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Chairman's Report - Kim Otto

We certainly have been very busy lately!

By now, the 50/50 Art Show and the Irish Spring Luncheon are in the books and our Denim and Diamonds Casino Night Fundraiser is on the horizon. Thanks to all who have volunteered in any capacity at these events. We couldn't do all of this without your help!

Did you know that April is Volunteer Appreciation Month?

National Volunteer Week is celebrated annually during the third week of April and this year it will be observed from April 20 to 26. This week-long celebration is about placing a spotlight on inspiring figures whose invaluable seeds of kindness through volunteering are bettering the community and our world in general. This significant celebration which was established in 1974 provides the perfect opportunity for me to say thank you to each of YOU, the members of the Evening Membership Department of The Haddon Fortnightly. Each of you contributes in a myriad of ways to enrich our communities and I am grateful for all that you do!

First Vice-Chairman - Marianne Fisher

The Garden District Spring Conference & Achievement Day is on Thursday, April 17, 2025, at Marco's Restaurant at the Pennsauken Country Club. If interested, please see Marianne Fisher. Join us at the One Hundred Thirty-first Annual Convention of the New Jersey State Federation of Women's Club of GFWC. The theme is, "Celebrating Good Times. The dates are May 5 – 7 at the Hard Rock Hotel & Casino in Atlantic City. If interested, please see Marianne Fisher. If anyone has any questions about my article on the NJSFWC Reports, please let me know.

Hospitality - Mary Ann Zaleski and Lois Edmund

Our Spring Dinner will be Tuesday, May 13th, beginning at 6:30. The Hospitality Committee is planning the menu. We will be cooking in house so the price will be \$25 per person (BYOB). Sign-ups will be circulated at our next meeting for appetizers and desserts. We always appreciate your donations and the wonderful variety of foods that come! I welcome reservations by phone, text or email. 856.904.3480. Loisedmund@hotmail.com. Thank you!

Community Affairs and Legislation - Tina Novak

We delivered the 41 fleece blankets that we made for Operation Smile. Thank you, the children will be delighted to receive them.

Community improvement has long been an important goal of our Federation. Did you know that the list of the NJSFWC Legislative Focus areas can easily be found on the website? Areas of interest include Women's Health, Safety, Open Space Preservation, Children/Disadvantaged Individuals, Domestic Violence Awareness/Prevention and Literacy. Do any of these topics interest you? Take action! You can make a difference.

Membership/Reception/History/Archives - Claressa Walker

I am listing the new members' emails.

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Special State Project and Community Improvement Project (CIP) -Tina Novak

We are still making sandwiches for **Cathedral Kitchen**. Our next collection date is April 16th. Please contact Tina to participate and/or for directions.

We are continuing our collection of Uber gift cards for the **New Jersey Children's Alliance**. They provide assistance to victims of child abuse. The cards will be used to bring families to counseling and other appointments.

Joanne Morris will be taking your **food donations** to a foodbank in Haddon Township. Please bring your items to our business meetings or contact Joanne Morris to make alternate arrangements.



Ways and Means - Tina Novak

We did enjoy the **Irish Spring Luncheon and Basket Raffle!** Many thanks to Ann Gallagher, Mary Ann McMahon and their committee. We appreciated the performances from the Jordan-Hunt School of Irish Dance and from the Paul VI High School Jazz Ensemble. It was a delightful and successful fundraiser!

By the time you read this we will be celebrating the success of our **Denim and Diamonds Casino Night!** Come to our April Business meeting to hear all about it!

MGB Band - Mary Holben

April 26, 2025 Once again, the MGB Band will be playing your favorite rock and roll tunes for your listening and dancing pleasure! Come join us on **Saturday, April 26, 7-10pm, BYOB and BYOF. Water and light snacks will be provided. Tickets are \$15.00 per person. See Mary for tickets!**

Arts/Cinema/Creative/Literature/Performing - Debbe Mervine

Literature- Debbe Mervine

The Literature group has chosen "The Art Forger " by B.A. Shapiro as our next book. I read it a while ago and I'm looking forward to reading it again.

Our last book "The Secret Life of Sunflowers "was most interesting. We learned a lot about Vincent Van Gogh, his brother Theo and Theo's wife, Joanna, who brought Vincent's art to prominence. There is also a modern day story interwoven with Joanna's that has a couple of love stories including a chicken. We all enjoyed it!

Cinema - Marianne Fisher

Come join us on Wednesday, March 19 th at 1:40 PM to see Novocain, an action/comedy at Cinemark in Somerdale.





IMPORTANT DATES

Tuesday, April 1 - EMD Executive Board Meeting, 7:30 pm, Clubhouse

Wednesday, April 2 - General Club Executive Board meeting, 10:00 am

Friday, April 4 - Set-up for Casino Night

Saturday, April 5 - EMD Casino Night

NJSFWC State Spelling Bee - Headquarters

Monday, April 7 - General Club Reading Circle, 12:30 pm

Trustees meeting, 3:30 pm

Tuesday, April 8 - EMD Business Meeting, 7:30 pm, clubhouse

Thursday, April 10 - Forecaster deadline

Friday, April 11 - General Club Business Meeting, 1:00 pm

Saturday, April 12 - Passover begins at Sundown

Tuesday, April 15 - May Flash Deadline

Arts Literature Meeting, 7:30 pm, Debbe Mervine's home

Wednesday, April 16 - Cathedral Kitchen Sandwich Delivery, 9-9:30 am

Women's Bridge, 7:30 pm, Hostess TBD

Movie, Cinemark, Somerdale

Thursday, April 17 - Garden District Spring Conference & Achievement Day

Friday, April 18 - Good Friday

Saturday, April 19 - Partner's Bridge, 7:30 pm, Hostess TBD

Sunday, April 20 - Easter

Tuesday, April 22 - Earth Day

Saturday, April 26 - MGB Band Event, 7-10 pm, clubhouse

Website for payment:

For Casino Night:

<https://www.ticketsignup.io/TicketEvent/CasinoNightDenimAndDiamonds>



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