

JUNIORS *in Action*



What Did We Do?

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Editor

At our October business meeting the **Program guest speakers** were Tara DeSousa, Director of the Taunton Family Center and Rune Nim-Branco, case manager. They spoke on services offered and how they assist families to find housing and develop short and long term goals. Did you know there are ~4,700 homeless families in MA with an average age between 20 - 25.

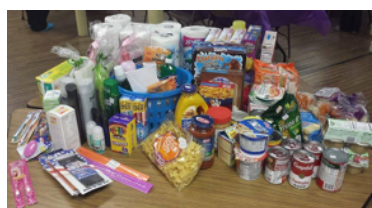
Welcome to our 4 new members: Mary Barrett, Lynn Jorge, Paula Gasparoni and JoAnn Matthews. We had the pleasure of having Martha Casassa, Membership Chairman and Asst. Director of Jr. MA Membership, welcome and congratulate our new members along with a lovely ceremony conducted by Dolores Costa, our membership chairman.



Our members proudly wore pink, purple or blue to our meeting to support Children's Advocacy, Domestic Violence and Breast Cancer Awareness. Thanks Joyce, Thelma, Fran, Joanna, Nancy C, Nancy M and Cindy.



Thanks to all our Junior volunteers that showed up to paint and clean the dedicated room for the Mission 25:40 initiative. We had Cindy Brogan, Joyce Clark, Nancy Clark and Cindy Leonard cleaning refrigerators, scrubbing and



painting walls, sweeping and getting this room ready for the needy families who will eat and sleep there as needed. What a great effort to a great cause.

Our club and the Matthew 25:40 Mission helped the Taunton Necessities of Life organization put on a pot luck supper on Saturday, October 18 and collected needed items for 2 families.

Juniors' Special Project: Advocates for Children week is October 19-25 this year, at Joan Curran's house to view a very short video about the Director of Junior Clubs project, Youth Villages. All items were donated at the Annual Junior's Fall Conference to give to the speakers from Youth Villages.

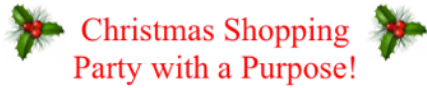


The **Annual Junior's Fall Conference** was on October 25 in Worcester at Club Maxine's. Joan Curran's raffle basket won Best of Show!

Thank you Nancy Brown for accepting and pulling off a fabulous one-of-a-kind Halloween costume that kept within the guidelines of our monthly Art Challenge by our Jr. MA Membership chairmen, Nancy Coughlin and Mary Kemp.



Upcoming Events



Christmas Shopping Party with a Purpose!

Thursday, Dec. 4th, 2014
4:30pm – 9:30pm

Bella Roma's Coliseum Hall
Rt.138/239 Bay St., Taunton, MA

With Special Guests
Dawn Lorraine's Tarot Card Read
Cindy's Chair Massage

Featuring Crafters, Vendors & Bakers
Jewelry, Purses, Accessories, Home Décor, Books,
Bakery Items & much more!

Free Admission - Door Prizes - Raffles - Vet's Table

(Call/Text Fran at 508-479-1206 for more info.)



Hosted by GFWC Junior Woman's Club to
benefit the Wounded Warrior Project

We are looking for **new board members** for 2015. Never been on the board before? Would you like to step into an officer's position? We will help you prepare for your new role and support you. Let Susan Carlson know if you are interested. Nominations will be made at the November business meeting.

Our upcoming **Coffee & Pie** fundraiser will be on Sunday, November 16 at the VFW hall from 12:00 - 2:00.

Our **Holiday Party** committee will be sharing their plans for our party on December.

The Dighton Arts Festival is Sunday, November 2 from 10:00 to 4:00 at Araujo's in Dighton.

Bring in non perishable food items for our Thanksgiving basket for St. Vincent DePaul.

<i>November Hospitality</i>	<i>December Hospitality</i>
<i>Joan Curran (C)</i>	<i>Brenda Saben (C)</i>
<i>Cheryl Carlos</i>	<i>Nancy Martin</i>



Tackling Domestic Violence

GFWC and International President Babs J. Condon, along with more than 2,100 organizations throughout the country, have signed the NFL Game Changer letter. Submitted to NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell, the letter asks that the NFL develop policies and protocols that make clear that the League does not tolerate violence against women and girls.

The letter acknowledges the steps the NFL has recently taken to increase awareness of domestic violence and sexual assault, while calling upon the league to partner with state and local experts to engage communities in a cultural transformation that ends violence against women and girls through prevention and education, and engaging men and boys.

Submit Newsletter articles to Susan Carlson at susansvin@gmail.com
or call 508 828 8066.

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Committees

ARTS - NANCY CLARK - LAST MONTH'S ART CHALLENGE WAS TO DESIGN YOUR BEST HALLOWEEN COSTUME WITH SPECIFIC MATERIALS. OUR OWN NANCY BROWN ACCEPTED THE CHALLENGE AND NOW WE WILL SEE IF OUR CLUB WON. THIS MONTH'S ART CHALLENGE IS TO THE ART OF POETRY. WRITE A HAIKU POEM THAT EXPRESSES OUR CLUB'S SPIRIT. HAIKU IS A JAPANESE POEM OF SEVENTEEN SYLLABLES DIVIDED INTO THREE LINES OF 5/7/5 SYLLABLES.

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. 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.

FUNDRAISING - DENISE WHEELER - WE'RE ALWAYS LOOKING FOR ITEMS TO CREATE OUR FAMOUS RAFFLE BASKETS.

HOME LIFE - NANCY BROWN - WE ARE ALWAYS COLLECTING FOR HOMELESS SHELTERS, REMEMBERING THE ELDERLY, HANDICAPPED AND OTHERS IN NEED. SO SAVE * TOILETRIES * BOARD GAMES * CRAFT SUPPLIES * KNITTED LAP ROBES AND BRING IN CEREAL AND CANNED GOODS TO DONATE.

INTERNATIONAL OUTREACH - CINDY BROGAN - KEEP THOSE PENS AND PENCILS AND STAMPS AND HOLIDAY CARDS COMING THAT WE DONATE TO A CATHOLIC MISSION IN INDIA * WHITE SOCK 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! WE ARE LOOKING FOR NEW BOARD MEMBERS FOR 2015. NEVER BEEN ON THE BOARD BEFORE? NOW'S THE TIME.

MEMBERSHIP - DOLORES COSTA - HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ROBIN GENDRON AND PAULA GASPARDONI! ANY MEMBER WHO HAS A NEW ADDRESS, PHONE NUMBER OR E-MAIL ADDRESS LET ME KNOW. SEVERAL OF US HAVE BEEN HAVING PROBLEMS LOCATING MEMBERS CONTACT INFORMATION.

PUBLICITY - NANCY BROWN - DID YOU SEE COFFEE & PIE FUNDRAISER ON CABLE, RAYNHAM BUZZ AND IN THE TAUNTON GAZETTE? CHECK OUT THE BUZZ FOR OUR EVENTS LISTED.

PUBLIC ISSUES - ROBIN GENDRON - WE ARE STILL MAKING THE VETERAN TAGS WITH THE RECYCLED FLAG STARS. DENISE WILL BE HANDING THEM OUT TO VETERANS THAT ATTEND ARAUJO'S FAIR ON SUNDAY. ANY MEMBER WHO TOOK FLAGS AND TAGS TO ASSEMBLE CAN DISTRIBUTE THEM TO ANY VETERAN THEY MEET.

PROGRAMS - JOANNA ALDEN - TONIGHT'S PROGRAM WILL BE 2 NATIVE AMERICANS FROM A LOCAL TRIBE WILL TALK ABOUT THEIR CULTURE.

Our Board Members

Cindy Leonard, President ~ Cindy Brogan, Vice President ~ Joyce Clark, Recording Secretary ~
Joanna Alden, Corresponding Secretary ~ Vel Bleau, Treasurer ~ Nancy Brown, Auditor ~
Susan Carlson, Director