



Parsippany-Troy Hills October 2025



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"Together in Service; United in Friendship"
Barbara McCloskey, NJSFWC President

A Message from Our Club President Cathy Haney

Despite political turmoil, natural disasters and difficult medical situations, it is heartening to focus on all the good people who help others in our world.

We recently, under Terry Gerber's leadership, completed our part of the GFWC Day of Service – clubs all over the world working to aid victims of domestic violence. Now we are focusing on Operation Holiday Stocking to send goodies to soldiers overseas.

On Saturday, **October 25**, we'll participate in Parsippany's Trunk or Treat celebration to provide a safe and fun Halloween experience for town children.

Start now to plan what you'll bring to our annual Cookie/Candy packing in November for local nursing home residents.

Nanda Sanichar, our Hospitality chairman, has made arrangements for our annual Holiday Dinner on Tuesday evening, **December 9**, at Café NaVona on Route 46 in Rockaway. We hope that everyone can join us to celebrate the season with our fellow club members! Cost per person is \$55, which includes pasta, house salad, entrée, lemoncello cake for dessert, coffee, tea, soft drinks and gratuity. Entrée choices are chicken, fish or vegetarian. At the October meeting, Nanda will have a sign-up sheet. You can indicate your entrée choice, and you can give her a check made out to WCPTH for \$55.

Cathy H

UPCOMING EVENTS



Dine to Donate Bonefish Grill	October 22 & 23
Deadline for Fall Fundraiser	October 27
Octoberfest Luncheon	October 28
Literature Meeting	November 4
Coffee can wrapping at Marilyn M's	November 12
NJSFWC Headquarters Open House	November 13 & 15
International Dinner	November 18
David's delivery & pickup	November 22
Candy/Cookie packing night	November 24
Wreath Making at Cerbo's	December 4 (to be confirmed)
WCPTH Holiday Dinner	December 9
Highlands District Council Mtg	January 14

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

A reminder that our Dine to Donate is scheduled for Wednesday, **October 22nd** and Thursday, **October 23rd** at the Bonefish Grill. Remember your necessary flyer, invite your family and friends, and enjoy a delicious meal.

Our Autumn Fundraiser is in full swing! Thank you to those of you who have already purchased from Meadow Farms online. All orders are due Monday, **October 27th**. If you are using paper order forms, please bring them with your check to our General Meeting on October 27th. A separate check must be written for David's and for Meadow Farms orders. David's delivery and member pickup will be on Saturday, **November 22nd** at Mary Ann Coyne's house.

Cash for Causes had a fantastic month. Our proceeds amounted to \$240! How fantastic is that? As you start thinking about the holidays, keep in mind that gift cards make great stocking stuffers as well as gifts. Consider ordering them in November as we will not be generating a December Cash for Causes order. It will resume in January, 2026.

Thank you for your help and dedication in supporting all of our fundraisers. We are unified, focused and organized in our goals.

Civic Engagement and Outreach: Susan Byrne

Candy/cookie –A signup sheet will be circulated at the October meeting for members who would like to bake cookies. The coffee cans will be filled at the general meeting on **November 24, 2025**.

Coffee cans – we are still collecting coffee cans for this project. Please give empty, clean cans to Marilyn Marion.

Coffee can wrapping – we will wrap the coffee cans in holiday paper on **November 12th** at 1pm at Marilyn Marion's house. A few volunteers are needed to help with this project. It is fun, easy and only takes a few hours. Newer members- this is a great way to help and to get to know some of the other club members. Please let me know if you would like to help.

Federation: Marilyn Marion

I want to thank the members who contacted me about signing up for the 1894 Society. That count is needed for the club's year-end report. If you would like to sign up and need a form, just go on the NJSFWC.org website, under materials, Almanacs, September flyers, scroll down a bit and there it is.

With so much happening in our busy lives, between our personal stuff and our club events, it is important to update our calendars every day. The information we receive in our monthly club newsletter is important if you want to remain an active member. If there is something you are not sure of, you should contact the chairman who is charge of that department and ask about it. Another way to learn about our Federation is to go on the NJSFWC.org web site and to sign up for the e-connect newsletter that comes out weekly. Contact Joan Garbarino if you need help signing on.

At the November meeting I will circulate a sign-up sheet for the **January 14** Highlands District Council. It is a daytime event to be held at the Madison Community House. We are co-sponsoring for the refreshments and will hear more about this as time gets closer. Be prepared, mark your calendars now.

Membership: 2nd Vice Presidents Janice Carrubba & Ginny Scala

At our September meeting we installed Dawn Gabriel into our Club. Dawn has worked at JBWS for 26 years including being on the Board of Directors. She was Chief Compliance Officer at QPharm. Dawn enjoys helping others and has been involved in Club activities before her installation, including helping at our Tricky Tray. Please greet Dawn and share some of your interests with her. Does anyone play golf? Ask Dawn.

Again, please check your information in the yearbook, if there are any changes, let Janice or Ginny know. See you on the 27th.

Literature: Janet Reilly

Our next meeting will be held at Janet Reilly's home on Tuesday, **November 4th** at 1:00 PM. We will discuss the current book we are reading, and a new one will be handed out. If you cannot make the meeting let Janet know. Happy reading.

Arts and Culture: Ivy Ertle

The 2025-2026 year is off to a great start. Our porch sign painting was a great success. Everyone's boards came out great. Some didn't finish and finished on their own.

The next event is October Fest at Landaur's cafe. Unfortunately, that event is closed off to new participants.

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 still 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 made the suggestions.

Historian Scrapbook: Janice Carrubba

A big thank you to Susan, Ginny, Marilyn, Cathy, Diana, Jalini, Nanda and Sandra Bothe (prospective member) for coming to the Scrapbook Cropping on Friday, October 17. These ladies were amazing. We were able to complete 18 pages, 16 different events. We will have another cropping in January 2026 sometime to finish up the pages and complete the book.

Please continue to take photos at events that you attend and send them to Joan Garabino, Kathy Reilly and myself.

October/November Birthdays

Betty Lagitch	Oct 2
Chris Sinner	Oct 23
Marilyn Marion	Nov 3
Beverly Frischer	Nov 8
Carmela Foehner	Nov 17
Terry Higgins	Nov 19
Susan Byrne	Nov 29
Evelyn deCastro	Nov 29

Education & Library: Betty Lagitch

September & October are our planning months for the coming year. We will be presenting our budget to the members at the October meeting.

Donation of Books: Reminder to send to me the number of books and to whom you donated them.

Operation Jersey Cares: Reminder, I continue to collect Patriotic stickers for making cards for soldiers overseas. This is a fun project for members to participate in, which occurs in September at the Fall Festival. You assist the children in making the cards.

Operation Christmas Stocking: Eileen Healion

Thank you to all the members that have returned their stockings, and for those that haven't you can bring them to the October meeting. We are going to deliver the stockings to Headquarters the beginning of November.

Environment: Janet Reilly

As announced at our last meeting I will not be accepting jeans any longer. Cotton's Blue jeans Go Green is not providing free shipping labels any longer. The cost for us to take on shipping would be prohibitive. The jeans that I had collected were given to the United War Veterans. However, I will still be collecting athletic sneakers for recycling. Remember, only athletic shoes, not Sketchers or other non-athletic.

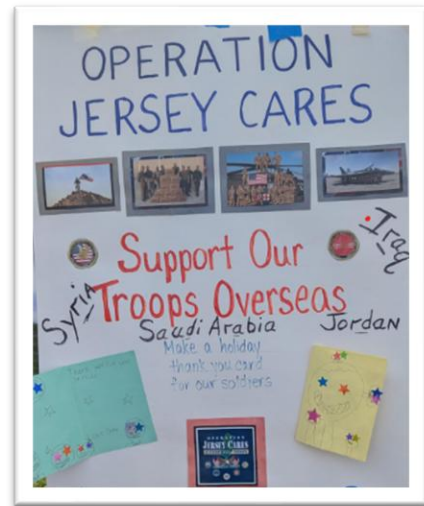
Legislation: Cathy Cerbo

Let's move up the ladder! The "Legislative Ladder" the GFWC has created for us. GFWC has an 8-step Advocacy Guide for clubs. The first rung on this ladder is to sign-up for Legislative Alters. Its super easy: www.gfwc.org/get-involved/. Some of you have already done so and are in-the-know about all our efforts in Congress. Through these alerts we learn about bipartisan interest in the bills we advocate, ways to contact our legislators in support of these bills, and where they stand in the long process to become a law.

We'll be climbing our way up this ladder with other committee projects this year. And maybe we'll get a certificate from GFWC, but if not we've at least gotten that much more involved.

SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER GALLERY

PARSIPPANY FALL FESTIVAL – SEPTEMBER 21ST



SIGN PAINTING – SEPTEMBER 30TH



DAY OF SERVICE – SEPTEMBER 27



DONATION TO THE ANIMAL SHELTER



NEW MEMBER INSTALLATION

DAWN GABRIEL

