Volume 1

JUNIORS' IN ACTION





UPCOMING

GFWC TAUNTON AND RAYNHAM JUNIORS MEMBER OF THE GENERAL FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS





Juniors 2011 Holiday Party

eting at Our 2011 Juniors Holiday Party was held at Pub 76 in Taunton.

> Our Vice President, Jane Pittsley opened the evening with a warm welcome to everyone. We had a fabulous buffet and excellent desserts followed by our annual installation of our new 2012 Board members.

We welcome back our President, Nancy Clark. See more on our new Board Members on Page 2.



January 2, 2012: Business Meeting at The Arbors at 7:00 pm.

MEETINGS & EVENTS

January 30, 2012: Board Meeting at The Arbors at 7:00 pm.

February 6: Business Meeting at The Arbors at 7:00 pm.

February 12: Valentine Tea at the VFW Hall in Taunton.

HOSPITALITY

February 2012 - Joan Curran (C) and Deb Brennan

March 2012 - Denise Wheeler (C) and Peggy Smith

Monthly Prize contributor for January: Deb Brennan



THE CHRISTMAS CITY 2011

The Taunton & Raynham Juniors Christmas Tree proudly stood on the Taunton Green.



Treasurer, Nancy Martin.

GIFT EXCHANGE

Bring a gift, get a gift. Surprise someone and yourself with a small gift in return.



CONGRATULATIONS

* Remember to pay your 2012 dues before January 15, 2012.

Dues have increased to \$30. Make your check payable to

GFWC Taunton & Raynham Juniors and forward to our

Good going to those who had Perfect Attendance in 2011!

2012 GFWC TAUNTON & RAYNHAM JUNIORS BOARD MEMBERS















We welcome the 2012 GFWC Taunton and Raynham Juniors Officers

Our new 2012 Officers were sworn in at our Annual Holiday Party held at Pub 76 in Taunton. We congratulate our new and returning Officers and vow to support and continue to encourage them through 2012.

Please welcome back our President, Nancy Clark, our new Vice President, Cindy Burch, our returning Recording Secretary, Joyce Clark and Corresponding Secretary, Denise Wheeler, our new Treasurer, Nancy Martin, new Auditor, Nancy Brown and returning Director, Cindy Brogan.

SAVE THE DATE: JANUARY 15, 2012

Your Juniors membership dues of \$30 is due no later than January 15. Make checks payable to GFWC Taunton & Raynham Juniors and give or mail to Nancy Martin.

SAVE THE DATE: FEBRUARY 6, 2012

We will be putting together bags of Hershey Kisses to deliver to local nursing homes and the VA Hospital. Bring bags of Hershey Kisses, small clear gift bags and ribbon and we will package them up after the business meeting.

SAVE THE DATE: FEBRUARY 12, 2012

Our Valentine Tea will be held Saturday, the 12th at the VFW hall on Ingel Street. More details coming soon.

Recipe of the Month

Submitted by Vel Bleau

This recipe is one of my favorites and came from my grandmother's family. They usually served this on Christmas Eve.

- 2 2 1/2 lbs. of Flounder
- 1/2 cup of chopped onion
- 1/2 cup of diced celery
- 1/4 cup chopped garlic
- 1 can of mushrooms (optional)
- 1/2 lb. crabmeat (shredded)
- 1 can of small baby shrimp (drained)
- 2 cans of cream of mushroom soup
- 1/2 cup chicken broth

- 1/4 cup of water
- 8 ozs. of shredded cheddar cheese
- 4 pkgs. of Ritz Crackers
- 1 stick of butter (melted)
- olive oil (enough to saute)
- juice from 1/2 of a lemon
- ~ 1/2 to 1 cup of hot water
- salt, pepper, paprika and parsley

Stuffing

- Crush Ritz crackers very fine
- Saute onion, celery, garlic and mushrooms in oil and add to crackers
- Add shredded crabmeat and shrimp and add lemon juice, salt and pepper
- Stir in melted butter
- Add hot water to form consistency for stuffing
- Sprinkle fillets with salt, pepper and paprika
- Place a tablespoon of stuffing mixture on top of fillet, roll and secure with toothpicks
- Place stuffed flounders in a buttered rectangular baking dish
- Combine soup, broth and water and blend well and pour over fillets and sprinkle with cheese
- Cover and bake 400* for 30 minutes
- Sprinkle with parsley and return to oven uncovered for 5 minutes. Serve over rice.

COMMITTEES

Conservation - OPEN

- We recycle! See our website for a list of all items. www.gfwctauntonraynhamjuniors.org/conservation.aspx
- Darlene is collecting yarn of any type except fun fur or eyelash for a lady she knows who can make baby sets for Birthright.
 Denise knows someone who can use eyelash and fun fur yarn.
- Darlene's church is collecting clean used blankets, hats, gloves, mittens, socks, sweatshirts, scarves, thick socks, large mittens, soap, and small and large duffle bags for needy families. Socks, soap, and duffle bags are especially needed.
- Nancy Martin is collecting men's clothing for a homeless shelter.

Education - Cindy Brogan

- Book Swap: Bring books you have read to swap with others or donate to Friends of the Library.
- Prison Book Program: Donate a paperback dictionary or thesaurus.

Homelife - Denise Wheeler

- Samaritan House is requesting sample size toiletries and toothbrushes and other small personal needs.
- $\stackrel{\checkmark}{=}$ <u>Pride, Inc.</u>: board games and craft supplies (see website) for their dayhab center.
- Raynhan Food Basket: cereal
- *<u>St. Vincent dePaul:</u>* two or more canned goods.
- *Main Spring House:* a shelter in Brockton is requesting bar soap.
- <u>A Women's Concern:</u> collecting change
- *Winslow Farm:* D batteries, flash lights and canned yams. For more information on how you can help, go to <u>www.winslowfarm.com</u>

International Outreach - Nancy Clark

- $\stackrel{\smile}{=}\,$ Bring pens and pencils for a catholic mission in India.
- $\stackrel{\scriptstyle{\bigcirc}}{=}$ Save stamps and Christmas cards for India missions.
- The Junior International Outreach Project will be collecting change for *Water Centric*, an organization that helps provide sanitation facilities for 300 schools in India.

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COMMITTEES

Public Issues - OPEN

- Taunton Federal Credit Union is collecting teddy bears for the Taunton Emergency Management System.
- We are continuing to collect items for our troops in two bins at the Taunton Public Library.

Membership - Vel Bleau

- With Happy Birthday to You! Judy deAbreu on January 25.
- Don't forget to wear your Club shirt or vest to all our Events to help bring awareness of our Club.
- 🌳 We had 57% member attendance at our December meeting.
- You have special powers!" You can picture success instead of failure. You can see your strengths instead of only your flaws. You can replace doubt with hope and transform disappointment into determination. You can believe. Dreams do come true, and yours can too!

Let us begin our new year with great enthusiasm and great support to our Club. Let us try to get to all of our meetings; we do have meaningful meetings and work on many projects to benefit our community. You all are such great volunteers and appreciated by all.

Arts - Susan Carlson

Funny Bones Trivia We had 8 winners from last month's trivia. Who will be this month's winners?

Ponder these questions and be ready to answer them at our January meeting: 1) Name the comedian with the iconic wild-haired, eccentrically-dressed female stand-up comic of the 1960s who traveled with Bob Hope to entertain our troops in Vietnam and wrote a book called "Like a Lampshade in a Whorehouse". 2) What was her trademark prop she held in her hand? 3) What surgical procedures did she become known for? 4) What is her fictional husband's name?

Art and Photography Contests: If you have a photograph or work of art you would like to submit to any of the GFWC contests, bring them to our meeting in February to give to Nancy Clark. They will be presented at Club Institute in March for judging.

Leadership - OPEN

Fundraising - Jane Pittsley

- $\stackrel{\scriptstyle \bigcirc}{=}$ We are planning our next Casino Trip for March 24. More details to come.
- 🏺 We raised \$110.00 on our Holiday Party scratch ticket drawing.
- Denise is accepting items to create Valentine, Spring, Irish, Fall and Easter baskets for our upcoming fundraisers and events.

Programs - Joanna Alden

Gur January program will be working on constructing our Water Centric project.