



THE 1894 SOCIETY

The NJSFWC Headquarters Building, built with trading stamps, is located on land leased from Rutgers University. The Federation's lease with Rutgers sets the rental amount at a percentage of the value of the land. The value of land has increased.

The 1894 Society was initiated in 2002 in an effort to build a fund that will enable the NJSFWC to fund the land rental

To Donate by Credit Card:

- 1) Go to: njsfwc.org
- 2) Click on: **DONATE** (yellow button top of page)
- 3) Insert the dollar amount you are paying (where it shows \$0)
- 4) Select: **Donate with "Credit Card or Debit Card"**
- 5) In the **Write A Note** put **"1894 Society"**
(*You do not need to complete the By Check Form Below*)
- 6) Complete your Credit Card information
 - a. Billing Address,
 - b. Email address,
 - c. Phone number.
- 7) Select **DONATE NOW**
- 8) An email confirming your donation is sent to your email and to njsfwc.hq@gmail.com.



To Donate by QR Code:

Scan the QR Code above to donate using your credit card on our PayPal Account.

Complete the information as outlined by Credit Card

To Donate by Check:

Please enroll me/our club in the 1894 Society for the 2026-2027 club year (April 1, 2026-March 31, 2027). Place "X" in box indicating whether Individual or Club donation.

Enclosed is my/our donation of:

___ \$18.94 ___ \$20.00 ___ \$189.40 ___ \$1,894.00 \$ ___ Other

☐ Name of Individual _____ District _____
(If Individual donation please note Club you belong to but do not Check box next to Club Name)

☐ Club _____ District _____

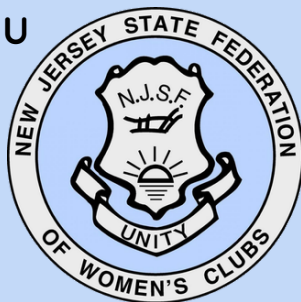
Address _____

Telephone _____ Email* _____

Make checks payable to "NJSFWC", earmarked "1894 Society". Mail check and donation form to:
NJSFWC Headquarters, 55 Labor Center Way, New Brunswick, NJ 08901

* All e-mail addresses will automatically be added to the NJSFWC eConnection distribution list. The NJSFWC eConnection brings current Federation news to your e-mail box. All information is confidential. All donations are tax deductible.

NJSFWC INVITES YOU
TO A BEGINNERS
WORKSHOP



Getting Started With Canva

PRESENTED BY DISTRICT VICE PRESIDENTS
KATHY REDDICK, SHORE DISTRICT
SHELLEY ROTHSTEIN, PALISADES DISTRICT



Learn the basics of Canva
Promote your club with
professionally styled invitations,
event flyers, presentations and
social media content

Wednesday October 14th

Federation Headquarters
55 Labor Center Way
New Brunswick NJ

Susan Chambers, President
"NJSFWC - A Force For Good"



WORKSHOP HIGHLIGHTS:

- Learn to use Design Templates
- Get creative with fonts
- Use elements for a professional look

**ALL PARTICIPANTS MUST BRING
THEIR OWN LAPTOP
CANVA SIGN-UP INFORMATION
WILL BE PROVIDED IN
ADVANCE OF WORKSHOP**

**RSVP BY 10/5 TO SHELLEY ROTHSTEIN
ROTHSTEIN@NJSFWC.ORG**

SPACE IS LIMITED

IN-PERSON WORKSHOP

NJSFWC OPEN HOUSE



Join our **unending circle of friendship** during our open house wreath sale



**Thursday, November 12, 2026
10:30 AM to 12:30 PM**



Light refreshments will be served

Seating is limited

*RSVP Headquarters at
openhouse@NJSFWC.org*

Requesting

Donations of wreaths to benefit
The 1894 Society are requested

*(Buy or make a wreath to donate; may be floral or
a holiday theme, be creative – go for it!)*

**Please drop off the wreaths at
Headquarters during the week of
October 19th**





2026 NJSFWC WORKSHOPS AND SEMINARS

Here is a preview of upcoming 2026 workshops and seminars.

Details on these workshops will be provided in upcoming e-Connections and at the September District Councils. You can contact the Officers leading these seminars directly through their email address.

September 14, 2026, 10:30 am to 12 pm

Artificial Intelligence Workshop (See ALMANAC Flyer)

Katie Chambers Communications Chairman

(email: chambers2@njsfwc.org)

September 29, 2026, 10:30 am to 12:30 pm (In person and Zoom)

October 15 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM (Zoom only)

Leadership Workshop (See ALMANAC Flyer)

Chris Sienkielewski President-Elect

(email: sienkielewski@njsfwc.org)

October 14, 2026, Registration 9:30 am

Workshop 10:00 am to 12 noon

Canva Workshop (See ALMANAC Flyer)

Kathy Reddick Shore DVP & Shelley Rothstein Palisades DVP

(email: reddick@njsfwc.org and rothstein@njsfwc.org)

October 27, 2026 10:30 am to 12 pm

November 18, 2026, 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm (Zoom only)

Reporting Writing

Patricia Dahl First Vice President

(email: dahl@njsfwc.org)

November 5, 2026, 10:30 am to 12pm (Virtual)

Parliamentary Basic Workshop

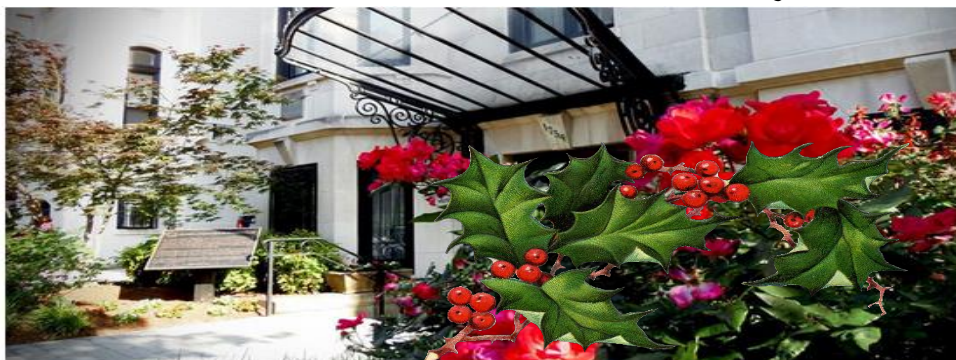
Deen Meloro Parliamentarian to the NJSFWC Board & GFWC Credentials Chairman

(email: meloro@njsfwc.org)

Revised 8/24/2026



**OPEN HOUSE
WASHINGTON, DC
HEADQUARTERS**



Sponsored by Eighth District Contemporaries Woman's Club

**Wednesday, December 9, 2026
1:00 to 3:00 PM**

\$80 per person (if 40 people attend)
Bus trip with refreshments are covered in the price

Reservations and payment are due by October 15th to:

Annette Bortone
226 Kingsland Avenue, Lyndhurst, NJ 07071
201-873-1913
Call to reserve your seat

Remember your PU Location:

7:30 AM Lyndhurst Transit Lot 8:45 AM NJSFWC Headquarters 10:00 AM Pennsville Super 8 Motel

**Return this section with a check made payable to:
*Eighth District Contemporaries Woman's Club***

Name: _____ Cell Phone: _____
(Please print)

Club Name: _____

Check desired Pick-up Location:

____ 7:30 AM – Lyndhurst Transit Lot, 558 New York Avenue, Lyndhurst

____ 8:45 AM – NJSFWC Headquarters, New Brunswick

____ 10:00 AM – Pennsville Super 8 Motel, 1413 North Broadway

NJSFWC

Leadership Workshop

Empowering all club members with creative tools for the future

Date	September 29, 2026
Time	10:30 AM to 12:30PM
Location	NJSFWC Headquarters, 55 Labor Center Way, New Brunswick in person and on Zoom There will be a repeat on October 15 th only through Zoom at 7:00PM to 9:00PM
Cost	Free for all registered volunteers

What You'll Learn

- Effective communication & motivation
 - Bylaws - how important are they?
 - Project planning & delegation skills
 - Active Listening Skills
 - Utilizing Board members
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Register at sienkielewski@njsfwc.org

Questions? Chris Sienkielewski - sienkielewski@njsfwc.org



NJSFWC

2026 MEMBERSHIP GRANT

All Clubs are eligible to apply for a \$100 grant awarded to clubs in 2026-2027. There will be two club winners from each Membership Category.

The deadline for all applications is October 1, 2026

Grants will be awarded to qualifying clubs based on the following areas:

- Recruitment of new members
- Retention and rewarding existing members

Clubs are asked to outline their membership plans in no more than a 500-word narrative summary that demonstrates your membership activities. Also include how your club will utilize the grant.

All grants must be MAILED and POSTMARKED by October 1, 2026, to

NJSFWC Federation Headquarters

55 Labor Center Way

New Brunswick, NJ 08901-1593

EMAIL APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED

All Applications must have the following information on the top of the application:

Club Name:

Membership from the Yearbook Data form 2026:

Membership Chairman's Name:

Membership Chairman's Email and Phone Number:



NJSFWC EDUCATION & LIBRARIES CSP

STATEWIDE ZOOM BOOK DISCUSSION WITH

Lisa Wingate

Bestselling Author of
Shelterwood

(Published June 2024)



Inspired by true events, *Shelterwood* is a captivating work of historical fiction set in Oklahoma during the early 1900s. The novel draws on the efforts of reformer **Kate Barnard** and members of the **Oklahoma Federation of Women's Clubs** who worked to protect vulnerable children living in the forests during the state's oil boom. While the characters are fictional, the historical events are rooted in extensive research.



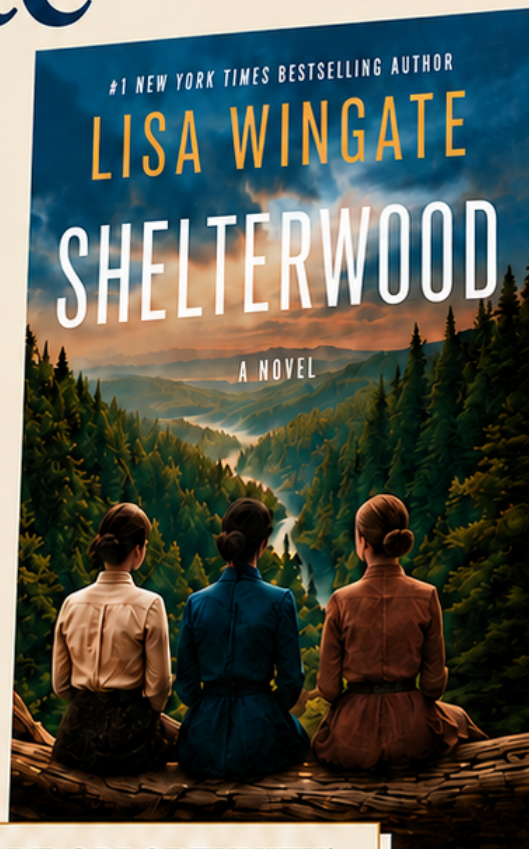
MONDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2026



7:00 PM – 8:00 PM



ZOOM



A RARE OPPORTUNITY!

Talk with bestselling author
Lisa Wingate live on Zoom!
Hear her insights about
Shelterwood and have your
questions answered.

➤ **FREE FOR NJSFWC MEMBERS!** ➤

REGISTRATION REQUESTED BY OCTOBER 22, 2026

Option 1: Scan the QR Code



OR



Option 2: Email to Register

quilici@njsfwc.org

Clubs are encouraged to register as a group by having one member submit names and email addresses of all participants.

*Don't miss this inspiring evening with
Lisa Wingate – we hope you will join us!*

NJSFWC – A FORCE FOR GOOD



Operation Holiday Stocking



2026



HELP SUPPORT OUR TROOPS

NJSFWC WILL BE COLLECTING STOCKINGS FOR OPERATION JERSEY CARES

Suggested items for stockings are listed on the reverse side. Fill out the list by numerating the stockings contents and bring it with the stockings. 1 list per club.

No alcohol, chocolate or batteries. No liquids, large items, or anything with metal or glass. **Stockings should be no larger than 12"** packed in large egg cartons or medium sized moving box---do not use shopping bags.

Drop off Dates:

**Tuesday, October 20th, Thursday , October 22nd, and Tuesday,
October 27th from 9am to 12 noon**

** START SHOPPING **

****No Cans/Magazines/Books/Hotel toiletries/Chocolates, Glass, or Batteries****

*****NO ALCOHOL OR PRODUCTS CONTAINING ALCOHOL*****

****No shaving creams/gels/sprays/aerosols as they may be restricted****

DO NOT sew stockings closed! Instead use a safety pin to secure the top.

Please include a monetary donation to help offset the shipping costs.

Food Items Requested:

- ☐ Liquid Water Enhancer (Mio)
- ☐ Electrolyte Powder Packets
- ☐ Powdered Drink Mix (Crystal Light)
- ☐ Coffee/Tea/Hot Chocolate
- ☐ Oatmeal Packets
- ☐ Soup Packets
- ☐ Sponges/Loofahs
- ☐ Bagged Tuna/Chicken (tear-open pouches)
- ☐ Breakfast/Granola/Protein Bars
- ☐ Peanut Butter/Cheese Sandwich Crackers
- ☐ Beef Jerky/Slim Jim's
- ☐ Nuts/Seeds/Trail Mix
- ☐ Dried Fruit/Raisins
- ☐ Salty Snacks (Chips/Pretzels/Popcorn)
- ☐ Snack Cakes/Cookies
- ☐ Chewing Gum
- ☐ Hard Candy
- ☐ Chewy Candy

Other Items:

- ☐ Puzzle/Sudoku Books
- ☐ Writing Pads
- ☐ Pens/Pencils
- ☐ Eyeglass Lens Wipes/Repair Kits
- ☐ Sewing Kits
- ☐ Socks
- ☐ Gloves
- ☐ Hacky Sacks/Cards

Medical & Other Items:

- ☐ gauze bandages/field bandages
- ☐ various sizes of adhesive bandages/bandaids/butterfly bandages
- ☐ hemostatic bandages and agents that help stop bleeding (Quikclot/Celox)
- ☐ individual iodine/alcohol/antiseptic wipes
- ☐ individual doses of acetaminophen, ibuprofen, aspirin, and other medicinal medications
- ☐ medical adhesive tape
- ☐ antibacterial ointments/disinfectants/burn creams
- ☐ medihoney strips

Specialty Items for Women:

- ☐ Moisturizing Bath Soap
- ☐ Body Wash
- ☐ Body Lotion
- ☐ Feminine Hygiene Product
- ☐ Protein Powder
- ☐ Emery Boards
- ☐ Single packaged Facial Masks
- ☐ Shower Caps
- ☐ Hair Ties (Brown/Black)
- ☐ Cotton Swabs

Hygiene Items:

- ☐ Foot Powder (Medicated)
- ☐ Deodorant (sticks only)
- ☐ Sunscreen (lotion only)
- ☐ Baby/Cleansing Wipes
- ☐ Hand Sanitizer
- ☐ Tissues (Individual Packs)
- ☐ Lip Balm/Chapstick
- ☐ Visine/Saline Eye Drops
- ☐ Baby Powder
- ☐ Neosporin/Bacitracin
- ☐ Toothbrush
- ☐ Toothpaste
- ☐ Dental Floss

Name of Club _____ **District** _____

Number of Stockings _____ **Cash/Check Donated \$** _____

****Make checks payable to NJSFWC****

Please fill out the total quantity in all the stockings combined and submit one list per club to the office along with any cash or check donation for shipping



New Jersey State Federation of Woman's Clubs of GFWC
Susan Chambers, President
"NJSFWC-A Force For Good"

NJSFWC STATE FALL CONFERENCE 2026

Monday, October 19, 2026

Harbor Point, 83 Channel Drive, Point Pleasant Beach 08742*

Registration Deadline: Wednesday, September 23, 2026 - NON-REFUNDABLE
No Late Registrations Will Be Accepted

- Conference Registration 9:30 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.
- Morning Session 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
- Speaker: Lorraine Joewono, Executive Director, Bergen County Division of Senior Services, "Senior Services Available to All"

Luncheon 12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

- Afternoon Session 1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
- Speaker: Connie Palmer, MSW, "How to have a Healthy Club and Organization"
- GFWC & Membership Awards

Adjournment 3:00 p.m.

MENU

Appetizers, Caesar Salad
Choice of: Crabmeat Stuffed Flounder **OR** Braised Ribs **OR** Penne Vodka
Roasted Potatoes & Vegetables
Chocolate Mousse
Coffee or Tea, Pitchers of Regular Soda or Diet will be on the Table
Cash Bar
Cost per person - \$70.00

Make check payable to "NJSFWC State Fall Conference" and MAIL to:

NJSFWC Federation Headquarters
55 Labor Center Way
New Brunswick, N.J. 08901-1593

Attn: NJSFWC State Fall Conference 2026, Registration Form

RETURN FORM WITH YOUR CHECK, PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Use back of Registration Form if more registrations needed

*Harbor Point Directions on back

Directions to the Harbor Point Restaurant
(formerly The Lobster Shanty)

83 Channel Drive Point Pleasant Beach 08742

From the North: Garden State Parkway South to Exit 98 to NJ Route 34 South at the traffic circle take the 3 exit and stay on 34 South in 4.6 miles take a sharp left onto Hawthorne Ave ,keep right toward Broadway in .5 mile turn left onto Boston Ave then right on to Channel Drive

From the South Garden State Parkway North to exit 91 towards County route 549 Herbertsville then left onto Burrsville Road then right onto Burnt Tavern Road in 2 miles turn left onto NJ-70 in 2.6 miles turn right onto NJ-35 in 1.9 miles take a sharp left onto Hawthorn Ave keep right to continue toward Broadway in .5 mile turn Left onto Boston Ave then right onto Channel Drive.

NJSFWC STATE FALL CONFERENCE 2026

MENU

INDICATE CHOICE OF MAIN ENTREE

Salad

Choice of Crabmeat Stuffed Flounder

or Braised Ribs or Penne Vodka

CLUB: _____

DISTRICT: _____

NAME: _____

CONTACT PHONE & EMAIL _____

TOTAL AMOUNT OF CHECK _____ CHECK NUMBER: _____

ATTENDEES: _____ Beef Fish Pasta

Please indicate "first time attendee" and/or "Club President"

YOU MAY LIST ADDITIONAL NAMES ON THE BACK OF THIS PAGE

FALL CONFERENCE HOTEL AND DINNER ARRANGEMENTS FOR
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2026



HOTEL INFORMATION

If you plan to stay overnight the day before the conference, you may arrange with “The Breakers” hotel, 1507 Ocean Ave., Spring Lake.

There is a special rate of \$125 plus tax but you must tell them you are from the New Jersey State Federation of Women’s Clubs to receive this rate. They can be reached on 732-449-7700.



PRE CONFERENCE DINNER

Whether you plan to stay overnight or not, feel free to attend a pre-conference dinner on Sunday, October 18th, 6:00 pm, the Regency Room in the Breakers for a delicious buffet with a variety of food that should be pleasing to all.

Cost is \$36, please make your check payable to:

Rosemarie Saviello and mail to 2946 Springwater Ct., Toms River, 08755.

The deadline for registering for the dinner is **September 26, 2026**.

All are welcome!

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If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Ro Saviello, 973-981-0057

NEW JERSEY STATE FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS OF GFWC

Office Use

Rec'd

Cash

Check

STATE YEARBOOK ORDER FORM

(2026-2027)

COST: \$ 35.00 (per copy - if picked up at Headquarters)

\$ 40.00 (per copy - if mailed)

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: NJSFWC

MAIL TO: New Jersey State Federation of Women's Clubs of GFWC

55 Labor Center Way, New Brunswick, NJ 08901-1593

PRINT CLEARLY - Be sure ADDRESS is CORRECT - COMPLETE - READABLE

CLUB _____ DISTRICT _____

NAME ADDRESS ZIP

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____



46th ANNUAL
WOMEN OF ACHIEVEMENT
May 3, 2027 – Atlantic City
NOMINATION FORM

Sponsored by
New Jersey State Federation of Women's Clubs of GFWC
and
Douglass Residential College of Rutgers, The State University

Deadline: November 13, 2026

PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN TO:

(Photocopies accepted)

New Jersey State Federation of Women's Clubs of GFWC
55 Labor Center Way
New Brunswick, NJ 08901
732-249-5474

Nominee's Name: _____

Affiliation/Title/Occupation: _____

Address: _____

Phone/s: _____ Email: _____

Is the nominee a Federated Clubwoman? _____ If yes, what Club? _____

Please explain on separate sheets why you believe the above nominee should be honored. Include professional/personal accomplishments, activities, qualities and achievements. Supportive materials (resume, curriculum vitae, news clippings, etc.) should be attached.

NOTE: To be eligible for this honor, each nominee must be a woman who has gained visibility in New Jersey for her contributions. It is mandatory that all selected nominees receiving the award attend the event in order to receive this award.

Nominated By: _____

Address: _____

Phone/s: _____ Email: _____

Relationship to nominee*

****Self-nominations and nominations from family members are not eligible for consideration***

Civic Engagement and Outreach October ALMANAC Flyer

Chris Burlew, Chairman

email: burlew@njsfwc.org

Holiday Stockings Drop Off to Headquarters Dates:

Tuesday, October 20

Thursday, October 22

Tuesday, October 27 from 9 am to 12 noon at Headquarters.

If you are able to pack the stockings in shipping boxes, it would be appreciated. Remember do not sew the top of the stockings. You may secure them with safety pins. Once they are picked up by Operation Jersey Cares and taken to their facility in Flemington volunteers will inspect each stocking before they are shipped to our soldiers.

Also, please label the stockings for our women soldiers.

CEO Day will be on Thursday, March 4, 2027.

This will be a District event. This day will be a great opportunity to meet with your District members and learn about different organizations and the services they provide. More details will be shared later this fall so that you can start to plan.

College

Five Loaves Food Pantry
100 College Avenue – New Brunswick
www.collegeavecommunitychurch.com

Fisherman's Mark Food Pantry
262 N Main Street, Suite 5 – Lambertville
609-397-0194

Presbyterian Church of Metuchen
270 Woodbridge Avenue - Metuchen

Emmanuel Cancer Foundation
77 Brant Avenue - Clark
732-522-1314

GARDEN

Beacon of Hope Inc. Food Distribution Center
41 Mill Street – Mt. Holly
609-288-6517

Abundant Life Food Pantry
4151 US 130 S – Edgewater Park
856-461-7000

Sisterhood Inc. Food Distribution Center
402 York Street – Burlington
609-747-9333

Highlands

Denville Food Pantry
1 Saint Mary's Place - Denville

Norwescap

350 Marshall Street - Phillipsburg
www.norwescap.org

Family Promise of Sussex County
19 Church Street - Newton
www.familypromisesussex.org

LIBERTY

Episcopal Church of the Holy Spirit
36 Gould Street – Verona
973-239-2850

Toni's Kitchen
73 S Fullerton Avenue – Montclair
973-932-0768

Church on the Green Food Pantry
147 Board Street – Bloomfield
973-743-8425

PALISADES

Lyndhurst Food Pantry
253 Stuyvesant Avenue – Lyndhurst
201-804-2421

Office of Concern Food Pantry at St. Cecilia's
55 W Demarest Avenue – Englewood
201-568-1465

The Food Brigade Inc.
185 W Madison Avenue – Dumont
201-483-4488

RAMPO

Social Service Association of Ridgewood Food Distribution Center
6 Station Plaza - Ridgewood
201-444-2980

Montville Kiwanis Food Pantry
91 Passaic Valley Road – Montville
973-400-9222

Center for Food Action
224 Midland Avenue – Saddle Brook
201-703-9857

SHORE

Seeds of Service

725 Mantoloking Road – Brick Township

732-746-3456

St. Gregory's Pantry

804 Bay Avenue – Point Pleasant Beach

732-892-8105

Matawan United Methodist Church

478 S Atlantic Avenue – Matawan

732-566-2996

SOUTHERN

Cape May Community Food Closet

500 Hughes Street – Cape May

609-600-7715

Southern Regional Food Distribution Center Food Bank

6140 Mays Landing Road – Vineland

856-327-3145

Help & Hope Ministries Inc.

214 Howard Street – Millville

856-293-4357

Education and Libraries District September 2026 Council Bulletin

Randi Quilici, Chairman

quilici@njsfwc.org

Meet Bestselling Author of *Shelterwood* Lisa Wingate

FREE for ALL NJSFWC MEMBERS!

Join us for a special statewide Zoom discussion as Lisa Wingate shares the inspiration and history behind her powerful novel, *Shelterwood*.

Also joining us: Monica Bartling, President of the GFWC Oklahoma Federation of Women's Clubs.

Why is *Shelterwood* especially meaningful to GFWC?

Inspired by true events in early 1900s Oklahoma, the novel highlights reformer Kate Barnard and members of the Oklahoma Federation of Women's Clubs, who worked to protect vulnerable children during Oklahoma's oil boom. The story offers a fascinating connection to the history and impact of women's clubs.

Not comfortable with Zoom? Make it a club get-together! Gather a few members at someone's home and enjoy the discussion together. It's a great way to share the evening with friends!

DON'T MISS THIS SPECIAL EVENING!

Shelterwood by Lisa Wingate – NJSFWC Zoom Book Discussion

Monday, October 26, 2026 | 7:00–8:00 PM

Register by October 22, 2026

Register online:

<https://forms.gle/Rrfke1xQ5f5fiPx49>

Prefer not to use the online form? Email **Randi Quilici** at quilici@njsfwc.org.

The Zoom link and meeting information will be emailed to registered participants.

Please share this invitation in your club newsletter!



NJSFWC EDUCATION & LIBRARIES CSP

STATEWIDE ZOOM BOOK DISCUSSION WITH

Lisa Wingate

Bestselling Author of

Shelterwood

(Published June 2024)

SPECIAL
GUEST AUTHOR
WILL BE WITH US
Live on Zoom!

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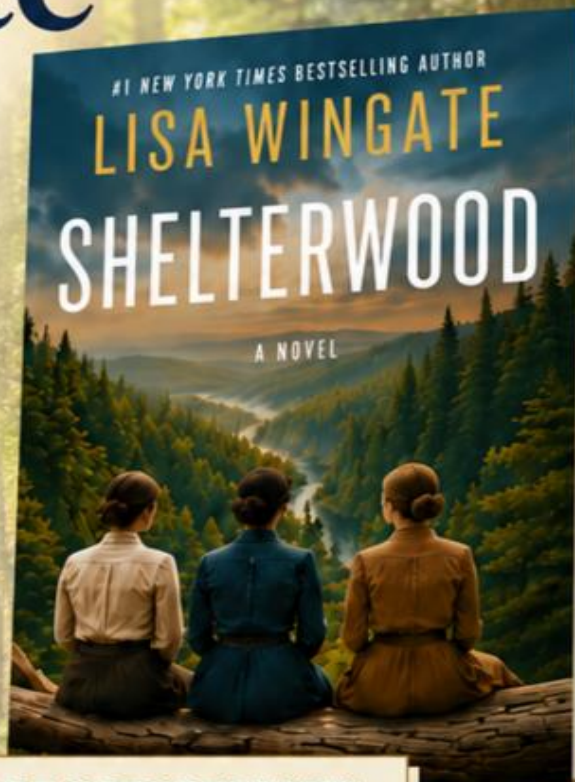
MONDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2026



7:00 PM – 8:00 PM



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NEW JERSEY STATE FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS OF GFWC SPECIAL STATE PROJECT 2026-2028



NJSFWC and embrella together

Holiday Gift Collection



This fall we begin the holiday gift collection project. Embrella has shared that the greatest need this holiday season is gifts for teens. To make shopping a little easier, they have provided a helpful list of gift ideas to choose from.

Cologne/Perfume Curlers/Straighteners Makeup Cases (we had makeup donated - if you collected these, can fill with makeup we have) Designer Purses/Wristlets Waterproof Bluetooth Speakers Bluetooth Charging Speakers Popular Video Games Headsets/Earbuds Stanley Tumblers Video Game Figurines or Accessories Squishmallows Digital Instant Cameras (Fujifilm Instax Mini, Polaroid)	Instant Printers - Mini Sticker Printer Portable Chargers Bluetooth Keyboards Photo Hanging Clip Strings Temporary Tattoo Markers Mini Drone/Drones Mini Wall Projectors Lego Sets for Older Kids (Minecraft, Happy Plants, Botanicals, Star Wars) Jewelry JellyCat Amuseables Studio Creator Kits Woobles Beginners Crochet Kits
Gift Cards are always welcome: Visa, MasterCard, Walmart, Target, Amazon, Sephora, Game Stop, Door Dash, Uber	

More information will be shared as embrella updates its website with details about the holiday collection. While you may start collecting anytime, we do ask that clubs complete their collections by **December 7th** to give embrella plenty of time to organize and distribute the gifts in time for the holidays! Specific details for labeling collected bundles and drop offs will be shared with the SSP District Chairman and disseminated to individual clubs.

For more information, please contact:

Kathy Marino, SSP State Chairman kmarino99@gmail.com

Mickie Ehrhardt, SSP Vice Chairman marieehrhardt@aol.com

njsfwc.org embrella.org

ENVIRONMENT BULLETIN FOR SEPTEMBER COUNCILS

Rose Marie Woodruff, Chairman

woodruff@njsfwc.org

There are project ideas for Environment in the State Yearbook and on the NJSFWC website. Some ideas to get you started are: partner with a local rescue shelter by donating old newspapers; grow a community garden; cultivate an indoor garden of houseplants to improve air quality.

There will be 18 different categories separated into three divisions: Artistic Design; Horticulture; and Upcycle for Spring Achievement Day. All entries must be pre-registered. Contact this chairman for information on Spring Achievement Day in your District!



EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT THE GIRLS CAREER INSTITUTE 2027.



IF YOUR CLUB PLANS TO SPONSOR A JUNIOR FOR GCI 2027 IT IS IMPERATIVE
THAT AT LEAST ONE CLUB MEMBER ATTEND THIS MEETING! IF YOU CHOOSE
TO BE ON ZOOM, PLEASE EMAIL ELLEN LUND GCI CHAIRMAN
AT ELABC123@GMAIL.COM TO RECEIVE THE ZOOM INFORMATION.



Saturday, September 19th at Headquarters at 10:00 am

MEMBERSHIP ANNOUNCEMENT FOR SEPTEMBER COUNCILS

Linda Carbley, NJSFWC Membership Chairman
carbley@njfswc.org

As the weather turns cooler and the leaves begin to change, let's embrace the season and "Fall for Membership!" GFWC Membership Week will be celebrated November 9th thru 16th, making it the perfect time to showcase all that your club has to offer and invite others to join us in making a difference.

Do not forget the NJSFWC \$100 MEMBERSHIP Grant to help your club with recruitment. Apply for the grant by filling out the form found on the NJSFWC Website under Materials, Membership and send it to NJSFWC Headquarters by October 1st. Two clubs per Membership Category will be selected and presented the grant at State Fall Conference on October 19th.

ANNOUNCEMENT FOR SEPTEMBER COUNCILS
EDUCATION AND LIBRARIES
SPELLING BEES

NJSFWC Clubs are encouraged to hold a Spelling Bee; planning begins in the Fall with Spelling Bees typically taking place in January.

Instructions are provided in an easy to follow manual on the NJSFWC website.

For additional information/assistance, contact State Spelling Bee Chairman Marie DiMatties at medimatties@gmail.com or (856) 261-6911.

LEADERSHIP WORKSHOP: September 29: 10:30 to 12:30

Hybrid Meeting: In person: will meet at NJSFWC Headquarters, 55 Labor Center Way, New Brunswick, NJ OR via ZOOM – link below

Chris Sienkielewski is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom/Hybrid Leadership meeting.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85805988150?pwd=37DbARskYsrlPqHPu6e3XnwqadmBYE.1>

Meeting ID: 858 0598 8150

Passcode: 598491

Join instructions

https://us06web.zoom.us/join/85805988150/invitations?signature=-ljAlxPsGIAU_oov9-dMimpSrEc3H0jGiYrlgXP_els

LEADERSHIP WORKSHOP: October 15, 7:00 PM to 9:00PM ZOOM ONLY

This is a repeat workshop of September 29th

Chris Sienkielewski is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom Leadership Meeting meeting.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82907296288?pwd=yDrFz6j04opWL7oVTndbjUpksDiXip.1>

Meeting ID: 829 0729 6288

Passcode: 608562

Join instructions

https://us06web.zoom.us/join/82907296288/invitations?signature=tRn9elxaxzXZ_yckwSwvEZ_CcnWE19Usisd78GDyxfw