

# The Club

## August 2026

## *President's Message*




"*August rain: the best of the summer gone, and the new fall not yet born. The odd uneven time." — Sylvia Plath*

Midsummer already. Even while enjoying the beautiful summer weather, participating in outdoor sports and spending time vacationing with their families, members are still volunteering in the communities we serve.

In July members conducted a very successful food collection at the Shop Rite in Rockaway and delivered 150 bags of food and over $280 in cash to the Rockaway Food Closet and Denville Social Services. Donations at the July meeting enabled us to purchase six backpacks and fill them with school supplies for the Embrella organization for distribution to foster children. On the Fourth of July Holiday weekend, several members volunteered as greeters for the Vietnam Moving Wall event in Rockaway Township. The Club will have a table at the National Night Out in Fireman's Field in Rockaway Borough on August 4th where children will make "thank you" cards for local police, fireman and first responders. Our annual Back to School Supplies collection project has started with eight volunteers placing boxes in the libraries and businesses in Rockaway Township, Rockaway Borough and Denville. Supplies will be taken to Rockaway Methodist Church and Denville Social Services for distribution to needy children in the community before school starts.

Of course, our Club does not forget to have a good time together. Thank you to Janice Kostyszyn for opening her home for the third annual "picnic and pool party" in July. It got rave reviews! In July a group of members attended the Somerset Baseball Game where most of the attention was on enjoying the ballpark food, ice cream and fireworks, but this year it was actually a lively game. Joey Toscano hosted a Luau Party for members with lots of food and games and fun!. We hope to see many of the members on the Cruise on Lake Hopatcong on August 12th and at the Picnic at Gardner Field on August 26th to celebrate Women's Equality Day. A reminder that there are no meetings in August. We hope to see many of you at the September meetings on the 14th and 15th. Enjoy the rest of the summer!

Yours in federation friendship,

*Janet Walker and Michele Cestaro*

## Calendar of Events

- **August 6th –** Thursday–
  **NJSFWC Summer Luncheon & Basket Raffle**
  **Battle Ground Country Club, Manalapan**
- **August 12th –** Wednesday– 3:00 PM 4:30PM
  **Scenic Summer Cruise- Lake Hopatcong**
  Cost $60.98 - contact Michele Cestaro
- **August 24th -** Monday - 7PM
  **Eve Book Discussion.**
  **"Stolen Queen" by Fiona Davis**
  Ann Weissenburger's Home.
- **August 26th –** Wednesday - 11 AM - 3PM
  **Women's Equality Day**
  Gardner Field - Denville- Big lower level Pavilion. -bring your own sandwiches
  Drinks and desserts provided.
- **Sept. 10th –** Thursday -10 am
  **Highlands District Meeting.**
- **Sept. 14th** - Monday 7 P.M.
  **Woman's Club Eve Meeting**
  Denville Township- Community Room.
- **Sept. 14th** - Monday - 10:30 am to noon
  **NJSFWC Workshop on AI**
  **(artificial intelligence)**
  **NJSFWC Headquarters**
- **Sept. 15th –** Tuesday 1 P.M.
  **Woman's Club Day Meeting**
  Denville Town Hall -Community Center
- **Sept. 26th - Saturday - 3PM - 5PM**
  **Tea and Tour at Ayres Knuth Farm**
- **Sept. 26th-GFWC International Day of Service**
- **Sept. 29th - Tuesday -** Time TBA
  **Leadership Workshop Location** TBA
- **October 9th -10th - Friday-Saturday.**
  **MAR Conference -Albany NY**
- **October 14th -** Monday - TIME - TBA
  **NJSFWC CANVA Workshop.**
  Location TBA
- **October 12th -** Monday 7 P.M.
  **Woman's Club Evening Meeting**
  Denville Community Church
- **October 13th -** Tuesday 1 P.M.
  **Woman's Club Day Meeting**
  Denville Township - Community Room
- **October 15th -**Tuesday - Time TBA
  **NJSFWC Leadership Workshop**

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### July 2nd-6th Thursday – Monday - Vietnam Moving Wall-Rockaway Township

Peterson Field, Fleetwood Drive -



The moving wall, a half-scale replica of the Vietnam Veteran Memorial in Washington, D.C. traveled thru out New Jersey Municipalities. The Moving Wall reached Peterson Field, Rockaway Township July 2nd. Several of our members volunteered at Petersen Field to be welcomers, helping individuals, visiting the Wall, to locate their loved ones on the Wall. Our following members volunteered at this event: Mary McAleer, Sheela McGlone, Arlene Zimmerman, and Debbie Harrington

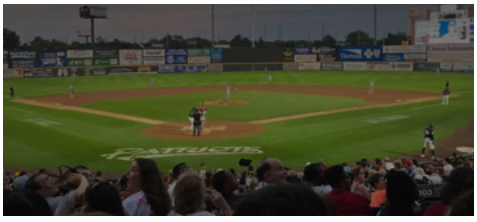


There was a full ceremony at the Wall, July 2nd, at 7pm. Mayor Joe Jackson gave his Welcome speech followed by performances, several dignitary speeches and laying of wreaths. July 6th, the closing ceremonies took place. The Wall is in loving memory of the 58,281 service members lost during the Vietnam War.

### July 10th – Friday

### Somerset Patriotic Game - TD Bank Ballpark in Bridgewater, NJ





**Front to back - front row - unknown, Kathy Holland, Barbara McCloskey & Kathy Elko. Front to back- back row Debbie Harrington, Ann Weissenburger, Janet Walker & Marisa Pisano**

The NJSFWC annually host group outings and fundraiser at TD Bank Ballpark supporting their special state project, a portion of the tickets going to the Special State Project. The team playing is the Somerset Patriots, a semiprofessional team affiliated with the Yankees. Several of our club's member attended this annual event this past July 10th.

(Federation club members and their families attend to support our NJSFWC SSP (New Jersey State Federation Woman's Club Special State Project-Embrella). Our Club's following members attended the event: Debbie Harrington, Kathy Elko, Janet Walker, Sheela McGlone, Kathy Holland, Marisa Pisano (coordinator) & Ann Weissenburger.



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### July Events Continued.

### July 14th – Tuesday – 1PM - Combined Woman's Club Meeting

Denville Town Hall, Community Room



Our July Joint Meeting was filled with memorable moments and special recognitions.

The meeting began with Mary McAleer introducing Morris Knolls High School students Erin Nangle and Julissa Sanchez, our Club's this year's GCI delegates. They shared highlights of their experiences at the four-day GCI Mini College, held June 1–4 at Douglass College on the Rutgers University campus. Barbara McCloskey, drawing on her two years of service as NJFWC Federation President, also spoke about the value and impact of the GCI program.

**Youtube Link.** https://youtu.be/QTKqfe7Ql8Y

**(L-R) Michele Cestaro, Mary McAleer, Erin Nangle, Julissa Sanchez and Janet Walker.**



The program continued with a surprise tribute organized by Karen Lazur, in honor of Barbara McCloskey and Nancy Levy. The two were escorted out of the Community Room and then welcomed back to enthusiastic applause as members held up colorful signs and sang along to John Sebastian's Welcome Back, with Karen delightfully adapting the lyrics to celebrate the occasion. Although Barbara and Nancy never truly left our club, they devoted the past two years to serving the New Jersey State Federation of Women's Clubs. Barbara served as Federation President, while Nancy as Correspondence Secretary for Federation, completing their terms in June 2026. We are delighted that now both Barbara and Nancy continue to serve our club, Barbara as Federation Chairperson & Nancy Levy as Project Report Coordinator.

**(L-R) Nancy Levy and Barbara McCloskey** **YouTube link.** https://youtu.be/IMyxSVQZNcQ



Banners, signs and song greet Nancy and Barbara



Michele 1st time as Co-President delivering Honors to Nancy Levy and Barbara McCloskey



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## July 14th – Tuesday – 1PM - Combined Woman's Club Meeting continued

Denville Town Hall, Community Room



Janet Walker then presented Michele Cestaro with an NJFWC nomination of Michele Cestaro to the NJSFWC Book of Honor. Janet proceeded to read that our club had voted to place her name in the Federation's Honors Book. This well-deserved honor celebrates Michele's outstanding membership of 15 years of dedicated service to our Woman's Club of Denville Rockaway club. This is including her cultural contributions, organizing many exceptional trips and excursions for our member for the last several years. As of this year, also, Michele has been nominated to be our Co-President with Janet Walker serving our Club's 2026 to 2028 term.

**Link to YouTube.** **https://youtu.be/gls9ydkv-EU**

**(L-R) Michele Cestaro and Janet Walker**

The two Co-Presidents, Janet Walker and Michele Cestaro (the first meeting for Michele Ceataro as Co-President) continued to cover the Agenda for our July Joint Woman's Club Meeting. Different chairs of Committee gave us an update to their committees' projects. Geraldine Baillod thanked the members of her committee for the wonderful success of her Benefit, an almost sell out of the Barn Theater performance of Spamalot. For extensive information on the meeting please look at the detailed July Joint Meeting recorded by our recording secretaries Susan Weidaseck. *Thank you to Karen for all her wonderful photos.*

## NJSFWC Special State Project 2026 -Embrella



Thanks to the generosity of our members, we were able to purchase and fill five backpacks, for our State Special Project, Embrella. Your kindness and support will make a meaningful difference in the lives of those who receive them. Thank you to everyone who contributed! *Michele Cestaro. (Michele, thank you for the photo)*

*It was decided to collect money at our July Joint meeting to fill the backpacks for the foster children being served by Embrella. A Big thanks to Michele Cestaro, who took it upon herself to purchase the items (including the backpacks), requested by Embrealla, with the monies collected at the meeting, as well as to fill the 5 backpacks*

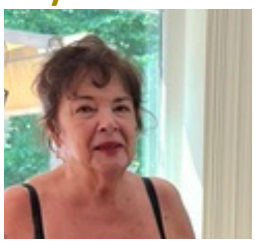


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## July Events Continued

### July 19th – Sunday– 2PM - 6:00 PM - Summer Social - Janice Kostyszyn's Home



We thank Janice Kostyszyn for opening her beautiful home to our Woman's Club, once again, for her third summer social. The weather was perfect. The food was bountiful and delicious. And we were able to enjoy each other's company. Our members donated appetizers and desserts. Janice supplied the sandwiches. A segment of us enjoyed sitting outside in Janice's beautiful backyard. And a large segment of our members was able to sit inside, comfortably, thankful not to miss the historical FIFA championship game between Spain and Argentina (Thanks again to Janice).

**Janice Kostyszyn - our hostess with the mostess**

Our thanks are extended to all those members who volunteered to set up the feast and chairs and clear up after.



**(L-R) Lois Sieklik, Nancy Fitch, Arlene Scholder Debbie Harrington.**



**(L-R). Geraldine Baillod, Karen Lazur. Michele Cestaro and Mary McAleer.**



**(L-R) Elizabeth Weigand, Joey Tuscano Adeline Terwilliger**









**watching the FIFA game**



**eating ice cream (July - Ice Cream Awareness Month)**



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### July 30th – Thursday - Joey's Luau Social at Joey Tuscano's Home

Pat Bomus emailed me these beautiful photos, from Joey's Luau Party. I still don't have the photos from Karen Lazur & Joey Tuscano (The Hostess), of this amazing Social, nor a write up, which will appear in our Woman's Club September 2026 Newsletter. By September, the nearing end of summer, we will need an article like this, summer socials. Let me take the opportunity, on behalf of all our club, to thank both Janice Kostyszyn and Joey Tuscano for opening their homes to our club members, for awesome summer socials.





**Joey Tuscano (Our hostess with the mostess) is front on left with orange Luau**









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## August is-

### Women's Equality Day - August 26th



*Women's Equality Day* - **Excerpts from** *https://www.givingafoundation.org/blog-posts/womens-equality-day?gad_source=1&gad_campaignid=23259268249&gbraid=0AAAAAB18yuPVV_Y8pp9QgXC*

*Coming up on August 26th, Women's Equality Day not only commemorates the adoption of the 19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution but also brings awareness to women's continuing efforts to achieve full equality within our society.*

**Women's Suffrage** **Excerpts from**

**https://www.history.com/articles/the-fight-for-womens-suffrage**

The campaign for women's suffrage began in earnest in the decades before the Civil War.

**Seneca Falls Convention**

In 1848, a group of abolitionist activists—mostly women, but some men—gathered in Seneca Falls, New York to discuss the problem of women's rights. They were invited there by the reformers Elizabeth Cady Stanton and Lucretia Mott.

Most of the delegates to the Seneca Falls Convention agreed: American women were autonomous individuals who deserved their own political identities.

"We hold these truths to be self-evident," proclaimed the Declaration of Sentiments that the delegates produced, "that all men *and women* are created equal, that they are endowed by their creator with certain inalienable rights, that among these are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness." (Drawn up by Elizabeth Cady Stanton and read at the 100 Anniversary of the United States-1876)

What this meant, among other things, was that they believed women should have the right to vote.

In 1869, a new group called the National Woman Suffrage Association was founded by Elizabeth Cady Stanton and Susan B. Anthony. They began to fight for a universal-suffrage amendment to the U.S. Constitution.

The pro-15th-Amendment (Protecting Rights for Black Men) faction formed a group called the American Woman Suffrage Association and fought for the franchise on a state-by-state basis.

…..in 1890 the two groups merged to form the National American Woman Suffrage Association. Elizabeth Cady Stanton was the organization's first president.

**How Women Won the Right to Vote: The 19th Amendment**

……the National Woman's Party founded by Alice Paul focused on more radical, militant tactics—hunger strikes and White House pickets, for instance—aimed at winning dramatic publicity for their cause.

### 19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution: Women's Right to Vote (1920)

**https://www.archives.gov/milestone-documents/19th-amendment**

On May 21, 1919, the House of Representatives passed the amendment, and 2 weeks later, the Senate followed. When Tennessee became the 36th state (last state needed) to ratify the 19th Amendment on August 18, 1920, the amendment passed its final hurdle of obtaining the agreement of three-fourths of the states. Secretary of State Bainbridge Colby certified the ratification on August 26, 1920. The Amendment did not yet include Blacks, Asian and Native American Women to vote, which took several more decades to guarantee voting rights for these women.

*On this date and always we should remember that many suffragists sacrificed their lives, thru the many decades, for the ratification of the 19th Amendment. (Remember, this August 26th our Club's President Janet Walker reserved the lower-level gazebo at Gardner Field, Denville, on August 26th, Wednesday, for us to gather to commemorate together Women's Equality Day.)*

**Lizzie Cozier French, one of the suffragists & Woman's Club Member lobbied to get Tennessee to ratify the 19th Amendment.**



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## August is - Continued

### The March on Washington and Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s "I Have a Dream" Speech

**Excerpts from**

https://civicsforlife.org/march-on-washington/?civicsforlife.org/community&utm_term=&utm_campaign=CFL+App+2026&utm_source=adwords&utm_medium=ppc&hsa_acc=2833943392&hsa_cam=23485849150&hsa_grp=&hsa_ad=&hsa_src=x&hsa_tgt=&hsa_kw=&hsa_mt=&hsa_net=adwords&hsa_ver=3&gad_source=1&gad_campaignid=23481209192&gbraid=0AAAAACWbQCicbYUWLFb98Mdy8EWfb4pS7&gclid=Cj0KCQjw4JbTBhCoARIsALWUaBsm0rOq_wgDr-EmDIuAKqkNJLSiLYfR2sFrJDXG6v595ixWfn51i-EaAiYJEALw_wcB



On August 28, 1963, a monumental event unfolded in American history: the March on Washington for Jobs and Freedom. Organized by civil rights leaders, this event aimed to shine a spotlight on the persistent struggles faced by African Americans, particularly in areas such as employment and civil rights. The march, which attracted an estimated 250,000 participants, culminated in Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s iconic "I Have a Dream" speech, a moment that has become a cornerstone in the ongoing fight for racial equality.



**Link to speech** https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vP4iY1TtS3s



### Emmett Till Day – August 28th

**Excerpts from**

https://www.history.com/articles/emmett-till?ef_id=Cj0KCQjw-ZHEBhCxARIsAGGN96LAXC_4z9VfJhqu7TqofLWzYcuJ47kLXQ_gkJgB8hdN4I-YeKefPpEaAl5

It is not a universally recognized or nationally observed holiday. However, the 14-year-old African American, Emmett Till's abduction and brutal murder on August 28, 1955, is a significant event in American history, a **Catalyst for the Civil Rights Movement:**

(From the Woman's Club of Denville Rockaway August 25th Newsletter

### August is National Civility Month.

**Excerpts from**

https://www.misac.org/news/707756/August-is-National-Civility-Month.htm

National Civility Month, observed in August, is a time to celebrate and promote the importance of civil behavior and respectful interactions in our communities and workplaces.

### World Cancer Support Month **(From Woman's Club of Denville Rockaway August 2025 Newsletter)**

https://thewaynecenter.com/world-cancer-support-month/

(observed in August) stands as a beacon of solidarity and hope for those affected by cancer across the globe. This dedicated month serves as a reminder of the immense strength, resilience, and compassion that unite individuals, families, and communities in the face of this challenging disease.



### National Sunflower Day



This day is observed annually on the first Saturday of August.

Union Hill Farms on Cooper Road, Denville is a wonderful location to see an array of sunflowers (both yellow and burgundy) It is next to Ayres Knuth Farm.



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## GFWC FEDERATION NEWS CORNER

NJSFWC 132 years (created 1894)

**NJSFWC SUMMER LUNCHEON** AND **BASKET RAFFLE – AUGUST 6TH – THURSDAY-**
BATTLE GROUND COUNTRY CLUB**,** MANALAPAN $70 FUNDRAISER FOR HEADQUARTERS.

**NJSFWC WORKSHOP ON ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE - SEPTEMBER 14TH - MONDAY**
**10:30 AM- 12NOON -** NJSFWC HEADQUARTER

**NJSFWC LEADERSHIP WORKSHOP - SEPTEMBER 29TH -TUESDAY- TIME-TBA - LOCATION TBA**

**GFWC MAR (MIDDLE ATLANTIC REGION CONFERENCE-OCTOBER 9TH - 10TH - FRIDAY TO SATURDAY**
HOST STATE - NEW YORK - ALBANY

**NJSFWC CANVA WORKSHOP - OCTOBER 14TH - WEDNESDAY - TIME- TBA - LOCATION TBA**

**NJSFWC LEADERSHIP WORKSHOP - OCTOBER 15TH -THURSDAY - TIME- TBA - LOCATION- TBA**

## Women Got the Vote in 1919…




Let's honor those who fought so hard to get it by voting in the upcoming primary and general elections!

Important Voting Dates 2026

GENERAL/ MID-TERM ELECTIONS

- 10/13 Deadline for Gen'l Voter Registration
- *10/24-11/1 Early Voting*: At Early Voting Locations: Denville, Boonton, Morristown
- *11/3 General Midterm Election* at regular locations. ***Pat Bomus***




**Barbara McCloskey's Interview on "Your New Jersey" – (Episode 512) April 22, 2026**

Our Barbara McCloskey, NJSFWC President, did a great interview with Lisa Marie Falbo telling all about the Federation (NJSFWC)! The show is thirty minutes and Barbara's interview is the first half of the show. The link to the episode can be found here: https://www.onnj.com/videos/your-new-jersey-episode-512/

**(L-R) Barbara McCloskey and Lisa Marie Falbo**



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## Back to School
## Supplies Collection

**DROP OFF SITES:**

**Denville:** Denville Public Library, Beignets Donut Shop, Invictus Family Chiropractic
*Until August 19*
**Rockaways:** Rockaway Township Library on Mt. Hope Rd., Rockaway Borough Library on East Main St., Red Hut Diner on Route 46E, Riverside Café, Rockaway Borough.
*Until August 8*

### New School Supplies requested:

**For Boys and Girls - Ages 5 to 14**

***Backpacks, varying ages and genders**

*** Lunch boxes and totes**

*** 3-Ring Binders (.5' & 1")**

*** 3-Ring Binders (1.5' & 2")**

*** Pocket Folders (with fasteners)**

*** Pocket Folders (with 3 holes)**

***7 Pocket, poly accordion folder**

*** Single-Subject Notebooks**

*** Multi-Subject Notebooks**

*** Post-It Notes 3x3"**

*** Index Cards 3x5"**

***Marble Composition Books**

*** Pens (various colors)**

*** Pink Erasers/Eraser Caps**

*** Colored Pencils**

*** Crayons**

*** Highlighters**

*** Markers**

*** Thin Dry Erase Markers (Black)**

***Pencil Boxes & Pouches**

***Fiskars Scissors (safety & regular)**

***Pencil Sharpeners**

*** Pencils (No.2)**

***Calculators**

***Glue Sticks**

***Smocks (for ages 5-8)**

Supplies will be distributed to families in need in the Rockaways and Denville.
Collected by GFWC Woman's Club of the Denville-Rockaway area



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## The Woman's Club of Denville Rockaway On-line Cookbook Benefit



*Our Denville Rockaway On- line Cookbook Committee (Geraldine Baillod, Louise Sassano, Florence Lucchesi and Ruth Gimbel) would like to start acquiring your favorite recipes for our Online Cookbook 2026 Woman's Club Benefit.*

*We would like you to include with your recipe one or more of the following:*

1. *The family member or friend who gave you this recipe and what wonderful memories you have of your loved one*
2. *The wonderful memories you conjure from this recipe*
3. *For what occasion was this recipe prepared for.*
4. *What is this recipe's cultural background.*

*This recipe could be in memory or tribute of someone*
*This recipe could be:*
*an appetizer, tapas or any other starter*
*entre (meat, seafood, pasta, casseroles, vegetarian and more)*
*desserts, breads, muffins, breakfast foods like pancakes or waffles, omelets, quiches and more*
*And all that I did not think of. You can add vegetarian or gluten free recipes*
*You may email your recipe(s) to Ruth Gimbel -rgbutterfly777@gmail.com or,*
*if you have desserts, you may email your recipe(s) to Louise Sassano. louisesassano419@gmail.com*
*or you may bring one of your recipes to our Woman's Club Meetings.*

*We are planning to include wonderful extra info, for you, in this recipe book.*

Thank you to all of you who have submitted to our committee recipes already with your lovely stories



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### Upcoming Events and Activities (IN AUGUST)

**NJSFWC SUMMER LUNCHEON - AUGUST 6TH - THURSDAY - BATTLE GROUND COUNTRY CLUB-MANALAPAN NJ**

**SCENIC SUMMER CRUISE - LAKE HOPATCONG - AUGUST 12TH - WEDNESDAY - $60.98 -CONTACT MICHELE CESTARO**

**EVE BOOK DISCUSSION - AUGUST 24TH - MONDAY - 7PM - "STOLEN QUEEN" BY FIONA DAVIS.**
**ANN WEISSENBURGER'S HOME**

**WOMEN'S EQUALITY DAY - AUGUST 26TH WEDNESDAY- 11 AM- 3PM - GARDNER FIELD**
BIG LOWER LEVEL PAVILLION - BRING YOUR OWN SANDWHICHES. DRINKS AND DESSERTS WILL BE PROVIDED. A PROGRAM WILL BE ORGANIZED TO COMMEMORATE THE RATIFICATION OF THE 19TH AMMENDMENT. WOMEN'S RIGHT TO VOTE. THIS IS AN OPPORTUNITY TO SHARE WOMEN'S EQUALITY DAY

**FRIDAY WALKING CLUB- WALKING OUTDOORS OR INDOORS- IF INTERESTED CONTACT BARBARA MCCLOSKEY.**



**JuLy 3rd, 2026 - Rockaway Mall**
**(L-R) Barbara McCloskey, Kathy Holland, Janet Walker, Mary McAleer, Michele Cestaro Pat Bomus , Karen Lazur, Jenn Ireton & Susan Jancerak**



**July 10th, 2026, Jonathan Woods.**
**(L-R) Margaret Fourounjian in back, Mary M, Susan J., Janet W., Elizabeth Weigland & Barbara M.**



**July 10th at restaurant**



**July 17, 2026 - Rockaway Mall**
**(L-R) Karen L., Kathy H., Jenn Ireton, Janet W. Margaret F., Pat B., Susan J., Debbie Harrington & Mary M. In the back is Barbara M. & Michele C.**



**July 23rd - Parks Lake**
**(L-R) Karen L., Kathy H., Susan Richardson, Barbara M., Mary M., Susan J., and Janet W.**



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## Sunshine Corner




**Joan Scalera – August 3rd**

**Lois Sieklik – August 19th**

**Connie Pojanowski – August 24th**

**Sheela McGlone– August 30th**



**Alice Kazin and Janet Walker**

Friendship and food! The July birthday gals got together for lunch at The Turning Point to celebrate. Five of the six of us were able to make it and Janet Walker joined us although she is not a July gal. Happy Birthday to us and also to Lorraine Bollman who was unable to attend this year. This is the fifth time that Michele Cestaro , Janet Ball and I have done this. We started in 2018 and although we have missed a few years in between,we always have a fun time. This is the third year that Cathy has joined us and we welcomed our first timer Alice Kazin this year.

**(L-R) Janet Ball, Cathy Zollo, Karen Lazur, Michele Cestaro,**

Reach out to other members sharing your birthday month and plan a little get together. Finding a date when everyone is available is challenging and most times everyone cannot make it, but it is a great way to get to know each other. Don't forget to get a photo and send it to Ruth for the Newsletter. *Karen Lazur. Thank you for the photo, Karen*

***Birthday Month Get Togethers ~~~***

*Feel free to share your birthday with other members that have their Birthdays the same month as yours with a get together, a walk in the park, lunch or afternoon tea.*



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Welcome to our new members
Elizabeth Basinski, Kathy Blake, Carolina Contreras, Marie Hardenberg, Eva Kazella, Linda Marotta, Margaret (Peg) McCluskey, Joan Scalera, Patricia (PJ) Vachunek and Cindy Wetter.
Thank you to all our new members who have already contributed so much to our Woman's Club of Denville/ Rockaway






***EVE BOOK DISCUSSION***

August 24th – Monday- 7PM
"Stolen Queen"
by Fiona Davis
Location –Ann Weissenburger's Home
Contact: Ann Weissenburger at 973-627-2509 or aweissenburger@yahoo.com



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## ** Ongoing Club Collections **

*Updated 2/2024*

*All items can be brought to our meetings and given to the person collecting*

***We are still collecting cell phones, ink cartridges and eyeglasses** – Joan Bowling.*

- It takes a very long time to accumulate enough cell phones to redeem and we don't know the redemption value until they are sent back. The company does provide prepaid labels, so it doesn't cost us anything to recycle them.
- We no longer have contact with a company who will pay us for the ink cartridges, but we are recycling them so instead of tossing them in the trash give them to Joan Bowling.
- The eyeglasses are given to the Lion's Club who work with groups that send eyeglasses to third world countries.

In our mission to reduce, reuse and recycle we are trying hard. Please bring these items to a meeting and give them to Joan Bowling.

***Greeting Cards -** *Nancy Levy*. Collecting the fronts of any type of greeting card.

***Birthday Bags** – *Joanne Chiaravalloti.* The Birthday Bag items consist of cake mixes, frosting, small birthday design plates and napkins, candles and a birthday gift bag. Joanne puts them together and gives them to Social Services for children.

***Small Toiletries** – *Nancy Levy*. These items, small and trial size, are needed for the care bags that are given to social services and other local organizations. They include: shampoo, soap, toothbrush, toothpaste, deodorant and lotion.

**FOOD COLLECTION…. For ROCKAWAY FOOD CLOSET Presbyterian Church, 35 Church St., Rockaway**

**This small pantry serves approximately 300 families a year.**

**Non-Perishables** (Breakfast cereal, tuna, peanut butter, canned veggies, ramen, soup, crackers, drinks, desserts, cookies, canned fruit, canned meals, pasta, mac and cheese, beans, rice, snacks, etc.)

Health & Beauty Products (soap, bath gel, shampoo, deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrushes, laundry detergent etc.)

**Paper goods** are a constant need too- paper towels and toilet paper.

**Also shampoo, toothpaste, soap, laundry detergents.**

**Donations can be dropped off:**

**the Food Closet- Presbyterian Church,**

**35 Church St.,**

**Rockaway, NJ. 07866**

**Monday, Tuesday, Thursday 9:30-12:30. And**

**Tuesday 4-6 pm. Go around back door by cemetery.**

**If you make a donation, estimate the cost and**

**send to Pat Bomus at bomusp@msn.com who will put together a report for this project**

**If someone prefers to make a monetary donation, they can make check payable to:**

**Rockaway Food Closet.** *Janet Walker and Pat Bomus*

*Just a heads up! The Rockaway Food Closet at the Presbyterian Church, 35 Church Street, Rockaway Borough is continuously in need of food donations but they know their hours of operation are limited. Now you can drop food off at the main branches of the Rockaway Township and Rockaway Borough Libraries when they are open.*



# The Club

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## Rockaway & Denville Township Public Libraries Update - August 2026

Check the websites to see what the library policies are and what are the latest updates

**Rockaway Township Library:** **http://www.rtlibrary.org** Tel: 973-627-2344
**Rockaway Borough Library Facebook**
**https://www.facebook.com/pages/category/Library/Rockaway-Borough-Public-Library-117410801674019/** Tel: 973-627-5709
**Denville Library** **http://www.denvillelibrary.org** Tel: 973-627-6555
**Denville Library Facebook** **https://www.facebook.com/denvillelibrary/.**

**Both Denville and Rockaway Township continue to have virtual programs. Check out their websites for what these wonderful libraries continue to offer. Register for these virtual programs on their websites.**

*Check out this new complementary digital media service offered by Denville and Rockaway Libraries. Requires your library card. Download the App. "Hoopla" and "Libby"*

**DENVILLE LIBRARY EVENT DETAILS – CHECK ON WEBSITE.**

**The Denville Library has passes to the following Museums.**
**Please check the museum's website to plan your visit.**

- Brooklyn Botanical Garden (Brooklyn, NY)
- Children's Museum of Manhattan (New York, NY)
- Fosterfields Living History Farm (Morris Township, NJ)
- The Intrepid Sea, Air & Space Museum (New York, NY)
- Montclair Art Museum (Montclair, NJ)
- Morris Museum (Morristown, NJ)
- The Museum of the American Revolution (Philadelphia, PA)
- The New York Transit Museum (Brooklyn, NY)
- Newark Museum of Art (Newark, NJ)
- Storm King Art Center (New Windsor, NY)
- USS Constitution (Charlestown, MA).



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