

Lititz Woman's Club

Monthly Newsletter: October 2021

A Message from your President

Happy Autumn!

I'm loving the crisp air and burst of colors that show signs of a new season. I am also loving all the activities planned by our committees so far this year. Thank you all for your hard work and creative ideas. It's sure to be a great year. Please read this newsletter in its entirety to stay informed and get involved.

Our September dinner meeting was just lovely! Sue, Deann and the Membership committee did a wonderful job coordinating the evening and nothing beats seeing everyone in person. Club dues are currently being collected for this new year. If you are able, please consider giving a donation to the club. This will help to off set what the club is still restricted to raise due to the pandemic.

Our club is continually growing and changing with new members monthly. Please reach out and make someone new feel welcomed. Thank you all for your passion and

commitment to the club. I have no doubt we will reach and exceed our goals for the year!

Most sincerely,

Amy



Upcoming Events

October

Thurs. Oct. 7
4:30 pm Miniature golf and dinner at Stoner's Grill

Mon. Oct, 18
6:00 board meeting
7:30 Program and meeting

Weds. Oct. 20
Boscov's friends and family day

Committee Reports

Hospitality

**Julie Meiskey and
Linda Miskinis**

The Hospitality Committee met in September and have our schedule planned for the year with Greeters and Hostesses. The Greeters for October are Sue Warco and Kathy Scholten. Be sure to go through the line and introduce yourself to these newer members. Our hostesses are Cheryl Bell, Kathy Kurtz, and Celine Clouse. Be sure to stop by the counter to see what delicious goodies they have for the first month back in a long time with snacks and drinks!

Conservation

**Lucy Norton and
Barb Flosdorf**

Fall is here. The flowers in the Square are having their last hoorah. Thanks to the ladies on the committee who have faithfully maintained the plants since they were planted in May. Committee members met in the park on September 8. We talked about the planting of an Ivory Silk Lilac Tree for Janet Grosh. It will be planted in the front of the park in October, and her name plaque will be placed then, too. The

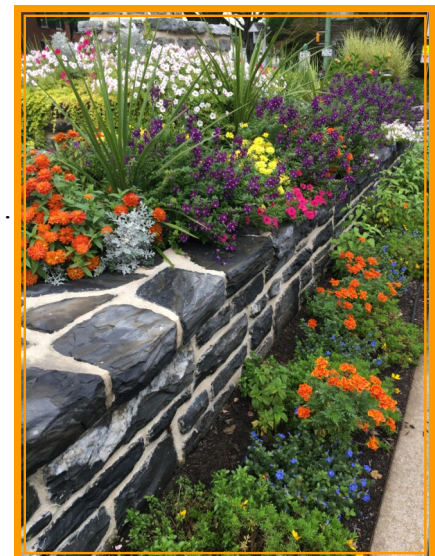
committee also addressed the retirement of Jerry Mckonly as Superintendent of Lititz Springs Park. The time and the help he gave us was vital to what we do. We will give him a restaurant gift card and our sincere wishes for a happy retirement. Our committee will continue to care for the Square until our plant removal date of Saturday, October 16 at 8A.M. Committee members, be sure to bring gardening gear. Many hands make light work.

Arts and Social

**MJ Ember and
Geri Kull**

Welcome back to fall, everyone. Geri and I have two events to report to everyone. We are currently scheduled to meet at Stoner's Grille on Thursday, October 7th at 4:30. We are planning to play a round of miniature gold followed by dinner on the patio. If you would like to join us to eat only, we are planning to have dinner @ 6 PM. Julie Meiskey has assumed the responsibility of organizing this for our committee. Please call or text her at 717-471-1444 for your reservation by October 4th. Our November activity is a trip to American Music Theater on Tuesday, November 30th at 10:30 AM for their Christmas Show. This will be followed by

lunch out at a restaurant along RT.30 still to be determined. There were 22 people who expressed interest at our September dinner meeting and signed up. I CURRENTLY ONLY HAVE 30 seats reserved, but may be able to reserve more. IF you are interested, please contact me ASAP to claim a seat. You do NOT need to attend the luncheon after the show. Show tickets are \$40. I will need to have your check, made out to LWC by our next meeting, October 18. You can reach me at mjember@gmail.com or text or call 717-648-9296 and/or mail your check to 217 W.Woods Drive, Lititz, PA 17543. We are hoping to keep things going this year and are working on activities for the next few months. Keep safe everyone



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Program

Sue Perolli

Our October Program is sponsored by Ronnie Sakamoto who will introduce Nobuaki Takahashi. Ronnie met Nobuaki at Elizabethtown College where he is a Professor. Professor Takahashi will give us the history behind the traditional Japanese Tea Ceremony. He will also demonstrate the ceremonial preparation of the tea which can be formal or informal. Ronnie and I are hoping he uses the powdered green tea called "Matcha" which helps people lose weight!! Professor Takahashi will be happy to field questions. On another note, I would like to express many thanks to Deann Buffington for making our September Dinner Meeting so wonderful! She worked endless hours with Jeff to provide a delicious meal with the correct count. She was very creative making beautiful centerpieces and delivering them with Michael earlier in the day. A big thank you to our President Amy for delivering our agenda of the committees' activities for the year. I understand I missed a wonderful first meeting!



Membership

Beth Mack

The September Meeting really set the tone for an exciting year for the LWC. Our guests were very inspired and applications for membership are coming in! We will have several new members to welcome over the next few months! At September's Meeting we officially welcomed Sharon Gallagher (732-575-7831/ Sharon.gallagher@comcast.net) as a new club member. Please make a note of Sharon's contact information in your Yearbook and seek her out at the next meeting to give her your personal welcome. Membership Dues Reminder: Dues payment of \$35 can be remitted to me, Beth Mack at 215 E Main Street, Lititz or you can bring your payment to the October Meeting. Checks payable to Lititz Woman's Club. After

be assessed. Thank You to the many members who have generously included a donation with their dues – we appreciate it! The Membership Committee will be offering a few new opportunities to help our new members feel comfortable, meet members, and learn more about the initiatives of the LWC. The far corner of our meeting room at Lititz Church of the Brethren will be our Emerald Corner where a few members of the Membership Committee will be available for any new members to ask questions and have a chat. We will also be having our first New Member Meet & Greet on Saturday, October 16th at Grace Fisher's home – invitations to new members/sponsors from 2020 and 2021, Membership Committee Members, and the Board Officers have been sent out. We look forward to sharing how the event goes and we are hoping to expand the invitation list for the next event! As always, please invite friends to join us for a meeting. I will follow up with our guests by sending information/application via email after the meeting and encouraging them to join. Thank you for all you do to make the Lititz community so special!

October 31st a late fee of \$5 will

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Digital and Social Media

**Karen Edlund &
Julie Meiskey**

We hope you continue to check out our website. If there is anything you want added to our site, please contact Julie or me.. The link is:

lititzwomansclub.squarespace.com

Child Reach

**Brenda Crosby ,
Bette Ranck and
Marianne Sullivan**

Thank you to the Ways and Means Committee for designating Child Reach as the charity to receive half of the \$ collected in the 50-50 raffle at the September dinner meeting. Our goal of providing Christmas gifts for Lititz/Warwick children is much more challenging this year. Warwick Social Services staff estimate there are 150 children who can benefit from our help. Last year we provided for 105 children. One of our major Christmas Project expenses is BACKPACKS. We purchase them for each school-age child (K-12) on our list. Child Reach is asking every club member who can help us to BUY A BACKPACK and bring it to the October club meeting. Backpacks may also be dropped off to Shirley Flickinger (School

Supplies Sub-committee Chair), Brenda Crosby, Bette Ranck, or Marianne Sullivan. We will be pleased to accept backpacks until November 15th. After that, we will take inventory and purchase backpacks to fill in any gaps. Our Towels and Toiletries Subcommittee is requesting toiletry items for Warwick School District Social Services. Items may be brought to the October LWC meeting or dropped off to Julie Meiskey. We will be describing our Child Reach Christmas Project on our Lititz Woman's Club social media page, and asking for monetary donations either by check or potentially through Venmo. Also we plan to post the list of needed school supplies on Amazon, so that anyone who wishes to underwrite school supplies can order them from our online list. We'll notify club members when the list is operational. Our Child Reach Committee will have met by the time this newsletter is published. We look forward to a strong turnout in the Community Room of the Lititz Public Library on September 30.



Important upcoming Child Reach dates:

Monday, November 15 - Towels & Toiletries, St. James Church

Wednesday, November 17 - Shopping at Lititz Target

Tuesday, December 7 - Wrapping Day at Lititz Church of the Brethren

**Correspondence/
Remembrance
Deann Buffington**

If you know of a concern or a joy that our club should acknowledge, please contact me at 717-413-1814 (preferable, reliable number) or dbuff@ptd.net.

Home Life

**Phyllis Frankhouser and
Linda Miskinis**

We are currently preparing kits for our Thanksgiving favors. Our committee members will complete the favors in their individual homes and return for delivery to a Senior Living facility (will announce at upcoming meeting).

Education

**Beth Sahd and
Sandra Bingeman**

At the October 18th meeting, the Education Committee will host the September Senior of the Month, Ann Barney, and the October Senior of the Month, Alexa Wenger. We are happy to honor each girl's accomplishments and hope you will attend the meeting to learn more about these students.

International & Public Affairs

Elaine Bair

First meeting on Monday October 4.

Ways and Means

**Laurie Grove and
Kelley Bomberger**

The Ways and Means team, made up of more than 20 club members, have been busy taking stock of past events and conjuring up some new ideas to fund the club's extraordinary efforts this year! A GIANT THANK YOU to our amazing members who attended the September dinner meeting at Lititz Springs Inn & Spa. We kicked off the year with a **50/50 Raffle** that brought in \$466 within an hour! \$233 was quickly

earmarked for Child Outreach to immediately impact the incredible work they do to support the children of our community. The other \$233 was given to Bette Rank – congratulations on your big win, Bette! These interactive and fun 50/50 Raffles will likely be a staple at our in-person dinner meetings moving forward.

Looking ahead, don't forget to add the following dates to your calendar in 2021:

- Boscov's Friends and Family Day: **Wednesday, October 20th**. Contact MJ Ember for 20% off coupons (\$5 each) at 717-648-9296 or mjember@gmail.com.
- Isaac's Family Night: **Thursday, October 21st** – dine in or take out – a percentage of all proceeds will go to the LWC. For more information, contact Vickie Salmi at 717-341-7500 or vvsalmi@gmail.com.
- Knight & Day Diner / Park City Diner: **EVERY DAY** – Be sure to let them know you are a member of Lititz Woman's Club each time you dine in or take out and a portion of your check will be donated back to the club!!
- Seis Catering Dinner Fund Raiser: **November (date TBD)**– check your email for more information. An update with additional details will also be provided at the October meeting.
- Fashion Show Brunch: **December 4th** at Lititz Springs Inn & Spa. More details to follow.
- More fundraising events coming in 2022 will be shared with you shortly. Stay tuned...

Finally, we would like to thank our wonderful Ways & Means committee for mentoring us as we onboard and learn the ropes of 1st-time committee leadership. It takes a village to serve this dynamic community and we are thrilled to be serving with each and every one of our LWC members!

Note: please update your LWC Directory with Laurie Grove's new email: **lqgrove12@gmail.com**

“We can’t direct the wind, but we can
adjust the sails”



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