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*“Juniors Make a Difference
in the Lives of Others”*

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Happy St. Patrick's Day!



Director:

Ronnie Hollis

“Juniors Make a Difference in the Lives of Others”

Well, I was going to ask if I could sell any one some snow. But after I thought about it, I thought I better not. Not too many people I know are laughing about getting more snow. The thing that makes me laugh is we still have more winter to go and we have a good chance of getting more of the white fluffy stuff. That's New England weather for you...

To all President's, club chair's or club members writing a report:

The report writing period ends Feb 28, 2011 and all reports are due March 16th at the President's Dinner. If you are unable to attend the meeting you can snail mail your reports to the proper CJW chair. Your other option is to electronically send your report via email as attachments to each chair. But if you are going to do the latter contact the respective chair to make sure that she is able to receive the report and ask for a reply stating that she got it. Before you send your reports out it never hurts to double check what you have written. Make sure that you have included with all the project reports a Title Page and also include a Summary Sheet were needed. If you have any questions please check the 2010-2011 Blue Book CD or contact any CJW member. The Blue Book should be able to give you some of the information you need and better yet our board members are a great resource.

NOTE: A president's report must be submitted and is mandatory for each club to document their financials for our auditing purposes. I am only a phone call away for any questions you may have.

As always with Junior Spirit
Ronnie

Assistant Director:

Kathy Znosko

“Start at Home for Membership”

I can't believe it's already March and time for Project Reports to be turned in! It has been many years since I last read and judged reports. I am really looking forward to reading all of the wonderful things you have done in the Membership Department this past year! Don't forget to include in your reports all of those little things you do to keep your members happy all year. You know how, at Spring Conference, you hear other clubs getting awards for things that you routinely do and don't even think about? Well, think about

them and include them in your reports. I'm hoping to gain a lot of tips from you that I can share with the rest of the clubs. Of course, you can contact me if you have any questions while finishing those reports.

Last week I was asked a question, I thought I would turn around and ask all of you. Please include your answers with your reports. The question is "What do the clubs and their members get from belonging to CJW?" What do you get from us? Do you get enough? Is there more we can do for you? How can we help your club strengthen your CJW Connections? The whole Executive Board would be very interested to know your answers.

Kathy

Immediate Past Director:

Teena Bruneau

“Grow with Connecticut Junior Women in Friendship, Leadership and Service”

Hard to believe but as of Spring Conference 2011 we will have completed 3 of our 4 year commitment to CCC as our State Project (LTA – Long Term Affiliation) and it is time to set up a committee to start working on next year's proposals. The committee is made up of the Immediate Past Director, one representative from the CJW Board and one representative from each of the CJW districts. If you are interested in being on the committee please complete the form which will be available at the President's dinner and also distributed with the handouts from the President's Dinner.

The LTA process will follow this timeline:

March 2011 (President's Dinner)

Information distributed to the clubs regarding committee & LTA selection process

March-April 2011

Selection of committee

April 2011 (Spring Conference)

Announcement of committee members

June-July 2011

Meetings to prepare details of the CJW Request for Proposal (RFP)

September 1, 2011

Publishing of RFP

November 30, 2011

Proposal deadline

January 2012

Committee selection of finalists

March 2012 (President's Dinner)

Presentation by finalists to CJW membership

May 2012 (Spring Conference)

Vote by CJW membership on new 4 year LTA

This process requires full support from all clubs and their members. Presidents - please be sure to keep your membership informed by forwarding the forthcoming information from the LTA committee.

Corresponding Secretary:

Nancy Carter

Need information and don't know where to find it? Call / email me. I'll direct you to the proper person and also where to find it in the Blue Book. Your Blue Book is full of details, details, details just waiting to enlighten you.

Remember that updates for the Blue Book are accepted (and appreciated) throughout the year. Please notify me of any informational changes with you and your club – new officers, emails, phone numbers, contact information, meeting dates, etc. You don't have to wait until I send out the formal request in May. Feel free to update me at any time.

Any questions, I'm a phone call or email away!

In Junior Spirit,
Nancy Carter

Treasurer:

Sue Spencer

Recording Secretary:

Evelyn Magera

President's Dinner to be held on March 16, 2011 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Crowell. The minutes to be printed in the April Junior Bulletin. Many thanks to Heidi for all her hard work with updating our website and including our newsletters. Please, please visit CJW.org often – it is a great line of communication for our clubs.

Have a happy St. Patricks Day!

Parliamentarian/Leadership:

Lisa Furbush

Arts:

The best pArts of Life:

Elizabeth Tischio

Conservation:

Mala Mistry

Current Affairs:

Amanda & Gloria Clair

So do you think the United States has some crazy laws? How about these:

In Italy...

All gondolas in Venice must be painted black unless they belong to a high ranking official.

A man may be arrested for wearing a skirt.

It is an offence for women of "ill repute or evil looks" to enter a cheese factory in the area of Ferrara.

In Scotland...

In dealing with certain, crimes, you are presumed guilty until proven innocent.

It is illegal to be drunk while in possession of a cow.

You may not fish on Sundays.



In China...

You must be intelligent to go to college.

You have to pay a fine for having more than one child.

Women are prohibited from walking around a hotel room in the nude.

In Hong Kong...

A woman is legally allowed to kill her cheating husband, only if she uses her bare hands.

The husband's lover however may be killed in any manner desired.

Anyone moving internationally?

Thank you everyone who has or will donate things for our soldiers such as socks, hard candy, and hand warmers. They appreciate everything we can do for them so please help out.

Education:

Ann Whitman

Theme: "Learning, the all time adventure"

"Education is what remains after one has forgotten what one has learned in school." ~Albert Einstein

Reminder:CJW Spelling Bee Saturday, May 14, 2011 at Mark T. Sheehan High School in Wallingford CT

Health:

Norily Casagrande

Homelife:

Bunny Ouellett

Hello Everyone,

I hope with the weather we have been having, and all the towns that have had major problems, nothing has happened to any of you. Please check on your neighbors whether they are young or old and make sure they have everything they need. Please help the elderly with the shoveling, picking up groceries, helping with fixing them something to eat.

Please remember, I will be doing a food collection at both the President's dinner and Spring Conference, it can be anything you want to bring including a monetary donation.

I can't wait to see all of you at the President's dinner; I've been looking forward to reading the reports.

In Junior Pride,

Bunny



Junior Bulletin Editor:

Evelyn Magera

“Juniors are great leaders like shining stars guiding the way”

We are still accepting any issues you would like judged until March 16. You may either email them to the judging committee or bring hard copies at the President’s Dinner meeting. I hope to see many of you there.

The judges are Lisa Furbush, Diane Neri, and Heidi Nelson .

In Junior Spirit and Friendship,
Evelyn



Juniorette Coordinator:

Debi Puzia,

Meeting Planner:

Diane Maxellon

Public Relations / Website: Heidi Nelson (acting as interim webmaster)

I have added the call for President's Dinner. I'm sure there are things that need to be modified or changed but the current blue book is up, the upcoming CJW events are updated and the current Junior Bulletins are online too.

Report Writing: Position open – Kathy Znosko (acting interim coordinator)

Well, here it is - the very last minute. We're down to the wire. Are your reports ready? Don't forget, **every club is required to submit a President's Report**. All forms and Report Writing instructions can be found on the Blue Book CD that was given out this past Fall and on the CJW website. If you have any questions you can contact me or any other Executive Board member.

Clubs that won the major awards last year, don't forget to bring those award plaques, stuffed animals, etc. to the President's Dinner, along with your Reports.

Kathy

State Project:

Gretchen Saccone

Heather Pulito

“Think, Care, Help and Share with CCC”



Mission Statement: Covenant to Care for Children mobilizes and channels the generosity of caring and faithful people to advocate for, mentor and provide direct assistance to Connecticut’s children and youth who are neglected, abused or at-risk.

It’s Report Writing Time. The most wonderful time of the year—when they’re done!!!!!!!!!!!!!! We are looking forward to reading your reports and seeing what you all have done. This has been an exciting time for State Project. The club’s energy level has been unbelievable—thank you.

Here we have listed the divisions. A detailed description of each division is in the Blue Book. The State Project has four divisions:

1. COMMUNITY AWARENESS GOALS AND PROJECT IDEAS:
2. FUNDRAISING GOALS AND NON MONETARY DONATIONS:
3. VOLUNTEERING GOALS AND PROJECT IDEAS
4. IN – CLUB GOALS AND PROJECT IDEAS

We have also included some of the projects that the clubs have done this year and placed a Division number beside the project to assist you in your report writing. These will give you a head start.

Furniture collections 3	Summer bags 3	Hoodie collections 3
Backpack collections 3	Easter baskets 39	Wearing pins 1
Emergency placement packs 3	Supporting a Social Worker 3	PJ collections 3
Children coats 3	Coin collections 2	Selling pins 2
Christmas stockings 3	Birthday party 3	Hosting CCC speakers 1
Toy drive 3	Adopt Social Worker 3	

Upcoming collections will be putting together Easter baskets. Contact us for the lists of ideas—they prefer not a basket filled with candy. Last year we filled the back of a Grand Caravan with the seats stowed!! Let’s do the same this year!!!

Always remember they can use Emergency Placement Packs. While things are slow now put together a few packs. Also the club might want to put together a “Birthday Box”. This box would have everything needed for a **complete** party-- cake mix, frosting, candles, cups, plates, coupon for ice cream, etc. Put together the box up and keep it on hand for when it might be needed.

As always, we are willing to come to your meetings.

Ways and Means:

Sue Spencer (acting as interim chair)

If you need items, please give me more than a week to get your order to you. Items are kept in storage and it may take me a few days to get there and then to the post office.

Here’s a suggestion to all clubs. Cut and paste the article pertaining to your district and include it in your club newsletter. Help support your sister clubs with their public events and fundraisers. Call the club presidents or the coordinator for details on the events you find interesting.

Regal Monarchs District: Position open

Attention: all club presidents of this district – You may send me (the newsletter editor) your upcoming events by the 20th of each month and I will gladly include your announcements within this newsletter.

Junior Woman's Club of Berlin
Cromwell Junior Woman's Club, Inc.
Glastonbury Junior Women's Club

Marlborough Junior Woman's Club
Simsbury Junior Woman's Club
West Hartford Junior Woman's Club

Wildbury District:

Cara Rinaldi

The clubs in the Wildbury District are:

Beacon Falls Junior Woman's Club
Bethlehem Junior Women's Club
Junior Woman's Club of Bristol
Cheshire Junior Women's Club
Junior Women's Club of Litchfield Hills
Middlebury Community Women's Club

Oxford Woman's Club
Southbury Women's Club
Southbury Juniores
Junior Women's Club of Watertown
Junior Woman's Club of Wolcott
Wolcott Juniores
Woodbury Junior Women's Club

S.H.O.R.E. District:

Diane Neri

Durham Woman's Club
Haddam Junior Woman's Club
Lyme-Old Lyme Junior Women's Club

Middlefield Junior Woman's Club
Shoreline Community Women, Inc
Wallingford Junior Woman's Club

SHORE District Clubs were all invited to get together at the Guilford Women and Family Life "Women's Health Conference" to be held on March 6th at the Omni Hotel in New Haven.

Durham Women's Club is gearing up for the Durham Fair, their major fundraiser. In addition, each month their club holds a Peanut Butter drive for their local food bank.

In March, Shoreline Community Women will be meeting on March 23rd at Peregrine's Landing for Neighbor's Night. Appetizers and desserts will be contributed by members and Peregrine's Landing (a local memory care facility in Clinton) will provide beverages. The speaker for the evening will be Victoria Taylor from Teen Zone to discuss her self-esteem program for teenage girls. Guests are welcome. Meeting begins at 6:30.

Wallingford Women's Club held a successful "Zumba-thon" in January. I'm waiting to hear more about this event, but Jeanne McFarland, president of the Wallingford club, said that they would consider doing it again.

Dogwood District:

Heidi Nelson

Junior Women's Club of Fairfield
Junior Woman's Club of Milford
Monroe Women's Club
Newtown Junior Women's Club
Orange Community Women
Stamford Junior Woman's Club

Stratford Junior Woman's Club
Trumbull Community Women, Inc
West Haven Junior Woman's Club
Trumbull Young Woman's Club
West Haven Juniores

Junior Women's Club of Milford - City-wide Spelling Bee on March 4, at City Hall Auditorium, Milford, 7 p.m.

Stratford Junior Women Club -Spelling Bee will be held on April 28, at Wooster Middle School, Stratford, 7 p.m.

Junior Women's Club of Fairfield 30th Annual Spelling Bee on April 26, at Roger Ludlowe Middle School, Fairfield, 7 p.m.