JUNIORS in Action



Cindy Leonard - President

What Did We Do?



SUSAN CARLSON Editor

Mother Nature forced us to reschedule our February Monday business meeting to Tuesday. We have experienced a snowy winter this year and await impatiently for a sign of spring.

Nevertheless, we had a very productive meeting and a great turn out of members wearing **RED** for Heart Health month. Thanks to all our members who braved the elements and rearranged their schedules to attend our Tuesday meeting.



At our meeting, we packaged up hundreds of Hershey Kiss cards to present to our local nursing home residents. Thanks to all the members who made the special deliveries - Joyce Clark, Cindy Leonard, Nancy Clark and Nancy Brown.





We also installed and welcomed our newest member, Pennie Anelunde. Welcome Pennie!



We had to choose from several members' photos to vote on just one to be entered into the GFWC 'Year in Pictures' calendar contest. We voted for Nancy Brown's photo to be entered. Good Luck Nancy.

Our Annual Valentine's Day Tea was Emmy worthy! The theme was 'Gone With The Wind' and it did not disappoint. We had special guests Rhett Butler, Scarlett O'Hara and Melanie come by and pose for pictures. Along with the delicious food prepared by our members, we also were able to watch the movie.



Thanks to Nancy Brown for hosting a table at the St Nicholas of Myra church Craft Fair and including a membership spot for us.





Upcoming Events

- Our Annual Soup Sampler fundraiser is set for Saturday, March 8 at the VFW from noon to 2:00. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for kids.
- On March 23rd from 2:00 -4:00, the GFWC of MA Juniors' book Club will be held at GFWC of MA Headquarters in Sudbury. The book to be read and discussed is <u>Love Anthony</u> by Lisa Geneva.
- Save the date of March 29 to attend the Macy's Fashion Show and dinner in Westboro. This is a fundraiser for Sheila Shea, our president-elect hopeful for the 2016/2017 GFWC term. Cost \$35 per person.
- The Juniors' Annual Conference starts with a Junior Fun Night on Friday, April 25, followed by the conference on Saturday, April 26. More details to come.
- Our next Foxwoods Casino fundraiser will be on Friday, April 25 and the cost per person is \$30.

DATES TO REMEMBER			ARCH 31 RD MEETING	APRIL 7 BUSINESS MEET		APRIL 29 BOARD MEETING	
larch 2014							
Sun 23	JR. BOARD MEETING	Tue 25	Wed 26	Thu 27	Fri 28	Sat 1	
	R. BUSINESS MEETING AT 7:00 PM	4	5	6	7	SOUP SAMPLER	
DAY LIGHT SAVINGS	10	11	12	13	14	15	
16		18	19	20	21	22	
23 DOK CLUB IN UDBURY, MA	24	25	26	27	28	FASHION SHOW	
30	JR. BOARD MEETING	1	2	3	4	5	
March Hospitality		April	April Hospitality		May Hospitality		
Barbara Spencer (C)		Nano	Nancy Clark (C)		Darlene Brown (C)		
Joanna Alden		Nar	ncy Brown		Dolores Costa		

Committees

ARTS Nancy Clark

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One of our members each month will be featured in the "Artist Corner". A different club member will give a short talk about her work and why she chose that medium (i.e. paint, photography, flower arranging, writing) to express herself. Her work will be on display to help enlighten, encourage self-expression, and inspire others. This month's featured artist will be Fran Perry.

CONSERVATION Denise Wheeler

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We **recycle!** See our website for a list of all items, including dead batteries. Let's add lightbulbs, metal coffee cans w/lids, egg cartons, soda tabs, shoe boxes and empty toilet rolls.

Darlene continues to collect for the Central Square Congregational Church in Bridgewater clean used blankets hats, gloves, mittens, socks, towels, hooded sweatshirts, scarves, mittens (preferably large), small duffle bags, back packs and soap for needy families.

We are collecting men's clothing for Crossroads in Providence and Veterans at St. Thomas Church.

EDUCATION Nancy Martin

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Donate a paperback dictionary, Spanish/ English dictionary or thesaurus for the Prison Book Program. For more information on this program, go to www.prisonbookprogram.org.

Bring books to swap or that can be donated to Friends of the Library. We will start collecting children's book for Citizen for Citizens as well as Dr. Seuss books for our 'Cat in the Hat' events.

Have you signed up for our Relay for Life team being held on June 20? Go to www.relayforlife.org.

FUNDRAISING Denise Wheeler

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Our next fundraiser is will be our Soup's On Saturday, March 8 from noon to 2:00 at the VFW in Taunton. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children.

Please donate mugs, specialty tea bags, tea pots and large baskets for our raffles, and summer, fall, winter, spring and kids items

HOME LIFE Nancy Brown

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This department encompasses our community volunteer efforts to help others. Examples are our collecting for homeless shelters, remembering the elderly, handicapped and others in need.

Not everyone wants to be a chairman, but a chairman needs support of her fellow club women. I need you! Many hands make light work. Thank you.

Save Toiletries for Samaritan House and Main Spring House.

Save board games and craft supplies, like popsicle sticks, googly eyes, felt, foam, ribbons, etc. for Pride Inc.

Save cereal for Raynham Food Basket.

Save canned goods for St. Vincent dePaul.

Knitted Lap Robes (36 x 36) are needed for Compassionate Care Hospice.

INTERNATIONAL OUTREACH Cindy Brogan

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Bring pens and pencils for a catholic mission in India. Save stamps and Christmas cards for India Missions.

We will be collecting for Heifer International as our project for GFWC of MA Juniors this year.

LEADERSHIP Nancy Brown

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De-stress - Time Management

Set aside at least 15 minutes to de-stress, have a cup a tea, read a magazine, take a walk or just sit and breathe - empty your mind and just relax!

MEMBERSHIP Dolores Costa

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Happy Birthday to:

Vel Bleau, Thelma McCaffrey, Joan Curran, Paula Richards, and Barbara Spencer.

PUBLICITY Nancy Brown

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Check out the Raynham Buzz, Taunton Gazette and cable for coverage of our upcoming Soup Sampler fundraiser.

PUBLIC ISSUES Robin Gendron

We are still collecting teddy bears or other small stuffed animals for TEMS and items for our troops in two bins at the Taunton Public Library.

PROGRAMS Joanna Alden

Don't miss our speaker at our March meeting. We will learn about Pets As Therapy.







Partner Spotlight: ACTrees

Over the last decade, a growing body of research has demonstrated that a strong urban forest improves a city's infrastructure, efficiency, and economy. It strengthens the social fabric, connecting neighbors and improving neighborhood safety. Urban forests are also proving vital to human health. GFWC Program Partner Alliance for Community Trees is dedicated to improving the health and livability of cities by planting and caring for trees. With over 200 member and partner organizations in 44 states and Canada, Alliance for Community Trees engages volunteers to take action to improve the environment where 93% of people live: in cities, towns, and metropolitan areas. Together, ACTrees member organizations have planted and cared for more than 15 million trees with help from over 5 million volunteers.

Thanks to all the GFWC Clubwomen for their contributions to ACTrees and tree-planting efforts in their cities and towns. To learn more, visit <u>www.ACTrees.org</u>, and be sure to follow on Facebook and Twitter @alliance4trees.

Womens History Month Event

Prepare to feed your mind as well as your stomach. Join us for our annual Women's History Month event on Thursday, March 13, 2014, from 4:00-6:00 p.m., at GFWC Headquarters in Washington, where GFWC Women's History and Resource Center Manager Brian Coburn will share how GFWC women transformed the field home economics and the restaurant business, while the Neighborhood Restaurant Group—the Iron Gate's managing partners—will discuss its latest and greatest offerings.

Network with fellow clubwomen, friends, and others while enjoying an informative and entertaining program about the Iron Gate Inn, Washington D.C.'s hottest new restaurant, and a dining destination for local foodies looking for Mediterranean fusion cuisine in a romantic atmosphere.

Light refreshments, including the original Iron Gate Inn Butterscotch Rolls, will be served. Please RSVP either by phone to 1-800-443-GFWC (4392) or via email to **GFWC@GFWC.org** by Friday, March 7.

GFWC Trivia

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What color is associated with domestic violence awareness prevention?