



## Parsippany-Troy Hills September 2025



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***"Together in Service; United in Friendship"***

**Barbara McCloskey, NJSFWC President**

### **A Message from Our Club President Cathy Haney**

Full speed ahead! We are sailing ahead into autumn and the busiest months of our club year. Before our **September 29 meeting**, we will already have participated in the Parsippany Fall Festival at Smith Field on Sept. 21st. Many of you volunteered to help and hopefully more will come out to support us that day.

Another September project is the GFWC Day of Service to collect toiletries and, on **September 27**, put them in cosmetic bags for the women at JBWS. Terry Gerber is providing details.

Our collection of Holiday Stockings for soldiers is ongoing; you can bring your filled stockings to our September meeting, to be held at 6:30 at the Main Library, Mtg Room A.

There are many other activities and projects planned (see below). I hope you all can come to the meeting and learn about how you can participate in them.

Cathy H

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**



Parsippany Fall Festival	Sept 21
Day of service for JBWS	Sept 27
September General Mtg	Sept 29
Crafting event	Sept 30
Literature Club Mtg	October 7
Scrapbook cropping	October 17
Parsippany Shred Day	October 18
NJSFWC Fall Conference	October 20
Deadline for Fall Fundraiser	October 27
Octoberfest Luncheon	October 28
NJSFWC Headquarters Open House	Nov 13 & 15
International Dinner	Nov 18
Candy/Cookie night	Nov 24
Wreath Making at Cerbo's	Dec 4 (to be confirmed)
Wreaths Across America Day	Dec 13

### Ways & Means: First Vice Presidents Chris Sinner and Mary Ann Coyne

Welcome back! We are looking forward to seeing everyone at the September General Meeting. At this time, brochures will be distributed for David's and Meadow Farms products. Keep in mind that web access, ordering, and many more choices are available online for Meadow Farms than is shown in their brochures. This is our top fundraiser; it will start **September 29th** and ends on **October 27th**. If you will not be at the September General Meeting, let us know and we will get the brochures to you.

Remember, a few members can do a little; together we can do so much to continue our mission of giving and volunteering in so many ways.

Lastly, Cash 4 Causes got off to a great start. Our September proceeds amounted to \$145. Great job! Thank you.

### Civic Engagement and Outreach: Susan Byrne

Hope everyone had a wonderful summer!

**WIN-WIN 50/50** - Beginning with the September meeting, we will be having a 50/50 drawing at each general meeting. Tickets will be sold at the meeting and will be 3 tickets for \$5. The winner receives 50% of the total pot and picks the charity that will receive the other 50%. A list of local charities will be provided. You have to be in it to win it!

Save The Date: **Candy/cookie night** – a favorite club activity. Please continue to bring coffee cans to Marilyn Marion. A signup sheet will be passed around at the October meeting for those who would like to bake cookies or donate candy. The coffee cans will be filled at the general meeting on **November 24, 2025**.

**Wreaths Across America** – This year, National Wreaths Across America Day will be held on Saturday, **December 13, 2025**. The ceremony is to Remember the Fallen, Honor those who Serve, and Teach the next generation the value of freedom. Our club will sponsor 5 wreaths. A local event will be held at the Denville Cemetery located at 9 Savage Road in Denville. A beautiful ceremony is followed by the laying of remembrance wreaths on the graves of fallen heroes. Please save the date and consider attending this ceremony with your friends and family.

### Federation: Marilyn Marion

Our NJSFWC Federation is celebrating 60 years of service this year. There will be two different dates that we will be able to celebrate with our Federation Sisters. There will be an open house at Headquarters on Thursday, **November 13** at 12:30 or Saturday, **November 15** at 10:00am. Light refreshments will be served. Seating is limited. Please select your date and get back to me by October 3rd. This will give you a chance to see our Headquarters building.

It is time again to send in your 2025-2026 donation to join the 1894 Society. The year is from April 1, 2025 – March 31, 2026. The 1894 Society is for the NJSFWC Headquarters building, which was built with trading stamps and 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 meet any increase that may be assessed by Rutgers. If interested, please see me.

**Parsippany Fall Festival** is **September 21**. An email was sent on September 9th to all members asking for help manning the club booth. If you haven't contacted Marilyn Marion yet on a time that is best for you to help out, please reach out to her.

### Membership: 2nd Vice Presidents Janice Carrubba & Ginny Scala

Hello ladies! We hope you all had a great summer and are ready to do whatever our Club brings our way in volunteering and serving others. At our September meeting, Monday the 29th, we will be installing two new members. What a great way to start the year.

We will also have our new yearbook for everyone. Please check your information to see if everything is correct. If there are any changes let Janice or I know so we can pass the correction onto our members. See you on the 29th!

### Communication: Joan Garbarino

I hope everyone enjoyed the summer and is eager to get back into the new club year.

As always, I look forward to receiving pictures and details of club events for use in press releases and social media posts.

### Arts and Culture: Ivy Ertle

I hope everyone had a great time this summer.

The 2025-2026 year is starting off with a crafting event. I had sent out emails for this event over the late spring and summer. We are going to be painting wooden porch signs. Unfortunately, with limited space available, I had to cut off participation with the last few people who signed up at the summer social. For those that are registered, the event will be held on Tuesday **September 30th** in the community room at the police station beginning at 7pm.

In the spirit of Octoberfest, we will be holding a luncheon at Landauer's Cafe in Towaco on **October 28th** at 12:30. Landauer's is located at 623 Rt. 202. Unfortunately, it is a very small cafe, so I must limit the number of members (only) who can attend to 10. If you CAN attend, please text or call Ivy (917-364-1607). Please be sure to leave your name on the message.

In November, we will have a Mexican Dinner at Las Leyendas in Morris Plains on **November 18** at 6:30pm. Las Leyendas is located at 1767 Rt.10. If you are interested in attending, please let Ivy know. Significant others are welcome to attend this event.

SAVE THE DATE: **December 4th** for our yearly wreath making workshop. I am waiting for confirmation from Cerbo's that December 4th is available. As we did last year, we will go out afterwards for those interested. Once there is a firm date, I will let you know.

Any suggestions of events or international restaurants are more than welcome. Feel free to email me at ivyertle@gmail.com or text at 917-364-1607. Please remember to sign your texts so I know who suggestion.

### Historian Scrapbook: Janice Carrubba

We will be having a Scrapbook Cropping on Friday, **October 17** at 1:00pm at 20 Golf Lane, East Hanover (my home). We have quite a few events we need to do pages for so we could use some help. We will buddy up to do the pages so if you've never scrapped before no worries, you'll be with someone who has. No need to bring anything, I have all the necessary supplies. Hope to see some new faces. If you are planning on coming, please send me an email or text to let me know.

### Education & Library: Betty Lagitch

I would like to give you an opportunity for two members to coordinate two projects from the Education Committee. They are the Citizenship Award and the Girls Career Institute.

8th Grade Citizenship Award: Chosen by the teachers from Brooklawn, Central and All Saints Academy. 1 boy & 1 girl is chosen from each school.

Girls Career Institute: A Junior girl is chosen from each high school to experience the college life for four days at Douglass College.

Neither of these projects take a lot of time to coordinate and will give you an opportunity to participate in a club activity that is also rewarding for you. I will be working very closely with you explaining the process. Contact me if you have any questions about the projects or if you are interested in coordinating a project.

### Operation Christmas Stocking: Eileen Healion

Thank you to all the members that picked up their stockings at the Summer Social. We still have holiday stocking left to distribute. This is always a fun project and one that is very appreciated by the recipients. Please check off the items when filling the stockings. Doing this, makes our job much easier. Bring them to the September meeting and we will take a picture for the Scrapbook.

If you still need stockings, please contact me and I will arrange to get them to you.

### Environment: Janet Reilly

The town of Parsippany will be holding a Shred Day on Saturday, **October 18<sup>th</sup>**, 9am-12pm at the Town Hall building parking lot.

### Literature: Janet Reilly

Literature - We met in the library to pick our next reads from the book kits on September 16. Our next book is *Reconstructing Amelia* by Kimberley McCreight. Our next meeting will be at Linda Laidlaw's home on **October 7** at 1:00 PM. Let her know if you will not be coming. Happy reading.

ATLANTIC HIGHLANDS DISTRICT COUNCIL  
MEETING AND LUNCHEON – SEPTEMBER 10TH



EDUCATION MEETING – SEPTEMBER 17TH

