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REMINDERS

- Did you change your smoke detector battery?
- Did you vote?
- Did you check your car seat's expiration date?
- Have you considered a carbon monoxide monitor for your home?
- Is your house number clearly visible from the street?

Public Affairs Websites of Interest:

- NJ Coalition for Battered Women: www.njcbw.org
- National Coalition Against Domestic Violence: www.ncadv.org
- NJ Legislature: www.njleg.state.nj.us
- Library of Congress: thomas.loc.gov

Clubs Around the State and Public Affairs

The Fall season is upon us, and I hope everyone had a Happy and Safe Halloween. This is, of course, is the safety department.

Although this chair didn't hear from every club in the state, a few clubs have been active in Public Affairs in September and October:

The North Arlington Junior Woman's Club held a Child's Safety Day on September 16. Included in their day was a car seat safety check with their local police department. It was a success for sure!

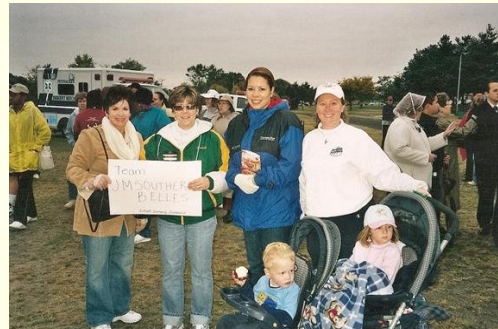
On October 7, the Southern Belles, aka the SJ contingent of clubs, participated in the Heart Walk at Cooper River in

Pennsauken. Included in this chilly and rainy morning were Linda Vosko, Cecilia Gaines Holland/Margaret Yardley Chair and President of the Woman's Club of Merchantville, Madame Director, Amy Lessman., President of West Deptford JWC, Carol Frisby,

and this Chairman and her kids.

Please e-mail this chairman with all future events, other clubs might be interested in hosting a similar event. Inspire another club to hold a great event!

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The Community Improvement Contest encourages and rewards clubs for improvement projects that meet the special needs of their communities, thus making their city or town a better place to live.. This contest is a state and national competition and has strict

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guidelines. Complete information is included in the GFWC Manual updated for the 2006-2008 administration.

A well-organized project notebook with narrative and supporting materials is necessary.

Entries should convey how the

project improved the community including need, process, community involvement, public relations, results and the lasting influence of the project.

For more information, please contact this chairman.

Legislation and Resolutions

As part of this chair's responsibility, serving as JM representative to the NJSFWC Legislation/Resolutions Committee is necessary. The purpose of the committee is to study and become a resource for the membership on legislation and resolutions germane to the work of the NJSFWC.

Five focus areas have been identified: domestic violence, literacy, English as the Official Language, Women's Health and Open Space Preservation. To keep up-to-date on resources and legislation, please visit NJSFWC.org, there are supplements including a letter writing kit and legislative updates.

information.

The JM is exploring a resolution that is of special interest to our membership. Perhaps we will explore an issue involving our State Project, Children's Specialized Hospital.

If any club has any suggestions, please contact this chair.

DECISION 2006 and BEYOND

Current resolutions can be viewed in the NJSFWC Yearbook, and if any club is interested in writing a resolution, please contact this chair for more

Suggestions on What Your Club Can Do For Domestic Violence

Please visit the website for the National Coalition Against Domestic Violence, www.ncadv.org and visit the Take Action link. Included in this section is the cell-phone collection, resources and materials request and coming soon, volunteer opportunities. Also on the homepage was the pin seen here to the right. Information on how to order is

advertised. Purchasing the pin benefits, "Bring Volume to Silent Voices Campaign."

Each month, the NJSFWC Almanac offers more ideas. Donations to shelters are suggested with a different emphasis each month. For November, collect Christmas gifts for women and gifts for children in December.

To find a shelter in your county, visit www.njcbw.org and go to the link, "Guide to Services." For obvious reasons, it will take a little work to find a shelter, but it will be worth it in the end.

Watch this newsletter for information about a state-wide Day of Service in October, 2007.



Juniorettes

For the tech-savvy Juniorettes, if you are interested in learning more about legislation or need some help with a school project, follow these steps to get to the NJ Legislature and the US Congress:

- www.njleg.state.nj.us
- Search for topics by keyword or subject
- Bills introduced in the Assembly are marked with an "A"; in the Senate, an "S".
- You can also find out about state legislators at this site
- The Library of Congress website, thomas.loc.gov, is the best resource for federal legislation
- Congress.org is a great place to start if you want to contact your US Representative or Senator or you want to learn more about our government and how it works.

