



# THE CREATIVE ACTION PROJECT (CAP)

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## CAP News

### Announcements:

#### New Permission Slip Policy

CAP girls...to avoid any confusion, from now on permission slips have to be signed and turned in at least one day before a field trip. **No slip, no trip!**

#### CAP EVALUATIONS

CAP is about respect, social activism, creativity and support. It is important for our group members to appreciate and respect one another. Therefore, during the first week of December we will have our first CAP evaluations to make sure that we're all doing our part to foster a supportive environment.

Evaluations will be based on the following criteria:

- Attendance
- Punctuality
- Commitment
- Volunteer Participation
- Showing Interest
- Showing Respect

### CONFLICT RESOLUTION & COMMUNICATION

On November 6th CAP was visited by Jennifer Ward from Pine Manor College for an interactive workshop on leadership,



communication, and conflict resolution.

It was really helpful to learn about effective communication and analyze conflicts we've had in our own lives—figuring out the best way to handle our challenges.



### THE MENTOR-MENTEE CELEBRATION!

The CAP Mentor-Mentee Celebration was a lot of fun! CAP girls got to meet their new mentors for the first time. There was dinner, music, arts and crafts, and best of all...karaoke!



Ruth & Kate

What is a mentor? A mentor is a trusted friend, a supporter, and advisor. Our mentors give us advice when we need it, help us apply to college, go out for dinner or coffee, and talk freely and openly about anything!



Tenzin & Jeanne

Later in the night, Tenzin, Jackie, Valerie and Lutane gave stellar Karaoke performances of "You and Me" by Cassie and "Leave (Get Out)" by JoJo!



Tenzin, Jackie, and Valerie's karaoke performance!



### CAP CLOTHING DRIVE



The CAP clothing drive was a huge success—thanks to the support of the tenants at 99 Bishop Allen Drive & Cambridge Community Services!

Also, thanks to the exemplary efforts of CAP member Treshawna (TK) Williams

who encouraged her friends to donate a total of 8 large bags of clothing! Good job TK!

CAP girls sorted through mountains of clothes, classifying them by type and style. We worked together to organize the items and prepare them for delivery.

The clothes will be hand-delivered by CAP members when we visit Rosie's Place in Boston (A sanctuary for poor and homeless women) and



Transition House in Cambridge (Breaking the cycle of Family Violence).



Way to go CAP girls!

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# FASHION WITH IMPACT!

Nov 18th, 2008



The Fashion with Impact show at Simmons College raised a-WEAR-ness on the environmental and social impact of the fashion industry. The goal of the evening was to inspire consumers to use their spending power to make a difference in the world.

At this event we saw the work of conscientious designers such as Deborah Lindquist, Eileen Fisher, Patagonia, American Apparel, and Product [RED] which was created to help

eliminate AIDS in Africa.

The event was fun and inspiring, with more than 200 guests, great music, and lots of different brands representing organic clothing, and ethical and fair-trade entrepreneurship.



**THE TOMB** was quite an experience! On November 21 we stepped into a replica of an ancient Egyptian tomb, complete with smoke, tremors, darkness and spooky sound effects. We solved complex puzzles and proved that we had "the eyes of a falcon, the strength of an ox, the courage of a lion, and the ears of a fox! "



We found 15 hieroglyphic discs, played the correct melody on 4 drum pads implanted in the walls, and even stopped the ceiling from falling on us! And even though it was dark and chilling, once

again CAP girls managed to prove that through teamwork and collaboration, we can accomplish anything!



From Left: Kidan, Balbina, Imane, TK, Tenzin, Christina, Valerie, Shanice, Pasang, and Ruth at the Fashion with Impact Show, Simmons College.

A very special thanks to:

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Cambridge  
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Services



## SAVE THESE DATES!

### November 25th:

Volunteering at the Henry Buckner School. We will have drawing and coloring activities for children, story telling, games, and more! Remember to arrive early, be helpful to the teachers, and set a great example for the kids!

November 27th. No CAP. Happy Thanksgiving!

### December 5th: Our film screening event at the Democracy

**Center.** Our film screening of "Easy Street" is just around the corner. Invite your friends, family members, and mentors and let's raise awareness about homelessness in America. Together, we can make the night a success! All CAP members will be expected to make a contribution to this event and we must work together to make it work!

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