

JUNIORS *in Action*



What Did We Do?

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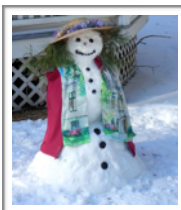
Can you Dig It? Mother Nature has been brutal to New Englanders this winter. The month of February has been one blizzard after another. We were forced to cancel our February business meeting as well as our January board meeting.

In January, our members nominated Denise Wheeler for the Martha Michalewicz Award and Cindy Brogan for the Marilyn Perry Award. Good luck girls. We hope you both win!

Even though our February meeting was canceled, we successfully made and delivered 1,076 Hershey Kiss cards to our local nursing homes; Longmeadow, Taunton Nursing home, The Arbors, Marion Manor, Raynham Life Center, Wedgemere, Dighton Nursing home and Bethany House as well as to Peggy's Place, Our Daily Bread, and the Samaritan House, and to the VA Hospital in Brockton.



We submitted to the State's Art Challenge for January our hand made snowman of which we had an abundance of ready made snow and for February a beautiful silk flower arrangement created by Joyce Clark. Just lovely.



But the weather did not stop us from our now famous February Tea. This year's theme was Winter in Paris Ooh La La!



The pictures speak for themselves. Kudos to Nancy Brown and her team, Brenda Sabin, Denise Wheeler, Fran Perry, Lynn Jorge who presented a taste and vision of Paris.

Magnifique!

<i>March Hospitality</i>	<i>April Hospitality</i>	<i>May Hospitality</i>
<i>Edie Edlund (C)</i>	<i>Joyce Clark (C)</i>	<i>Darlene Brown (C)</i>
<i>Paula Gasparoni</i>	<i>Lynne Jorge</i>	<i>Dolores Costa</i>

Our Board Members

Cindy Leonard, President ~ Cindy Brogan, Vice President ~ Lynne Jorge, Recording Secretary ~ Joanna Alden, Corresponding Secretary ~ Vel Bleau, Treasurer ~ Joan Curran, Auditor ~ Susan Carlson, Director

Upcoming Events

Our **Soup Sampler** will be held on Saturday, March 28 from noon to 2:00. What soup will you make?

Due to Mother Nature, we have reschedule the **Relay for Life Shopping Event** at Bella Roma for Thursday, April 2. Looking for volunteers to man our Membership table at the in Taunton. _ See Lynne Jorge or Fran Perry for more information.

Make note on your calendar that we will not have a September business meeting so that members can attend

the New England Regional Conference on September 11 - 13. Instead our business meeting will be held on **Monday, August 31**.

We are donating the following **art supplies** to Martin Middle school. Please bring to our March meeting: Expo markers, letter stencils, mechanical pencils, small journal note pads, thin or thick markers, black sharpies, eraser caps, crayons, and pencil sharpeners.

Women's History Month

March is Women's History Month and we would like to highlight and applaud the life of Rosa Parks. An inspirational woman who bravely stood up for her rights in the midst of bus segregation and other inequalities of blacks.

By refusing to give up her seat to a white man on a Montgomery, Alabama, city bus in 1955, black seamstress Rosa Parks (1913—2005) helped initiate the civil rights movement in the United States. The leaders of the local black community organized a bus boycott that began the day Parks was convicted of violating the segregation laws. Led by a young Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., the boycott lasted more than a year—during which Parks not coincidentally lost her job—and ended only when the U.S. Supreme Court ruled that bus segregation was unconstitutional.

Over the next half-century, Parks became a nationally recognized symbol of dignity and strength in the struggle to end entrenched racial segregation. In 1999, Parks was awarded the Congressional Gold Medal, the highest honor the United States bestows on a civilian. (Other recipients have included George Washington, Thomas Edison, Betty Ford and Mother Teresa.) When she died at age 92 on October 24, 2005, she became the first woman in the nation's history to lie in state at the U.S. Capitol.

You can read more about this brave woman who helped change history; "Rosa Parks: My Story", "Rosa Parks: A Life", "Journey from Jim Crow: The Desegregation of Southern Transit".



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March

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	Jrs. Business Meeting @ 7:00 pm	History Book Meeting 				
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
		History Book Meeting 				
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
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	Jrs. Board Meeting @ 6:30 pm			Relay for Life Shopping Party		

February

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Committees

ARTS - NANCY CLARK - THIS MONTH'S ART CHALLENGE IS TO COLLECT AND DONATE ART SUPPLIES FOR A LOCAL SCHOOL'S ART DEPARTMENT. WE HAVE SELECTED TAUNTON'S MARTIN MIDDLE SCHOOL TO DONATE ART SUPPLIES.

CONSERVATION - DENISE WHEELER - WE WILL BE COLLECTING BRAS, ANY SIZE * ANY KIND OF SHOE OR SNEAKER MENS, WOMEN'S AND CHILDREN'S * BOTTLE CAPS * COSTUME JEWELRY TO BE USED AT OUR YARD SALE TO SELL * LIGHTLY USED CLOTHING * OLD BLANKETS AND TOWELS FOR THE ANIMAL SHELTER. ALSO, SAVE ALL HOLIDAY CARDS FOR THE GOOD GRIEF PROGRAM THROUGH ST. JUDES. DON'T FORGET WE **RECYCLE** NEARLY EVERYTHING!

EDUCATION - NANCY MARTIN - DONATE A PAPERBACK DICTIONARY, A SPANISH/ENGLISH DICTIONARY OR A THESAURUS FOR THE PRISON BOOK PROGRAM. BRING BOOKS YOU'VE READ TO SWAP WITH OTHER MEMBERS. THE STATE BOOK CLUB IS READING 'BOYS IN THE BOAT' BY JAMES EARL BROWN. BOOK CLUB WILL BE MEETING IN SUDBURY ON MARCH 31.

FUNDRAISING - DENISE WHEELER - WE'RE ALWAYS LOOKING FOR ITEMS TO CREATE OUR FAMOUS RAFFLE BASKETS. NEXT FUNDRAISER IS OUR SOUP SAMPLER AT THE TAUNTON VFW ON SATURDAY, MARCH 28.

HOME LIFE - NANCY BROWN - WE ARE ALWAYS COLLECTING FOR HOMELESS SHELTERS, REMEMBERING THE ELDERLY, HANDICAPPED, MATTHEW 25:40 BLESSING BAGS, DIGHTON NURSING HOME AND OTHERS IN NEED. SO SAVE * PUZZLES (500 PCS OR LESS) * TOILETRIES * BOARD GAMES * CRAFT SUPPLIES * KNITTED LAP ROBES FOR SENIORS * AND BRING IN CEREAL AND CANNED GOODS AND INDIVIDUAL TISSUE PACKETS, COOKIES AND CRACKERS TO DONATE.

INTERNATIONAL OUTREACH - CINDY BROGAN - KEEP THOSE PENS AND PENCILS AND STAMPS AND HOLIDAY CARDS COMING TO BE DONATE TO A CATHOLIC MISSION IN INDIA * WHITE SOCKS FOR A HONDURAS MISSION * LOOSE CHANGE FOR HEIFER INTERNATIONAL.

LEADERSHIP - NANCY BROWN - DO YOU HAVE WHAT IT TAKES TO BE A LEADER. OF COURSE YOU DO. THAT'S WHY YOU'RE A JUNIOR!

MEMBERSHIP - JOYCE CLARK - HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THELMA MCCAFFREY, JOAN CURRAN, PAULA RICHARDS AND BARBARA SPENCER. ANY MEMBER WHO HAS A NEW ADDRESS, PHONE NUMBER OR E-MAIL ADDRESS LET US KNOW.

PUBLICITY - NANCY BROWN - DID YOU SEE OUR ANNOUNCEMENT OF OUR SOUP SAMPLER IN THE RAYNHAM BUZZ AND IN THE TAUNTON GAZETTE? CHECK OUT THE BUZZ FOR OUR EVENTS LISTED. PLEASE SAVE ANY NEWSPAPER ARTICLES INCLUDING PAGE AND DATE.

PUBLIC ISSUES - ROBIN GENDRON - WE ARE STILL MAKING THE VETERAN TAGS WITH THE RECYCLED FLAG STARS. WE WILL SEND VALENTINE DAY HERSHEY KISS CARDS TO LOCAL NURSING HOMES AND A BOX OF CHOCOLATES TO THE VETS AT THE VA HOSPITAL IN BROCKTON.

PROGRAMS - JOANNA ALDEN - THE MARCH GUEST SPEAKER WILL BE CHERISE HOAK WHO WILL SPEAK TO US ABOUT THE IMPORTANCE OF BEES WHO ARE VITAL TO OUR ECOSYSTEM AND TO FOOD PRODUCTION.

