The Mirage Women’s Club

The Mirage Women’s Club was formed February 14, 2000. Its membership ranges in an average of 325 ladies. This group of women are residents of Four Seasons at Mirage in Barnegat, NJ, an Active Adult Community of 1,203 homes. The motto of the club is, “A Time To Give Back”, and that is exactly what they do!

Meeting ten times a year (summers off) the women hold various fundraisers in order to fund and accomplish their motto. Fundraisers range from Fashion Shows, Plant/Vegetable Sales, Treasure Sales at Pirate’s Day, prize raffles at meetings, “Let’s Go Shopping Day” (a vendors fair held in our clubhouse) and Do Wop Dances with Entertainment.

Our current fundraiser is our 10th Anniversary Cookbook. Our Cookbook is titled, “Recipes and Remembrances” and has over 425 recipes, all tested tried and true, from women of not only the Women’s Club but also from residents within our Adult Community. The cost is $15 which includes mailing. Proceeds from the Cookbook will go toward two Barnegat High School Graduates. This is the 6th year these Scholarships are being awarded.

Additionally, donations are made yearly to local non-profit organizations such as Barnegat Food Pantry, First Aid Squad, Fire and Police Departments. Donations also have been sent annually to Ocean County Make A Wish Foundation, Oceans of Love, St. Vincent de Paul Society, Harbor House, St. Francis Rape Crisis Center, Providence House and Habitat for Humanity to name but a few of the local organizations. The Mirage Women’s Club has also contributed whenever disaster has struck such as Katrina, Haiti and 9/11. Over the ten years monies have been distributed to charities for the needy in excess of $105,000.

But, that is not the all of it. Food is collected monthly totally over 300 bags yearly and distributed to our two local food banks, cancelled stamps are collected and sent to Veterans Hospitals for use in therapy, old cell phones collected and given to Providence House to be recycled as 911 emergency calls for women living and/or trying to escape abusive relationships, old eyeglasses are collected and sent to Eyes For The Needy, and a group of our ladies knit hats for newborns and cancer patients, lap robes for wheelchair patients, glove, hat and scarf sets for those in need.

Companionship, friendship and compassion reign supreme among the hard working loyal volunteers of The Mirage Women’s Club.

To order your copy of “Recipes and Remembrances” and help support our community, send your $15 check (which includes shipping), to

“The Mirage Women’s Club Cookbook
Four Seasons at Mirage
1 Esplande Drive, Barnegat, NJ 08005-5566

The Mirage Women’s Club celebrate their 10th birthday with current and past presidents cutting the birthday cake. From left: Johanna Lee, Gloria Prokap (current president), and Jane R. DeMarzo.

Jane R. DeMarzo, Volunteer, The Mirage Women’s Club
Since my relocation to Ocean County eleven years ago I have been actively involved in both my Adult Community and Women’s Club. In my Community, I’ve held the position of Chairperson for many a Committee, instituted numerous activities (all of which are too many to list here) and been voted into a Trustee position by majority vote. I was instrumental in relocation of power lines being moved to outside my Community by working with town officials and the BPU. I am a Charter Member of The Mirage Women’s Club, Past V.P. (2 yrs.), Past President (6 yrs.) and am currently Cookbook Chairperson. I was selected and honored as, “Exceptional Woman of the Year 2005” by local Ocean County businesses and radio stations.

The pool at the Mirage is a welcome attraction for residents in the summer-time.

The Four Seasons at Mirage, an Active Adult Community, is a gated community located in Barnegat, Ocean County.
For information call (609) 607-1500