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Newsletter December 2023

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## IMPORTANT DATES



**Randazzo's Fundraiser**  
4-8 p.m.



**General Meeting**  
**and Pollyanna**  
**Randazzo's, 6 p.m.**

## President's Message

The holiday season is upon us and the Colony Club elves have been busy.

- The Shores at Wesley were thrilled with all the holiday wreaths donated to decorate their doors.
- The Tree of Warmth at the Community Center is already adorned with cozy scarves, hats and mittens that will be delivered to the clothes closet next week. It is truly amazing to see how quickly the boxes below it are filled.
- We will be honoring the Veterans by participating in the Wreaths Across America ceremony at CMCH veterans' cemetery on Saturday, December 16th.
- Gift cards are already on their way to the Emmanuel Cancer Foundation.
- Not to be confused with our holiday party, our December fundraiser will be held at Randazzo's on Wednesday December 13th.

I would like to thank everyone for all the support they have given me and the club. We accomplish so much because of your generosity and hard work.

I hope to see you all Monday, December 18 for our holiday party following the general meeting which is being held at Randazzo's at 6 PM.

Happy Holidays!  
Beth

## Ways and Means

Diane Mozzo, Chair

### FUNDRAISERS

1. The Colony Club raised \$180 from the Mario's fundraiser. Thanks go to all who participated and to Kathy Tully, who was our liaison to Mario's.

**NOTE:** There will be another fundraiser at Mario's on Wednesday, February 7. This is a change from the original date of February 11.

2. Scrip cards (Raise Right) continue. See Anne Glenning for information.

### Upcoming:

3. Randazzo's Fundraiser--Wednesday, December 13, 2023 4-9pm

Randazzo's will donate a percentage of the proceeds from the evening to the Colony Club's scholarship fund. Eat in, take out, or delivery. Gift cards are also eligible.

### FUN for US

1. November 30 was our Happy Hour at Fran Worrell's house. everyone who attended had a great time. These small social gatherings help all of us get to know each other better. Thanks to Fran for her gracious

2. December 7 was our holiday craft making activity. Thanks go to Barbara Zarrella, our master craft person, for preparing it for us, and to Kathy Tully for guiding us.

### Upcoming:

Game Afternoon--January 30, 2024, 1-3pm in Rooms 110 and 111 of the library. Choices will be bingo, mahjong, or a game of your choice. Snacks will be provided. Bring your own beverage. Sign-up sheets will be available at the January meeting.



Fundraiser for the **Colony Club's** Scholarship Fund!

Randazzo's  
34th. St. and Asbury  
Ocean City, NJ 08226  
609-814-1600

Dine In, Take Out or Delivery

(Or Buy a Gift Certificate for a later meal!)

4:00-9:00 pm

Wednesday, December 13, 2023

Randazzo's will donate a percentage of the cost of your order to Colony Club Scholarship Fund.



*Strong Women, Good Friends, Caring Volunteers*





## IMPORTANT NOTICE.....

Colony Club General Meeting and Holiday Party  
(note location and start time)

**When:** Monday, December 18, 2023, at 6PM

**Where:** Randazzo's Restaurant (yes, same place as the December 13 fundraiser)  
34th Street and Asbury Avenue

**Details:**

1. We will have a short business meeting.
2. We will have a pizza and salad buffet dinner, compliments of the Colony Club treasury.
3. Bring your own nonalcoholic beverage.
4. Bring a \$10 wrapped Pollyanna (grab bag) gift.
5. Dessert will be provided by the ladies who signed up at the November meeting.
6. Questions--contact President Beth Little, baba9412@gmail.com



## RaiseRight Fundraiser

(formerly Scrip)

Anne Glenning - Chair

Thanks to our current participants as well as those who are reaching out to non-members



the goal line!!!!

Remember this is our “no cost” fundraiser – you pay \$100 for a ShopRite \$100 gift card, so you’re even, and our treasury gets \$4. An updated list of participating retailers, card amounts and contribution percents will be provided at the next general meeting. This information is also available on the website – RaiseRight.com. Folders with the retailers list and an order form will also be available for new members and/or new SCRIP users. Remember you can get Visa cards with NO activation fee.

### **Schedule**

Order and delivery for SCRIP is done prior to our board meetings and our general meetings (6:45 to 7pm). Dates are as follows:

**Dec 18** General meeting at Randazzo’s for Christmas and we’re starting at 6pm so SCRIP exchange will be at 5:45

**Jan 2** Board meeting

**Jan 15** General meeting

**Feb 5** Board meeting

**Feb 19** General meeting

If you would like to participate in the fundraiser but the order schedule or location doesn’t work for you, please call Anne Glenning at 609-402-2146 and we can work out a convenient option for you. Thank you.

### **DOWNLOAD THE RAISERIGHT FORM HERE**



Ronald McDonald Tabs

Keep collecting those can tabs which are recycled for cash for Ronald McDonald House Charities. The money supports the House and helps provide lodging for families.

Bring the tabs to a meeting or leave them on Fran Worrell's porch at 3305 Simpson Ave., OC.

Doors for Shores event. It was a fantastic success. We donated 20 items and they were beautiful. Also a special thank you to Beth Little, Anne Glenning and Cathy Solarski who helped transport the wreaths to the Shores. The residents are thrilled that their "Home" is decorated for the holidays. May you all have Wonderful Holidays and a Happy New Year.

Janet Cook

## ENVIRONMENT/CIVIC ENGAGEMENT



The National Wreath Laying Remembrance will be  
**Saturday, December 16th at noon.**  
Colony Club members who are interested will be participating at the

Cape May County Veterans Cemetery  
123 Crest Haven Rd.  
Cape May Court House

Any questions, please reach out to me!

Thank You,  
Cathy Solarski  
(703)-963-6177  
csolarski25@gmail.com

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P O box 1123  
Ocean City, NJ 08226

## Tree of Warmth

Carol Evans, Chair

until December 18.

Members are invited to help take it down beginning at 9:30 a.m. on the 18th.



## Book Club

Dot Aitken, Chair

The next literature meeting will be held December 13 at the home of Jo Swenson. Please text or call to let Jo know if you are coming.

20 Queen Anne Ct., Ocean View  
609-230-1611; jswenson36@gmail.com

### Books for 2023-2024

|                        | Title                       | Author         |
|------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------|
| 1. September<br>either | Code Name Sapphire          | Pam Jenoff     |
| or                     | Woman with the Blue Star    | Pam Jenoff     |
| 2. October             | West with Giraffes          | Lynda Rutledge |
| 3. November            | Lessons In Chemistry        | Bonnie Garmus  |
| 4. December            | Remarkably Bright Creatures | Sara Van Pelt  |
| 5. January             | Wuthering Heights           | Emily Bronte   |
|                        | Proof of Heaven             | Eben Alexander |

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| 7. March | Go Set a Watchman           | Harper Lee       |
| 8. April | The Paris Architect         | Charles Belfoure |
| 9. May   | The Magnolia Palace         | Fiona Davis      |
| 10. June | The Woman Who Smashed Codes | Jason Fagone     |

Book Club Hostesses

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|-------------|-----------------|
| • September | Dot Aitken      |
| • October   | Mary Hughes     |
| • November  | Sandy Crescenzo |
| • December  | Jo Swenson      |
| • January   | Mary Hughes     |
| • February  | Carol Evans     |
| • March     | -----           |
| • April     | Fran Worrell    |
| • May       | Jane Deal       |
| • June      | Restaurant      |



It is hard to believe we are planning our events for 2024. We will start the new year with our Day of Appreciation.

We will honor our first responders by delivering treats to the Police Station and three Fire Stations. In addition to cookies, we have a request for healthy treats. Some examples are nuts, dried fruit and energy bars. Our goal is to bring two trays to each location. All perishable food must be wrapped or bagged for sanitary reasons.

Donations must be dropped off on January 11th or 12th at the following locations:

Joie Benson  
328A West Ave.  
973-919-3568

Carol Evans  
825 Plaza Place  
609-399-9085  
609-350-9667

Fran Worrell  
3305 Simpson Ave.  
610-952-2782

Janet Cook  
4109 Central Ave. (Right side of house, covered porch on the bench.)  
860-558-6012 (cell)  
609-399-7693 (Land)

If you have any questions please call me. More information will be provided at the December Meeting.

Thank you for all that you do

## Recent Activities



Fun For Us at Fran's Happy Hour





Carol Evans at the Tree of Warmth





The Tree of Warmth team



Craft Day



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Crafts and Cookies

General Meeting 12/18/23  
Board Meeting 1/2/24



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