

# CANDIA COMMUNITY WOMAN'S CLUB 2008 GFWC REPORTS

## Advocates for Children JUNIOR'S SPECIAL PROJECT

### Brittany's hope -HIV

Donated \$50 to Brittany's Cribs. Money will be used for purchasing cribs, chairs or other needed items for orphanage.

# of members participating: **18** Dollars donated:**\$50.00** # volunteer hours: **1**

### Local family support

The son of our local welfare director was diagnosed with Leukemia earlier this year. The treatment requires trips to the hospital for treatment. 2 \$50 gas cards were donated to help the family.

# of members participating: **18** Dollars donated: **\$100.00** # volunteer hours: **1**

### Police trading cards

This project originated from a conversation with our Police Chief. We thought it was an excellent public relations program for promoting a positive image with our youth through the use of officer trading cards. Originally we were going to approach businesses as sponsors but decided that, since the cost of one officer was relatively small, we would approach other nonprofits in the town. We were able to secure 8 sponsors to fund 1,000 trading cards for each police officer. These were first distributed at our town Old Home Day and were a great success. Not only were kids asking officers for their cards but grown ups as well. Our club sponsored 1 officer for a cost of \$145.

# of members participating: **18** Dollars donated: **\$145.00** # volunteer hours: **25**

### Weighted Vests

Children with special needs or hyperactivity sometimes require a "weighted" vest to help them focus. We have several members involved in the schools who suggested this might be a worthwhile project. We created a pattern from a vest pattern, and bought weighting material for the pockets. 6 members met several times and made 12 vests which were distributed to local schools.

# of members participating: **6** Dollars donated: **\$56.19** # volunteer hours: **32**

### Summary for:Advocates for Children

# of projects **4** Total number of hours: **59**  
Total dollars donated **\$351.19** Total number of members: **18**

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## Arts

### ARTS IN THE COMMUNITY

#### Christmas tree lighting

This event was open to all members of the Candia community. We worked with the middle school to have environmental & animal friendly ornaments made for the trees. Santa was on hand to light the tree for us and take pictures with the kids. The Masonic Hall was used and the Town provided traffic control. The tree is lit each night throughout the holiday season. One member created some goodie bags and other member baked goodies for the guests.

# of members participating: **18** Dollars donated: **\$0.00** # volunteer hours: **45**

#### Summary for: Arts in the Community

# of projects	1	Total number of hours:	45
Total dollars donated	\$0.00	Total number of members:	18

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## Conservation

### RESOURCE CONSERVATION

#### Adopt-a-Highway

Four times a year, the members of our club can be spotted picking up trash on a 2.2 mile stretch of Business Rt. 101. This is part of the Adopt-a-highway State Program.

# of members participating: **18** Dollars donated: **\$0.00** # volunteer hours: **50**

#### Summary for: Resource Conservation

# of projects 1

Total number of hours: 50

Total dollars donated \$0.00

Total number of members: 18

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## Education

### EDUCATION IN THE COMMUNITY

#### **Backpack Buddies**

CCWC works with the Candia Welfare Director to provide clothing and supplies to local needy children. Names are provided by the Welfare Director and made available for the town residents to pick a name and purchase school items. The items are dropped off at the town hall and the members sort and organize the items. A town employee delivered the backpacks to the children. This year 28 children were given backpacks.

# of members participating: **3**    Dollars donated:            **\$0.00** # volunteer hours: **2**

#### **Summary for: Education in the community**

# of projects	1	Total number of hours:	2
Total dollars donated	\$0.00	Total number of members:	3

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## FOCUS ON LITERACY

### Connie Lofgren Scholarship

Our Connie Lofgren Memorial scholarship is presented each year to a woman to continue her formal education. This scholarship was established after one of our members died of cancer. One of Connie's major achievements was to start her own business shortly before her death. CCWC established a scholarship of \$500 in her honor. This year's recipient was a local school counselor who will be going back to school for her Master's degree.

# of members participating: **18** Dollars donated: **\$500.00** # volunteer hours: **2**

### Dollars for Scholars

Each year the CCWC awards a \$1,000 scholarship to a graduating Candia High School senior. Our scholarship is based on academics and community service. We administer this scholarship through Dollars for Scholars and its is announced in June at an Awards Night at the Candia Moore School.

# of members participating: **18** Dollars donated: **\$1,000.00** # volunteer hours: **4**

### Gold star

Members voted to donate \$20.00 to the scholarships on the Gold Star list.

# of members participating: **18** Dollars donated: **\$20.00** # volunteer hours: **1**

### Summary for: Focus on Literacy

# of projects **3** Total number of hours: **7**  
Total dollars donated **\$1,520.00** Total number of members: **18**

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### Fund Raising

#### **Barnes& Noble fundraiser**

Members wrapped gifts at Barnes and Noble. The gift-wrapping was free but the club kept any donations for the service. Partial proceeds will go to Emily's place, a woman's shelter in Manchester NH. We were scheduled to cover 2 days but a storm forced the cancellation on

# of members participating: **18** Dollars donated: **\$0.00** # volunteer hours: **54**

#### **Brown Bag**

At each of our monthly meetings, we hold a Brown Bag raffle. The person who wins the Brown Bag is responsible for bringing it to the next meeting. Money collected goes into the general fund. Beginning in Sept this year, we changed the project to a raffle.

# of members participating: **18** Dollars donated: **\$0.00** # volunteer hours: **6**

#### **Chocolate Extravaganza**

Chocolate Extravaganza is an annual fundraiser where we donate the profits toward the scholarships we award yearly. We hold the event at Candia Woods. We sold 100 tickets and hold a silent auction. Guest are treated to china on linen tablecloths. They get their choice of 3 desserts and choice of beverage. It is an event that the community anticipates each year. Money collected goes into the general fund.

# of members participating: **18** Dollars donated: **\$0.00** # volunteer hours: **98**

#### **Innisbrook Wrap**

Club members solicited family and friends to sell wrapping paper and other products. Money raised goes to the general fund.

# of members participating: **7** Dollars donated: **\$0.00** # volunteer hours: **8**

#### **Loaf'n'ladle**

For this event, we make soups and stews and invite the community. The proceeds were used for Candia's Fuel Assistance Program. Members baked, setup, served and cleaned up. Between 100 and 110 people attended the event. \$350 was donated to the Food Panty (recorded under Candia Welfare Dept).

# of members participating: **18** Dollars donated: **\$0.00** # volunteer hours: **76**

#### **Old Home Day BOOTH**

Each year at our town's annual Old Home Day event the club has a booth at which we sell refreshments, games, t-shirts and tote bags. Members volunteer through out the day to cover the food sales, bake desserts, make sandwiches, setup and cleanup. We also sell items with the CCWC logo which gets customers to ask about the club. Brochures are available to hand out to those interested in joining the club. Money raised goes into the general fund.

# of members participating: **18** Dollars donated: **\$322.67** # volunteer hours: **60**

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### Tote bags

Our tote bags were designed with a beach chair logo. These will be sold at all CCWC events. These bags are sold for \$15.

# of members participating: **18** Dollars donated: **\$0.00** # volunteer hours: **2**

### Summary for:FundRaising

# of projects	7	Total number of hours:	304
Total dollars donated	\$322.67	Total number of members:	18

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## Home Life

### FOCUS ON HEALTH

#### *Daffodil Days*

The purpose of this event is to raise money for the American Cancer Society. This year the CCWC raised \$265.00 for the American Cancer Society.

# of members participating: **7**    Dollars donated:    **\$150.00** # volunteer hours: **3**

#### Summary for: Focus on Health

# of projects	1	Total number of hours:	3
Total dollars donated	\$150.00	Total number of members:	7

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## HELPING HANDS

### Candia Welfare Dept.

CCWC donated \$600 to the Candia Welfare Dept. for fuel assistance and to purchase food for the town's needy families.

# of members participating: 0    Dollars donated:    **\$600.00** # volunteer hours: 0

### Food Pantry

The club works closely with the Candia Welfare Director to coordinated projects in the town to assist the needy. The CCWC members provides coverage for the town food pantry every Tuesday night from 6 to 8. The club also assists with all food drives to stock the pantry and provides financial assistance as needed. (see project Candia Welfare Dept for donations)

# of members participating: 18    Dollars donated:    **\$0.00** # volunteer hours: 320

### Santa Giving Tree

CCWC works with the Candia Welfare Department to distribute a wish list to the community for families and elderly in need. We accomplish this by making ornaments for 2 trees; one is located in the Post Office & the other is in the Town Hall. Each ornament has a number on it and the age, sex and wish items of each recipient to ensure confidentiality. Members of the community take an ornament & shop for that person. They deliver the unwrapped gifts to the town hall. CCWC members sort and wrap the gifts. The gifts are delivered by town employees. This year the project helped ?? family and ?? seniors.

# of members participating: 8    Dollars donated:    **\$0.00** # volunteer hours: 50

### Teacher Appreciation

Every year the club expresses their appreciation to the teachers of Candia Moore School for all the dedicated hours they put in with the children of our town. This year the club distributed chocolate and mints to each teacher's mailbox.

# of members participating: 1    Dollars donated:    **\$0.00** # volunteer hours: 3

### Christmas Baskets

Members worked with the Candia Welfare department to assemble Christmas Baskets for 18 needy families and 10 seniors. Wrapping materials were donated from local residents. 6 Members assembled baskets of food. Food was mainly from food pantry stock but turkeys and hams were donated by local residents & businesses. Members also baked 32 banana/cranberry breads for the seniors. A town employee distributed the baskets to the families.

# of members participating: 18    Dollars donated:    **\$0.00** # volunteer hours: 38

### Thanksgiving Basket

Members assembled baskets of food for 18 needy families and 12 needy seniors in town. Food was mostly from the food pantry stock but pies, turkeys and hams were donated by local residents. 12 Members baked 32 breads for the baskets. A town employee distributed the baskets to the families.

# of members participating: 18    Dollars donated:    **\$0.00** # volunteer hours: 24

### Summary for: Helping Hands in the Community

# of projects	6	Total number of hours:	445
Total dollars donated	\$600.00	Total number of members:	18

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## International

### REACHING OUT INTERNATIONALLY

#### *Donation - Moore School*

Donated \$50 to Candia Moore School with assistance to send school supplies to a Peace Corp volunteer in Ugwanda.

# of members participating: **18** Dollars donated: **\$50.00** # volunteer hours: **1**

#### Summary for: Reaching Out Internationally

# of projects	1	Total number of hours:	1
Total dollars donated	\$50.00	Total number of members:	18

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## Leadership

### Officer Responsibilities

Recording secretary - Transcribing notes & distributing minutes	40 hours
Corresponding Secretary Pick up mail & respond to correspondence	20 hours
Treasurer Record keeping, pay bills, track expenses	40 hours
Co-Presidents Agenda of meetings, typing, pre-meeting planning	120 hours
Tracking projects, emailing members	
Meetings Summer President's meeting	1 members 6 hours
Mid-winter meeting	3 members 21 hours
District 5	3 members 18 hrs

# of members participating: **18** Dollars donated: **\$0.00** # volunteer hours: **265**

### Report Writing

A review and compilation of the member activity reports submitted throughout the year.

# of members participating: **18** Dollars donated: **\$0.00** # volunteer hours: **28**

### Summary for: Leadership

# of projects	2	Total number of hours:	293
Total dollars donated	\$0.00	Total number of members:	18

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## CITIZENSHIP IN ACTION

### GFWC Fall Rally

2 members attended. A speaker from the NH Foodbank spoke of the many programs offered. A speaker on Prostrate cancer gave an informative presentation. Food was excellent.

# of members participating: **2** Dollars donated: **\$54.00** # volunteer hours: **10**

### GFWC- JR annual meeting

2 members participated.

# of members participating: **0** Dollars donated: **\$64.00** # volunteer hours: **0**

### GFWC Jr Mid-winter meeting

3 members attended the mid-winter annual meeting. Speakers were the president of the Lakes Region Boys & Girls club and the warden of NH Woman's prison. 2 teenagers talked about how the Boys and Girls club turned their life around. The GFWC is looking for community service ideas. A member gave a short presentation of the meeting events at our monthly meeting.

# of members participating: **18** Dollars donated: **\$60.00** # volunteer hours: **16**

### Candidate's Night

All candidates running for elected office in Candia are invited to participate in Candidates Night. It is a forum where residents wishing to learn more about the people running for their town government can hear from and ask questions of the candidates. About 70 residents attended. Donuts and coffee were provided by the club.

# of members participating: **1** Dollars donated: **\$0.00** # volunteer hours: **6**

### Old Home Day EVENT

5 CCWC members are involved in the planning & organizing of the town's Old Home Day event. In the past, this event was run by a committee appointed by the town. Our members stepped forward when the event was in danger of being cancelled due to lack of planners. CCWC decided to assist in coordinating the event which includes a parade, games, live entertainment, demonstrations, crafts & exhibits. This is a main fundraising event for many of the non-profit organizations in town. CCWC does not make a profit.

# of members participating: **5** Dollars donated: **\$0.00** # volunteer hours: **200**

### Summary for: Citizenship in action

# of projects	<b>5</b>	Total number of hours:	<b>232</b>
Total dollars donated	<b>\$178.00</b>	Total number of members:	<b>18</b>

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## Membership

### Christmas Party Meeting

Each year, we try to make our holiday meeting special by holding the meeting at a local restaurant.

This year it was held at a new restaurant in Raymond. Instead of exchanging gifts, we brought items to be used for the senior citizen's holiday gift boxes that are distributed by our town welfare director. The food was delicious and everyone seemed to have a good time.

# of members participating: **18** Dollars donated: **\$0.00** # volunteer hours: **54**

### Family Event

Family night was a Junior GFWC sponsored event that our club participated in. Four members bought tickets to the game...Three members attended with 3 spouses and 4 children total. 11 people total...No money was donated. Members paid for tickets on their own. It was an extremely hot day but it was great to meet other folks from other clubs. They were selling 50/50 tickets. The Fishercats put on a really family friendly game with lots of fun stuff for the kids to

# of members participating: **3** Dollars donated: **\$0.00** # volunteer hours: **15**

### Girls night out

Each year the CCWC organizes an evening out for members and prospective new members. 7 members met at a ceramic shop called You're fired in Bedford NH to create fun and useful pottery pieces. Members paid for their own pieces. Members were able to socialize with each other outside of a meeting setting.

# of members participating: **7** Dollars donated: **\$0.00** # volunteer hours: **15**

### Membership packets

CCWC created a membership brochure several years ago. This year, we updated our membership brochure to try and make it more appealing to new members and to give them a better understanding of what it is we do. Modifying it gives us the ability to keep it a dynamic tool for recruitment. We will also be mailing this brochure to new residents in town.

# of members participating: **3** Dollars donated: **\$0.00** # volunteer hours: **6**

### Website

[www.candiawomansclub.org](http://www.candiawomansclub.org). The site provides information about the club and activities. A members page provides up-to-the-date information such as up-coming events, meeting minutes, pictures from recent events, membership list (password protected) and more. The site provides a link to the GFWC-NH and GFWC national websites. A sponsor page was created to cover the cost of the website. Ads were sold to members and local businesses for \$25/yr. The site links to the local town website.

# of members participating: **18** Dollars donated: **\$0.00** # volunteer hours: **80**

### Summary for:Membership

# of projects	5	Total number of hours:	170
Total dollars donated	\$0.00	Total number of members:	18

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## Community and Public Relations

### **CCWC 25th anniversary**

The members of the Candia Community Woman's Club celebrated their 25th anniversary with several months of activities. A celebration committee of 6 members met 4 times to plan the series of events that were held. For the first three months of the year, the members were treated to a game to remember back to the various years of service to the community of Candia. The first month was the Early Years - the 1980's where the members had to answer multiple choice questions about events at the beginning of the club's history. The second month was the Middle Years - the 1990's where the members played a version of Jeopardy. The third month was the Later Years - where the 2000's were remembered with a game of BINGO. One of the oldest and longest running project is the giving of a high school scholarship to a graduating senior. Letters were sent to the recipients and wrote back with what they have accomplished in their lives since their college years. This information was shared with the members at one at the fourth meeting. Also at the meeting the guest speaker was the current Director of Junior Clubs who shared with the members how the local GFWC club fits into the bigger GFWC picture. The June Annual Meeting was the final celebration. The dinner meeting was held at a local function hall. Invitations were sent to many past members and 8 past members were in attendance. Each member, past and present, was 'roasted' and given a certificate to honor an outstanding contribution that they had made during their membership with the club. Members, especially the 'old-timers', were given an opportunity to share a memory. Two members present were charter members - one a current member and one a past member. Members enjoyed the opportunity to celebrate 25 years of service to the town of Candia and to share laughs and memories of time spent together.

# of members participating: **18** Dollars donated: **\$0.00** # volunteer hours: **175**

### **Public Relations**

The club publicizes each event being held in the local media. Announcements in the local papers are submitted for publication monthly or as needed. In addition, posters for all events are hung in strategic places around town. We occasionally use the sign in front of the school to advertise some of our events.

# of members participating: **18** Dollars donated: **\$0.00** # volunteer hours: **12**

### **Town Meeting Luncheon**

Candia hold a public meeting to discuss warrant articles, budget and amendments that will be voted on in March. The club sells coffee and baked goods to the attendees. Club members baked goodies & volunteered their time on the booth. Monies raised went into the general fund.

# of members participating: **18** Dollars donated: **\$173.03** # volunteer hours: **20**

### **Summary for: Community and Public Relations**

# of projects	3	Total number of hours:	207
Total dollars donated	\$173.03	Total number of members:	18

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## Special Projects

### DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS

#### Domestic Abuse shelter donation

Using money raised from Barnes and Noble fundraiser, \$600 was donated to Emily's place for the purpose of buying a washing machine. Emily's Place is a shelter for battered women in Manchester, NH.

# of members participating: **18** Dollars donated: **\$600.00** # volunteer hours: **0**

#### **Summary for: Domestic Violence Awareness**

# of projects	1	Total number of hours:	2
Total dollars donated	\$600.00	Total number of members:	18