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Once again the love and support offered by members of GFWC has been made evident through the hardships suffered by some of our own members. Members across the country have reached out to me, asking how they can help during the aftermath of our flooding. You will find more about this as you read the Clubwoman. Janet Prince graciously agreed to lead the efforts of organizing our relief efforts, and Melanie Branham, Sue Burgess, Lois Black and Trudie Heemsoth have agreed to round out the new Disaster Relief Committee. If you have suffered significant loss due to this recent disaster, please get in touch with any of them, or your district president.

I hope that each of you are enjoying the holiday season. It can be a magical time, and a stressful time. Make sure that you take time for yourself, as you are busy making the holidays special for those around you. In keeping with my efforts to bring awareness and respectability to the subject of mental health, I have asked Jean Ann Lambert to include an article in this month's magazine. Many of you will remember Jean Ann from Sizzlin Summer Session 2014 when she brought I. C. Hope to our meeting. Others may remember meeting her at the Stocking Extravaganza 2013. I also want to remind you that what may be a joyous occasion for some can be an overwhelming event for others. Be mindful of your own reactions, as well as the reactions and attitudes of those around you. If you or someone you know are struggling through the holidays, don't hesitate to reach out to a friend, or if necessary a medical professional. The number for the Suicide Prevention Hotline is 800-784-2433. If you find you need other resources, don't hesitate to contact me. Texting me at 864-430-6688 is usually the fastest way to get me.

Please find the Call for Winter Warm-up in this issue of Clubwoman. Also, don't forget to register for the LEADS conference. You DO NOT have to be an officer in your club, or a member of the GFWC SC Board of Directors to attend Winter Warm-up. These meetings are a great way to get to know more about GFWC, and to make some terrific friends. The LEADS conference is designed for all members, not just those of you who might want to take a leadership role in GFWC. There is information that is helpful in your work environment, or other volunteer opportunities. Suellen Brazil, GFWC Treasurer, will be presenting at the seminar. This is a unique opportunity for all members. We will be hosting a reception for Suellen on Saturday evening. All members are welcome, whether you attend the seminar or not. Please don't miss this opportunity to meet Suellen. She is a treasure.

Southern Region Conference was a blast! Our own Jackie Boland did a terrific job of leading the Conference, and Alabama outdid themselves as hostesses. I can't wait until Jacksonville 2016. I hope you are already making plans to attend.

Once again, thank you for the honor of allowing me to serve.

*Caroline*

## State Elections Committee Report

GFWC-SC members who wish to serve on the Executive Committee must submit letters of nomination from their clubs to the State Elections Committee Chairman by December 31, 2015. Elections will be held at the 2016 Annual Convention for the following offices: First Vice President, Second Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Director of Junior Clubs and Director-elect of Junior Clubs.

The qualifications to serve as an officer of GFWC-SC are as follows:

1. Be an active member in good standing of a club with direct membership
2. Have been a member of GFWC-SC for three or more years
3. Have served as either a club president, District President, or GFWC-SC Chairman
4. Is a legal resident of South Carolina

Please mail or email letters of nomination to Laurie O’Kelly, LLOK385@aol.com, State Elections Chairman, 1608 Willow Creek Lane, Columbia, SC 29212, postmarked by December 31, 2015.

The State Elections Committee will meet at Winter Board.

### Fourth Annual Christmas Stocking Extravaganza

The tree is trimmed and the stockings are ready! Join us for the 2015 Annual Stocking Extravaganza to benefit the Sims-Stackhouse Mansion on Tuesday, December 1, from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. at 1511 Laurel Street in Columbia! Contributions are tax deductible and tickets are \$10.00 each. We look forward to your enjoying the food, entertainment, raffle items, stocking silent auction and door prizes! Bring your friends!

### Silver Awards at Headquarters

Numerous pieces of silver have been returned to Headquarters as directed whenever GFWC-SC discontinued the Silver Awards. Some were given by individuals and some by clubs. If the person or club responsible for donating the silver would like it returned to them, the silver can be picked up by communicating with Ann Malpass at malpassat@aol.com or 803-622-0566. You may pick it up either prior to or when attending Winter Board in January. Ann is willing to bring any to Winter Board if notified ahead of time. Otherwise, you will need to make arrangements to come to the mansion to get it. All silver remaining after the January meeting will be kept at Headquarters and used or stored at the discretion of the Headquarters Committee.

**GFWC  
2014-2016  
Executive Committee**

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Babs Condon

***President Elect***

Sheila Shea

***1st Vice President***

Mary Ellen Brock

***2nd Vice President***

Marian St. Clair

***Secretary***

Deb Strahanoski

***Treasurer***

Suellen Brazil

***Director of Junior Clubs***

Cathy Jo Canterbury

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**Janet Prince**  
GFWC-SC  
President-elect

**“A Proud Past and Promising Future....With Friends”**

The leaves have all fallen and that winter nip is in the air! This is one of my most favorite times of the year and it is a great time for you to share with your family and friends all of the great work GFWC-SC does for our state and especially for our members.

The 2015 District Conferences are now in the book and were a huge success across our state. I enjoyed visiting with so many of you and hearing all of the great things you are doing in your community. One thing that was echoed across the district lines was the term “One and Done” Projects. These are projects that a club could complete at a single meeting. I would like to compile a list of “One and Done” Projects and add it to our website. So, if your club has done this in the past or is planning

on one in the future, would you mind sharing with me so I can pull this list together. Just email me at [jhprince@aol.com](mailto:jhprince@aol.com)!

Thanks to all that have submitted photos of your club in action. Please continue to email me your photos throughout the club year as they will be used in a special project.

Thank you all for your kindness as I have visited with your clubs and districts. This is truly the best part of being allowed to serve as your President-elect.

As 2015 is coming to a close, I want to wish you a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from my family, Gary, Ashlan and Genna, to yours.

Love, *Janet*

**Welcome New Members**

- Sharon Eargle – Woman’s Society of Batesburg-Leesville
- Sandi Bowie – Woman’s Club of the Midlands
- Genna Prince – Woman’s Club of the Midlands
- Ann Willis – Jr. Woman’s Club of Columbia
- Briana Murray – Jr. Woman’s Club of Columbia
- Ellen Ross – Jr. Woman’s Club of Columbia
- Emily Drucker – Jr. Woman’s Club of Columbia
- Falan Whitehead – Jr. Woman’s Club of Columbia
- Halley Gibson – Jr. Woman’s Club of Columbia
- Kierston Williford – Jr. Woman’s Club of Columbia
- Quinne Evans – Jr. Woman’s Club of Columbia
- Tammy Corless – Jr. Woman’s Club of Columbia
- Valorie Hurley – Jr. Woman’s Club of Columbia
- Alley Money – Jr. Woman’s Club of Columbia
- Yoland McCray – Jr. Woman’s Club of Columbia
- Pamela Brubaker – Jr. Woman’s Club of Columbia
- Ariel Doe – Jr. Woman’s Club of Columbia
- Lauren Estes – Jr. Woman’s Club of Columbia
- Courtney Childs – Jr. Woman’s Club of Columbia
- Susan Hughes – Jr. Woman’s Club of Columbia
- Alyson Sack – Jr. Woman’s Club of Lake Murray

**Disaster Relief Fund**

On the morning of Sunday, October 4, 2015, floods came to our beloved state. Immediately, calls came from our Club Sisters across our GFWC Southern Region and beyond on how they could best help. Help they did send...in the form of checks and notes to show their love and support of our GFWC-SC Clubwomen. As of November 8th, we have received donations from the following:

- Cochran Woman’s Club - Georgia
- Whiteville Woman’s Civic League - North Carolina
- Woman’s Club of Springfield - Virginia
- Mrs. Peggy McLane, GFWC Southern Region Parliamentarian
- GFWC Mississippi Federation of Women’s Clubs
- Old Town Woman’s Club - North Carolina
- Warrenton Woman’s Club - North Carolina
- Gwen Szalc - Florida
- GFWC Florida Federation of Women’s Clubs
- The Women’s Club of Clayton - North Carolina
- Jacqueline Cordray, Hilton Head Women’s Association - South Carolina
- Cochran First Baptist Church Dorcas-Lydia Sunday School Class - Georgia
- Katie Moydell, GFWC-SC Director of Junior Clubs
- Elizabethton Woman’s Club - Tennessee
- Mary Levens - South Carolina
- St. George Women’s Guild - South Carolina
- Clermont Woman’s Club - Florida
- Kathie Walker, GFWC-SC Treasurer
- Norma England, GFWC-SC North Central District President
- GFWC Womens League of the Lowcountry – South Carolina
- GFWC Coral Spring Woman’s Club Inc. – Florida
- Woman’s Club of Laurel – Maryland
- GFWC of Massachusetts Junior Membership – Massachusetts
- Alabama Federation of Womens Clubs
- GFWC Lutz-Land O’Lakes Woman’s Club, Inc. – Florida
- GFWC Woman’s Club of Ocala, Inc. - Florida
- Jubilee Club – South Carolina
- GFWC New York
- Caroline Mahaffey, GFWC-SC State President



## 2016 LEADS

The 2016 LEADS will be held on Saturday, February 27, 2016, at the Woman's Club of Cayce Clubhouse. Our guest speaker will be Suellen Brazil, GFWC Treasurer and past GFWC Leadership Chairman. Application is on our GFWC-SC.org website under resources and is due to Misty Konow, GFWC-SC Leadership Chairman, by January 30, 2016.

### Welcome our New Club:

#### The GFWC Steel Magnolias Service Club, Northern District

Kathleen Barton

Elizabeth Chamblin

Ann Crider

Gwen Crosland

Peggy Farmer

Kathy Gerwig

Jill Hendrix

Karin Shore

Lynn Shore

Marian St. Clair



**Suellen Brazil**  
GFWC  
Treasurer

Happy Holidays to all of our members, their families and friends! For a lot of the state, it was a difficult fall with the flooding we experienced. A big "thank you" goes out to all of you who donated your time, talent and/or treasure to those affected. I have been in awe by the outpouring of support from our own members but also from the ladies in other state federations... we are all blessed to have each other!

Juniors- don't forget our fall meeting was postponed until Winter Board. Be sure to mark this date on your calendar as there will be very important information, including reporting, discussed. We have Junior business that will be conducted after the general meeting so please plan to attend.

The Juniors collected socks during Advocates for Children week in October. A special project will be held at Winter Board and we'll need all members to help. Don't worry, it won't take anything more than your willingness to have a little fun ☺.

Our next LEADS seminar will be held Saturday, February 27. This is a great opportunity to grow your leadership skills while learning more about our organization. We had a great time last year and I encourage any members looking to grow in their clubs to attend.

I've seen great things that you ladies are doing around the state and I am so looking forward to reading your reports. Don't forget- this is your time to shine, brag about yourselves ladies!!! If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

I hope to see you all at Winter Board... I am going to receive the most precious of Christmas presents this year and he is due December 28th. My attendance will all depend on when Baby Collin decides to make his appearance! I hope you and your loved ones all have a blessed holiday.

Merry Christmas and In Junior Love! *Katie*

The holiday season is upon us, which means many of clubs will be hosting holiday events. Be sure to send off any thank you notes to sponsors after the events.

#### Minute taking tips:

Minutes should follow the order of the agenda.

Minutes are almost always taken in the past tense.

(For more minutes information see: <http://www.skillsyouneed.com/ips/meeting-secretary.html>)

#### Summer Session Synopsis:

Total Attendees: 65

Standing rule adopted regarding State Meetings and Convention contracts.

GFWC Convention Awards and highlights were shared.

President's Institute was presented to Club Presidents.

Plans for District Conferences were shared.

*Kristin*



**Katie Moydell**  
GFWC-SC  
Director of  
Junior Clubs



**Kristin Fields**  
GFWC-SC  
Recording Secretary

## Dues and Donations!



**Kathie Walker**  
GFWC-SC  
Treasurer

**Dues** – we had a change in the “due date” for submission of our club’s dues this year. As a reminder – here is the change to the Constitution/By-laws that was passed at our 2015 Convention.

Section 2. Annual Dues. Annual dues shall be paid to the Treasurer on or before the first day of November. A list of membership of GFWC-SC shall be compiled by the Treasurer and placed on file at Headquarters. This list shall remain at Headquarters as a permanent record. Any organization failing to pay dues by February 1 shall be dropped from the Treasurer’s roll.

If your club has not yet submitted their dues for the 2015-2016 Program Year – you have missed the deadline. Please send your dues and updated club roster to:

Kathie Walker  
1485 Greenmoor Rd  
Rock Hill, SC 29732

Charitable Contributions – Many individuals and businesses have Fiscal Years which end with the Calendar Year. As Club Treasurer, you may be asked to provide written documentation to a donor in order for them to substantiate a donation.

A donor may not claim a deduction for any contribution of cash, a check, or other monetary gift made on or after Jan. 1, 2007, unless the donor maintains a record of the contribution in the form of either a bank record (such as a cancelled check) or a written communication from the charity (such as a receipt or a letter) showing the name of the charity, the date of the contribution, and the amount of the contribution.

The written acknowledgment required to substantiate a charitable contribution of \$250 or more must contain the following information:

- Name of the organization;
- Amount of cash contribution;
- Description (but not value) of non-cash contribution;
- Statement that no goods or services were provided by the organization, if that is the case;
- Description and good faith estimate of the value of goods or services, if any, that organization provided in return for the contribution; and
- Statement that goods or services, if any, that the organization provided in return for the contribution consisted entirely of intangible religious benefits, if that was the case.

You can deduct only the amount that exceeds the fair market value of the benefit received if your contribution entitles you to merchandise, goods or services, including admission to a charity ball, banquet, theatrical performance, or sporting event.

For a contribution of cash, check or other monetary gift (regardless of amount), you must maintain as a record of the contribution a bank record or a written communication from the qualified organization containing the name of the organization, the amount and the date of the contribution. In addition to deducting your cash contributions, you generally can deduct the fair market value of any other property you donate to qualified organizations. See **Publication 561**, Determining the Value of Donated Property. For any contribution of \$250 or more (including contributions of cash or property), you must obtain and keep in your records a contemporaneous written acknowledgment from the qualified organization indicating the amount of the cash and a description of any property contributed. The acknowledgment must say whether the organization provided any goods or services in exchange for the gift and, if so, must provide a description and a good faith estimate of the value of those goods or services. One document from the qualified organization may satisfy both the written communication requirement for monetary gifts and the contemporaneous written acknowledgment requirement for all contributions of \$250 or more.



You must fill out **Form 8283** (PDF), Noncash Charitable Contributions, and attach it to your return, if your deduction for a noncash contribution is more than \$500. If you claim a deduction for a contribution of noncash property worth \$5,000 or less, you must fill out Form 8283, Section A. If you claim a deduction for a contribution of noncash property worth more than \$5,000, you will need a qualified appraisal of the noncash property and must fill out Form 8283, Section B. If you claim a deduction for a contribution of noncash property worth more than \$500,000, you also will need to attach the qualified appraisal to your return.

Special rules apply to donations of certain types of property such as automobiles, inventory and investments that have appreciated in value. For more information, refer to **Publication 526**, Charitable Contributions. For information on determining the value of your noncash contributions, refer to **Publication 561**, Determining the Value of Donated Property.

Ralph Waldo Emerson wrote the following short poem which is most appropriate this time of the year: "For each new morning with its light, For rest and shelter of the night, For health and food, for love and friends, For everything Thy goodness sends." This poem summarizes for me what each of us does as a member of GFWC. We volunteer in our communities, we help to provide shelter and food for homeless and downtrodden, we care and support each other through good times and challenging times, and we thank God for the many blessings we have. Please share with me the work your club has done this year by submitting your GFWC reports by February 1 and your state/district reports by March 15, and I will show my gratitude at our state convention in Columbia, April 21-24, 2016. The reporting information was given to the club presidents at Summer Board and is available on the website. I can also email forms and information to you. We will talk more about reporting at the Winter Board meeting which I encourage all members, especially club officers, to attend. "Cultivate the habit of being grateful for every good thing that comes to you, and to give thanks continuously. And because all things have contributed to your advancement, you should include all things in your gratitude", also from Ralph Waldo Emerson.



**Juliet Casper**  
GFWC-SC  
Second Vice President

## 2015 GFWC-SC Reporting Information

### **February 1, 2016: Reporting Deadline for GFWC-SC Club Statistical Form; Special Projects, GFWC Community Service Programs, and the Advancement Area Reports:**

Each club may submit one report for: each of the two Special Projects (Domestic Violence and Advocacy for Children), each of the six GFWC Community Service and each of the six Advancement Areas. No projections should be made in these reports. The reporting period is January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2015.

Each club must submit a GFWC-SC Club Statistical Form by February 1, 2016. This report can be emailed to GFWC-SC Second Vice President Juliet Casper at [jcasper@newbylaw.com](mailto:jcasper@newbylaw.com) or mailed to Juliet Casper, P.O. Box 808, Myrtle Beach, SC 29578. The Form can be found at [gfwc-sc.org](http://gfwc-sc.org) website under Resources.

**Two** copies of each report should be mailed, postmarked on or before February 1, 2016, to GFWC-SC Second Vice President Juliet Casper, P.O. Box 808, Myrtle Beach, SC. One hard copy of each report mailed is needed by the Second Vice President to forward to the respective State Chairman for judging. If you choose to email the reports, each report should be sent by separate email to [jcasper@newbylaw.com](mailto:jcasper@newbylaw.com) or [KatieMoydell1020@gmail.com](mailto:KatieMoydell1020@gmail.com) with the name of the club and the name of the Community Service Program, Special Project or Advancement Area in the subject line. An email confirmation will be sent to the club president upon receipt of the reports, whether you submit via mail or email. **Junior clubs** must submit **one (1) additional copy** to the Director of Junior Clubs, Katie Moydell, 200 Conrad Circle, Columbia, SC 29212, or by email at [KatieMoydell1020@gmail.com](mailto:KatieMoydell1020@gmail.com).

### Each Report Should Include:

- (1) A **Separate** completed GFWC-SC State Narrative Entry Cover marked "FOR JUDGING". A GFWC-SC State Narrative Entry Cover form can be downloaded from [www.gfwc-sc.org](http://www.gfwc-sc.org) website. Note: The number to be inserted in the Total Number of Club Members is the number of club members paid as of April 12, 2015. This number was included on the Club Roster in the Club President's Packet distributed at Summer Board.
- (2) A **Separate** narrative for each program report consisting of a maximum of three (3) single spaced typed pages. [Do Not Combine Narratives.] Only reports submitted with narratives are eligible for consideration for state awards. **If you choose not to include a narrative, the hours, number of club members participating and dollars donated or spent on projects reported on the cover sheet will be included in the totals for composite state reports to GFWC.**
- (3) **Addenda** (supporting documents) is optional. Addenda is limited to five (5) pages and must be attached **only** to the report marked "FOR JUDGING."

### Reporting Criteria

Clubs should report ALL activities for EACH Community Service Program, Special Project, and Advancement Areas. All activities reported must be club approved projects. A project/program may not be reported in more than one Community Service Program, Special Project and/or Advancement area report. Clubs are asked to put "special emphasis" on up to three (3) of their top projects for each of the Community Service Programs (program projects and partnership projects), Special Projects, and Advancement Areas by reporting the "who, what, when, where, how and why" of the project as well as pertinent statistics for the project. Providing complete details will assist our state chairmen with judging and writing of their reports.

### Certificates of Award

Certificates of Award will be given at convention to the 1st and 2nd winning entries in each of the three (3) general membership categories and two (2) junior membership categories, and one (1) Juniorette category.

#### General Categories

Category I	1 – 15 members
Category II	16 – 29 members
Category III	30+ members

#### Junior Categories

Category I	1 – 20 members
Category II	21+ members

### SILVER CERTIFICATES OF AWARD TO BE AWARDED AT GFWC-SC CONVENTION BASED ON FEBRUARY 1, 2016 REPORTS

**All Clubs submitting reports by February 1, 2016, will be considered for the following Silver Certificate Awards to be judged by the respective Community Service Program or Advancement Area Chair. Clubs do not need to send a special report for these certificates but should include in their narratives the appropriate information qualifying the club for the particular Silver Certificate. For example, the Education report would contain a description of the club's activities to eradicate illiteracy, thus qualifying the club for the Marie J. Hammond Silver Certificate.**

#### Education:

**Marie J. Hammond Award: Sponsor:** Mrs. Dean C. Hammond. **Basis:** To the club accomplishing the most toward the eradication of illiteracy.

**Debbie Alexander Adult Education Award: Sponsor:** Friends of Debbie Alexander. **Basis:** To the club which has accomplished the most in the field of "Adult Education" by promoting adult literacy. **Action Plan:** Volunteer to tutor, provide transportation, offer facilities, purchase books or supplies for local literacy organizations, provide child care facilities, assist with refreshment for celebrations, promote adult education programs in your community, etc.



### **Fundraising:**

**Rebecca Robbins Award:** Sponsor: Aiken Junior Woman's Club and Sand River Woman's Club. Basis: To the club or clubs working jointly, with the best overall fundraising project.

### **Leadership:**

Leadership Silver Award: Sponsor: Saxe Gotha Woman's Club. Basis: To the club with the best overall leadership report.

### **Legislation and Public Policy:**

Legislation Award: Sponsor: Carrie Jane Hughes. Basis: To the club reporting on an unusual legislation project.

### **Public Issues Award:**

Lexington Woman's Club Public Affairs Award: Sponsor: Lexington Woman's Club. Basis: To the club doing the most outstanding work in Public Issues.

### **GFWC-SC JUDGING CRITERIA**

Evaluation of the report will be based on the following points of information. Please address each applicable item in your report. Total hours spent and total monies donated will be evaluated on a PER CAPITA BASIS for all clubs.

1. Description of the project(s) in narrative paragraph form.
2. Number of events, hours, and monetary contribution.
3. Innovation/originality.
4. Participation of membership (consider club size).
5. Community participation (any outside organization or individuals that were involved and how).
6. Publicity of project, club, GFWC-SC, GFWC.
7. Success of project (impact on community).
8. Any additional information requested by the award sponsor relating to a particular award.

### **February 1, 2016 – CONTEST ENTRY DEADLINE**

**Yearbook Award** - Certificates will be awarded to clubs in the same membership categories as Community Service Program Awards. Yearbooks will be judged as professional (all or any typeset and layout work done by printer) or non-professional (club members type, copy and put together). Refer to the Yearbook Rating and Release Form distributed in President's Packet for content/judging criteria. One (1) copy of the Club Yearbook with Yearbook Rating and Release Form must be sent to the Yearbook Chairman Kathy Barton-Gerwig, 304 East Hillcrest Drive, Greenville SC 29609. Yearbooks may also be delivered at the 2015 GFWC-SC Winter Board Meeting.

**Club Newsletter Contest** - Clubs and states may submit only one newsletter, and the newsletter must have been printed and clearly dated during the reporting year. Entries will be judged and awarded points on the following elements: 1) Content quality, including timeliness, clarity, and member impact; 2) Presentation; 3) Design; 4) Adherence to rules. See Guidelines in the GFWC Club Manual, Awards, Contests and Club Grants Section. An award will be given annually to one club in the nation to recognize creativity implementing an effective club newsletter. A copy of the submitted sample of the club newsletter must also be sent to the GFWC-SC Communication/Identity Chairman, Joyce Thomas, 804 Tillson Road, North Myrtle Beach, SC 29582, postmarked on or before February 1, 2015.

**Media Campaign Contest** - Clubs may submit one media campaign per category: Advocacy, Fundraising, Membership Recruitment, and Special Events. Each campaign must be emailed separately to GFWC-SC Communication/Identity Chairman, Joyce Thomas, joyce.thomas@century21thomas.com on or before 5:00 PM February 1, 2016. The media campaign must take place during the contest year: January 1, 2015-December 31, 2015. Campaign materials must include a medium (i.e. website, Facebook page, Twitter feed, YouTube Video, etc.) and contact information where additional information can be obtained. The following information should be included: Club President's name and contact information, Name and contact information of individual submitting the entry, Number of club members, Campaign Category, and an essay of no more than 500 words that includes the goal, budget, target audience, strategies and tactics, key messages, and post-campaign measurement and analysis. For more information see the Guidelines in the GFWC Club Manual, Awards, Contests and Grants section.

**Website Contest** - To be considered for this award, the club website must contain a link to [www.GFWC.org](http://www.GFWC.org), and must include contact information for at least one member of the club (email address, telephone number and or mailing address). Submissions should be emailed to GFWC-SC Website Chairman, Melanie Branham, [melaniebranham@yahoo.com](mailto:melaniebranham@yahoo.com), on or before 5:00 PM February 1, 2016. The submission should include the website address, Club President's name and contact information, name and contact information of the person submitting the entry, number of club members, and a 250 word essay describing the website's purpose and the club's approach on website maintenance.

**MARCH 1, 2016 - COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM ENTRY DEADLINE** – This is awarded every two years. Club entries must be sent via mail, postmarked no later than March 1, 2016, to the State GFWC Community Improvement Program Award Chairman, Donna Anderson, 1 Wandflower Court, Simpsonville, SC 29680. See entry guidelines online at the GFWC website: [www.gfwc.org](http://www.gfwc.org).

**March 15, 2016 – CONTEST ENTRY DEADLINE**

**GFWC Youth Writing Competition:** Youth (grades 1-12) may enter one poem and/or one short story on local club level. Categories: 1 (Grades K, 1, and 2), 2(Grades 3, 4, and 5), 3(Grades 6, 7 and 8), 4(Grades 9, 10, 11 and 12). Authors must be of amateur status. Entries must be typewritten, double-spaced, with minimum margins of 1", one side only, on 8-1/2" x 11" paper. Entries must be written during the contest year. Short stories limited to 2000 words. Poems can be any style with a minimum length of eight lines and a maximum of fifty lines. Entries must have the following in the top right hand corner of each page: author's name, e-mail address, mailing address and telephone number; name of sponsoring club/state; category and title of manuscript. Manuscripts will not be returned. Authors should keep a copy. Send to GFWC-SC Writing Contest Chairman, Ann Fornwald, 1466 Moultrie Drive, Aiken, SC 29803, postmarked on or before March 15, 2015. First place state winners will be sent for national judging. Entries must be written during contest year and may not have been published prior to competition and must be original works by author. A completed and signed GFWC Creative Arts Waiver must be submitted with each entry.

**GFWC Clubwoman Short Story and Poetry Contest:** Authors must be of amateur status. Entries must be typewritten, double-spaced, with minimum margins of 1", one side only, on 8-1/2" x 11" paper. Entries must be written during the contest year. Short stories limited to 2000 words. Poems can be any style with a minimum length of eight lines and a maximum of fifty lines. Plays/skits limited to one-act (30-60 minutes in length). Entries must have the following in the top right hand corner of each page: author's name, e-mail address, mailing address and telephone number; name of sponsoring club/state; category and title of manuscript. Manuscripts will not be returned. Authors should keep a copy. Send to GFWC-SC Writing Contest Chairman, Ann Fornwald, 1466 Moultrie Drive, Aiken, SC 29803, postmarked on or before March 15, 2015. First place state winners will be sent for national judging. Entries must be written during contest year and may not have been published prior to competition and must be original works by author. A completed and signed GFWC Creative Arts Waiver must be submitted with each entry.

**GFWC-SC Creative Writing Awards:** GFWC-SC Individual Creative Writing Awards will be given in the following categories: 1) Essays; 2) Prayers; 3) Club Installations; 4) Song Lyrics; 5) Children's Short Stories. Each entry must be on a separate sheet of paper, typed and double spaced. The author's name, address, telephone number, club name and district, classification and title of writing should appear in the top right hand corner of each page. Previous entries may not be re-submitted and only unpublished material may be entered. Submit entries to GFWC-SC Writing Contest Chairman, Ann Fornwald, 1466 Moultrie Drive, Aiken, SC 29803, postmarked on or before March 15, 2015.

**MARCH 15, 2015 REPORTING DEADLINE:** Use GFWC-SC District/State Report Form. The following are due postmarked on or before March 15, 2015, and Silver Certificates of Award will be presented at GFWC-SC State Convention:

**GFWC-SC Program Council Report:** DONOR – GFWC-SC Program Council. BASIS – To the general club which most effectively carries out the GFWC Program Guidelines. First place in each general membership category receives silver that the club retains. REPORTING INSTRUCTIONS: Use the GFWC-SC State/District Form. Summarize club work from January 1, 2015 – December 31, 2015. Report is limited to SEVEN (7) pages to include cover, narrative double-spaced and FIVE (5) pages of addendum (which is optional). First page heading should include name of club, district and number of members paid to GFWC-SC Treasurer by April 12, 2015. Report in each Community Service Program: Arts, Conservation, Education, Home Life, International Outreach, and Public Issues (total 6) separately. Include in your report a brief description



of the programs and projects of your club. Describe briefly visual aids used such as exhibits, workshops, publications, etc. List other activities or contributions (money, time, etc.) which in any manner promoted GFWC Programs. Reports should be submitted to the Second Vice President, Juliet Casper, P.O. Box 808 Myrtle Beach, SC 29578, postmarked on or before March 15, 2016.

**GFWC-SC RATING SHEET:** A Rating Sheet was included in the Club President's Packet. The Rating Sheet is to be completed, and then ONE (1) copy is submitted to your District President and ONE (1) copy to First Vice President Janet Prince, 1550 McSwain Drive, West Columbia, SC 29169, postmarked on or before March 15, 2016. Rating sheets are used to determine Honor Club designations. Silver Certificates of Award based on rating sheet will be presented at Convention.

**GFWC-SC CONTRIBUTION SHEET:** A Contribution Sheet was included in the Club President's Packet. This is to be completed and submitted on or before March 15, 2016 along with check payable to GFWC-SC for total of contributions to GFWC-SC Treasurer, Kathie Walker, 1485 Greenmoor Road, Rock Hill, SC 29732. Silver Certificates of Award based on the contribution sheet will be presented at Convention.

**GFWC-SC Mrs. John R. Wolff/Cancer SAVE-A-LIFE Project:** Donated by the American Cancer Society, SC Division. Form due to the American Cancer Society by March 15, 2016. Entry material distributed to club presidents in President's Packets. Certificates awarded to participating clubs, framed certificates will be awarded to the club with the most points in each District, and a plaque (State Award) will be awarded to the club with the most points overall.

**The General Club Breast Cancer Awareness Award.** Sponsor: Sylvia Ayers. To the general club with the best project(s) in the fight against this disease. Report due to Sylvia E. Ayers, 2307 Wintercrest Drive, Rock Hill, SC 29732

**The Perry Anne Renwick Silver Award:** Sponsor: Carole J. Mullis. Basis: to the clubs which report the best joint project undertaken by a general and a junior club working together. The clubs must submit one report, written together, and signed by the participating clubs' presidents, briefly describing the manner in which they worked together. Limit of two (2) typewritten pages, double-spaced; limit of two (2) additional pages of addenda. Report must be postmarked on or before March 15, 2016, and submitted to the GFWC-SC Leadership Chairman, Misty Konow, 302 Kirkstone Lane, Rock Hill, SC 29732.

**GFWC-SC President's Special Project Awards:** Please use the State/ District Reporting form for 2015 which is available online at GFWC-SC website under resources. This form will also be available in hard copy at Winter Board.

**Tiger Swallowtail Butterfly Award:** Awarded to the General Club, Junior Club and Juniorette Club that overall best incorporates the President's Special Project of Bringing Awareness and Respectability to the Subject of Mental Health with the six GFWC Program areas. Report must be postmarked on or before March, 15, 2016, and submitted to the GFWC-SC President's Special Project Chair, Trudie Heemsoth, P.O. Box 7, Fort Mill, SC 29716.

**Carolina Satyr Butterfly Award:** Awarded to the General Club, Junior Club and Juniorette Club that overall best incorporates the President's Special Project of Bringing Awareness and Respectability to the Subject of Mental Health with the GFWC Signature Project, Domestic Violence Awareness and Prevention. Report must be postmarked on or before March, 15, 2016, and submitted to the GFWC-SC Signature Project Chair, Crystal Williamson, 112 W. Summersby St., Fort Mill, SC 29715.

**Appalachian Brown Award:** Awarded to the General Club, Junior Club and Juniorette Club that overall best incorporates the President's Special Project of Bringing Awareness and Respectability to the Subject of Mental Health with the GFWC Junior Special Project, Advocacy for Children. Report must be postmarked on or before March, 15, 2016, and submitted to the GFWC-SC Advocacy for Children Chair, Shelli Pue, 326 Bassett Loop, Columbia, SC 29229.

**President's Project Award:** Awarded to the club in each category with the best project in the area of Bringing Awareness and Respectability to the Subject of Mental Health. Butterfly for First Place, Cocoon for Second Place and Caterpillar for Third Place. Report must be postmarked on or before March, 15, 2016, and submitted to the GFWC-SC President's Special Project Chair, Trudie Heemsoth, P.O. Box 7, Fort Mill, SC 29716.

## **Additional GFWC-SC State Awards:**

**Jan W. Hadwin Sims-Stackhouse Mansion Endowment Award:** Sponsor: Jan W. Hadwin. To the club submitting the largest dollar amount in contributions to the Mansion Endowment. Submit contributions and names to the GFWC-SC Sims-Stackhouse Mansion Endowment Fund, 1511 Laurel Street, Columbia, SC 29201, postmarked on or before March 15, 2016. To be judged by GFWC-SC Headquarters Committee.

**Princa M. Wright Sims-Stackhouse Mansion Endowment Award:** Sponsor: Princa M. Wright. To the club generating the largest number of contributors to the Mansion Endowment, which includes all Mansion Society categories. Submit names of contributors to the GFWC-SC Sims-Stackhouse Mansion Endowment, 1511 Laurel Street, Columbia, SC 29201, postmarked on or before March 15, 2016. To be judged by GFWC-SC Headquarters Committee.

**GFWC-SC Rosemary Rivers Memorial Award:** Sponsor: the Spartanburg Woman's Club in memory of Mrs. Rudolph Rivers, President of GFWC-SC, 1984-1986. Basis: to the club with the best overall project. Two (2) copies to be submitted to your District President postmarked on or before March 16. In turn, each District President will send the winning report to the President-elect by April 1 for final judging.

**Nancy Ann Morris Rivers Drama Award:** Sponsor: Nancy Rivers. Basis: To the writer of the best Drama. Author must be of amateur status; writing earnings must not exceed \$500 annually. Entries must be typewritten, double-spaced, with a minimum margins of 1", one side only, on 8-1/2" x 11" paper. All plays and skits are limited to one-act (30 – 60 minutes in length). Entries must have the following information on the top right corner of each page: name, address and telephone number of author, name of local club and title of manuscript. Entries must have been written during the contest year, may not have been published prior to competition and must be original works. Submit entries to: Writing Contest Chairman, Ann Fornwald, 1466 Moultrie Drive, Aiken, SC 29803, postmarked on or before March 15, 2016.

**Emma R. Lipscomb Memorial Award:** To the writer of the best overall entry in the GFWC-SC Creative Writing Contest. Submit entries to: Writing Contest Chairman, Ann Fornwald, 1466 Moultrie Drive, Aiken, SC 29803, postmarked on or before March 15, 2015.

**Frances B. Hair Award:** Sponsor: The Woman's Club of Charleston. To the writer of the best short story submitted in the GFWC Clubwoman Short Story and Poetry Contest. Submit entries to: Writing Contest Chairman, Ann Fornwald, 1466 Moultrie Drive, Aiken, SC 29803, postmarked on or before March 15, 2016.

**GFWC-SC Volunteer of the Year Award:** Sponsor: Catherine Sharpe. Basis: To the clubwoman who has been outstanding during the club year through volunteer work in club projects and in other community work. Each club may nominate one member for this award. Please send your nominations, postmarked on or before March 15, 2016, to Catherine Sharpe, 116 Fox Glen Circle, Lexington, SC 29072. A panel of three judges not affiliated with GFWC-SC will make the final decision. The nomination should be written in narrative form by someone other than the nominee. Please include: A) The number of projects participated in by the nominee. Include a brief description of each club project and community project. B) The number of hours the nominee volunteered in each club and community project. C) The amount of monies raised in each club and community project as a result of her volunteer work. D) A brief paragraph describing her family and employment. Please note: This nomination should be for volunteer work from January 1, 2015 – December 31, 2015.

**GFWC-SC Woman of Distinction:** Sponsor: Debbie Alexander. Basis: a lifetime achievement award to a clubwoman judged on personal/professional accomplishment, challenges faced, demonstration of responsibility/influence, courage, humanistic contributions, philanthropic activities, community involvement, volunteer work, professional commitment, notable success and honors, and any other laudatory qualities and achievement. Each club may nominate one member. Reports of no more than five (5) pages should be sent to GFWC-SC Second Vice President, Juliet Casper, P.O. Box 808, Myrtle Beach, SC 29578, postmarked on or before March 15, 2016. Nominees will be judged by an independent committee of no less than three (3) judges.

**Juniorette Volunteer of the Year:** Sponsor: Jo Ann Bolchoz. Basis: To the juniorette clubwoman who has been outstanding during the club year through volunteer work in club projects and in other community work. Each juniorette club may

nominate one member for this award. Please send the nomination, postmarked on or before March 15, 2015 to Jo Ann Bolchoz, 2435 Pristine View, Charleston, SC 29414. A panel of judges not affiliated with GFWC-SC will make the final decision. The nomination should be written in narrative form by someone other than the nominee. Please include (1) the number of projects participated in by the nominee; (2) a brief description of each club and community project; (3) the number of hours volunteered and (4) the amount of monies raised as a result of her volunteer work. A brief paragraph describing her family life and school achievements should also be submitted. The nomination should be for volunteer work from January 1, 2015 – December 31, 2015.

**GFWC and GFWC-SC CLUB AND INDIVIDUAL CONTESTS**  
**ENTRIES MUST BE BROUGHT TO THE GFWC-SC STATE CONVENTION**

**Scrapbook Award:** Certificates will be awarded to clubs in the same membership categories as Community Service Program Awards. Entries should be brought to GFWC-SC Convention to the designated area by noon on Friday of Convention. Each entry must be registered with the Scrapbook Chairman Aimee Liddle and accompanied by the Release Form/Scrapbook Rating Sheet. The Scrapbook Rating Sheets were distributed in President's Packets.

**GFWC International Photography Contests:** Please refer to the GFWC Club Manual, Awards, Contest and Grants Guidelines, Photography Contests, for contest entry rules. Photographers must be dues-paying members of active GFWC clubs and must be amateur photographers (earnings from photography must not exceed \$500 annually). There are no longer classes or divisions for these awards. Photos may be black and white or color. Size of entry must be 8 x 10 inch print, mounted on rigid 8x 10 board with an overall thickness not to exceed 3/8 inch. No mattes, frames or hangers. Photos must be taken during the contest year. Entries are to be brought to the GFWC-SC Convention registration table by noon on Friday of Convention. One state winner for each category will be sent to GFWC for judging. All entries must be accompanied by a completed GFWC Creative Arts Waiver. Photos will NOT be returned.

**The World in Pictures Categories**

1. Living Things – adults, animals, children, domestic birds, fish, flowers, insects, reptiles, wildlife.
2. Scenes – city, landscapes, rural, skies, sunrise, sunset, waterscapes, weather.
3. Still Life – abstract (any assemblage of objects either in an arranged or natural setting), buildings, monuments.

Each photo must have a label on the back with the following information:

- a) Contest Name with category
- b) Name, e-mail address, mailing address, and phone number of photographer
- c) Name and state of sponsoring club
- d) Title and Brief caption giving location and other notes about the photo
- e) Arrow indicating the top of the photo.

**GFWC Volunteers in Action** – Photos should capture GFWC members in action as they engage in volunteer activities. Judges will look at overall creativity of subject and quality of photograph. Each photo must have a label on the back with the following information:

- a) Contest Name
- b) Name, e-mail address, mailing address, and phone number of photographer
- c) Name and state of sponsoring club
- d) Title and Brief caption giving location and other notes about the photo
- e) Arrow indicating the top of the photo.

**A Year in Pictures (Calendar Contest):** Deadline: Each GFWC club may send one photograph, along with accompanying signed GFWC Creative Arts Waiver, postmarked by May 15 to GFWC a Year in Pictures Contest, 1734 N. Street NW, Washington, DC 20036-2990. Judges will look for photos particularly suitable for calendars, such as photos relevant to particular months or seasons. Photos must be color prints and horizontal (landscape). The same image may be submitted to multiple photo contest, but separate photos must be entered into each contest. Please refer to the 2014-2016 Club Manual GFWC Photography Contests, Awards, Contests and Grants for specific information.

Each photo must have a label on the back with the following information:

- a) Contest Name
- b) Name, e-mail address, mailing address, and phone number of photographer



- c) Name and state of sponsoring club
- d) Title and Brief caption giving location and other notes about the photo
- e) Arrow indicating the top of the photo.

Gail Elfert serves as our State Photography Contest Chairman and she will select winners in each of the above contests and categories. Winners may then be sent my May 15 to GFWC for judging.

### **SILVER CERTIFICATES OF AWARD AND RECOGNITIONS TO BE PRESENTED AT GFWC-SC STATE CONVENTION**

**Contribution Sheet:** Silver Certificates of Award to be awarded to the club donating the most per capita based on the Contribution Sheet:

**Endowment Fund Award:** Sponsor: Mrs. Wayne Unger. Basis: donation to the Endowment Fund. Contributions must be received by the Treasurer by March 15, 2016.

**Keith Unger Memorial Award:** Sponsor: Mrs. Gus F. Floyd. Basis: donation to the Headquarters Fund. Contributions must be received by the Treasurer by March 15, 2016.

**Janet B. Agnew Award:** Sponsor: Janet B. Agnew. Basis: donation to the General Fund of GFWC-SC. Contributions must be received by the Treasurer by March 15, 2016.

**GFWC-SC Kate T. Davis Memorial Award:** Sponsor: Miss. Sara McColl in memory of Mrs. George E. Davis, Chairman of GFWC-SC International Scholarship and Student Loan 1938-1959. Basis: donation to the Scholarship Fund. Contributions must be received by the Treasurer by March 15, 2016.

**Clubwoman Magazine Award:** Sponsor: Dianne M. McCarty. Basis: donation to the GFWC-SC Clubwoman Magazine. Contributions must be received by the Treasurer by March 15, 2016.

**Stackhouse Headquarters Award:** Sponsor: GFWC-SC Headquarters Committee. Basis: to the club that contributes the most per capita to the GFWC-SC Headquarters Fund postmarked on or before March 15, 2016, based on contributions received by the Treasurer. In kind contributions, i.e. time and items, should be listed and submitted with the contribution sheet.

**The GFWC-SC Progress Foundation Silver Certificate Award:** Sponsor: GFWC-SC Saxe Gotha Woman's Club. To be awarded annually at state convention to the club with the highest per capita donation to GFWC-SC Progress Foundation postmarked on or before March 15, 2016, to the Treasurer.

**Virginia (Sissy) Welch Award:** Sponsor: Mrs. Silas B. Welch. Basis: to the district contributing the most money per capita to the GFWC-SC Headquarters Fund postmarked on or before March 15, 2016, to the Treasurer.

**RATING SHEET:** Silver Certificates of Award to be awarded based on the Rating Sheet postmarked on or before March 15, 2016. Judge: First Vice President Janet Prince.

To the General Club with the highest points on the Rating Sheet:

Category I: Myrtis Flanagan Award Sponsor: Mrs. W. C. Flanagan.

Category II: Jean T. Kight Award Sponsor: Mrs. R. Larry Kight.

Category III: Lovonia V. Hendrix Award Sponsor: Mrs. Lovonia V. Hendrix.

Juniorette Category: Mary S. Smith Award Sponsor: Mrs. Lynwood Smith.

All Categories: Mrs. John R. Wolff Award Sponsor: Mrs. John R. Wolff.

**To Districts based on the Rating Sheet:**

**Past President's Cup – Basis:** to the district with the highest points on the Rating Sheet postmarked on or before March 15, 2016. Judge: First Vice President.

**Lovonia Hendrix Award:** Sponsor: Mrs. Hubert Hendrix. Basis: to the district with the second highest points on the Rating Sheet postmarked on or before March 15, 2016. Judge: First Vice President.

**Sylvia Ayers Membership Award:** Sponsor: Sylvia Ayers. Basis: to the club with the largest net gain for 2015. To be judged by the First Vice President and Treasurer.

**Howie Stackhouse Award:** Sponsor: Mrs. Sanford Howie. Basis: to the district president gaining the most new clubs, paid in full by February 1 of each year. Judged by First Vice President.

**Nancy Boozer Award:** Sponsor: Mrs. L. Dale Boozer. Basis: to the district president who organizes or federates the most clubs in a fiscal year. Judged by GFWC-SC First Vice President and Treasurer.

**Rudy H. McManus Sims-Stackhouse Mansion Endowment Award:** Sponsor: Princa M. Wright. To the district generating the largest number of contributors to the Sims-Stackhouse Mansion Endowment. Submit names of contributors to GFWC-SC Sims-Stackhouse Endowment, 1511 Laurel Street, Columbia, SC 29201, postmarked on or before March 15, 2016. To be judged by the GFWC-SC Headquarters Committee.

**Emma McIntyre Burton Attendance Award:** Sponsor: Mrs. Norman W. Lynch. Basis: to the district with the largest club membership attending GFWC-SC Annual Convention, as reported to the President-elect not later than 4 p.m. (or previously announced time) on the second day of convention. The count will be made by the Credentials Committee. Award to be made by the First Vice President (Chairman of District Presidents) at Awards Banquet.

**INDIVIDUAL DISTRICT AWARDS**  
**(Awarded at District Conference)**

The GFWC-SC State/District Form should be used to submit reports. This form was included in the Club President's Packet, is in this magazine and can be downloaded from the GFWC-SC website under Resources. Reports should be postmarked on or before March 15, 2016.

**CENTRAL**

**Somerset Silver Award – Donor:** Roy Somerset. Basis: to the club membership 31 and over, that has the best overall project. Two copies must be submitted to the District President postmarked on or before March 15.

**Dotsy L. Boineau Silver Award – Donor:** Mrs. Trippett Boineau. Basis: to the club membership 10 – 30, that has the best overall project. Two copies must be submitted to the District President postmarked on or before March 15.

**Palmetto Club Award – Donor:** Palmetto Woman's Club. Basis: to the club 1-25 members, with highest points on the Rating Sheet. Postmarked on or before March 15 to District President.

**Central District Award – Basis:** to the club 26 and over members, with highest points on the Rating Sheet. Postmarked on or before March 15 to District President.

**Judy Keating International Affairs Children's Award – Donor:** St. Andrew's Woman's Club. Basis: to the Central District club with the best International Outreach (previously International Affairs) project(s) working with children in other countries. Postmarked on or before March 15 to District President.

**Debbie P. Alexander Award – Donor:** Junior Woman's Club of Columbia. Basis: to the club with the best overall project working with children in crisis-day care centers, schools, South Carolina Cares for Children, etc. Postmarked on or before March 15 to GFWC-SC Public Issues Chairman, Kelli Burnett, 104 Dover Close, Easley, SC 29640.

**Ethel M. Wismer Memorial Award – Donor:** Jan W. Hadwin. Basis: to the club with the highest attendance at District Conference to be judged by District President.

**EASTERN**

**Mrs. Rufus H. Cain Award – Sponsored by** Mrs. Rufus H. Cain. Basis: to the club with the highest average points on the Rating Sheet. Postmarked on or before March 15 to the District President.

**Pat Estep Community Service Award – Sponsored by** North Myrtle Beach Woman's Club. To the club with the best GFWC-SC President's Special Project report. Submitted to the District President on or before March 15.

**Sue Burgess Education Award – Sponsored by** Sue Burgess. Basis: to the club in the Eastern District with the Best Educational Project(s). Action Plan: Any projects dealing with the education of others, such as programs for local schools, public libraries, senior citizens, money donations, book drives, etc. Two (2) copies must be submitted to the District President postmarked on or before March 15.

**The Ruth Fairchild Memorial Award** – In memory of Ruth Fairfield for over 30 years of deep selfless devotion and outstanding service to the Woman’s Club of Darlington and her community. Sponsor: Woman’s Club of Darlington. Basis: to the Eastern District Club that has earned the most hours as a mentor to a child. Two (2) copies must be submitted to the District President on or before March 15.

## **MIDLANDS**

**Becky M. Silver Award** – Sponsored by the Woman’s Society of Batesburg-Leesville. Basis: to the club, membership 25 and under, with the best overall project. One (1) copy of the report must be submitted for judging to the District President on or before March 15.

**Ruby Crook Silver Award** – Sponsored by the Lake Murray-Irmo Woman’s Club. Basis: to the club, membership 26 and over, with the best overall project. One (1) copy of the report must be submitted for judging to the District President on or before March 15.

**Junior Woman’s Club of Lexington Silver Award** - Sponsored by Junior Woman’s Club of Lexington. Basis: to the club, membership 25 and under, with the highest number of points on the Rating Sheet. One (1) copy of the report must be submitted for judging to the District President on or before March 15.

**Connie B. McFarland Silver Award** – Sponsored by Lexington Woman’s Club. Basis: to the club, membership 26 and over, with the highest number of points on the Rating Sheet. One (1) copy of the report must be submitted for judging to the District President on or before March 15.

**Midlands Conservation Award** – Sponsored by Rose T. Wilkins. Basis: to the club with the “Best Overall Conservation Project”. To be retired to the GFWC-SC Headquarters at the request of the donor. One (1) copy of the report must be submitted for judging to the District President on or before March 15.

**Christie C. Addy Education Award** – Sponsored by Saxe Gotha Woman’s Club. Basis: to the club with the Best Overall Education Project”. One (1) copy of the report must be submitted for judging to the District President on or before March 15.

**The Annie Laurie George Silver Award** – Sponsored by the Lexington Literary Club. Basis: to the club initiating a project to benefit young people in children’s centers by providing pleasant experiences that minimize the possibility of traumatic after effects. One (1) copy of the report must be submitted for judging to the District President on or before March 15.

**Pamela Abikhaled Community Improvement Program Award (to be awarded in the even years)** – Sponsored by Magnolia Woman’s Society. Basis: to the club whose Community Improvement Project improves the community and lives of the most diverse groups of its citizens (child and adult, rich and poor, male and female). One (1) copy of the report must be submitted for judging to the District President on or before March 15.

**Lexington Woman’s Club Legislation Award** – Sponsored by Lexington Woman’s Club. Basis: to the club with the “Best Overall Legislative Project” that involves individual lobbying and/or keeps the club informed of legislative issues. To be retired to the GFWC-SC Headquarters at the request of the donor. One (1) copy of the report must be submitted for judging to the District President on or before March 15.

**Midlands District President’s Spirit Award** – Sponsored by Terry S. Tucker. Basis: to the club with the “Best Overall GFWC Spirit”. Criteria includes: 1) Attendance at Summer and Winter Boards, Conventions, District Conference and District Socials; 2) Attendance of State and/or District Officers at club meetings, fundraiser’s or socials; 3) Club Yearbook sent to District President and GFWC-SC First Vice President; 4) Prompt return of GFWC-SC and District dues, Rating Sheet and Club President’s Directory Forms; 5) Reporting participation in all Community Service Programs. To be retired to the GFWC-SC Headquarters at the request of the donor. One (1) copy of the report must be submitted for judging to the District President on or before March 15.

**Mabel J. Bonnette Award** – Sponsored by the Woman’s Club of Cayce. Basis: to the club, membership 26 and over, demonstrating the most support for its local library. To be retired to the GFWC-SC Headquarters at the request of the donor. One (1) copy of the report must be submitted for judging to the District President on or before March 15.

**Midlands District Conference Attendance Award** – Sponsored by Connie B. McFarland. Basis: to the club with the highest percentage of members present at District Conference. To be retired to the GFWC-SC Headquarters at the request of the donor.

**Midlands District Membership Award** – Sponsored by Sally Yarber. Basis: to the club with the largest net gain. To be retired to the GFWC-SC Headquarters at the request of the donor. One (1) copy of the report must be submitted for judging to the District President on or before March 15.

## **NORTH CENTRAL**

**North Central Project Award** – Sponsored by Jane Davenport. Basis: to the club with the best overall project. Post-



marked on or before March 15 to the District President.

**North Central District Award I** - Sponsored by Andrea Davis. Basis: to the club membership 10-30, with the highest number of points on the Rating Sheet.

**North Central District Award II** – Sponsored by Judy Crocker. Basis: to the club membership 31 and over, with the highest number of points on the Rating Sheet.

**Perry W. Cathcart Arts Award** – Sponsored by Winnsboro Woman' Club. Basis: to the club reporting the "Best Overall Promotion of the Fine Arts within Their Community." Criteria: (a) hours of volunteer service by members to promote the fine arts within the community; (b) involvement with sponsorship of a fine arts event within the community; (c) presentation of a program within the club pertaining to the fine arts. Shall be judged by the District President and the State Arts Community Program Chairman. Two copies of the report must be submitted to the District President, postmarked on or before March 15.

## **NORTHERN**

**Northern District Award** – Sponsored by Spartanburg Council of Federated Women's Clubs. Basis: to the club with the highest number of points on the Rating Sheet.

**Northern District Photography Award** – Sponsored by Janet Agnew. To the club with the most photography entries at the GFWC-SC State Convention.

**Jolene W. Bryant Award** – Sponsored by Piedmont Junior Woman's Club and Spartanburg Junior Woman's Club in honor of Jolene Bryant, 1992-1994 GFWC-SC Northern District President. Basis: to the club with the best education project submitted to the District President for judging on or before March 15.

**Mary Renfro Memorial Award** – Sponsored by Spartanburg Woman's Civic Club. Basis: to the club with the largest membership percentage increase during the year.

**Spartanburg Council of Federated Women's Clubs Award** – Sponsored by Spartanburg Council of Federated Women's Clubs. Basis: to the club having the highest percentage of attendance at Northern District Conference This award is to be retired to the club when club has won three successive years.

## **NORTHWESTERN**

**Once-A-Week Club Award** – Sponsored by Miss. Elizabeth Morgan. Basis: to the club with the best overall project reported to the District President postmarked on or before March.

**Northwestern District Cup** – Basis: to the club with the highest number of points on the Rating Sheet.

**The Walhalla Junior Woman's Club Community Spirit Award** – Sponsored by Walhalla Junior Woman's Club. Basis: to the club with the best overall project exemplifying service and enthusiasm while physically improving the community. Due postmarked on or before March 15 to the Northwestern District President.

**Making Time for Others Silver Award** – Sponsored by Seneca Junior Woman's Club. Basis: to the Northwestern District club with the best overall hands-on project benefiting special needs or underprivileged individuals reported to the District President postmarked on or before March 15.

**Northwestern District Easley Junior Women's Club Arts Award** – Sponsored by Lane Wells Dye, in memory of Clara Cassles and Ellen C. Dye for their past service in Easley Women's Clubs Basis: to the club with the best "Arts Within Their Community" report. Criteria: A) Averaged volunteer hours of service; B) Projects or events constructed to promote the Arts; C) Programs introduced to educate others about the Arts (i.e. for club meetings, schools and community events). Two copies to be submitted to the District President for judging with the Arts Committee Chairman, postmarked on or before March 15.

**Beulah Higgins Conference Attendance Award** – Sponsored by Mrs. Forney W. Lowe. Basis: to the club with the highest percentage of members present at District Conference.

## **SOUTHERN**

**Myrt Riggs Award** – Sponsored by Mrs. Larry T. Riggs. Basis: to the club that has the best overall project submitted to the District President with the Rating Sheet postmarked on or before March 15.

**Southern District Award** – Sponsored by Jean L. Pearce. Basis: to the club with the highest number of points on the Rating Sheet.

**Jean L. Pearce Award** – Sponsored by Brenda Kiser. Basis: to the club that has the best overall Arts Program Report based on GFWC criteria submitted to the District President postmarked on or before March.

**Virginia Baxley Silver Award** – Sponsored by Tuesday Afternoon Book Club of Harleyville. Basis: to the club with the most photography and creative entries at the GFWC-SC Convention. To be determined by the District President at Con-

vention.

**Charleston Junior Woman's Club community Improvement Program Award** – Sponsored by Charleston Junior Woman's Club. Basis: to the club with the best overall Community Improvement Project submitted to the District President, postmarked on or before March 15 of even numbered years.

**Jo Ann Thornhill Bolchoz Award** – Sponsored by Jo Ann Thornhill Bolchoz. Purpose: to increase scholarship funding for women pursuing education at colleges and universities domiciled within the Southern District. Criteria: to be given annually to a woman's club in the Southern District which documents the largest donations in this category of scholarship funding. Must be received by the District President on or before March 15.

**Brenda Kiser Silver Award** – Sponsored by Brenda Kiser. Basis: to the club that reports the best overall activities pertaining to the District President's Special Project submitted to the District President postmarked on or before March 15.

**Sissy Welch Award** – Basis: to the club with the largest membership percentage increase during the year submitted to the District President with the Rating Sheet.

**Southern District President's Spirit Award** – Sponsored by Jadona Hadwin Rowell. Basis: to the club with the "Best Overall Spirit." Criteria includes: 1) Attendance at Summer and Winter Boards, Conventions, District Conference and District Socials; 2) Attendance of State and/or District Officers at club meetings, fundraiser's or socials; 3) Club Yearbook sent to District President and GFWC-SC First Vice President; 4) Prompt return of GFWC-SC and District dues, Rating Sheet and Club President's Directory Forms; 5) Reporting participation in all Community Service Programs. Shall be determined by the Southern District President.

**Annie Utsey Award** – Sponsored by Jadona Hadwin Rowell. Basis: to the club with the highest percentage of members present at District Conference. To be determined by the District Credentials Chairman.

#### **WESTERN**

**Sissy Brodie Award** – Sponsored by Aiken Junior Woman's Club. Basis: to the club with the best overall project. Two (2) copies must be submitted to the District President, postmarked on or before March 15.

**Joan Marine Award** – Sponsored by Aiken Woman's Club. Basis: to the club with the best project in the Arts Community Service Program. Submit two (2) copies to the District President, postmarked on or before March 15.

**Peggy All Award** – Sponsored by Aiken Junior Woman's Club. Basis: to the club with the best project in the Conservation Community Service program. Submit two (2) copies of the report to the District President on or before March 15.

**Ginnie Samsel Award** – Sponsored by Sand River Woman's Club. Basis: to the club with the best project in the Education Community Service Program. Submit two (2) copies of the report to the District President on or before March 15.

**Betty Thomason Award** - Sponsored by Betty Thomason. Basis: to the club with the most outstanding project with the greatest impact in Public Issues.

**Western District Conference attendance Award** – Sponsored by Kathy Monahon. Basis: to the club with the highest percentage of members present at District Conference. Shall be judged by the District President and District Treasurer. This award to be retired to the club when won three years in a row.

#### **JUNIOR AWARDS – DEADLINE: FEBRUARY 1, 2016**

Instructions for Junior Reports: Entries for the Junior Department Silver Awards 1 and 2 can be the same as those submitted for the GFWC-SC Community Service Program Reports. All reports can be emailed or mailed to the Director of Junior Clubs, Katie Moydell, 200 Conrad Street, Columbia, SC 29212, [katiemoydell1020@gmail.com](mailto:katiemoydell1020@gmail.com)

#### **JUNIOR SILVER AWARDS**

**Categories 1 and 2** – One Silver Certificate Award for each Community Service Program in both Categories. Basis: to the club with the best typewritten report on Community Service Program work as stated in the GFWC objectives, postmarked to the Junior Director on or before February 1.

**Junior Cup Award I** – Basis: to the junior club with the best overall written report on the year's work in Junior Category I; to the Junior Director on or before February 1. Limited to 20 double-spaced pages, including addenda.

**Junior Cup Award II** – Basis: to the junior club with the best overall written report on the year's work in Junior Category II; to the Junior Director on or before February 1. Limited to 20 double-spaced pages, including addenda.

**Bobbie L. Lowe Award** – Basis: to the junior club with the most number of points earned on the Junior Honor Sheet per capita; copy of Honor Sheet to the Junior Director postmarked on or before February 1.

**Mary Plyler Memorial Award** – Sponsored by Mrs. Pat Taylor. Basis: to the junior club with the most hours spent per capita on club projects. Winter to be determined by the Junior Honor Sheet; a copy to the Junior Director postmarked on or before February 1.

**Jan W. Hadwin Award** – Basis: to the Category II club with the best overall written report on the GFWC Junior Special Project to the Junior Director postmarked on or before February 1.

**Beth Broome Silver Award** – Basis: to the Category I club with the best overall written report on the GFWC Junior Special Project to the Junior Director postmarked on or before February 1.

**Elizabeth Prince Gouge Award** - Sponsored by Aiken Junior Woman's Club. To the junior club who does the most outstanding work in children's health care. To the Junior Director postmarked on or before February 1.

**Ann Borris Memorial Award** - Cancer Project. Basis: to the junior club (largest half) reporting the most outstanding work done in the field of cancer; to the Junior Director postmarked on or before February 1.

**Augusta Wolff Award** - Cancer Project. Basis: to the junior club (smallest half) reporting the most outstanding work done in the field of cancer; to the Junior Director postmarked on or before February 1.

**Susan Abelkop Membership Award** – Sponsored by Piedmont Junior Woman's Club. Basis: to the junior club with the best overall membership report. Judged by Junior Membership Chairman by GFWC Membership Guidelines. Report to Junior Director postmarked on or before February 1.

**Junior Spirit Award** – Sponsored by Susan Haynes. Basis: to the junior club with the "Best Overall GFWC Volunteer Spirit". Points: 10 – invitation to Junior Director and/or Junior Director-Elect to club events (i.e. meetings, fund-raisers, social); 10 – club members servicing on Junior Board; 10 – attendance at Summer Board; 10 – attendance at Winter Board; 10 – attendance at Convention; 50 – Junior club peer vote (may not vote for own club). To be judged by the Junior Director. Awarded at GFWC-SC Convention Junior Luncheon. Points due postmarked on or before February to the Junior Director.

#### **Junior Reports: Deadline March 15, 2016**

**Carol Vann Rowland and Susan Vann Haynes Junior Clubwoman of Achievement Award** – Sponsored by Mary and Christy Vann. Basis: to a Junior Clubwoman who upholds the ideals of General Federation of Women's Clubs and Junior Clubs. A woman who is outstanding in her club and community. Each Junior Club may nominate one member. Reports should be sent to the Junior Director postmarked on or before March 15 to be judged by Mary Vann, the Junior Director, and the First Vice President.

**The Junior Club Breast Cancer Awareness Silver Award** – Sponsored by Sylvia Ayers. To the Junior Club with the best project(s) in the fight against this disease. Reports sent to Sylvia E. Ayers, 2307 Wintercrest Drive, Rock Hill, SC 29732, postmarked on or before March 15.

#### **Other Awards:**

**Jackie Boland Attendance Award** - Sponsor: West Columbia-Cayce Woman's Club. Basis: To the club with the largest membership (per capita) attending the Summer Meeting. The count will be made by the Credentials Committee. Award to be made by the First Vice President.

**Marian St. Clair Club Attendance Award** - Sponsor: St. Andrews Woman's Club. Basis: To the club with the largest membership (per capita) attending the Winter Board Meeting. The count will be made by the Credentials Committee.

**Palmetto Pride Achievement Awards** - Sponsor: Palmetto Pride. Basis: To encourage club projects to eradicate litter and beautify their communities. Four awards will be given: Litter Trashes Everyone Award, Litter Busters Award, Trash Talkers Award, and Beautiful Places Award. The Official Report Form is located on the GFWC-SC website under Resources. Clubs must send a copy of the report form by February 1, 2015, to GFWC-SC President Caroline Mahaffey and to Palmetto Pride, 2700 Middleburg Drive, Suite 216, Columbia SC 29204.



## Happy & Healthy during the Holidays

It's the most Wonderful time of the Year! Can you hear the music and lyrics of this old familiar song? Planning a feast for Thanksgiving, house cleaning, grocery shopping then immediately getting ready for the next holiday, with decorating, lights, parties, family get-togethers, reuniting with old friends and shopping.

Wait a minute, shopping? As well as coordinating work, family, getting the house in order for company, meals, shopping....now we're talking about shortages of time, money, bills, crowds, heavy traffic, stress...

The holidays certainly tend to have some challenges. Sometimes causing not only stress, but also anxiety and maybe for some, depression.

Stress can cause havoc for your body, carrying physical and mental health risks, leading to serious health effects and affecting your well-being. There are several different kinds of stress, some are: Routine stress from work, family and daily responsibilities; Negative stress like divorce, loss of job, illness or death of a loved one; and Traumatic stress: major accidents, assaults, and natural disasters.

Stress can cause relatively minor illnesses like insomnia, backaches and headaches but can also contribute to life-threatening conditions like high blood pressure, diabetes, heart disease. Chronic stress can lead to depression, anxiety disorders and other illnesses. It has been said that over 90% of doctor visits can be traced back to stress.

### Learn to Manage Stress Effectively

Stress is a normal part of life. How you deal with it will depend on your attitude. You may become overwhelmed by things that other people deal with easily. Learning to keep a balance between work, family and leisure is difficult and requires skillful management of your time. Planning helps, and so does staying calm.

### Tips for reducing or controlling stress

As you read the following suggestions, remember that success will not come from a half hearted effort, nor will it come overnight. It will take determination, persistence and time. Some suggestions may help immediately, but if your stress is chronic, it may require more attention and/or lifestyle changes. Determine YOUR tolerance level for stress and try to live within these limits. Learn to accept or change stressful and tense situations whenever possible.

- Budget - making a budget for the holidays can help with finances and avoid stress with money come January. Remember the most important aspects of the holidays for you and yours.
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- Be realistic and shed the "Superwoman" urge - Learn to say No. Set priorities deciding what must get done and what can wait. Note what you have accomplished at the end of the day, not what you have been unable to do
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- Take one task at a time - be in the moment.
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- Exercise regularly - just 30 minutes per day of gentle walking can help boost mood and reduce stress. Explore other ways to cope like meditation, yoga, tai chi, or other gentle exercises
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- Eating healthy - Eat more fruit, vegetables and beans
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- Sleep - get 6-8 hours of sleep each night
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- Hobbies and Leisure Interest - schedule regular times for healthy, relaxing and FUN activities.
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- Share your feelings and ask for help - surround yourself with positive, supportive friends and family. Social supports are so important to go through life
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- Spirituality or Faith - this can make a difference in a person's life
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- Be flexible - go easy with criticism on yourself and others
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- Positive Attitude - avoid dwelling on problems. If you can't do this on your own, seek help from a qualified mental health professional who can guide you if you feel you cannot cope, have suicidal thoughts, or are using drugs or alcohol to cope

## Where to Get Help

Help may be as close as a friend or spouse. But if you think that you or someone you know may be under more stress than just dealing with a passing difficulty, it may be helpful to talk with your doctor, health professional, spiritual advisor, or employee assistance professional. They may suggest you visit with a psychiatrist, psychologist, social worker, or other qualified counselor.

If you or someone close to you is in crisis, call the toll-free, 24-hour National Suicide Prevention Lifeline at 1-800-273-TALK (1-800-273-8255).

Today, we recognize that good mental health is not just the absence of mental illness. Nor is it absolute – some people are more mentally healthy than others, whether you are mentally ill or not. These realizations are prompting a new kind of focus on mental health that identifies components of mental wellness and mental fitness. This explores ways to encourage positive qualities such as courage, optimism, hope, honesty, interpersonal skills, work ethic and perseverance.

During the holidays, winter months or even after, if the "blues" just don't seem to go away, or if stress, anxiety, depression begins impacting your daily life, early detection is the key. If you, a friend or family member needs a little help, reach out. There is always HOPE, and HELP is available.

Now let's get back to celebrating the Holidays with all of the festivities, beginning with Thanksgiving, Christmas, Kwanzaa or Hanukah. Remember to be good to yourself so you can be Happy and Healthy during the Holidays!

After all, it is the most Wonderful time of the Year!

Jean Ann Lambert, MRC, Community Resource Director

jlambert@mha-sc.org / (803) 779-5363

Mental Health America of South Carolina, [www-mha-sc.org](http://www-mha-sc.org)

Contact to schedule speaking engagements on Suicide Prevention, Mental Health First Aid, and I.C. Hope Children and Teen Presentations and Trainings.

### Resources:

National Mental Health America, MHA

National Institute of Mental Health, NIMH

Dr. Josh Axe, [DrAxe.com](http://DrAxe.com)

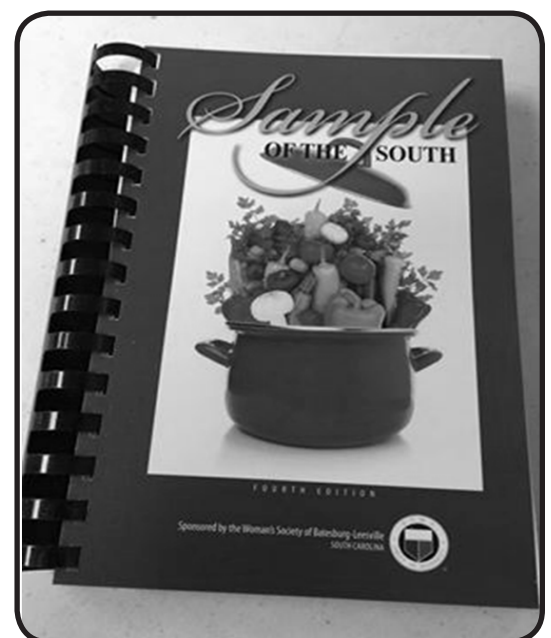
Victoria State Government / Health and Human Services

Canadian Mental Health Association, Toronto

## GFWC-SC Club News

The Woman's Society of Batesburg-Leesville's 4th Edition "Sample of the South" Cookbook has arrived!

The cookbook has 586 local favorite recipes and includes wine pairings and suggestions. The cookbook is only \$20.00 each and is certain to sell out quickly. Cookbooks may be purchased from Black's Tire Service, First Citizens Bank, Owen Drug Company, and Shear Pleasure Salon all in Batesburg-Leesville or from any Woman's Society member. e-mail [loisblack@sc.rr.com](mailto:loisblack@sc.rr.com) for additional information. Shipping cost: \$6.95.



## INTERNATIONAL OUTREACH ... Did you know?

Did you know that when you get your annual flu immunization at Walgreens (or any other vaccine such as shingles, whooping cough, pneumonia, etc.) that Walgreens will provide a vaccine to a child in a developing country through their partnership with the United Nations Shot@Life campaign? That's a Win-Win!

Did you know that Medicine Bottles for Malawi is a GFWC-SC statewide project? Did you know that when you pour hot tap or boiling water into your prescription pill bottles that it doesn't take long for the glue to loosen and the labels will peel right off? Did you also know that rubbing a little Goo Gone on any remaining sticky residue will take it right off? Did you know you do NOT have to send them to Africa? Did you know you can send a small box or wait and send a large box, that it doesn't matter? Did you know the single month bottles will often fit inside the 3-month bottles, saving shipping space? Did you know you simply pack and send them to:

Malawi Project Inc  
3314 Van Tassel Drive  
Indianapolis, IN 46240

Did you know that more than 16,000 companies nationwide match their employees' gifts to Heifer International? To find out if your company is one, go to Heifer.org and click on the 2X tab. Together, we can "Pass on the Gift" and make a big difference in the lives of men, women, and children all over the world.

Did you know that a child's cleft lip or palate can be repaired through OPERATION SMILE for as little as \$240 in as few as 45 minutes?

Questions?: [suzannec@sc.rr.com](mailto:suzannec@sc.rr.com)

## Palmetto Pride

The GFWC-SC is proud to partner with Palmetto Pride to introduce the Palmetto Pride Achievement Awards for the 2015 Reporting Year. Palmetto Pride is a 501c3 organization dedicated to eradicating litter and promoting beautification in South Carolina. Their goal is to engage citizens to take responsibility for their communities using a four prong approach including Education, Enforcement, Awareness and Pickup. The new awards reflect these four elements.

- Litter Trashes Everyone Award-Given to the GFWC-SC club that achieves the highest overall Achievement Point total in Litter Pickup, Litter Awareness and Beautification.
- Litter Busters Award- Given to the GFWC-SC club that achieves the highest overall Achievement Point total in Litter Pickup activities.
- Trash Talkers Awards- Given to the GFWC-SC club that achieves the highest overall Achievement Point total in Litter Awareness activities.
- Beautiful Places Award- Given to the GFWC-SC club that achieves the highest overall Achievement Point total in Beautification activities.

Your activities will be recorded under Conservation and the ratings sheets will be available online in January. For more information, contact Conservation Chair, Kaye Gerrald at [kaye.gerrald@gmail.com](mailto:kaye.gerrald@gmail.com).

## GFWC-SC Constitution & Bylaws

The deadline to submit proposed changes is January 1, 2016.

**Please send any changes to:** Bobbie Sox, Chairman  
400 Reed Avenue~Lexington,SC 29072  
**Email:** [bobbiewsox2@aol.com](mailto:bobbiewsox2@aol.com) or [FBKJ@aol.com](mailto:FBKJ@aol.com)



# WARM UP WITH GFWC SOUTH CAROLINA GIRLFRIENDS!

Saturday, January 9, 2016

Saluda River Baptist Church

2459 Sunset Blvd., West Columbia, SC 29169

**Registration:** opens at 8:45 a.m.

## Meetings

**Board of Directors:** 9:00 a.m.

**Members seeking elected state office** (inc. District Pres.): 9:45 a.m.

**GFWC-SC Winter Warm Up:** 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

## Registration

-\$15.00 advance registration or \$20.00 late/walk-up registration  
(includes materials, activities, and lunch)

-Mail by Jan. 1, 2016 to: Elizabeth Herring, 327 Annapolis Rd.,  
Lexington, SC 29072 ([liz.herring@windstream.net](mailto:liz.herring@windstream.net) / (803) 957-6235)

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Club \_\_\_\_\_ District \_\_\_\_\_

Check the first one that applies:

- \_\_\_\_ GFWC-SC Past President
- \_\_\_\_ GFWC-SC State Officer (not for club officer)
- \_\_\_\_ GFWC-SC Community Service, Special Project, Special Committee  
Chair (state, not club chair)
- \_\_\_\_ GFWC-SC Standing Committee Chair
- \_\_\_\_ Club President or designated representative
- \_\_\_\_ Member at Large
- \_\_\_\_ Clubmember
- \_\_\_\_ Guest

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# 2016 DATES TO REMEMBER

**January 8-9**

Winter Board

**February 7**

Northern District Reunion

2:00-4:00

**February 27**

GFWC-SC Leads - 9:30 am

Cayce Woman's Club

Clubhouse

701 Oakland Avenue

**April 21-23**

GFWC-SC Annual

Convention



## Apartment Facelift!

What a difference 30 days can make! The Upstairs Carriage House Apartment built in 1909 was recently given a facelift after the same tenant lived there for a little more than eleven years. The Headquarters Committee used a portion of the Stocking Extravaganza money to do much needed repairs over the past month. Kitchen cabinets were replaced, bathroom sink and toilet replaced, walls and floors redone, insulation added, a new heating and air system installed and much more! Work-a-bees Susan Swails, Susan Smith, Princa Wright, Jan Hadwin, Barbara Williams and Ann Malpass spent many hours selecting needed materials, cleaning and scrubbing, installing blinds, doing "touch-up" painting and "supervising" the work. A BIG thank you to all who have supported our fundraising Stocking Extravaganza event each year. We could not have done this without you.

