



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 — February 2021

A MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT GAIL HARREN

Thanks to the donations from “friends” of our Club we can donate to many charities this Spring. Last year the “charities” portion of the budget had a huge void with Brielle Day in limbo. And then it was canceled as well as our Fall Luncheon. Our 2 large fundraisers cancelled (as well as much of our lives). But alas! We have received several donations from friends, and we are able to make many donations, although not all we would like. Also, we will be able to grant a few scholarships.

I know we are all more than ready to get back to our “normal”, and hopefully this is a beginning!

So many of us are working diligently on new fund raising efforts, we're thinking “outside the box”.

A thought for today:

Our fingerprints don't fade

From the lives we touch.

-Will Fetters

- **Brielle Day: Jayne Linfante & Joan Morse**

Brielle Day is Saturday, September 11th, 2021.

We are confident COVID should be sufficiently under control by September allowing Brielle Day to occur. It appears our craft vendors are just as optimistic as we are. We are receiving their applications early. The Brielle Day Committee is proud to announce that Dee Urbanski has joined the committee! Dee's organizational skills will be greatly appreciated.

Committee members: Jayne Linfante: Chair, Joan Morse: Co-chair, Diane Kautzmann, Cathy Caffone, Joyce Raspanti, Carmelina Carra, Sue Stenson, Dee Urbanski, Heather Larson



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DEPARTMENT AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

- **Communications: Cathy Cafone**

The Coast Star has received and published articles and photos on Dottie's House and the Veterans sweatshirt collections.

- **Bridge: Constance Russell**

Bridge is suspended until we can meet safely. We continue to remember long time club members and avid bridge players, Agnes Higgins and Lillian Hausmann, both of whom were often my partners. To help keep (my limited) skills up to date, I will be participating in Zoom lecture series on Declarer Play and Defense. Be safe and look for opportunities such as this.

- **Corresponding Secretary: Cathy Cafone**

The P.O. Box is checked regularly. All checks for the Agnes Higgins Memorial Scholarship, Membership, Friends of WCB, and Operation Chill Out are forwarded to the treasurer.

- **Education: Alison Aridas & Laurie Ann Cooper**

The Woman's Club Website and Facebook pages are updated with the 2021 Scholarship application and information. Please share this information with your family and friends who have graduating high school seniors that reside in Brielle. Thank you to our Webmaster Carmelina Carra for her assistance!

- **Federation Secretary: Randi Quilici**

Achievement Day scheduled for April 19th has been cancelled. There won't be any contests this year in order to keep everyone safe.

Please save the date; The Shore District Spring Conference on April 20th is virtual.

If you are interested in The Civic Engagement and Outreach Shore District Chairman position, formerly Public Issues, please call State Chairman Gail Kovacs-Felici at 201-599-1991. If there are no volunteers out of 21 clubs in our Shore District, we will not hold the Civic Engagement and Outreach event in March.

The NJSFWC 127th Annual Convention at Baily's in Atlantic City is virtual this year to keep everyone safe. If you have never attended a Convention, this year gives you the opportunity to have a taste without leaving home. Please save April 26th and 27th to attend and support our NJSFWC President, Jan Hanson.

There was a State Leadership Workshop on February 6th for all members, via Zoom, and a State Communication Workshop on February 25th. If you would like to take advantage of these free workshops, please contact Gail Harren for the Zoom links.

- **Health & Wellness: Lucy Sanzalone**

We picked up a new charity- Madonna House- and donated 16 bags of clothing including new baby clothes, boots, purses, and jackets. We also donated new tablecloths, dishes, and silverware.

We received a beautiful thank you from Dottie's House for our donation of Christmas gifts for 25 children. For Valentine's Day we picked up candy and a few stuffed animals for the children at Dottie's House. We also got cards for the children to give their mother on Valentine's Day.

The Club received huge donations of food this past month for the food pantries.

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

- **Jewelry Sale: Joan Morse**

As you have likely heard, we have been collecting jewelry, dress scarves and used cookbooks (in good condition) from members. Many of you have responded and we thank you for your support. We have a nice amount of each but will still accept more, if you want to contribute. We have been thinking carefully about the timing of this sale. Our plans were to hold it in the early Spring, thinking conditions would be ok at that point. However, as we approach Spring, COVID-19 appears to be on the rise once again in this area, there are new, more infectious forms of the virus entering the area and the vaccination efforts have been lagging expectations. Given these conditions, we will be postponing the sale until things actually improve to the point where the community will be safe attending and our members will be safe working the event.

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

We met on Zoom January 20th at 10 AM. There were nine members on video and one on the phone. We discussed "Midnight Library" by Matt Haig. Everyone seemed to enjoy it.

Our next meeting is February 17th at 10 AM via Zoom. The title will be "The Vanishing Act" by Brit Bennett. We discussed the possibility of meeting outdoors in April, if weather permits. We adjourned at 10:38 AM.

- **Membership: Sue Stenson & Laurie Ann Cooper**

We are collecting dues starting in February. Checks should be made payable to "The Woman's Club of Brielle" for \$50. Please mail your check to:

The Woman's Club of Brielle
PO Box 502
Brielle, NJ 08730
Attention: Membership

Your dues will carry through May 31, 2022.

Candace Moose has moved to Rumson. This is her new address; please edit your Directory:

Candace and Jim Moose
Two Bellevue Avenue
Rumson, NJ 07760

Mary Jane Crecca has a new email address: mjbarretta5@gmail.com.

We may have two prospective members attending our Zoom General Meeting on February 11th... Linda Del Rocco and Michele Heinle.

- **Sunshine: Cathy Cafone**

Sympathy and prayer cards have been sent to Peggy Z, Jeanne D, and Candace M for the passing of their sisters. Get well greetings have been sent to MaryAnn C and Rita P. Please inform me of any members needing correspondences. Necessary telephone calls will be made as needed. A sympathy card will be sent to The Hausmann Family in memory of our dear Lillian.

National Events: www.gfwc.org

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NJSFWC: www.njsfwc.org

Check out the website for upcoming events and news.

- **Treasurer's Report: Mary Jane Barretta**

Fundraising Efforts as of February 4, 2021:

Agnes Higgins Memorial Scholarship Fund	\$ 8,715.00 (restricted/in separate account)
Operation Chill Out	\$ 1,210.00 (restricted, Special State Project)
Cook Book	\$ 1,210.00 (restricted, Cookbook fundraiser)
Membership Contributions in lieu of fall fundraiser	\$ 2,185.00 (unrestricted)
Friends of the Woman's Club of Brielle	\$ 10,600.00 (restricted, charitable contributions/scholarships)

Actions to be taken:

Motion #1: That \$1306.00 of the funds in the Raffle Account be moved to the checking account and used for contributions to charities and other 501(c)(3) organizations and scholarships. This would leave a balance of \$1,000 in the Raffle Fund as is required and bring the total currently available for charitable giving and scholarships to \$11,906 (\$10,600 from the Friends of the Woman's Club of Brielle and \$1,306.00 from the Raffle Account).

Motion #2: That the Woman's Club of Brielle expend a total of \$10,349 for charitable giving for the 2020-2021 fiscal year, as per the proposed budget indicated below.

Proposed Budget for Charities

Charities to be Funded:	Amount
180 Turning Lives Around	\$ 600.00
Algonquin Arts Center	\$ 483.00
Brielle Fire Company #1	\$ 500.00
Brielle First Aid Squad	\$ 500.00
Brielle Public Library	\$ 500.00
Common Ground	\$ 600.00
Dottie's House	\$ 600.00
Faith Lutheran Church Food Pantry	\$ 750.00
Harbor House	\$ 600.00
Jersey Shore Dream Center	\$ 700.00
Manasquan Food Pantry	\$ 750.00
The Myocarditis Foundation	\$ 483.00
POAC Autism Services	\$ 500.00
Purple Heart of the Jersey Shore	\$ 483.00
Fulfill of Monmouth/Ocean Counties Food Pantry	\$ 750.00
The Samaritan Center	\$ 400.00
Your Grandmother's Cupboard Food Pantry	\$ 750.00
Madonna House	\$ 400.00
<i>Charities Total:</i>	<i>\$10,349.00</i>
<i>Balance remaining for Scholarships</i>	<i>\$ 1,557.00 (see above \$11,906 - \$10,349.00 = \$1557.00)</i>

Budget for Scholarships

The above information confirms that we now have enough money for 3 *Scholarships* (\$1,000 from the Agnes Higgins Memorial Scholarship Fund and \$2,000 contributed by the Friends of the Brielle Woman's Club and donations Club members have made in lieu of participating in the usual fall fundraiser). Since we are still working on fund raising projects and do not yet know how much more money we will have for scholarships, a proposal for scholarships to be given in 2021 will be made to the Club members at the March meeting.