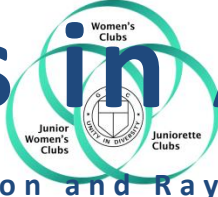




Juniors in Action



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Our Board Members

A past President – Nancy Brown, Joyce Clark - Recording Secretary,
Judy Ackerman - Corresponding Secretary, Nancy Clark – Treasurer
Nancy Martin - Auditor, Edith Edlund – Director

Nancy Brown was the presiding past president who



hasn't been a president since 1977. It was a zoom meeting due to the circumstances. There were 17 members in attendance.



nurses at Morton Hospital. Nancy Clark said she

would make the delivery. Paula Gasperoni who works for Morton Hospital said she would find out the name of the contact person and inform Nancy.

Robin Broberg as Chairman of Advocates

for Children requested we support a Brockton Special Needs Teacher who needs money for supplies for her students. The membership voted to send \$25 check as a donation to show our support for National



What Have our Club Members Been Doing During the Pandemic to Support Or Communities? The

mask giveaway at the First Parish Church in Taunton took place Friday May 15th from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. They reached out to our membership for donations and help starting at 10:00 a.m. for setup and organizing the masks.

Teachers Day. **It was** suggested by the Chairman of Conservation Denise Wheeler to collect nip bottles from streets and parks, while helping clean up city streets



and parks. We can receive \$.05 for each one collected which our club will donate to a cause that supports conservation. **Since the** Fashion Show has been cancelled Chairman Edith Edlund informed members that the money deposit made to DeAvilas for the Fashion Show will not be returned but we will be credited for a future fundraiser. **It was** also

They had several hundred masks to give out to the Taunton homeless and people in the community in need of masks. Nancy Clark, Cindy Brogan and Nancy Brown assisted with the mask giveaway. They gave away 339 masks to people who stopped by including some members and sent 39 to Marion Manor Nursing Home. **Some members planted** in their gardens, one member started a



suggested by Fundraising Chairman Cindy Brogan that we fundraise in the fall with another Lottery Raffle. This time first prize will be the same: a roll of lottery tickets or money for first prize, but 2nd or third prize either be a check or a supermarket gift certificate. **It was suggested** by the board our club donate 20 - \$5 Dunkin Donut Gift Cards to



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honey bee hive, and others cleaned trash in the streets in support of Earth Day. **Nancy Clark delivered** 4 Dunkin' Donuts \$25 gift cards instead of the 20 - \$5 Dunkin Donut Gift Cards agreed upon at the meeting to Morton Hospital because Paula said they wanted them for the hospital nurses and



staff raffle this week to celebrate National Hospital Week. Julie Masci is the contact woman that Paula put us in touch with.

What's New for June!

The club decided to go forward and hold our Annual June Social as usual. We all need to get back to a little normalcy and socialize, so Joyce Clark has offered to let us gather 'together but apart' in her backyard. We normally get together in the evening on the first Monday in June, but since so many of us are at home now we thought it would be nice to meet during the day. It will be a B.Y.O.L. (Bring your own lunch) and beverage, along with a lawn chair, or blanket, and your mask! There is plenty of room to 'social distance' and still socialize. A game of Headbands will get us all laughing too. We hope we can continue to offer our thanks to first responders in June too, so for anyone attending the social we ask if you would please bring a \$5 gift card from DD, Cumberland Farm or McDonalds. Nancy Brown will provide cards of thanks that members will sign and include the gift cards be donated. They will continue to need uplifting and we can do our part with a little donation from each member. As for the social; it's exciting to have something to look forward to. It just may be the best medicine for the soul. **RSVP to Joyce by June 6th**

Report of Elections- Last month I reported on the officers elected for the GWC Massachusetts Junior Membership. This month I'm including the reporting on the GFW of Massachusetts Membership. The term is to begin Sunday, May 3, 2020. President-Elect Donna Shibley, First Vice President-T Jablanski, Second Vice President- Jen Nowak, Recording Secretary- Terry Rouvalis, Corresponding Secretary- Donna Canavan, Treasurer- Darlene Coutu. The **board meeting** will be on Monday, May 25th even though it is Memorial Day to discuss the upcoming June Social and an activity that Robin Broberg suggested we could do. It will be a zoom meeting at 7:00 p.m. If you are not on the board but would like to attend

let Nancy Clark know so she can send you the link, minutes, treasurer's report and Nancy Brown's agenda on Sunday with a reminder on that Monday. **During the past year** our club has been busy serving our communities of the Greater Taunton area. Our Club Chairmen besides organizing the activities reported on them in detail. Our club won multiple awards. We were acknowledged for our sport of MASS STAR that promotes leadership through our high school youth, MORE THAN WORDS a total of over 30,000 books were collected, and WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA with \$2385 raised and 159 wreaths were placed on veterans' gravestones to celebrate the holiday season thanks to GFWC Massachusetts Junior Membership. Our club received Special Recognition in WHRC, Legislation/Public Policy, and Leadership and the Division II Bowl that is awarded to a small club.



Committees:

Advocates for Children –Robin Broberg – Will conduct a game at the June Social to raise money for a worthwhile cause.

ARTS – Kathy Sampson – Drawing and painting for children and adults is a nice activity during self-distancing. Sending homemade cards to veterans and those in nursing homes is a great idea. See our Facebook page for our club art winners.

COMMUNICATIONS & PUBLIC RELATIONS –Nancy Brown – Please save newspaper clippings. We were published in the Brockton Enterprise Wicked Local and Gazette along with the Rehoboth Reporter. Go online to the BUZZ Raynham for the full coverage.

CONSERVATION – Denise Wheeler – Collecting newspapers, puzzles, board games, empty ink cartridges, fabric, yarn, old cell phones, eye and reading glasses, small jewelry boxes, coffee cans, old batteries, embroidery floss, used eye glasses with cases, metal and plastic coat hangers, holiday cards, soda tabs and old bras. And nip bottles.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE: - Amanda Fata- no update at this time.

EDUCATION – Nancy Martin/Joyce Clark–Read to your children and grandchildren during this time using zoom or skype.

FUNDRAISING – Cindy Brogan –**CENTENNIAL SUFFRAGE TEA:** The Centennial Suffrage Tea has been postponed to October 11th from 1 to 3pm. A Lottery Raffle will take place in the Fall.

HOME LIFE – Nancy Brown- You can continue to save tissues, crackers and cookies, small hand sanitizers, 100-300 piece puzzles, novelty key chains, etc. to be used as Bingo prizes at Prime Time when we get back to normal. Try to keep track of letters and cards that you send or receive. When we return to our meeting routine it will be interesting to know how many people were uplifted by you, or how many times you were uplifted receiving cheerful messages to renew your spirits.

HOSPITALITY –Cindy Brogan– None this month.

INTERNATIONAL OUTREACH –Emily Wyland- No report at this time.

LEADERSHIP: - Paula Gasparoni and Joan Curran – No report at this time.

MEMBERSHIP —Joyce Clark – Joyce has been trying to keep in contact with members by phone during this time. Keep in touch!

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.

PRESIDENTS SPECIAL PROJECT: Edie Edlund- No update at this time.

PROGRAMS-Judy Ackerman– September is Sampson; October is on Child Abuse; November is Paul Clifford on the Suffrage Movement.

PUBLIC ISSUES –Cindy Brogan – Don't forget to vote in the upcoming election. Request an absentee ballot.

PUBLIC POLICY & LEGISLATION – Nancy Clark – No update at this time.

WEBMASTER – Nancy Clark – If you haven't gone on the site, use your free time to browse through our clubs' Facebook and Website.

WHRC – Nancy Brown- I hope that you all tried to match up members with their facts on the WHO's WHO quiz. As promised I will reward anyone who has matched at least half (there are 33 so let's say 16),and am counting on the honor system. Nancy Brown has sent members the Facts and answer sheets. Have fun getting to know us all and please try to fill in your answers before you look them up. If you match at least half let me know. **Nancy still hasn't heard from anyone.**

YEARBOOK – Edith Edlund – Everyone should have received their yearbook. If not please contact Edith

Happy Birthday to members whose birthday is this summer:

Nancy Martin

Joan Stevens

Suzanne Kaye

Mary Ellen Founds

Joanna Alden

Mary Barrett

Cheryl Carlos



Hope everyone is staying safe and taking advantage of the opportunity to catch up on some things you've wanted to do but never had enough free time. Like read those books and magazines that are calling to you, do some gardening, or clean out a closet. You know what I mean, those fun projects. We know that the effects of COVID 19 may be with us for a while, but if we follow the social distancing recommendations, wear masks in public and practice good hygiene we will all stay safe and well. Remember ...You've got this!

Nancy Brown : Acting President

Juniors' June Social

Monday, June 8, 2020 from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

At Joyce Clark's 7 St Pierre Circle Berkley, MA 02769 **RSVP:** 508 823-4402

BRING: Lunch, beverage of choice, chair or blanket, mask, and a \$5 gift card

For: DD, Cumberland Farm or McDonald's