



The Club

February 2024

President's Message



“Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world: indeed, it is the only thing that ever has.” Margaret Meade.

Sometimes we as individuals lose our enthusiasm and motivation for volunteering in our community. We sit back and let others volunteer for projects and do the work. There are many different reasons why people join a volunteer organization that has a mission to “support both organizations and individuals in need by contributing either time, monetary or in-kind donations. Here is a shortened list of “why people volunteer” from the federation president’s manual.

- To feel needed
- To share skills
- For a change of pace
- To get to know a new community.
- Because a friend or family member pressured them
- To keep busy
- To make new friends
- To do something different than their daily job
- To be with people who are different than themselves.
- For Fun!
- Because there is no one else to do it.
- To have an impact
- Because they were asked
- To be challenged
- To feel proud
- As a family tradition
- As therapy
- To learn something new
- To get out of the house.
- To demonstrate commitment to a cause or belief

Regardless of the reason, our Club welcomes all who want join to make a difference in the community. We believe we have something for everyone. Community projects are varied so that members can select one or two where they feel comfortable helping, and it is a good way to get to know others. We plan social activities throughout the year where members make new friends and have fun. We are open to new ideas and suggestions for projects and activities. Come out and participate, the enthusiasm is contagious!

Calendar of Events

- **February 12th - Monday- 7:00 PM**
Woman’s Club Evening Meeting
Denville Community Church
190 Diamond Spring Road
- **February 13th – Tuesday - 1:00 PM**
Woman’s Club Day Meeting
Denville Town Hall – Community Room
- **February 13th – Tuesday - 5PM-7PM**
Dine to Donate- Top of the Park
1007 Main Street, Boonton
- **February 26th – Monday - 3PM**
Woman’s Club Book Discussion
Ann Weissenburger’s Home
- **March 7th - Thursday- 10AM-3PM**
Civic Engagement & Outreach Day
The Battleground County Club,
Manalapan, NJ
- **March 11th - Monday- 7:00 PM**
Woman’s Club Evening Meeting
Denville Community Church
- **March 12th – Tuesday - 1:30 PM**
Woman’s Club Day Meeting
Denville Town Hall -Community Room
- **March 13th – Wednesday 10:00 AM**
Highlands Performing Arts Day
Madison Community House
Madison, New Jersey
- **May 6TH– 8TH Monday – Wednesday**
NJSFWC Annual Convention
Hard Rock Hotel, Atlantic City





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President's Message - Continued

The 2024 Membership Campaign is underway with a deadline by the end of March. It is time for members to renew their commitment to our Club for another year and to reach out to a friend who has shown interest in volunteering.

It is helpful for the club to complete the membership drive in March so the Executive Board can move forward with budget planning for the new fiscal year. Membership renewal time is also a good time to remind members that our club is a member of the state organization, New Jersey State Federation of Women's Clubs which is a member of the national organization, General Federation of Women Clubs. Part of your dues goes to both organizations to maintain membership. You will see this denoted on the annual budget as federation dues.

Membership information will be emailed to you before the February meetings. You may bring dues money to a meeting in February or March. Venmo is also an option. Contact Nancy Fitch, Membership Chairman with questions - Nancyfitch0321@gmail.com.

Yours in federation friendship,
Janet Walker

GFWC Woman's Club of the Denville-Rockaway Area Dues Notice

Dues of \$40 for the 2024-2025 club year (April 1, 2024 to March 31, 2025) to the GFWC Woman's Club of the Denville-Rockaway Area are due on or before March 1. **Please return this form** with your check for \$40, payable to GFWC Woman's Club of the Denville-Rockaway Area. The information on this form will be used for the club yearbook.

Please make sure we have your correct email address!

Bring this form with your dues to the February or March meetings,
or mail this form and check to:

Nancy Fitch
69 Laurelwood Court
Rockaway, NJ 07866

Name _____

Address _____

Telephone _____

Home: _____ Cell: _____

Birthday month ____ day _____

E-mail _____

If you do not plan to continue your club membership for the 2024-2025 year, please contact Nancy at 69 Laurelwood Court, Rockaway, NJ 07866, or nancyfitch0321@gmail.com, or 973-328-7667.

Thank you, and we look forward to your continued membership





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January Events

January 8th - Monday- W.C. Club Eve Meeting - (Denville Community Church)

Presentation by Kelly McNamara



Exec. Director of St. Peter's Orphanage, for 27 years.

Stephany started with the acknowledgment that January is human traffic awareness month seeing that our members were all wearing blue to commemorate the event. Sadly, she pointed out, that a young man, entering St. Peter's Orphanage, has been a victim of human trafficking.

Kelly, after she asked us what we know of St. Peter's Orphanage, explained that the organization takes boys from ages 15 to 19 years (In the NJ state foster system) to receive the proficient professional assistance they need. At this point, there are five young men living at St. Peter's Orphanage.

Guest Speaker Kelly McNamara.

Those young men, who have arrived at St. Peter's Orphanage, have gone through multiple adoptions as well as foster homes and lots of trauma. Kelly explained that St. Peter's Orphanage offers a home where the young men continue schooling, have daily dinners together and receive the psychological services and any other services they need. The young men are taken to restaurants, movies, games, and bowling to give them normalcy in their lives. There is a big emphasis, at St. Peter's Orphanage on education, knowing these young men will have to be out on their own by the age of 21 years. They are given help in getting drivers' licenses, jobs, and opening savings accounts to enable these young men to become self-sufficient adults. After Kelly's presentation, she asked if anyone had questions.

Kelly explained that St Peter's Orphanage started as an organization under the archdiocese in Newark in 1869. In 1971 St Peters Orphanage moved to Denville becoming a nonprofit 501c3 organization, no longer under the archdiocese.

Kelly mentioned that donations of nonperishable foods, gift certificates flowers for spring planting and monetary gifts are greatly appreciated. Our President, Janet Walker thanked Kelly McNamara for her presentation. Nancy Levy asked about fast-food gift certificates which Kelly replied, though healthy food, in St Peter's Orphanage, is emphasized these gift certificates are greatly appreciated in offering these young men normalcy in their lives. And with that said Nancy gave Kelly (3) \$10 Dunkin' Doughnut gift cards.

St. Peter's Orphanage is in Denville. The YouTube link of this presentation: <https://youtu.be/QSfl1Kb7N0I>

You can contact Kelly McNamara at St. Peter's Orphanage at

KellyMcNamara@stpetersorphanage.org www.stpetersorphanage.org

(973)627 0212 ext. 1 (Kelly McNamara will present at our next Woman's Club February Day Meeting)



(L-R) (front) Ann Weissenburger, Val Kenny
(back) Louise Sassano, Eileen Soliman, Lois Sieklik & Ruth Gimbel



(L-R) Janet Walker, Sheela McGlone, Michele Cestaro
Nancy Levy, Karen Lazur, Nancy Fitch & Susan Richardson



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January 9th-Tuesday- W.C. Day Meeting (Denville Town Hall- Community Room)



Presentation by Stephanie Tansey Operation Director of Roots and Wings. Stephanie started by pointing out that Roots and Wings is celebrating its 25th anniversary this year. In 1999 Irene DeGrandpre found this organization, in Morris County, for young people, aging out of foster care between the age of 18 and 21 years. Roots and Wings started as a grassroots movement, where Irene DeGrandpre took in aged out of the foster care system young people into her home. Eventually Roots and Wings became a nonprofit 501c3 organization. The mission, Stephanie pointed out, of Roots and Wings, is to give safe housing, emotional support, life skills and educational opportunities for young people aging out of foster care system in New Jersey and empowering them to reach their full potential. Each year, Stephanie claimed, hundreds of young people age out of foster care in New Jersey. Stephanie went over statistics. 1 out of 5 young people aging out of foster

care, in New Jersey, become homeless. Only 27% of them graduate from high school or any technical school with a degree. Only 6% receive a college degree. More than 80% out of the system are incarcerated. The average number of these young people, Stephanie further claimed, have been in at least 5 different foster homes, homeless, unemployed, or under employed. Roots and Wings program, Stephanie continued, offers safe housing. However, to qualify, these young people must be in foster care system at some point. They must adhere to the Roots and Wings program by being in some educational program, even studying a trade, at time of applying. Being in an education program will provide stability when they graduate from the program. Aside from housing, Roots and Wings give these young people life skill training, help them in obtaining drivers licenses and purchasing a car as well as receiving mental health treatment, if needed. Stephanie gave examples of the good outcomes these young people clients achieved from Roots and Wings. Stephanie added that Roots and Wings organize holiday parties for their clients where volunteers supply the food and wish lists are drawn up, posted on Amazon.

Stephanie, answering Karen Lazur's questions, said that good way to support these young people are food drives, gift cards and new items needed for their apartments. Presently Stephanie said there are 14 young people being served by Roots and Wings. Roots and Wings, located is in Denville.

The YouTube video link of this presentation: <https://youtu.be/Qo2GgpntDCc>

For more info check out Roots and Wings website <https://rootsandwingsnj.org/>

Telephone number. 973 453 6668 Stephanie will speak at W.C. February Eve Meeting.



(LR) (seated) Linda Leming & Marge Dobbins. (L-R) Susan Jancerak, Connie Zombri. (Standing) Jen Ireton, Eva Cervenka Cathy Zollo & Roseanne Jones



(L-R) Susan Jancerak, Connie Zombri, Kathie Elko & Maureen Valente



(L-R) Janet Ball, Connie Zombri, Lynda Gronemann, Joan Chiaravalloti Phyllis Duddy & Janet Walker



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January 10th – Highland District Council Meeting (Long Valley Presbyterian Church) 10AM



Here we are at the highlands district council meeting, held January 10th in Long Valley. Clubs presented their top three programs. The headquarters chairman spoke about the 1894 society, and why we should support our headquarters building, the convention chairman told us convention details and the state environment chairman spoke as well. The special guest was Ray chimileski, from Operation Chillout. He gave us an update on what their organization is doing, and how some of the funds the clubs raised as our SSP was being used. *Barbara McCloskey*

(L-R) Janet Walker, Barbara McCloskey, Nancy Levy, Ann Weissenburger and Susan Jancerak

Letter from Eileen. Soliman. January 19, 2024

Hello Ladies,

Each year the NJSFWC asks us to report our projects by giving them data (volunteer hours, how many women participated, money donated, in-kind donations, etc. and it's due February 1). After compiling all the information, I wanted to let you know that our group did an estimated 100 projects. This includes fundraising for scholarships, food drives, Easter Basket & Christmas Tree collections, collecting items for JBWS, the State Special Project, spelling bee, October Walk-A-Thon, Friday walking group, yard sales, Book clubs, and social events and so many more.

As you can see, we do many different types of projects. Thank you all for your time, talent and treasures for our local community – you have all made a difference!

I hope to see you at our upcoming meetings or project! Let's continue our great success one project at a time!

Thank you,

Eileen Soliman



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January 15th – Monday – NJSFWC Day of Service - in Highlands (Parsippany PAL Building) 10AM – 12P



41 members from seven clubs attended the Day of Service. Eight clubs donated a total of 875 items to the four agencies for our district. Diane Williams the CEO of JBWS was present and thanked everyone for their efforts and gave a brief overview of how JBWS evolved and what they do. 11 members from our club participated in the NJSFWC Day of Service, held on Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

(Clockwise) Alice Birney, Janet Walker, Sheela McGlone, Phyllis Duddy, Karen Lazur, Nancy Levy, Jennifer Ireton, Janet Ball, Gloria O'Connor, Marge Dobbins and Barbara McCloskey

Besides separating the items among the four agencies and packing them, our ladies filled out 50 cards for ECF and packed approximately 150 bags for clients of JBWS and DASi with personal hygiene items. These bags consisted of items brought by JBWS and items donated by the clubs. It was a very successful day, and it was wonderful to see our clubs working together. *Barbara McCloskey.*



Diane Williams





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January 15th – Monday – NJSFWC Day of Service - in Highlands continued



Eight NJSFWC Clubs Unite for 2024 Day of Service Supporting Domestic Violence Victims

<https://parsippanyfocus.com/2024/01/15/eight-njsfwc-clubs-unite-for-2024-day-of-service-supporting-domestic-violence-victims/> except from (there is more on history of NJSFWC)



Woman’s Club of Parsippany-Troy Hills Hosts the Highlands District Day of Service

PARSIPPANY — On January 15, 2024, which marked Martin Luther King Day, eight clubs affiliated with the New Jersey State Federation of Women’s Clubs (NJSFWC) came together for a noble cause. They actively participated in the 2024 NJSFWC Day of Service held at the Parsippany PAL Building.

This year’s Day of Service was dedicated to aiding victims of domestic violence, highlighting the importance of addressing this pressing issue in society. Several prominent agencies joined hands to support this initiative, including Domestic Abuse & Sexual Assault Intervention Services (DASI) from Sussex County, Domestic Abuse & Sexual Assault Crisis Center (DASAAC) from Warren County, JBWS, and Homeless Solutions Morristown Family Shelter, all located in Morris County. To facilitate their charitable efforts, each agency provided lists of essential items that the club members could donate. These generous contributions were brought to the Day of Service event, where forty-one dedicated members from various clubs worked diligently to sort and package over 875 items. These items were subsequently handed over to the respective agencies for distribution among their clients in need.

The event saw the presence of Diane Williams, CEO of JBWS, who expressed her gratitude to the participants for their invaluable support in assisting victims of domestic abuse. She reminded everyone of the significance of their efforts, emphasizing that each one of us may know someone in need of help in such challenging situations.

Jayne Murphy-Morris, JBWS Volunteer Coordinator, also attended the event, bringing additional personal hygiene items. These items were diligently packed by the ladies along with some of the donated items to create kits for new arrivals, who often come with nothing but the clothes on their backs.....



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January 17th – Wednesday – Spelling Bee

(Thomas Jefferson Middle School) 7PM



The Fourth and Fifth Grade Spelling Bee

Our Club conducted its 6th annual NJSFWC Spelling Bee on January 17th at Thomas Jefferson Middle School, Rockaway Borough. There were 32 contestants from the fourth and fifth grades in area elementary schools and middle schools: Birchwood, Catherine A. Dwyer, Katharine D. Malone, Stony Brook, Dennis B. O'Brien, Thomas Jefferson, Lakeview, and Riverview. The auditorium was filled with friends and family members who were supporting the students. Siobhan Koch; Director of Denville Library, Anita West; Director of Human Resources for Rockaway Township Schools, Melissa Okerblom; Director of the Rockaway Borough Library, and Geri Tomaszewski; Rockaway Borough Senior Library Assistant returned again this year to participate in the roles of judges and pronouncer. Barbara McCloskey, NJSFWC President Elect, acted as Bee facilitator.

Congratulations to the winners:

First Place: Artemis Lore, 5th grader from Lakeview Elementary School, Denville

Second Place: Zachary Grasso, 5th grader from Stony Brook Elementary School, Rockaway Township

Third Place: Ryan Kalucha, 5th grader from Thomas Jefferson Middle School, Rockaway Borough

Winners will go on to compete in the District Spelling Bee on February 24th where winners from all the Highlands District Clubs will participate. Then winners go on to the State Spelling Bee.

We gratefully appreciate the overwhelming cooperation and enthusiasm from the school superintendents and principals who helped our club organize this Spelling Bee.

Thank you to the Club Spelling Bee Committee for making this event a success: Karen Lazur, Janet Walker, Barbara McCloskey, Susan Kleczynski, Maureen Valente, Val Kenny, Ann Weissenburger, Ellen Duffin and Michele Cestaro. *Janet Walker*



the Winners

(L-R) Zachary Grasso 2nd place, Artemis Lore 1st place
Ryan Kalucha 3rd place

the Judges.

(L-R) Anita West, Melissa Okerblom & Siobhan Koch,

photos by Barbara McCloskey



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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.)

Food can always be brought directly to the Food Closet- Presbyterian Church, 35 Church St., Rockaway

Paper goods are a constant need too- paper towels and toilet paper.
Also shampoo, toothpaste, soap, laundry detergents.

Donations can be dropped off:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday 9:30-12:30. And
Tuesday 4-6 pm.

Go around back door by cemetery.

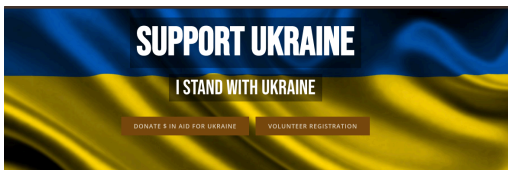
If you make a donation, estimate the cost and

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

35 Church St. Rockaway, NJ. 07866. *Janet Walker and Pat Bomus*



Ukrainian American Cultural Center of New Jersey 60 North Jefferson Rd, Whippany, NJ 07981

<https://uaccnj.org/>

Tel no. 973 585 7175



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GFWC FEDERATION NEWS CORNER

NJSFWC 125 years

HIGHLAND DISTRICT PERFORMING ARTS FESTIVAL – MARCH 13TH - WEDNESDAY

**NJSFWC ANNUAL CONVENTION – MAY 6TH to 8TH – MONDAY to WEDNESDAY
HARD ROCK CAFE, ATLANTIC CITY**



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Dine to Donate Fundraiser at
Top of the Park
1007 Main Street, Boonton
973-402-0989

Tuesday, February 13, 2024
5-7pm
Dine in or Take out

Top of the Park will donate a portion of the receipts to the
GFWC Woman's Club of Boonton.

Questions? Call Kathy at 973-214-3965 or email
Boontorrec@gmail.com

Sponsored by the GFWC Woman's Club of Boonton.

Thank you for your support.





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February is:

American Heart Month



History of American Heart Month

<https://www.daysoftheyear.com/days/american-heart-month/>

American Heart Month got its start sixty years ago when US President Lyndon B. Johnson made an official proclamation about the event in 1964. The request was brought about through a recommendation by the United States Congress in a joint resolution urging more American citizens to pay attention to their cardiovascular health. The idea behind the month was to focus on the heart and bring forward heart disease as an issue that can be complicated but is also rather preventable.



**National Wear Red Day is February 2, 2024
(Go red for Women)**

<https://nationaltoday.com/national-wear-red-day/>

The first Friday in February (February 2) is National Wear Red Day. On this day, which is considered American Heart Month, everyone across the country dons the color red in order to raise and spread awareness in hopes to help eradicate heart disease and stroke in millions of women all over the nation.

Observe National Wear Red Day

National Wear Red Day 2024 in the United States

<https://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/us/national-wear-red-day> People wear red as a way to bring attention to the problem of heart disease in women. Many women wear red dresses, the identifying symbol for the day. Health organizations hold seminars and public outreach events to educate people about prevention and screening of heart disease.

(Once again, we remember Patti Manton, who organized many benefits including raising money for the American Heart Association thru her events at Fitness Factory)



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Black History Month: The Crusade of Sojourner Truth

<https://www.mackinac.org/V1999-05#:~:text=February%20is%20Black%20History%20Month,states%20from%20Maine%20to%20Kansas.>

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By Dr. Burton W. Folsom (excerpt)

February is Black History Month—an occasion to single out and honor black citizens who have made lasting and positive contributions to American society. Such a person was Sojourner Truth (1797-1883), a heroic black woman who worked against slavery in states from Maine to Kansas. She spent her last years in Battle Creek, Michigan, and her life is a study in how black and white Americans worked together for a more free and just society.

(Sojourner Truth was among the pioneering women's rights advocates with Susan B. Anthony, and Elizabeth Cady, who also supported abolition of slavery as well.)



Check out Denville Voices for Racial Justice Facebook for daily posts on Black History Month during February.

<https://www.facebook.com/DenvilleVoices/>

National Children's Dental Health Month



Oral Health Practices During Infancy and Early Childhood.

<https://www.mchoralhealth.org/PDFs/resguideyoungchildren.pdf> excerpts Establishing and maintaining good oral health practices during infancy and early childhood creates a foundation for good oral health later in life. What happens during a child's first 5 years of life is critical to a child's health, development, and ability to succeed in school and later in life. Children with good oral health tend to eat well, sleep well, and develop as they should. Good oral health is much more than a pretty smile. The health of a child's mouth can affect their growth and development, behavior, and social interactions.

(This article is in honor of my husband, Craig, who had a Dental Practice for almost 3 decades that was largely dedicated to treating children. "The health of baby teeth is important for the development and alignment of adult teeth later in life" Dr. Craig Gimbel)



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NATIONAL RANDOM ACTS OF KINDNESS WEEK



Project KIND

In October 2022 Susan Kleczynski prepared another wonderful Zoom Presentation where the founder of Project KIND, Jennifer DePaul told us about the origin and purpose of her local now nonprofit organization. In the article (in our November 2022 Woman's Club Newsletter) written about Project KIND Jennifer DePaul explains her motivation to start her organization was to inspire

her children to do good in our communities especially for those less fortunate.

Check out Project Kind Facebook.

Address: 31 Meadowview Ave, Rockaway, NJ 07866. **Phone:** (973) 476-8982

"How lovely to think that no one need wait a moment, we can start now, start slowly changing the world! How lovely that everyone, great and small, can make their contribution toward introducing justice straightaway...And you can always, always give something, even if it is only kindness". Ann Frank (taken from Project KIND Facebook).

NATIONAL RANDOM ACTS OF KINDNESS WEEK - Week of February 17



<https://www.nationaldaycalendar.com/national-day/national-random-acts-of-kindness-week-week-of-february-17> (Except) During the week of February 17th, National Random Acts

of Kindness Week encourages us to put kindness first and share it everywhere we go. Everyone needs a little kindness sometimes, and we never know when to expect it. Be the unexpected gift to someone this week.

Our members of the Woman's Club of Denville Rockaway are invested in Acts of Kindness 365 days a year.



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Upcoming Events and Activities

WOMEN'S CLUB EVENING MEETING -FEBRUARY 12TH – MONDAY -7:00 PM -DENVILLE COMMUNITY CHURCH
190 Diamond Spring Road

WOMEN'S CLUB DAY MEETING -FEBRUARY 13TH-TUESDAY -1:30 PM -DENVILLE TOWNHALL-COMMUNITY ROOM- There will be packaging of the homemade cookies, made for Cheshire Home (and maybe more) for Valentine's Day, taking place.

DINE TO DONATE -FEBRUARY 13TH- TUESDAY -5PM-7PM – TOP OF THE PARK (BOONTON).
1007 MAIN STREET, BOONTON

WOMAN'S CLUB BOOK DISCUSSION -FEBRUARY 26TH- MONDAY-3PM – ANN WEISENBURGER'S HOME.

FRIDAY WALKING CLUB-(if it is Raining or Cold we do inside walks in the Rockaway Mall)
Contact Barbara McCloskey if you wish to join.



(L-R). Karen Lazur, Janet Walker, Susan Jancerak, Barbara McCloskey and Jennifer Ireton





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Sunshine Corner

Love, Joy, Hope, Faith and Comfort to all.



Barbara McCloskey - February 9th

Susan Wiedaseck - February 9th

Phyllis Duddy - February 17th

Marge Dobbins - February 17th

Lynda Gronemann - February 26th

~~~ ***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 safely, lunch or afternoon tea.*



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Welcome to our new member Lois Sieklik



## AFTERNOON BOOK DISCUSSION

TBA

“The Bullet That Missed” by Richard Osman

Contact Lin Zrike at 973-586-7803 or [foggypond@optonline.net](mailto:foggypond@optonline.net)



## AFTERNOON BOOK DISCUSSION

February 26<sup>th</sup>, 2024 - Monday afternoon 3:00 P.M.

“My Grandmother Asked Me to Tell You She’s Sorry” by Frederick Backman

Location –Ann Weissenburger’s Home

Contact: Ann Weissenburger at 973-627-2509 or [aweissenburger@yahoo.com](mailto:aweissenburger@yahoo.com)



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## **\*\* Ongoing Club Collections \*\***

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

**\*Collection for Rockaway Food Pantry –Presbyterian Church – Pat Bomus.** The Rockaway Pantry is low and needs several types of donations. See page 10 for items requested, location and hours of drop off.

**\*Aluminum Tabs – Susan Kleczynski.** From beer and soda cans for Ronald McDonald House, a nonprofit family & children’s charity dedicated to supporting families with sick children in their time of need.

**\*Inkjet/toner cartridges – Joan Bowling.** Don't forget that we continue to collect used inkjet and toner cartridges. Thanks to Joan, many are sent back to be recycled for cash back. She deals with three companies and gets prepaid shipping labels from them. The club has drop offs’ locations at Provident Bank

**\*Eyeglasses – Joan Bowling.-** Joan now gives the eyeglasses to an Optician who gives the glasses to the Lions Club.

**\*Cell phone collections – Joan Bowling.** This is a good moneymaker. Joan gets prepaid shipping labels and sends the phones to a company who sends our club a check. **Joan is putting out plea for more cellphones to be delivered to her. She needs more cell phones in order to send a box in.**

**\*Collecting of Greeting Cards – Joan Bowling.** Joan is collecting the fronts of greeting cards.

**\*Collecting of Christmas Greeting Cards – Nancy Levy.** Nancy is collecting the fronts of greeting cards.

**\*Coupon Flyers – Joan Bowling.** Only coupons that have NOT expired. These are given to Social Services in Denville.

**\*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 they are given to Social Services in Rockaway and Denville.

**\*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.



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### Rockaway & Denville Township Public Libraries Update February 2024

Check the websites to see what the library policies are.

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/>

**NOTE: PRESENTLY THE DENVILLE LIBRARY BUILDING IS CLOSED FOR RENOVATIONS. YOU CAN DROP OFF MATERIAL AND PICK UP REQUESTS AT THE WHITE BUILDING NEXT DOOR, THE DENVILLE HISTORICAL SOCIETY BUILDING. CHECK OUT THE DENVILLE LIBRARY WEBSITE OR PHONE TO FIND OUT ABOUT UPDATES.**

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"

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

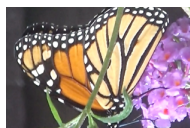


The Denville Library has passes to the following Museums. Please check the museum's website to plan your visit.

- 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) **NEW FOR 2023!**
- The New York Transit Museum (Brooklyn, NY) **NEW FOR 2023!**
- Newark Museum of Art (Newark, NJ)
- Storm King Art Center (New Windsor, NY)
- USS Constitution (Charlestown, MA)



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