

# Newsletter

April, 2021

GFWC Zwaanendael Women's Club

[www.gfwcZwaanendael.org](http://www.gfwcZwaanendael.org)

[ZClubLewes@gmail.com](mailto:ZClubLewes@gmail.com)



A member of the General Federation of Women's Clubs

"Now more than ever we must be strong in our conviction to serve our community."

-Vickie Burrier, Z Club President

## Join Us Monthly General Meeting via Zoom Tuesday, April 20 1:00 pm



Guest Speaker

**Suzanne Thurman**

Executive Director, Merr Institute

*The Marine Education, Research and Rehabilitation Institute, Inc. is a non-profit stranding response and rehabilitation organization dedicated to the conservation of marine mammals and sea turtles. It is MERR's commitment to contribute to the preservation of these species through research and rescue efforts, and to foster greater understanding and appreciation of these species and their habitat through education and enhanced public awareness. MERR Institute, Inc. is authorized by National Marine Fisheries Service and the State of Delaware to be the official stranding respondents for the Marine Mammals and Sea Turtles of Delaware.*

Zoom meeting link and agenda will be emailed to members prior to the meeting day.

# Spring Geranium Sale



If You Have Remaining Orders  
Please contact Cindy at [cdeemedio@comcast.net](mailto:cdeemedio@comcast.net)

Geranium  
Pick-up

Saturday, May 1

9:00 am – 12:00 pm

Lewes in Bloom Warehouse  
Schley Ave., Lewes

## Thank You!

*Thank you ladies for your contribution to the success of our annual Geranium Sale. To date we have sold over 1,000 geraniums, surpassing our 2019 sales. (no sale held in 2020) Our profit of \$2 per geranium means we will earn at least \$2,000 from this annual fundraiser.*

*And thanks to the volunteers who will be helping us distribute all these flowers on delivery day. See you May 1<sup>st</sup>.*

*Cindy and Mary Anne*

# Environment

*Seeking new committee chair to replace Mary Kosowski who is moving out of town.*

## Delaware Humane Association Collection

The Environment Committee is again collecting items to donate to the Delaware Humane Association. **Requested items are used towels, blankets and sheets; unopened dog / cat food; and gently used toys, pet collars, leashes, and feeding bowls.**



Two ways to Donate:

- 1) Drop off to Kathy Herman, 17692 Venables Dr., Senators Neighborhood, Lewes
- 2) Drop off at Delaware Humane Association, Midway Shopping Center, 18675 Coastal Highway. South side of shopping center. There is a door marked DHA behind the building. Hours are 12-4, Tuesday – Saturday

If you drop off donations at DHA, please advise Kathy Herman so she can track the club's donations. [kathydherman@gmail.com](mailto:kathydherman@gmail.com) - 301-801-6838.



*Upcoming environment committee projects include a spring planting at the renovated Shields Elementary School, date TBD.*



## Lighthouse for Broken Wings Sheltering Hearts

### Lunches

Hi Ladies,

I'm happy to report that many of guests staying at the American Inn have found work, and shelter. The remaining families now consist of 20 adults and 10 children and will be housed there through May 31.

I am still in need of help from April 25th, through May 31st. You can prepare for either just the adults, just the children, or both. The children's lunches are only needed on the weekends.

In the past months I have received help from surrounding communities and am hoping they will continue to assist us.

I want to thank you, for all you have done, and continue to do for the guests of Sheltering Hearts. I believe the guests of Sheltering Hearts, have summed it up beautifully "Those Ladies of the Z-Club are Awesome 🙌"

Thank you,  
Adrienne  
302-645-2383  
delbeachhouse@aol.com



### Thank You!

Thank you to all who helped provide Easter baskets for the Sheltering Hearts children. Each basket included a \$15 Walmart gift card.





## *Z Club Lunch Bunch*

*An informal social gathering for members of the GFWC Zwaanendael Women's Club.  
We usually meet on the first Tuesday of the month, but this month we are trying a new date.*

**Thursday, April 22**

**11:30 am**

**Crystal Restaurant and Diner**

**37300 Rehoboth Avenue, Rehoboth Beach, 302-227-1088**



**Please RSVP to**

**dr.lynnbarberi@gmail.com  
609-578-9593**

**No later than April 20**

**We hope to see you there!**

*Masks required - Social distancing will be practiced*

*Weather permitting, there will be an option to eat outside*

*Each member pays for themselves – We suggest cash for easier payment*

*Please join us if you feel comfortable and well.*

JOIN US!  
2021 State Awards Presentation



Thursday, April 29

10:00 am

VIA Clubhouse Parking Lot  
415 N. Boardwalk, Rehoboth Beach

**The  
Awards Caravan  
Is Rolling to YOU**



**ALL GFWC DSFWC MEMBERS ARE INVITED  
Join the Awards Presentation in Your County**

*The Awards Caravan is a fun way to interact with many of our sister Delaware clubwomen and to celebrate the achievements of 2020. Award certificates and citations will be presented to clubs and individual members as the Caravan moves throughout the state.*

*All venues have inside and outside space as well as restrooms available. Masks are required and social distancing will be observed.*

# Board News



Mary with her table setting for our 2019 Victorian Tea.

We are sad to report that Mary Kosowski is moving to Virginia. We thank her for her hard work, dedication, and enthusiasm during her time with Z Club. We wish her and her husband Ted well in their new home.



Terry Yates, current board director and past president, will be stepping into Mary's position as club treasurer.



## Community Impact Program (CIP)

Our biggest project under this program is wrapping up and the groundwork has been laid for this committee to choose new projects. Current committee recommendations are included in the March Meeting Minutes which can be found on the Members Area of the club website.

*Seeking  
Committee  
Chair*

If you think you are the right person to lead the charge, please contact Vickie Burrier.



### *Congratulations to Toni Short*

*Lighthouse for Broken Wings Founder and Manager*

### *and Jacqueline Sterbach*

*What is Your Voice President and Founder*

## WBOC Jefferson Award Winners



Z Club is very proud to support these impressive women whose life experiences moved them to serve the community.

"The Jefferson Awards for Public Service are a prestigious national recognition system honoring community and public service in America. The Jefferson Awards are presented on two levels: national and local. The mission of the Jefferson Awards is to encourage and honor individuals for their achievements and contributions through public and community service. WBOC TV is proud to be a local partner of the Jefferson Awards, which are presented annually to unrecognized citizens on Delmarva who provide extraordinary public service."



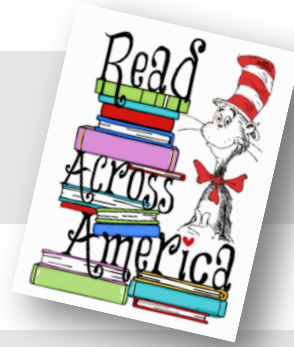
# Health and Wellness

140 First Night Kits Were delivered to the People's Place Safe Program thanks to donations by the Z Club ladies and the Nassau Grove Neighborhood residents. Great Job Ladies!



# Education

Chair: Sue Olkowski

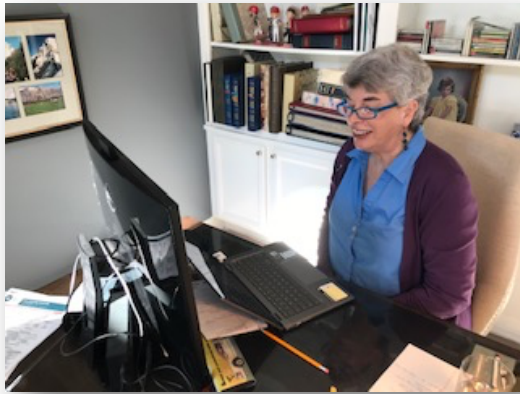


## Read Across America Day

On Tuesday, March 2, Kim Ash brought reading excitement to Shields Elementary School students on National Read Across America Day.

Although covid 19 necessitated this year's reading to take place over Zoom, teacher Deanna Shaw's 4<sup>th</sup> graders gave Kim a "thumbs up" for her enthusiastic delivery and choice of books, and were able to ask questions and provide their own interpretations of the stories.

Launched in 1998 by the National Education Association, Read Across America Day is a day to celebrate the joys of reading, bring awareness to the importance of reading in education, and help motivate kids to read more.



Photos by Mark Ash





# History Corner

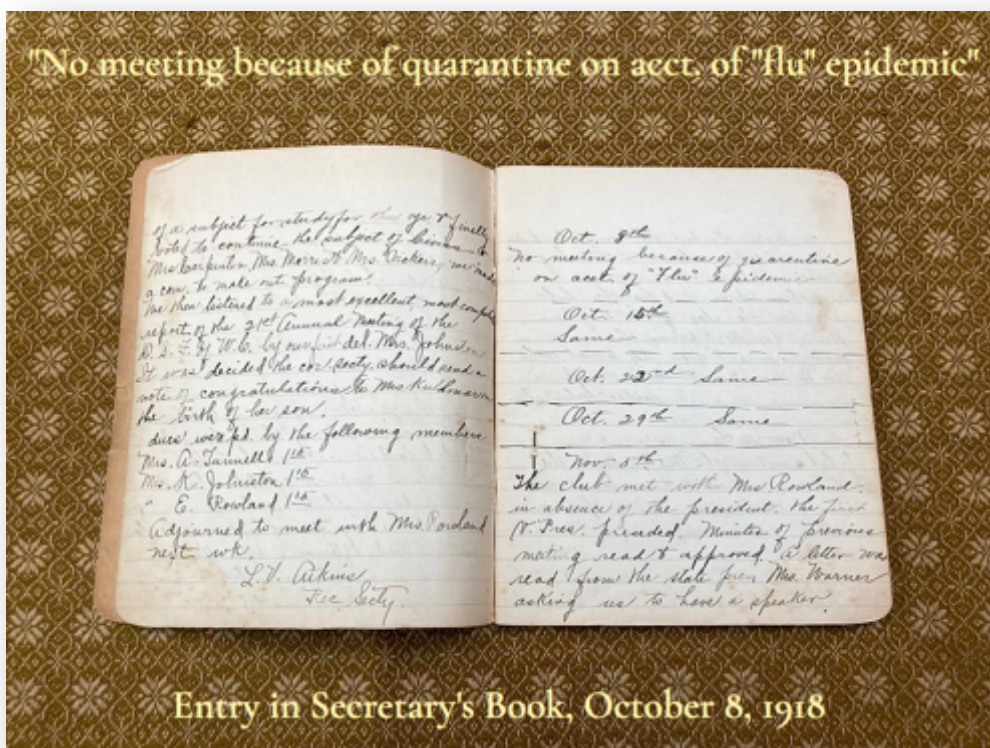
Nancy H. Phillips, Club Historian

1932-1934

President Emma Rowland

The Great Depression had arrived during these club years. Due to the Depression, attendance was very low at club meetings. The club programs centered around health care, conservation, Farmer's Relief Bill and Welfare and Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) . Many local Lewes and Rehoboth men worked in the CCC Corps building highways , planting trees or applying mosquito control. Reciprocity teas and President's luncheons took place every year. The club donated money to a Tuberculosis Sanitarium to maintain a hospital for the needy.

In 1932, the clubhouse became a lending library. Members could purchase books at a very low cost or borrow books for \$.25 each. The club made an effort to increase their programs in order to bring more members out to the meetings. Musicals were held monthly. Dr. Hocker, local physician, spoke about his visit to the "Century of Progress Exposition", which was the Chicago World's Fair held from 1933-1934. The theme of the fair was technological innovation. The motto was " Science Finds , Industry Applies , Man Adapts. " Science and the American way of life meshed together.



"No meeting because of quarantine on acct. of 'flu' epidemic"

From our club  
archives housed  
at the Lewes  
Historical Society.

Photo by Kathy Cochran

Entry in Secretary's Book, October 8, 1918

# Hours Recording



If you have not already done so, please submit your January, February and March hours to Vickie as soon as possible. [vmbarrier@gmail.com](mailto:vmbarrier@gmail.com)

If you are not sure under which category your hours belong, just describe what project you were working on. Time selling geraniums should be reported.

Please be prepared to submit this information each month when it is requested. It is very important to document the hard work of our club members.



## Communications and Public Relations

*Chair: Kathy Cochran*

*Please contact Kathy to  
take pictures of any club activities  
you may be participating in.*



# Education

Chair: Sue Olkowski



Thank You Note  
from  
Erin Bendler,  
our nursing  
scholarship  
recipient.

TO the kind people from Zwaanendael,  
Thank you so much for your  
generous scholarship. I appreciate  
the assistance in helping me complete  
my nursing education. This means  
the world to me. I promise to  
continue to do well and make  
you proud'.  
Sincerely,  
Erin Bendler



## Save the Date



## GFWC DSFWC 2021 Convention

### *"Seasons of Change"*

Wednesday, May 12, 2021

One-day Only

Wild Quail Country Club  
Camden (Dover)

(This is officially the Kent County Convention)

*Please note that the date has been changed from that announced previously due to availability of meeting space.*

Dear Ladies,

We are hoping to have a great turn out. I think everyone is ready to see old friends and make new ones and there will be plenty of opportunity to do that even in our one-day format. We will observe all covid 19 protocols – masking and social distancing. This one will be different, but it will still be fun and informative, especially for those who have never attended!

***Rita Hollada***

GFWC DSFWC President

**Program Includes:** Annual Awards; **Celebration of Life**, honoring all members who have left us between Convention 2019 and May 12, 2021; and **New Member Recognition**, Recognizing new members who joined in 2020 and 2021 since we were unable to hold Membership Luncheons either year.

**Raffles and Vendors:** Included in the fun will be basket raffles, a 50/50 drawing, and vendors from local shops.

**Program Ads Available:** ½ page is \$50 and a full page is \$100. These can be ads for businesses or ads to honor your club president, oldest member, special project chairman or anybody else!

### The Official Call, Registration Information, and Hotel Information will be issued soon.

This meeting will not require an overnight stay, but we will have hotel rooms available for those who wish to stay on either the 11<sup>th</sup> or the 12<sup>th</sup>. With daylight savings time in effect, we will conclude in time for most attendees to drive home in twilight, but if you want a little getaway, a hotel stay may be welcomed.

For Details  
and Registration  
See Pages 18-21

# Yard Sale

## Saturday, June 5

Please save your unwanted treasures for us.  
Drop off details to follow.



Committee Chairs:  
Please Take Note of  
Newsletter Deadline

Please submit information for the newsletter to  
[KathyJoCochran@comcast.net](mailto:KathyJoCochran@comcast.net)

**The deadline for the May newsletter is  
Monday, May 10.**

*The newsletter is emailed to members mid-month  
and can also be found on the club website.*

# Thank You Notes

See  
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## HOBY YOUTH LEADERSHIP

2020-2021  
HOBY  
Delaware  
Board

Christine Kurz  
President

Sue Davis  
Treasurer

Carter Thompson  
Secretary

Emma Miller  
Sue Davis  
Co-Chairs  
Fund Raising

Chris Talamini-  
Kelenon  
Kelly Winters  
Seminar Co-Chairs

Molly Fulton  
Ananya Singh  
CUEW Co-Chairs

Hannah Cote  
Alumni Chair

Carolynn Riter  
WLE Coordinator

Chris Hall  
Website Master

Rita Hollada  
DSFWC President

EMPOWER  
LEAD  
EXCEL

February 20, 2021

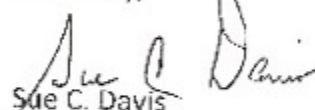
GFWC- Zwaanendael Women's Club  
P O Box 100  
Lewes, DE 19958

Dear Zwaanendael Women's Club:

Thank you for your contribution (check #1516) of \$395.00 in support of HOBY Delaware. Enclosed is a check for \$170 to correct the amount of sponsoring one student for the 2021 virtual HOBY seminar.

Your support of Delaware's youth in learning leadership skills is refreshing and commendable. Because of your contribution, we can provide our state's youth with the opportunity to learn necessary leadership skills and development a commitment to give back to their community locally, nationally and worldwide.

Sincerely,

  
Sue C. Davis  
HOBY DE Treasurer

HOBY Delaware  
[www.hobydelaware.com](http://www.hobydelaware.com)  
P O Box 526  
Middletown, DE 19709



LIGHTHOUSE FOR BROKEN WINGS

179 Rehoboth Avenue #123  
Rehoboth Beach, DE 19971

2/5/2021

GPWC - Zwaanendael Women's Club  
PO Box 100  
Lewes, DE 19958

Dear GPWC - Zwaanendael Women's Club,

On behalf of the Board of Directors and volunteers of the Lighthouse for Broken Wings, thank you for your gift of \$50 for our Sheltering Heart fundraiser. Your support enables us to fulfill our mission, to help those without a roof over their heads and a warm bed to sleep in.

Gifts enable the Lighthouse for Broken Wings to provide Code Purple emergency housing during the winter months for all of the individuals who have no home. The program uses the holistic approach of wrap-around assistance including medical, psychiatric and occupational therapy services.

Homelessness continues to increase. As of January 2019, Delaware had an estimated 921 experiencing homelessness on any given day, as reported by Continuums of Care to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). We will work with each individual that comes into our program to help them improve their housing situation.

Thank you for joining us in the fight against homelessness!

Sincerely,

*Connie*

Connie Holdridge

Treasurer

In accordance with IRS regulations, we signify that the Lighthouse for Broken Wings has not provided goods or services in exchange for your gift.

The Lighthouse for Broken Wings is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization.  
Tax ID: 47-5152481  
Phone number 302-727-3178 - lighthouseforbrokenwings@gmail.com



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# Convention Information

## **CALL TO THE GFWC DSFWC 124th ANNUAL CONVENTION "Seasons of Change" May 11 and 12, 2021**

**Article XII. Section 3.** The Executive Board, delegates from the clubs in active membership, and one representative of each club or organization in Association Membership, shall constitute the voting body of the annual member.

**Section 4.** Clubs in active membership shall be entitled to representation.

a. Clubs with 10 members or more shall be entitled to representation.

**Follows:** 10 to 50- 1 delegate: 51-100- 2 delegates: 101-150- 3 delegates: 151-200- 4 delegates: 201-250- 5 delegates.

b. If less than 10 members, the club president or her representative shall be the representative at GFWC DSFWC State meetings and Conventions.

c. The following shall be entitled to vote by virtue of her office: Directors, Standing and Special Committee Chairmen and Past GFWC DSFWC Presidents.

d. No delegates shall vote unless wearing a delegate's badge. An alternate, in the absence of her delegate, if wearing a delegate's badge, shall be entitled to the rights and privileges of a delegate.

**Section 5.** Members of the clubs in ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP and ASSOCIATE ORGANIZATIONS belonging to the GFWC DSFWC may attend the Annual Meeting upon payment of visitor's fee.

### **The 124th GFWC DSFWC STATEWIDE CONVENTION COMMITTEE**

GFWC DSFWC President: Rita Hollada, Selbyville Community Club

Kent County Vice President: Gladys Hill, Clayton Century Club

Convention Chairman: Trish Rodriguez, GFWC Federation Guild

Registration/ Credentials: Betty Truitt, GFWC Acorn Club of Seaford

Program Book: Linda King, Women's Club of Milton

Music: Jan Conant, VIA of Rehoboth Beach

Advertising Chairman: Stephanie Brown, Women's Club of Odessa

Fundraising: Christy Swiger, GFWC Women's Club of Indian River; Trish Rodriguez

Vendors: Carolyn Forbes, Dover Century Club

Hostess for GFWC Guest: Carla Pyle, New Castle County Vice-President, Women's Club of Odessa, Inc.

### **HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS (OPTIONAL)**

Hotel - Main Stay Suites, Dover Rt. 113- (near the Blue Hen Mall)

Tuesday, May 11 & Wednesday, May 12

Suites - \$65 plus tax / night (pay at check in/out)

All rooms are suites. (8 rooms reserved)

Contact Trish Rodriguez 302 222 0454 c. For reservations

### **MEAL RESERVATIONS**

An Event and Meal Registration Form is enclosed. Fill out this form. Please enclose a check payable to GFWC DSFWC and mail to Betty Truitt, 200 Marion Drive, Seaford, DE 19973

### **DEADLINE FOR MEAL RESERVATIONS IS APRIL 30, 2021**

A late fee of \$5.00 will be added to forms received after April 30, 2021.

## REGISTRATION 9:00 AM

All members of clubs in Active Membership may attend the Convention upon payment of registration fee, but do not have voting rights. REGISTRATION FEE FOR ALL DELEGATES will be \$10.00. NO DELEGATE SHALL REPRESENT MORE THAN ONE ORGANIZATION.

Vendors will be set up on Wednesday, May 12, 2021. Be sure to take advantage of the great items and shop early. Vendor hours are from 9am to 6:30pm.

## TENTATIVE CONVENTION SCHEDULE

### Tuesday, May 11, 2021:

**6:30 PM:** Preconvention group dinner, if interested check the line on the registration form.

### Wednesday, May 12, 2021:

**9:30 AM:** The 124th GFWC DSFWC Convention convenes with the opening ceremonies and Installation Luncheon.

**6:30 PM:** Patio Reception for GFWC President-Elect Deb Strahanoski and DSFWC President Rita Hollada

## CONVENTION MEALS

### Tuesday, May 11, 2021

**6:30 PM: Pre-Convention dinner. Place to be determined**

Pre-Convention Dinner (order from the menu – separate guest checks)

Contact: Pre-Dinner Chairman - Charlotte Lister (302) 270-0927 after March 17th.

### Wednesday, May 12, 2021

**12:30 PM Banquet Buffet:**

\$35.00

Roasted Rosemary Marinated Chicken  
Sliced Roast Beef with herb demi-glace  
Roasted Yukon Potatoes  
Mixed Vegetables  
Salad and Dinner Rolls  
Desserts: Tiramisu & Cannoli  
Beverages: Coffee, Tea, Iced Tea

**Patio Reception** for GFWC President-Elect, Deb Strahanoski and DSFWC President Rita Hollada

Hors D'oeuvres:

\$25.00

-Mini Crab Cakes  
- Vegetable Spring Rolls  
- Assorted Mini Quiche  
- Mini Chicken Cordon Bleu

Cash Bar

**VEGAN, VEGETARIAN AND SPECIAL NEEDS OPTIONS WILL BE AVAILABLE  
INDICATE NEEDS ON REGISTRATION FORM**

**Fundraising Events: "Golf Ball Drop" Balls sold for \$5 each, 5 for \$20, 8 for \$30**

**Basket Raffle: Chances sold for \$5, Basket Value \$100 plus**

**Number Boards for Cash Prizes**

**124th Annual GFWC DSFWC Convention 2021**  
**"Seasons of Change" Registration Form**

**DEADLINE DATE:** April 30, 2021

**NO REFUNDS AFTER THIS DATE. LATE FEE OF \$5.00 ADDED AFTER DEADLINE**

**MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO GFWC DSFWC.** Mail the registration form with your check to  
Betty Truitt, 200 Marion Drive, Seaford, DE 19973

**Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Cell #:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Club Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **( ) First Time Attendee?**

Are you a voting delegate? Please check one Yes ( ) No ( )

GFWC DSFWC Office or Chairmanship held: \_\_\_\_\_

Club Office or Chairmanship held \_\_\_\_\_

In case of emergency, who should be contacted: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Registration Fee (Paid by all who attend any function) \$10.00 \_\_\_\_\_

**Tuesday, May 11**

Pre-Convention Dinner Interested? yes ( ) no ( )

**Wednesday, May 12**

**GFWC DSFWC 124<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention/Annual Meeting**

**Luncheon Buffet:** \$35.00 \_\_\_\_\_

**Patio Reception** \$25.00 \_\_\_\_\_

**Credit from February Board meeting** minus credit \_\_\_\_\_

*Note: All meal prices include tax and gratuity. Alcohol not included.* **TOTAL** \_\_\_\_\_

Please list any food allergies or special dietary needs \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Please keep a copy of this registration form for your reference.





GFWC DSFWC  
124th Annual Convention  
Wednesday, May 12, 2021

## Attention All Z Club Members!

Please help us sell these  
**RAFFLE TICKETS and GOLF BALL CHANCES**

NEED NOT BE PRESENT TO WIN.

**Before APRIL 30!**

Please send an email to **VICKIE BURRIER** and let her know how many  
**RAFFLE TICKETS** you want to buy and  
**HOW MANY GOLF BALL CHANCES** you'd like to buy.  
Then, please send her a check made out to **Z CLUB**  
for the amount you purchased.

[ymburrier@gmail.com](mailto:ymburrier@gmail.com)

Mail your check to:  
**Vickie Burrier, 33753 Caddie's Way, Millsboro, DE 19966**

**THANK YOU!**

### BASKET RAFFLE TICKETS

**\$2.00 each / 3 for \$5.00**

3 baskets are being raffled; one provided by each of the three counties.  
The Sussex County Basket value \$115 in cash plus exquisite items.

### GOLF BALL DROP

Ball closest to the cup wins a **CASH PRIZE**  
**\$5.00 per Entry/Ball**

Vickie will assign you a **NUMBER** from those we have to sell.  
Give her your best telephone number to reach you.

The Wild Quail County Golf Pro will place all the **NUMBERED BALLS** that were sold into a **NET**.  
The **NET** will be Dropped onto a Golf Course Green.  
The Ball that rolls into the golf cup and is at the bottom of the cup will win A **CASH PRIZE**.  
If a ball does not roll into the golf cup, the ball closest to the pin will be called the winner.  
The **WQCC Golf Pro** will make the final decision.

**Golf Ball Drop Sold Out**