



Newsletter

March/April 2023



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Aren't We Lucky?

On February 24th, the Club Celebrated Mardi Gras! It may have been a Friday outside, but, inside the club, it was all **Laissez les bons temps rouler!!!** Our Speaker Marisa Merrigan gave a talk that left everyone planning a trip to New Orleans. Liz Lynch and Barbara Eveleth generously baked traditional Mardi Gras King Cakes and Fran DePalma-Iozzi found the first baby in her slice of the colorful cake! The beads, the colors, the Step and Repeat, and the New Orleans jazz, brought us together. If you missed it, we hope to see you at our next programs!!! All are welcome! We've got some great programs coming up!



Upcoming "Among Friends" programs

As a reminder, **please RSVP at the included links for our MWC programs.** All programs are free for MWC members. For non-members, we recommend a \$10 donation for in-person programs.

Tech Question Day!

Friday, March 10, 1:30pm



Bring your tech problems, questions and frustrations to this interactive, in-person afternoon cosponsored by the Montclair Women's Club and **Montclair Gateway to Aging in Place.** If you aren't comfortable in the world of devices and if you aren't a "digital native," please don't be shy, this day is for you!! Spread the word, bring your friends, learn something new!

RSVP [Here](#).

All Things Coffee

with **Paper Plane Coffee's Jonathan Echeverry**

Friday, March 24, 1:30pm



Jonathan is a Montclair neighbor and the founder and owner of **Paper Plane Coffee**, which has recently expanded into the space previously held by Dem 2 Hands. His roots in coffee run deep as he is the fifth generation of coffee growers in his family, going back 150 years in Santuario, Columbia. Join us for this engaging program of tales of a life in coffee. Like a good cup of coffee, it will leave you invigorated, clear-headed, and satisfied.

RSVP [Here](#).

Spring Beauties for Biodiversity with Montclair neighbor Deb Ellis

Friday, April 14, 1:30pm

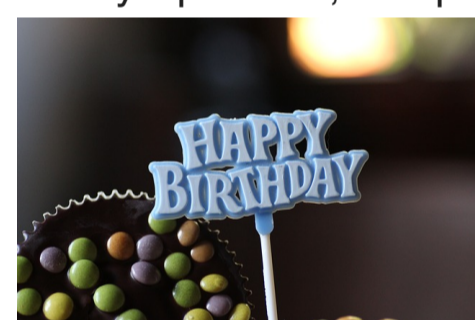


Deb Ellis is the Founder and Co-Leader of the **Essex County Chapter, Native Plant Society of NJ**, and she will join us to help the club welcome back Spring with a program on Native Plant gardening entitled "Bloodroot, Bluebells, and Butterflies: Spring Beauties for Biodiversity." Native Planting has never been more important, please join us and celebrate the arrival of spring!!

RSVP [Here](#).

MWC 108th Birthday Celebration!

Friday April 28th, 1:30pm



Join us for a **musical celebration of the Club's birthday!** We are thrilled to welcome **four music students from Montclair State University** who will each play one of their concert pieces on our beautiful grand piano. Come enjoy the young musicians, have some birthday cake and celebrate with us all! As a special treat, **Kimberly Moye**, owner of **Nothing Bundt Cakes** in West Caldwell has generously offered to bring her bundtinis (2-3 bites of deliciousness) to help us celebrate!! (Please note that the previously scheduled archive program with Liz Lynch will be rescheduled to next fall).

RSVP [Here](#).

Also: Stay tuned for details on our hike to the NJ State Federation Women's Monument in the Palisades....

Virtual Chair Yoga is back through April 10th

Chair Yoga is back with Maggie Joralemon (assisted by Zoommaster Karen Sands) through April 10th on Mondays at noon. This free virtual program is a service to the community and is open to all. Register [here](#) to attend and receive the virtual log-on link.

Liberty District Achievement Days and State Convention Information--Connect and Have Fun!

Each spring, the **NJ State Federation of Women's Clubs (NJSFWC)** Liberty District, the district which MWC is part of, holds a series of **Achievement Days** and a **District Conference** followed by the **NJSFWC State Convention**. These events provide a great opportunity to connect with club members from across the state. All members are invited to participate!

For more information on the **Performing Arts Day (March 9th)** see [here](#).

For more information about the **Creative Arts Achievement Days/Liberty District Conference (April 24th/25th)** see [here](#).

And from our **Federation Secretary Jeanne Scott** here is information about the **upcoming NJSFWC State Convention:**

Dear Members,
The 129th **NJSFWC Annual State Convention** will be held on **May 1st-May 3rd**, at the Hard Rock Hotel and Casino in **Atlantic City**. The hotel rate is only \$123.85 (taxes included) and you can share a room and cost with a friend. Convention registration is \$30, and the banquet on Tuesday is \$90. All other meals on your own. Monday there will be a Liberty District Meeting at noon (bring your own lunch).

If you are interested in attending and for more information, please contact me:

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Membership Corner

We extend a very happy birthday to **Pat Piermatti** (March 5), **Joy Mishkin** (March 9), **Susan Helman** (March 11), **Felice Celikyol** (March 13), **Bita Ameri** (March 20), **Barbara Vitkowsky** (April 2) **Sue Young** (April 4), and **Carol Schlein** (April 9). Did we miss your birthday? If so, we likely don't have your info--tell us at info@montclairwomensclub.org.

Know someone who could use some MWC cheer? Drop a note to our new corresponding secretary Susan Helman at sghelman@varizan.net.

Know someone who would benefit from the **supportive community that MWC offers**? Please feel free to means guys too! information and/or invite them to our events! All are welcome (and yes that means guys too)!



News from the NJ State Federation of Women's Clubs

For more info on what the Federation is up to across the state and how you can get involved, access the *Almanac and other materials at the links below:*

[NJ State Federation of Women's Clubs](#)

[Monthly Almanac and Newsletters](#)

[General Federation of Women's Clubs](#)

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