

# **GARDEN DISTRICT CLUBS PROGRAMS**

At the January council meeting or through your sent Program report sheets, clubs shared the following information. If your club is interested in a particular program and there is no contact or information about the program/project, please contact the club that sponsored the program.

Many of the programs/projects that are done with the club members' participation are either done for a cause or to keep members engaged or for fun, and many of the programs are town sponsored. I Hope this gives you some great ideas for programs or projects. If you are interested in what other clubs are doing from other districts, information can be found on the NJSFWC Website under Materials under Program Assistance

## **WOMAN'S CLUB OF EDGEWATER PARK**

Held informative programs where gift cards were donated.

**TEAN SUICIDE** presentation by Izzy Slote a club member

**SELF DEFENSE** presentation by Sgt. Charles Ry, Edgewater Park Police

**HUMAN TRAFFICKING** presentation by Judi Wolgess 856-316-9013 In His Image Justice coalition

**HEALTH AND WELLNESS** presentation by Lauren Horner, Practitioner Holistic Health and Wellness [hornerlauren08@gmail.com](mailto:hornerlauren08@gmail.com)

**HELPING THE HOMELESS** presentation by Christian Caring Center Madelyn Suttan, Director 609-893-0700

**POVIDENCE HOUSE** a domestic violence shelter presentation by Barbara Katz 856-824-0599

**SERVICES TO SENIOR CITIZENS** presentation by Eva Cullinan Burlington County Human Services on aging and Disabilities 609-265-5069

## **HADDON FORTNIGHTLY**

**CHILDRENS HOSPITAL OF PHILADELPHIA – (CHOP)** A speaker from CHOP informed the club about their Reach Out and Read Program. Reading books has helped over 2,000 patients while they are in the hospital.

**ELDER FRAUD** A speaker from the FBI went over all the way seniors can be the subject of fraud. Members learned a lot and it was very inspiring.

## **HADDON FORTNIGHTLY EMD**

**METROPOLITAN AREA NUTRITION ALLIANCE (MANNA)** This organization opened its doors in 1990 when seven (7) members of the First Presbyterian Church of Philadelphia began delivering meals to the neighbors dying of AIDS. In over 30 years since their founding, MANNA has stayed true to its original mission of providing

nourishment to critically ill neighbors. Since 1990, the program has improved the health and quality of life of more than 40,000 Philadelphia area neighbors with more than 22,000,000 medically nourishing meals. They hold a fundraiser, Pie in the Sky, which brings together the Greater Philadelphia Community to bake, sell, and distribute 9,000+ pies during the Thanksgiving holiday season.

Contact: Amy Mansky

**TRI-STATE CANINE RESPONSE TEAM** Their mission statement is *“To comfort, support, and enhance the quality of life of those who are suffering from a personal condition or community crisis utilizing the human/canine bond and its power to heal.”*

They accomplish this mission by deploying teams of handlers, Counselors, and canines to areas where tragic events, like school shooting in Uvalde, Texas; Nashville, TN and Newtown, CT to engage directly with affected families. They also have a Crisis Intervention Team – a county-based collaboration of law enforcement and mental health professionals who are committed to developing a local system of services that is responsive to individuals with mental illness, family members, and the police officers. \_\_\_\_\_ Contact:

Janice Campbell

**GROWING UP IN THE SOUTH: A** presentation by Mary Louise Lavery 856-429-2194

**“TOWN CRIERS & THE INDIAN KING MUSEUM** “presented by Phillip Zoebish Town Crier pazoebish@hmail.com

**HELD A SPRING AND HOLIDAY DINNER.**

**HOSTED THEIR GCI CANDIDATES**

### **GFWC MARLTON WOMAN’S CLUB**

They invite different charities to a meeting to give a brief overview of their mission then each member votes for several charities to receive funds.

**PRINCE OF PEACE FOOD PANTRY** presentation by Susan Fahey Director and her assistant later gave members a tour of the food pantry

[Susan.fahey@comcast.net](mailto:Susan.fahey@comcast.net) Fee: \$50.00

**GOOD DENTAL HEALTH** Dental Hygienist Niccole Greco RDH, BA, MA Educator gave a presentation on the importance of good dental health and shared the latest correlation between dental health and disease Fee: \$50.00

### **WOMAN’S CLUB OF MERCHANTVILLE**

**CIVIL WAR NURSES** \_\_\_ By Jane Peters Estes, in period costume, introduced women who served as nurses 1861-1865. Jane Peters Estes has written on many Victoria era and American Civil War subjects of personal interest, including Civil War Museum, Vivandieres (French name for women who are attached to military regiments as sutlers or canteen keepers), and The Battle of Gettysburg: Where Were the Women? Her contributions to history have been honored by the Grand Army Republic Museum & Library, Philadelphia, The Union League of Philadelphia and American Legion Post 405, Philadelphia.

609-526-4299 Jane Starr Tours@yahoo.com

**INDEPENDENCE SEAPORT MUSEUM** (formerly the Philadelphia Maritime Museum)

The museum was founded in 1961 and is located in the Penn’s Landing Complex along the Delaware River in Philadelphia, PA. The collections at the museum document

maritime history and culture along the Delaware River. At the museum there are two National Historic Landmark Ships and the J. Welles Henderson Archives and Library. Contact: Sarah Augustine 215-413-8655

**MEET THE MAYORS** The objective to invite the Mayors of Merchantville and Pennsauken was to learn about projects that were going on in both townships. In lieu of the Mayors, Deputy Mayor of Pennsauken, Jessica Rafeh and Township Councilwoman, Nicole Roberts, explained the many construction projects and the plans for creating space for seniors. In January, Councilwoman, Nicole Roberts was elected the first African American Woman Mayor of Pennsauken, and the Deputy Mayor, Jessica Rafeh, retained her position.

**THE WOW CENTER** This center is New Jersey Based 501c3 non-profit organization with a mission of empowering real women with real stories to thrive, dream, believe, and pursue the impossible through love and community. The WOW Center is a community of women who stand alongside each other imperfect, restored, and redeemed. Through the sharing of personal testimony and faith in action, WOW empowers women to fully embrace and believe.

Melissa Padin 856-589-0444 <https://www.thewowcenternj.org>

**THE CLUB TAPPERS** performed a mini-Achievement Day

**TEA LUNCHEON** ON "GETTING TO KNOW YOUR ACTIVITIES."

**CLUB PICNIC**

**HOLIDAY LUNCHEON**

### **THE WOMAN'S CLUB OF MEDFORD**

**VALENTINES FOR VETS** members made cards for Veteran's.

**N.J. HUNGER HEROS** Jackie Schaffer Ms.N.J. International spoke on her advocacy for the program.

**LARRY ABRAMS** founder and director of Book Smiles

**EMMANUAL CANCER FOUNDATION** speaker Paige Kosakowski

**AUTHOR TONY GEROLAMO** of "The Pinneys" Series discussed the legends and lore of the Pinelands.

### **WOMAN'S CLUB OF MOUNT HOLLY**

**HOW TO UTILIZE THE YEARBOOK**.a skit performed by the members

**BRAINSTORMING /BREAKOUT SESSIONS** on Fundraising.

**BEACON OF HOPE IN MOUNT HOLLY** presentation a food pantry they also provide shelter, clothes and skills training to people in need.

**FOOD BANK OF SOUTH JERSEY** presentation by Shanna Hart, Wellness educator **POTLUCK DINNER** with special guest President Barbara McCloskey

### **WOMAN'S CLUB OF PENNSVILLE**

**RESOURCES AT THE SALEM COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY** presentation by Rich Gido

### **THE WOMAN'S CLUB OF PITMAN**

**LARRY ABRAMS** from Book Smiles spoke about the organization.

**VOTING WORKSHOP** Members packed cookies and made fans give out in town to promote voting.

**ANNUAL BANQUET** with Young Singers from local music studio performing Fee \$150.000

**GCI DELEGATES** spoke about their adventures and Ms Pitman entertained the group with a song.

**FUN AND GAME NIGHT** When invited program speaker cancels.

**"WHAT THE PILGRIMS ATE"** presenter Arlene Baker Fee Donation of toiletries to be given to female Veteran's.

**CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON** with entertainment by local singer Greg Armstrong Fee \$100.00

### **PORCH CLUB OF RIVERTON**

**BILL TERRILL SHOW** \_Billy Terrill is a well-known comedian and song writer who supports The Diaper Fund for orphans in Viet Nam since the Viet Nam War.

**GREEN SALES WORKSHOPS** Held to create wreaths, boxwood Christmas balls, and holiday arrangements for sale. Mostly preorders. It is held at the Porch Club. Both events are fundraisers to benefit their charities or house needs.

### **GFWC WOMAN'S CLUB OF RUNNEMEDE**

**CIVIL WAR NURSES** Description under Woman's Club of Merchantville

**DENTAL HEALTH**\_Contact: Nicole Greco 716-444-8636 [IHATEPLAQUE@aol.com](mailto:IHATEPLAQUE@aol.com)  
(Member of Marlton Woman's Club)

**HALLOWEEN COSTUME PARTY** Organized by a club member.

**SPECIAL STATE PROJECT** \_\_ Kathy Whitman, NJ Children's Alliance Camden County Prosecutor's Office 856-225-8400

**TRITON HIGH SCHOOL** \_\_GCI Delegates the club sponsored. Contact: School Counselor

### **GFWC WOMAN'S CLUB OF WEST DEPTFORD**

**GREATER WOODBURY COOPERATIVE MINISTRIES**-Run various food pantries in our area. -Spoke about how the pantries are funded with food and how they are distributed.

**MAYOR OF WEST DEPTFORD** The Mayor talked about community development.

**SCHOOL REFERENDUM** Dr. Brian Gismondi will speak on the referendum on the ballot in March. He will talk about the school plans.

**SPECIAL STATE PROJECT** Debbie Riveros, Executive Director, NJ Children's Alliance spoke about the organization.

**WALTER THE DOG** Suzanne Nelson Hoolahan, Director and MDT Gloucester County Coordinator. Adv. for Children

## **WOMAN'S CLUB OF WOODSTOWN**

**SHOW & TELL Members** were asked to bring a special item or items that they treasure and tell a story about it. Many different things with wonderful stories and memories.

**MEMORAHS A** local store owner has a collection of Menorahs that she brought to the club's meeting. She explained where they came from and a little history about each.  
(Does not travel out of Salem County.)