

JUNIORS' CALL



GFWC TAUNTON AND RAYNHAM JUNIORS
MEMBER OF THE GENERAL FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS

UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS

March 5 Mohegan Sun Trip

March 7 **Business Meeting** at The Arbors at 7:00 pm

March 28: **Board Meeting** at The Arbors at 7:00 pm.



HOSPITALITY

March 2011 - Cindy Brogan (C) and Diana Llera

April 2011 - Judy Ackerman (C) and Edith Edlund

Monthly Prize contributor for March: Nancy Martin

February Happenings

The Taunton & Raynham Juniors were busy in February. We prepared 1,005 Valentine Bags of Hershey Kisses for our local nursing home residents at our February business meeting. Our Valentine Bags were delivered to The Arbors, Marion Manor, Dighton Nursing Home, Brockton VA Hospital, Longmeadow and others by our members.

On February 7, we hosted our annual Valentine Tea at The Arbors. We had a great turnout and raised over \$1,300.

We voted Nancy Clark as our nominee for the Marilyn Perry award and Denise Wheeler for the Martha Michalewicz award. Congratulation and Good Luck to Nancy and Denise.



OUR ANNUAL VALENTINE'S TEA

Another successful fundraising event.



MARILYN PERRY NOMINEE

Congratulations to our president, Nancy Clark for being nominated by our Club.



MARTHA MICHALEWICZ NOMINEE

Congratulations to Denise Wheeler for being nominated by our Club.

WHO'S



WHO

Member: Jane Pittsley

Town: Berkley, MA

Member since: 2008

Born in: East Taunton

Lived in: Carmel, IN

Career: Currently Payroll/
Personnel Specialist at BP
Regional School

Family: Married to Floyd
with 2 step children and 1
grandson on the way and 11
Beagles and many rabbits.



T&R Jrs. Positions Held:
VP 2010, 2011

Hobbies: Fundraising,
Reading and TV

Favorite Things: Spending
time with my husband, helping
others, casinos, gardening and
being a member of the GFWC
Taunton & Raynham Juniors
club



OUR VALENTINE'S TEA



TAUNTON DAILY GAZETTE

Serving Taunton, Raynham, Dighton, Berkley, Rehoboth and surrounding communities.

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A sweet day for everyone on Valentine's Day

For the past eight years the members of the GFWC Taunton and Raynham Juniors have assembled Valentine kiss bags and distributed them to the residence of the area nursing homes, St. Thomas Soup Kitchen and veterans at the Brockton VA. On Monday morning clubwomen Nancy Brown and Joyce Clark visited Longmeadow and Wedgemere Nursing Homes to distribute to several residents before making a delivery to St. Thomas Soup Kitchen in time for lunch. Brown and Clark then travelled to Brockton to deliver the individual bags of chocolate kisses, six boxes of chocolates and Valentine cards signed by the members, to the veterans at the Brockton VA Hospital. Other members of the Jr. Women's Club, including club president Nancy Clark, made Valentine deliveries to Marion Manor, Bethany House, Taunton Nursing Home and the Dighton Nursing Home. More than 1000 kiss bags were made by the women at their monthly meeting in anticipation of Valentine's Day.

LEFT: At St. Thomas Soup Kitchen, Chip Raymond and Michaeline Saladyga.

RIGHT: At Longmeadow, Nancy Brown and Joyce Clark with residents and Activities Director Jane Delessandro

GFWC CALENDAR CONTEST

The Taunton & Raynham Jrs. provided a plethora of photographs to be entered into the GFWC calendar contest. We voted on Nancy Brown's Mushroom photo to enter.

Congratulations Nancy, let's hope your picture makes it into the Calendar.



Standing Rules

18. Flowers shall be sent by the Corresponding Secretary to any member who is hospitalized. The cost will be determined by the Executive Board at the beginning of the club year.

20. A book will be donated by the club to the local library of any club member who has given birth or adopted a child. The book will be donated in the child's name. This will be known as the Book-a-Baby program.

HOW WELL DO YOU KNOW OUR RULES AND BY-LAWS ?

Here are some to ponder . . .

By-Laws

ARTICLE III - OBJECT

Section 1: The object of this non-profit organization shall be to bring together the young women of the community who are interested in promoting good fellowship, self-improvement, advancing along the lines of general culture, participation in civic activities and cooperating with GFWC of Massachusetts, Junior Membership.

ARTICLE III - MEMBERS

Section 1: Any woman, interested in the welfare and betterment of the club, 18 years of age or older, who is a resident of Taunton, Raynham, or an adjoining town in which there is not a Junior Woman's Club, may make application for membership after one business meeting of the club.

SAVE THE DATE: MARCH 2, 2011

Read Across America and Dr. Seuss' Birthday is March 2. To celebrate these special events, The Cat in The Hat (aka Nancy Brown) will be reading to children as The Cat in The Hat at the Taunton Public Library in the Children's Room from 3:30 to 4:30. Juniors will be providing refreshments.

SAVE THE DATE: MARCH 5, 2011

The Bus will be leaving for our Mohegan Sun Trip at 7:45 am from the Silver City Galleria Commuter Parking Lot. See Jane Pittsley for tickets and more information.

SAVE THE DATE: APRIL 9, 2011

The Women Entrepreneurs on Sat., April 9th from 1-4 pm at the VFW on Ingell Street in Taunton. Vendors should be setting up at 12:00 p.m

COMMITTEES

Home Life - Denise Wheeler

- 👤 Darlene is collecting **yarn** of any type (except fun fur or eyelash) for a lady she knows who can make baby sets for **Birthright**.
- 👤 Samaritan House is requesting donations of paper towels, napkins, plates, plastic bags, wrap and aluminum foil. Pride Inc. is looking for board games and craft supplies (see website) for their dayhab center. Bring in one or two canned goods and/or cereal for the Raynham Food Pantry and Main Spring House is requesting bar soap.
- 👤 We are collecting coins and dollar bills for A Woman's Concern, a MA organization that provides information and compassionate

Conservation - **OPEN**

- 👤 We recycle! See our website for a list of all items. www.gfwctauntonraynhamjuniors.org/conservation.aspx
- 👤 Have stuff you no longer want? Go to www.freecycle.org to donate your stuff. All postings must be for free. This is a non profit, grassroots organization to give and receive for free in their own town. Let's keep our unwanted stuff out of the landfills and give to those who can re-use.
- 👤 Darlene's church continues to collect 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 have Birthright baby sets. Denise is collecting eyelash and fun fur yarn.

Membership - Vel Bleau

Membership Attendance

Membership Report
31 members

February	62%
January	63%
December	71%
Average 3 month attendance	65%
New Members in 2010	7
New members in 2011	1

- 👤 **Happy Birthday to You!** Joan Curran on March 19, Kelly Campbell and Paula Richards on March 20 and Sharon Joseph on March 25.
- 👤 GFWC is an approved participating volunteer organization for the Give a Day, Get a Disney Day program. Earn your Disney Theme Park ticket by going to www.gfwc.org to the Member Center link and click on the Disney link for more information.
- 👤 GFWC has partnered with T Mobile to provide discounted wireless mobile service and equipment. To find out more go to www.gfwc.org to the Member Center link for Affinity Programs & Benefits or call 866 464 8662.
- 👤 GFWC will receive a percentage of your Amazon.com purchase when you click on the Affinity link when you place your order.
- 👤 Don't forget to wear your Club shirt or vest to all our Events to help bring awareness of our Club.

Public Issues - **OPEN**

- 👤 Bring Teddy Bears for the Taunton Emergency Management System which are being collected by the Taunton Federal Credit Union. The Teddy Bears are given to children that have experienced a displacement from their house due to fire, floods or other emergency situations.
- 👤 We are still collecting items for our troops in two bins at the Taunton Public Library.

COMMITTEES

International Outreach - Nancy Clark

- ☞ Want to improve your vocabulary and donate rice to the UN World Food Program? Then go to www.freerice.com and answer the questions correctly and 10 grains of rice will be donated. How much rice can you donate?
- ☞ Bring pens and pencils for a catholic mission in India. Save stamps and Christmas cards for India Missions.
- ☞ Our pig – Cha-Ching, has been filled but we will continue to collect for Heifer for this year's donation.

Arts - Susan Carlson

- ☞ Congratulations to Jane Pittsley, our winner of last month's So You Think You Can Dance question - Name 1) the movie and 2) the actress that stars as Princess Odette and identify 3) the dance genre.
- ☞ This month's question is - 1) Who was one of the youngest entertainers, best known for musicals, to win an Oscar and decades later became a US ambassador to Ghana and Czechoslovakia? 2) Name two musicals that this entertainer starred in. If you think you have the correct answers, email Susan Carlson at susansvin@yahoo.com or leave a message at 508 880 8844. At our June Social the most winning member will be awarded a Grand Prize. Good Luck to all. Make sure to email Susan at Susansvin@yahoo.com not to tauntonraynhamjrwomen@yahoo.com.
- ☞ The Recipe Calendar Committee is looking for volunteers to help select pictures and recipes of our club members 2012 calendar fundraiser. Please email or call Susan Carlson to sign up.

Education - Cindy Brogan

- ☞ Bring a paperback dictionary, spanish/english dictionary or thesaurus for the Prison Book Program. For more information on this program, go to www.prisonbookprogram.org
- ☞ March 2nd is Dr. Seuss' birthday and Read Across America Day. The National Education Association recommends that each child read in the company of a caring adult. Make plans to read to or with a child on this day!
- ☞ Support our Libraries. The Friends of the Taunton Public Library's monthly book sale is March 12 from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm.
- ☞ Book Swap - Recycle that book you just read to another Junior member. Bring in your books and see what other members bring in that you might want to read.

Leadership - OPEN

- ☞ Congratulations to Nancy Clark and Denise Wheeler who we nominated for the Marilyn Perry and Martha Michalewich Awards.

Fundraising - Jane Pittsley

- ☞ Denise still needs fall, Halloween, Thanksgiving, and Christmas items for next year's baskets.

Programs - OPEN

Committees to Chair

- Home Life
- Conservation
- Membership
- Public Issues
- International Outreach
- Arts
- Education
- Leadership
- Fundraising
- Programs
- Publicity
- Newsletter
- Community Improvement

Contact any Board Member to become a Chairperson.