

# GFWC Taunton and Raynham Juniors

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## What's New?'s Paper

### Upcoming Meetings and Events

**June 1:** June Social at Curley's Pub, 6:00 p.m.

**June 4:** Federation Day at the Forest

**June 12-15:** GFWC International Conference, Cleveland, Ohio

**Aug. 15:** President's Day at Sudbury Headquarters, 9 a.m.

**Aug. 31:** Board Meeting at Cindy's

**Sept. 14:** Business Meeting at The Arbors, 7 p.m.

### June Social

Join us for our annual pre-summer get together at Curley's Pub on Monday, June 1<sup>st</sup> at 6:00 p.m. We'll have our own space upstairs and it's sure to be great fun! Make sure to read about your "Artful Challenge" for the social in the Arts section of the newsletter.

#### Directions to Curley's from The Arbors

1. Head **north** on **County St/MA-140** toward **Hart St** 1.9 mi  
Continue to follow MA-140
2. Turn **right** at **MA-140/Summer St** 118 ft
3. Turn **left** at **Church Grn/MA-140/US-44** 0.2 mi  
Continue to follow MA-140/US-44
4. At **Taunton Grn**, take the **5th** exit onto **US-44/Winthrop St** 2.7 mi

417 Winthrop St  
Taunton, MA 02780

### Hospitality

**Sept. 14**

Judy R. (C) and Nancy B.

**Oct. 5**

Kim M. (C) and Judy D.

**Nov. 2**

Joan C. (C) and Deb B.

**Dec. 7**

Nancy M. (C) and Mary R.

**Don't forget:**

**Secret Pal Gifts!**

**Rent Relief for June:**

Nancy M.

### Reminders for June's Social

**Samaritan House:** paper plates, aluminum foil, napkins, paper towels, plastic wrap and bags, plastic cutlery

**Education:** a paperback dictionary, thesaurus, or Spanish/English dictionary

**Pride Inc.:** Craft Supplies (see website), board games

**Main Spring House:** bar soap

**Taunton Emergency Management System:** Teddy Bears or brownies for Denise to sell.

**St. Vincent dePaul:** 2 or more canned goods

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## Annual Conference

Cindy, Cheryl, Sharon W., Joyce, Nancy B., and Nancy C. attended this year's fun filled and informative "South of the Border" conference at Sea Crest. We learned yoga exercises, were taught a special line dance, filled survival kits for teachers, learned how one town promotes reading, and finally danced the night away with DJ, Paul Gavoni.

And, of course, there were awards, awards, awards! Our club received 7 awards in all.

## May Meeting

This past month Mayor Crowley gave his fascinating presentation, "Hollywood Comes to Taunton" and Cindy presented him with two tickets to our Ice Cream Social.

Cindy told us all about the awards our club received at conference and presented the Ricky Gomes Scholarship award to Alyssa Martin, Nancy's daughter. Nancy C. even read the speech that she had given at conference for the award.



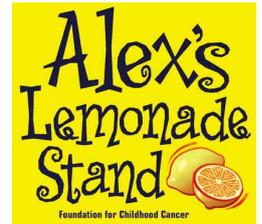
## Ice Cream Social

Our first attempt at serving ice cream sundaes as a fundraiser was a great success. The kids especially liked being able to add M&M's, jimmies, strawberries, crushed Oreos, hot fudge, or caramel to the many flavors of ice cream available.

Because Hannaford's and Walmart donated most of the ingredients and Edible Arrangements donated an arrangement for the raffle, we were able to clear \$586 on the event.

## Homelife:

- Alex's Lemonade Stand will be at Leddy and Summer St. Schools Taunton, MA. Contributions are being accepted and volunteers are signing up! Dates are: June 10th & 11th at Leddy and June 11th at Summer St. School. "FIGHTING CHILDHOOD CANCER, ONE CUP AT A TIME" Sponsored by: E. F. Leddy School, Summer St. School and G.F.W.C. Taunton & Raynham Juniors
- Those of you that haven't entered your steps this month for *Step for the Roses*, let's record them and get ourselves a bit higher than 246<sup>th</sup> place!
- We will be voting at the June Social on a donation for the *Relay for Life*!
- Darlene is collecting yarn of any type except fun fur or eyelash for a lady she knows who can make baby sets for *Birthright*.



## Education:

- Bring a paperback dictionary, thesaurus, or Spanish-English dictionary for the *Prison Book Program*, [www.prisonbookprogram.org](http://www.prisonbookprogram.org). Joyce, Denise, Thelma, Nancy B., Nancy C., and Audrey brought our dictionaries and thesauruses to the program headquarters in Quincy on April 28<sup>th</sup> where we picked books that prisoners had requested and packaged the books for mailing.
- Support our libraries: The *Friends of the Taunton Public Library's* monthly book sale is June 13<sup>th</sup> from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

## Conservation:

- See our website at [http://gfwctauntonraynhamjuniors.com/Club\\_Reminders.aspx](http://gfwctauntonraynhamjuniors.com/Club_Reminders.aspx) to see the list of items we are collecting to recycle. The destinations for the items are now listed on our website.
- Go to [www.freecycle.org/](http://www.freecycle.org/) to donate or swap items you no longer want.  is a grassroots and entirely nonprofit movement of people who are giving (& getting) stuff for free in their own town. It's all about reuse and keeping good stuff out of landfills.
- Darlene's church is still collecting clean used blankets, hats, gloves, mittens, socks, sweatshirts, scarves, thick socks, mittens (preferably large), and small duffel bags for needy families.
- Help protect the rainforests! Every time you buy a  Tropicana product you can go to [www.tropicanaforest.com](http://www.tropicanaforest.com) and enter the unique # code on your container. For every code entered, they will preserve 100 square feet of rainforest. At the end of the year we can each check our accounts to see how many square feet of rain forest we have saved as a club!

## Membership:

- Summer birthdays: July 4<sup>th</sup> Nancy Martin, July 7<sup>th</sup> Joan Stevens, July 31<sup>st</sup> Joanna Alden, Aug. 5<sup>th</sup> Mary Farrar & Aug 21<sup>st</sup> Cheryl Carlos! When you see them, wish them a Happy Day!
- Don't forget to wear your club shirt or vest to meetings and events if you have one.
- When ordering from [Amazon.com](http://Amazon.com), GFWC gets a percentage of your purchases every time you click on the affiliate link.
- If anyone has the "Travel Journal" please bring it in.
- Enjoy the lazy days of summer. Why not invite a friend to a meeting in the fall! This year's motto is "ACT in October with **4 more in 09 would be devine.**"

## International Affairs:

- We are continuing to collect children's books for nomadic schools in Kenya. For ideas of the types of books to collect check them out on our website at: [http://gfwctauntonraynhamjuniors.com/Club\\_Reminders.aspx](http://gfwctauntonraynhamjuniors.com/Club_Reminders.aspx).

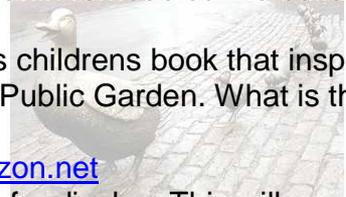


- Denise is also requesting that you clean out your junk drawers for any used pens and pencils to be donated to a Catholic Mission in India.

**Public Affairs:** Bring teddy bears for the Taunton Emergency Management System being collected by the Taunton Federal Credit Union.

### Arts:

- Congratulations to those “Smart About Art” in May. We had quite a few Smarties! Nancy C., Nancy B., Joyce, Denise, Jane, Judy D., Judy A., Sharon W., & Cheryl.
- Answer: Fall River was the historic town where Maude Darling-Parlin remodeled the building that houses the women’s club and other downtown buildings.
- Question for June:** Robert McCloskey is the author of a famous childrens book that inspired Nancy Schon of Newton, Ma to sculpture a statue in the Boston Public Garden. What is the title of that book? Why not visit your local library to find the answer?
  - Good Luck! **Call 508-345-5320 or email [audree11@verizon.net](mailto:audree11@verizon.net)**
- Don’t forget to bring your “Steppin’ Out Dress” to the June social for display. This will complete your outfit along with your High Heel Shoes, Fancy Hat, Designer Handbag and Artful Necklace all to be displayed at the meeting!
- Artful Challenge:** coming to the June social? Inspired by women from history? Your challenge is to pick someone from history and write at least one fact about her on an index card and *bring it with you* to the June social. You may include a picture of that person or even dress the part! “Womens History-let it be part of our today!”



### Fundraising:

- Continue to make brownies for Denise to sell at school or donate money for boxes of brownie mix and candy.
- Our club has now signed up for **shaws** Community Rewards program. After you have signed up for the program online, every time you shop at Shaw’s on Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday with your Shaw’s card, our club will automatically get 1% of your purchases. If you don’t have computer access, you can give your card number to Nancy C. She will be happy to sign up for you. To sign up yourself follow the instructions on our website at <http://qfwctauntonraynhamjuniors.com/support.aspx>.

### Community Improvement:

- After waiting in the rain for the refuge to open, Cheryl, Denise, Nancy B., Joyce, and Nancy C. with Zach and Brandon started the weeding and planting at Boyden on Saturday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>. G Lopes donated two truckloads of mulch so that we won’t have to pull weeds every other week. Afterwards, the board met to make up for their canceled May 18<sup>th</sup> meeting.



Waiting in the Rain

The Before Picture!



And the After Picture

- We will be entering our work at Boyden in the 2-year Community Improvement Contest nicknamed "Forward to Award." The contest has monetary awards on both the state and national level and national winners will also have one member invited to attend the International Convention in June, 2010 including roundtrip transportation!

**Our Website:** Nancy C. has given our website a new look. Check it out at <http://tauntonraynhamjuniors.com>.

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**THOUGHT OF THE DAY** — "To change and to improve are two different things." — German proverb.

**READERS' PHOTOS** To submit, send quality photos with detailed information to [dciliberti@TauntonGazette.com](mailto:dciliberti@TauntonGazette.com).




**Show of appreciation for public libraries**

GFWC Taunton and Raynham Juniors got together to bake treats for public library staff in Taunton, Raynham, Dighton, Berkley and Rehoboth in recognition of National Library Week. The Junior Woman's Club delivered the baskets of goodies as a thank you to all the dedicated library workers whose work is a vital part of our communities. Shown above left, from left, Karen Brothers, Rebecca Hall, Kathy Waterman and Edna Fergusson of the Raynham Public Library. Above right are, from left, Kate Dawson of Children's Services and Nancy Clark Jr., Woman's Club State Education Chairman.

To see the article in the *Silver City Bulletin* about the Juniors Annual Conference at Sea Crest, go to: <http://www.thesunchronicle.com/articles/2009/05/25/taunton/4894412.txt>

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## ALL YOU CAN EAT SUNDAES

Ice Cream Social by The GFWC  
Taunton and Raynham Juniors

Sunday May 17th,  
2 to 4 p.m.

At The Annex 763 County St. Taunton

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