



# GFWC of Taunton and Raynham Juniors A member of the General Federation of Women's Clubs

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#### **Our Board Members**

Lynne Jorge, President – Mary Barrett, Vice President – Joyce Clark, Recording Secretary

JoAnn Matthews, Corresponding Secretary – Vel Bleau, Treasurer – Jane Pacheco, Auditor 
Cindy Leonard, Director

#### What Did We Do in January?

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Monday January 9th Business Meeting: During the meeting members had a social hour where report writing members gathered much needed information and the rest of the members colored adult art while talking. There was no leadership award or program this month. Joan Stevens sold some Dine Out Books to help raise money for the club, and bras were collected for our Domestic Violence Project. Joyce Clark had her pictures displayed of past events for everyone to view. Monday January 16<sup>th</sup>: The club turned all our yearly reports in to GFWC of Massachusetts Juniors. The club wants to thank all those who have worked tirelessly on these reports. Tuesday January 17<sup>th</sup>: Joyce Clark and Darlene Brown visited the Prison Book Program and donated books and dictionaries as well as their time.

Monday January 23<sup>rd</sup>: Cindy Brogan chaired a meeting at Nancy Clark's house for ideas for new fundraising ideas for the year 2017. They will share the information at a future meeting.

Program for February: Our guest speaker is
Dorothea Maynard from Alpha Upsilon State
Massachusetts Executive Secretary of the
International Society for Key Women Educators of
Delta Kappa Gamma. Dorothea has been an

Associate Director of the Buzzards Bay Writing Project since 2005. She is a professional development facilitator for teachers from K-12 in the art of teaching writing across the curriculum, an adult and student writing retreat facilitator, and through 2014-2015 facilitated an after school writing camp in a library setting for a high-needs New Bedford elementary school. She was one of 243,000 people nominated who had the honor of carrying the Olympic Flame on December 27, 2001. Since 2002 Dorothea has carried the torch to schools, civic organizations, assisted living and nursing home, and church organizations to spread the word of how we can all be a person of inspiration in spite of whatever our personal difficulties may be. She will talk about her amazing experience of her torch run, the specific design of the torch and of the man who designed it, and how she came to be nominated by her daughter.

**Scholarship Month:** Ricky Gomes Scholarship is due by March 1<sup>st</sup>, along with many others. See our website for details!

#### **Committees:**

ARTS – Nancy Clark - Submit to the Photography contests! Photos must be taken in the calendar year Jan. 1 - Dec. 31. Bring any photos you want to submit to the GFWC contest to our February

meeting for voting. Nancy Clark will have and "Creative Arts Waiver" forms at the meeting.

**CONSERVATION** – Denise Wheeler – Collect and bring to meetings; newspapers, box tops, plastic bottle tops, fabric, yarn, old batteries and soda tabs.

**DOMESTIC VIOLENCE:** - Joyce Clark – t-shirts will continue to be displayed at our events to promote awareness of domestic violence throughout the year.

**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. Denise Wheeler will be collecting children books throughout the year.

**FUNDRAISING** – Jane Pittsley – Thursday, February 23, 2017; leaves from Silver City Galleria Mall @ 7:30 a.m. sharp arriving at Foxwoods around 9:00 am, will leave Foxwoods at 4:00 p.m., arrive back at Silver City Galleria Mall around 5:15 p.m. the cost is \$30.00 payable to GFWC Taunton & Raynham Junior Woman's Club. Complimentary Donuts/Muffins will be available and everybody is a Winner – Gift to all bus riders with a snack on return trip. Call Jane at 508-822-5437 or email her at <u>flower57@comcast.net</u>. She will be selling tickets at the next two meetings. First call basis for reservations - as long as there are seats available we can accept money up to the time we board the bus. Bonus package consists of \$10.00 slot play and food voucher or a full buffet. Transportation provided by Fisher Bus Inc. This fundraiser supports student scholarships and local charities. Lynne Jorge has the Dine Out Books for sale \$29.95 with \$10 going to the club for book sold. Denise Wheeler will have tickets for the Soup Sampler coming up in March and a sign up for the event. If you have any fun ideas for club Fundraising, we welcome all of your suggestions! **HOME LIFE** – Nancy Brown – Fleece blankets are still needed

Our Presidents Special Project: Lynne is requesting club members to continue supporting the homeless at Matthew Mission 24:10. They are in need for the month of March for additional volunteers.

**HOSPITALITY** – Nancy Brown, Robin Gendron and Lynne Jorge will provide refreshments at our February's meeting.

**INTERNATIONAL OUTREACH** —Bring your change for the pig for Heifer. Get any type of shot at Walgreens, and a child gets one free.



Leadership: - This month we will be voting on two awards: first the MARILYN PERRY LEADERSHIP AWARD. This award is given to a Junior clubwoman who demonstrates outstanding leadership qualities and abilities, and uses them to benefit both her GFWC club and her community. She is an active leader in community organizations and/or projects (e.g. church, charities, schools, government) while maintaining positions of leadership within GFWC or within her GFWC club. Please note: the Marilyn Perry Leadership Award focuses on clubwomen who take their leadership skills beyond their club and use those skills in the community-at-large. It is an award recognizing leadership in general — not just within a club or GFWC. Second is the MARTHA

#### MICHALEWICH CLUBWOMAN OF THE YEAR

AWARD. This award goes to the clubwoman who has gone above the call of duty for her club. She is the clubwoman who almost always says yes, takes on the roles both as a follower and leader, represents her club in the most positive light and always promotes the club and its activities. (Unlike the Marilyn Perry Leadership Development Award, this award recognizes work done with and for the club.)

MEMBERSHIP – Joyce Clark – Encourage friends and new people you meet to come to a meeting.

NEWSLETTER – Nancy Martin – If you do something representing our club during any given month, please forward information about it along with pictures to MRMartin947@aol.com

PUBLICITY – Nancy Brown – Please save any articles that you may see in The CALL, The Taunton Gazette, The Rehoboth Reporter, or The Brockton Enterprise. When clipping any article makes sure you include the header that has the paper's name, page #, and date of said article. The easiest would be to save the entire page and bring it to our business meeting. Be aware that our events and announcements are also run on Cable TV and on-line at AmericanTowns.com and Wicked Local, and on Facebook. Please call me if you would be interested in getting your feet wet with PUBLICITY for the club. I will be happy to help out. In the meantime save those papers! Merci beau coup.

PUBLIC ISSUES – Cindy Brogan, see our website PROGRAMS – Dorothea Maynard, see article above. Valentines for the nursing homes. Please bring in Hershey Kisses. (N0 nuts) We will glue them to cards and divide among the nursing homes. Consider making the delivery on or before Valentine's Day and personally handing out to a few of the residents. They are our community's sweethearts.

PUBLIC POLICY & LEGISLATION— Nancy Clark—Continue to send emails through the GFWC Legislative Action Center in 2017. If you haven't take action this year, please consider going to our website and clicking on the "Take Action That Matters to You" banner on our Home Page and click on the red link at the top of our Legislation to register. Also, if you get a response from GFWC, your senator, or representative, forward it to me at webmaster@nclark.net! There have been no new alerts this month but you if you have submitted before you can submit to any currently on the GFWC page—link on our page.

**WHRC** – Nancy Brown/Denise Wheeler – The history book is still available see Nancy if you wish to purchase one.

**YEARBOOK**- Nancy Clark - Our new edition will be out very soon.

Happy Birthday from your fellow club members

Jane Pacheco

Lynne Jorge

#### What should you bring to the meeting?

Hersey Kisses in red or Silver no nuts for the nursing homes \$29.95 for Dine-Out Books being sold by Lynne Jorge Bring photos for Art Contest Pennies for Old Colony History Museum Change for Heifer Pig

Newspapers and Advertisement flyers for Denise, Martin School and Parker Middle Old cellphones for Soldiers

Dictionaries, thesauruses, and other books for Prison Book Program
Children Books, fleece blankets, for firefighters

### **Upcoming Events**

Casino trip February 23, 2017 to Foxwoods Casino cost \$30 Soup Sampler at the VFW on March 26<sup>th</sup> from noon to 2:00pm

Relay for Life June 16<sup>th</sup> -17<sup>th</sup>

Next business meeting is February 6th; 7:00pm at B.P. Silver Platter
Our next executive board meeting will be Monday, February 27th, 6:30 pm. at B.P. Silver Plater





## President's Corner

With the inauguration of our new President this past week, Americans from around the country marched together to bring awareness and in protest about issues important to our future generations. Whatever your political stand is on issues that relate to working people, social security, health care, people of different ethnicities, immigration, national security or terrorism, we must be sure we are in full support of those legislators who have our best interest in mind when creating policies that affect us all. To all those GFWC ladies who were present at those marches, I applaud you and may your voices be heard!

How to tell if moon is; Waxing -getting bigger, Waning- getting smaller.

When the moon is a sliver. Horns to the east, soon to be increased. Horns to the west, soon to rest.

FULL MOONS 2017
Wolf Moon- January 12
Snow Moon- February 10
Worm Moon- March 12
Pink Moon- April 11
Corn Planting Moon- May10
Strawberry Moon- June 9
Thunder Moon- July 8
Green Corn Moon- August 7
Harvest Moon- September 6
Hunter's Moon- October 5
Frost Moon- November 4
Long Night Moon- December3
The moon belongs to everyone. The best things in lie are free!

Photo: This is a Thunder Moon

