



## GFWC Taunton and Raynham Juniors

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# What's New?s Paper

## Upcoming Meetings and Events

**Oct. 3:** Spaghetti Dinner, 495 School St., No. Dighton, 6 p.m.

**Oct. 5:** Business Meeting at The Arbors, 7 p.m.

**Oct. 16-18:** GFWC New England Region Conference at The Sheraton Framingham

**Oct. 24:** GFWC of MA Jrs. Fall Conference at Mercy Center, Worcester, MA

**Oct. 26:** Board Meeting, 7 p.m. at Cindy's

**Oct. 30:** GFWC of MA Fall Meeting in Westford, MA

## October Meeting

With help from our officers T Jablanski, our state membership chairman, will present a skit of her membership version of "The View." This is bound to be both entertaining and informative. T first introduced this skit at one of the GFWC of MA Club Institute meetings to rave reviews. So, join us for the fun!

## Spaghetti Dinner

Hope everyone has been selling their tickets for our October 3<sup>rd</sup> spaghetti dinner fundraiser! Members who signed up to help setup, remember to be at the Lance Cpl John Van Gyzen IV Hall (formerly VFW), 495 School Street, No. Dighton, MA at noon on the 3<sup>rd</sup>. The dinner starts at 6:00 p.m., so servers should be there by 5:30 p.m. Those of you who volunteered to help clean-up, your services are desperately needed too!



**Oct. 3rd  
6 p.m.**

## Hospitality

**Oct. 5**  
Kim M. (C) and Judy D.

**Nov. 2**  
Joan C. (C) and Deb B.

**Dec. 7**  
Nancy M. (C) and Mary R.

Don't forget:

**Secret Pal Gifts!**

**Rent Relief for October:**

Joyce

## Reminders for October

**Samaritan House:** paper plates, aluminum foil, napkins, paper towels, plastic wrap and bags, plastic cutlery

**Education:** a paperback dictionary, thesaurus, or Spanish/English dictionary

**Pride Inc.:** Craft Supplies (see website), board games

**Main Spring House:** bar soap

**Taunton Emergency Management System:** Teddy Bears or brownies for Denise to sell.

**St. Vincent dePaul:** 2 or more canned goods

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## Pride Day

Cheryl, Sharon W., Nancy C., Nancy M., Cindy, Audrey, and Sharon J. helped man our membership table at Raynham's Community Pride Day on September 13<sup>th</sup> and many members helped bake the cookies and brownies sold to benefit the *Relay for Life* in June.

We had a sign-up sheet for our newsletter (managed to get quite a few to sign up) and had a free raffle for a basket donated by Denise.



## September Meeting

Audrey congratulated members who successfully answered this month art trivia question.

Kim explained to our members the many ways that she uses coupons to save money – something we can all use in this economy!

Several members had fun taking their pictures with The Arbors *Casino Night* props.



## Boyden Fall Cleanup

Audrey, Joyce, and Nancy C. started our fall cleanup on September 22<sup>nd</sup>. Fortunately, the mulch that was donated by G. Lopes helped keep the weeds down!

We're hoping to finish our fall cleanup on Tuesday, October 6, from 3 to 5 p.m.



## Save the Dates:

- The 100<sup>th</sup> GFWC New England Region Conference will be held October 16<sup>th</sup> through 18<sup>th</sup> at the Sheraton Framingham Hotel. **Reservation deadline is September 30, 2009.**
- This year's conference will be on Saturday, October 24<sup>th</sup> at the Mercy Centre in Worcester. Like last year it will be a working conference ~ we will all be painting in one room...again a Make a Difference Day ~ where we will make a difference. **Reservation deadline is October 14, 2009.** Let us know at this month's meeting if you are planning to attend!

**Run for Ricky:** the 11<sup>th</sup> annual *Run for Ricky* 5 K race will take place Saturday, October 10, 2009 at Taunton State Hospital. The Run for Ricky commemorates the life and untimely death of Ricky Silvia, a former Taunton State Hospital employee and Taunton resident who heroically saved the life of a drowning young boy from a frigid pond but lost his own life in the action. To recognize this act of selfless courage and bravery and to foster the ideals of healthcare professionals, the hospital awards three \$1,000 scholarships to employees or their children seeking to attend college. Over the past 10 years, \$30,000 in scholarship aid has been granted. **They are looking for volunteers to help with the race. If you are interested, contact Joan Curran.**



## Homelife:

- Darlene is collecting yarn of any type except fun fur or eyelash for a lady she knows who can make baby sets for *Birthright*.
- Joyce has been knitting baby caps to donate to Morton Hospital and other hospitals in the area. Anyone interested in knitting or crocheting caps can find patterns at [http://www.warmupamerica.com/Jul06\\_kit.html](http://www.warmupamerica.com/Jul06_kit.html) or [http://www.bbc.co.uk/stoke/my\\_pages/babywear/hkp/012.shtml](http://www.bbc.co.uk/stoke/my_pages/babywear/hkp/012.shtml). If you slightly enlarge the pattern, the hats can be donated to *Helping Hands* and homeless shelters.
- Kim McMann is collecting coupons (any coupons). They cannot be expired. Please bring any you have to this month's meeting.

## Education:

- Bring a paperback dictionary, thesaurus, or Spanish-English dictionary for the *Prison Book Program*, [www.prisonbookprogram.org](http://www.prisonbookprogram.org).
- Support our libraries: The *Friends of the Taunton Public Library's* monthly book sale is October 10<sup>th</sup> from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Bring any books you would like to donate to this month's meeting.
- **Book Swap:** Finished reading a good book? Bring it to our meeting and swap with another member.

## Conservation:

- See our website at [http://gfwctauntonraynhamjuniors.com/Club\\_Reminders.aspx](http://gfwctauntonraynhamjuniors.com/Club_Reminders.aspx) to see the list of items we are collecting to recycle. The destinations for the items are now listed on our website.
- Go to [www.freecycle.org/](http://www.freecycle.org/) to donate or swap items you no longer want.  **freecycle**™ is a grassroots and entirely nonprofit movement of people who are giving (& getting) stuff for free in their own town. It's all about reuse and keeping good stuff out of landfills.
- Darlene's church is still collecting clean used blankets, hats, gloves, mittens, socks, sweatshirts, scarves, thick socks, mittens (preferably large), and small or large duffle bags for needy families.
- Help protect the rainforests! Every time you buy a  **Tropicana** product you can go to [www.tropicanaforest.com](http://www.tropicanaforest.com) and enter the unique # code on your container. For every code entered, they will preserve 100 square feet of rainforest. At the end of the year we can each check our accounts to see how many square feet of rain forest we have saved as a club!

## Membership: Welcome Fall!

- 65% were in attendance at September's meeting.
- Don't forget to wear your club shirt or vest to meetings and events if you have one.
- When ordering from [Amazon.com](http://Amazon.com), GFWC gets a percentage of your purchases every time you click on the affiliate link.
- Check out our partnership with T-Mobile, designed exclusively for GFWC members to provide discounted wireless mobile service and equipment. To find out more, call 866/464-8662 or visit [gfwc.org](http://gfwc.org) and go to Member Center link for Affinity Programs & Benefits.
- Because Membership Matters, we have a special offer for you... October is membership month, so from now till the December meeting if you bring in a new member to be installed, each of you will receive \$5 off your 2010 membership dues! That's a great offer you don't want to miss!!



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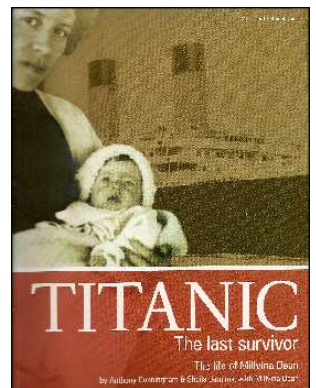
## International Affairs:

- We are continuing to collect children's books for nomadic schools in Kenya. For ideas of the types of books to collect check them out on our website at: [http://gfwctauntonraynhamjuniors.com/Club\\_Reminders.aspx](http://gfwctauntonraynhamjuniors.com/Club_Reminders.aspx).
- Denise is also requesting that you clean out your junk drawers for any used pens and pencils to be donated to a Catholic Mission in India.

**Public Affairs:** Bring teddy bears for the Taunton Emergency Management System being collected by the Taunton Federal Credit Union.

## Arts:

- Congratulations to those "Smart About Art" in September: Nancy C., Jane, Judy D., Nancy B., Deb B., Judy A., Sharon W., Cheryl and Joyce.
  - Answer: Sofonisba Anguissola was from Italy.
- **Question for October:** Millvina Dean was just 2 months old and a passenger on board the Titanic when it hit an iceberg and sank. What age was Millvina Dean when she died?  
Why not pay a visit to your local library for the answer?  
Good Luck! **Call 508-345-5320 or email [audree11@verizon.net](mailto:audree11@verizon.net)**
- **There's Art in You:** Anyone who did not receive "There's Art In You" folder, please make sure you take one at the meeting. This month's template is titled "What's Brewing?" keep those creative juices flowing...you may bring your work to each meeting for display or collect them and bring them to the Dec. social.



## Fundraising:

- Sell those Spaghetti Dinner tickets!
- Continue to make brownies for Denise to sell at school or donate money for boxes of brownie mix and candy.
- Our club has now signed up for **shaw's** Community Rewards program. After you have signed up for the program online, every time you shop at Shaw's on Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday with your Shaw's card, our club will automatically get 1% of your purchases. If you don't have computer access, you can give your card number to Nancy C. She will be happy to sign up for you. To sign up yourself follow the instructions on our website at <http://gfwctauntonraynhamjuniors.com/support.aspx>.

- Continue to sell the Macy's "Shop for a Cause" passes. Bring the money and any unsold passes to Debbie B. at this month's meeting.

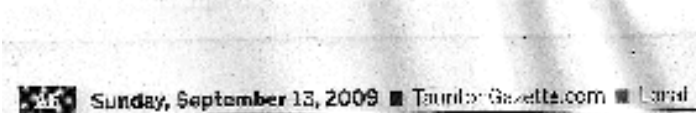
**Community Improvement:**

Joyce, Audrey, and Nancy C. weeded and planted Rose of Sharon and Butterfly bushes at Boyden on Tuesday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>. We still have work to do and will be meeting again at Boyden on Tuesday, October 6, from 3 to 5 p.m. for our final fall cleanup. If anyone has bulbs for planting, they would be greatly appreciated and everyone is welcome to join us!

**Congratulations** to Sharon J. on the birth of her granddaughter this past August!

**Publicity:** Send all info to Nancy B.

Cable TV announcement for our Spaghetti Dinner



**GFWC to host spaghetti supper Oct. 3**

TAUNTON — The GFWC Taunton and Raynham Juniors will host a spaghetti supper Oct. 3 at the LCPL John VanGyzen IV USMC League Hall, School Street in North Dighton, at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$7 for adults and \$3 for children under 10. We will be hav-

ing our famous basket raffle and a cash bar will also be available.

Tickets are limited and can be purchased through any junior club member by calling (508) 823-8193 or (508) 558-5439. Proceeds from the event support local charities and student scholarships.

Anyone interested in joining GFWC Juniors is invited to attend their first fall meeting Sept. 14 at 7 p.m. at The Arbors, on County Street in Taunton, by calling (508) 823-8193.

The Gazette finally got the date right for our September Meeting!