

The NV Juniors Connection



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2008 Officers Elected

The 2008 NV Juniors' Officers were sworn in during our June 2007 meeting. They are:

- ◆ President - Kathy Planthaber
- ◆ First VP - Kim Bumgarner
- ◆ Second VP - Regina Meade
- ◆ Treasurer - Elizabeth Kramer
- ◆ Secretary - Stacy Helfstein

Be sure to check out their bios on page 4!

Many thanks to the 2007 Officers for a job well done. The club thanks you for your service and looks forward to working with you in the upcoming year as well!



Pictured from left to right: Kathy Planthaber, Kim Bumgarner, Regina Meade, Stacy Helfstein, Liz Kramer

2008 Membership Drive

We are always looking for new members!

Membership in the NV Juniors is open to all women from Arlington, Alexandria, and the surrounding communities.

A Membership Social is scheduled for September 12th. Bring a friend (or two).

Many of our current members discovered our club through word of mouth. Talk up the club to friends, co-workers, and like-minded individuals!

While new members are important, we promise to work diligently to keep current members as well.

Your enthusiasm, ideas, and time are the greatest gifts you can give to this club. The club succeeds through the combined efforts of its members.

For additional information, please contact Kathy at: nv_juniors@yahoo.com.

Upcoming Activities

September 2007

12th - Membership Drive / Club Social ~ Guapo's in Shirlington, VA

25th - Club Meeting

29th - "Operation USO Cares" Stuffing Party

Message from the President

I am excited to share my first president's message with you but, even more excited about the endless possibilities that lie ahead for our club this year!

This club has great promise. In order to meet that promise, our club must grow.

This year, membership will be one of our top priorities. Without a solid membership

base, our club cannot fully complete our mission. I know our club's Officers and Members have many creative and fun ideas on how to build our membership. I look forward to working towards this priority, along with the clubs other important activities!

During the upcoming year there will be many new and

exciting opportunities for our club and its members.

I look forward to working with each and every member as we move forward towards our club's bright future!

~Kathy

Box Tops for Education Collection Drive

Don't forget to save your **Box Tops for Education** and bring them to our next meeting.

Donated box tops go to support Section 1a schools!

You can find Box Tops for Education on General Mills, Ziploc®,

and Kleenex® products.

During the first part of 2007, the NV Juniors collected and submitted over \$x worth of box tops! Our goal is to surpass that in the upcoming year. In order to do that we need your support!



Don't Toss Those Unused / Expired Grocery Coupons !



Did you know that even expired coupons can be redeemed by our Service personnel in Base Commissary stores? That is right. They can be used for up to six months past their "expiration" date. **So, don't toss those expired grocery coupons in the trash!!**

The NV Juniors donates expired grocery coupons to the Morale and Welfare departments of the US military.

Coupon donations go directly to the family service centers where they are available for use by military members and families on base. Coupons are collected at our monthly meetings.

Last year, the NV Juniors collected and donated over \$x worth of coupons. Our goal is to surpass that by 30% this year. So start clipping!

NV Juniors in the Community

On Saturday, June 23rd at 8:30 am, four sleepy-eyed NV Junior members volunteered at the "USO Operation Care Package" stuffing event. It was a fun and eventful day where our volunteers assisted in stuffing nearly 25,000 camo kits.

These packages will be sent US war-deployed troops.

The event was even more special because of a surprise performance by "America's Tenor", Daniel Rodriguez.

Many thanks to our volunteers:

Maura Brady
Trish D'Antonio
Kim Bumgarner
Kathy Planthaber



Annual Membership Dues



Its dues time again. The new membership year has begun. Annual dues are \$45.

You can pay via check (made payable to: NV Junior Women's Club) or cash at the next NV Juniors meeting or social.

If you are unable to attend the meeting, you can send your check directly to me at:

Kathy Planthaber
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Falls Church, VA 22041.

The Caring and Sharing Corner

Congratulations to our own *Kathy Hunt* on the birth of her first child – a beautiful daughter -Abigail Charlotte - on June 3rd. Reliable sources say she both cute and adorable!

Wedding bells are in the air for TWO club members. *Trish D'Antonio* and her fiancé are planning a June 2008 wedding in the Philadelphia area and *Liz Kramer* and her fiancé are recently engaged. No wedding

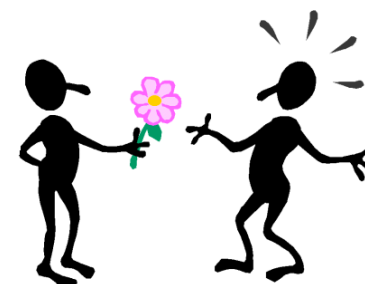
date as of yet. Congratulations to both ladies!

Upcoming Birthdays!

Two of our members have August and September birthdays! Happy birthday to:

Liz Kramer (August 6th)
Kathy Hunt (September 6th)

We hope they both have great birthday celebrations!



Meet the Officers !

President - Kathy Planthaber

When I joined the Juniors last year, I had no idea I would be President the following year! I am excited to work with the group, and look forward to participating in many worthwhile causes and events..... and having fun to boot!

I believe in the "open door" policy, I guess in this case it is "open e-mail." If there is ever a time a member feels the need to speak directly with me, I am always available via e-mail at NV_Juniors@yahoo.com.

I look forward to having a great year with you all!

First Vice - President - Kim Bumgarner

Hi! I am happy to have this position after belonging to the club for only six months! I will be managing the Entertainment Book sales, marketing, and working on the website (a new look is coming soon!).

I live in Alexandria and am looking for fun activities and new ways to serve our community in Northern Virginia.

Please feel free to forward me any ideas you have about things you would like the club to do.

Best wishes!

Second Vice President - Regina Meade

I am a Charter member of the NV Juniors (2002). I have lived in Northern Virginia most of my life. I live in Alexandria with two cats - Pumpernickel and Hershey.

I work for the Department of State and love to travel. I also love horses, cats, driving fast cars, and hanging out with friends. I enjoy volunteer activities, particularly when they blend helping both people and animals. Additionally, I serve on the Board of Directors for the Northern Virginia Therapeutic Riding Center.

I look forward to working with the group this upcoming year!

Secretary - Stacy Helfstein

Stacy is a graphic artist and a member of the Alpha Xi Delta sorority.

In her spare time she collects Absolut Vodka paraphernalia and loves to read!

Mission Statement

To promote our club in order to increase membership while actively pursuing fundraising projects with the interest of donating time and money to community causes.

Treasurer - Liz Kramer

I have been a member of the NV Juniors for four years now, and this will be my third year as our club Treasurer. I joined the NV Juniors to make new friends and to give back to the community. I really enjoy the group and look forward to seeing the new ideas presented to the club come about.

During the week you can find me teaching in a Kindergarten classroom for Fairfax County Public Schools. I really enjoy working with kids and seeing them grow throughout the year.

I look forward to working with you all during the upcoming year.