

Dedicated to: Education, Philanthropic Endeavors, Civic Pride and Social Enrichment December 2017

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50 Reasons To Be Thankful

From the beginning to the end of November - it made me think about how lucky I am to be among this wonderful group of women who are the members of this club. I was humbled to "be your guest" at the traditional President's Luncheon and MY guests were astonished at all the planning details of an amazing President's Luncheon Committee! How proud we should all be when we hear other club's members mention how productive we are! We gathered together at Outreach to bring long tables of donated food for Thanksgiving



dinners to those in need within our community. We invited General Needs President Lonnie Sherman and his wife, Susan, to our Exec Bd meeting to donate women's items and accessories to LI women veterans plus crocheted lap blankets by the Craft Committee. They were both speechless by our generosity. We enlisted our family and friends to support the club's major fundraiser - Night At The Races. The room was filled with laughter, fun and lots of big bettors who generously gambled on horse races, raffles and beautiful basket prizes - all created by the Ways & Means Committee. Only a group of diehard, dedicated club members could make this all happen! We are 50-member strong and committed to continue this club's charitable legacy way into the future. Let's continue our good work with these December events:

GFWC INTL AMBASSADOR PROJECT - Fitness for Africa - Ambassador Lorraine Stanton has reserved a noon luncheon at Lotus Garden on Nov. 30. The \$23 luncheon cost will cover lunch, gratuity and a donation to the children in school in Uganda. Any small donation to this Intl Project - Fitness For Africa will help bring schools to children in areas where there are none. Founder Heather Parisi appreciates any amount of money which goes a long way to bring these children literacy, fitness and a chance for a better life. The first luncheon raised \$150.

CIVICS AND LEGISLATION: Mon., Dec. 4th at 8:00 pm will be the Farmingdale Village Trustee Board Meeting. It's important to be a part of the discussion of another "Loft" 55-unit apartment building in the old CVS location.

SANTA BAG PROJECT: We are collecting once again for the children at Madonna Heights. All the toys and children's items should be placed in a red or holiday bag. The bags should be dropped off at Rosemary's house at 16 Nelson St., Farmingdale by Dec. 5th. The Welfare Committee will be delivering the goods at Madonna Heights on Wed., Dec 6th at 10:00 am. Please let Rosemary Emigholz or Anna levolo know if you would like to go.

HOLIDAY LUNCH: will be held Dec. 7 at The Carlysle at Bethpage at noon. Wear your holiday best!

WINTER WONDERLAND WALK-THRU: Rosemary and George Emigholz will open their holidaydecorated home for a social gathering on Fri., Dec 8 from 1:00-4:00 pm. Stop by for some cookies, coffee, tea and friendly hospitality before the holidays.

BOOK CLUB - Elaine Ryan has scheduled next book club luncheon Dec 14th at Mary's Pizza & Pasta restaurant. The group is reading The Ice Cream Queen of Orchard Street.

> Greetings For A Blessed Holiday Season Happy & Health New Year - Tina

CREATIVE WRITING



If you are interested in writing for your family, history or for competing in the GFWC Annual Writing Contest do come to the home of Dolores Cianciabella (6 Leanore Drive, S. Farmingdale). Write something you would like to share

with others. We will share our stories over a cup of coffee on November 20th at 1:00 pm. Plese callto notify Dolores (631-694-5145) if you wish to participate.

ST. CLAIRE CLARISSE

December, 2017

My Dear Ladies of Women's Club,

This year I will not be making a verbal appeal for your generosity on behalf of the Sisters of St. Claire Clarisse..instead, it is a written appeal, in a time where many of us turn to the power of prayer. The sisters of St. Claire continue to pray for our club and also for each and every one of you.

I have been approached by several of our members asking if I would be accepting donations for the sisters. Yes! I will with their gratitude and appreciation, for your kindness and love toward these sisters who do what they can with limited means. They have our names and continue to pray for us. Names of any new members will be added to their list.

To believe in the magic of Christmas is a gift. To believe in the power of prayer is a gift from God. I humbly hope that the love and spirit of this time of giving continues to move you to help the Sisters of St Claire. The smallest donation will be returned to you 10X fold. Of this I am sure!

If you choose to donate, please write a check made payable to Monastero S. Chiara Clarisse. There will be a marked envelope on my table at the Holiday Luncheon or mail it directly to me at my home: 155 Woodward Parkway, Farmingdale 11735. I will make one mailing to the convent. I will also have a holiday card at my table and I ask that everyone please sign it regardless of whether or not a donation has been made. Your name on the card will be added to the prayers said by the Sisters of St. Claire Clarisse - and we can all use prayers!

Thank you so much - Bea Ferrari

WAYS & MEANS



We would like to thank all the Women's Club members, their families and friends for coming to support us at Night at the Races. Because of your generosity, we were able to raise funds for

scholarships and other philanthropies. My gratitude to my wonderful co-chair, Valerie Thieke and for my committee, Ann Ciuffo, Rosemary Emigholz, Anna levolo, Ann Lomonte, Katie McKeveny, Cheryl Parisi, Judy Vilas, Lynda Leone, Lorraine Stanton, Maria Ortolani, for all their hard work in helping to make this fundraiser a success. Our thanks to the merchants for their generous donations and support. A very special thanks to James Parisi for being our master of ceremony. Great job James! And let us not forget to thank our husbands, Steve Thieke and Nestor Hernandez, John levolo and George Emigholz for their help and support.

Ingrid Hernandez Valerie Thieke

DIRECTORY CHANGES

Please make the following additions and/or changes to your Directory:

Birthdays: Pauline Bove - October 5

Day Members: Judy Jaffee has a new address: 55C Commodore Lane, West Babylon, NY 11704 (Phone number and email remain the same)

Committees:

By-Laws: Ann Lomonte, Chairperson Loda Romanelli Anna levolo Rosemary Trudden Cathy Sewell

Community Improvements: Rosemary Trudden, Chairperson Barbara Hoerner

Crafts: Judy Masino, Chairperson

Hospitality: Lois Carbo, Co-Chairperson

Scholarship:Ann Ciuffo, Chairperson Pauline Bove Judy Jaffe Gail McGuirk

State Honor Roll / Order of the Rose (one committee)

INTERNATIONAL PROJECT - FITNESS FOR AFRICA

The Ambassador lunch for Fitness for Africa will be held at the Lotus Garden on Conklin Street on Thursday, November 30, 2017 at 12 noon. The price will be \$23.00 which will include lunch from a menu designed for us and will also include one hot or cold non-alcoholic beverage, tip and a donation for Fitness for Africa. I will need to give Lotus Garden a meal count by Monday, November 27, 2017. Please e-mail me at hslorry@ optonline.net or call me at 516 249-1635.

Maria Ortolani has volunteered to chair the month of April. If you would like to be an Ambassador for the project, please let Cheryl Parisi or Tina Diamond know.





General Needs founder Lonnie Sherman and his wife Susan at our November Executive Board meeting.

EYEGLASSES



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

MEMBERSHIP

Dues are due before December 1st, members \$60.00 associates \$30.00. New members must attend two meetings and have two sponsors, then will be welcomed into the club. Dues should be paid at this time. Members must attend four meetings a year unless they submit a valid excuse to the President

Ann Lomonte, Membership Chair



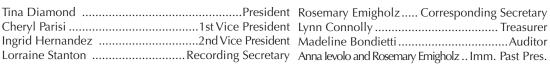
If you plan to attend and have not yet paid, please call Barbara Hoerner, Loda Romanelli or Rosemary Trudden to reserve your seat. You may bring your check to the luncheon.

LUNCHEON COMMITTEES Please Take Note

In an effort to simplify, the WCF cabinet has been rearranged so that all the necessary items for our monthly luncheons at Allen Park, can be found on shelves 2, 3 and 4. These shelves are basically eye-level and the easiest to reach. It is no longer necessary to use the two large tea kettles for hot water as the kitchen has a hot water valve that dispenses hot water continuously. Thank you, Bea and Maria

The Women's Club of Farmingdale Executive Board







EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING - JANUARY 18 - 10:00 AM

