

Lititz Woman's Club

Monthly Newsletter: September 2020

A Message from your President

Thank you for putting your trust in me as your president. I feel confident surrounded by the support of previous presidents to help guide me. As the club's first pandemic president, I will face unique challenges but our club must move forward. I've spoken with most committee chairs and heard their concerns of not being able to continue the same protocols as in the past. It will be a different year for our club but I feel confident that we will continue to push forward and do our best to serve our community. For my theme for this year, I have chosen, "we can't direct the wind but we can adjust the sails" by Thomas S. Monson. I felt it was very appropriate for this year. I'm excited that many of the committees have already begun planning for this upcoming year. We will continue to serve the best way we can with new procedures and ideas.

Some traditions in some of the committees that will have to be put on hold for this year in order to keep everyone safe. Together we will adapt, adjust our sails, and continue the great legacy of the Lititz Woman's Club.

Hoping to see you all at the Sutter!

Amy

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Upcoming Events

September

Mon. Sept. 21
6:00 pm Board Meeting
7:30 pm Meeting and program

Committee Reports

Hospitality

**Julie Meiskey and
Linda Miskinis**

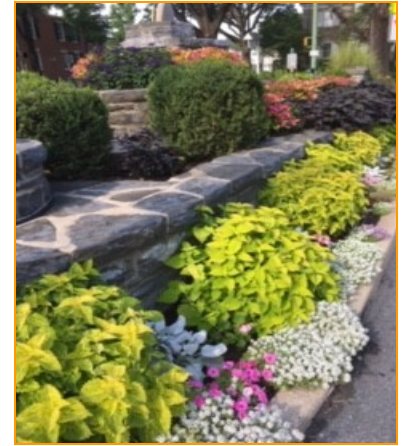
Things will look a little different for the Hospitality Committee this year. We will have cold water bottles for each individual when you arrive. There will be ushers who will escort you to your seat in the Sanctuary of the church. We ask that you do not change seats once seated. If you want to sit with someone specific please come together so you can be seated at the same time. We may usher everyone out as well; we will know better about this after we visit the church. In October we will not be doing any snacks just water. We hope to be able to provide a small snack on the way out starting in November. We know you will miss our beautifully decorated table and great dessert items and snacks. We just want everyone to feel comfortable and use social distancing and be safe! We feel very grateful that we can still be together even if some things look a little different!



Conservation

**Lucy Norton and
Barb Flodorf**

The plants in the Square have been flourishing this summer. Committee members have been doing a great job with the weekly weeding and pruning. We met on July 21 to discuss how we could use the donations made in Janet Gresh's memory to honor her decades-long commitment to LWC and the Conservation Committee. We decided that we wanted her name to be added to a bronze plaque at the entrance to the park. We will purchase a Briotti horse chestnut tree. Committee members will soon make a date with Jerry McKonley to walk the park in hopes of finding the right spot. We will purchase the tree from Green Acres, so George Biemesderfer will have a significant say in the location of Janet's tree. We will also make a donation towards a much-needed replacement of the irrigation system at the Square. Also at our July meeting, we decided that we would place a sign in the LWC boxwood bed in the park. The boxwoods were planted a few years ago with donations to the Dawn Ecenroad Fund.



Intl. & Public Affairs

**Elaine Bair and
Linda Hoover**

Welcome back to all for the start of probably a very unusual year. Our first activity is a Shoe Drive. The Nittany Greyhound Rescue Organization, who re-homes retired racing greyhounds, has partnered with FUNDS2ORG. They are having a shoe drive to collect shoes to be sent to developing countries. Their goal is to collect 200 bags of shoes. What they are looking for are your old shoes. Any type of shoe or any condition of the shoe is eligible. Even flip flops, boots, sneakers or kids shoes. PAIRS ONLY!! They can be dropped off at 429 W. Marion St. Lititz (that is in Sutter Village). There is a container on the front porch to put them in. This drive is till September 30, 2020. Thanks for participating.

Committee Reports

Program

Sue Perolli

Our Program Committee was very excited to meet at my home in late June to prepare for a new club year of interesting speakers and programs. You can preview the year's programs on page seven of the new handbook. Our first event is September 21st and we invite you to dine on the Patio of the General Sutter Inn at 6:00. The invite is included at the end of this newsletter. Reserve your seat with a friend and/or friends, select your entree, wear a comfy outfit with a matching mask and we will provide six feet distancing with panels to keep you safe....We expect a smaller group than in other years but respect everyone's stance regarding participation in club activities for this year. With that said, our monthly meetings also have a different twist since they will be in the Sanctuary of the Church of the Brethren. The Sanctuary is bigger providing the ability to social distance six feet apart, usher you to your seat safely, and wear another of your pretty masks! We hope this "new normal" will work for the club year to give members a SAFE PLACE to socialize, get out monthly, learn new ideas, be with friends,

and just BE HAPPY! Any questions all year, text, call, or email me at 267-980-4363 or sueperolli@comcast.net.



Membership

Barb Sandhaus

Our 2019-2020 Club year was very unusual to say the least – we missed so many good programs, fun activities and socials, and important fund raisers. Because of this, we are asking if anyone would like to add a small donation to their club dues, it would be greatly appreciated and welcome. Our dues continue to be only \$30 a year and can be remitted to me, Barbara Sandhaus, 533 Spring Avenue, Lititz between now and October 31. Or you can pay your dues at either the September or October General Meeting At the September dinner meeting, three new members will be introduced to our Club. This

will bring the total membership to 185. Thank you to all who have remained loyal to our Club over the years and to those Club members who sponsor our new members. Sponsors of last years new members will be recognized at our September dinner meeting. As we begin our 80th year, I would like to recognize the following ladies who have been members for more than 50 years: Helen Becker(1961), Joanie Gibbel (1959), Joanne Gibble (1966), Jean Holder (1959), Ruth Spacht (1952), Jean Steffy (1958), Edie Tennis (1966), and Susan Yeager (1966). We received the resignation of Missy Deibler and Rachel Wiegmann Hope to see you in a few weeks.

Committee Reports

Arts and Social

**MJ Ember &
Geri Kull**

Geri Kuhl and I welcome you back to a new year with Lititz Woman's Club. Unfortunately, for Arts and Social committee, we are stuck with last club year's reality and Covid 19. We have nothing planned for September but are feverishly racking our brains for later in the year. Stay tuned and stay safe.

Child Reach

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

Child Reach New Leadership and Our First Project The Child Reach Committee Co-Chairmanship positions have been assumed by Brenda Crosby, Bette Ranck, and Marianne Sullivan. Sherry Weidman and Kathy Jo Wenger are stepping down, but will still be involved in activities and mentoring after many years of exemplary leadership. A meeting of the entire Child Reach Committee will be scheduled for September. Members will be notified of particulars by email. In spite of the pandemic and its challenges, we know that the Committee will do everything

possible to make Christmas a joyful time for our families in need. Our first project is open to all members of LWC. We have offered to support the Treehouse Playground build at Lititz Church of the Brethren by providing drinks and snacks for the construction volunteers on Wednesday, September 16, the first day of the build. Donations of pre-packaged snacks and fruit for approximately 80-100 workers will be needed. A sign-up sheet will be circulated over email early in September. Please help if you can. Food donations may be dropped off to Kathy Jo Wenger, 515 Linden Street, from Sunday, September 13 until Tuesday, September 15 at 5 p.m. Please leave donations at back door off the driveway (Fourth Avenue).

Questions? Please contact Kathy Jo Wenger at 717-627-4374 or kjwenger@ptd.net



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:

**lititz-
womansclub.squarespace.com**

Education

**Beth Sahd and
Sandra Bingeman**

The Education Committee met to select the Seniors of the Month for the 2020-21 school year. We will honor the nine young ladies at the October, November, February, March and April meetings. We congratulate each of the girls and look forward to hosting them at our meetings this year.

Correspondence/ Remembrance Louise Pesarchick

If you know of any member who should get a card and/or note for any reason, please contact Louise Pesarchick at mnlbuick@excite.com.

Archives

Georgie Hoff

Hello to All! Hope everyone is doing well. This is a different year. Keep those masks on and do your safe distance. If you have anything that you want to donate to the Archives, let me know. Enjoy the remainder of your summer.

Committee Reports

Ways and Means

**Deann Buffington and
Patricia Kline**

Our committee has not yet come together, but we are making arrangements to meet in the near future either via Zoom or at a church pavilion. At our August board meeting, we shared that this club year of making money for LWC may be a true challenge because, of course, of the restraints on crowds coming together. Our biggest fundraisers in recent years have been the holiday fashion show and Trivia Night, which did take place, and our very successful Bingo, along with the May dinner meeting raffle, which we had to cancel this spring. Board discussion included postponement of all activities to the spring, depending on state mandates.

To date, we have a few possibilities beyond the “biggies.” MJ Ember is looking into the Boscov Days that we did participate in last club year. Also, Sherry Chivinski made the suggestion that we have a fundraiser selling Lititz masks. Patricia is going to seek information for this project. The two Isaac’s events, fall and spring, are also possibilities, especially because we can order take-out fare. The “Description of Committees” in our yearbook

states, “The Ways and Means Committee raises money to help finance all the projects of the club.” This year, we are appealing not only to our committee members but to ALL members to “put your thinking caps on” as we consider how we can earn money for our many ongoing and new projects. If you do have an “AHA! moment,” please contact Deann (717-626-0440, 717-413-1814, or dbuff@ptd.net) or Patricia (717-371-1240 or pekline@ptd.net). As always, thank you in advance for your support for and participation in whatever is to come. A favorite Emily Dickinson quotation is “I dwell in possibility.” So be it for us as well this year!



Finance

Mary Ann Garrett

The Finance Committee audited the treasury accounts for the 19 - 20 club year and found no material weaknesses. Treasurer, Hatsy Droke, is to be commended for excellence in accurate and complete record keeping of LWC

funds. The LWC budget for the 20 - 21 Club year is based on the income from member dues and the remaining balance from 19 - 20. The feasibility of Ways and Means projects to raise funds is uncertain due to restrictions caused by the Covid-19 pandemic. Thanks to prudent planning by the board in years past, there is money in the general and scholarship savings accounts to honor any financial commitments the club has for this year. That being said, any contributions to the general fund to offset earnings usually accrued through club projects would be helpful this year. Contributions may be added to membership dues payments or submitted separately and marked "contribution". Thank you in advance for your consideration!

Home Life

**Phyllis Frankhouser and
Linda Miskinis**

The Home Life Committee’s activities will be greatly curtailed this year due to the covid pandemic. There will be a spring food drive as usual. More information concerning the committee will be available in the October newsletter.

Flyer

Dear Members,

Many of you have responded to Sue regarding your intention to attend or not attend the September 21st dinner meeting. We will be following the mandates that the Sutter has at this time. All of you need to know that the dinner will not be inside but rather on the tented patio with tables to accommodate you individually. The Sutter will have tables of different sizes (2, 4, and 6 chairs). Some of you are not opposed to dining with other members; others are still leery.

Jeff at the Sutter also related that the Sutter does have plastic barriers if you so desire. We will not have an open cash bar as we have had in the past; rather the Sutter servers will take all beverage orders at the tables. Please be considerate of others and wear masks when you are not dining.

Also, see the enclosed dinner reservation flyer for details. Sue and I request that all reservations come in no later than September 14 (noted on the flyer), one week before our meeting, so that we have time to work on the seating requests with Jeff. The reservation form has space for you to record what your seating desire is.

All of us are doing our best in every aspect of our lives to adjust to necessary changes at this time. We want also to be respectful of one another's stance regarding participation in LWC activities. Support can come in different ways, and we will have challenges as we make changes as is the case with this dinner meeting. Regardless of circumstances, we know that our club will continue our goal of serving our community and beyond.

Deann

Flyer

Please join your friends in the Lititz Woman's Club for the dinner meeting on September 21, 2020 on the General Sutter Inn's patio!

Dinner-6:00 (No cash bar! Staff will take beverage orders at our tables.)

Business Meeting-Between courses and abbreviated thereafter!

Menu (Cost-\$32.00-includes gratuity)

Garden Salad with Balsamic or Ranch Dressing
Rolls and Butter

Entrée

Choice #1-Skewered Shrimp Wrapped in Bacon & Rice Pilaf
Choice #2-Breaded Chicken Cutlet with Lemon-Wine Sauce & Pilaf

Haricot Verts with Slivered Almonds
Limoncello Cake with Raspberry Sauce and Fresh Raspberries
Coffee, Tea, Ice Tea

NOTE: Be in touch with Deann Buffington if you have dietary restrictions and need different meal items or adjustments.

Please send your check, payable to the Lititz Woman's Club, to Deann Buffington, 6 Pinewood Ave. Lititz, PA 17543 **no later than September 14**. Because of Covid 19 mandates, we will need time to arrange seating. Please indicate below your entrée choice and members who will be sitting with you. If you have questions, please contact Deann at 717-626-0440, 717-413-1814, or dbuff@ptd.net. **Note that the General Sutter will not take reservations; you must contact Deann.**

Name _____ Entrée Choice: Shrimp Chicken
(Please circle.)

Members at your table:

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adjust the sails”



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