

No Business Meeting Monday October 5, 2015

Monday October 5th is Our 65th Club Anniversary at the First Parish Church 6:00 to 9:00pm

Our Board Members

Cindy Leonard, President – Cindy Brogan, Vice President –Lynne Jorge, Recording Secretary
 Joanna Alden, Corresponding Secretary – Vel Bleau, Treasurer – Joan Curran, Auditor
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What Did We Do in September?

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Written as Betsy

From **Friday September 11th to Sunday the 13th** ten members of our club participated in the **106th GFWC New England Region Conference** in Newton, Massachusetts. Those attending the conference representing our club were Cindy Leonard, Cindy Brogan, Joyce Clark, Joan Curran, Nancy Brown, Nancy Clark, Edith



Edlund, Robin Gendron, Lynne Jorge and Nancy Martin. The Service Project: “Cards for our Soldiers” was organized and administered by our club. Attendees approximately 30 women in number created over 100 cards that could be



utilized by soldiers to send home to their

family and friends for birthdays, anniversaries, etc., and 126 cards for one particular wounded soldier. The first evening had a red, white and blue theme, and several attendees were in period



Ross. Friday evening was a full night with many speakers entertaining the theme of “Living the Volunteer Spirit.” Speakers included Lynne Sullivan our GFWC Massachusetts President, Babs Condon, GFWC International President, Sheila Shea, GFWC President-elect; and author and tv host Ted Reinstein.



Saturday was a fun filled day with presentations and hands on activities making the business session of the conference eventful. Speakers included Kimberley Dodd: “Dress for Success”, Patricia Key for Heifer, and the exciting Joan Duffy, GFWC Chief Operating Officer. The night concluded with DJ Bill and dancing followed by drinks and hors d’oeuvres in the GFWC NER reception suite.

Sunday was the “Spirit of Leadership Breakfast” followed by reports from state



presidents and directors with the theme “We don’t just enhance we





dance with sequins and glitter.” The food throughout the conference was great as well as the comradery

amongst the members attending the conference. I met many interesting people and shared many ideas and learned about what our goals as a united woman’s group has accomplished and what we hope to accomplish within the year to come.

Sunday September 20th was Pride Day in

Raynham from 1pm to 3pm at the Poor Fields in Raynham, MA. Our club offered a free raffle



donated by Joyce Clark to people who visited our booth; the winner was Brandy Geary

from Taunton. We had a membership table and kids were able to purchase rollups 10 for \$1 for great prizes which were very popular with the young people.

Saturday September 26th was our Soup Sampler at the VFW on Ingell Street. There

were at least 16 members present either working or participating in the event. Once again there was a large raffle organized by

Denise and a raffle by who



and Joyce specialty Jane. All attended

enjoyed the homemade soups, sandwiches and desserts. Diane Murphy District Representative of GFWC Juniors was in attendance. Those who

attended said the food was great and the raffle baskets were amazing!

Committees:

ARTS – Nancy Clark – Any new people who have artwork to share at a meeting please see Nancy and continue to take pictures for future art contests. The winning calendar photos will be in the November / December Club Woman Magazine.

CONSERVATION – Denise Wheeler – All types of shoes in all sizes are needed. Soda and beer tabs and Campbell soup labels are in need once again. Hangers and old batteries are also needed. See our site for a full list of items needed and where items can be donated.

EDUCATION – Nancy Martin – Donate a paperback dictionary or thesaurus for the prison book program. During the meeting Joyce Clark will organize a date to help out at the Prison Book Program. Please start to collect and bring to meetings children books for December for our donation to “Citizens for Citizens.” Continue to support the statewide book club and “ESO.” The September 29th All Clubs Statewide Book Club meeting at Headquarters was canceled due to lack of interest. The hope is to choose a new exciting book to be discussed at a later date.

FUNDRAISING – Denise Wheeler - Foxwoods trip Friday December 4th organized by Jane Pittsley and Pie and Coffee being held at the VFW on November 8th.

HOME LIFE – Nancy Brown – continue to collect buddy bears, books and blankets.

INTERNATIONAL OUTREACH – Cindy Brogan – Continue to collect for Shot of Life and Heiffer. Remember to get your flu shot at Wall Greens!

LEADERSHIP – Nancy Brown - - Do you have what it takes to be a leader, of course you do; that's why you're a junior!

MEMBERSHIP – Joyce Clark –We had 7 new people attend our September meeting, 4 who have applied for membership. Hooray to those members for getting new people to our meetings! Let's continue this effort.

PUBLICITY – Nancy Brown - Bring newspaper articles and pictures.

PUBLIC ISSUES– Robin Gendron – Bring women's robes and slippers with rubber bottoms for the VA Hospital in Brockton. The mission is also in need of white socks and boots.

HOSPITALITY –No October meeting. November meeting: Cindy Brogan and Darlene Brown

PROGRAMS – Joanna Alden – Contact Joanna with ideas for future meetings. November will be Gisele Sardinha "braas for posture" to help get a little lift!

Newsletter – Nancy Martin - Forward any articles and pictures to me ASAP at MRMartin947@aol.com

Yearbook - contact Nancy Clark for a copy or go on line and download.

Don't forget unless otherwise stated all business and board meetings will take place

at the Silver Platter at Bristol Plymouth from now on!

Next board meeting is October 26rd at 6:30pm

Next Business meeting November 2nd at 7:00pm



Happy Birthday from your fellow club members!

Robin Gendron – November 7th

Paula Gasparoni – November 8th

Cynthia Amara – November 11th

What should you bring to the 65th anniversary party?

The food you signed up to bring!

The \$23 for Fall Conference to Sturbridge Village

(if paying by check, make it out to Taunton/Raynham Juniors)

Upcoming Events

Monday October 5th - 65th Club anniversary at the First Parish church 6:00 to 9:00pm

Thursday October 15th – Club outing: Roger Williams Jack-O-Lantern Spectacular

Saturday October 17th – Junior Fall Conference at Old Sturbridge Village

November 1st – Dighton Arts Festival

November 8th – Pie and Coffee at the VFW in Taunton

Friday December 4th will be the next Foxwoods trip. They have added more stores and restaurants to the complex. Should be decorated for Christmas, great time to start your Christmas shopping!

Contest

The club is looking for a new newsletter title!

Email me your suggestions at MRMartin947@aol.com

Submissions will be voted on at the November meeting

Winner will receive a \$10 gift card to Dunkin Donuts



Club Outing



Roger Williams Zoo Jack-O-Lantern Spectacular

Followed by food at Greggs Restaurant

When? Thursday October 15th Cost Adults \$14, seniors 62+ \$12

Meet at 5:00pm at the old Shaw's parking lot

Contact Nancy Martin at MRMartin947@aol.com if you plan to attend

Or sign up at the 65th anniversary party

One is all it takes! One wish is enough to set a dream in motion. One act of kindness is enough to lift someone up. One decision is enough to change your life or someone else's for the better. And one person is enough to make a difference. Especially when that person is you.