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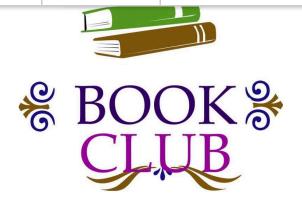
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DUES

Just a reminder that your \$45 renewal membership dues for the Colony Club are coming up. You may bring a check to the monthly meeting. Or mail your check to Colony Club of Ocean City, P.O. Box 1123, Ocean City, NJ 08226.

IMPORTANT DATES





2/19

2/14

President's Message

Even though January was a dreary and rainy month, the Colony Club women continued to

- spread cheer with treats for the first responders,
- have a playful game day with bingo and mahjong thanks to Diane Mozzo
- put on a very successful Spelling Bee thanks to the persistence of Diane Root.

Thanks to all who participated in these fun events.

While Janet and I worked on the annual Project Reports for NJSFWC we realized how much our club accomplishes throughout the year. It is a true testament to our commitment to supporting the community. We appreciate your time and continued support.

Janet, Brenda, Karen and I attended the District Council Meeting in Cape May. It was a great day for networking and learning how other clubs navigate activities and fundraising. These meetings are open to the entire membership so I want to extend an invitation to join us at the next meeting in June.

Now on to February. It might be the shortest month but we have much to do as you will read in the following announcements.

room 110.

Beth Little President

Speaker

Our speaker for February is Luz Vasquez. She will speak about Hope Pregnancy.





Thank you to everyone who supported theColony Club's Scholarship Fund on February 7,2024

Mario's's will donate a percentage of the cost of your order to Colony Club Scholarship Fund. The scholarships and awards are presented to OCHS Senior Women and to OCIS Eighth Graders.



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Ways and Means

Diane Mozzo, Chair

FUNDRAISERS

1.**RANDAZZO'S** Fundraiser, Wednesday, **April 10, 2024.**Randazzo's will donate a percentage of their earnings to the Colony Club. Dinner is eat-in, take-out or delivery. Gift cards are also eligible.

3. The **Fashion Show** committee, chaired by Cathi Ferber, is firming up plans for the Club's biggest fundraiser. Please support this event by contributing baskets, getting sponsors, and buying tickets when they become available. Save the date, **June 11**, **2024**, 5:00 pm-8:30 pm at Greate Bay Country Club.

Fun For US

- 1. Thanks to everyone who participated in Game afternoon last month. It appears the Mahjong group added a couple new recruits.
- 2. This next event is for those members who are not part of the Colony Club book club. The library is sponsoring a Movie Matinee in room 110, Wednesday, **February 14** at noon. Join some of us to **watch the movie**, **"Book Club"**, and **go for coffee** afterwards to discuss the movie.
- 3. Friday, **March 8** is World **Women's Day.** Join us for **Happy Hour at Yesterday's** from 4-6 pm to toast us! There will be a sign-up sheet at the February meeting as this event needs a reservation.



RaiseRight Fundraiser

(formerly Scrip)

Anne Glenning - Chair

Year to date \$4,172 Goal 6K and Stretch goal 7K

Of the 70 members listed on our website there are 13 members (18%) that participate in RaiseRight on a regular basis. Thank you for your support – you are the reason for our success!!!

There's another 11 members (16%) who participate on an occasional basis. Thank you for your support. Please consider ways to expand your participation.

There's 46 members (66%) not yet participating in this fabulous fundraiser. Please consider

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;

Feb 19 Monday - General meeting Mar 4 Monday - Board meeting Mar 18 Monday - 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

CASA Donation

This is the time of year we will be remembering a charity near and dear to our hearts.

We will be passing the donation envelope at the general meeting to purchase gift cards for CASA.

Thank you in advance for your generosity.

There will be a sign up sheet for volunteers who are available to present the gift cards and take pictures. Date to be announced.

For any questions please contact Beth Little.



2024 FASHION SHOW

Cathi Ferber, Chair

Everyone should have June 11, 2024 marked on their calendar!

Our event starts at 5:00 pm. The menu will be basically the same as last year .

We've only had to raise the price to \$55.00.

*The Fashion Show Flier is included in this newsletter.

Feel free to share with the people in your life.

Our boutiques are *She'z the Boss* and *Pete's Mercantile*.

Jackie and Sharlyce are excited to be with us.

We need sponsors!

PLEASE feel free to share with any non-retail business that is part of your life.

We need baskets

It's time for you to consider making and donating a basket for this event. Last year we made an impression with the quality and quantity of our baskets!! We now have a standard to uphold. Gather your items, find a container and you're on your way. Questions or advice needed? Call, text or email me: 215.630.6895 or catfer87@comcast.net.

We need volunteers

We will need volunteers for the day of the event.

I will have sign up sheets at the February 19, 2024 General Meeting.

Cathi Ferber

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To Our Community Partner,

The Colony Club of Ocean City, New Jersey was started in 1950 as a community service women's club. We are part of the New Jersey State Federation of Women's Clubs. The club's main focus has been and continues to be scholarships for local women graduating from Ocean City High School. We have also been able to give financial support to many non-profit service organizations in our community.

In addition to these scholarships to graduating senior women, we provide achievement awards to OCHS graduating women. Our support of education includes awards for eighth graders at our local Intermediate School and a spelling bee for fifth graders. We send an OCHS junior woman to the NJSFWC Girl's Career Institute at Rutgers. All together this past year we were able to provide over \$7,000 in education related financial support.

Our primary source of fund-raising is our annual Fashion Show Dinner. We hope we can count on your support to help us to continue to provide scholarships and awards to our community's students. We provide three different sponsorship options, in addition to simply purchasing tickets for the event. The Colony Club is asking for your help. Your donation is tax deductible as we are a 501(c)3.

Thank you for your kind consideration of this request. You may contact me directly or use the attached form.

Sincerely,

Catherine Ferber 215.630.6895 colonyclub.oceancitynj@gmail.com



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Sponsorship Opportunities for 2024

Gold Sponsor \$500

- *4 Fashion Show tickets with reserve seating.
- *Recognition on our website for 12 months.
- *Inclusion on our signage at the Fashion Show.
- *Acknowledgement in the Fashion Show program.
- *Acknowledgement on our Facebook and Instagram.

Silver Sponsor \$250

- * 2 Fashion Show tickets with reserve seating.
- st Inclusion on our signage at the Fashion Show .
- *Acknowledgement in the Fashion Show Program.
- *Acknowledgement on our Facebook and Instagram.

Bronze Sponsor \$100

- * Inclusion on our signage at the Fashion Show.
- *Acknowledgement in the Fashion Show program.
- *Acknowledgement on our Facebook and instagram accounts.

| Business Name | |
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Please make your check payable to: The Colony Club of Ocean City. Mail this form and check to The Colony Club of Ocean City, P.O. Box 1123, Ocean City, NJ 08226. Your donation is tax deductible as we are a 501C3. For further questions, we can be contacted at colonyclub.oceancitynj@gmail.com.



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Book Club

Dot Aitken, Chair

Date: February 14

Place Carol Evans 609-399- 9085

Address: 826 Plaza Place

Time 12:30

Book: Proof of Heaven by Eben Alexander

Please let Carol know if you are coming or not coming so she can prepare her treats.

609-399-9085 or selket826@aol.com

As always, if I have made any errors please let me know.

Thank you and warm regards, Dot

Dorothy Aitken 42 Bayonne Place Ocean City, NJ, 08226

802-233-2609 | dot8ken@gmail.com

| Books for 2023- 2024 | Title | Author |
|-------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------|
| 1. September 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 |
| 6. February | Proof of Heaven | Eben Alexander |
| 7. March | Go Set a Watchman | Harper Lee |

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| 9. May | The Magnolia Palace | Fiona Davis | |
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| 10. June | The Woman Who Smashed Codes | Jason Fagone | |
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Book Club Hostesses

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

ENVIRONMENT/CIVIC ENGAGEMENT



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.











Board Meeting 3/4/24











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