# News & Notes

### WOMEN'S CLUB OF FARMINGDALE



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Dedicated to: Education, Philanthropic Endeavors, Civic Pride and Social Enrichment
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## The Greatest Gift Is To Give — And We Do!!!

To ensure that all our charitable giving provides an opportunity for those in need to have a happy, holiday season - our club members have been very busy during December.

International Ambassador, Lorraine Stanton, hosted a successful International Project luncheon for Fitness For Africa at Lotus Garden.

A worthy cause which will provide students in Uganda nutrition, education and better quality of life and hope for a better future.

Then, like Santa himself, one warm, foggy morning our members delivered bags of goodies to Madonna Heights for children living at the shelter to enjoy unwrapping new toys and winter clothes during this special season. This year's Santa Bag Project collected 31 bags filled to the brim for the children. Special thanks to Rosemary Emigholz and Anna levolo for coordinating this effort.

A fun-filled, happy holiday luncheon was attended by 40+ club members at Taste 99 at the Carlysle in Bethpage. We all enjoyed doing our "armchair exercises" while singing The Twelve Days of Christmas. Thanks to Loda Romanelli, Barbara Hoerner and Rosemary Trudden for such a spirited luncheon. We all left with a smile and holiday, hot chocolate cups. During this luncheon - a very private and discreet International Project to help the Sisters of St. Claire Clarisse in Italy was being held. I am extremely happy to report that we reached deep in our pockets and our hearts to raise an impressive \$500 so that the nuns at this Italian monastery could continue their work in feeding the poor and housing the downtrodden! God Bless You All for such generosity without fanfare.

Then we gathered together at the Emigholz residence for a Winter-Wonderland Walk-thru and to wish each other a Merry Christmas and holiday season. Amid the beautiful holiday house décor and the feel of the Emigholz hospitality - we realize how much we do together and how much we enjoy helping others. It is, after all, our legacy left to all of us by our leader, Abigail E. Leonard. We can leave behind this old year knowing we have succeeded in our efforts and look forward to more challenges and charity work in 2018. God Bless You All For All Your Support..

Merry Christmas & Happy Chanukah And a very happy, healthy New Year! Tina



P.S.. If you have any family holiday pictures you want to share send them to Cheryl Parisi or Tina Diamond and we will display them in upcoming News & Notes!! Enjoy it all!

### **CREATIVE WRITING**



If you are interested in writing for your family, history or for competing in the GFWC Annual Writing Contest contact Dolores Cianciabella at 631-694-5145 if you wish to participate. Write something you would like to share with oth-

ers. We will share our stories over a cup of coffee.





Our **March** program is going to be our Lemon Auction. Bea Ferrari has graciously offered to be our Auctioneer!!

So, as the Lemon suggests, please bring in your auction items of love on the 1st of March. Bea will determine what to auction each for. Possibly gifts that were given that you might think about regifting but instead help us to earn a few dollars. The more we have to auction, the more it is!!

### **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)

Rosemary and Anna delivered the Christmas Basket to the residents of Epic House on Main Street.

### **BY-LAWS**

The By-Laws Committee has asked that all recommendations for changes to the by-laws be sent to Ann Lomonte by December 31st. They have heard from many of our members and they want all recommendations for their meeting in January. You can find Ann's contact information in your directory.

### **BOOK CLUB**

The Book Club held a very enjoyable discussion on Thursday, December 14th at Mary's Pizza. We had a nice turnout. The next book that we are reading is called City of Women and is on hold at the library at the Reference Desk. We will be meeting on January 18th at 12:30 pm. The restaurant is to be determined.



# INTERNATIONAL PROJECT - FITNESS FOR AFRICA

Fran Rotondo has volunteered to chair the month of February and Maria Ortolani has volunteered to chair the month of March. Details of the upcoming luncheons will be provided in the next newsletter.

If you would like to be an Ambassador for the project, please let Cheryl Parisi or Tina Diamond know.

### **MEMBERSHIP**

If you have not yet paid your dues, please do so as soon as possible. Day members pay \$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

## **PROPER ATTIRE**



The question has been asked many times concerning "appropriate attire" at meetings and when representing the club. So, in deference to the fact that the Women's Club of Farmingdale is a "working," community organization, the club would like to remind all members that it is important to present a respectful and appropriate appear-

ance, not only at meetings, but anytime a member is representing the club at public events and functions. Casual, neat and "business appropriate" attire is suggested.

# 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

### **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.

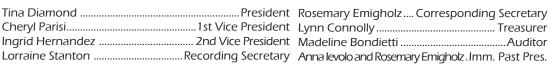
Thank you, Maria



Members of Women's Club were joined by members of the Combined Chorus to bring the Holiday spirit to the Adult Day Care at the Methodist Church.

#### -The Women's Club of Farmingdale Executive Board-







#### **EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING - JANUARY 18 - 10:00 AM**



Sewing labels on lap robes for the General Needs program. Robes will be given to homeless veterans on Long Island.



Some of the many members who took time to visit with each other at Rosemary and George Emigholz' home before the holiday rust took over!



