families.

On a monthly basis, we donate paper goods to Outreach. We were specifically asked to do this as it something that is often forgot about.

We started collecting food and monetary donations in October. Turkeys were purchased and the food was delivered on November 7th. Again, helping many needy families in Farmingdale.

**EPIC HOUSE:** We provide a holiday basket filled with treats for the residents of this home on Main Street in Farmingdale.

**MADONNA HEIGHTS:** Santa Bag Project: Any Club member who wished to participate in the project took a red holiday gift bag and filled it with toys, dolls, books and/or childrens items to be delivered to Madonna Heights for distribution at Christmas time. We delivered over 60 bags.

For Mother's Day we filled new or gently used pocketbooks with articles for the moms including small make up bags from Estee Lauder. We also included stuffed animals and other items for children. We delivered these items prior to Mother's Day.

**GFWC INTERNATIONAL AMBASSADOR PROGRAM:** We had several luncheons over the course of the year to help a not for profit called Fitness for Africa. Fitness for Africa helps children in Gulu, Uganda. We have raised over \$1500. At each luncheon, a portion of the cost is donated to this program. This is a wonderful way for our Club to socialize and help at the same time.

We have also given money to Sisters of St. Claire Clarisse in Italy. A donation was sent to them during the holiday season for \$500.

**CRAFTS COMMITTEE:** Members created items to be sold at the Columbus Day Weekend Fair. We had members donate material and items made. We also participated in a bake sale. Monies raised went to Ways and Means. We have also continued to make lap robes and blankets to be donated to veterans.

# April is National Child Abuse Prevention Month



**NO EXCUSE FOR CHILD ABUSE.** The GFWC-NY president has chosen child abuse to focus on and raise awareness of. To that end, we have purchased 240 blue pinwheels. We will be selling these pinwheels during the course of the year for \$5.00. We will have ribbons that can be say “In Honor of”, “In Memory of”, “In Thanksgiving for” if you so choose. In April, we will display all 240 pinwheels in the fountain on Village Green with a banner denoting April as Child Abuse Prevention Month. At the end of the month you may have your pinwheel(s) to display at your home. Thank you in advance for supporting this very worthwhile organization.

## DATES TO REMEMBER

Oct. 4    General Meeting  
Noon  
Allen Park



*2018-2020 Executive Board  
Lois Carbo, Rosemary Emigholz, Gail McGuirk,  
Lorraine Stanton, Cheryl Parisi, Ann Ciuffo,  
Cathy Sewell and Lynn Connolly*



## EYEGASSES



Ladies, please remember to recycle your old eyeglasses. They will be donated to the Lions Club for recycling worldwide. Collections will be made at all in-house meetings.  
Thank you, Maria



Ambassador Luncheon attendees at The Nutty Irishmen

# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE (cont'd)

**WAYS AND MEANS:** The committee ran a very successful year raising over \$9000 that went toward awards for Farmingdale High School seniors. We were able to provide over \$3,700 in awards, create a Disaster Relief Fund of \$1,000, and over \$1,000 in contributions to local charities.

**CIVICS AND LEGISLATION:** We have been able to keep our members apprised of legislation that would change the character of Republic Airport. We have also kept our members in the know about the Village of Farmingdale.

**ART AWARDS:** We provided matching awards for all the student winners at the LI Metro Cultural Arts Day.

As you can see, we are always giving back. Lorraine and I thank you for your continued generosity and support for all the Club does.

## MEMBERSHIP

### WORDS MATTER

October 4th begins a new term of office for our elected administration of the Women's Club of Farmingdale and another year of working together to benefit others. As co-chairman of Membership, I wish to encourage you to impress on new applicants that we are an active volunteer organization as well as a social one. Keep in mind that we are not the RED HATS. Of course we socialize and enjoy fun activities but we work for others in need as well.

New members must be willing to join a committee and become an active member to help. In doing so, friendship's form and comradeship enables our club at times to accomplish more than ever expect.

We are an organization that is prospering at a time when others are failing. Why ? I am not sure, but we obviously have done something right or we would not have interested women calling for information to become a part of our club. Years ago women became members by invitation only. There is no need for that drastic a step or we may overlook enthusiastic good workers but we do need to inform women who approach us to become members that WE VOLUNTEER AND WE WORK FOR THE COMMUNITY.

Dolores Cianciabella  
Co-Chairman

Members and Associate Members this is a reminder to pay your dues. Please send your checks to Ingrid Hernandez, 105 East Drive, Massapequa, NY 11758 or bring them to the General Meeting on Thursday, October 4th.

Ingrid Hernandez, Co-Chairman



*Installation of Gail McGuirk as Recording Secretary.*



*Lorraine Stanton with her daughter-in-law and grandchildren at Taylor's Sweet 16*





## The Women's Club of Farmingdale Executive Board

Cheryl Parisi, Lorraine Stanton .....	Co-Presidents	Ann Ciuffo.....	Corresponding Secretary
Catherine Sewell.....	1st Vice President	Lynn Connolly .....	Treasurer
Rosemary Emigholz, Lois Carbo .....	Co-2nd Vice Presidents	Ann Lomonte.....	Auditor
Gail McGuirk .....	Recording Secretary	Tina Diamond .....	Imm. Past President



### EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING - OCTOBER 18 - 10:00 AM



#### OCTOBER

- Pauline Bove - 5
- Tina Diamond - 8
- Elena Guercio - 8
- Ann Lomonte - 26
- Nancy Giminaro - 27
- Lynne Cahill - 28

## BOOK CLUB

We will be meeting on Friday, October 26th at 12:30 pm at Bellagio's at Airport Plaza. We are reading the Two Family House.



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