



WOMAN'S CLUB OF ALLWOOD

Meeting Date: Monday, October 5th, 2015 – 7:30 p.m.

Meeting Hostess: Maura Natale (set-up is 12:30pm for those who would like to assist)

Committee: Michele Gerke, Barbara Popek, Fran Powers

Program: Guest Speakers from NAMI-NJ

Food Collection for St. Peter's Haven:

Pasto Italiano: Pasta, Sauce, Olive Oil, Grated Cheese, Cannellini Beans, Olives, etc. (please pick the pastic jars/bottles – not glass) Also, St. Peter's continues to gladly accept gift cards to local supermarkets as well. Joanne Krudys will be delivering our collection to St. Peter's Haven! Thank you Joanne!

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT (Barbara A. Lemley):

MAKE A DIFFERENCE: BE IMPORTANT, MATTER, as in "Her volunteer work makes a difference in many lives." (dictionary.com)

At each meeting, in addition to food items, we are asked to bring in something for a specific cause, such as October's items for a nursing home. This summer, we formed teams to fill backpacks for NAMI-NJ, and participated in a successful NAMI pizza FUNdraiser. That ALL sounds like the definition of MAKE A DIFFERENCE. GREAT JOB!!

In the months to come, we will be honoring Veteran's Day and our military, Grandma's Place, and are planning a "baby shower" in April.

We have an exciting club year ahead! We start with the Mary Skelly Memorial Bus Trip and with the Innisbrook/Terry-Lynn fundraiser. For that, it is hoped that each member purchase at least one item...more is good too!

Making A Difference can be overwhelming, but we will take it one month at a time. Being in constant need is also overwhelming. We can help. You have shown that you are up to the task. We can all be very proud of what we have done and are doing to matter in the life of someone else. Please keep caring.

FEDERATION SECRETARY (Dorothy Gondola): Mental Health Week is October 4th – 11th. Please bring your NAMI-NJ Backpacks to be assembled at our meeting.

Also, the Liberty District Past President's Club is having a Mama Mia Luncheon at the Belleville Club on October 22nd. Tickets are \$20.

ARTS/PERFORMING (Anita McGowan): "Little Shop of Horrors" is being presented by the Theater League of Clifton. A sign up sheet will be available at our Oct. Meeting for advance tickets for the Sunday, Nov.15th performance at 2:00pm. Tickets for Seniors & Students are \$15, Adults are \$20. Make checks payable to The Theater League of Clifton. This is expected to be an outstanding show. Join us!

COMMUNICATIONS (Barbara S. Lemley): Looking forward to sharing details on an on-going project with the Allwood Merchants Association and spreading the news about our Adventures In Giving!

EDUCATION (Michelle Gerke): It's never too early to spread the word about our Scholarship Programs.

FUNDRAISING (Doris Monteith): The Innisbrook/Terry-Lynn fundraiser books are in and this year's selections are better than ever! ALL ORDERS MUST BE SUBMITTED BY THE NOVEMBER GENERAL MEETING.

The SANDS CASINO Bus Trip is October 18th. If you have yet to pay, please bring your \$30 to the meeting.

HOME LIFE (Vera Greco): Join us at Vera's home on Wednesday, October 28th at 12:30pm. A sign-up sheet will be available. Vera is collecting HOTEL-SIZE TOILETRIES to make kits for an area assisted living facility – hopefully you picked up a few from your travels this summer.

Also, please remember to bring your RED CUPS FULL OF CAN TABS for Ronald McDonald House to our meeting.

LITERATURE (Barbara Dougherty): Barbara will host the next meeting of the Book Group on Thursday, October 8th at her home at 1:00 pm. Please add you name to the sign-up sheet if you plan to attend.

SUNSHINE (Toni Salerno): Please make Toni aware of anyone you think should be receiving a SUNSHINE GREETING from the Club.

TREASURER (Annemarie Hollenback): WCA CLUB DUES are \$45. If you have not already submitted yours, please enclose in an envelope with your name on the front so that your payment can be properly noted. Thank You.

LOST & FOUND: Are you missing a scarf? Dorothy Gondola found one that was left behind at her home after the Arbor Day Luncheon.