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Grow with Connecticut Junior Women in Friendship, Leadership and Service.

Thank you to Patti Stankevicius and her helper for hosting the September Board meeting. I hope those who attended enjoyed the night and gleaned something new from the workshops.

Please remember that communication is a two way street and while we will do our best to keep you and your members informed on new & upcoming events & projects, we need to hear from club chairs as to their ideas and needs. Our CJW yahoo group is up and running - it's still brand new so there isn't a lot on the site as we are waiting to hear from members as to what topics they would like discussed. So please check us out - Yahoo groups - CJW_org - Connecticut Junior Women, Inc. If anyone is interested I am on Facebook and I will gladly add any CJW member to my friends list, please just make sure to indicate in the message box that you are a member of CJW. Also a Fan Page is in the works for CJW on Facebook, so I'm inviting all CJW members to become a fan of CJW. Our new website should be up and running before Fall Conference - wait for news from Heidi Nelson, CJW Public Relations Chair. So just to recap - what is CJW doing to get information out to you?

1. Monthly CJW Bulletin - emailed to club presidents and any member who requests it.
2. Handouts from CJW meetings are emailed to club presidents after each state meeting - these are sent in a PDF file that can be forwarded to your members.
3. CJW Bluebook - CD copy handed out to club presidents at September meeting - please make additional copies for your club members as needed.
4. CJW website - Current news, calls for upcoming meetings, CJW Bluebook, copies of old Junior Bulletins, minutes of CJW state meetings, etc.
5. CJW Yahoo group - discussion group to share ideas between CJW & clubs and club to club.
6. CJW Facebook Fan Page - upcoming events & news.
7. Email or Phone - every CJW board member is available to club officers or members, just contact us directly from the new board list in the CJW Bluebook.

Fall Conference is quickly approaching and last year we had a great turnout with the new format of holding Fall Conference on a Friday night. So I hope you will support us again this year on October 30th. Anna Henry, CJW Director 2004-2006, will be our guest speaker. Fall conference also marks the beginning of Junior Week, 10/30 - 11/6. There is still time if your club hasn't planned any special activities yet. Remember Junior Week always starts at Fall Conference and we usually make it an eight day week!

Sadly Rene Fisher, Wildbury District Rep had to resign in August due to other commitments. It was a pleasure having Rene serve on my board and I hope at some point she can find the time to rejoin the CJW Board. I am

honored that Gloria Clair, CJW Director 1998-2000, has been able to step in and fill Rene's position as District Rep for the remainder of my term. Thank you Gloria, I knew I could count on my old friend to help me out.

Happy Anniversary to the following clubs:

West Haven Junior Woman's Club	9/1/1934	75 years
Junior Woman's Club of Berlin	9/1/1964	45 years

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Juniors Make a Difference

Please remember to update your CJW records with the new ones, as you get new information. If you do not update you club records you are working on old information. If you don't do this in some cases clubs are trying to get in touch with persons that are no longer even on board any longer. (2009-2010)

I have a little report writing advice. The membership Dept. **does not report any money.** For example the Membership Dept has a project "New Members Bake Sale". This is so the new members will work together on a project and have a common club goal. They will do all the planning and make all the decisions. It has been decided that the money made on the bake sale will go for new books at the library. Well it is true Membership did the project under that department but the money made was going "Where?" the library so the project is under Education. Even though the project is done with Membership in mind the end result is the money goes for new books at the library. I hope this helps.

As always with Junior Spirit, Ronnie

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At Sept workshop the 2009 Blue Book CD's were distributed. If you did not attend, contact your District Rep to see if she picked it up for you. If cannot locate it, let me know. Also, I was having some minor computer glitches during the making of the CD's, if yours is not readable or empty, please let me know and I'll get the situation corrected. I apologize for any inconvenience.

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All about insurance from the CJW Blue Book:

GENERAL LIABILITY INSURANCE

General liability insurance is needed when the club organizes projects or activities that may result in potential hazard for club members or other third parties. Coverage is generally on a continuous, year-round basis.

CJW requires that all clubs have general liability insurance and it provides a group insurance policy which most clubs purchase annually. Clubs that choose not to purchase the CJW group liability insurance must submit a Certificate of Insurance equal to the CJW level of coverage to the CJW Treasurer no later than the Spring Conference.

CJW's General liability insurance policy does not cover liquor liability related events.

LIQUOR LIABILITY INSURANCE

When liquor is served at a Junior's fundraising event, our General Liability Insurance Policy does not cover any liquor-related injuries that may arise as a result. The liquor liability exclusion only pertains to fundraising events. In other words, if liquor is served at a membership or other social event, a special liquor-liability rider is not necessary so long as the event is not organized to be a fundraiser.

When an event is being held at an establishment that has its own liquor license and they will be serving the liquor at cash or open bar (ex. restaurant or hotel), the establishment's liquor liability insurance would cover any related injuries that might arise. It is recommended that, whenever possible, such an establishment be chosen if liquor is to be served at a fundraising event.

If such an establishment will not be used, it is strongly recommended that a special liquor-liability rider be purchased to cover all fundraising activity planned by your club where liquor will be served. The rider is in effect only for the one event; it does not remain active for the entire year. The price is costly, and it is dependent on the type of event, number of people attending, # of hours, etc.

REQUESTS FOR CERTIFICATES OF LIABILITY INSURANCE

When your club is holding an event, a Certificate of Liability Insurance may be requested from the property owner (government or privately owned). (Section 25 C)

BONDING INSURANCE

What is bonding? Bonding is a form of insurance that protects your club's "funds" from losses sustained through a fraudulent or dishonest act (ex. embezzlement) of the person in contact with the funds. Since we received our group exemption as a 501 (c) (3), CJW has required that all clubs purchase bonding insurance. CJW purchases a group policy and each club is assessed an equal portion. Bills are generally distributed by August 31 and are payable on receipt.

OTHER TYPES OF INSURANCE

Professional Liability Insurance - Also known as D&O, this type of insurance protects club assets, as well as the personal assets of its directors and officers if a lawsuit is filed alleging negligent acts, errors or omissions occurring in the management or operations of the club.

Property Insurance - If your club owns personal property or has care, custody or control of other people's property, this coverage protects the club if that property is damaged or lost. Examples include tables, chairs, microphones, fundraising merchandise, etc.

Neither of these types of insurance is currently available through CJW, Inc. If you think either type of coverage is necessary for your club, contact an insurance agent in your area.

Just a Reminder all checks for the Maureen Borski Scholarship, Marie Bates Scholarship or the Paul Magera Scholarship fund need to be made payable to CJW. Put which fund on the memo line or include a note.

If your club already donates to the CJW scholarships thank you! IF your club does not donate please keep in mind that is also discussed when awarding scholarships that your club has sponsored and may jeopardize a scholarship award or result in a lower award amount due to lack of funding.

All Checks for State Project: Covenant to Care for Children (CCC) also need to be made payable to CJW.

*Hope to see everyone at Fall Conference Friday
Happy Halloween, Ann*

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Juniors are great leaders like shining stars guiding the way.

Many of us feel we don't give presentations or speeches as effectively as we should. So I have chosen the theme for this month's leadership article as "Effective Presentation Skills" with information from the "*Effective Communication*" workbook written by Greg S. Morgenthau. First of all don't mistake presentation skills with speech making. A business presentation is not a speech. A presentation is when you ask others to understand, agree or decide. By definition, in any situation where we ask others to consider our point of view and act upon it, we are making a presentation. The degrees of formality and preparation required will vary, if you communicate with others with the intention of changing their thinking, you present. Therefore, an improvement in presentation skills will benefit you in these ways:

- You will be understood more quickly and easily.
- You will maintain control with less effort.
- You will have more credibility when you are speaking.
- You will get others to act upon your message.

Here are some tips on preparing meaningful presentations:

1. **Make sure it is relevant to the audience.**

- Who will be in the audience?
- Why are they attending your presentation?
- What is their relationship to you and your topic?
- What change in their thinking are you considering?
- How will they benefit?
- Are there any special circumstances of relevance?

2. **Develop the keynote statement with the following criteria.**

- Be specific – exactly what is your point? Be as specific as possible
- Be realistic – do you believe it? You must be committed to it.
- Make it understandable – does it make sense? It must be practical.
- Is it beneficial – is there a pay-off? The audience must see the benefit.

3. **Develop and identify a preliminary agenda.**

- When sequencing the major topics of the presentation, make sure that each one flows smoothly and in an orderly fashion, into the next.

4. **Develop your recap and recommendation.**

- Don't assume your audience has received the point you are trying to make. Begin your recap by restating your keynote, not necessarily word for word. Then highlight the most important points you covered. Ask the audience if they have any questions.

I am willing to visit your club and attend meetings or events at any time. Also, please feel free to contact me with any leadership or bylaw matters you need.

I would like to leave you with this thought, "*Volunteers don't necessarily have the time, but they have the heart.*" by Anonymous, taken from the www.energizeinc.com/reflect/quote website.

In Junior Friendship always,
Evelyn

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Go Green – Use: Recycle: Repeat

Congressionally chartered as the national charitable partner of America's National Park, the National Park Foundation carries on the tradition begun more than a century ago by visionary philanthropists who gave the permanent gift of the National Parks to the nation, so that future generations would forever have access to our magnificent landscape and proud national history.

To learn how you can help sustain America's National Parks for your children and theirs, visit: www.nationalparks.org

Many corporate sponsors are committed to preserving and protecting these iconic treasures. Whenever you can, help support these groups by purchasing their products. You can find many of them listed in PARKS the donor magazine of the National Park Foundation. Inside you will find vivid park images, stories of our shared heritage and profiles of philanthropy that make a difference in our parks every day. There are also volunteer driven initiatives designed to engage citizens of all ages in volunteer activities in the parks. Take Pride in America volunteers assist parks by completing important improvement projects including trail and habitat restoration, beach and shoreline clean-ups, planting of native vegetation and invasive plant removal. All the information will be on the website.

HEALTHY PARKS = HEALTHY LIVING as they can be daily destinations for outdoor recreation activities.

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FLAG ETIQUETTE

General Display American Flag Etiquette

It is the universal custom to display the American flag only from sunrise to sunset on buildings and on stationary flagstaffs in the open. However, when a patriotic effect is desired, the flag may be displayed twenty-four hours a day if properly illuminated during the hours of darkness.

When displayed either horizontally or vertically against a wall, the union should be uppermost and to the flag's own right, that, to the observer's left. When displayed in a window, the American flag should be displayed in the same way, with the union or blue field to the left of the observer in the street. No other flag or pennant should be placed above, or, if on the same level, to the right of the flag of the United States of America, except during church services conducted by naval chaplains at sea...for personnel of the Navy...when the church pennant may be flown above the flag.

No person shall display the flag of the United Nations or any other national or international flag equal, above, or in a position of superior prominence or honor to, or in place of, the flag of the United States at any place within the United States or any Territory of possession thereof; provided, that nothing in this section shall make unlawful the continuance of the practice heretofore followed of displaying the flag of the United Nations in a positions of equal prominence of honor, and other national flags in positions of equal prominence or honor, with that of the flag of the United States at the headquarters of the United Nations.

When flags of States, cities, or localities, or pennants of societies are flown on the same halyard with the flag of the United States, the latter should always be at the peak with six inches between each flag.

When the flags are flown from adjacent staffs, the American flag should be jostled first and lowered last. No such flag or pennant may be placed above the flag of the United States or to the United States flag's left.

The American flag, when it displayed with another flag against a wall from crossed staffs, should be on the right, flag's own right, and its staff should be in front of the staff of the other flag.

The American flag should be at the center and at the highest point of the group when a number of flags of States or localities or pennants of societies are grouped and displayed from staffs.

When flags of two or more nations are displayed, they are to be flown from separate staffs of the same height. The flags should be of approximately equal size. International usage forbids the display of the flag of one nation above that of another nation in time of peace.

When used on a speaker's platform, the flag, if displayed flat, should be displayed above and behind the speaker. When displayed from a staff in a church or public auditorium, the flag of the United States of American should hold the position of superior prominence, in advance of the audience, and in the position of honor at the clergyman's of speaker's right as he faces the audience. Any other flag so displayed should be placed on the left of the clergyman or speaker off the right of the audience.

FLAG ETIQUETTE HALF STAFF

The flag, when flown at half-staff, should be first hoisted to the peak for an instant and then lowered to the half-staff position. The flag should be again raised to the peak before it is lowered for the day. On Memorial Day, the American Flag should be displayed at half-staff until noon only, then raised to the top of the staff. By order of the President, the flag shall be flown at half-staff upon the death of principal figures of the United States Government and the Governor of the State, territory or possession, as a mark of respect to their memory.

In the event of the death of other officials of foreign dignitaries, the flag is to be displayed at half-staff according the presidential instructions of orders, or in accordance with recognized customs practices not inconsistent with law. In the event of the death of a present or former official of the government of any State, territory or possession of the United States, the Governor of that State, territory or possession may proclaim that the National flag shall be flown at half-staff.

The flag shall be flown at half-staff thirty days from the death of the President or a former President; ten days from the death of a Vice President, the Chief Justice or a retired Chief Justice of the United States, or the Speaker of the House of Representatives; from the day of death until internment of a Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, a Secretary of an executive or military department, a former Vice President, or the Governor of a State, territory, or possession; and on the day of death and following day for a Member of Congress. The flag shall be flown at half-staff on Peace Officers Memorial Day, unless that day is also Armed Forces Day.

Flags flown on poles affixed to a home or building are not to be flown at half staff but a memorial streamer may be affixed to the top of the flagpole.

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"Ancora Imparo" – I'm still learning

In the September 6, 2009 "Parade Magazine" article "How Parents Can Support Kids," U.S. Secretary of Education Arne Duncan states: Education holds a unique power to open doors in America. And parents today still have the ability to make those dreams of opportunity a reality. He states ways in which he and his wife will be involved: my wife Karen, and I will read to our kids and let them see that we savor reading on our own. As they grow, we'll monitor their homework and limit TV and computer games. We'll celebrate their achievements. We'll meet with their teachers and do our best to stimulate a love of learning. We'll provide time for play, healthy meals, a good night's sleep, and –I hope- an empathetic ear. Parenting isn't always a picnic. But being a good parent is the best gift we can give our children.

See you at Fall Conference! Elizabeth

Health:

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Forgot Something?

Have you ever opened the refrigerator door and then could not remember what you were looking for? How about walking into a room with the intention of completing a task only to find you have forgotten what the task was in the first place? Misplaced your car keys? Sometimes have trouble finding the right word? If so you are not alone.

These are perfectly normal things that occur as our brain ages. The brain is the central hub for the body's communication. As aging occurs, the brain begins to show wear and tear. With the right activities the brain can be stimulated to produce new neurons to increase brain activity and response time from the brain.

The baby boomers are now the retirees. Did you know that as of the year 2006, 7,918 people turn 60 each day? People are living longer, more fulfilled lives. The average male died at the age of 45 in 1907 and average woman died at the age of 49. In 2007, the average male's life span was 75.5 years and the average woman's was 80.7 years.

It is normal to:

Forget things such as names or appointments
Walk into a room and forget why
Sometimes have trouble finding the right word
Forget where you are going
Make a questionable or debatable decision sometimes
Temporarily misplace your keys, purse or wallet
Sometimes feel sad or moody
Have a slight change in your personality
Feel weary of work or social obligations

Alzheimer's patient's symptoms:

Difficulty in performing familiar tasks such as preparing a meal
Forgetting simple words & substituting them with unusual words
Disorientation: getting lost in familiar places
Poor or decreased judgment: difficulty completing complex tasks
Forgetting what items are used for
Misplacing items & placing them in usual locations
Rapid mood swings
Extreme changes in personality
Loss of initiative

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Autumn is my favorite time of year... warm days, cool nights for sleeping, the leaves turning color, the anticipation of the holidays – before the rush begins and the return of the Junior year in earnest. No doubt each club does a newsletter and we on CJW Board want to read yours. We all learn from each other and this is a great way to communicate ideas. Director Teena Bruneau, Asst Director Ronnie Hollis, your District Rep read it for informational value and Nancy Carter (Homelife), Evelyn Magera (Parliamentarian/Leadership), and Lynn Sellers (Conservation), and myself read it for spring conference newsletter judging. We request your club newsletter editor include us in the email distribution list. Any questions, feel free to contact me.

Happy Halloween, Riva



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I've learned that there's just nothing that makes you feel better than when you are helping someone else. One way to do that is to donate money or food to others who desperately need it. Yes, even \$5 can make a huge difference. Many communities have a local food bank. In Connecticut there are two major food banks that, in turn, support all other agencies – Foodshare and CT Food Bank.

September was Hunger Action Month and the need is acute this year. On September 14, Feeding America said that 99 % of its food banks are reporting a spike in requests for help, especially among first-time clients. For example, 25 years ago CT Food Bank distributed 1.3 million pounds of food a year to 260 community agencies. Last year they distributed 16 million pounds to

650 food-assistance programs. They, like Foodshare, encourage dollar donations; *for every \$5, the food bank can provide 17 meals*. They won't turn down a food drive, if that's how people prefer to help.

Please consider holding a fundraiser to donate funds to your local food bank or through CJW. How about making this a line item in your yearly budget? ANY amount helps.

"I've learned...that everyone wants to live on top of the mountain, but all the happiness and growth occurs while you're climbing it." ~ Andy Rooney

In Junior Spirit, Nancy Carter

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Hi Everyone,

SAVE THE DATE!!!! October 24, 2009 is officially Fall Juniorette Day. We will be treating the children of Covenant to Care for Children's mentor program and Social Workers children to a celebration of the Harvest. I am working in conjunction with Dave S. as to the venue for this event. I do know that it will be a great way to celebrate Make A Difference Day..... and have fun our selves. I am looking for Halloween costumes (for the kids to take home) and any wonderful ideas you may have to make this event special. I would like the Junioresettes and their Advisors to come dressed for the occasion. I realize this is short notice but communication and timing seem to be off a bit. Please let me know if you have any Halloween decorations or if your members would like to arrange an activity or help decorate. I envision cardboard painted and decorated to look like a door to a building.....and each doorway will hand out something. I am thinking objects such as toothbrushes, toothpaste, and mittens, etc. and of course candy.

I hope to hear from each of the Juniorette clubs soon. As always please invite me to your club meeting or event. I have a few clubs to visit this year so be on the lookout for me.

Remember: OCTOBER 24th Fall Juniorette Day!!

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Cool nights, a cozy fire and a cup of hot cocoa. It's my favorite time of year! I am most looking forward to Thanksgiving this year. My entire family will be coming from Oregon to be with me. My wonderful niece will turn 7 on Thanksgiving Day and she'll get to spend it at the parade in New York City. A first for everyone in my family, except me. But I am excited to see it through my niece's eyes.

Moving on to official CJW business. If you attended the September Workshop, I hope you found something to take away with you. I have been working hard on the new CJW site. It should be up for the whole public in early October. Then I hope to add in a homepage just for Junioresettes, but that may not happen until end of October. Perhaps I'll have that to report at the Fall Conference.

Of course once the new site is up there may be things that need to be cleaned up. I welcome any suggestions, critics or observations once the new site is up.

Thank you and happy fall, Heidi

Report Writing:

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All last year I asked, in newsletters and at CJW meetings, to be invited to club and district meetings to talk about Report Writing. I invited clubs to call or email me with questions. I got almost no response. I was invited to one district meeting. Maybe two clubs emailed me with questions.

I ran a workshop at September Workshops this year and only one person came.

All of this could lead me to believe that you all know exactly what you are doing when it comes to writing and submitting reports, except for the fact that I have heard numerous complaints from the Department Chairs who have to read and judge your reports, about how those reports are written.

The number one complaint, as I mentioned in my article last month, was that clubs did not use the correct form for submitting reports. You actually have a choice of two forms. One is broken down into the key components required for a complete report. The other gives you more room for you to write more information. Both can be found in the Blue Book's Report Writing section. You may use whichever one suits your needs and the information you have about each report. You just need to use one of these forms!

Other comments were:

- Not using the correct department and division names (the correct names can also be found in the Report Writing section of the Blue Book)
- Not giving enough information. Remember to answer the questions who, what, when, where, how, and why.
- So much information that it was hard for the chairman to pick out the key points. Paragraphs can be too wordy. True outline form takes up too much room. Bulleted lists or modified outlines seem to be best.

When you write and submit reports, remember that someone who probably doesn't know anything about your project has to read and understand it and the many other reports she has been given by other clubs. Also remember that the chairmen are all busy women who have to fit judging these reports into their busy lives. If you want your projects to be seen in their best light, make sure you follow the prescribed format on the correct forms and make it easy for the Department Chairs to read your reports.

As always, if you have any questions about the report writing process, please call or email me.

Kathy

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In Leadership and Service, Grow with State Project

If you didn't get your Covenant to Care stockings at September Workshop contact Gretchen or Heather to make arrangements to receive them.

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I hope everyone's summer went well. Now that we are back to CJW, I just wanted to remind everyone that we have fleece. I had purchased several extra fleece jackets that are available for sale. Please see me at Fall Conference if you are interested in purchasing one. If I do not have your size I can order them (once I have 6 orders). The cost is \$30.

Also, I will be marking down some of the stock that I have in the Ways & Means store. Mugs, fanny packs, pens, etc. will be marked down. So come in see me at Fall Conference.

Yours in Juniors, Sue Spencer

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Charter Oak District consists of: Barkhamsted, Ellington, Enfield, South Windsor, Stafford, Tolland, Tolland Juniorettes, Vernon, Vernon Juniorettes, and Windsor.

VJWC

Senior Awards Night at RHS was last Thursday. Our two scholarships of \$500.00 each were given to Katelyn Morency and Christie Quaranta.

Each upcoming newsletter is going to profile a VJWC member, so we can all get to know each other better. And as we get closer to the 50th Anniversary, we'll also start taking a look at how VJWC has changed over the years. It's an exciting time to be here! Within Vernon Juniors, we all have a voice and, I assume, a desire to do what it takes to make this club successful. Please take time this year to get involved in different committees and to get to know other club members. There is a lot we can do as a group if we put our minds to it. Safety Town 2009 was a great success! We had 90 pre-kindergarteners go through this year's program and the surveys showed that parents are very pleased with the results. Lake Street School was a great location and Mr. Testa is very interested in having it there again next year. Thanks to everyone who helped, especially our Director Jill Darby and Assistant Director Catherine Carter. Vernon Junior Women's Club and the Juniorettes delivered five placement packs to Covenant to Care for Children over the summer. These placement packs were specific for teens, three for males and two for females. As a club, we donated a multitude of items individually, money to supplement the donations from the club and individual club members. Thank you so much for making it easy for me to put them together. I hope that we can do the same with the back to school backpacks. I am excited that people brought items at the August meet and greet so that we have a head start on this project. Thank you. On a separate note, I am collecting used magazines for my classroom. If you have any that you want to recycle, bring them to any meeting throughout the year.

SWJWC

Our 40/20 Anniversary Celebration on October 16th, will be the event of the season! The committee has worked hard on invitations to former members, solicitations, and the program for the evening. I hope you'll consider attending with a friend to celebrate what this club has done for the community over the years. At the tail end of last year, we voted to donate our excess profits from 2007-2010 to South Windsor Walk & Wheel Ways. Your support of our events and spreading the word of them to the community will determine the size of the check we can give them at the end of the year. They are very excited about our sponsorship and working with us to make the year a success. We will put facts about a junior in the newsletter and then at the meeting enter your guess in the raffle. The first correct answer picked will win a special raffle. The Home Life committee is excited about the 2009-2010 Juniors' year! We've already been busy this summer collecting school supplies. Thanks to everyone for your donations. We dropped off paper, spiral notebooks, highlighters, rulers and more to South Windsor Human Services in August. Our annual Costume Swap will take place at the September and October meetings. Bring in any children's Halloween costumes that you no longer need and choose among what others have brought. Finally, we will once again be collecting spare change at the meetings. We will continue to donate what is collected to South Windsor Food & Fuel. Come and

join us for a book club discussion. Everyone is welcome. The book club meets once a month and multiple copies of the books are on reserve at SW public library; just inquire at the front desk. I hope to see you there.

September 29: The Bean Trees by Barbara Kingslover. Host is Lisa Feinstein. October 28: The Middle Place Host is TBD. Family Fun Day at Wood Library; invites families to come enjoy a seasonal FAMILY FUNDAY on Sunday, September 20, 2009 at 2:00 P.M. Families are invited to enjoy a scenic hayride on Main Street, accompanied by a Wood docent sharing tales of local history. Local artist, Mary Wilde, will guide families in creating a seasonal owl decoration for their door. Registration is required. Please call (860) 289-1783, email wood.memorial.lib@sbcglobal.net or visit the library to register. Wood Memorial Library and Museum is located at 783 Main Street in South Windsor, CT. Hours are 10:00 A.M. - 8:00 P.M. Monday and Thursday. The fee for this event is \$5.00 per person or \$20.00 per family. Materials are included. Snacks will be served. This event will be held rain or shine.

WJWC

Happy September to All! It's a new Juniors year with new things to come! This years New Member social will be held some time late October with New Members!! We are heavily recruiting potential new members to attend our September and October meetings, letting them see what we're all about! Those who join will be invited to a New Member Social, just for them! We will continue to look to you all to help recruit by simply passing the word!!! Invite your friends to attend a meeting or any of our activities! By now, you should have received our request to email 4 friends to invite them to our September and/or October meetings. Encourage these friends to pass the word on as well! We're in the technology age ... let's use it!! Can't send an email send a text!! We will be setting the date for the new member social soon! Our first project of the year, contributing back-to-school backpacks and supplies, was a HUGE success! I want to thank all of you for your generosity; we were able to donate 6 fully stocked backpacks, along with some extra much-needed school supplies. My contact at CCC, Chastity Taylor, was very appreciative of our efforts. By my estimate we donated well over \$200 worth of items for their backpack drive this year. This was truly a group effort and I want to thank you again for your support and generosity!!

Charter Oak District Rep. Please look forward to my email about our District meeting. Jen

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