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Juniors Susanna Short, Kim Walsh, Kelly Rice and Mandy Culbertson (left to right) deliberate on the many entries we received for the Annual Halloween Poster Contest.



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IMPORTANT DATES

### Halloween Poster Contest Saw Record-Breaking Number of Entries!

The West Morris Junior Women's Club (WMJWC) is pleased to announce the winners of the club's annual Halloween Poster Contest. A decades-old tradition, the contest saw a record-breaking number of entries this year from area schools including Mendham Township Elementary School, Hilltop Elementary School, St. Joseph School, Chester Dickerson School and Chester Bragg School. The contest was open to students in kindergarten through fourth grade. This is the second year the club included both Mendham and Chester elementary schools. Entries in 2015 were more than twice the number of entries in 2014.





Of the 165 entries, 59 winners were selected. First, second and third prize winners were selected per grade and per school. All winning entries will be on display at King's Food Market on Route 24 in Mendham beginning this weekend through Halloween. Winners also receive recognition in school and get to take home a Halloween-themed prize courtesy of the club.

To see a list of all the winners along with a gallery of all the winning entries, please visit <a href="https://www.wmjwc.org">www.wmjwc.org</a>.

Wednesday, November 4 Monthly Member Meeting Location: Garabrant Center

Wednesday, November 11, 1:00-6:00 pm WMJWC Annual Blood Drive Location: Mendham Borough Firehouse

Thursday, November 19 at 7:00 pm WMJWC Fall Membership Event Black Horse Tavern

Thursday, November 19 at 9:45 am Thanksgiving Food Drive "Bagging Party" The Reynolds Residence

Wednesday, December 2 at 8:00 pm Monthly Member Meeting / Yankee Gift Exchange

Location: TBD (Volunteer needed to host)

Saturday, December 12, 2015 at 2:00 pm Cookies with Santa Location: Garabrant Center WMJWC NEWS





#### **Annual Food Drive Is Underway!**

Our Annual Thanksgiving Food Drive officially kicked off November 2 and will end with the turkey pick up on Monday, November 23! Last year, Juniors donated 113 meals, 120 turkeys, eight truck loads of food and \$360 in donations to Family Intervention Services (FIS). These items supplied over 125 families with Thanksgiving dinner last year. Our goal is to increase these numbers as FIS supplies over 250 Thanksgiving Meals to families in Morris County. As in the past, we'll continue to work with the area schools (Mendham Borough's Hilltop Elementary, Mendham Township Elementary and Mendham Township Middle) to collect donations.

How can you help? Consider donating one or more Thanksgiving meals to a family in need via our homepage! Every twenty dollars you donate will buy one complete meal (minus the turkey). Or, you can drop off donations at the home of Megan Reynolds. And, you can also help sort and bag food on Thursday, November 19 at 9:45am.

Contact Kim Walsh at kadams68@yahoo.com or Megan Reynolds at meganmreynolds@gmail.com if you'd like to help out!

#### President's Letter

It's already November and the holidays are almost here. What a wonderful time of the year! Thanks again to everyone who has participated and supported our events over the last few months, including the Fall Storytime & Concert and Halloween Poster Contest. Our Annual Thanksgiving Food Drive is underway and it's almost time for our Annual Community Blood Drive so there is still a lot of work (and fun!) ahead before the year is over.

We've accomplished so much this year and are excited for the year ahead. There is a new event being planned for February and a new twist on our Annual Fundraiser is in the works. We are so excited to share the details of these events with you.

All of your feedback is important, so please let us know if there is something that you'd like to see us doing more as a group. We welcome everyone's thoughts and ideas.

Francesca and Anne



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# Congratulations to WMJWC member Katie Jabbour on her newest addition!

Katie Jabbour along with her husband Tim and sons Timmy and Andrew welcomed their newest addition Declan Kelly Jabbour on Sunday, November 1. Declan weighed 7 pounds 8 ounces and 20.5 inches (and three weeks early).

Now dad's foursome is complete! Congrats to the Jabbours!



# Join Us and Bring a Friend to our Fall Membership Drive!

Do you have friends who are interested in joining Juniors, but want to learn more about our club and meet our members first? Please attend and bring along your friends to our fall membership drive at the Black Horse Tavern on Thursday, November 19 from 7:00 pm – 9:00pm!



## Reminder! Support our 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Blood Drive on November 11

Blood donation is the gift of life. Did you know that blood is needed somewhere every 3 seconds? Did you know that one out of three people will need donated blood in their lifetime?

On November 11th, WMJWC will once again partner with Atlantic Health System during our Annual Blood Drive. Each unit of blood collected will be brought back to Morristown Medical Center and has the potential to save 3 lives! And for another reason to donate - your blood donation will sponsor a teddy bear gift to over 75 children in the Goryeb Children's Hospital this holiday season.

Mark your calendars and plan on being at the Firehouse between 1pm and 6pm.