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CELEBRATING 73 YEARS OF CHARITY



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SEPTEMBER 2025 NEWSLETTER

MEMBERSHIP MEETING – 7:00 PM, TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2025

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE: Hello to all of our members and Board Members! Welcome to a year of GREAT possibilities. Our fundraisers are underway to raise money for our local charities and families in need which is the mission for all of our efforts. Thank you in advance for all you do! Your President, Victoria Reesman

MEMBERSHIP MEETING: Please join us on Tuesday, September 2, at 7:00 p.m. followed by our Pizza Party and Meet & Greet Fellowship. We look forward to seeing you at our first meeting and social hour in 2025-2026.

BACK TO THE 80'S DANCE PARTY: Tease up your hair and come party at O'Connell Gardens on Saturday, October 18th at 7:30 pm. \$65.00 includes dinner, dessert, beverages, and DJ! Best dressed wins a prize so pull out those cut-off shirts, spandex, and leg warmers. RSVP to Lina Fusco, PP at 516-343-2956 by October 4, 2025.

BOOZY RADIO MUSIC BINGO BRUNCH: Sunday, November 9th, O'Connell Gardens, 1:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. Doors open at 1:00 p.m. \$50 includes brunch, boozy refreshments, and DJ entertainment. Please RSVP by November 2nd-contact Kim Marchetti, PP 516-448-4606.

CHRISTMAS LOUIS VUITTON & CHANEL RAFFLE FUNDRAISER: \$20 per raffle ticket. One lucky winner will choose either the Louis Vuitton or Chanel "WOC" designer bag or the Cash Value of \$3,000.00. The Prize drawing date is December 9, 2026. For tickets, contact Vanessa Ambrosecchia, PP, 516-551-5276 or email vsellhomes@gmail.com. Mail Payment(s) to Vanessa Ambrosecchia PP, Christmas Raffle, 2985 Kenneth Pl, Oceanside, NY 11572. For more information, please contact Jean Hegmann VP at 516-316-3155 or by email at Jcaph420@gmail.com. Share with your family, friends & neighbors.

RAFFLE DONATIONS: Please know that your raffle donations this past year very much contributed to the success of our charitable fundraising. Donations that you can make to help with this year's fundraising events will be sincerely appreciated. We are asking for donations of "scratch-offs" for September. There will be a table set aside at each Membership Meeting where you can leave anything you can contribute.

MEMBERSHIP DUES 2025/2026: Please see Financial Secretary, Amy Bermudez, PP with your annual \$20.00 membership dues for this calendar year before 12/01/2025 to be in good standing. Dues may be paid at membership meetings, by mail or by Venmo. If you have not paid your dues for 2024/2025 you are in jeopardy of being removed from membership (See By-Laws). Pay by Venmo@Lax3481 or by check payable to Ladies Auxiliary. If by mail, send your check to Ladies Auxiliary, Attn: Amy Bermudez PP FS, 2985 Kenneth Pl, Oceanside, NY 11572 and include your phone # and a self-addressed stamped envelope. If you need to update your contact information, email Amy Bermudez at Amystilesbermudez@gmail.com or Dorothy Episcopia at dmeliny4512@gmail.com or 516-695-6921. If you have any questions, please contact Amy at 516-384-9566. A list of members not in good standing will go out February 2026.

LIFETIME MEMBER 2025/2026: If you are 80 years old by September 2, 2025, you will be a "Lifetime Member", and your dues will be waived. You must provide proof of age to Amy Bermudez, PP, FS at [516-384-9566](tel:516-384-9566).

FRATERNAL ASSISTANCE: If there is a sister in need of Financial Assistance through our Fraternal Assistance Program, please call FS Amy Bermudez, PP at 516-384-9566. All requests for help are always kept confidential.

SUNSHINE, SICK & VIGIL: If you know of a member who is sick, in need of prayers or has had a recent death in the family, please contact Lisa James, PP at 516-305-1110 or by email at mistylee109@yahoo.com.

****SCAM ALERT**:** Do not be tricked by scammers asking for Gift Cards, eBay Cards, or Money. No member of the Auxiliary would ever ask you to send gift cards or money! For info, call Vanessa Ambrosecchia, PP, at 516-551-5276.

AUXILIARY CALENDAR 2025-2026

(All meetings are held on the first Tuesday of every month and will begin at 7:00 pm unless otherwise noted.)

September 2, 2025	Membership Meeting, Pizza Party, and Meet & Greet Fellowship	February 28, 2026	Murder Mystery Dinner
October 7, 2025	Membership Meeting, Reconsecration Ceremony, and Halloween Party	March 3, 2026	Membership Meeting and St. Patrick's Day Celebration
October 18, 2025	Back to the 80's Dance	April 7, 2026	Membership Meeting and Pinwheel Making for Memorial Day Parade
November 4, 2025	Membership Meeting and Potluck Appetizers & Desserts	April 19, 2026	Designer Bag Bingo at O'Connell Gardens
November 9, 2025	Radio Music Bingo at O'Connell Gardens	May 5, 2026	Membership Meeting 6:45 p.m. and Lady of the Year Celebration
December 9, 2025	Membership Meeting 6:30 p.m. and Christmas Party	May (TBA)	Memorial Day Parade
January 6, 2026	Membership Meeting and Sneaky Santa	June 2, 2026	Membership Meeting 6:45 p.m. and Installation of Officers
February 3, 2026	Membership Meeting and Valentine Wreath Making		

KNIGHTS' CORNER

OKTOBERFEST: Saturday, September 20, 2:00 pm - 6:00 pm, outdoors at O'Connell Gardens

GRAND KNIGHT INSTALLATION: Sunday, September 28. 9:30 Mass at St. Anthony's followed by Installation Ceremony at O'Connell Gardens

CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING: Tuesday, December 2, at O'Connell Gardens

BINGO: Every Wednesday - Doors open at 6:00 p.m. - O'Connell Gardens.

Dorothy Episcopia, Newsletter Editor
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