

Project Description Examples

These examples are from previous club end-of-year reports. They are provided for you as **examples** of highlighted projects. Remember you can only utilize 2 pages to highlight projects in each Community Service Program and for Advocates for Children, Communications, GFWC Signature Project, Club History, Legislation/Resolutions, Membership and Special State Project.

Arts and Culture Community Service Program

Art Museum Tour

Our Club contacted the William Patterson Art Museum requesting a private tour, since there was an exhibit of a featured artist and our members were very interested in it. The museum agreed, and also let the artist know of our interest, who excitedly attended our tour. Twenty members attended, and we spent 3 hours listening to the artist explain his work, giving explanations of his work. At the end of our tour, he presented each of us with a book about the exhibit, which he signed.

Advocates for Children

Egg My Yard

Our Juniorette Club organized a project called "Egg My Yard." The community was informed, by word-of-mouth and with flyers, that they could order plastic eggs filled with candy and/or small toys placed around their yard the night before Easter. Families placed orders through the club's advisor, and could request eggs filled with wrapped candies, small toys, or both. Food allergies were addressed on the order form.

The eggs were filled by our women's club members in an assembly line, and sorted by family. The advisor mapped out the neighborhoods, and each car had a parent driving three girls to deliver the eggs the evening before Easter. Each girl had a stencil of bunny feet, so in addition to placing eggs around each yard, we chalked bunny feet on each house's sidewalk and driveway to show that the Easter Bunny had visited. We made a profit of \$1680.

Letters to Santa

Our Club answered letters to Santa at the holidays. With the town's permission, we set up two red mailboxes at strategic locations in town. Through advertisements, we instructed the community that local children could put their letters to Santa in these mailboxes. Our members checked the mailboxes during school hours so children wouldn't see who was picking them up. A committee answered the letters, using red or green pens on decorative stationery, and the letters were mailed back to each child. No specific gifts were promised, just holiday wishes and love from Santa. If an address wasn't included, members checked with the elementary school teachers to see if they recognized a child's handwriting. Over 300 letters were answered.

Health and Wellness Community Service Program

Kickboxing Event for Go Red for Women

For the fifth year, during Heart Health Month in February, our club held a kickboxing event to raise money for Go Red for Women, the American Heart Association's program used to raise awareness about women's heart health. We contacted a kickboxing instructor at a local fitness

club, who held a class to which the public was invited. Participants did not need to be members of the fitness club to participate. Publicity was circulated to garner interest, including the fitness club. Our members manned the registration table for the event and provided bottled water and snacks for the attendees, who was charged \$10 per person. The American Heart Association gave us Red Dress pins and magnets to hand out. Our profit was \$310.

Breast Cancer Patient "Care Jars"

In October, ten members assembled "Care Jars" for breast cancer patients. Mason jars were purchased and filled with small toiletries such as lotion, shampoo, shower gel and lip balm, as well as tea bags and a pink washcloth. The jars were decorated with a pink ribbon and a hang tag with an uplifting message. Twenty jars were made and donated to our local hospital's cancer care unit.

Environment Community Service Program

Arbor Day Presentation and Poster Contest

A member visited our elementary school and gave a presentation to fifth grade students on the necessity of preserving trees. Students were to have the students submit posters with the theme "Trees are Terrific," which we judged after a club meeting. Each child participating received a tree seedling to plant, and a small gift was given to the poster contest winner.

Civic Engagement and Outreach

Easter Baskets

We collected items to fill Easter baskets for our local Social Services department, who provided us with the needed amount of baskets. Six weeks before Easter we put collection boxes in various stores in town, asking the public to donate items such as plastic eggs, chocolate bunnies, wrapped candy, Easter grass or paper shred, small toys, etc. Members collected the items weekly, and they were stored at a member's home. We purchased colorful plastic buckets. Ten members assembled the Easter "baskets" and wrapped them in cellophane bags. They were delivered to the Social Services department the week before Easter for distribution.

Membership

Club 90th Anniversary Celebration

Our Club celebrated its 90th Anniversary with an event at our town hall. Guests in attendance included several past club presidents, a state senator, two state assembly persons, and our mayor. Each guest thanked and congratulated our club for the volunteer work we do for the community. Our club president presented a timeline of our club history and shared interesting facts about the club from the past and present day. Programs and pens were given to all who attended; refreshments were served and a club member recorded the celebration. Thirty current club members attended.