



Junior Woman's Club of Taunton and Raynham

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What's New? Paper

Holiday Party & Installation of Officers

Hopefully, we'll have a great turnout for our holiday party at Café Balena on December 10th. We should arrive at 6:30 p.m. to order our food by 7:00 p.m. Remember, it's bring your own booze and there is a \$5 corking fee per table for those who bring one.

The address is 24 N. Water St., New Bedford, MA and these are the driving directions from The Arbors:

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| 1. Head south on County St/RT-140 toward Winslow Dr
Continue to follow RT-140 | 18.9 mi |
| 2. Take exit 2E to merge onto I-195 E toward Cape Cod | 1.5 mi |
| 3. Take exit 15 to merge onto RT-18 S toward Downtown/New Bedford | 1.0 mi |
| 4. Continue on John F Kennedy Mem Hwy | 0.3 mi |
| 5. Turn right at Elm St | 112 ft |
| 6. Turn left at N Water St | 0.1 mi |

21.8 mi – about 23 mins

This year we will be bringing items for a Platoon in I raq instead of exchanging gifts. See the list of items under international affairs in this newsletter.

December Meeting

The December meeting is our annual meeting where we will elect officers for 2008 and approve the budget for the upcoming year.

Upcoming Meetings and Events.

Dec. 3rd Meeting at The Arbors, 7 p.m.

Dec. 10th Holiday Party at Café Balena in New Bedford, 6:30 p.m.

Reminders for December's Meeting

Samaritan House sample size toothpaste, shampoo, conditioner, soap, and toothbrushes

Taunton State: pocket calendars, journals (no metal), slipper socks

Education: a children's book or paperback dictionary

Pride Inc.: Board games

St. Vincent de Paul: 2 or more canned goods

Women's Lunch Place: Paperback books

Secret Pal Gifts!

Hospitality

December 3rd

Judy Riley (C) and Judy deAbreu



Pie & Coffee

Our Pie & Coffee fundraiser was a tremendous success. We had a great variety of scrumptious pies and a fantastic raffle. We made \$440 on tickets and \$272 on the raffle.21111



November Meeting

Local author, Joyce Keller Walsh, spoke to us about her writing and what it takes to be a writer.

Then Kim's father, Norm McMann told us about a clam boil fundraiser that we will be helping the Dighton Lions Club women with in March.



Witches Hats for Nursing Home

On behalf of the club, Nancy B. distributed a dozen witches hats to the residents of Marion Manor for them to wear on Halloween.

Basket of Books

The club donated a basket of children's books to the Joe Riley Fundraiser Auction. The money from the sales will go to the Brockton Library and for the river trails at Boyden Animal Preserve, named after Joe.



Membership:

- ◆ We had 64% attendance at November's Meeting.
- ◆ *Oh! Baby 2008 Calendar Babies*
 - ◇ Membership Matters! Here's your M&M fix for the month. The quest for photos has ended.
 - ◇ Ladies, the best volunteers are homegrown right here in Massachusetts , and most specifically the members of the Jr. Woman's Club of Taunton and Raynham. They were born and raised to become caring, helpful, generous and engaging volunteers even before they were aware of their destiny. Next month you can take a look at our new Calendar Babies for 2008, then look at your fellow juniors. Do you recognize those cherubic faces? Maybe one of them is yours, and guess what? All were home grown seedlings!
 - ◇ At the December meeting I will have available, new Oh! Baby 2008 Calendars , for sale at \$3.00 each. Thirteen of our members are depicted on the front. (Will you be able to name them all without peeking at the chart on the back?) Each calendar also comes backed with corner magnets to adhere to your fridge. Don't be left out, because these will make neat gifts for family members and friends. It's also a great way of promoting GFWC Jr. Membership, and remember, two or three new members would be great in 2008! (If you think you'll want more than one calendar, please give me a call (774 218-1456) so that I'll have them ready for the December meeting.) Thank you to everyone who gave me their baby picture. 'From little seedlings, tall oaks grow.'
- ◆ Membership Pins are I N. Remember to pay Judy D.

Rent Relief:

Thanks to Judy D. for November's rent relief. Sharon J. will be providing December's rent relief.

Newsletter:

Send any info to Nancy C. at
tauntonraynhamjrwomen@yahoo.com

Publicity:

Clip any articles from local papers. Make sure to include paper name and date.

Public Affairs:

"Quarters for Quarters"

We will be continuing to collect quarters (and bills) in our "Quarters for Quarters" house at our December business meeting. These donations are due on December 31st, so help the GFWC Juniors meet their quota of \$3,500/



International Affairs:

- ◆ We are still collecting the UNICEF Trick-or-Treat boxes.
- ◆ 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.
- ◆ We will be collecting these items at this year's holiday party instead of exchanging gifts.
 - ◇ AA and AAA Batteries
 - ◇ DVD's
 - ◇ Holidays cards
 - ◇ all occasion cards
 - ◇ pens w/black ink

Education:

- ◆ Members are asked to bring a children's book to November's meeting. The children's books will be donated to DSS for "Backpacks for Children Who Wait."
- ◆ Or bring a paperback dictionary for the *Prison Book Program*,
www.prisonbookprogram.org.



Homelife:

- ◆ Keep knitting or crocheting those rectangles for "**Warm Up America.**" They would like 7" x 9" rectangles, either knitted or crocheted, made with acrylic yarn. See <http://www.warmupamerica.com/patterns.html> for directions.



Conservation:

- ◆ See our website at <http://www.nclark.net/ClubReminders> to see the list of items we are collecting to recycle. The destinations for the items are now listed on our website.
- ◆ Free electronics recycling:
CRT Recycling Inc.
175 East Ashland Street Brockton, Massachusetts 02302
PH# 1 (800) 944-7019 FAX (508) 427-9311 or go to
<http://www.recyclingelectronics.com/> for collection locations and dates.
- ◆ Darlene's church is collecting clean used blankets, hats, gloves, mittens, and scarves for needy families.

Arts:

- ◆ Congratulations! November's "Smart Cookies" were Darlene Brown, Cheryl Carlos, Sharon Weatherford, Joyce Clark, and Denise Wheeler. The answers to the question, "What part of the Mona Lisa took DaVinci 12 years paint?" was the lips.

December's art trivia:

This is a fill in the blank. (Hint: Each dash is one letter.) Good luck!

TREES by _ _ _ _ _ Joyce Kilmer

I think that I shall never see
A poem lovely as a tree.

A tree that looks at God all day
And lifts her leafy arms to pray;

A tree that may in summer wear
A nest of robins in her hair;

_ _ _ _ _ are made by fools like me
But only God can make a tree.

Email your answer to Nancy B. or call her.



Important Note: Do **NOT** bring the Christmas cards for recovering soldiers that we talked about at the meeting as they will not be delivered! See <http://www.snopes.com/politics/christmas/soldiercards.asp> for the reason why.

Fundraising:

Keep making those brownies for Denise to sell at school as a fundraiser. Put 5 in a bag and make sure they don't have nuts. We could use this money to buy some of the items we donate to organizations so that members would not be asked to donate so much on their own.