

General Federation of Women's Clubs  
**Wilbraham Junior Women's Club**  
General Meeting Minutes – October 21, 2008



**PRESIDENT: Brenda Willard**

- Welcome to everyone & thank you for your attendance tonight for sewing. Welcome to Candy Tranghese, and Teresa Hotaling our newest members..
- Maria P and Jocelyn will purchase the paint as our donation for Conference project
- **Fall Conference, GFWC of Massachusetts Junior Membership** October 25 - *(Make a Difference Day), Marlborough, MA*  
Conference Basket: – Katy Reed, Cindy Lyons and Janet Valickus
  - o October: Pumpkins and Pancakes – ready to go!
- New International Chair – Sarah Lloyd – Yahoo! & thank you
- Club Woman of the Year – nomination sheets being circulated
- Nominations Committee: chair=M.Tenczar- Board representative Ann Matthews.  
Open positions: First Vice President, Second Vice President, Secretary, Publicity, Communication, Scrapbook. We need 3 general members to volunteer to help on this committee.
- VOTE! VOTE! VOTE! On November 4<sup>th</sup>!

**SECRETARY: Jocelyn Roy**

- Correspondence: circulated & on file

**TREASURER: Val Boudreau**

- Report – \$11,109.70 uncommitted funds

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

**Education; Katy Reed**

- Book Club: “They did it with Love” by Kate Morganroth, Luncheon, November 14<sup>th</sup> at La Cucina/The Hampden House at 12PM
- November Book Swap: Katy Reed
- **Book a Month Donation: Board recommends allocation of \$150 for 10 months of book donations. Motion made & carried:** Need 2-3 committee members to assist in book selection and donation for one year: Katy Reed chair + 3 members to help.

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

- The New Reality - The Frontier of Realism in the 21st Century at the Springfield Museum – Wednesday November 5<sup>th</sup> @ 11AM :Tammey Guihan. Please contact Tammey to participate.

**Homelife\* Darlene Maconi**

- Thanksgiving Food Baskets: Sarah Lloyd & Launie Buck – sign ups available,.
- Operation Santa: Cindy Sparago + Barb Nehmer – sign up is available. Sister Mary Patrice asked that we scale down the number of gifts. Gift Cards are great along with the household supplies. Cut backs are suggested regarding gifts per child. Key Club will be wrapping.
- Letters from Santa: Jocelyn Roy: sign up will be available at the next meeting.

**International \* - Sarah Lloyd**

- World Food Day – October 16th – Martha Ross: schools will report by next month
- UNICEF Raffle: Launie Buck. Raffle was won by Michelle Tenczar and Teresa Hotaling \$134 collected for Unicef

**Conservation\* Tammey Guihan and Julie Costello**

- Planter Barrels: Fall planting update: Katie Reed & Jill Marie DeCarolis – fall will be skipped and we will decorate for winter season with greens. Greens needed!
- Magazine Collection (ongoing) for Cancer patients August/September/October issues - Kathy Fuss – for Baystate

#### **Public Affairs \***

- Soldier On II - Jocelyn Roy, Kathy Sowa, Jen Nowak: Pamphlet will be given to everyone at this w/end's conference to generate interest and participation.
- Rays of Hope Walk Team Just Hope Oct. 25 – Lisa Vartanian & Val Boudreau: bows will be hung about 7 AM and Lisa would like your help &/or donations. Tshirts are also ready. This is the 15<sup>th</sup> year and they are hoping for 15,000 walkers.
- Festival of Trees: Pirates and buried treasure theme – Jocelyn Roy, Launie Buck, and Maria Paolucci : underway! Decorating on Nov. 19<sup>th</sup> with additional help from Jen & Wendy.

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

- Dress for Success: November Collection - Marie Aquilino, Sara Lloyd, Launie Buck, Lynne Gosciminski : (large sizes needed): shoes, jewelry, pocket books, panty hose Queen Size's needed!! Needs to be cleaned, business wear in good shape.

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

- Book Club: Peony in Love by Lisa See – Lunch @ Fusion -4 Attended
- Sewing Circle – Monday September 29<sup>th</sup> Mask straps for pediatric patients at St Jude's in Memphis, TN- 50 complete with 150 in progress-goal is 200 before the holidays
- "Shop for a Cause" Day at Macy's - September 20 – people participated on their own.
- Grey House – shirts & backpacks. Many more collected and delivered
- Hampden / Wilbraham Chamber of Commerce golf tournament on October 3<sup>rd</sup> "Hole Watchers" 4 juniors participated
- Rays of Hope Fall Shopping Extravaganza Thursday, at Ludlow Country Club: Many juniors participated: \$1100 to Team Just Hope
- Fall Festival Junior's Scarecrow won Second Prize! Jocelyn Roy with help from Kathy Sowa as the Palin Make-up artist.

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

- Membership: ACTing in OCT? Remember, *Four More Will be Great in OCTober '08*
- Membership Open House at Library report: Teresa Hotaling joined .
- Dues of \$35 by December 30<sup>th</sup>. Make checks payable to WJWC
- Socials: Spa night: Spa Europa on Thursday November 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:30PM = mini massage, mini manicure, make up and a re-do of the hair. Bring your camera. Wine & appetizers provided by the Spa. \$65 pp. minimum of 12 needed. Friends welcome.

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

- Fundraising Ideas *being discussed*

#### **PROGRAMS: Sarah Lloyd & Lynn Vreeland**

- November: K.Delaney Cooking Light Thanksgiving Demonstration @ YMCA come & enjoy the tastes.
- December Holiday Party Dec 16\*: Looking for a Volunteer to host
- "Monique and the Mango Rains" by Chris Holloway. We may have this author speak to us at an upcoming meeting.

#### **HOSPITALITY: Anne Matthews & Wendy Peterson**

#### **PUBLICITY: Susan Medeiros: Article in the Times**



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**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- Yearbook 2009: new format changes- Linda Fawcett & Jillmarie DeCarolus. – new or updated photos are requested. Please email to Linda. Our book is 31yrs old!
- Donations Committee Report: Michelle Tenczar, Val Boudreau, Launie Buck: presentation of recommended list. Finalized list on file.

**Motion made to accept List. 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion carried.**

**ON GOING COLLECTIONS:**

- Cell phones - YWCA Shelter – Karen Derose
- Soda tab collection for Ronald McDonald House – Kathy Fuss
- Box Tops for Education Ann Matthews and Karen Derose

**COMMUNITY/ GENERAL INTEREST**

October

**National Breast Cancer Awareness Month**

[www.armyofwomen.org](http://www.armyofwomen.org)

**Domestic Violence Awareness Month**

**National Down Syndrome Awareness**

**National Book Month**



Next General Meeting

Tuesday, November 18, 2008, 7 PM

Scantic Valley YMCA