



The Tulip Tattler

Newsletter



The Woman's Club of Brielle Newsletter

General Federation of Woman's Clubs;
New Jersey State Federation of Woman's Clubs Shore District — April 2021

A MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT GAIL HARREN

Spring is looking better for us! More members are getting “jabbed” as they say in the UK and Ireland. We feel confident that we can gather outside this June for our luncheon, albeit a much simpler affair (and no wine...sorry). Joan Leavitt will have details for us at our meeting Thursday.

Our meeting will be hybrid again. Those who can, please attend at the Curtis House at noon. If you prefer to join from home the Zoom invitation, courtesy of John and Jayne Linfante, has been emailed to everyone.

The charity checks voted on at the last meeting have been sent-- Thank you MJ Crecca.

The Shore District Spring Conference is April 16th via Zoom. Please let me know if you can join in. If you would like to attend the NJSFWC Convention via Zoom, the registration is \$10 and it is April 26th and 27th. You must register by FRIDAY, APRIL 9th.

On a somber note, our former president, Sally Brown, passed away recently. I will forward information when I receive it.

In peace, joy and friendship,

Gail Harren

• Programs: *Joan Leavitt*

Our May Luncheon will be held outdoors this year on May 13th at the RIVEFRONT PAVILLION, 1001 River Avenue, Point Pleasant, NJ in their large outdoor Arcade from 1:30 to 5:30 PM.

We will be serving box lunches provided by one of our local delis at the cost of \$15.00 per person. Details as to choices of sandwiches will be provided on the notice and sign-up email which we plan to send out to all members via email shortly.

I would ask that when you receive the form please fill it out and return it directly to me at the below listed address as soon as possible:

Joan Leavitt
5 Brant Drive
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We will be making our usual annual awards and we look very forward to being able to be with each other again!



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DEPARTMENT AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

- **Communications: *Cathy Cafone***

The Coast Star reporter (S. Young was recently appointed) has received information for articles on “Got Sneakers?” and Lucy’s Easter baskets for Dottie’s House.

- **Bridge: *Constance Russell***

In checking with the Borough of Brielle Administration office, the Curtis House is currently closed for card playing. If you are interested in joining the Bridge committee, when we can safely meet, please contact Connie Russell at 908-419-6400 or email to constancerussell@gmail.com. The next “virtual” class I’m taking is Bidding Judgement. I’m sure Agnes would agree that I need this class. Stay safe.

- **Corresponding Secretary: *Cathy Cafone***

The P.O. Box is checked regularly and all mail is given to the designated members including Brielle Day- “Chill Out” SSP- Cookbook Sponsors and orders. Club donations are being received as well.

- **Federation Secretary: *Randi Quilici***

As a reminder, the Shore District Spring Conference is Monday, April 19th from 10 AM to 12 PM via Zoom. Club Presidents are reporting on 2020 highlights and always have great ideas. Also, NJSFWC President, Jan Hanson, is presenting yearly club awards. Please sign up with Gail Harren.

- **Health and Wellness: *Lucy Sanzalone & Joan Morse***

We created 12 Easter baskets For Dottie's House and supplied chips/popcorn/cookies for the older kids and provided shoes/jeans/shirts for the moms. There are pictures of the Easter baskets on our website.

Forty bags of food were donated to the food pantry. Donations were from our club and Lucy's neighbors in Cedar Village.

Ongoing: Food donations for the food pantry may be left by the garage door at Lucy's home. Please call Lucy to let her know when items are dropped off.

Thank you to everyone for being so supportive and generous.

- **Literature: *Cheryl Campaniolo & Sally McCallen***

We met on Zoom on March 17th at 10 AM and there was 6 members in attendance. We discussed “The Women of Sea Island” by Lisa See which had a mixed response. Our next meeting will be April 21st at 10 AM, hopefully outdoors. The April title is “Four Winds” by Kristin Hannah. We still have to pick a book for May. We ended our meeting at 10:27 AM.

- **Operation Chillout: *Tonia Scelfo***

The NJSFWC has informed us that the current phase for Operation Chillout is the collection of \$10 gift cards to be distributed to homeless veterans. Gift cards for Dunkin Donuts, Wawa, Subway, QuickChek, McDonald's, and Burger King are requested. Please mail the gift cards to The Woman’s Club of Brielle, PO Box 502, Brielle, NJ 08730 or to me, Tonia Scelfo, 844 William Drive, Brielle, NJ 08730. Please send them in by May 30th. Thank you.

- **Sunshine: *Cathy Cafone***

Get well and heal quickly cards have been delivered to Laurie Caccavo (fractured foot) and Jane Vane Erde, our Brielle Postmistress. Please keep Rose Marie Laird in your prayers. Her family has been hospitalized. Please contact me regarding members needing some Sunshine. Tattler hard copies are mailed as requested.

- **Therapy Dogs: *Joan Morse***

Once again, this summer, we are going to hold training for members who would like to try getting their dogs certified as therapy dogs. The classes would be held once a week for at least 6 weeks (more if the dogs need more work) on a day and time acceptable to all involved. We will cover all the skills you and your dog will need.

This is a no pressure activity. The things your dog needs to know are really simple, basic manners. The test, given by a certified evaluator, is just as simple and the evaluator we use really wants you to pass and will do everything she can to make that happen. And, of course, there is no pressure on you to complete training and take the test. That is completely up to you.

If you are interested, or have questions, please send an email to Joan Morse at digby6504@comcast.net.

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