

JUNIORS *in Action*



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Nancy Clark, President



Summer Doings

SUSAN CARLSON

Editor

We enjoyed our **June** Social Scavenger Hunt at the close of our year with our Teams and the Team Leaders finessing their way through the streets of Taunton.

We enjoyed our meals from Panera Bread and appreciated the use of Denise Wheeler's house. And a big thanks to Bob Curran, Joan's husband for creating the Scavenger Hunt for us.

Congratulations to the top team winners; Brennan, Wheeler and Brown Teams. Each winning team member were awarded lottery tickets.

Our raffle winner, Nancy Brown, won a tomato plant and Jane Pittsley won a beautiful hanging plant for the most correct answers in our Arts Trivia (both plants donated by Mill River Gardens). Susan Carlson won the Panera Bread gift card raffle and Judy Ackerman won the lottery plate.

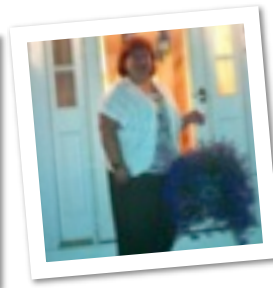
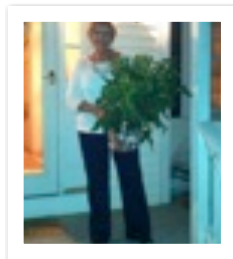
In **June**, Nancy Clark and Cindy Brogan attended the GFWC Conference in Charlotte, NC. See page 5.

In **August**, Nancy Clark and 5 others won a trip to Washington DC. See page 5.

Art Contest Winners!

Congratulations to our 2 winners; Mia Brown-Sequin and Nancy Clark for their Peace entries.

At our September 10 meeting at the Arbors, we will present them with their artwork depicted on a dozen chocolate bars.



Our Foxwoods Bus Trip on **August 21** was another successful fundraising event planned by Jane Pittsley. We raised \$700 and had fun doing it, especially the person who won \$6,000!

Upcoming Speakers

Please welcome our Guest Speaker at our September 10 meeting, Mr. David Cucinotta, who will talk about the benefits of retired teachers joining the Bristol County Retired Teachers organization.

Mark your calendars for our October 1 meeting to learn about the Puppy Pals Reading Program offered at the Rehoboth Library. Two puppies will demonstrate how this program helps kids read.

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



Upcoming Events

Raynham Pride Day will be held Sunday, September 16 from 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm at the Raynham Gazebo Park on King Philip Street. We will have our membership table and a Bead a Bracelet activity for the kids. Rain date is Sunday, September 23.

Join the GFWC Juniors on Sunday, September 30 in Worcester for the *Walk to End*

Alzheimer's. Registration at 8:30 am at the "Junior Camp".

The GFWC New England Region Conference will be on September 14 - 16 2012 at the Holiday Inn By the Bay in Portland, ME.

Our next *Fundraiser* will be the *Perennial Plant and Yard Sale* at the Dighton Hall on Rt. 138 from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm on Saturday, September 29. The

next casino fundraiser trip will be in the spring. Stay tuned for more details.

The GFWC of MA Club Institute will be on Thursday, October 4 in Medway. As chairman of International Outreach, Cindy Brogan will give a presentation on the program Shot@Life.

FYI, Club Institute is a meeting for club presidents and

chairmen to meet with state president, vice president and committee heads at state level.

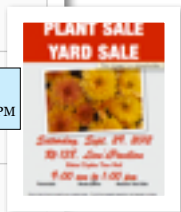
Save the Date for the *GFWC of MA Junior Fall Conference* on October 20 at the Trinity Church in Newton, MA.

Our annual *Pie and Coffee* fundraiser will be Sunday, November 18 from 1:00 to 3:00 at the VFW in Taunton.

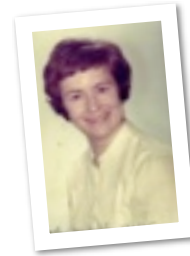
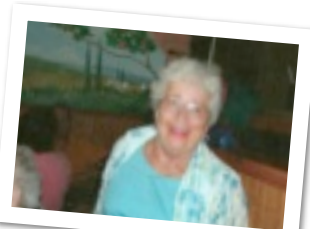


Massachusetts Women's Clubs will compete to create the most "blinged-out" yet still wearable size 44D bra for Dusty Showers. Raise funds locally and regionally to give to The 2nd Basemen, Inc. as you develop

DATES TO REMEMBER		SEPT 10 BUSINESS MEETING	SEPT 24 BOARD MEETING	OCT 1 BUSINESS MEETING	OCT 29 BOARD MEETING
September 2012					
Sun 26	Mon 27	Tue 28	Wed 29	Thu 30	Fri 31
2	3	4	5	6	7
9	10	11	12	13	14
	JR. BUSINESS MEETING AT THE ARBORS AT 7:00				GFWC NEW ENGLAND REGION CONFERENCE PORTLAND, ME
16	17	18	19	20	21
RAYNHAM PRIDE DAY 1:00 - 5:00					
GFWC NEW ENGLAND REGION CONF PORTLAND,					
23	24	25	26	27	28
	JR. BOARD MEETING AT THE ARBORS AT 7:00				FUNDRAISER PLANT SALE 9:00 AM TO 1:00 PM
30	1	2	3	4	5
	JR. BUSINESS MEETING AT THE ARBORS AT 7:00				



September Hospitality	October Hospitality	November Hospitality
Judy Ackerman (C)	Nancy Brown (C)	Joyce Clark (C)
Dolores Costa	Vel Bleu	Darlene Brown



Who's Who?

Joanna Alden

✿ Born In - The Old Morton Hospital ✿ Member Since - 2007

✿ Lived In - Taunton, Berkley, Raynham, Orono, ME ✿ Favorite Pet was her 8 year old Belgian Shepherd ✿ Hobbies - Piano, organ, singing, crocheting, knitting, directing and participating in plays.

Pre-arthritis, biking and basketball ✿ Junior Positions Held - Program Chairman

✿ Leadership Award 2012 ✿ Favorite Things - Ice Cream, Lobster, and Music

JOANNA'S CAREER

Joanna was the church organist and choirmaster since 1952; 49 years at Sacred Heart, 4 years at Immaculate Conception until they were closed.

In 1956 Joanna became a high school teacher, teaching English, French and Latin.

In 1962 she was a wife, secretary, mother and a Girl Scout leader. Joanna lead 2 musicals, was the Drama club director at Coyle Cassidy High School, Mulcahey School and at the Children's Summer Theater for 10 years. She was also the piano accompanist, choreographer, and the business manager. In the

1980s, Joanna was a Coppercraft Guild counselor, party planner, district and regional manager.

In 1995, she became her husband's secretary/reader as he was losing his eyesight to disease. He is a financial planner/broker representative. Joanna now is a substitute organist for churches of all faiths and plays and sings for weddings including a Jewish wedding recently.



JOANNA'S FAMILY

Joanna was born to Mr. and Mrs. Francis Roche of Taunton. She has a brother, F Robert Roche, a now retired pipe organ builder.

She met her husband, Harvey M. Alden at a NDEA 1961 Institute for Foreign Language Teachers, while singing French folk songs at the evening R&R sessions. They stated dating in October and were engaged by February. He received his MED in June and they were married August 11, 1962. Their big 50th Wedding Anniversary is coming up!

Harvey is from Boston and is a retired English

teacher and soon to retire from his financial planner business.

Their son, Christopher is a licensed computer/games technician and website expert.



Their daughter, Kathryn Rousseau is a preschool Special Needs teacher/mentor and daughter, Margaret Alden-

Roderick is a Lead Occupational Therapist. Joanna and Harvey have 3 granddaughters; Kaitlyn Rousseau, Kayla Horigan and Madison Alden.

Committees

ARTS Susan Carlson

Congratulations to our winners of our June Funny Bones Trivia. And a special congratulations to Jane Pittsley who for the 2nd year in a row is our Grand Prize winner for most correct answers!

Congratulations to our winners; Mia Brown-Sequin and Nancy Clark of the PEACE Art Contest.

Art Trivia: Name the Women As Art at our September meeting.

CONSERVATION Denise Wheeler

We **recycle!** See our website for a list of all items, including dead batteries.

Darlene continues to collect for the Central Square Congregational Church in Bridgewater clean used blankets, hats, gloves, mittens, socks, hooded sweatshirts, scarves, mittens (preferably large), small duffle bags and soap for needy families. She is also collecting yarn, except fun fur or eyelash to make Birthright baby sets. Denise is collecting eyelash and fun fur yarn.

We are collecting men's clothing for Taunton charitable associations.

Monthly Prize Contributor

The winner of our monthly prize drawing, will be the contributor of the next month's prize.

EDUCATION Cindy Brogan

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.

FUNDRAISING Jane Pittsley

The Foxwoods fundraiser trip on August 21 was a GREAT success. We raised \$700. We also had some BIG winners. One person won \$6,000.00. WOW! Thanks to all that came and donated for the raffle.

The next casino fundraiser trip will be in the spring.

Our Plant and Yard Sale will be Sat., September 29 from 9:00 to 1:00.

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

HOME LIFE Denise Wheeler

Donate Toiletries for Samaritan House and Main Spring House.

Donate board games and craft supplies (see website) for Pride Inc. dayhab center.

Donate cereal for Raynham Food Basket.

Donate canned goods for St. Vincent dePaul.

Donate your spare change for A Women's Concern.

Donate flashlights, D batteries and other items listed on Winslow Farm website.

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 is filled, but we will continue to collect this year. We will be collecting for Shot @ Life, our focus project for GFWC of MA Jrs this year.

LEADERSHIP Nancy Brown

Congratulations to Susan Carlson, for receiving a Leadership award last month. Great Job!

MEMBERSHIP Vel Bleau

Happy Birthday to You!

Judy Ackerman on September 4.

PUBLICITY Nancy Brown

Please view your local cable station in Taunton and Berkley for our club ads and take a photo of the ad on screen.

Please save newspaper articles concerning our club when you see them and give to Nancy Brown or Nancy Clark. Most recently submitted article is for our upcoming Plant and Yard Sale.

We received coverage in the Taunton Gazette on our trip to Washington, DC and our trip was also noted in the GFWC News and Notes.

PUBLIC ISSUES Open

We are still collecting teddy bears for TEMS (Taunton Emergency Management System) and items for our troops in the two bins at the Taunton Public Library.

PROGRAMS Joanna Alden

Our September guest speaker will be David Cucinotta who is a retired supervisor of Somerset Town School Reading Program and the membership chairman for Bristol County Retired Teachers. He will talk to us about the benefits for retiring teachers.

GFWC Annual Convention



From GFWC International President, Carlene Garner: "GFWC members volunteered nearly seven million hours, completed nearly 120,000 projects, and donated more than \$40 million, while touching countless lives by improving communities locally and around the world. GFWC awards are presented to clubwomen, clubs, and State Federations that have gone beyond the call to service in community improvement efforts as defined by our Advancement Areas, Community Service Programs, and Special Projects."

Nancy Clark and Cindy Brogan represented our Club at the GFWC Annual Conference held in Charlotte, NC in June. Each brought back an award. Cindy Brogan, as our Leadership Education and Development Seminar (LEADS) director, won an Education Award and Nancy Clark won the month of December, A Year in Pictures. Her photo (on right) *Down to the River*, will be in the 2013 GFWC Calendar as well as highlighted in the GFWC Clubwoman Magazine. Congratulations!



Nancy Clark was also the winner at the GFWC National Conference in Charlotte of a trip to the GFWC International Headquarters in Washington, DC for herself and five others.

Nancy Clark, along with board members Joyce Clark, Nancy Brown and Cindy Brogan and the GFWC of MA Director of Junior Membership Diane Murphy, and Assistant Director, Diane McCurley travelled to GFWC Headquarters in Washington DC where they stayed for two nights.

They were given tours of the GFWC Headquarters, our nations capitol and WHRC (Women's History and Resource Center) and they lunched with GFWC International President MaryEllen Laister, and Executive Director, Lisa Lopinsky.

Juniors' Committees - What Do They Do?

There are 7 Standing Club Committees: Membership, Ways & Means, Hospitality, Programs, Newsletter, Yearbook and Publicity.

In addition, we have 8 Community Service Committees created to carry on the work of the GFWC of MA and the GFWC Department Committees. These Committees are: Arts, Conservation, Education, Fundraising, HomeLife, International Outreach, Leadership, and Public Issues.

Our monthly Newsletter will focus on one of these Committees each month and encourage each of you to join one or volunteer to Chair a Committee.

Let's understand what the Arts Committee is about . . . The Arts Community Service Program is designed to enable members to create and contribute to art education and activities in their communities as participation in the Arts helps raise public consciousness and connects members and our Club with our community. We can create programs and projects that include music, dance, drama, theatre, and other art-related areas, both traditional and innovative.

Here are some of the activities our Club has done: decorated eyeglass cases at a club meeting; made origami paper cranes for Japan; entered GFWC art and photography contests; helped children make puzzle frames at the Dighton Arts Festival; sponsored a Dr. Seuss drawing contest for school children; answered art trivia questions concerning dance and female comedians each month.



GFWC

An international women's organization dedicated to community improvement by enhancing the lives of others through volunteer service.

MEETING NOTES

Bacon and Eggs

At the farmhouse one morning, I woke to the smell of bacon and eggs cooking in the kitchen below. The smell wafted upward and crept through the space between the floor boards. My daughter was making breakfast for the family. How lucky for us!

We all sat around the breakfast table eating the delicious food and sorting out the chores for the day. The philosopher in our family said how delicious the food was and contemplated how the chickens freely shared their eggs for us this morning and the pig provided the bacon. It was apparent that the chicken was involved in our menu, whereas the pig was committed.

Which are you? ~ an involved volunteer or a committed volunteer?
