

New Jersey State Federation of Women's Clubs of GFWC  
Mary Wolfe, President  
A Proud Legacy-A Shining Future

*You and your club members are cordially  
invited to attend*

**NJSFWC LIBERTY DISTRICT JUNE COUNCIL  
Tuesday, June 19, 2018**

at

**The Belleville Senior Center**

125 Franklin Avenue

Belleville, NJ 07109

Directions on back of sheet

(973) 450-3422

**Hosted by the Woman's Club of Belleville**

**Registration: 6:00 p.m.**

**Meeting: 7:00 p.m.**

A light summer supper will be offered before the meeting.

**Registration & Dinner Fee: \$10.00 per person**

See included registration form and club information sheet.

*Please RSVP by June 13, 2018*

**PROGRAM**

Lynn Webb, NJSFWC Special State Project Chairman

Vivien Finn, Shining Future Endowment Campaign

Susan Fosdick, NJSFWC Fall Conference

*If your club is planning to donate a gift card or  
gift basket for the NJSFWC Fundraiser for the Shining Future Capital  
Campaign, at the Lobster Shanty, on August 9<sup>th</sup>,  
you may bring it to June Council for delivery to Headquarters.*



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**2018 LIBERTY DISTRICT JUNE COUNCIL  
PROGRAM**

**Call to Order**

**Jane Mackesy**

**Evening Membership DVP**

**Collect**

**Salute to the Flag of the United States of America**

***Singing of America the Beautiful***

**Invocation**

**Host Welcome**

**Historical Moment**

**District Vice President Report**

**Introductions**

**Jane Mackesy**

**Greetings and Updates**

**Presidents**

**State Fall Conference Update**

**Susan Fosdick**

**NJSFWC State Fall Conference  
Chairman**

**Special State Project CASA**

**Lynn Webb**

**NJSFWC Special State Project  
Chairman**

**Women Reaching For the Stars Campaign**

**Vivien Finn**

**NJSFWC Corresponding Secretary**

**District Chairman Reports**

**Announcements**

**Registration Report**

**Adjournment**

**Jane Mackesy**

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### ARTS/CREATIVE COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM

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### JUNE 2018 BULLETIN

Planning next years club programs or projects? Need a project in a pinch? Projects that combine two (or more) community service programs are a good way to engage members and attract prospective members.

- Decorating small flower pots for school children to plant seedlings for Arbor Day or Earth Day and donating them to local classrooms. (Conservation CSP)
- Have experienced members teach a beginner's knitting or crochet class to make scarves for Putting Prayers to Action. (Advocates for Children CSP)
- Purchase coasters/door hangers/pillow kits from a wholesale supplier to construct favors or other items for Meals-On-Wheels recipients. (Home Life CSP)
- Decorate canvas tote bags to fill with coloring books, crayons and stickers for the children at a local shelter. (Domestic Violence Awareness & Prevention CSP)
- On a tight budget? Make magnetic book marks from scraps of card stock (2"x4") folded in half with ¼" strips cut from flat promotional magnets glued to the inside. Decorate them and distribute on Read Across America Day. (Education CSP)
- Coordinate a program at the local children's library to make cards to send to our service men and women for Veteran's Day or another holiday. (Public Issues CSP)

Some of these projects may constitute a "Done-In-One" project, some may involve a little more planning. Don't forget to attach a "courtesy of" label to each donated item and to publicize each project. Just think of the impact these may have outside of the club!

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## **NJSFWC ARTS/PERFORMING BULLETIN**

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Think about all of the free entertainment available in your neighborhoods. Concerts in the park, County wide shows in the parks, etc. For most you just need a chair or blanket to hear bands, string bands, and children's shows, etc. Most libraries have free movie nights on summer evenings. Search your Sunday newspapers for festivities that week. Don't forget the new subscriptions for local theaters are renewing soon and some will give a kickback to your club for telling your members about their new lineups.



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## **JUNE 2018 COMMUNICATIONS BULLETIN**

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When thinking about Communications, remember you have two important responsibilities: internal club communications and external community—district, state, and global messaging. The Bulletin is directed toward the first; internal club communications or getting the word out to your members. It should be timely, concise, and accurate. In order to accomplish this, consider a combination of the following three methods; a phone ladder, an e-blast or “planting a seed in the club grapevine.”

For those members who are not computer savvy or do not have computers, you will need to organize a phone ladder; a system whereby you have a coordinator who receives that original message and passes it onto a few women who are assigned members to call. What is it an e-blast? The Internet defines it as “an email message sent out to many recipients simultaneously.” In terms of your club, an e-blast is a message sent to all club members at the same time. To make it easy, set up a distribution list in Microsoft Outlook with all club members email addresses so the process becomes “One Click”. (As members join, add them to this distribution list to keep it updated.) Lastly, one of the fastest communications networks is the club “grapevine”; remember the Faberge Organics shampoo TV commercial, “and they tell two friends.” You can successfully use the grapevine to spread the word. You will have a sense of which members have the widest reach of friends. Then “plant the seed” by giving her a call, asking her out for lunch, or stopping by just to say hi!

A combination of any two or all three, the phone ladder, an e-blast and the grapevine, will insure that all members are on the same page and no one member feels ill-informed or uninformed. Be mindful that the word will get back to the top very quickly when there are inconsistencies in the message or if someone did not receive it.

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**CONSERVATION BULLETIN**

**Bonnie Dann, Chairman**

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When at the beach this summer, be sure to dispose of your trash properly. Besides being unsightly, plastics and other debris are dangerous to birds and sea life, which can choke on them or become entangled. You can also make a difference by cleaning up trash you find on the beach. Bring gloves and get your family and friends to help!

You can support butterflies in your garden by planting herbs such as dill, parsley, and fennel, along with nasturtium. Milkweed is an important food source for monarchs. Other colorful flowers provide nectar for honeybees.

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**EDUCATION COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM**

**Chairman (College)**

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**THE GREAT AMERICAN READ** is an eight-part PBS television series and nationwide campaign that explores the joy of books and the power of reading, told through the prism of America's 100 best-loved books. It is designed to spark a national conversation about reading and the books that have inspired, moved and shaped American culture.

**THE GREAT AMERICAN READ**, hosted by television personality and journalist Meredith Viera, launched with a two-hour episode on May 22, 2018, and introduced viewers to the full list of America's Top 100 Books, selected through a demographically representative national survey. The chosen books span five centuries, from *Don Quixote* (1603) to *Ghost* (2016). Authors from fifteen different countries are represented, with genres ranging from beloved children's classics such as *Charlotte's Web* to modern best-sellers such as *Twilight*.

Starting on June 4, 2018, and running for six consecutive Mondays, PBS will take the show on the road, to examine concepts common to groups of books on the list. The nation then gets the summer to read before the series returns for themed episodes in the fall, with America's "best loved book" to be revealed on October 23, 2018.

Voting has already begun and will continue throughout the summer. Both the book list and the link to vote can be found at [www.pbs.org/greatamericanread](http://www.pbs.org/greatamericanread) You can vote once a day on line, and through hashtag voting, via Facebook and Twitter using #GreatReadPBS.

How many of America's Top 100 Books have you read? Are you willing to write a brief report on one or more of these 100 titles and become an active member of **Epsilon Sigma Omicron**?

**Epsilon Sigma Omicron**, or **ESO**, is an honorary reading society open to all GFWC and NJSFWC federated members. Joining **ESO** is easy and inexpensive; send your \$2.00 check, payable to NJSFWC to the ESO Chairman. For just \$2.00 more, you can obtain the official **ESO** reading list. Almost all of the **GREAT AMERICAN READ** books are on the **ESO** list. Select the books you have read or want to read and then submit a brief report, using the template found on the NJSFWC website. Certificates are awarded at the NJSFWC Annual Convention to those members achieving various reading levels. If you have any questions or would like additional information, contact NJSFWC ESO Chairman, Joyce Dreger.

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**JUNE 2018 COUNCILS**

**BULLETIN**

**HOME LIFE**

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**HUNGER KNOWS NO SEASON**

When the Autumn and Winter holidays roll around, many of us donate to our local food pantries to help out those less fortunate than we.

But *Hunger Knows No Season*. Why not help your neighbors by donating to an organization such as The Community FoodBank of New Jersey (CFBNJ)? Watch for the September ALMANAC for information about CFBNJ and how you and your club can help.

Meanwhile, take time this summer to investigate your local food pantries. Many towns have them but if your town does not, a neighboring town may. Find out what items are most needed; see if you can volunteer to spend a couple of hours a week or month helping out.

We can help "fill the emptiness caused by hunger with the basic human essentials that people need to survive."\*

\*CFBNJ mission statement



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**June 2018 International Outreach Bulletin**

The International Outreach supplement will be out in late summer. It will be listed in the 2018-2019 NJSFWC Yearbook and on the NJSFWC.org web site. There will be an addition to the supplement - "Days for Girls". This is an organization that empowers girls to take control of their lives through menstrual education and DFG kits. The kits consist of sewn bags – to keep everything in, sewn menstrual pad holder, sewn menstrual pads, soap, washcloths and underwear. The options are yours as to what you want to do. You can create a whole kit, sew individual items or collect items, the choice is yours. For more information please see [www.daysforgirls.org](http://www.daysforgirls.org). This may be a great project to do during the summer.

Please remember I am here for you, and if you have any questions or suggestions call me at 973-839-0826 or e-mail me at [manneback@njsfwc.org](mailto:manneback@njsfwc.org).

Have a wonderful summer and I can't wait to hear about all your great projects.

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**JUNE 2018 ~ BULLETIN ~ PUBLIC ISSUES**

"National Night Out" - This is a night that is usually held in every township building to promote safety within your township with information from Police Officers to promote safety ideas to children that attend this event. According to the National Night Out website, the date for 2018 is August 7<sup>th</sup>. They usually have Police Officers with canine police dogs performing various drills. Please contact your local police to find out how you could participate or what the town has planned to recognize National Night Out. It is a very educational and fun event! A great idea is to have your members write out thank you cards to the Police Officers to thank them for the wonderful work they do to keep us all safe. Your club could attend as a group and perhaps have a photo taken with your members giving the cards to the Police Officers. Volunteers in Action!

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Special State Project - Court Appointed Special Advocates of NJ (CASA of NJ)  
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CASA advocacy protects children from abuse and neglect that may be prevalent in the homes. A CASA volunteer becomes a voice for the child and the court listens to their suggestions before making a decision to have the child go back to their families. "Every child deserves to have a safe, permanent and nurturing home."

- There are many ways for club women to participate in this special state project. There are volunteers to learn how to become a court appointed special advocate and be the voice for the child. More information will follow.
- Our first statewide event will be collecting new children duffel bags to bring to our September District Councils. When neglected and abused children leave their homes, they leave with nothing. This is why duffel bags are important for them to collect a few things before leaving. Our District State Project Chairs will collect them in September.
- Knit scarves, gloves, or blankets for children. Details on blanket size will follow.
- Distribute CASA of NJ brochures in your community.  
Contact: [www.casaofnj.org](http://www.casaofnj.org) or call: 609-695-9400 Ext. 1
- Districts are encouraged to do a fundraiser to benefit CASA of NJ. Each district has a district chair to coordinate an event. The State Chair would like to know when events are happening in the state. All monetary donations must be mailed to NJSFWC Headquarters 55 Labor Center Way, New Brunswick, NJ 08901 and earmarked SSP-CASA of NJ.