



Riverside

JUNIOR WOMAN'S CHARITY

Newsletter

NOVEMBER 2007





Letter from the President



Jen Pacourek

Hello Juniors!

What a lovely Fall we have had! I hope that everyone is enjoying themselves and gearing up for the coming holiday season. We all certainly have so much to be thankful for!

At our October meeting, we had 2 guests attend... one of whom joined! Please welcome Olivia Keating to our membership!! Speaking of membership, you should all have now received your Membership Books. Thanks to Jo Ann for her coordination efforts here!

Also at our October meeting, our membership voted to sponsor a Christmas Tree through the Riverside Chamber of Commerce. One of our Associate members, Lisa Gaynor, will be coordinating several Girl Scout groups to help decorate the tree. The RJWC tree is open to any scout groups who want to be involved in decorating.

Our Charity of the month for November will be the Chicago Food Depository. Steph Schulte will be collecting canned foods, rice, pasta, cereal and other non perishable food items. Please either bring items to the meeting or take them to Steph's house at 424 Uvedale Road. Steph also continues to seek ideas for fundraisers for next year as well as volunteer opportunities for our membership. Please contact Steph with any suggestions.


Our Publicity Chairwoman, Lisa Hennelly has set up our online photo gallery and continues to seek photos (soft or hard copy) to add to the site.

At our meeting this month, the Battle of the Brews chairwomen will be providing us further information on their event and will be looking to engage us in committees to support the fundraiser. If you do not attend the meeting, please feel free to contact battle_of_the_brews@riversidejuniors.org to gain further information about how you can get involved.


Please mark your calendars for our annual holiday party which will be held on Thursday, December 6th at 7:30 at Alicia Shereck's house. Invitations will be coming out soon via e-vite! Thinking of the holidays... keep in mind that we still have RJWC cookbooks for sale. Please contact Jane Birmingham for purchases!

Our next meeting will be Thursday, November 8th at Ascension Lutheran Church (400 Nutall) at 7:30pm. Please continue to invite your friends and neighbor women to attend our meetings and plan to stay afterwards to socialize. The meeting will start at 7:45pm sharp allowing us a few minutes to socialize and get refreshments before we start.

I hope to see you all at our upcoming meeting!



Sincerely,
Jennifer Pacourek
President



November Events

7th Board Meeting 8:00pm
Lisa Hennelly, Hostess

8th General Meeting 7:30pm

Thursday
Ascension Lutheran Church
400 Nuttall Rd., Riverside

17th Gourmet

30th Newsletter Deadline
Send all information to Cindy Reynolds
Rayfield at
newsletter@riversidejuniors.org



December Events

5th Board Meeting 8:00pm
JoAnn Zaper, Hostess

6th General Meeting 7:30pm

Thursday
@ Alicia Shereck's home

28th Newsletter Deadline
Send all information to Cindy Reynolds
Rayfield at
newsletter@riversidejuniors.org



January Events

9th Board Meeting 8:00pm
Wednesday

Sandi Grehan, Hostess

10th General Meeting 7:30pm

Thursday
Ascension Lutheran Church
400 Nuttall Rd., Riverside

19th Gourmet

28th Newsletter Deadline
Send all information to Cindy Reynolds
Rayfield at

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February Events

2/6 Board Meeting 8:00 pm
Courtenay Erb, Hostess

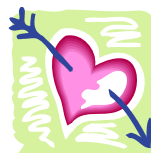
2/12 7:30 pm General Meeting at
Ascension Lutheran Church
400 Nuttall Road

***Tuesday Meeting**
Hostesses: Alicia Shereck, Meg
White, Courtenay Erb

Charity: Stroger Cook County
Hospital

Collection: Children's stuffed
animals and toys

2/27th Newsletter Deadline
Send all information to Cindy
Reynolds Rayfield at
newsletter@riversidejuniors.org



Minutes from the Secretary

Jeannine Glavas

Charity

RJW Charity General Meeting

October 2007

Call to Order @ 8:20 pm.

Minutes/Approval

Jen Pecourek

Jeannine Glavas

Treasurer's Report

Courtenay Erb

Checking: \$21,081.42 in checking account as of September 30, 2007. If 9 outstanding checks are cashed, balance will be \$18,686.42. Check to REEF rewritten.

2nd Vice President

Stephanie Schulte

September Charity of the Month: Great turnout for "Bottomless Closet."

October Charity of the Month: October charity is "Chicago Kid's Closet." Children's winter clothing needed including coats, hats, scarves, mittens and shoes. Drop off items at Steph's house. Items will go to public school children in need. Charities for the remainder of the year include Greater Chicago Food Depository (November), DCFS (December), Deborah's Place (January), Stroger Cook County Hospital (February), Animal Care League (March), Ronald McDonald's Children's Hospital (April), and Lazarus House (May).

Family to Family: Thank you letter from Sally Palmer read to membership. Steph will coordinate donations to Palmer family this month. Hats, gloves, and extra blankets needed.

Publicity

Lisa Hennelly

Tonight's meeting and this month's charity have been publicized.

Kindness Committee/

Community Outreach

Toria/Elaine

Sign up list passed around for volunteers to make meals for those in need. May do meals for Shoup family.

Old Business

Kitchen Walk: A successful event. Two-hundred and fifty-four tickets (254) sold. Profit of \$8,324.00 to date. All members fulfilled obligation of purchasing 2 tickets for this event.

Corporate Solicitation: Fourteen-thousand dollars (\$14,000) pledged, approximately \$9,000 received to date. Cindy Reynolds Rayfield and Missy Kotrba thanked for their hard work. Contact Cindy RR regarding placement of ad for Battle of the Brews event.

Scout Cabin: Michelle Marconi thanked for designing Scout Cabin kitchen. Ben Sells thanked RJWC on local network for RJWC's donation to renovate kitchen.

Philanthropy: Story time room in library almost complete; library plans to have it finished by November. Elaine Leonard will stencil garden motif. Library will notify RJWC of the grand opening. Library has over \$6,000 in donations, which includes RJWC's contribution.

New Business

Photomax Account: Link on website will be created shortly. Once new e-mail address is set up, Lisa will upload publicity for this month's charity, Chicago Kid's Closet.

Battle of the Brews: Event is scheduled for April 11, 2008 (Friday), during the evening hours at the Hollywood Community House in Brookfield. While the original concept was to have the event in a bank, either the bank venues were too small, or alcohol was not allowed. The concept includes an offering of 8-10 microbrews selected by The Cork. Ideas for food include sandwiches and salads. Committee will coordinate with Publicity.

New Business (cont'd)

Ways and Means: Forward ideas for volunteer opportunities and next year's fundraiser(s) to Steph. Information regarding Life Saving Lecture, Riverside Presbyterian Church Wreath Fundraiser, and "Bake for the Cure" (benefits Susan G. Komen) will be forwarded via the distribution list.

Chamber of Commerce – Tree Trimming: Motion made and seconded to donate a holiday tree to Girl Scout Troop 2798; troop will decorate tree. The motion was adopted.

Meeting adjourned at 9:10 pm.

Minutes from the Secretary

Jeanine Glavas

RJW Club General Meeting
October 2007

Club

Welcome - Carol Barlow provided a selection of bakery goods from her new business, "Sweet Treats," including cinnamon crumb cake, chocolate crumb bars, cream cheese gems, and raspberry shortbread bars. All were delicious. Menu and business card were distributed. For baked goods, call Carol at 708-447-2628. Jen welcomed several new members including Kathy Dudek, Megan Matthews, Courtenay Hooglander, and Mary McKinney. Also welcomed were guests Julie Shaw and Olivia Keating.

Call to Order @ 7:35 pm

Jen Pacourek

Minutes/Approval

Approved for September 2007.

Jeannine Glavas

Treasurer's Report

Courtenay Erb

Checking: \$2,739.53 in checking account as of September 30, 2007. If outstanding checks are cashed, balance will be \$2,247.54.

1st Vice President

Jo Ann Zaper

Membership Directory: Every effort was made to include members' photos in directory, which will be distributed shortly. Membership book passed around for updates.

3rd Vice President

Kim Jacobs

Tonight's hostesses, Lorraine Coleman, Jill Glawe, and Nancy Falater, were thanked.

Correspondence

Sandi Grehan

Thank you notes were received from the following organizations: 1) Smile Train; 2) People Care; and 3) the Hattasch family (for RJWC's contribution toward purchase of a van). A thank you note also was received from Elaine Miller of Central School for the Spelling Bee award.

Publicity

Lisa Hennelly

The Photomax link will be up and running on the website this weekend, with a separate website address. Photos can be uploaded and purchased for 10 cents each. Photo albums will be assembled this year. Details will be forwarded via the distribution list.

Gourmet

Nancy Falater

The next Gourmet event will take place on November 17th. Thirteen out of 15 couples will attend. Nancy will ask alternates if they want to join. The following recipes were included in this month's newsletter: Italian chicken, English cheddar biscuits, Riviera salad, and "Not-Baked" Alaska. Contact Nancy if interested in joining.

Old Business

Juniors Inventory Storage: No claim for pens, yet. Jen will store 600 surgical booties. Took in 6 vinyl plastic bags.

New Business

Membership: Mentor program described and implemented. Program involves pairing a new member with an existing member to assist the new member in becoming acquainted with RJWC. New member party tentatively scheduled for February in the library; still planning details.



Finances from the Treasurer



Courtenay Erb

OCTOBER 2007 - RIVERSIDE JUNIOR WOMAN'S CHARITY

Beginning Balance on 10/1/07:	\$21,081.42
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
Kitchen Walk	3,750.00
Interest	3.65
Corp. Solicitation	8,900.00
Cookbooks	20.00
Total Income	<u>12,673.65</u>
Expenses	
1502 Philanthropy-Kids R Us	-250.00
1546 Accountant	-50
1547 Beer Exp	-25.00
1548 Philanthropy-Family to Family	-52.40
1549 Kitchen Walk Exp	-257.06
1550 Kitchen Walk Exp	-27.40
1551 Corp. Solicitation Exp	-145.27
1552 Kitchen Walk Exp	-182.91
1553 Kitchen Walk Exp	-635.38
1554 Website	-207.63
1556 Sec. of State Annual Report	-8.00
Bankcard Fees	<u>-58.88</u>
Total Expenses	<u>-1,899.93</u>
Net Income	<u>10,773.72</u>
Bank's Balance on 10/31/07:	\$ 31,855.14
Outstanding Checks	
1470 Philanthropy-Little League	-300.00
1495 Philanthropy-RBHS runner	-300.00
1500 Philanthropy-Pilsen Homeless	-800.00
1503 Philanthropy-Canine Assistants	-500.00
1507 Philanthropy-Riverside Historical Com	-100.00
1516 Spelling Bee	-45.00
1520 Kitchen Walk (Deposit)	-100.00
1541 Philanthropy-REEF (reissue of #1421)	-200.00
1542 Kitchen Walk Exp	-552.06
1543 Kitchen Walk Exp	-16.40
1544 Kitchen Walk Exp	-25.00
1545 Kitchen Walk Exp	-53.75
1555 Chamber Tree	-100.00
Balance	\$28,962.93

OCTOBER 2007 - RIVERSIDE JUNIOR WOMAN'S CLUB

Beginning Balance on 10/1/07:	\$2,739.53
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
Member Dues	475.00
Interest	0.42
Total Income	<u>475.42</u>
Expenses	
1188 Gifts	-\$51.99
1189 Accountant	-\$50.00
1190 Accountant	-\$350.00
Total Expenses	<u>-451.99</u>
Net Income	<u>23.43</u>
Bank's Balance on 10/31/07:	\$ 2,762.96
Outstanding Checks	
1185 Installation Dinner	-20.00
1186 Installation Dinner	-20.00
1192 Kitchen	-83.23
1193 Insurance	-167.00
Balance	\$2,472.73



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Collection through Dec. 15

benefits

**Greater Chicago Food
Depository**

What:

**We are collecting canned foods:
peanut butter, canned meats,
canned vegetables or fruits,
rice, pasta and cereal.**

Where: Please drop off your donation at Steph Schulte's house at 424 Uvedale Road -there will be a garbage can in the driveway at the side door marked for donations 442-3084). Receipts are available inside the can.

When: The collection will continue throughout the month of November.

Who: The Greater Chicago Food Depository provides food for nearly 90,000 people in Cook Count each week. Their goal is to provide food for hungry people while striving to end hunger in our community.

www.chicagosfoodbank.org/

Welcome TO JUNIORS



New Photo Sharing Account

Lisa Hennelly has set up an account for Juniors at www.photomax.com. To see the latest pictures of our events or upload your photos to share, just logon using the following information:

User ID = photo@riversidejuniors.org /Password = juniors1

Questions? Contact Lisa Hennelly or email photo@riversidejuniors.org.

Membership Books

Membership books have all been delivered. If you did not receive your membership book, please contact JoAnn Zaper.

If you have additions or changes to the membership book, please email them to membershipbook@riversidejuniors.org. They will be noted in the newsletter so members can make corrections in their books.

Membership Book Correction:

By-Laws Committee

Members from the Board

Jen Pacourek, Jo Ann Zaper

Members from General Membership.....Missy Kotrba Michelle Roblee, Nancy Falater, Cindy Reynolds-Rayfield, Charlie Zia

Family News

Happy Birthday!

NOVEMBER

Collins, Mary Margaret	2-Nov
Mathews, Meaghan	2-Nov
Zaper, Jo Ann	2-Nov
Benya, Ellen	5-Nov
DeMuro, Nancy	5-Nov
Mueller, Linda	6-Nov
Thompson, Sarah	6-Nov
Fieseler, Marianne	8-Nov
Dudek, Kathy	23-Nov
Mega, Ann	23-Nov
Pacourek, Jennifer	27-Nov
Judy, Mary	29-Nov

DECEMBER

Giannini, Betsy	5-Dec
Briolat, Sandy	19-Dec
Pipal, Susan	19-Dec
Wade, Edna	19-Dec
George, Elise	21-Dec

Happy



Anniversary

NOVEMBER

Roccanova, Kathi	5-Nov
Hicks, Toni	6-Nov
Keating, Olivia	9-Nov
Briolat, Sandy	14-Nov
Pankros, Marceline	14-Nov
Schraidt, Mary	15-Nov
Reyes, Gretchen	18-Nov
Collins, Mary Margaret	30-Nov

DECEMBER

Navarro, Kelly	4-Dec
Gorman, Linda	15-Dec
Anderson, Lani	24-Dec

With Deepest Sympathy

To Sarah Thompson loss of her father.

It's the Battle of the Brews!

The date and location for the spring beer tasting event has been set – it is Friday, April 11 at the Hollywood Community House in Brookfield. The sign up sheet will be passed around at the meeting or you can email the chairs (Sandy Briolat, Kim Jacobs & JoAnn Zaper) at battle_of_the_brews@riversidejuniors.org if you would like to volunteer for a committee.



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Beer Event Committee Sign-Up Sheet

Logistics

Manage the event. This includes ensuring that all volunteers are at their post and have what they need.

Chair _____

Set Up Committee

Set up room as per drawn layout (moving tables, chairs, etc)

Chair _____



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Beer Event Committee Sign-Up Sheet

Decorating

Work with chairs on ideas of theme / colors to produce a decorated venue

Chair _____

Clean Up

Remove Juniors' items and return to owners; replace Hollywood House's property to original position

Chair _____



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Beer Event Committee Sign-Up Sheet

Advertising / Publicity

Coordinate with Publicity board member (Lisa Hennelly) to ensure adequate coverage within community. Develop and execute an advertising timeline and strategy (posters, banners, bulletins, press releases)

Chair _____

Auction Baskets

Acquire materials to produce an effective presentation of auction items. Put together "themed baskets" from solicited materials and set up at venue.

Chair _____

Auction Cashier

Responsible for collecting money, writing receipts and ensuring that people paid for items

Chair ___ Courtenay Erb _____



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Beer Event Committee Sign-Up Sheet

Check In

Check in attendees as they enter, hand out programs and provide information

7 - 8 p.m. _____

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8 - 9 p.m. _____

8 - 9 p.m. _____

9 - 10 p.m. _____

9 - 10 p.m. _____

10-11 p.m. _____

10-11 p.m. _____

Program Book

Produce the program / ad book

Chair _____



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Beer Event Committee Sign-Up Sheet

Squares

Sell squares in one-hour shifts

7 - 8 p.m. _____

7 - 8 p.m. _____

8 - 9 p.m. _____

8 - 9 p.m. _____

9-10 p.m. _____

9-10 p.m. _____

10-11 p.m. _____

10-11 p.m. _____

Sponsor a child with the Department of Children & Family Services Holiday Giving Program

We are once again sponsoring children who are in the care of the Department of Children & Family Services. The great thing about this program is that you know something about the child you are purchasing the gift for and can wrap it. This is a great thing to do with your kids!

Please contact Cindy Reynolds Rayfield (708-442-1152 or cindy@cindyrrayfield.com) if you would like to sponsor a child this year.

Best of Gourmet

Gourmet didn't meet last month; here is another great recipe from the Summer 2007 party.

Artichoke Squares – submitted by Bobbi Jordan

2 jars (6 oz each) artichoke hearts marinated in oil
1 small yellow onion, finely chopped
1 clove garlic, minced
4 eggs
¼ cup dry breadcrumbs, fine
2 tablespoons parsley, chopped
1/8 teaspoon each black pepper and dried oregano, crumbled
1/8 teaspoon hot red pepper sauce
8 oz cheddar cheese, shredded (about 2 cups)

Preheat oven to 350. Drain artichoke hearts, reserving 2 tablespoons of the oil, and chop fine. Heat the 2 tablespoons of reserved oil in a small heavy skillet over moderate heat. Add onion and garlic and cook stirring frequently, until soft – about 5 minutes. Remove from heat and cool about 5 minutes.

In a medium size bowl, beat eggs until frothy. Stir in the breadcrumbs, parsley, pepper, oregano, hot pepper sauce, cheese, artichokes, and cooled skillet mixture. Pour into a greased 8"x8"x2" baking pan. Bake for 30 minutes or until lightly browned.

Cool for 10 minutes then cut into 1" squares. Will keep tightly covered and refrigerated for 2 days. Can be wrapped in heavy-duty aluminum foil, labeled and frozen for up to 1 month.

Serve warm or at room temperature. Makes about 5 dozen 1" squares.