



Juniors in Action



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Meeting Monday March 7, 2016 7:00pm Silver Platter at Bristol Plymouth

Our Board Members

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What Did We Do in February?

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Monday, February 1st: For our business meeting members were asked to wear red to show our support for heart month as well as Valentine's Day. Keeping with the hearts and



wellness theme we had Dr. Margie L. Downes as our speaker on "Dynamic Health and Wellness Bringing out the Best in You!" Her essential theme was "How do you wish to age?" She



discussed the hierarchy of health care: self, health and crisis care. She went into detail what a chiropractor could do to help improve your health. She talked for approximately thirty minutes and offered a \$40



evaluation to members if booked within the two weeks following our meeting. During the meeting, members glued heresy kisses to valentine cards printed by Nancy Brown to be distributed to nursing homes and veterans. This month



the leadership award was awarded to Nancy Clark for all her hard work organizing and making sure our annual reports were completed correctly and on time and to Edi Edlund for her work with our fundraiser, "Flower Power."

Saturday, February 13th: GFWC of MA had its Mid-Winter Meeting at Westford Regency Inn & Conference Center in Westford, MA from 10a.m. - 3p.m. the cost to attend was \$40. GFWC President Elect Sheila Shea was the Guest of Honor and Keynote speaker, the theme of her speech was "Adjusting the Sails". Eight members from our club attended the meeting, and Joan Curran sold scarfs with a percentage of the proceeds going to Sheila Shea. The afternoon speaker was James Arciero,



Massachusetts Representative from Second Middlesex District. The theme of his talk was "Moving Forward in Massachusetts. Lunch was a pork dinner. Those who attended enjoyed it and will talk about it at our business meeting. A fifteen year old male Jimmy Connor representing the New



England Country Music Organization entertained us for about half an hour.

Sunday, February 14th: Members delivered kisses attached to Valentine Cards to Arbors, Marian Manor, Taunton Nursing Home,

Dighton Nursing Home, Raynham Life Care Center, Wedgemere,

Longmeadow, Bethany Samaritan House, Our Bread, Matthew 25:40 Mission, Prime Time and Place. They were delivered by Joyce,



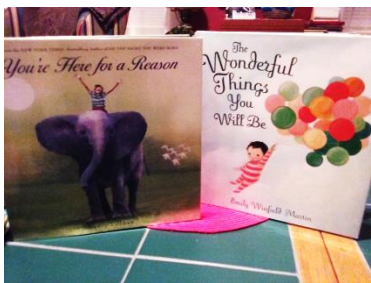
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Peggy's Cheryl,

Brenda, Nancy B., Joanna Alden, Nancy C., Dolores, Nancy M. and Robin Gendron. A total of 1043 kiss cards were delivered. Nancy Brown delivered to Marian Manor and attached is a picture of Nancy with Dorothea (Dot) Souza. Valentine Cards and boxes of chocolates were also delivered to the V.A. Hospital in Brockton

February 19th: Was a fundraising trip to Foxwoods Casino organized by Jane Pittsley. Many members were in attendance. It was fun not to just gamble but also shop at the Tanger Outlets. Jane once again got donuts donated by Dunkin Donuts on Broadway and gave out prizes on the way there and snacks on the return ride home. If you missed this trip she is planning another for April, keep time open!

During the Month of February: Book-a-Baby, two books were purchased for Nancy Brown's new twin granddaughters. The girls were born on October 21, 2015 but just came home from the hospital on the due date of January 31,



2016 and February 2, 2016. Both girls are doing great. The books 'You're Here For A Reason' by Nancy Tillman was given in honor of Amelia May Thatcher, and 'The Wonderful Things You Will Be'

by Emily Winfield Martin in honor of Adeline Francis Thatcher will go to the Dighton Public Library. Nancy Brown and the Thatchers sent a thank-you for the donations.

Committees:

ARTS – Nancy Clark –An attempt is being made to arrange for our club members that are interested in going to one of their "Color Your World" nights that are on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month at the Taunton Art Association. Nancy can supply coloring pages and colored pencils.

CONSERVATION – Denise Wheeler – Things needed this month: tablecloths, pot holders, newspapers, shower curtains, towels, sheets and blankets. See our site for a full list of items needed and where items can be donated.

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.

FUNDRAISING – The next casino trip is Thursday, April 21st. Jane is looking for small gifts to give as prizes on the trip. Soup Sampler is planned for March 12th at the VFW. Spring Tea is scheduled for May 14th at St. Nicholas of Myra from 1:00pm to 3pm.

HOME LIFE – Nancy Brown –Please continue to bring in fleece blankets so we will be able to fill requests as needed of the 3 B's bags. We are still collecting 100 to 500 piece puzzles for PRIDE; individual packages of crackers and cookies, and Kleenex for Prime Time. Craft supplies are also needed. Canned foods and paper towels are needed for Samaritan house.

HOSPITALITY: March meeting is Lauren Founds, Mary Barrett, and Darlene Brown. Next month is Joyce Clark, Joanna Alden and Brenda Saben.

INTERNATIONAL OUTREACH – Cindy Brogan – Remember to get your flu, pneumonia or shingles shot at Walgreen's they donate a shot for each one purchased. Bring your change for the pig for Heifer.

LEADERSHIP – Nancy Brown -Congratulations to Nancy Clark and Edi Edlund who received the leadership ribbons for February.

MEMBERSHIP – Joyce Clark – A new member is being installed this month: Michelle MacWalter.

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 - We are now on AmericanTowns.com, Rehoboth Reporter, Gazette and Dighton Cable. Please continue to check the newspapers, online as well as the cable stations. Lynne Jorge and Fran Perry have offered help – Thank-you. I will continue to send out the clubs news.

PUBLIC ISSUES – Robin Gendron – Bring women’s robes and slippers with rubber bottoms for the VA Hospital in Brockton. The Matthew 25:40 Mission is also in need of white socks and winter boots.

PROGRAMS – Joanna Alden – Contact Joanna with ideas for future meetings. This month’s meeting is Cherise Krasta-Hoak, beekeeper on the “Importance of Bees to Humans.”

PUBLIC POLICY & LEGISLATION– Nancy Clark – **Go onto our website and register!**

YEARBOOK - Nancy Clark – The Yearbooks have been distributed at February’s meeting. If you did not receive one see Joyce Clark.

WHRC – Nancy Brown - Hello ladies, make sure you bring some extra spending money to the March meeting. This month is Women's History Month. Instead of a calendar to raise funds for the Women's History and Resource Center we will be offering a Women's HER-Story Crossword puzzle for a donation of \$1.00 each. You will be entered in a drawing for a GFWC prize. Your name will be entered for each puzzle you purchase. Buy one for yourself and one or two for friends. Challenge yourself. Exercise your brain and learn something new. Bring your puzzle back to the April meeting and share the fun. Answers will be given out at the meeting and a winner will be drawn. Bring ONES to help preserve our history!

What should you bring to the meeting?



Bring the shirts, blouses, sweatshirts or vests you want the club insignia put on with a \$1 for each item

(Make sure your name is pinned to each item and state if you want white or black ink!)



Cans and Bottles for Cans for Canines – A total so far of \$25.20, this is the last month to bring cans!

Pull Tabs for Shriners Hospital for Children

White Socks, Boots, and plastic bowls for the Matthew Mission 25:40

Pennies for Old Colony History Museum

Change for Heifer Pig

Newspapers and Advertisement flyers for Denise, Martin School and Parker Middle

Silk flowers for the Tea (put your name on them if you want them back)

February is just flying by! Before we know it, spring will be here and so will our deadline for seed packet orders. Please be sure to bring your Flower Power seed orders to our next business meeting on Monday.

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Upcoming Events

SOUP SAMPLER & MORE, all you can eat fundraiser, on Saturday, March 12th, from 12:00- 2:00 pm at the VFW Post 611 at 82 Ingell Street, Taunton. Tickets are \$10.00, children under 12, \$5.00. They will also be offering our popular basket raffle with all proceeds to benefit local scholarships and charities

Spring Tea is scheduled for May 14th at St. Nicholas of Myra from 1:00pm to 3pm.

GFWC Convention Registration opens on March 1st

Next Business meeting March 7th at 7:00pm at BP Silver Platter Restaurant

Next board meeting March 28th at BP Silver Platter Restaurant



Happy Birthday from your fellow club members!

Vel Bleau

Ann Marie Barry

Thelma McCaffrey

Joan Curran

This is GFWC Women's History Month – Keep it in mind as each day of March passes!

Happy St. Patrick's Day!



President's Corner

How you choose to live your life is a choice.

You can choose to do only for yourself.

Or, you can choose to live with a greater purpose, by making a difference helping others and spreading kindness.

Set a course for change, you are enough.