

# News & Notes

WOMEN'S CLUB OF FARMINGDALE

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



GENERAL FEDERATION  
of WOMEN'S CLUBS  
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## THE TRADITION CONTINUES

As tradition dictates - the club's birthday luncheon was held in April. Two new members pledged their commitment to the club and its work. A moving candlelight ceremony, presented by Membership Chair and Co-Chair: Ann Lomonte and Judy Vilas ushered in the new members with the traditional club's yellow rose as current members watched. We welcomed Vicky Impollonia and Karen Coonan who have pledged their support, efforts and charity to The Women's Club of Farmingdale. During this luncheon the club awards its State Honor Roll winner. Congratulations to a most deserving former club president and current public relations chair - Maria Ortolani. She has done a remarkable PR job making this club look great on the front pages of local and GFWC newspapers and magazines and made us renowned in the GFWC world. Plus a silver-pin presentation was given to Ann Lomonte for her dedicated 25-years of service to this club. Special thanks to the April Birthday luncheon chair, Gail McGuirk who ensured that all traditions were presented with style.



Continuing with tradition, the Nominating Committee led by Anna Ievoli, Rosemary Emigholz, Cathy Sewell, Maryann Seales and Ann Lomonte presented the 2018-2020 slate of officers which will be voted on at the next general membership meeting on May 10th. They are: Treasurer - Lynn Connelly, Ways & Means - Lois Carbo/Rosemary Emigholz, Corresponding Secretary - Ann Ciuffo, 1st Vice-President & Program Chairman - Cathy Sewell and Co-Presidents: Cheryl Parisi/Lorraine Stanton. The Farmingdale Women's Club remains a relevant and meaningful organization because we continue to honor these traditions designed for us by our fore-sisters and use them to build our future. Congratulations. good luck and thank-you to all!! Here are our next activities for May:

April 30 - FHS Wall of Fame Ceremony will be held at 6:30 pm in the Lecture Hall. Dru Brem's husband, Walter, will be honored for his many years of service to Farmingdale children.

May 1 or 2 - Pocketbooks or Baby Items must be dropped off on the stoop of Rosemary Emigholz house for the Mother's Day project.

May 8th - Delivery of our Mother's Day project pocketbooks to Madonna Heights. Meeting at Rosemary Emigholz's home at 10:00 am. Anyone interested in going to help and for a photo-op please contact Rosemary Emigholz.

May 9th - Our Intl Project Ambassador Rosemary Emigholz has a luncheon planned at The Nutty Irishman at noon. A \$20 check payable to Women's Club of Farmingdale will pay for the luncheon buffet and the charitable donation to Pearl of Hope School in Uganda.

May 9th - The CCAF meeting at 7:30 pm at Allen Park will present the Adopted School Budget to the community with Superintendent John Lorentz and Superintendent-elect Paul Defendini.

May 10th - At the general membership meeting there will be a vote for the 2018-2020 Slate of Officers and the committee sign-up board will be available to volunteer for a Chair, co-chair or just to be on a committee.

Happy Mother's Day - Tina

*The Titanic was built by professionals. The Ark was built by volunteers - Barbara Bush*

# HISTORY & FUN FACTS OF MAY

May is the fifth month of the year in the Gregorian and its predecessor, the Julian calendar. Named after the Greek goddess, Maia who is also identified Bona Dea (the Roman goddess of fertility), May is the time of spring in the Northern Hemisphere. In the Southern Hemisphere, May is a season of Autumn. Originally the third month of the year, May later moved to the fifth month when January and February were added to the calendar. It contains 31 days.

## FUN FACTS ABOUT MAY

Some Native American tribes called the May full moon The Full Flower Moon, The Corn Planting Moon or the Milk Moon.

The Anglo Saxon word for May was Tri-Milchi meaning 3 milks because the grass had become so lush and green that you could milk the cows three times a day!

To maintain a youthful appearance and enhance your beauty, wash your face in the dew you collect on the morning of the first of May.

Marry in May, you'll rue the day.

It is considered very bad luck to get married in May; perhaps because it is considered by some to be the wedding month of the God and Goddess and it would be very rude to upstage them.

Wash a blanket in May, you'll wash a dear one away.

It is bad luck to wash your blankets in May or to buy a new broom.

According to one superstition, children born this month will be sickly all their lives and cats born this month won't catch mice, but might bring snakes into the house.

Good weather in May is not necessarily a good thing.

A wet May brings a big load of hay.

A cold May is kindly and fills the barn finely.

Mist in May and heat in June makes harvest come right soon.

# WELL WISHES

Bea Ferrari will be having a knee replacement at the end of May. We wish her a speedy recovery and look for her return to club activities next fall.

# WELFARE

We will continue to bring paper goods to stock the pantry at St. Kilian's Outreach Office. Paper towels, tissues, toilet paper, diapers, baby wipes, etc. Please bring to in-house meetings only and they will be delivered by the Welfare Committee. Thank you for your continued generosity. The last month for donations of paper goods will be at the May General Meeting.

Thank you, Anna levolo and Rosemary Emigholz



MAY

Judy Jaffee - 3

Marge Manzo - 7

Dolores Meglio - 13

Bea Ferrari - 15

Barbara Hoerner - 16

Anna Prisco - 27

Vida Nostrand - 29

# DATES TO REMEMBER

## May is National Meditation Month

- May 6 - National Nurses Day
- May 8 - Madonna Heights to deliver Mother's Day Bags  
Meet at Rosemary Emigholz' home at 10:00 am  
National Teacher's Day
- May 9 - Ambassador Luncheon  
Noon - Nutty Irishmen  
CCAF Meeting  
7:30 pm Allen Park  
National Bike to School Day
- May 10 - General Membership Meeting  
Noon - Allen Park
- May 13 - Mother's Day

# 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

# 10 INTERESTING FACTS ABOUT MAY



## JUNE BBQ

CROXLEY'S  
Beer and Wine Garden  
Thursday, June 7, 2018  
Noon - 3:00 pm  
\$32.00 per person

Menu  
Salad  
Pulled Pork and Cheeseburger Sliders  
Pigs n Blanket  
Macaroni and Cheese Bites  
French Fries  
Dessert  
Soda, Coffee and Tea

Cash Bar

Cheryl Parisi and Lorraine Stanton will be collecting checks at our May meeting.  
Please make your check out to Women's Club of Farmingdale

10. **Named after Maia** - The name May has been generated from Maia. She happens to be a Greek Goddess, the Goddess of fertility. Apart from the fertility part, she also happens to be the Goddess of Spring and growth. May is a blessed month to begin with, according to the Romans!

9. **Love & Success** - People who are born in May are more likely to achieve higher success and more love in their life. Even though it's mostly a relative fact, May people have a better grasp on these elements of life than people born in other months. The birthstone for May is Emerald.

8. **Empire State Building** - Once the tallest building in the world and currently the fifth tallest building in the United States, the Empire State Building opened for all on May 1, 1931. This 443 meter tall building held the honor of being the tallest building of USA until the World Trade Center was completed in 1973. After the WTC attacks on 09/11/2001, the Empire State Building was temporarily the tallest but in 2014, One World Trade Center opened at a symbolic 1,776 feet.

7. **Banning of Maypoles** - In 1644, England banned Maypoles. These are poles usually made of wood and long enough to stand as a celebration prop for European festivals. Maypole dances are held in May, usually on May Day. However, some European countries celebrate May Day in mid-summer as well.

6. **Newton's Maypole** - Even after such restriction, people used to put up maypoles to celebrate their May festivals. One such maypole, which was 123 feet long, was put up in London; this was done to observe Charles II's return. However, this maypole was later used by Isaac Newton to support his telescope.

5. **May Day** - May celebrates many days, beginning with the May Day on the first day of May. This is also known as labor's day. Labors were dispersed on May 4, 1886 who had gathered demanding eight hour workday. Police fired shots ended up killing four demonstrators; and the day is recognized as the International Worker's Day AKA Labor Day ever since.

4. **Other Days in May** - Apart from the International Worker's Day, the month of May houses few other days as well. The 2nd Sunday of May is celebrated as International Mother's Day. Memorial Day is celebrated on the last Monday of May. May 5 is Cinco de Mayo; on the first Saturday of May, Kentucky Derby is celebrated in the USA.

3. **No US President Died** - No U.S. president has ever died in the month of May. However, on May two of U.S. presidents were born. They are Harry S. Truman and John F. Kennedy.

2. **Zodiac Signs** - Two Zodiac signs have occupied the month of May. They are Taurus and Gemini.

1. **The Indianapolis 500** is always held during Memorial week-end in May.

### Conclusion

Being the 5th month of the year, May could have been a dull month. But there happens to be a lot of interesting facts about this month, as stated above.



Rosemary and George Emigholz enjoying time with family



## The Women's Club of Farmingdale Executive Board

|                        |                     |   |                         |
|------------------------|---------------------|---|-------------------------|
| Tina Diamond .....     | President           | Rosemary Emigholz .....                 | Corresponding Secretary |
| Cheryl Parisi .....    | 1st Vice President  | Lynn Connolly .....                     | Treasurer               |
| Ingrid Hernandez ..... | 2nd Vice President  | Madeline Bondietti .....                | Auditor                 |
| Lorraine Stanton ..... | Recording Secretary | Anna levolo and Rosemary Emigholz ..... | Imm. Past Pres.         |



### EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING - SEPTEMBER 20 - 10:00 AM



Val and Steve Thieke with family during the Easter break.

## INTERNATIONAL PROJECT - FITNESS FOR AFRICA

Rosemary Emigholz will be hosting our last Ambassador luncheon for this year. It is being held at the Nutty Irishmen on Wednesday, May 9th at noon. The cost is \$20. per person. We will be having a buffet luncheon. If you plan to attend and have not let her know, please do so. Hope to see many of you there.



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