



JUNIOR BULLETIN

Connecticut Junior Women, Inc.

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

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Director:

Ronnie Hollis

“Juniors Make a Difference in the Lives of Others”

Hello to all,

I just got back from the Juniorette Mother/Daughter Banquet. As usual Debi Puzia, Juniorette Coordinator, did a wonderful job. Although the weather could have been better, (the good thing was it did not rain, thank you Mother Nature) but I believe a good time was had by all even if the weather was not in the mood to cooperate. So three cheers for Debi Puzia and her helpers for having done a great job with the "Hoedown" Juniorette conference.



On Friday May 20th I went to Wolcott Junior's "Friends and Neighbors Night", it's a fun night of friendships old and new.

Spring Conference was a little different this year, because we did something new, we did a brunch instead of our usually lunch. Diane Maxellon our Meeting Planner worked with the hotel and I think everything went well. Spring Conference is one way that CJW gets to show and celebrate what the local clubs have done in their communities. I know a lot of clubs come away with new project ideas to bring back to their membership after hearing that other clubs have done. That is why we try to mix up the setting a little to create conversation between clubs, but some clubs ask to be at one table, so we try to have at least one board member at a table to help get the conversation going.

After reading the President's reports I thought it was a good idea to personally write to all the clubs and thank them for reporting to me. A lot of clubs had very good ideas and some clubs had good ideas that for one reason or another would be difficult to do. So because the clubs took the time to write to me I will take the time to write back to them. So over the summer if you or your club sent me a President's report, I will be sending you a thank you letter for taking the time and effort for reporting.

As Always in Junior Spirit
And because you all do make a difference,

Ronnie



Assistant Director:

Kathy Znosko

“Start at Home for Membership”

Immediate Past Director:

Teena Bruneau

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

Over the past few months moments in my life have me reflecting on family & friends, past, present & even future. Have you ever lost touch with an old friend and then you see or talk to them and wonder where did the time go, why did we drift apart? Most of the time we don't mean to drift apart, we tell each other we'll keep in touch, we'll make plans to see each other (even if separated by many miles) but then life happens - we have difficulty keeping up with friendships. Busy lives, family, work obligations, and trying to fit in private time for ourselves often prevent us from nurturing friendships. Then as time passes we become embarrassed by our lack of effort and become reluctant to reach out to old friends with whom we have lost touch or whose counsel or company we have enjoyed in the past.

How do you reach out to someone from whom you have fallen away? Pick up the phone? Send an e-mail? For some people either of these things might work, for others you might need a more personal approach - that "I was in the neighborhood and thought I would drop in for a cup of tea!" Find something that works for you and be aware of why you want to reconnect with that person. Maybe you need something. It might be a favor for a child applying to college and needing a letter of recommendation, or your spouse is ill and you need their emotional support. Whatever the reason be up front about and if you want to reconnect just because you miss her - tell her that!

When there is a warm spot in your heart for an old friend, the years do not have to affect it. If you do seek out an old friend, give it your best shot. Don't judge where life's path may have taken her. Be ready to see and hear who she has become. She brought something into your life before, so give it your best effort to capture something in your friendship that has value today.

Remember that a good friend has your best interest at heart and that feeling should be mutual. It's important to rely on our friends who can help us tackle major challenges and changes and serve as our support system. Without them, we know we could not make it.

I would like to thank all my friends who have supported me during the past months during the good times and the bad times. My life would be empty without you.

Corresponding Secretary:

Nancy Carter

It's that time of year again...time to update the Blue Book for 2011-2012. Do you have new officers? Email addresses changed? Changed your meeting date? Club Presidents received an email on May 17 requesting a review / update of club info. If you didn't receive this email, please let me know. I would like to receive your corrections and confirmations by June 17 so that updated files can be sent out. Summer is a great time to reach out to other clubs and share information and I want you to provide you with the most up-to-date tools.

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

In Junior Spirit,
Nancy Carter

Treasurer:

Sue Spencer

Recording Secretary:

Evelyn Magera

Minutes from Spring Conference – April 30, 2011 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Cromwell

CALL TO ORDER AT 8:45 a.m.

- Pledge of Allegiance Evelyn Magera
- Junior Pledge Vernon Juniors
- Juniorette Pledge Debi Puzia

GENERAL MEETING (8:30 - 10:30)

DIRECTOR	Ronnie Hollis	Bristol
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- Good Morning
Welcome to Spring Conference 2011. We are here today to celebrate all the projects that clubs do in their communities. No matter how many awards you may or may not get here today, remember the true award of all your hard work is knowing that you have helped to change someone's life with your unselfish act.
- Diane Maxellon: A few housekeeping items: requested cell phones and pagers put on vibrate and pointed out the fire exits.
- Introduction of Guests:
- Meral Prewitt Regional Coordinator for CCC
- Past Directors – Honorary Past Directors with us: Marge Jageler (1984-1986), Sue Ponton (1990-1992), Pat Trask (1994-1996), Gloria Clair - Wolcott (1998-2000), Diane Maxellon - Enfield (2000-2002), Evelyn Magera Oxford (2002-2004), Anna Henry (2004-2006) and Teena Bruneau, our Immediate Past Director
- Past CJW board members – Sue Johnson, Kay Hunter, Lisa Ryan, Doris Tolemi, Lee Jensen, Patti Stankevicius, Lynn Sellers, Loretta Corey, Luann Clark.
- Thanked Diane Maxellon, CJW Meeting Planner for hosting this event and Evelyn Magera, Nancy Carter and Teena Bruneau for all their hard work.
- A calendar for clubs to mark dates of their upcoming events. PLEASE follow this up with an email or invitation with all the details to Nancy Carter, CJW Corresponding Secretary if you are inviting the entire board. If you are inviting me or Kathy Znosko, send a personal invitation.
- Honored Vernon Juniors on their 51st Anniversary
- First time attendees by Kathy Znosko
- Invited members to be on CJW Board for Kathy's term - talk to any board member, Kathy or me. The application is in the Blue Book CD.

WELCOME-MEETING PLANNER	Diane Maxellon	Enfield
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Looking for clubs that would like to host a Conference

Credential 21 Clubs, Juniors 45, Board Members 21, Guests 5, Junioresettes 0, Total 71 attendees

PARLIAMENTARIAN/LEADERSHIP	Lisa Furbush	Glastonbury
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- Reminder: voting today will include all CJW Officers, Chairs, District Reps, Immediate Past Director, Past Directors (if still a member of a Junior club), club presidents or alternates and accredited delegates.

RECORDING SECRETARY	Evelyn Magera	Oxford
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- Motion was made by _____ and seconded by _____ to approve the April 13, 2011 Board of Directors minutes as distributed. Majority approved as printed
- No Report

TREASURER	Sue Spencer	Stafford
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- Report
- Insurance and dues bills will be mailed out to each club
- Monthly Report:

ACCOUNT BALANCES:

Checking Account	\$15,228.61
Money Market	21,479.07
TOTAL ACCOUNT BALANCES	<u>\$36,707.68</u>

HOLDING ACCOUNTS:

State Project – Covenant to Care	2,024.53
Time for Life	2,768.21
Maureen Borski Scholarship	4,420.22
Marie Bates Scholarship/ Juniorette Campership Fund	5,874.47
Paulie Magera Fund	2,707.27
Miscellaneous	218.21
TOTAL HOLDING ACCOUNTS	<u>18,012.91</u>

Budget: CJW Budget proposal discussion

Motion was made by Lisa Furbush and seconded by Patti Stankevicius to accept the budget proposal.

Motion: Carried X Denied _____

9:10 a.m. Guest Speaker – Anna Henry gave a presentation about the history of Girls Incorporated of Southwestern Connecticut. Website: www.girlsincswc.org

WAYS & MEANS	Sue Spencer	Stafford
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- Items for Sale – presidents and membership pins, tote bags, etc.
- Awards -

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY	Nancy Carter	Vernon
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Explained that CJW has a wealth of information on our website and in the blue book CD that was distributed at the September meeting

Requested updated club officer information in order to update the specific pages.

- Incoming Correspondence: none
- Outgoing Correspondence: none

IMMEDIATE PAST DIRECTOR	Teena Bruneau	Wolcott
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LTA Process: first meeting in June, RFP's will be sent out in August. Announced the committee members: Deb Puzia, CJW representative; Betty Lou Griffin – Charter Oak; Kathy Znosko – Dogwood; Amy Neves; Wendy Gambo – Shoreline; Evelyn Magera – Wildbury

Appealed to clubs for possible proposals of organizations that will be screened to meet the RFP requirements.

Charter Oak	Patty Nabors	Enfield
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District Numbers – Members: 112, Cash: \$21,340.65, Scholarships: \$8,985.00, non-monetary donations: \$6,248.99
= Total \$36,574.64

Dogwood	Heidi Nelson	Stratford
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District Numbers – Members: 206, Cash: \$42,627, Scholarships: \$17,960.00, non-monetary donations: \$20,917.61
= Total \$81,504.61

Regal Monarchs	Kathy Znosko	West Haven
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District Numbers – Members: 241, Cash: \$42,003.88, Scholarships: \$29,274.30, non-monetary donations: \$29,375.82 = Total \$100,654.00

S.H.O.R.E.	Diane Neri	Shoreline
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District Numbers – Members: 139, Cash: \$35,962.33, Scholarships: \$11,975.00, non-monetary donations: \$38,850.01 = Total \$36,574.64

Wildbury	Cara Rinaldi	Watertown
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District Numbers – Members: 249, Cash: \$43,537.75, Scholarships: \$17,900.00, non-monetary donations: \$47,126.99 = Total \$108,564.75

Director	Ronnie Hollis	Bristol
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Announcement: Dolores Tolemei – received award as first individual to receive the Erma Costa Distinguished Community Service Award from the Wolcott Chamber of Commerce –community recognition award which usually goes to an organization.

100% Participation Awards: in Awards Bulletin

Director’s Challenge Awards: in Awards Bulletin

Department Chairs will announce clubs that have gotten a Certificate of Merit Award that will be in envelopes that will be made available at the end of the meeting. Requested recipients of Division, Overall or a Special Department Awards to come forward and receive them.

Invocation By Diane Maxellon

Brunch 1 hour 10:30 -11:30

REPORT WRITING	Kathy Knosko	West Haven
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Explained in order to receive an Overall Award a club must have submitted reports in 3 out of 4 divisions

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR	Kathy Knosko	West Haven
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- Awards in Awards Bulletin
- Janet Knaus Membership Award: Junior Women’s Club of Wolcott
- Make a difference award: Junior Women’s Club of Wolcott

STATE PROJECT	Heather Pulito	Glastonbury
	Gretchen Saccone	Monroe

- Awards in Awards Bulletin
- Thank you for all donations
- Clubs presented monetary donations to CCC: Watertown – donated \$31.52 from a coin wars fundraiser; Enfield \$150; Vernon \$100, \$1,000 check donated from CJW.
- Joyce King State Project Award: Junior Women’s Club of Wolcott
- Make a difference award: South Windsor Junior Women

- Bowl-a-thon – project plans in progress.
- Merryl speaker – theme – children in poverty and the effects on them, education, health, social activities, literacy, etc. thirty two percent of kids do not graduate from high school. Statistics show that 68,282 children at risk to be in poverty.
- Make a difference award: South Windsor Junior Women’s Club – Holiday Emergency Collection

ARTS	Elizabeth Tischio	Middlefield
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Awards in Awards Bulletin
 Arts Alive: Hebron Women’s Club
 Make a difference award: Shoreline Community Women – Wreaths for Breast Cancer

CONSERVATION	Mala Mistry Pam O’Neill	West Haven West Haven
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- Ink Cartridge collection at Spring Conference for Girls Inc.
 - Awards in Awards Bulletin
 - Mother Earth Award: Junior Women’s Club of Wolcott
- Make a difference award: Trumbull Community Women – Tidy up Trumbull

CURRENT AFFAIRS	Gloria Clair Amanda Clair	Wolcott Wolcott
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- Thank you for cell phones & all the collections, donations
 - Awards in Awards Bulletin
 - Veterans Key: Junior Women’s Club of Wolcott
 - Uncle Sam Bear Award: Shoreline Community Women
- Make a difference award: Glastonbury Junior Women – Wreaths across America

EDUCATION	Ann Whitman	Wallingford
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- Spelling Bee - Will be Saturday, May 14, 2011 At Sheehan High School in Wallingford approximately 125 children participating
 - Thank you for Scholarship donations.
 - Book collection – thank you for donations
 - Scholarships see Awards Bulletin
- Make a difference award: Trumbull Community Women – Share the Skills Night

HEALTH Absent	Norly Casagrande	Haddam
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Awards in Awards Bulletin
 Mental Health Bell: Orange Community Women
 Paulie Magera Awards presented to:

- Alma E. Pagels Elementary School awarded \$450, Platinum Level Donation for New Playground, sponsored by West Haven Junior Woman’s Club
- Monday Night Social Club awarded \$455 to purchase club shirts sponsored by South Windsor Junior Women’s Club
- Amanda Clair of the Commission for the Handi-Cap Town of Wolcott awarded \$400 for monthly recreational events sponsored by Junior Women’s Club of Wolcott.

Make a difference award: Simsbury Junior Woman’s Club – Light up the Night for Paxton

HOMELIFE	Bunny Ouellette	Wolcott
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- Collection for Food Bank at Spring Conference
 - Awards in Awards Bulletin
 - Helping Hand Award: Stratford Junior Woman’s Club
- Make a difference award: Wallingford Junior Woman’s Club – Children’s Games & Crafts at Celebrate Wallingford

LEADERSHIP/PARLIAMENTARIA Lia Furbush Glastonbury N
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Awards in Awards Bulletin
Angela Hamilton Leadership Award: Tolland Junior Women

JUNIOR BULLETIN Evelyn Magera Oxford

Thank you to newsletter judges – Lisa Furbush, Diane Neri and Heidi Nelson.
Next Deadline for Bulletin – May 20th for June/July issue – All clubs should send your newsletters for the months of September 2011 through February 2012 to the following judges: Diane Neri ; [Heidi Nelson](#) ; [and our new addition to the judging committee, Deb Puzia](#)

Awards in Awards Bulletin.

JUNIORETTE COORDINATOR Debi Puzia Tolland

Juniorette Awards Day May 22 – theme “Hoe Down” wear jeans & plaid shirts.
Thank you for donations to Marie Bates Scholarship & Juniorette Campership fund

PUBLIC RELATIONS Heidi Nelson Stratford

Website updates – includes Spelling Bee information and Awards Bulletin to be posted

DIRECTOR Ronnie Hollis Bristol

Report:
Overall Club Awards Small clubs (tie): Enfield Junior Woman’s Club & Glastonbury Junior Women’s Club
Medium club: Shoreline Community Women
Large: Junior Women’s Club of Wolcott

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

- Anything from the clubs?

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Diane made appeal for clubs to sponsor Fall Conference in October and Spring Conference 2012
1. Spelling Bee May 14, 2011 Sheehan High School Wallingford
 2. CJW Board Meeting, Clinton Library, May 11 2011 at 6:00pm for a Pot Luck Supper.
See Diane to sign up.,
 3. Juniorette Conference May 22
 4. TFL Mother’s Day Event June 18, 2011 location TBA

ADJOURNMENT 1:30 p.m.

Ronnie adjourned the meeting with the Seven-Word Prayer - “God grant us peace among all nations.”
God Bless you all! Thank you for coming and Drive safe.

Parliamentarian/Leadership:

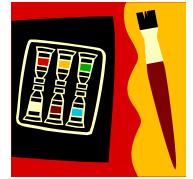
Lisa Furbush

Arts:

The best pArts of Life:

Elizabeth Tischio

Ceiling blocked, artistically speaking? To find your mental flow, try these tricks of true inspiration from Julia Cameron, author of the book *The Creative Life* (Tarcher/Penguin). They appeared in the October 2010 issue of “Self” magazine.



Rise and write. To clear out the negative noise in your head so you can fill any proverbial blank canvas, begin every day by “scribbling whatever comes to mind for three pages in a notebook,” Cameron suggests.

Put in 20 minutes daily. That’s all it takes to get into a creativity habit. “It’s like adopting a fitness routine,” Cameron says. “It helps to start with a small, manageable goal.” Soon, the 20 minutes can morph into 40 or more.

Buddy up with believers. Seldom is heard a discouraging word when your friends have faith in you and your powers. So surround yourself with people who make you feel energized, even about your far-out ideas.

Make an “artist date.” Once a week, go on a solo expedition doing something you enjoy, such as exploring a museum or neighborhood. When you go alone, you can hear your inner voice, Cameron explains – and that’s when the interesting stuff starts to happen.

Have a safe, creative summer!

Elizabeth

Conservation:

Mala Mistry

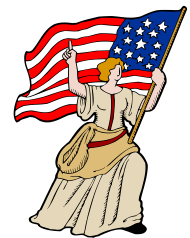
Current Affairs:

Amanda & Gloria Clair

Again, thank you to all the clubs that reported in Current Affairs. It was a pleasure reading the reports and soon we will dispense information from the reports to you. And to the clubs that did not report I can only wonder why. We gave you some very easy projects to do. If you are having problems writing reports just give us a call and we can guide you through. Thank you to Heather from Glastonbury for this wonderful article.













Meaning of Flag Draped Coffin

All Americans should be given this lesson. Those who think that America is an arrogant nation should really reconsider that thought. Our founding fathers used GOD's word and teachings to establish our Great Nation and I think it's high time Americans get re-educated about this Nation's history. I hope you take the time to read this ... To understand what the flag draped coffin really means ... Here is how to understand the flag that laid upon it and is surrendered to so many widows and widowers.



Have you ever noticed the honor guard pays meticulous attention to correctly folding the United States of America Flag 13 times? You probably thought it was to symbolize the original 13 colonies, but we learn something new every day!

 **The 1st fold** of the flag is a symbol of life.

-  **The 2nd fold** is a symbol of the belief in eternal life.
-  **The 3rd fold** is made in honor and remembrance of the veterans departing the ranks who gave a portion of their lives for the defense of the country to attain peace throughout the world.
-  **The 4th fold** represents the weaker nature, for as American citizens trusting in God, it is to Him we turn in times of peace as well as in time of war for His divine guidance.
-  **The 5th fold** is a tribute to the country, for in the words of Stephen Decatur, 'Our Country, in dealing with other countries, may she always be right; but it is still our country, right or wrong.'
-  **The 6th fold** is for where people's hearts lie. It is with their heart that they pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, and the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with Liberty and Justice for all.
-  **The 7th fold** is a tribute to its Armed Forces, for it is through the Armed Forces that they protect their country and their flag against all her enemies, whether they be found within or without the boundaries of their republic..
-  **The 8th fold** is a tribute to the one who entered into the valley of the shadow of death, that we might see the light of day.
-  **The 9th fold** is a tribute to womanhood, and Mothers. For it has been through their faith, their love, loyalty and devotion that the character of the men and women who have made this country great has been molded.
-  **The 10th fold** is a tribute to the father, for he, too, has given his sons and daughters for the defense of their country since they were first born.
-  **The 11th fold** represents the lower portion of the seal of King David and King Solomon and glorifies in the Hebrews eyes, the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob..
-  **The 12th fold** represents an emblem of eternity and glorifies, in the Christians eyes, God the Father, the Son and Holy Spirit.
-  **The 13th fold**, or when the flag is completely folded, the stars are uppermost reminding them of their Nations motto, 'In God We Trust.'

After the flag is completely folded and tucked in, it takes on the appearance of a cocked hat, ever reminding us of the soldiers who served under General George Washington, and the Sailors and Marines who served under Captain John Paul Jones, who were followed by their comrades and shipmates in the Armed Forces of the United States, preserving for them the rights, privileges and freedoms they enjoy today.

There are some traditions and ways of doing things that have deep meaning. In the future, you'll see flags folded and now you will know why. Share this with the children you love and all others who love what is referred to, the symbol of ' Liberty and Freedom.'

Education:

Ann Whitman

Theme: "Learning, the all time adventure"

Dear Juniors,

I hope you have a wonderful summer..

For those lucky enough to be doing education for their club next year, Please read the Award Bulletin and the Spring Conference file box e-mail. I've included many of the idea I got from the reports turned in last year. Ladies I only got reports from 18 clubs last year .. I know that every club is active in their community. I'm going to ask those clubs that do not normally hand in education reports to pick 1 project in education and send it to me. I would like to have more ideas to share. You touch so many lives within your town, your great idea could be shared throughout Connecticut by sharing it with other Junior clubs through CJW.

Please call me at home you can leave a voice mail or after 8pm to talk to me .. cell or via e-mail [if you have any questions](#) regarding education or CJW. I try to respond within 48 hours.

Please remember the CJW Scholarship funds; make check payable to CJW and sent to CJW Treasurer Sue Spencer 114 Pinney Street Ellington CT 06066

We have money to give away but last year only got 2 applications.. Remember the Maureen Borski scholarship info is on the website www.CJW.org available for students in their junior year and above.

Thank you,
Ann

Health:

Norily Casagrande

It was great honor to have read all your reports, I learned so much about all the great things that you do involving health, thank you so much for writing them. One of the goals for me was to give you some nice healthy and yummy recipes this year, so this is my first one. For Father's day here is a very good salsa that I found in the Sunday news paper, I hope you enjoy it too.

Grilled Peach Salsa

Ingredients

- firm, ripe yellow peaches or nectarines
- 1/2 small red onion, finely diced
- 1/3 cup chopped fresh cilantro leaves
- 1 Jalapeno, seeded and finely diced
- 2 tbs. fresh lime juice
- 1/4 tsp. salt
- 1/4 tsp. freshly ground black pepper

Preheat a grill over medium- high heat. Oil the grill's surface. Cut each peach in half and remove the pits. Place the peaches cut side down on the grill and cook until the peaches are soften slightly and grill marks are formed, about 3 minutes. Allow to cool for 5 minutes, then chop.

In a medium bowl, toss to combine the peaches, onion, cilantro, jalapeno, lime juice, salt and pepper. Set aside at room temperature. This is a great salsa to eat with anything you put on the grill.

Have a happy Father's day and a great summer, please remember to drink lots of water, is good for us.

Homelife:

Bunny Ouellette

Hi,

I just wanted to take this opportunity to again thank everyone for a great year. I was however, a little disappointed in the number of reports I received for the year. We know that you are all doing Homelife community service but may not be reporting it. Please let us know how you are making a difference by sending reports of all projects done as Homelife.

Once again I would like to thank everyone who donated food for the food banks, they were delighted every time they saw me come with the food, knowing that they had more to give out to the people. I will be collecting again next year.

I hope that you are watching out for the elderly in your neighborhood, helping them with the little things like mowing the lawn, making sure they have a way to get to the doctors, for food, and anything else they might need.

In Junior Spirit,

Bunny

Junior Bulletin Editor:

Evelyn Magera

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

I had a fabulous time at conference and especially getting to see everyone again. Spring Conference is when I get rejuvenated with seeing how much the clubs do and how they really make a difference in their respective communities. The Awards Bulletin was distributed the second week of May and the Juniorette Awards Bulletin will be distributed the last week of May. Please contact me if you did not receive or would like to receive them. Also note that you can see this and all of the Junior Bulletin newsletters and awards issues on our website www.cjw.org.

Please note the newsletter judges for September 2011 – March 2012 are Diane Neri ; _____
Heidi Nelson ; and our newest addition, Deb Puzia . The next Junior _____
Bulletin issue will be combined for the months of June and July. The deadline date for CJW board members to submit their articles will be June 20th.

I would like to thank Doris Tolomei for sending me the following blast from the past:

What has Juniors done for me?

Perhaps you knew me, you probably did,
I was the one who sat back and hid.
I wanted to join, to belong, to help out,

But I didn't know how to organize or talk out.
So I started out slowly with a committee meeting or two,
I began to understand what it is that Juniors do.

We planned, we talked, we worked, we shared,
And we proved to our town and ourselves that we cared.
We got involved and helped where it was needed,
And we all felt proud when a project succeeded.

But much more than that we gave to each other
A fellowship and friendship that's special to discover.
With the confidence and support of my club behind me,
I decided I was ready to chair a committee.

I found I could do things I never thought I could do,
Like talking in front of a group and writing reports, too.
I was proud to attend conferences all over the state,
When I heard what we accomplished together, it made me feel great.

I've learned so much about so many things along the way
From recipes, kids and crafts to being "Mayor of the day."
It's hard to tell all the things that being a Junior has really meant,
I hope I can give something back now that I'm president.

1984 Spring Conference Poetry Winner – First Place Louise Costello, Wolcott Juniors.

This picture is of our current Director, who were so kind enough to join us at our accomplishments. From left to Bruneau, Immediate Past Director; Maxellon 2000-2002; Gloria Clair Hollis, 2010-2012; Pat Trask, 1994- Marge Jaegler, 1984-1986. Missing 2004-2006 who was the guest speaker that helped to mold CJW to where it is future. Let's all work together to keep giving and caring.



Ronnie, along with 6 past directors our last spring conference and share right in the top row: Teena Evelyn Magera 2002-2004; Diane 1998-2000; seated are Ronnie 1996; Sue Ponton, 1990-1992 and from the picture is Anna Henry, at conference. These are the leaders today and give us an everlasting the momentum of our sharing,

In Junior Spirit and Friendship,
Evelyn

Juniorette Coordinator:

Debi Puzia

Hello Advisors and Juniorettes,

It is so hard to believe that the end of our year is already here. Seems like just last week I was begging for invites to come to meetings and events. Wait that was last year at Spring Conference. I can now say that I have only ONE more club to visit and I will have had the pleasure of visiting each club. I am truly amazed at the wonderful work each club does. Our communities are blessed to have Juniorette clubs to make a difference.

As the Awards Bulletin shows all the hard work and dedication that each club and their members put into their year, I applaud each and every one of you!! The advisors for their leadership and compassion, and to each member for their unselfishness and desire to help others. You all have earned a big thank you from the CJW board and especially me. Have a safe and fun summer.

Thank you,
Debi Puzia

Meeting Planner:

Diane Maxellon

Stay tuned for the upcoming dates for our workshop meeting/fall conference and other CJW events for this coming year. Any club or district can hostess a CJW meeting – just give me a call or send an email message stating your intentions. I am always available for questions and any suggestions for how to sponsor a CJW event.

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

Please be sure to send any updated information on your club's websites to Heidi. You may contact her if you have not had your link added to our website and would like that to happen.

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

Reports are done for this year but don't forget to write up reports on any projects you have done since March 1, 2011 through February 28, 2012. Enjoy your summer~

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.

We were so impressed with the reports and projects that you have done this past year. You all deserve a round of congratulations!!!

We are about to enter our fourth and final year with CCC and it might be best to review a few items. We understand that when a new term begins in each club, sometimes not all communication is passed along to the new chairperson.

1. Any questions for CCC go through us and if we don't know the answer we will contact CCC.
2. As to the schedule of events (school backpacks, Easter baskets, etc.) we, the State Chairmen, set up the schedule to coincide with conferences and holidays. If you need a copy we will email you one.
3. **ALL** money raised by your club **MUST** go through CJW who in turn, writes a donation check of the funds received on behalf of all clubs.
4. We would love to come to your club meetings and speak about CCC. Just give us notice.

It's hard to believe it's time to start filling school bags. Start watching for school sales which start earlier and earlier every year. Contact your social worker to see what he or she might need for their families. If you don't have a social worker, contact us and we will get the school bags to where they are needed. A list is on the CCC website of suggested items.

Please continue to have your "penny wars." Monetary donations are always needed. If you can do any other fundraising that would be great too.

CCC is facing difficult times. Please help us assure Covenant to Care for Children's ability to meet the most basic needs of Connecticut's children by opposing the elimination of CCC in the state budget. Call or email the Governor today!

Covenant to Care for Children is a statewide, non-profit agency working with faith communities to meet the needs of children ages birth to twenty-one who are abused, neglected and impoverished. For every state dollar donated to Covenant to Care for Children, we return approximately \$6.80 worth of goods and services to children. Through CCC's network of faith-based organizations, community groups, volunteers, individual donors, and businesses, we provided over 720,000 services to the children of Connecticut by the end of calendar year 2010.

A research study conducted by St. Joseph College in fall of 2001 revealed that CCC saves the State of Connecticut an estimated \$39.6 million annually in payments to care for children either who were in foster or residential care, or who were at-risk of placement.

We have been looking into a bowl-a-thon. We have been in contact with a gal connected to a bowling alley who handles activities like this. We'll have more details as they develop. Also someone suggested the Wii bowling game as an alternative. That would be great for those who wouldn't be able to get to the bowling alley. You could get a group together and bowl in the privacy of someone's home.

We will be meeting with Caryl the Director of CCC next week. We will discuss the upcoming year and any problems or suggestions from clubs. Please let us know if you have anything specific to be discussed.

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.

“DISTRICT NEWS SECTION”

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

Durham: Ann Jindra will be the new president of Durham Women's Club.

LOLJWC raised \$27,000 for local charities in their 24th annual art show.

Wallingford JWC will be holding its 2nd Zumbathon on Saturday, June 25th 9:30-11:30 am at Wallingford Park

and Recreation, 6 Fairfield Boulevard, Wallingford. \$15 cash only.

Shoreline planted flowers in front of the American Legion Post for Earth Day and participated in the first World Cafe on Substance Abuse on April 5th. Year end banquet is June 8th at the Clinton Country Club and 5k road race is August 20th.

I am hoping to plan a scrap-a-thon for a district event in the coming year.

Diane Neri, S.H.O.R.E. District Rep.

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

Fairfield - Mom & Tot Cupcake Decorating; Friday, June 10th, 4pm - 5:30pm., Grasmere, One Post Road. All children 5 years and up with a parent are welcome to join in the fun as we learn how to make Mango Confetti Salsa, homemade pita chips and decorate cupcakes for dessert. JWC's own Caryn Mirgorodsky will offer tips to get in and out of the kitchen using Pampered Chef tools and will donate 20% of any Pampered Chef sales that day to the JWC. RSVP to marbattista@optonline.net

Milford - Touch a Truck, June 5, 2011, 11 a.m.-3 p.m., Eisenhower Park, Milford; Tickets: \$5, 2 and under free Rain or Shine. Many trucks including a fire truck, construction truck, bucket truck plus face painting, tattoos, raffles, snacks, games, rock wall climbs hayrides and much more. For more information and pre ticket sales call Jerilyn Shannon 203-913-1043

Newtown, Installation Dinner, June 7th, Stratford, end of year dinner, June 13.

