



General Federation of Women's Clubs

# Thursday Morning Club

Founded 1896

Founder, Owner, Operator of the Madison Community House  
 "ich Dien" - "I Serve"



## From the President...

It has been an unprecedented summer; record-high heat, an earthquake, and a hurricane which pelted us with unheard of rainfall! Hopefully, everyone has come through this with little or no real damage and all were able to relax and enjoy the "quiet" times, weather-wise, and, stored up lots of energy to use at the Thursday Morning Club's upcoming events. There are many!

Our Club year begins on Thursday, September 22, at the Welcome Back Luncheon, being held at the home of Judy Koepff in Harding Township. This gathering always proves to be a fun afternoon with friends and good food. Please get your reservation in ASAP (flyer enclosed), as time is running short.

Our first official Club meeting is on October 6th, with a 5:30pm supper, provided by our Catering Dept, and a meeting to follow at 7:00pm. In keeping with October being Breast Cancer Awareness Month, our guest speaker will be Dr. Kathleen T. Ruddy (See related article.)

The NJSFWC Fall Conference will be held on October 17th at the Bridgewater Marriott. This is an all-day conference with workshops and a luncheon. There is a \$40.00 registration fee that must be received by October 7th. If you are interested in attending, please contact Michal Holzman @973 377-3982 by October 1st.

On Thursday, October 20th, the International Outreach Dept. is sponsoring an all-day bus trip to the Pearl S. Buck House and Fonthill Museum in Pennsylvania. Reservations must be made by Saturday, October 8th. (Flyer enclosed.) These trips are very popular and fill up quickly. If you plan on going, make your reservations early!

An up-coming event, that I know you will not want to miss, is the first of our Wise, Wonderful Women Lecture Series. On Thursday, October 27th, our guest speaker will be JoJo Starbuck, Olympic Skater, who will speak on "The Thrills and Spills of My Life as an Olympic Skater." A flyer for this event's reservation is also enclosed. Please be prompt with this rsvp because these lectures have a reputation of selling out and you don't want to take the chance of being turned away!

In closing, I want to thank Suzanne Caccavale and Christa Janssens for their assistance with the 2011-2012 Yearbook, which you received in August. It would not have been possible without their input. Also, thanks to Florence Cocino for the time spent on proof-reading, making sure that all of our "t's" were crossed and our "i's" were dotted. Not an easy job! And finally, a big, bold "**THANK YOU**" to Kim Rowe, who was always accessible for input of the required information into her trusty little laptop. (*I know I nearly drove her crazy!*) Her efficiency and her patience are what made our yearbook the completed success it is. Thank you all!

So, enjoy the yearbook and don't forget to access our website at [www.tmcch.org](http://www.tmcch.org). Denise Bone and Suzanne Caccavale update this site on a regular basis with news and events of the Thursday Morning Club and the Madison Community House.

Remember... send in your reservations immediately... being a TMC member does not guarantee you a spot at an event once it is sold out. The membership gets the first invites... please act on it when you receive the flyer. I look forward to seeing you all soon and to having a successful and enjoyable club year. Mark your calendars!



-Anne Lawless  
 TMC President.

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# \*\*\* Federation Focus \*\*\*



The Latest News from the NJSFWC

## Special State Project 2010-2012: Gilda's Club

**Upcoming News:** We will continue to support **Gilda's Club as our State Project**. Our collection of articles to send to the Gilda's Club Organization will resume shortly. Look for the *Gilda's Club Wish List* in future newsletters. Currently, the TMC will focus on the NJSFWC Day of Service project. Read below.

The major project for the State this fall is the **NJSFWC Day of Service**, being held on October 22, 2011. This day will be dedicated to the men and women from the Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Marines and Navy, who are living in one of New Jersey's three veteran's nursing homes. Our Highlands District will be focusing on the Menlo Park Veteran's Home. This 332 bed facility is the most modern state-of-the-art nursing home in the United States. These residents live on a fixed living allowance. While their health needs are met, there is a tremendous need for personal care items and basic clothing. It is this area of need upon which we will focus. The "wish list" from the nursing home can be found in the flyer enclosed with this newsletter. Please take the time to peruse the wish list and shop for our veterans. Note the particulars of each item and the deadline due dates when all items must be collected. Thank you, in advance, for your support and contributions to these very special men and women of our country.

**Please place your items for donation in the bin set-up for this purpose at the MCH. All items MUST be received by October 17th. NJSFWC will also accept case donations.** Any questions, call Michal.

### Other Exciting Happenings at the State level:

- NJSFWC, in cooperation with the NJ Performing Arts Center, is sponsoring the purchase of tickets to specific performances that will benefit both NJSFWC and NJPAC. These include Audra McDonald in concert on January 15, 2012, the State Ballet Theater of Russia in Romeo and Juliet on February 3, 2012, violinist Joshua Bell with the Academy of St. Martins in the Fields on April 14, 2012 and West Side Story on May 3, 2012. What a fun way to support both organizations! For specific information and purchasing tickets, visit the website at [www.NJSFWC.org](http://www.NJSFWC.org).
- Europe's Christmas markets is the enticing name of a trip being planned by NJSFWC. This tour, from November 27 to December 5, 2011, will take you through Christmas markets in Austria, Germany, France and Switzerland. What a way to fill your Christmas list! Again, details can be found at the website, [www.NJSFWC.org](http://www.NJSFWC.org), and remember to use the case-sensitive code: S3E2ruka.

**WEBSITES:** Websites of NJSFWC and GFWC have news with interest to all TMC Members.

**REMINDERS:** State Federation Website is [www.NJSFWC.org](http://www.NJSFWC.org). Note: Use the following case sensitive code when signing up: S3E2ruka

Any questions, please contact Michal Holzman @ 201 602-0854.

-Michal Holzman-

## **Membership...**

### **New Members:**

Diane Henkel  
10 Alexandria Dr.  
East Hanover, NJ 07936  
973 386-9240  
proposed: Pat Milley  
seconded: Janet Allocco

Patti Hatheway  
10 Elmer St. - Suite J  
Madison, NJ  
225-610-6833  
Proposed: Peggy Kilcoyne  
Seconded: Mary Ann Stroker

### **Reinstated:**

Susan Speer  
16 Blackwell ave.  
Morristown, NJ 07960  
973 984-4069

### **Add to Yearbook:**

Winifred Caetta (Mrs. Andrew)  
35 Fairwood Rd.  
Madison, NJ  
973 377-2926

### **Email change:**

Louise Easton  
[easton.louise@gmail.com](mailto:easton.louise@gmail.com)

### **Resignations:**

Cheryl Angelo  
Rosemary Dixon  
Clara Grande  
Margaret Boudreau Guthrie  
Ginjo Losavio  
Patricia Merz  
Jo Ann Naklicki  
Barbara Penders  
Catherine Perone  
Lucille Pierce  
Betty Sweeney  
Bunny Wagner  
Janet Weber

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## **In Memory...**

It is with a note of deep regret and sympathy that we report the passing of two TMC members:

**Jean Baldini**  
**Florence Oravetz**

Both women were loyal club members and will be deeply missed. Our condolences to the families of the deceased.

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**Dropped Members: 14**  
**Deceased Members: 2**  
**Total Membership: 246**

*-Carol Schessler*  
*Membership Chair*

## **Junior Service...**

### **Welcome Back Luncheon**

September is upon us and with it comes the Junior Service sponsored "Welcome Back Luncheon." The luncheon is being held on Thursday, September 22nd, 12:00 noon at the lovely home of Judy Koepff, 547 Spring Valley Road in Harding Township. TMC members and their guests are invited to come and reunite with friends and fellow club members. See flyer (enclosed in this newsletter) for details, pricing and deadlines. Please RSVP immediately by calling Berkis Oliveras @ 973 377-9315 or Diana Krug @ 973 966-9298.

This event is always a lovely afternoon, filled with laughter, enjoyment and delicious food. It's a great kick-off to the start of a new and exciting TMC season. Looking forward to seeing everyone there.

*-Berkis Oliveras*  
*Junior Service Chair*

## **From Book Group...**

The TMC book group will be meeting again this season on the third Monday of the month at 1:00pm at the Community House. We are a very informal group. All who enjoy reading and talking about what you have read are welcome. No reservations are required, just show up ready to share your thoughts and inspirations about the book. You will find the list of reading selections for this season in our current yearbook. The Madison Public Library always has our selections on reserve.

Our first meeting will be on September 19th. We will be continuing our discussion of Steig Larsson's millennium Trilogy series, with a discussion of The Girl Who Kicked The Hornet's Nest. Last spring, we were left wondering what next was going to happen to Lisbeth. Read the final book in this series and find out what Lisbeth's and Mikael's challenges are! Join us for a lively discussion of this bestseller. The book is available at local libraries and at bookstores. All are welcome. If you have any questions, call Margaret Clossey @ 973 644-2740.

*-Margaret Clossey*  
*Book Group Chair*

## **Recycle...**

**Soda tabs, eyeglasses,  
and soup labels!**

# ***General Meeting October 6th Dinner & Speaker...***

## ***General Meeting on October 6th @ 7:00 pm***

The first TMC General Meeting will be an evening meeting... starting with dinner at 5:30 pm. The General Meeting at 7:00pm. Our guest speaker will be Dr. Kathleen Ruddy. She will address breast cancer awareness with some new insights and a contemporary feel. It will be a very interesting lecture. Not the "stuff" you've all heard before. But... Dinner is First!!! The Catering Department will host a dinner at 5:30pm.

**Please join us for dinner prior to the program.**

**We must have an RSVP for a head count.**

**When: October 6th, 5:30 pm**

**Where: Community House**

**Cost: \$15.00 per head, payable at the door**

**RSVP: by October 3rd to Sharon Silver 973 425-7647 or [sharons43@aim.com](mailto:sharons43@aim.com)**

## ***General Meeting Program...***

Dr. Kathleen T. Ruddy, our guest speaker, is a breast cancer surgeon, Founder and Medical Director of the Breast Service at Clara Maass Medical Center in Belville and Founder and Executive Director of the Breast Health & Healing Foundation. The mission of this foundation is to discover the causes of breast cancer and use that knowledge to prevent the disease. Dr. Ruddy not only believes in researching the best care and treatment for patients, but also wants to help learn how to prevent breast cancer completely.

Come out on October 6 at 7:00pm to hear this special speaker and learn new insights to share with other women in our lives. See you then! Her website is [www.breasthealthandhealing.org](http://www.breasthealthandhealing.org).

*-Colleen Geier  
Home Life Chair*

## ***Ways and Means...***

### ***Wise Wonderful Women Fall Kick-off Luncheon...***

Please plan to join us for the opening of our 2011-2012 WWW series on October 27th. We are delighted to have as our speaker, JoJo Starbuck, who will speak on "The Thrills and Spills of My Life as an Olympic Skater." JoJo will share her experiences as an athlete and artist and now as producer, spokesperson and coach. Of course, there will be a wonderful luncheon prepared by our Catering Dept.

See the flyer in this newsletter. Don't wait to RSVP. There will only be one flyer. Questions, please call Rose Mary Dinnhaupt (973) 377-8508.

## ***Bazar de Noel... on Friday, November 11th and Saturday, November 12th.***

Save the dates!!! This very popular event is the perfect time to get a start on your holiday shopping. All TMC members are expected to work a volunteer shift and to contribute 2 baked items for "La Patisserie." Please mark these dates on your calendar.

*-Rose Mary Dinnhaupt  
Ways & Means Chair*



## ***Social Bridge Group...***

The social bridge group, also known as the “Thursday Bridge” group will continue to meet on the second Thursday of the month. This group meets at 1:00pm at the Madison Community House. All are welcome to come and join in the fun and relaxation of playing a lovely game of bridge. ALL levels of play are welcome. The meet dates for this fall season are:

**September 15th, October 13th, NO November, December 8th**

\*Please note: due to Le Bazar de Noel schedule, there will be no bridge in November.

For further information on this bridge group, please call Peggy Kilcoyne @973 410-0483 or Judy Fogerty @ 973 887-3192. Come and join the fun!!!

## ***Bottle Hill Day...*** is fast approaching!

Bottle Hill day, as we all know, is the first Saturday in October. This year it is on October 1st. The Thursday Morning Club/Madison Community House has ALWAYS had a booth on Waverly Place to show off who we are as a club, what we do within that club, how we share our time and talents with others and, most importantly, what we bring to the community of Madison. It is a day of outreach and public relations that is a thrill to be a part of. We offer a bean bag toss game to passers by and they try and “break a window” of the Community House. Even the Nursery School shows-off their award-winning educational facility. If you’ve never stopped by the booth, come around. It’s great fun!

**WE NEED YOU...** The Club is in need of volunteers to man the booth that day. One 2-hour time slot, which goes very quickly, is all we’re asking. Volunteer with a friend. You won’t be sorry. If you can donate a slot of time, for a GREAT cause, please **contact Roe Marchese @ 973 377-6768**. It is a fun, fun way to do your part for the TMC. Hope to see you there!!!

*-Roe Marchese  
Volunteer Coordinator*

## ***Circle of Friends...***

The Circle of Friends is still around to help any of our TMC members with a ride, a meal, an errand run, or whatever the need might be, at the time. Please, please, please if anyone, for whatever reason, could use a little help from your friends, contact Mary McCann @ 973 377-4921 . Do NOT let your pride (and we know some TMC members have it - *you know who you are*) get in the way of your needs. If anyone is seeking a ride for the evening General Meeting on October 6th, please call and arrangements will be made for you.

Remember... the Circle of Friends was created because we care and “Ich Dien,” we serve!

## ***From International Outreach...***

### ***Pearl S. Buck House & Fonthill Mansion Museum***

Please come and join us when we venture out on our next exciting trip to visit the Pearl S. Buck House and Fonthill Mansion Museum in lovely, neighboring Pennsylvania on October 20th. Come learn about the life of author and humanitarian, Pearl S. Buck. Afterwards, enjoy a delicious Chinese Buffet lunch at the Cultural Center.

The Fonthill Museum, which was the home of Henry Mercer, the inventor of cement, will also be a part of our adventure. The entire mansion is made of concrete and it contains almost all of the original furnishings. (Items made from cement have a longer lifespan than upholstery!)

See the enclosed flyer in this newsletter and reserve your place today by sending an \$85.00 check with your rsvp form to Carole Contri. All pertinent information is in the flyer. Do not hesitate. This trip is expected to sell-out quickly, as most do. Looking forward to getting your reservations and enjoying a beautiful fall excursion with you on October 20th! Any questions, call Carole @ 973 377-1719.

*-Carole Contri  
International Outreach Chair*

## ***The Madison Eagle Christmas Fund...***

will be assisting local residents in gathering gifts for needy children and adults for the upcoming holiday season. The TMC will again join the effort by collecting hats, gloves, mittens and scarves. There will be a collection box outside of the MCH office, labeled "Madison Eagle Christmas Fund." Our club members are great shoppers and generous humanitarians. Having supported this project in the past, we have served our community well. Again, we are asking you to give generously and think of those who are less fortunate than ourselves. So, as you are out shopping and looking for bargains, add these items to your list and help a needy family at Christmas. **Bring new, unwrapped hats, scarves, gloves and mittens to the drop box at the MCH.** The deadline is late November. Any questions, please call Janet Allocco at the MCH, 973 377-0244. Thank you for your support.

## ***Le Bazar de Noel...***

### ***Members' Treasures...***

Here we are again - another opportunity for you to clear your home of all those special, but unwanted items, and for a good cause. The Members' Treasures table is looking for items that are new or look new and of high quality. **We will be accepting donations at the Community House during the 2 week period from October 24 - November 6. After this time, we will be pricing and will no longer be able to accept.** If you are interested in pricing or have an expertise in any area (i.e. jewelry, china, silver, art work, etc...) and wish to share that knowledge, for the greater good of the "House," please contact us.

### ***Treasures wanted!!! Looking forward to seeing what comes in!***

Any questions, please contact Carol Schessler @973 822-2202.

*-Carol Schessler & Anne Thompson  
Members' Treasures Co-Chairs*

## ***Highlands District Level...***

**New Jersey State Federation of Women's Clubs of GFWC**

**Day of Service to benefit the**

**Veterans Homes of New Jersey**



The NJSFWC "Day of Service" will be held on October 22, 2011. This upcoming season, the Districts of the NJSFWC will be collecting items for the three Veterans' Homes located in Menlo Park, Paramus and Vineland, NJ. There are over 900 residents in these homes. The TMC will be taking part in this very special cause and we are asking you to please purchase and donate items for the vets. Below is the list of items needed. Please take it along on your shopping sprees and purchase some items for our very dedicated men who have long served our country. It is our small way of saying "thank you" to these selfless, dedicated soldiers, sailors and marines. **See "Federation Focus" page for collection details.**

**Note:** All items must be new, with the tags still on. Personal care items should be easy to open. Do not purchase trial size or large economy size of any item. NO liquids of any type. ALL items, personal care, clothing, etc, should be unopened in their original packaging.

Thank you, in advance, for your generosity.

### **\*Clothing for Men:**

Sweatshirts (sizes L to 3XL)

Sweatpants (sizes L to 3XL)

Tee Shirts (sizes M to 3XL)

Hats: Baseball caps (with adjustable band) & knit winter hats

Socks: (with non-skid bottoms) or crew socks (without elastic tops)



### **\*Personal Care:**

Deodorant or Body Sprays, gender neutral

Hair Brushes & Wide Tooth Combs

Tooth Brushes & Tooth Paste

Denture Care Products (adhesives and cleaners)

### **\*Miscellaneous Items:**

Batteries; all sizes "AA" to "D" (hearing aid sizes, too)

Sunglasses with dark lenses

Electric razors



Any questions, please contact Michal Holzman @ 201 602-0854



# Le Bazar de Noel

Benefactors...Patrons...Sponsors...Donors

November 11 & 12, 2011 at the Madison Community House

The TMC annual fundraiser "Le Bazar de Noel" will be held on Friday, November 11 and Saturday, November 12, 2011. Please consider supporting the event as a Benefactor, Patron, Sponsor or Donor. All monies received go directly to the fundraising efforts of the Madison Community House and all names will appear in the program. **Please send your check, payable to the "Thursday Morning Club," along with the form below to:**



Patty Driscoll  
45 Greenwood Avenue  
Madison, NJ 07940

(cut and mail, with payment, to address above)

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## Le Bazar de Noel 2011 Program Donations

\_\_\_\_\_ Benefactor \$100.00 & above

\_\_\_\_\_ Patron \$50.00 - \$99.00

\_\_\_\_\_ Sponsor \$25.00 - \$49.00

\_\_\_\_\_ Donor under \$25.00



Name to Appear on Program: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Please indicate which level you wish to donate and how you would like your name to appear in the program. Remember, all donations are graciously received, no matter the amount. Thank you, in advance, for supporting the Madison Community House via Le Bazar de Noel.

*-Happy Holidays-*





# Straight Ahead...

*Thursday Morning Club*

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<b>9/19</b>	<b>Book Group Meets</b>	<b>1:00pm</b>	<b>Community House</b>
<b>9/22</b>	<b>Welcome Back Luncheon</b>	<b>12:00 noon</b>	<b>Home of Judy Koepff</b>
<b>10/6</b>	<b>TMC General Meeting (evening with 5:30 dinner)</b>	<b>7:00pm</b>	<b>Community House</b>
<b>10/13</b>	<b>Social Bridge Group Meets</b>	<b>1:00pm</b>	<b>Community House</b>
<b>10/17</b>	<b>NJSFWC Fall Conference</b>	<b>all day</b>	<b>Bridgewater Mariott</b>
<b>10/20</b>	<b>International Outreach Bus trip</b>	<b>8:30am - 5:30pm</b>	<b>See Flyer</b>
<b>10/22</b>	<b>NJSFWC Day of Service</b>	<b>(See Michal Holzman for details)</b>	
<b>10/27</b>	<b>Wise, Wonderful Women Lecture</b>	<b>11:30 - 1:30</b>	<b>Community House</b>
<b>11/11 &amp; 11/12</b>	<b>Le Bazar de Noel</b>	<b>TBA</b>	<b>Community House</b>

For more information and copies of all flyers, visit the TMC Website:

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