#### THE WOMAN'S CLUB OF SPRING LAKE

## MARCH 2021 GENERAL MEETING VIA ZOOM

Date: March 15, 2021 Time: 11:01

CALL TO ORDER: Nancy Pugliese, President Time: 11:01

COLLECT: Kathleen Bagley Pledge: Maureen Cooney

RECORDING SECRETARY: Janet Kenny for Lucille Jarman

The January General Meeting minutes: There were no additions so they are approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Nancy Zavoluk

Charity Account Balance: \$ 7574.30
Operating Account Balance: \$ 9429.43
Scholarship Account Balance: \$ 11485.77
Regular Acct - Manasquan Savings \$ 28489.50
Chance Acct - Manasquan Savings \$ 5595.91

## CORRESPONDENCE REPORT: Kathleen Dittman

Thank you notes were received from the following member recommended charities for 2021: Mary's Place by the Sea, Camp Jinka, Jersey Shore Rescue Mission, The Center in Asbury for our very generous donations of \$1000 each.

From St. Mark's Social Concerns Committee for our donation of \$50 in memory of our Past President, Sheila Miller. They have also notified the family of our donation.

A thank you note from Kathleen Jappe who stated that she is forever grateful for all our support.

#### **OFFICER'S REPORTS:**

PRESIDENT: Nancy Pugliese Happy Women's History Month! Hopefully we can meet in person next month. Some thank yous and announcements: I want to thank everyone for their generosity during this pandemic. I think this has been a teaching time for all of us to think of our communities by donating food, clothing and money. As Maureen reported we have a generous donor to our scholarship fund, and we had an overwhelming response to our request for donations for the military women. We collected over 250 gowns and dresses. Two bags of shoes and purses and a bag of jewelry. It was also nice to partner with the Little Silver Club and Kathy Doty is incredibly grateful.

Thank you to the Nominating Committee, Sue Luterzo, Mary Rottino, and Katie Doyle.

I sent information on the April 19th Shore District Spring Conference Zoom meeting and the NJSFWC Virtual Convention on April 26-27.

## FIRST VICE PRESIDENT/NEWSLETTER: Kathleen Bagley

The Spring Luncheon will be held on May 19 at the Breakers at 11.30. Invitations will come in the mail next week. Social distancing guidelines will be followed. A donation was received from the Amazon Smile program.

# **SECOND VICE PRESIDENT/YEARBOOK** - Maureen Cooney No report.

FEDERATION: Kathy Reddick

Kathy is traveling but gave a report at the Board Meeting.

# HISTORIAN - Kathleen Bagley for Jackie Zurla

Women's History Month

Women's History Month is a dedicated month to reflect on the often overlooked contributions of women to United States history, culture and society. It is observed annually in the month of March in the U.S. since 1987. This year it will take place from March 1-March 31, 2021. In 1980 President Jimmy Carter issued the first presidential proclamation declaring the week of March 8 as National Women's History Week. The U.S. Congress followed the next year, passing a resolution establishing a national celebration and six years later it was expanded to the entire

month of March. Although there were numerous women who contributed to our history, today I'm highlighting just one Hedy Lamarr. Her beauty and presence made her one of the most popular actresses of her time, she was also an inventor with a sharp mind. Along with composer George Anthiel she developed a new method of frequency hopping, a technique for disguising radio transmissions by making the signal jump between different channels in a prearranged pattern. Their secret communication system was created to combat Nazis during World War 11 but ignored by the U.S. Navy. Years later other inventors realized how groundbreaking the work was. Her communication system was a precursor to wireless technologies including Bluetooth and WiFi. If you are using a Smartphone today you can thank Hedy Lamarr.

## **PARLIAMENTARIAN** - Lucille Caserio

No report.

**ARTS CREATIVE**: Amy Kennedy

No report.

#### **CHARITABLE GIVING** - Kathleen Dittman

Many organizations are struggling during this past year during the pandemic and would appreciate our help. All requests submitted will be considered for next year's charitable contributions.

Donation request from for anyone who would like to submit a favorite charity of their choice for the coming 2021 2022 year are available online at the WCSL website or call me at 449 5920 and I will send you one. Deadline for submission is May 1st.

# **ENVIRONMENT:** Laraine DeFilippi

The Spring Beach Sweep will be held on Saturday, April 17th at 9am. Location is the North End Pavilion at Ludlow. Due to COVID precautions, please register individually on Clean Ocean Action website (cleanactionocean.org). You may also

register on your phone the day of the sweep. You will need to bring a mask and gloves. Also the organization is recommending bringing a bucket to collect debris in, to cut down on plastic bag use. This is, of course, not necessary. Also, I am still collecting sneakers for recycling (and money!) for GotSneakers. Just drop them off at my house, 106 Union Ave. or, if need be, I can pick them up.

## LITERATURE/GCI REPORT - Mary Helen Sullivan

Our next meeting is on April 13 at 1 pm.

Maryanne Mulvihill has offered her sunny backyard for our meeting. If you have any questions or problems call Mary Helen.

#### **COMMUNICATIONS** - Mabel Levine

## Publicity:

On January 7, 2021 the WCSL Scholarship article was published, expecting a follow up piece to be in this week's paper under the Spring Lake Calendar of Events.

On Thursday, February 18, 2021 page 11 the Donations for Military Women's article was published.

Hope Patti is once again our reporter for Spring Lake.

Website: Janet Kenny, Mabel Levine

Updates to recent events and photos are on the website. If anyone needs help with the website, especially new members, please contact Janet or Mabel.

Sunshine: Eleanor Leone

No report.

# **EVENING DIVISION:** Mabel Levine, Kathy Reddick

The next meeting will be on March 24, not the third Wednesday, because of St. Patrick's Day. We will meet at Barellli's at 6pm. We will be on the heated porch and all social distancing requirements will be adhered to. There is a full bar and each table will pay separately.

## **HOSPITALITY**: Mary Tetro

There were 27 members attending the meeting, plus 2 possible new members and the Guest Speaker from Operation Chillout.

## **MEMBERSHIP:** Dolores Farese

81 members have paid their dues. I encourage all others to send it in. Two new members will introduce themselves today: Deannie Fischer and Maureen Schroeder.

## **SCHOLARSHIP:** Maureen Cooney

We are thrilled to announce an anonymous community donation of \$2000 for a scholarship to be awarded in the memory of the Ehrenberg family. This will be an annual donation. This award combined with the present donations from the Whitcomb and Benz families will bring a total of \$5,000 to our scholarship fund every year!

At present, we have received one completed and expect a second returning woman application. We have reached out this week with a reminder to the high schools and various organizations to remind them of our April 2 deadline. We have also sent a press release to the Coast Star. Thanks to Mabel for this.

We do expect to have many qualified applicants to review by the deadline. We want to give a special thanks to the Ways and Means committee for all their hard work.

Our next committee meeting is Wednesday, March 24 at 10 am.

WAYS AND MEANS: Maryanne Mulvihill, Mary O'Shea, Pat Marold We look forward to a social event in the warmer months. Hopefully, many members will have been vaccinated and will feel safe to be in company. We pledge to be dedicated to fun, frivolity and fundraising.

# NOMINATING COMMITTEE: Katie Doyle, Sue Luterzo, Mary Rotino

The Nominating Committee would like to present the following slate to fill the open positions for the Group II category per the by-laws:

Second VP: Maureen Cooney

Recording Secretary: Joan Bundschuh

Asst. Recording Secretary: Suzanne Roeben Corresponding Secretary: Jeanne Stamler

Asst. Corresponding Secretary: Annemarie Patella

Historian: Anne Butler

Financial Secretary: Darlene Cecich

Director: Jackie Zurla Director: Lucille Jarman

It was noted that Helen Mahoney is in Jersey Shore Hospital. If you'd like to send a card she would appreciated it.

#### **PROGRAM:**

**Operation Chillout:** Ray Chimelski, founder and director of Operation Chillout, gave a very informative speech on this program. Operation Chillout has been in operation for over 20 yrs. The organization runs campaigns twice a year to collect warm clothing and other items for homeless veterans. In addition they help them find temporary housing and are supporting action by the legislature to provide help for the building of micro-homes, also called tiny houses, for those in need. They have expanded to Rhode Island and Pennsylvania. Last year they provided help to 12,000 veterans in NJ.

Meeting Adjourned: 11:52