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THE BLUEVIEW

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A Letter from the Co-Vice Presidents

Greetings,

"Volunteers needed" is the theme of this month's newsletter. We hope that everyone feels rested and ready to go after the long holiday lull.

First off, we have the Toe Jam Puppet Band scheduled for Friday, February 20th from 3-4 at the clubhouse. We are looking for a few more volunteers to help out that day with ticket sales etc. We are also going to have a bake sale table and are asking our members to donate baked good as well as boxed apple juice and bottle water. If you are interested in volunteering or donating please contact Beth Plunkett at bethvplunkett@hotmail.com. Tickets will be sold at the door for \$8 (cash please) per person the day of the performance.

The Road Race Committee is hard at work planning the race for June 9th. They are in need of 25 Volunteers to help stuff envelopes at the clubhouse Feb 23rd @ 7. As you know the only requirement for membership is volunteering for the road race in some capacity. This race is our top fundraiser and we need all of your support to make it a continued success so that we can continue doing what we do best....giving back to Milton! Please contact Eve Nightingale at Eve.Nightingale@gmail.com or Kathy Keyes at KLKeyes@msn.com to sign up.

A trip to Rosie's Place has been planned by the Community Service Committee for Feb 24th from 11-1:30 to prepare and serve meals to their residents. If you are interested in participating in this rewarding and fun outing please contact Patti Hoff at patti@moveitwithpatti.com ASAP. This year they are also asking for women's clothing donations. This is a great opportunity to clear out your closets and give to a worthy and appreciative group of women. Donations can be dropped off at Lori Humphreys home @ 34 Hoy Terr from now until Feb 22nd.

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Fundraising has booked Jimmy Dunn and Kelly McFarland for our second Annual Comedy Night at the clubhouse on Friday, March 13th. All are welcome, so get your friends and family together because if this year is anything like last it will be a night full of many belly laughs!! Tickets can be purchased at the Toe Jam Puppet Band concert. An additional day for ticket sales will be announced for those of you that can't make the concert. Please see the enclosed flyer for more details.

Finally, it is our hope that you all enjoy the various events we have held thus far and are looking forward to those planned for the coming months. That said, the primary purpose of the MJWC is to enhance our community by providing financial grants to charitable organizations and scholarships to students in need. Our diligently planned event schedule is the primary means by which we are able to raise funds. At our Business Meeting last Tuesday we reviewed all of the community grants applications. They are all so compelling; hence, it was hard to pick just one, so we decided to contribute to them all. Please take a minute to review the enclosed spreadsheet with the expected grant amounts and vote "yes" or "no" by sending an email to ajilani23@yahoo.com.

Thank you in advance for your much anticipated support.

Aliesha and Beth

Calendar of Events

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Wednesday, February 4
Tuesday, February 2
Friday, February, 20

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Saturday, April 4

[Cradles to Crayons](#)

Tuesday, February 24th

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<http://www.miltonjuniorwomansclub.com/calendar.html>

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Business Meeting

Aliesha Jilani – 617-322-1004 – ajilani23@yahoo.com
Beth Plunkett - 617-851-3408 - <mailto:bethplunkett@hotmail.com>

The next Business meeting will be in April. Details will be in next month's Blueview!

Blueview Newsletter

Allison Anderson- 703-403-6203 – ali70@aol.com

The Blueview Newsletter is sent monthly via email instead of regular mail. It saves us time and postage! If you are not currently receiving your newsletter via email, or **if your email address has changed**, please send a note to ali70@aol.com sign up.

Book Club

Patti Dobrindt – 617-298-8822 -patti@dobrindts.com

For March **4th (Wednesday)** we will be reading Twilight by Stephanie Meyer and meeting at the home of Sue Caponigro (212 Woodland Ave).

Please email Patti Dobrindt (patti@dobrindts.com) with any questions, or book recommendations.

Community Grants

Laura Conway - 617-696-6329 - lpconway@comcast.net

The Community Grants Application Period opened the beginning of December. Any tax-exempt organization that assists Milton residents or enriches the community is invited to complete a simple grant application and submit it to MJWC by **January 20, 2008**. The club will review all applications and grants will be awarded to organizations by the end of March. Grant amounts typically vary from \$250-\$2,000. Any member interested in assisting with this committee should contact Laura Conway at lpconway@rcn.com.

Community Service

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Meals Coordinator

Courtney Affanato – 617-696-1249 – caffanato@comcast.net

The Community Service Committee's goal is to assist the community through volunteerism and donations/drives.

As always, if you know of a member who recently had a baby or is struggling with medical issues, contact Courtney Affanato, our meals coordinator.

Also, please contact Courtney at the number or e-mail above if you would like to be on the list to make a meal.

VOLUNTEER DAY AT ROSIES PLACE: TUE FEB 24 11AM-1:30 PM

Join us at Rosie's Place, a sanctuary for poor and homeless women. On Feb 24 we will be preparing and serving lunch to their clients. *Space is limited so please RSVP to Patti Hoff at patti@moveitwithpatti.com if you'd like to attend.* At that time she will provide you with further information on what to expect, directions, etc. As we are headed into Boston, we will be organizing a carpool from Cunningham/Collicot. Join us for this rewarding experience!

WOMEN'S CLOTHING DRIVE : NOW THROUGH FEB 22

*****OK LADIES ITS TIME TO GET ORGANIZED FOR THE NEW YEAR AND CLEAN OUT THOSE CLOSETS! WE ARE DOING A DRIVE TO BENEFIT ROSIE'S PLACE**

Any and all WOMEN'S clothing items will be accepted at the home of Lori Humphreys 34 Hoy Terrace. There is a box on my side (front) porch. We will drop off the donated clothing at Rosie's Place when we volunteer there.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY VISIT AT THE SENIOR CENTER: TUESDAY MARCH 17@ 1:30

On St. Patty's Day, bring your little one for a special visit with some Milton seniors. We will be giving them homemade cookies and enjoying a short visit. Last year, we had a great time! Please RSVP to Suzanne Westhues at suzanne_bolos@hotmail.com.

SAVE THE DATE: CRADLES TO CRAYONS VOLUNTEER DAY SAT APRIL 4 10-12. Look for more information in upcoming newsletters.

*****Thanks to all who contributed to our fall food and holiday gift card drives!!*

Food & Wine Club

Keri Sullivan - keri.Sullivan@pioneerinvestments.com
Leila Mitchell - Leila.Mitchell@neoscape.com

Salsa night took place in January, a big thank you to everyone who made the effort to attend. Special thanks to new members, Victoria Pezzini and Christine Strout for their decorating and clean up efforts. The clubhouse was very festive and the food & drinks were delicious. Although there wasn't an abundance of heat (!) we hope everyone enjoyed the evening and are home practicing their salsa steps!

We are looking to hold a few more events, the last of which will be Grill Night. We'd like to renew interest in this fun couple's event, it will be held on a Sat night in early June. There are typically 30-40 people, weather permitting we'll look to hold it outdoors. We need a host for this event, if you are willing to offer up your home please contact the committee.

Fundraising Steering Committee

Mary Beth Grant – 617-322-1182 – mbhg@comcast.com
Amy Masferrer – 617-322-1093 – amy@masferrerlaw.com

Comedy Night is on **Friday, March 13th**. We were lucky to book well known comic, Jimmy Dunn, with opening act Kelly MacFarland. Start getting a group of friends together to reserve a table, and get ready for a night of laughs. Advance ticket sales information will be sent out shortly. Club members and friends of club members are welcome. Any questions, feel free to contact Amy Masferrer (amy@masferrerlaw.com) or Mary Beth Grant (mbhg@comcast.net).

Here is a bit on Jimmy Dunn- Red Sox fans will not be able to avoid* Jimmy Dunn *this summer.

The writer and star of a series of Olympia Sports commercials (he drives a cab going to Fenway Park) is also the wise guy "voice" of the NESN dating show /Sox Appeal/, and will be featured in the upcoming standup comedy series /NESN Comedy All-Stars/. The former host of NESN's "Fan Attic" did comedic features from a fan's

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perspective for the Boston Red Sox pre-game show during the historic 2004 season, and authored a popular book on his experiences called/ Funnyball/. Check out his website > (www.jimmydunn.com <<http://www.jimmydinn.com>

Knitting Club

If anyone is interested in running the knitting club for the coming year, please email us at miltonjwc@yahoo.com

Membership Committee

Sheila Paolucci - 617- 698-9338 - jsp350@comcast.net

Patty Facy – pattyfacey@comcast.net

Joan O'Brien – justjoanb@aol.com

Susan McNeely – laraavery@comcoast.net

If you know of anyone interested in joining our club, please have them contact one of us via email or use the MJWC website. Also, for those of you who haven't filled in your profile on www.bigtent.com please do so, the site is a great resource.

Playgroups

Laurie Diblasi - 617-296-2529 – lauriediblasi@yahoo.com

Maggie Kessler – 617-698-0565 – finn_maggie@hotmail.com

Playgroups are up and running - anyone else who is interested please email us with the age of your child and your availability. If you have multiple children but are looking to be paired with a specific age group, please let us know.

Pre-School Story Hour

Sue Caponigro – suecaponigro@comcast.net

The Pre School Story Hour Spring session will begin **Wednesday, March 4th**. Stay tuned for details on registration!

We are getting ready for the Spring session of Pre-School Story Hour. The session will start on March 4 and run for six weeks through **April 8**.

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Story hour will be held on Wednesday mornings from 9:30-10:30 at Church of Our Savior at 11 Babcock Street and is open to children 3-5 years of age.

Registration opens on **February 19**. Please email suecaponigro@comcast.net or call (617) 910-9922. All MJWC members who sign up a child are asked to volunteer to stay for one of the weeks to help. We look forward getting started and hope you will join us!

Programs

Eve Nightingale – 617-696-5370 – e_nightingale@yahoo.com
Julie Ritchie – 617-291-4742 – jritchie011@comcast.net
Michelle Schweitzer – mich_dev76@hotmail.com
Heather Resnick – heatherraymond@yahoo.com

Road Race Committee

Eve Nightingale – 617-696-5370 – e_nightingale@yahoo.com
Kathy Keyes – 617 -696-9170 - KLKeyes@msn.com

Committee members: Bethany Bonner, Kristin Cain, Kimberly Gill, Jenny Kunkel, Kama Wien

The MJWC road race is **Tuesday June 9**. We understand this> coincides with the end of school for some and is a busy time for many. If you can not commit to volunteering on the day of the race, The Road Race Committee invites you to fulfill this volunteer opportunity by way of helping with its Envelope Stuffing Night on **Monday, February 23, 2009 at 7** p.m. at the clubhouse. At a minimum, we need 25 volunteers. Please contact Kathy Keyes at 617-696-9170 or Eve Nightingale at 617-480-1291 to sign up, or send us an email at Eve.Nightingale@gmail.com, or KLKeyes@msn.com. Volunteering for the club's Road Race event is required of all members, and this event is a great opportunity for members to do their part if one is not able to help out on the day of the race. Thank you, in advance, for your anticipated help!

Best Regards,
Kathy

A change in Presenting Sponsor:

Due to a conflict in deadlines, it is unfortunate that we were not able to finalize the presenting sponsorship level with the athletic apparel company New Balance as we

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approached our 01/31/09 deadline. The company was onboard but oftentimes moving a large corporation into action takes more time than our deadlines allow. Hopefully this will develop into a committment next year.

In the meanwhile, we do, however, have fantastic news and have secured and finalized a new presenting sponsor. So, won't you please join the Road Race Committee in thanking our new presenting sponsor: Bethany Bonner Homes/Remax Landmark Realtors. We're very excited to have a local business as the presenting sponsor. Bethany is a member of our club and is currently on the Road Race Committee. Bethany: This is huge. Thank you so much!>

Scholarships

Mary Scott – 617-696-3169 – memscott@comcast.net
Amy Farley – 617-322-1068 – amykf426@hotmail.com
Shelia Argyle – 617-696-7085 – argyles@comcast.net

The scholarship committee is looking forward to another great MJWC year!

Sewing Club

If anyone is interested in running the knitting club for the coming year, please email us at miltonjwc@yahoo.com.

Website

Joanne Achin – joanne@achin.com
Betsy Crowley – 617-273-5607 – betsycrowley@gmail.com

Big Tent is a great website that we will continue to use as a tool to connect members online, post events, important club info, etc. It is a completely secure site, so please feel confident in sharing your information. If you haven't already paid your dues, you will be prompted to do when you log in. If you have any questions, please contact **Betsy Crowley, Big Tent Coordinator at 617-233-4397.**

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Milton Shuffle

The Milton Shuffle is a great way to communicate to other club members about anything going on outside the club. If you know of other volunteering opportunities, fun kid activities, fairs, yard sales, or even if you need a babysitter or want to sell your bike –

Hearts for Histioid Fund-Raiser for Research

Sunday, February 15th from 6 to 11pm

At Florian Hall in Dorchester, MA

Live Music, DJ, Raffles, Food and Silent Auction

All Proceeds will go to the Histioid Association of America (HAA) in honor of 4 year old Milton resident Cate Cosgrave who is battling a rare brain tumor caused by Langerhans Cell Histioidytosis (LCH).

Tickets are \$20 prior to the event (\$30 at the door) and can be purchased at www.histio.org/heartsforhistio

Or by calling Patti (Steiner) Elliott at 617-696-8141.

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THE MILTON JUNIOR WOMAN'S CLUB PRESENTS

A school vacation week performance by

THE TOE JAM PUPPET BAND

Friday, February 20, 2009, 3:00 – 4:00 pm

General admission: \$8.00 per person

Presented at the Milton Woman's Club House
90 Reedsdale Road, Milton, MA 02186

For more information, contact Aliasha Jilani at 617.322.1004 or ajilani23@yahoo.com



Directions to the Milton Women's Club House:

To reach the clubhouse from either north or south, take Exit 5B (Route 28 – Randolph Avenue) off Route 128 (the major route around Boston) and through two traffic lights. At the second traffic light, turn left onto Reedsdale Road (still Route 28). Go past the Milton Hospital on your left and through the next traffic light (Canton Avenue). The clubhouse will be the fourth building on your right. If coming from the west, take the Massachusetts Turnpike to Exit 14. Then, take Route 128 (I-93 to Boston) and take Exit 5B (Route 28 – Randolph Avenue) off Route 128 (the major route around Boston) and through two traffic lights.

We can put a note in the Milton Shuffle! Just send an email to ali70@aol.com.

[Ginny's Art School /Art Classes for Children Grade PreK-5](#)

Session 4: February 3 - March 20

Session 5: March 24 - May 8

330 Edge Hill Road, at the First Baptist Church, Milton
If interested, please contact Ginny Brearley @ (617)298-4357
