



WOMAN'S CLUB OF ALLWOOD

Meeting Date: Monday, March 3, 2014 – 7:30 p.m.

Meeting Hostess: Glory Smith

Program: Mike Porter and the Bagpipers

Food Collection for St. Peter's Haven: The snow might have kept us from our February meeting, but St. Peter's Haven continued to provide food and support to their shelter clients plus hundreds around Passaic County. If you would add a bit of the blarney to your February Comfort Food Contribution (canned corned beef, potatoes or cabbage) our March Collection is sure to be very lucky indeed! Betty Hoffman has been kind enough to offer to take our March (and February) collection to St. Peter's. Thank You Betty!

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT (Dorothy Gondola): "OH, WHAT A NIGHT..." after night, after night of cold and snow! We hope you are all defrosting and ready to come to our March Meeting. Let Mother Nature be kind to us on March 3rd. We have much to discuss! Reports were sent to Federation for all departments. **A little pat on the back for all of you: we have reported 80 projects and over 2,000 volunteer hours!!! WOW!!!**

An Irish Blessing for You, My Friends: "May the sun shine all day long, everything go right and nothing go wrong. May those you love bring love back to you, and may all the wishes you wish come true!"

A MESSAGE FROM OUR VICE-PRESIDENT (Barbara A. Lemley): We have extended our participation in the NJSFWC/USO Project – **UNITED THROUGH READING** – through May. Please bring your books to Monday's meeting.

A MESSAGE FROM THE FEDERATION SECRETARY (Vera Greco):

- **Our Club will VOTE for one of three proposed upcoming Special Projects at Monday's meeting:**
 - Make-A-Wish New Jersey
 - National Alliance on Mental Illness
 - Safe Kids, New Jersey
- It's not too late to think about **STATE CONVENTION. Dates are May 5th-7th.** Anyone interested in attending, please contact Dorothy Gondola.

Additionally, we have a position OPEN on the Board. If you have interest in the post of Arts/Performing Chair please contact Vera.

ARTS/PERFORMING (Anita McGowan): Join us on Friday, May 16, at 8pm to see "Fiddler on the Roof"

at the Aprea Theater, 199 Scoles Ave, Clifton. Add you name to the sign-up sheet at our next meeting or contact Anita. Payment is due to Anita by April 10th. Make checks payable to The Theater League of Clifton. Senior Tickets are \$15, Adults \$20. The Theater League of Clifton is presenting this musical May 9,10,11 and 15,16,17,18. For reservations for any of the other show times, contact The Theater League of Clifton at 973-928-7668.

COMMUNICATIONS (Barbara S. Lemley): If you have a moment prior to Monday's meeting, please take a peek at our website, WomansClubOfAllwood.org. Your feedback and contributions are very much appreciated.

EDUCATION (Michele Gerke): Due to the recent inclement weather the deadline for **The Anne B. Rate Memorial Scholarship** applications has been extended to March 15th. Please contact Michele ASAP if you have an interested party.

FUNDRAISING (Doris Monteith): **YANKEE DOODLE DANDY BUNCO**: Our main charity fund raiser...*get your tickets at Monday's meeting or call Dorothy Gondola directly.*

Please bring any **BUNCO prizes you have collected to Monday's meeting or contact Doris for drop off to her home**. Prizes must be NEW (no LOGOs please).

Barbara Bisaccio will have a sign-up sheet at Monday's meeting for Gift Baskets donations or wine bottle donations. Gift Baskets MUST BE \$25 or more in value. Gift Cards make wonderful prizes too! *Everyone's Support Is Greatly Appreciated!*

***Don't forget all ticket holders will be asked to bring a donation of boxed cereal to BUNCO!

HOME LIFE (Barbara Bisaccio): The next Home Life meeting will be on **Wednesday, March 19th at 1:00pm** at Barbara's home. There will be a sign-up sheet at Monday's meeting.

LITERATURE (Rosemarie Coombs): There will be a Literary Meeting on **Wednesday, March 12th at 12:30pm** at Rosemarie's home. Federation is sponsoring a book discussion at Headquarters. "The Light Between Oceans" by M.L.Stedman...has anyone read it?

SUNSHINE (Toni Salerno): Please let Toni know of anyone who should be sent a greeting.

ACHIEVEMENT DAY: *APRIL 1st is right around the corner. Do you have an entry? We had a great showing of entries and winners last year so come with your submission ideas. We will discuss details at Monday's meeting and Barbara Bisaccio will have entry forms on hand.*

FOOD FOR THOUGHT: Family Promise was founded here in New Jersey and has been serving families in our state since 1988. They provide safe, homelike shelter and comprehensive support services to more than 1,000 family members annually.