Sponsoring JA Chapter
Junior Auxiliary of Ruston

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Number of Crown Club Members
12

JA CHAIR/CO-CHAIRS OF CLUB
Calysta Manning, Stephanie Downen

State briefly the age range of Crown Club members, how they are selected, how often and how long they meet, how and which officers are selected, and all requirements for membership, including meeting attendance and minimum service hours that must be worked.

The Crown Club of Ruston consists of 10th-12th grade students in Lincoln Parish with a heart to serve. Applications are sent to local school counselors in March and are due in April. Members are required to pay $40 dues, maintain a 3.0 GPA, reside in Lincoln Parish, perform a minimum of 30 service hours, attend monthly Crown Club meetings, and sit in on 2 Junior Auxiliary of Ruston chapter meetings throughout the year. Crown Club meets on the 2nd Sunday of each month for approximately 2 hours. Officers are selected in June and voted on
by the Crown Club members. Current positions held within the club are President, Vice President, Secretary/Treasurer, Public Relations, Projects Chair, Education Chair. Members wishing to hold an officer position give a 1 minute speech to their peers telling them why they wish to serve in that position and what ideas they have to help the chapter grow.

Are applicants whose mother is an active or associate JA member in good standing given preference?  
Yes

Does the club have a Web site?  
No

For the most recently completed service year, how many service hours were worked overall by the membership?  
392

How many girls exceeded the minimum number of hours required by 10 or more hours?  
0

Amount provided via Club fundraiser(s):  
525

Does the Club award scholarships?  
No

Does the Club maintain a scrapbook?  
No

Copy of Club's Constitution  
CC-Constitution-2018.pdf
Meeting Agenda 1
Paperwork reflecting means of recording member's service hours
Attendance-Overall-Hours-Mary-Julia-Klug-1.pdf

List of officers by name
Crown-Club-of-Ruston-Board-Officers.docx

Membership application
2018-CC-Application.pdf

Complete list and description of projects and for each, how many service hours were
worked, number of CC girls who worked the project, and number of JA members who
worked the project.
Crown-Club-Ruston-Projects.docx

In 750 words or less, DOUBLE SPACED; describe the Club, give an overview of its
community service projects, administration and financial management, and detail how
the Club plans and prepares its projects. List Club projects that are direct partnerships
with any projects performed by the sponsoring JA Chapter. Describe any special
challenges or adversity that this Club has faced. Specifically describe and include how
the Club developed any noteworthy creative or challenging projects. Describe the
brainstorming and discovering of needs in the community, and delivery of services
through projects, that make this Club worthy of recognition as one of the Outstanding
Crown Clubs of all Chapters of the National Association of Junior Auxiliaries. Upload
one digital photo per entry.
Ruston-Crown-Club-Outstanding-Chapter-Award-Application.docx

Digital Photo
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Crown Club Outstanding Chapter Award Application

The Crown Club of Ruston was founded in 2016. There are currently 12 active members ranging from 10th-12th grade, all with a heart to serve. The Crown Club of Ruston is a service project of the Junior Auxiliary of Ruston, Louisiana. The motto that all of its members strive to attain is “Always Wear Your Invisible Crown”. Their goal is to serve others with the opportunity to gain leadership skills and lasting friendship.

The club’s sole service project is “Bags for Foster kids”. The project provides bags of essential products to kids who are newly introduced into the foster system. The Crown Club members conducted research with the Department of Children and Family Services’ Welfare Supervisor to determine the need and how best to execute it. Items included in the bags are: toothbrush, toothpaste, hairbrush, deodorant, washcloth, tissues, pencil, fidget spinner, refillable water bottle, shampoo, soap, and of course the drawstring backpack that carries these items. The Crown Club was able to get many of the items donated and used the money they raised through their fundraiser held in November & December to purchase additional items.

In addition to their service project, “Bags for Foster kids”, Crown Club of Ruston also assists Junior Auxiliary of Ruston in many endeavors throughout the year. Members help to collect school supplies at JA of Ruston’s project, “Stuff That Bus”, a school supply drive and radiothon fundraiser. They also participate in Downtown Ruston’s “Monster Bash”, a community-wide trick or treating event. This year, the Crown Club girls went the extra mile and coordinated a kids’ craft at JA of Ruston’s Inaugural Mardi Gras Parade and Festival. During Christmas, they work very hard as “Santa’s Elves” by delivering school books to elementary kids through “Visit with St Nick” school enrichment project. Last but not least, Crown Club members volunteer to assist JA chapter members’ children with homework or crafts during monthly chapter meetings.

The community of Ruston, Louisiana is thankful for the outstanding job the Crown Club does in their volunteer efforts. They serve as wonderful role models to young girls in the community with hearts to serve. Crown Club of Ruston President, Mary Julia Klug stated, “Crown Club has given me opportunities no one else has thus far in my life to reach out to the community and do small tasks that make a BIG difference!”
Crown Club Ruston

“Bags for Fosters”- 100% participation from 12 Crown Club members with the help of 6 active JA of Ruston members, 144 hours logged.

Stuff That Bus- JA of Ruston’s School Enrichment Project- 4 Crown Club members logged 21 hours.

Downtown Ruston’s Monster Bash- 5 Crown Club members logged 15 hours.

JA of Ruston’s Jazzin’ It Up Mardi Gras Parade- 6 Crown Club members logged 26 hours.

Visit with St. Nick- 3 Crown Club members logged 19 hours.