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What Did We Do In October?

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October 3rd, Business Meeting: The program speaker was Cathy Potter who has been Regiment for several years, partaking in many of their encampments and reenactments. The Regiment has been all over New England and up to Canada. Cathy is very adept at role



playing and talked about happenings she has researched and few people know about. The stories started with the Battle of Bennington and John Landen, Seth Warner, the Women Militia, Dr. Tuft, old ladies and old men and what they endured and accomplished. She wore period clothes which she made, and had examples of men's period clothes made from wool and linen. She was an interesting speaker and everyone seemed to be enthralled with her stories.



GFWC Signature Project Domestic Violence

Awareness and Prevention: chaired by Joyce Clark had purple ribbons for each member to wear for the evening and throughout the month, thank-you to Joyce.

Education: Every member was given a fundraising calendar to help raise money to purchase supplies for area classrooms. The goal is to perform an educational task each day of the month of October, and those not completed results in a payment penalty of \$.10. The maximum amount of money

to be collected from each member is \$3.00. Please bring the calendars and money to the November 7th meeting. For those who participate one drawing for a \$5.00 Dunkin Donuts card will be given. Joyce Clark along with Nancy Brown made a visit to the Prison Book Program and donated their time and books. Another visit was made on October 27th by Joyce Clark, Nancy Clark and Nancy Martin.

Leadership Ribbon: Was presented to Joan Curran for chairing the committee working on the bylaws, her work on the history book and for always opening her home to committee meetings. Great job Joan!



Friday September 30th: Was the beginning of the 107th GFWC New England Region Conference. Reports of the conference will be made at the November meeting. Nancy Clark, Nancy Martin and Cindy Brogan attended the "Empowering Yourself with Leadership Program". Topics included social media basics, how to conduct a meeting using parliamentary procedure and team building. The two guest speakers were from UPS on "women in leadership positions". Nancy Clark attended the evening GFWC Rhode Island State Night Banquet which was about empowering yourself with fun, the entertainment was "GFWC Women Through the Ages Music and

History” with a jeopardy game and a night reception.

Saturday October 1st: The conference continued with Empower Yourself with Color, highlighting what your favorite color is defines the type of person you are. Massachusetts members were asked to wear purple, those in attendance included Nancy Brown, Nancy Clark, Joyce Clark, Nancy Martin, Joan Curran and Cindy Brogan. Keynote speaker Deborah DeBare spoke about Domestic Violence Awareness and Prevention.



After a cocktail hour the evening included dinner, a DJ and dancing.



Sunday October 2nd: Was the

breakfast where each board member and director from each state reported on their projects and what their clubs have accomplished during the year. The only member from our club to attend was Nancy Clark.



Month of October - Membership: Joyce Clark put together a display at Taunton and



Raynham Libraries to promote our club by displaying pictures and literature about our club history and present projects our



club is involved with.

Saturday October 22nd GFWC of MA Junior Fall

Conference: We had twelve members attend the conference: Cindy Leonard, Cindy Brogan, Edie Edlund, Nancy



Martin, Mary Barrette, Robin Gendron, Joan Curran, Vel Bleu, Joan Matthew,



Nancy Clark, Joyce Clark and Nancy Brown. Reports were made by officers, and LEADS member Katie Roberts and Lynne Stader talked about resolutions. Guest speakers on breast cancer programs were Nicola Deary and Dottie Hargrove. The Domestic Violence speaker was Lina To who talked about her life experiences, that brought tears to everyone’s eyes. It was an awakening story of a young girl’s trials and tribulations through life. The arts contest brought 5 groups to entertain everyone with their tv songs about GFWC. Our club members sang about GFWC to the tv theme song “Happy Days”. Bag lunches



were assembled for the homeless to be distributed on Sunday morning. A 50/50 fund raiser for education was conducted by our



own Nancy Martin and raised \$95. There were few basket winners from our group Robin Gendron and Cindy Leonard. Our basket made by Joyce Clark won a prize. A report will be made to our club at the November meeting.



Committees:

ARTS – Nancy Clark – next challenge is for taste. Bake your best holiday food and submit the recipe along with its’ picture. This challenge is from November 1st to December 31st. Each club member can make a submission.

CONSERVATION – Denise Wheeler – Collect and bring to meetings; newspapers, box tops, plastic bottle tops and soda tabs.



DOMESTIC VIOLENCE: - Joyce Clark – t-shirts will be decorated and displayed at our events to promote awareness of domestic violence in December.



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. Calendars and money will be collected to help raise money to purchase supplies for area elementary schools.

FUNDRAISING – Denise Wheeler - **Pie and Coffee**

Sunday November 13th from 12 to 2 at the

VFWHall on Ingell Street, set up is at 10:00am.

Tickets will be available at the November meeting and signs up for what kinds of pie(s) members

would like to make. A **Foxwood's Casino Trip** is

being offered by The GFWC Taunton Junior

Woman's Club as a fundraiser for

scholarships and charities, on Friday,

December 2nd. Tickets are \$30.00 and include

complimentary muffins and donuts, and gift to

all bus riders with snack on return trip. Bonus

package includes \$10.00 slot play and food

voucher or full buffet. Transportation is provided

by Fisher Bus Inc. Departure will be from Silver

City Galleria at 7:30 a.m. sharp, returning around

5:15 p.m. Please reserve your seat early and

CALL JANE at 508 822-5437 or e-mail her

at flower57@comcast.net Jane is looking for

donations of small gifts to be given out during

the bus trip.

HOME LIFE – Nancy Brown – Fleece blankets are

still needed. We are providing a **Tea at Marion**

Manor on November 15th at 6:00pm, **baked goods**

are needed! Donations of blankets were made to

Prime Time. Mary Barret is organizing the hours for

Pet Supplies Plus Saturday 9 to 9 and Sunday 10 to

6. She has many slots still available that she would

like to settle before Thanksgiving. Thanks to Cindy

Brogan, we will be having a free raffle for a stuffed

dog I'm sure many customers will love, thanks

Cindy! Some girls have already signed up. If you

cannot make it maybe you could bake cookies,

brownies or cupcakes. Feel free to drop off your

goodies to Mary before Thanksgiving if you prefer.

Our Presidents Special Project: Lynne is requesting

club members to bring in items for small bags to be

given out during the Christmas season for the

homeless at Matthew Mission 24:10, the bags are

being made by Nancy Brown. Items needed are



socks and \$5 gift cards from places like Dunkin Donuts, Cumberland's or Mac Donald's.

HOSPITALITY – Mary Barrett –November is Fran Perry, Eddie Edlund and Denise Wheeler.

December is Nancy Martin, Robin Gendron, and

Eileen Bencivengo.

INTERNATIONAL OUTREACH –Bring your change for the pig for Heifer. Get any type of shot at Walgreens, and a child gets one free.



Leadership: - Nancy Brown – A leadership ribbon will be awarded during the meeting.

MEMBERSHIP – Joyce Clark – see pictures and article on what Joyce Clark has done for a display at Taunton and Raynham Library.

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 – an article was in the Wicked Local Bridgewater on Line about our guest speaker Cathy Potter.

PUBLIC ISSUES – Robin Gendron see web page

PROGRAMS – Joanna Alden – None this month, to leave time to go over the bylaws and resolution

rewrites. Next month will be the designing of t-shirts for domestic violence.

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

you register and forward responses from

representatives and senators to her too. Email senators and representatives to fund research for combatting the Zika Virus.

YEARBOOK– If you did not receive one see Joyce

Clark. Members can print all or parts of the

yearbook from the website.

WHRC – Nancy Brown – The last revisions of our history book is under completion. Once they are

printed books will be available for purchase for just under \$100. Copies paid for by the club will be

submitted to our state office in Sudbury, the

international office in Washington DC and our own

history museum in Taunton.

Happy Birthday from your fellow club members

Robin Gendron

Paula Gasparoni

Melissa Lorina

What should you bring to the meeting?

Pennies for Old Colony History Museum

Change for Heifer Pig

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

Any slightly new or used bras including sports, nursing and camisoles to be sent to FreetheGirls.org



Old cellphones for Soldiers

White Socks for the Mission

Dictionaries, thesauruses, and other books for Prison Book Program

Children Books, fleece blankets, for firefighters



A printout of the Rules and Bylaws to be discussed from our website

Education Calendar and money

Upcoming Events



Pie and Coffee Sunday November 13th from 12 to 2 at the VFW Hall on Ingell Street

Dighton Arts Festival November 6th Araujo farms 9:00am to 4:00pm



Vet-A-Dog Fundraiser, November 26th and 27th

December 12th Holiday Party

Casino Trip to Foxwoods, December 2nd



Next business meeting is November 7, 2016; 7:00pm at B.P. Silver Platter

Our next board meeting will be Monday, November 28, 2016, 6:30 pm. at B.P. Silver Platter



President's Corner

I reflect upon the changes that have happened for me this year. Transition and change can leave us feeling unsteady, but I am thankful for each moment I have had. I've asked for guidance and support in my prayers, knowing the Lord will guide me in the right direction and I will find the road which I am meant to travel. I tell myself to keep my eyes wide open and let it happen. As you reflect back on this year, I hope you will find peace in knowing that each act of kindness you do is a gift that means something special to someone. Let us 'Give Thanks' for good health, for those that we love, for those that we have lost and for the gifts that have been given to you.