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MONTHLY NEWS FOR THE WEST MORRIS JUNIOR WOMAN'S CLUB

#### IMPORTANT DATES

# FIESTA Spring fundraiser promises to be *muy caliente*

Our kick-off to summer fundraiser is back by popular demand! If you missed our Luau on the Lawn last year, you missed our most exciting event of the year! Don't miss it again! To change things up this year, instead of a luau, we will be having a FIESTA!

Save the date, Friday, June 7, 8pm and join us poolside at the Geary's home. For \$60 per person, the event will feature live music, a cigar roller, delicious Mexican food, wine, beer, and of course signature margaritas. We will also have party games running again for some caliente competition! Please spread the word, invite all your amigos, and make sure to join us. We will be sending out our Evite next week, so please forward email addresses of anyone you'd like to invite to katerizzo@gmail.com ASAP!!

Requests for help with this event will also be coming soon (see next page), so stay tuned for information on how you can be involved. The money raised from this event will go towards our scholarship fund and to further support all the great work we do in the community. To volunteer for this event or for any questions, please contact Jenna or Kate.





WMJWC members and friends at last year's Luau

#### May 8

Board/General Meeting Christina Zaybekian's House 7:30 p.m.

### May 14

Membership Drive Black Horse Tavern 7:30 p.m.

#### June 4

Board/General Meeting Lisa Lowe's House 7:30 p.m.

#### June 7

Annual Spring Event – Fiesta! The Geary Residence – 300 Mountainside Road, Mendham

#### September 4

End of Summer Porch Party Tania Cosmi's House 7:30 p.m.

### October 2

Board/General Meeting Garabrandt Center, Mendham 7:30 p.m. WMJWC NEWS





### Join Us This Saturday!

Please join Juniors as a proud sponsor at the first Tunes for Thomas event to raise awareness and funds for pediatric cancer. The Tunes For Thomas Event will take place May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2013 at Lewis Morris Park in Morristown, NJ from 11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. This event will benefit the Valerie Fund Children's Center at Morristown Medical Center.

The event will feature live music by various children's musicians while also providing parents an opportunity to explore area preschools and local family based programs and activities. WMJWC will have a booth at the event to share information about our club and hopefully attract new members.

The Tunes for Thomas event is being held in honor of Thomas Rice, the son of WMJWC copresident Kelly Rice. Thomas was diagnosed in April 2011 with medulloblastoma, a brain tumor. He battled bravely for a little over a year and succumbed to his disease June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2012 at the age of three. More on his journey can be found at www.caringbridge.org/visit/thomasrice.

Tickets can be purchased at <a href="www.thevaleriefund.org/Thomas">www.thevaleriefund.org/Thomas</a>. If you would like to volunteer to represent the club at the event, please contact Kelly Rice.



### Our Own Hometown Heroine

Juniors is proud to share that WMJWC co-president Kelly Rice was recently selected as one of five national winners for the CAbi (Carol Anderson by Invitation) Hometown Heroine Real Model Fall 2013 Content. The contest called for nominations from around the U.S. of extraordinary woman who exemplify grace and strength. Kelly was nominated by members and friends Allyson Daly and Kate Rizzo for her work this past year with the Valerie Fund to create Tunes for Thomas and serve other parents who've lost or are caring for young children with terminal illness. In late March, Kelly joined the four other winners for the CAbi Fall Real Model photo shoot in Beverly Hills. Look for Kelly in the fall CAbi catalog!

### Member Releases Children's Book

Junior member Cynthia Dreeman Meyer has penned her first children's book *Merry Stirring Mice*, a whimsical tale which reveals that mice actually ARE stirring on Christmas Eve, happily at work as Santa's secret helpers making the sugarplums and treats for the stockings. The hardcover picture book will be released during the 2013 holiday season. Congratulations on this major achievement Cynthia! If you are interested in pre-ordering the book or attending the book launch party, please reach out to Cynthia via email cidreeman@msn.com.



### Help Needed!

The annual WMJWC spring fundraiser will be held **Friday**, **June 7**<sup>th</sup> at the Geary Residence (300 Mountainside Road) in Mendham. This year's theme will be "Fiesta!" and promises to be a great time and a great event to raise money for the club! We hope to make this year another success but need your help! We have many roles for members including set-up, decorating and clean-up for this fun club event. Please contact co-chairs Jenna Rosselli or Kate Rizzo to become part of the planning committee!

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### 2013 Hostess List



Please take a look at our calendar of upcoming meetings for this year. If you are able to Host any of the highlighted meetings at your home please contact Nicole Geary at ngeary2@verizon.net.

Also, please check to see when it's your turn to bring food or drink items.

If you cannot make a meeting that you are assigned to please find a replacement.

Thank you,

Nicole Geary

\*Appetizers should be simple - chips & salsa, veggie platter, pretzels with hummus, etc. Dessert should be finger foods. Non alcoholic drink should be Pellegrino, water, etc.

Meeting Date	Venue	Hostess	Item to Bring
Wednesday, May 8	Christina Zaybekian's House	Cynthia Dreeman Laura Wilson Theresa Hecht	Appetizer Dessert Non Alcoholic Drink
Wednesday, June 4	Lisa Lowe's House	Christine Dellaratta Christina Zaybekian Tania Cosmi	Appetizer Dessert Non Alcoholic Drink
Summer Porch Party, Wednesday, September 4	Tania Cosmi's House	Volunteer Based	
Wednesday, October 2	Garabrant Center	Nicole Geary Elise Lam Dawn Nutt	Appetizer Dessert Non Alcoholic Drink
Wednesday, November 6	NEED HOSTESS	Kate Rizzo Allyson Daly Kelly Rice	Appetizer Dessert Non Alcoholic Drink
Yankee Gift Exchange, Wednesday, December 4	NEED HOSTESS	Volunteer Based	

### Membership Event

Tuesday, May 14 at 7:30pm will be our next Membership Meet and Greet opportunity. If you know anyone who is interested in learning more about becoming a Junior, please invite them to join us on the TAVERN side of the Black Horse for appetizers and a glass of wine. There is no pressure to join, just a fun evening out to have drinks and get to know new people. Please spread the word and try to attend this event.

### Follow WMJWC

Stay up-to-date on all WMJWC events and see great pictures from all our events. Join our growing Facebook fan page today! www.facebook.com/wmjwc.org. WMJWC is also on Twitter. When you follow us on Facebook, your friends can more easily see our activity and upcoming events to welcome new members and also grow participation in our events! Thanks for your support!

### President's Letter

Spring is here (sort of!) and I know everyone's schedule is busy with sports and end of the year activities. We are gearing up for our FIESTA and we also have one more Tavern night on May 14th, don't forget to bring a friend. Please make sure to make our May meeting, we need everyone to make our Fiesta a success.

Lastly, Happy Mother's Day to all of our Moms!

Kelly

P.S. A very special thank you to Francesca Calogero for volunteering to help give out the scholarships in June!