

MARY JO BROWN FOUNDATION

- Spreading Smiles Through Acts of Kindness -



SPRING EDITION

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Hello Everyone!! It happened!! Spring came, the trees are budding out and we are ready for another year of fundraising and spreading smiles.

This month has been a busy one—on April 1st we launched our 2015 Kindness Campaign. Once again, this year we are seeking nominations of children who during the past year have shown unsolicited kindness to others. Our winners from last year are shining examples of the types of young heroes we are looking for: a kindergartener who stood up for a classmate being bullied; a 2nd grader who collected and delivered books to a camp for children battling cancer; and a 3rd grader who raised money to purchase and deliver toys and games for pediatric patients at Floating Hospital for Children at Tufts Medical Center.

Please help us find these children—Pass this information on to your friends with school age children, educators, civic and youth groups. For full details and a nomination form, visit our website: www.maryjobrown.org

On Sunday April 26 we held a full board meeting at Mixx 360 in Malden. We have now grown from our initial board of 5 members: Christina Brown, Karen Bowden, Marcy Young, Kara Waldron and Sharon Macone --and have added two amazing women to our roster: Pat Ward joined us in November and on Sunday we “inducted” Terri DiOrio to our group. Our diverse work schedules and personal responsibilities sometimes interfere with our getting together—so Sunday was

extremely special. Once we plotted our course of action for the rest of the year it was time to move into the function room next door and greet our guests for our first ever springtime fundraiser----PAINT NITE -in the afternoon.



With forty-eight tickets sold we raised \$720—the exact amount we had budgeted for our 3 platoon Herobox shipments for this year. Obviously, Mary Jo is still working her magic!

It was a great afternoon and enough cannot be said about the staff at Paint Nite. Lily Rosenbloom, our event coordinator, was with us every step of the way, from the day we booked this in January (before the snows came) through the horror of having our original venue renege on our reservation four days beforehand to Sunday where everything was “smoother than a fresh jar of Skippy”.

Peter Raymond, our instructor was funny, patient, entertaining and turned many first time painters into budding Picassos!! Partnered with Mary Downs who defined multi-tasking: setting up, checking in, taking photographs, we had a dynamic duo that made the event a great one

We also would like to thank the staff of the Luxury Box Sports Bar and Mixx 360 for accommodating us at the last minute –for great food and drinks at a fair price, professional service and a comfy newly refurbished site.

Before you check out the pictures of our Painting Extravaganza, please make note of the following dates and mark them on your calendars:

Sunday September 27

Country Heals Walks for Tufts Medical Center

Sunday October 18

Our FOURTH Annual Indoor Luau

As always, thanks for your support in helping us spread smiles!!

~~~~~May all your dreams come true~~~~~











