

GREEN POND WOMEN'S CLUB

2018-2019 MEMBERSHIP FORM

Due JUNE 1, 2018

Yes, it was a little over 50 years ago, during the winter of 1963-1964, when a small group of women led by Burney L. Harris started holding meetings at different homes in Green Pond for the purpose of "bringing together the winter residents of Green Pond and Lake End Corporation, plus its Associate Members, for establishing a better community and environs, to provide entertainment and education through its programs and committees, and to adopt certain welfare and charity programs."

And so the Green Pond Winter Woman's Club was born, nurtured at first by a handful of dedicated women. Time moved on and life-styles changed. The word "Winter" was removed from our Club's name as we became a year-round entity. Here we are this year, many years later, having recently celebrated our Club's 50th anniversary. What have we accomplished just during the past Club year to help our community and bring together our members and their children?

Let's look back:

- **Scholarships:** At our May 15th General Meeting, we will award scholarships totaling **\$6500** to several Green Pond graduating students.
- **Green Pond Charities Fund:** Our Club was able to make many charitable donations during the year, thanks to the generosity of our Club Members and your support of our fundraising efforts, most recently the sale of our "Green Pond – A Special Place" books and our dinner and cocktail napkins. Our charitable donations for the past year amounted to **\$2200** and included the following organizations:
CARES (Center for Addiction Recovery, Education and Success)
CASA (Court-Appointed Special Advocates)
CUMAC Food Bank, Paterson
Food Closet of the Rockaways
Jersey Battered Women's Service
My Brother's Place
Passaic Neighborhood Center for Women
Roots and Wings
Society for the Prevention of Suicide

- **Christmas Greetings Project:** Resulted in donations totaling **\$1170** which were equally divided between the Green Pond First Aid Squad and the Green Pond Volunteer Fire Department.
- **Annual Membership Tea:** All Green Pond women are invited to the Club's July 11 Membership Tea at the home of one of our members for an afternoon of fellowship, light fare, punch and desserts.
- **Family Bingo Nights:** Several Friday evenings during the summer months in the Community House Bingo Games bring together children, parents and grandparents alike for some fun.
- **Children's Parties:** Many Green Pond children enjoy our Children's Halloween Party and record-breaking Easter Egg Hunt consisting of over 1,200 eggs.
- **Christmas Activities:** We are busy at Christmas with all sorts of activities – donating groceries to food banks, awarding special gifts to the winners of the Annual House Christmas Decorating Contest, enjoying the raffle of the Garden Club evergreen baskets and exchanging Christmas cookies.
- **Sunshine & Outreach Committees:** Throughout the year, our Sunshine & Outreach Chairpersons, and various members of our community, look for opportunities to reach out and help our fellow Green Ponders by sending notes and delivering many homemade meals.
- **Give-a-Lift Program:** Volunteers provide rides to any Green Ponder in need of transportation for medical/rehabilitation purposes.
- **Knitting Group:** A group of Green Pond women who enjoy knitting get together and make children's sweaters for World Vision, a Christian organization who sends these sweaters to wherever they are needed around the world.
- **Club Newsletter:** *Lakeviews & News* is published throughout the year as a means of keeping Club members apprised of both Club and community events in Green Pond. And when there is "breaking" news, we will send updates via email.
- **Garden Club:** Our Garden Club beautified various areas around Green Pond with their annual planting and maintenance of flowers.

When you multiply all of the above accomplishments by just over 50 years, you can see that our Club has played an important role as our special community of Green Pond has grown over the years.

We invite you to renew your membership with our Club so that we can continue to make a difference in the life of our community.

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Membership: (Please check appropriate category)

\$ _____ Regular Member (\$25) -- Year-round resident entitled to vote, hold office, and chair a committee or department. Eligible for all adult and children's activities and will receive Club's Newsletter.

\$ _____ Associate Member (\$20) -- Limited to summer residents. Eligible for all adult and children's activities and will receive Club's Newsletter.

\$ _____ Subscription (\$15) -- Will receive Club's Newsletter. Limited to non-Green Pond residents only.

\$ _____ Subscription (No charge) -- For Green Pond students, servicemen and servicewomen (please include name and address).

Optional Special Donations (Please indicate amount):

\$ _____ Burney L. Harris Scholarship Fund -- This fund is awarded to a Green Pond student who resides year-round and who intends to complete a course of study of two or more years after high school.

\$ _____ Green Pond Outreach -- Contributions to this category enable us to help fellow Green Ponders during special circumstances.

\$ _____ Green Pond Charities Fund -- Contributions will be used for donations to local charitable organizations at the discretion of the board.

\$ _____ Garden Club -- Contributions to this category enable us to purchase flowers for planting around our community and for specific beautification projects in Green Pond.

_____ **TOTAL**

Yes! I would love to help out with these activities!

(Someone will call you before the event to check your availability and interests)

____ Membership Tea (Wed., July 11, 2017)

____ Summer Progressive Dinner (Sat., July 21, 2017)

____ Winter Progressive Dinner (Sat., Feb. 23, 2018)

____ Kids Halloween Party

____ Kids Easter Egg Hunt

____ Garden Club Christmas Baskets

____ Garden Club Planting / Watering

____ Outreach Program: help deliver food to neighbors

____ Give-A-Lift: driver

____ Refreshments for __May, __Oct., __Dec. General Meeting

____ I am interested in joining the board in some capacity

Interests _____

Ideas for fundraisers, programs for meetings:

Please make checks payable to Green Pond Women's Club (GPWC) and mail with this form to:

Marilyn Horton _____ New Member
7 Oak Lane _____ Current Member
Green Pond, NJ 07435 _____ Change of address

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Address: _____

NOTE: Last minute information and updates, as well as condolence announcements, go out via email. Be sure we have yours! _____