



The Tulip Tattler



The Woman's Club of Brielle Newsletter

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The President's Message

What a successful Brielle Day! The tributes in remembrance of September 11th set the right tone— the booth display put together by Diane, the First Responder cutouts painted by Melissa, as well as the musical tribute put together by Jayne showed our mindfulness of the day. Our newest member, Joy, assembled a beautiful poster that was part of a joint tribute by the Union Landing Historical Society, The Bayberry Garden Club of Brielle, and The Woman's Club of Brielle.

It really felt so... "RIGHT" and a great beginning to our new club year. We have moved on to a huge project led by Mary Pat in updating our bylaws. She and her committee have been meeting weekly for months and the draft was presented to the board last month. Both the proposed bylaws and the Standing Rules have been emailed to all members. Given the amazing cost of printing the 43 pages (over \$450) we are asking all members to review before our October meeting. There will be discussion at both the day and evening meetings. The vote will be at our November meeting.

Please bring a check to purchase your tickets to our November 4th luncheon and the Scholarship 50/50. Laurie and I have developed a plan to provide "social distancing" for our meetings. For people at greater risk than most of us, there will be seating in the "fireplace" room. For this to work, please defer and take a seat in our usual meeting room. The PA system will be set up in the foyer and the food will be served from the kitchen. If weather permits, we can set up a table or 2 outside. This is a work in progress.

Be well and I hope to see you on Thursday, October 14th.

Gail



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DEPARTMENT AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

- **Bridge: Constance Russell**

The WCB has requested the 3rd Thursday monthly from 1 to 3 PM at The Curtis House be reserved for the Bridge Committee. Note: Bridge is not scheduled for October. For those in need of some refresher notes, I will send monthly updates. So, for now, scheduling will be month-by-month, and we'll see how the environment holds up. Your thoughts are always welcomed.

- **Civic Engagement: Lucy Sanzalone**

Please remember to return your Christmas stocking to the October meeting (10/14). Don't forget to attach \$2.00 for shipping and the item list marked with your donated items.

Time to create Thanksgiving baskets for Calling All Angels. A sign-up sheet will be available at the October meeting. Items are to be returned to Lucy's house on Monday, November 22nd at 10:00 AM.

- **Communications: Cathy Cafone**

Articles and photos have been published in The Coast Star including a detailed and extensive article on Brielle Day which was published on September 16th. A photo of Lucy Sanzalone and her successful backpack project was published on September 9th.

- **Corresponding Secretary: Cathy Cafone**

The P.O. Box is checked frequently. Please inform your corresponding secretary of any and all items that you are expecting.

- **Directory: Joyce Raspanti**

Oops - please correct the following errors:

Denise Quinn-Hesse's email should be qhesse@comcast.net - not (g) hesse)

Joy Wallis' cell should be (401) 932-5846 - not (491)

- **Fall Luncheon: Joyce Raspanti and Constance Russell**

Hopefully you have all received the information packet for the fall luncheon. Our reservation committee (Sally McCallen & Donna Greeley) are prepared to receive your guest list with menu choices and checks at our general meeting, October 14th.

If you're unable to attend, please mail your information to:

The Woman's Club of Brielle

P.O. Box 502

Brielle, NJ 08730

Thank you in advance for the baskets you are preparing. Our club always puts on a beautiful display.

Our 50/50 tickets have been selling well but if you would like to purchase a book (\$35) or you would like to sell to your friends & family, the committee will have them available at the October general meeting.

We are so grateful that we are able to have this event this year. We will definitely celebrate being together again in style!

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

November 18th is the NJSFWC Special State Project - Operation Chillout - Southern State Luncheon and Fashion Show in Pennsauken, NJ. The luncheon is \$42 and the location is at Marco's Restaurant at the Pennsauken Country Club. For more information, please contact Randi.

- **Gift Basket Committee: *Rose Marie Laird and Sue Stenson***

Each member of our club is asked to provide a gift basket for our Gift Basket Raffle at our Fall Luncheon in November. Each basket should be valued at \$50 unless you pair with another member; then the value should be \$100. Each basket should be wrapped in cellophane and accompanied by a 3 x 5 card with your name, the contents and the value. If you are unable to shop, you may make your donation of \$50 payable to The Woman's Club of Brielle, PO Box 502, Brielle, NJ 08730. Our gift basket committee will coordinate shopping for baskets with the donated money. However, please send your check (marked Gift Basket on memo line) as soon as possible.

Members may bring their baskets to our October General Meeting on October 14th or our Board Meeting on October 28th. Baskets may also be delivered to Sue Stenson's house (810 Rathjen Road in Brielle) between 9 and 11 am on Friday, October 29th. If you bring your basket at a different time and no one is home, please feel free to place it on the screened-in porch behind our house.

This has been a difficult year for our local merchants. However, if you feel comfortable approaching a business to ask for a gift certificate or gift, we will be distributing a Merchant Letter and our Tax Exemption Form at the September meeting.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call Sue (732-804-8476) or Rose Marie Laird (732-528-7283).

- **Golf: *Diane Conahan***

We will be going to the Renault Winery Resort, in Egg Harbor, on Thursday, October 7th. We have lunch reservations at noon at The Champagne Patio Garden and then we will be playing 18 holes of golf.

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

The club will host a birthday celebration at the Valentine House in Point Pleasant on October 21st at 6:00 PM. We will celebrate 7 residents who have birthdays in September and October. All club members are welcome to attend.

We have/will put together 15 trick or treat bags for Dottie's House.

Winter coats can be delivered to Lucy's home. Please call Lucy to coordinate drop off time.

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.

Thank you to everyone for being so supportive and generous.

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

The Literary Committee met on September 15th at The Curtis House. We discussed "The Red Coat," by Dolley Larson. There were good reviews from all. Lunch was held at Scarborough Fair and it was an enjoyable time!

We chose titles for the next 5 months and will discuss more to complete the year. Our next meeting will be October 20th at 10:30 AM at The Curtis House. The book for October is "Madness of Crowds," by Louise Penny.

We will have two new members: Joy Wallis and Laurie Caccavo. Welcome!!!

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

We are so grateful to report that several of our prospective members came out and helped us line the field, direct vendors, and manage our craft show and directional signs for Brielle Day. They were wonderful and we appreciated having them!

We will be installing Amanda Eldredge into the Evening Group at their October meeting. In November, we hope to install Erin Augustine, Gerrie Balcom, Mary Ann McGevena and Wendy Michaels....some in the Day Group and some in the Evening Group.

We are also pleased to tell you that Laurie Ford, who had dropped out of our Club last year, has rejoined us! Hoping to see Laurie at our meetings.

At present we have 49 Day and 15 Evening members.

- **Sunshine: Cathy Cafone**

Please inform your Sunshine Chair of all members needing out cards, emails, and visits.

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