

General Federation of Women's Clubs  
**Wilbraham Junior Women's Club**  
General Meeting Minutes – April 15, 2008



**PRESIDENT:** (Brenda Willard-absent) K. Fuss

- Annual Conference April 26<sup>th</sup> Co hosting with Agawam
- 9 people so far, need help w/setting up/need boxes for donations of books;
- **MOTION to appropriate \$24 for conference registration fees above the amount we had budgeted 2<sup>ND</sup> MOVED. PASSED.**
- Welcome to tonight's speaker: Stacey Duquette

**SECRETARY:** (JRoy absent) – S. Lloyd

- Correspondence on file: Sarah read highlights from the thank-you note for the Gray House Easter baskets

**TREASURER:** (Val Boudreau-absent) – Jen Nowak

- Report on file
- **Donations Committee: submissions must be in by 5/20**
- Plan USA (W/GFWC) program which assists women & children, sewing empowers women: Michelle Tenczar described the Plan USA program which empowers women in the Dominican Republic. **MOTION MADE FOR A 1 TIME DONATION OF \$500 – MOVED, 2<sup>ND</sup> . PASSED.**

**1<sup>st</sup> VICE PRESIDENT:** - Kathy Fuss

**Education; Katy Reed**

- Top Floor Learning Raffle Basket on display during May @ Palmer Library
- Book Club- Mayflower Discussion and dinner on May 1 6:30pm at Publick House. Next read is Peony in Love by Lisa See

**Arts\*- - Tammey Guihan and Julie Costello**

- **Motion made to appropriate \$13.50 to cover cost of a quilted wall hanging which Kathy and Jen purchased for a donation to the Souleto Arts Festival. Moved . 2<sup>nd</sup>. Passed .**

**Homelife\* Darlene Marconi**

- April Conference Centerpiece
- Pillowcases – 25 to be sewn, date TBA

**International \* - no discussion at this time**

**Conservation\* Tammey /Julie C.**

- Book Collection: April Conference + Operation Paperback; Hands Across The Water
- Susan Medeiros & Ann Matthews report a great collection so far
- Earth Day 4/22 = 38<sup>th</sup> Anniversary: reusable bags were sold at the meeting for \$1-regular and \$2 for insulated. Tammey reported that there was a magazine offer for Target running thru the end of May. Send in a plastic bag from Target and receive a free Target reusable one.

**Public Affairs – Tammey/Kathy**

Triathlon at the YMCA June 29<sup>th</sup> volunteers needed, registration is early morning; sign up at the next meeting.

**Special Projects(Nat'l, MA & Jrs) = Domestic Violence, Veterans & Child Advocacy**

- Dress for Success: setting up meeting with director w/o 4/28
- Belle of the Ball – deadline to drop off dresses is 4/23 to Kathy Sowa They are going to Naomi's Inn at 21 Chestnut St.

- Cut it Out – Karen Derose – 17 salons participating so far
- Collection of new children's pajamas to be given for the collection at the conference (all sizes through teens) \$100 was appropriated at the last meeting - Maureen and Meg are shopping. If anyone else has any drop off at Kathy's

**WRAP-UP REPORTS (Please submit Project Sheets to Kathy Fuss)**

- In Good Taste Fundraiser: total earnings \$21,861.00 brought in, \$3500 expenses thus the need to ask for \$340 to cover overages in spending for the event. Profit: \$18,520.16. MOTION MADE to increase funding for \$340 to cover expenses. MOVED. 2<sup>ND</sup>. PASSED
- Future suggestion from Tammey would be to put Sponsor's on website.
- Book Club completed Garden Spells with 3 people.
- Sewing room – centerpieces for conference completed
- Programs – 29 respondents to survey, need location for picnic.

**2<sup>nd</sup> VICE PRESIDENTS: Jill Marie DeCarolis & Lynne Gosciminski**

- Lunch: Wednesday, April 30<sup>th</sup> @ Horizon's – 12:30 pm – call or RSVP to Jill
- A card was sent from club to Wendy Peterson re: her mom's recent death
- Trivia Night: Sunday May 18<sup>th</sup> @ Delaney House 6 to 8pm – sign up @ April meeting, this is an Open Forum. Lynne G. to coordinate this, please give her a call if you wish to participate.

**WAYS & MEANS: Lori Callahan & Launie Buck**

**PROGRAMS: Sarah Lloyd & Lynn Vreeland**

- Membership Survey: Doodle online survey, to be sent out to members asap. Results will be shared at next meeting
- Better Life Follow up – lots of Jrs stopping by the store
- June Picnic Location - Hostess Needed – Date is June 17<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30
- Tonight's speaker = Stacy Duquette Fitness Instructor, Yoga/Pilates: women staying in motion. 30 Minute massage give away + chair massage after presentation is complete

**HOSPITALITY: Anne Matthews & Wendy Peterson**

**PUBLICITY: Susan Medeiros**

- Susan is working on the ad for the Summer concert series book

**COMMUNICATIONS: Linda Fawcett**

- Website to [juniornewsletter@yahoo.com](mailto:juniornewsletter@yahoo.com) . Email Linda: [linbilfawcett@charter.net](mailto:linbilfawcett@charter.net)
- Club Women Magazine subscription: Linda & Brenda receiving copies of this. These copies can be borrowed for great ideas.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**ON GOING COLLECTIONS:**

- Cell phones - YWCA Shelter – Karen Derose
- Soda tab collection for Ronald McDonald House – Kathy Fuss
- Festival of Trees: Pirates & buried treasure theme – Jocelyn Roy, Launie Buck, and Maria Paolucci
- Box Tops for Education Ann Matthews and Karen Derose
- Conference Baskets: – Kathy Reed, Cindy Lyons and Janet Valickus
  - o April: April Showers bring May Flowers

- October: Pumpkins and Pancakes

***Next General Meeting  
Tuesday, May 20, 2008, 7PM  
@ Scantic Valley YMCA***

Minutes taken by S.Lloyd