



Tidings



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A Letter from Our President

Toni Lee-Andrews

Dear Juniors,

School has started, after-school activities are underway, and it's time for Juniors to begin our club year. Volunteering ... A Sea of Opportunities! As Board has met over the summer and members have met at Mass Committee, discussions have been held about the many opportunities out in the world where we can help out! Are you ready? I hope so!

The craft show is less than two months away! We will soon be selling Patron tickets and you should already be obtaining ads for this year's program. Sell, sell, and sell!! Ads and patron ticket monies are a big part of the profits we make on the show. We expect to have a full show again! Are you ready? I hope so!

Thanks go to the Audit Committee for their time spent auditing our financial records. You will hear the report of this committee at the upcoming September meeting. Thanks also to the Budget Committee for working to propose a budget for our 2011-2012 club year. You will also hear this report at the September meeting.

I hope that you have been thinking about recruiting new members (collecting seashells) during our upcoming year. Bring one to every meeting! Remember, volunteering is intended to promote good or improve human quality of life, but people also volunteer for their own skill development, to meet others, to make contacts, to have fun, and a variety of other reasons. Volunteering gives you an opportunity to change lives, including your own. Are you ready? Come to the meeting energized and excited about our upcoming year!

Don't forget; dues are \$45 and must be paid by October 1st! If you have not yet paid your dues, please bring them to Stephanie at the meeting. October 7th is Southside District Day at the State Fair. Please let Sheila know if you'd like to attend. Mark your calendar for October 22nd for the Southside District Fall meeting in Wakefield. I'd love to have a large group represent Hopewell Juniors!

Unfortunately I will be out of town on business and will not get to see you all at our September meeting; however, I look forward to hearing about a productive meeting! You are very special ladies with so many ideas and talents that you bring to the club; together we can do so much! I'm excited about a great year of volunteering! Are you ready?

In Junior Love,

Toni

First Vice President - Sheila Ridout

Mark your calendars for several Federation activities. **Southside District Day at the State Fair of Virginia** is Friday, October 7th. Check-in is at 8:30 a.m. and the shift ends at 12:30; you're free to enjoy the fair for the remainder of the day. If you would like to go, please let me know by Sunday the 25th so that I can get the registration in.

Southside District Fall Meeting is Saturday, October 22nd in Wakefield. The Junior meeting will begin at 9:00 a.m. and the afternoon will end around 2:00 p.m. There will be a Trash to Treasures jewelry sale – you never know what goodies you might find that someone else was tired of. A sign-up sheet for the meeting will be passed around at Monday's meeting; please be in touch with me if you won't be at the meeting on Monday.

I will be moving to do **Letters from Santa** to benefit Camp Easter Seal again this year. If approved application forms will go out in October. This is an easy way to make some money to brighten the day of a physically or mentally challenged individual.

PS I'm having trouble with the internet at home, so if you email and haven't gotten a response from me within a few days (a week at the most), I haven't gotten it. And I do have trouble with email in general from time to time, so if you don't get a response please pick up the phone and give me a call – thanks! I may be out "playing" but will call you back as soon as I'm able.

"The single biggest problem in communication is the illusion that it has taken place."

~ George Bernard Shaw



Education Chairman – Sheila Ridout

Reading is so important – it's a huge part of our everyday lives. Your local library is a great place to start your next adventure, and it's a great resource – not just for books. September is **Library Card Sign-Up Month**. If you or your children don't have a library card, take the time this month to stop by and get one.

We're also still collecting **school supplies for Sandra's Closet**. Bring any supplies you might have to the meeting and I'll be delivering our collection to the schools in early October.

Banned Books Week (BBW) is an annual event celebrating the freedom to read and the importance of the First Amendment. Held during the last week of September (this year September 24th – October 1st), Banned Books Week highlights the benefits of free and open access to information while drawing attention to the harms of censorship by spotlighting actual or attempted bannings of books across the United States. Intellectual freedom—the freedom to access information and express ideas, even if the information and ideas might be considered unorthodox or unpopular—provides the foundation for Banned Books Week. BBW stresses the importance of ensuring the availability of unorthodox or unpopular viewpoints for all who wish to read and access them. (excerpted from American Library Association website)

Education Chairman – Sheila Ridout (continued)

Following is a list is excerpted from the list of commonly banned books (American Library Association). How many have you heard of? Have you read any of them? I bet there's at least one that you've read or have on your bookshelf.

Bring your library card and/or a book from the above banned book list to the meeting for a chance at a prize. Have a great week – take time to read a book!

<u>Nineteen Eighty-four (1984)</u>	George Orwell	<u>The Grapes of Wrath</u>	John Steinbeck
<u>Adventures of Huckleberry Finn</u>	Mark Twain	<u>The Great Gatsby</u>	F. Scott Fitzgerald
<u>The Adventures of Tom Sawyer</u>	Mark Twain	<u>Harry Potter (series)</u>	J. K. Rowling
<u>All the King's Men</u>	Robert Penn Warren	<u>I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings</u>	Maya Angelou
<u>Animal Farm</u>	George Orwell	<u>In the Night Kitchen</u>	Maurice Sendak
<u>Are You There God? It's Me, Margaret</u>	Judy Blume	<u>Invisible Man</u>	Ralph Ellison
<u>Blubber</u>	Judy Blume	<u>James and the Giant Peach</u>	Ronald Dahl
<u>Bridge to Terabithia</u>	Katherine Paterson	<u>June B. Jones (series)</u>	Barbara Park
<u>The Call of the Wild</u>	Jack London	<u>A Light in the Attic</u>	Shel Silverstein
<u>Captain Underpants</u>	Dav Pilkey	<u>Lord of the Flies</u>	William Golding
<u>The Catcher in the Rye</u>	J. D. Salinger	<u>The Lord of the Rings</u>	J.R.R. Tolkien
<u>Catch-22</u>	Joseph Heller	<u>Of Mice and Men</u>	John Steinbeck
<u>A Clockwork Orange</u>	Anthony Burgess	<u>One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest</u>	Ken Kesey
<u>The Color Purple</u>	Alice Walker	<u>Slaughterhouse-Five</u>	Kurt Vonnegut
<u>Deenie</u>	Judy Blume	<u>Snow Falling on Cedars</u>	David Guterson
<u>A Farewell to Arms</u>	Ernest Hemingway	<u>A Time to Kill</u>	John Grisham
<u>Flowers for Algernon</u>	Daniel Keyes	<u>To Kill a Mockingbird</u>	Harper Lee
<u>For Whom the Bell Tolls</u>	Ernest Hemingway	<u>Ulysses</u>	James Joyce
<u>Forever</u>	Judy Blume	<u>A Wrinkle in Time</u>	Madeleine L'Engle
<u>Gone with the Wind</u>	Margaret Mitchell		
<u>Goosebumps (series)</u>	R. L. Stine		



Leadership – Angela Paez

“A great leader’s courage to fulfill his vision comes from passion, not position”- John Maxwell

Change is a constant presence in a lifetime, and as we transition into the new Club year, there may be apprehension and anxiety not only for our Club officers, but for our Club members as well. As Juniors, we feel that it is our passion to help our community, however, let’s not forget to help our fellow Club members when asked and as needed. Please don’t hesitate to ask, AND be appreciative and accepting of help that is offered. No one Junior can do it all! As we begin our year in earnest, be mindful that all of this Club is what we make it.

This Club year, we are going to have a STAR(fish) studded leadership program, I hope! As mentioned at Mass Committee, I have Starfish to go along with Madame President’s theme! In order to get all five points of the starfish, a member must complete five of the following:

- Recite the Junior Collect and Collect for Clubwomen
- Participate in two fundraisings activities or coordinate/co-ordinate a fundraiser
- Write a newsletter article at least five times
- Bring a potential member to the meeting
- Pass the Leadership Quiz (<80%)
- Attend one District/State/Regional/National meeting
- Attend seven out of nine Regular meetings
- Sell two ads for the Craft Show

See not that hard! Once you have completed your five goals, please submit your starfish to me. There will also be monthly leadership recognitions also. In order to receive monthly recognition, you must complete two of the following:

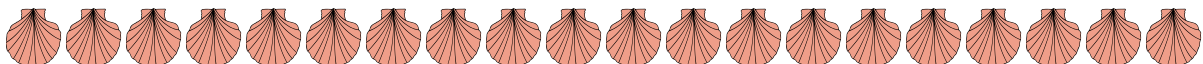
- Attend the monthly meeting
- Write a newsletter article for the month
- Participate in the meeting (initiate discussion, make a motion , etc.)

And remember that all of our visitors/potential members are our seashells- let’s make a huge beach!

I look forward to seeing all of our STARfish and seashells in the coming months!

Communications – Nicole Hancock

As I am learning the ropes of making the newsletter, please offer feedback. I’ve already had some technological setbacks. Hopefully, the newsletter will improve as the club year continues! Also, please submit articles. The length does not matter – short and long articles are appreciated!



Stephanie Griffin – Treasurer

2011 - 2012 PROPOSED GENERAL BUDGET	
Beginning Balance	\$ 2,424.68
RECEIPTS	
Cookbook Receipts	\$ -
Dues (16 @ \$45.00)	720.00
Food Booth Profits (2010)	857.64
Vendor Profits (2010)	750.00
Interest Income	5.00
Miscellaneous	1,764.36
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$ 4,097.00
TOTAL BEGINNING BALANCE & RECEIPTS	\$ 6,521.68
EXPENDITURES	
Annual Banquet	\$ 600.00
Chamber of Commerce Membership	80.00
Copier Supplies	-
Courtesy	100.00
Dues - Southside District (16 @ \$2.00)	32.00
Dues - GFWC VA (16 @ \$5.00)	80.00
Dues - GFWC (16 @ \$15.00)	240.00
Expense Fund - President	100.00
Expense Fund - 1st Vice President	75.00
Expense Fund - 2nd Vice President	75.00
Expense Fund - Secretary	20.00
Expense Fund - Treasurer	75.00
Federation Expenses	1,400.00
GFWC VA Director of Junior Clubs' Travel Fund	10.00
Insurance	320.00
Leadership Development	50.00
Membership	300.00
Newsletter	-
Post Office Box Rental	40.00
Scrapbook	200.00
Social	150.00
Treasurer of VA (State Corporation Commission)	25.00
Website	75.00
Yearbook	50.00
Misc.	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 4,097.00
CARRY OVER from 2010 - 2011	\$ 2,424.68
TOTAL EXPENTURES & CARRY OVER FROM PRIOR YEAR	\$ 6,521.68