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



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UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

November 7:

Business Meeting at the Arbors at 7:00 pm

November 28:

Board Meeting at the Arbors at 7:00 pm

December 5:

Annual Business Meeting at the Arbors at 7:00 pm

December 12:

Jrs Annual Holiday Party



PANCAKE BREAKFAST FUNDRAISER

Our October pancake breakfast fundraiser at Applebee's was a great success. We made \$950. Thanks to everyone that sold tickets or helped serve and clean up.

Our Junior waitstaff served 100 paying customers. We raffled off over 23 baskets to many delighted winners. Good Job everyone!

TAUNTON DAILY GAZETTE

GFWC Taunton and Raynham Juniors to host pie, coffee fundraiser

Gazette Staff Reports

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TAUNTON —

The General Federation of Women's Clubs Taunton and Raynham Juniors is having its annual "all you can eat" pie and coffee fundraiser for local scholarships, on Sunday, Nov. 13, from 2 to 4 p.m., at the VFW Hall on Ingell Street.

Homemade pies of all kinds will be served with coffee, tea or hot chocolate. Tickets are \$10 and may be purchased by calling Denise at 508-823-6004. They will also offer a themed basket raffle.



NOVEMBER HOSPITALITY

Darlene Brown (C) Cheryl Carlos

NOVEMBER MONTHLY PRIZE

Cindy Brogan



*Happy Thanksgiving!
To You And Your Family*

HAPPY THANKSGIVING

Enjoy your Thanksgiving celebration with your families and loved ones.



PANCAKE BREAKFAST FUNDRAISER

Vel welcomes our guests at the registration desk at Applebees.



GIFT EXCHANGE

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

WHO'S WHO



Member: Cindy Brogan

Town: Taunton, MA

Member since: 2007

Born in: New Bedford, MA

Lived in: Texas, Oklahoma, Alabama

Career: Spent 4 years as a Captain in the Womens' Army Corps, Taught school in Westport, MA. Taught and retired from Bristol-Plymouth Tech High School. After retiring from BP, worked at Bridgewater State University.

Family: 3 children, Kelly who is a member of our club and twins, Joe and Maryellen. And my deaf dog named Spike.

Hobbies: Shopping and Painting

T&R Jrs Positions Held: President and currently Director of GFWC Taunton & Raynham Juniors.

Favorite Things: Traveling, shopping, going to casinos and babysitting my grandson David.

SAVE THE DATE: NOVEMBER 6, 2011

The Dighton Arts Festival at Araujos in Dighton. We will be making beaded bracelets with children
10 am - 4 pm

SAVE THE DATE: NOVEMBER 13, 2011

Pie and Coffee Social at the VFW Hall on Ingell Street
2 pm - 4 pm

SAVE THE DATE: DECEMBER 12, 2011

Jrs. Annual Holiday Party at Pub 76

Membership Attendance

31 members

May 68%

September 63%

October 63%

New Members in 2011 2

"You are a Blessing"

It's easy to wonder whether you are making a difference in the world.

After all, you are just one person.

But every smile you smile, every hug you give, every encouraging word you speak and every kindness you show has an impact greater than you can imagine.

One person can make a difference. Especially when that person is you!

So you see, we are all special women of the Taunton and Raynham Juniors!

Submitted by Vel Bleau

COMMITTEES

Homelife - Denise Wheeler

- 📌 *Samaritan House* is requesting paper products, aluminum foil and plastic cutlery.
- 📌 *Pride, Inc.*: board games and craft supplies (see website) for their dayhab center.
- 📌 *Raynhan Food Basket*: cereal
- 📌 *St. Vincent dePaul*: two or more canned goods.
- 📌 *Main Spring House*: a shelter in Brockton is requesting bar soap.
- 📌 *A Women's Concern*: collect change
- 📌 Nancy Martin is collecting men's clothing for a homeless shelter.
- 📌 *Winslow Farm* is an animal sanctuary in Norton and needs the following items to help care for abandoned and abused animals: 45 Gallon trash bags, 20 lb. bags of Purina dry cat food, any brand canned cat and dog food, wild bird seed, fruit cocktail, D batteries, flash lights and canned yams. For more information on how you can help, go to www.winslowfarm.com

Conservation - **OPEN**

- 📌 We recycle! See our website www.gfwctauntonraynhamjuniors.org/conservation.aspx
- 📌 Go to www.freecycle.org to donate your stuff. All postings must be for free. Let's keep our unwanted stuff out of the landfills and give to those who can re-use.
- 📌 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.

Membership - Vel Bleau

- 📌 ***Happy Birthday to You!*** Mary Reilly on November 11th and Margaret (Peg) Smith on November 27th. This is your "Special Day" of the year!
- 📌 Join us at our November 7 Business Meeting to welcome Francine Perry, Director of Community Services for New Hope Domestic Violence shelter who will be our guest speaker.
- 📌 Looking forward to our new jerseys - I hope everyone has ordered one by now - they will be much cooler!
- 📌 Just a reminder to wear our vests or our shirts to our meetings, also our GFWC pins. If you would like to purchase a vest or shirt see Nancy Brown.
- 📌 Thank you to our Club for our subscriptions to the "Club Woman Magazine". Hope you enjoy reading it.

COMMITTEES

Committees to Chair

- Home Life
 - Conservation
 - Membership
 - Public Issues
 - International Outreach
 - Arts
 - Education
 - Leadership
 - Fundraising
 - Programs
 - Publicity
 - Newsletter
 - Community Improvement
- Contact any Board Member to become a Chairperson.

International Outreach - Nancy Clark

- Bring pens and pencils for a catholic mission in India.
- Save stamps and Christmas cards for India missions.
- Our pig – Cha-Ching has been filled but we will continue to collect for Heifer for this year's donation.
- The Junior International Outreach Project will be collecting change for *Water Centric*, an organization that helps provide sanitation facilities for 300 schools in India.



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.

Arts - Susan Carlson

- Funny Bones Trivia. Be ready to guess who the female comedian is at our October meeting.
- We had 2 top winners with 4 correct answers and 8 winners with 3 out of 4 correct answers. Congratulations to all of you.
- Check out this month's Clubwoman magazine to see the GFWC Calendar's 'A Year in Pictures' winning photos including our own Junior, Nancy Brown.

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.

Leadership - **OPEN**

- Anyone interested in running for an office for the 2012 administration should let a board member know. We will be announcing nominations at our November meeting and accepting nominations from the floor at that time.

Programs - **OPEN**

Fundraisers - Jane Pittsley

- Denise is accepting items to create Valentine, Spring, Irish, Fall and Easter baskets for our upcoming fundraisers and events.

HONDURAS MISSION

September 2011

Hello everyone, or should I say Hola!,

Thank you for your immediate response last month to my request to help me, and my parish's mission group, to bring needed supplies to the poor in Honduras. (November 7th is getting closer every day and I am very excited about this journey.) Some of you have already come forward and made monetary donations, and others have given towels, socks, school supplies etc. I am happy to report, that as of today, we have reached our quota and filled 16 large suitcases with an assortment of donations. Our parish community of St. Nicholas of Myra, Holy Family, and other friends, have opened their hearts and pocketbooks to help in an amazing way. I want to thank the Juniors for being so receptive to my call. I have always known (at least the past 33 years!) that when help is needed, GFWC Juniors are always in the forefront. I am proud to be a member with all of you. You're great!

I also want to say that if you are bringing items to the October meeting I ask that they be given to the other groups who we regularly contribute to. Happily, I will not be accepting anymore items for this particular trip because of the overwhelming response so early on.

However, as always, monetary donations are still welcome and very much needed as well. If you would consider a dollar or more donation I will be more than happy to accept on behalf of Fr. Pregano and the Dominican Sisters in Guaimaca. FYI: Honduras is the third poorest country in Latin America. The Honduran people, I am told, are warm and welcoming, but it is a country in great need. Whatever you can do is greatly appreciated. You can go to www.Hondurasmission.org to read more about this mission and the Marie Poussepin Center.

I would like to bring some of our club pencils to give to the girls and sisters there if you all agree. GFWC Taunton and Raynham Juniors will be on this journey with me. Muchas gracias!!

I was told that the center is expanding and groups will be working on construction of a platform foundation when we arrive. Who knows, maybe I'll be mixing cement while I'm there. Nevertheless, I am excited to meet the girls who are being educated at the center, interact with them, at play, prayer and work, and probably learn a lot too. It is only through support from our contributions that their secondary education is possible.

Thanks again for helping . We are all called to serve. God bless you.

In Junior friendship,

Nancy 😊

October 2011

I want you all to know that since that request/thank you letter was written, we have been able to fill 18 pieces of luggage totaling 900 lbs, with medicines, toiletries, fabric and thread, school supplies, vitamins, socks, towels and sheets, toothpaste and brushes.

Your donations will allow us to pay the additional fee to bring the extra bags of supplies to Honduras. There has been such an outpouring of love to want to help the poor in Honduras. Thank you very much. On Sunday, November 6th, Fr. Timothy Goldrick, who is also traveling with us on this mission, will be blessing all the pieces of luggage as well as our group of sixteen travelers, at the 10:30 Mass at St. Nicholas of Myra Church on Pearl St. in No. Dighton. You are all invited, and welcome, to join us in prayer to send us on our way. Remember that you go with us in spirit.

Just a few days to go!

Nancy