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Sharing Our Passion
One Step at a Time

Spring is in the air, but I want to reflect briefly back on our Winter Board meeting held on Saturday, January 14th at SCOA. Even with the postponement of one week, the meeting was very well attended and the gifts you brought for SCOA Cares were amazing! From the blankets, to the hand painted scarves to the beautiful cancer caps all made with love from our members was just wonderful and I cannot thank you all enough for supporting my President's Special Project — What Color is Your Cancer?

We are moving on now to our 119th Annual Convention of the GFWC-SC, April 27-30, 2017, at Pawley's Island, South Carolina, hosted by Eastern District and Southern District. They are already busy making plans for you to come to the coast and have a relaxing, but informative, Girls Just Want to Have Fun Weekend! The Official Call is included in this issue of Clubwoman. I hope you will go ahead now and make plans to attend with your girlfriends.

I would like to encourage you all to submit a member for our Volunteer of the Year, Woman of Distinction, Junior Clubwoman of Achievement and Juniorette of the Year as outlined in our December Clubwoman Magazine. Don't forget the Order of the Jessamine and our Honor Roll — both are wonderful ways to recognize those special members in your club that are always there and always supportive of all things GFWC-SC. Information on where to submit these special entries is listed on page three of this magazine. If you have club members with 25 or 50 years of membership please send that information to Juliet Casper by April 1 so we can recognize these special members at convention.

Thank you to all of the clubs that have purchased a table for our "Evening with Jeanne Robertson" event on Saturday, July 22, 2017, at the Medallion Center in Columbia to benefit Sandhills School Summer Skills Program and GFWC-SC. Please share this event with your family and friends too!

I look forward to seeing you all at Pawley's Island!

Forever "Living the Volunteer Spirit" through GFWC-SC,

.Janet

It's almost convention time! I am looking forward to spending time with our federation friends. Janet, Janine and Jan have been working hard to ensure this is a successful and fun convention. Jolie Frankfurth, International Director of Junior Clubs, will be speaking on Saturday night-I know she will have a great message for us.

The Juniors will be hosting two fundraisers at convention this year- our annual Bag Auction and Junior T-shirt sales. Any club that would like to donate a bag is more than welcome to bring it with them to convention- this can be any bag you like, stuffed or not and of any value. We will also be selling our t-shirts... the design will be made available prior to convention. We appreciate your support!

We're still looking at a Junior Service project with Doors to Freedom in April; details to follow.



A BIG thank you goes out to everyone who purchased tickets to see Sold. I hate that we did not sell the required number of tickets. I saw a large number of tickets being bought the last day-I appreciate everyone's effort to get us there.

I am enjoying reading all of the reports you have submitted.

Seeing how our Juniors are working to make a difference in their community is always awe inspiring. Thank you all for your hard work and dedication to making a difference.

See y'all down at the beach!



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Katie Moydell GFWC-SC Director of Junior Clubs



#### 52 Pick Up

Most folks associate 52 Pick Up with the practical joke of throwing a deck of cards in the air, but 52 Pick Up is also the name of GFWC's Spring membership recruit-



ment campaign. And recruiting members is no joke. Wouldn't it be wonderful to pick up 52 new GFWC-SC members? So far the 2016-2018 administration has welcomed two new clubs: Dream Makers of GFWC-SC (our first cyber club) and River Bluff High School Juniorette Club. These clubs combined had 25 charter members. From the summer and spring recruitment campaigns, I show another 39 new GFWC-SC members. So we have picked up more than 52 members. The question is have we retained our existing members. Unfortunately I know that there are some clubs that may be winding up their affairs and dissolving this year.



Juliet Casper GFWC-SC First Vice President

There are lots of great ideas for recruiting and retaining members in the GFWC Club Manual which you can find at GFWC website. In addition the GFWC membership chair has set up a Facebook page. Just search for GFWC Membership. Clubs across the country share their membership tools, tricks and success stories. A recent post described a book exchange that a club

set up at a local laundromat. The club puts a label in each book with the club's contact information. The project encourages members of the community to read and promotes the club. Another recent post described a Mac and Cheese cook-off that a club hosted. Members and their guests could enter the contest, sample the great food and learn more about GFWC.

Facebook is a great tool for recruiting members and publicizing information about your club's events. It is really easy to set up a group page. Be sure to send your Facebook and website information to Tonja Ivey so it can be listed on our GF-WC-SC Club links page, http://www.gfwc-sc.org/clublinks.html The page only lists three club Facebook pages and I know there are more out there. We want to know more about your club and we want your club to be visible to more people.

#### **Juliet**

#### **Raffle Registration Packet Reminders**



Kathie Walker GFWC-SC Treasurer

Several of our clubs have recently encountered some challenges regarding the filing of the SC Secretary of State Raffle Registration documentation — particularly the inclusion of the Annual Raffle Financial Report in the Raffle Registration Packet. When I submitted the Raffle Registration packet for GFWC-SC, here is what I included:

- Raffle Registration Renewal Form
- \$50 check payable to SC Secretary of State
- Annual Raffle Financial Report
- Copy of IRS Group Tax Exemption Letter dated 11/24/1998
- Names/addresses of GFWC-SC Officers

Approximately one month after I submitted the packet, I received a letter from the Secretary of State's office confirming receipt and acceptance of the GFWC-SC Raffle Registration Packet. That is what you want to be looking for after you have submitted your packet.

The annual raffle registration form is available on the Secretary of State's website at www. sos.sc.gov, under Forms and Fees. The raffle registration includes a \$50.00 filing fee. Registered organizations are required to file an annual raffle financial report with the Division

of Public Charities 4½ months after the end of their fiscal year (includes itemized receipts/expenditures for each "non-exempt" raffle). Throughout the year, remember to keep track of all raffle receipts, expenses, and prize values. You will need this information to complete the Annual Raffle Financial Report This form is available on the Secretary of State's website, along with all of the information needed to successfully complete this process. As always, if you have any questions or need help, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kathie



Kristin Fields
GFWC-SC
Second Vice President



As you are receiving this Clubwoman magazine our chairmen are reading your club reports. The response this year was very good. A big Thank You goes out to our CSP and Advancement Area Chairman for your time and effort judging these fabulous projects.

Reporting club activities exhibits the club's efforts in Sharing Our Passion One Step at a Time for those in our communities that are in need.

As a reminder GFWC-SC District/State Award reports are do March 15, 2017. Use the GFWC-SC District/State Report Form to submit your reports. Please refer to the December 2016 Clubwoman for all the reporting details.

Also refer to the December Clubwoman magazine and the GFWC website for additional information regarding the details and deadlines for entering into the GFWC contests

#### Kristin

#### GFWC Awards and Contests with a Deadline of March 15, 2017

Please be sure to submit your clubs entries for the following GFWC Awards and Contests directly to GFWC by the March 15, 2017 deadline. Details for each entry can be found in the GFWC Manual at www.gfwc.org/club manual.

- GFWC Newsletter Contest
- GFWC Website Contest

You should also send a copy of your entry for the Newsletter Contest to Melanie Branham, GFWC-SC Communications and Identity Chair, 119 Richland Drive, Easley, SC 29642 or email: melaniebranham@yahoo.com. For the Website Contest, please send a copy of your entry to Kaye Gerrald, GFWC-SC Website Design Contest Chairman, 128 Summitt Pt. Court, Chapin, SC 29036 or k.gerrald@gmail.com. GFWC annually awards \$50 to the a club in each of the categories at the GFWC Annual Convention.

#### GFWC Writing Contests with a Deadline of March 15, 2017

Calling all writers to compete in the GFWC-SC Creative Writing Competitions!

- GFWC Clubwoman Short Story and Poetry Contest:
   Short stories limited to 2000 words; Plays/skits limited to one-act (30-60 minutes in length); Poems ranging in length from eight lines to fifty lines.
- GFWC-SC Creative Writing Awards:
   Essays, Prayers, Club Installations, Song Lyrics, Children's Short Stories
- GFWC Youth Writing Competition:
   Categories for grade K-2, 3-5, 6-8 and 9-12

Author must be of amateur status; writing earnings must not exceed \$500 annually. Entries must be written during contest year and may not have been published prior to competition and must be original works by author. Entries must be type-written, double-spaced, with minimum margins 1", one side only, on 8-1/2" x 11" papers. Entries must have the following in the top right hand corner of each page: author's name, e-mail address, mailing address and phone number; name of sponsor club/state; category and title of manuscript. Authors should keep a copy; manuscripts will not be returned. Send to Writing Contest Chairman, Stephanie Williams, 274 Sun Colony Blvd., Longs, SC 29568, postmarked on or before March 15, 2017. State winners will be announced at the GFWC-SC Convention. First place state winners will be sent for national judging.

#### **GFWC-SC Headquarters Receives a New 'Face Lift'**

The exterior painting of the mansion at 1511 Laurel Street – our GFWC-SC Headquarters Building - was completed in late December, 2016. The Richland County Conservation Commission grant of \$20,000 was used to help fund this project. The painting included all of the main building with the exposed stairs and porch on the west side, the pergola on the east side, and the carriage house in the rear. The total cost of the project was \$26,220.50. Other monies came from contributions and the Stocking Extravaganza fund raiser. The Headquarters Committee contributed many hours of time to make sure that the project stayed on schedule and was finished according to the specifications. Our building is filled with history dating back to 1853 and is one of the few buildings left standing after the burning of Columbia by Sherman's army. Consider a visit to this beautiful building! You may arrange for a tour or club meeting



by leaving a message at 803-252-6756. The historic mansion is also available for rent and is a perfect venue for small events.



#### **BEFORE**





**AFTER** 







#### GFWC-SC Winter Session January 14, 2017 Hosted by South Carolina Oncology Associates



Jill Hendrix, Owner of "Fiction Addiction", and member of our Steele Magnolia's Service Club



Our gracious Host — Wade Bonner, COO, of SCOA, celebrating his birthday with us all!



Our wonderful Credentials Team always ready to welcome you to our GF-WC-SC State Meetings! Genna Prince, Elizabeth Herring, and Courtney Evans



**Guest Speaker: Cherie Nettle's Finding Laughter in the Journey** 



So happy to have our Chaplain, Leslie Phillips share inspiration for the day!



Presentation of check and gifts to SCOA Cares





**Our GFWC-SC Jessamine's** 



Progress Foundation Checks Awarded
Jan Hadwin and Jackie Boland



Welcome River Bluff High School Juniorette Club Sponsored by:

Palmetto Woman's Club and The Junior Woman's

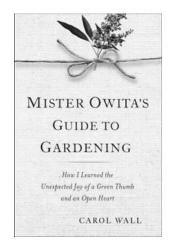
Palmetto Woman's Club and The Junior Woman's Club of Lake Murray

Congratulation to St. Andrews Woman's Club for receiving the Marian St. Clair Attendance Award





Everyone enjoyed Dick Wall and Mister Owita's life lessons he shared "The ground in Winter holds a thousand lovely secrets"











### OFFICIAL CALL 119TH ANNUAL CONVENTION

## GENERAL FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS OF SOUTH CAROLINA

**APRIL 27-30, 2017** 

THE LITCHFIELD COMPANY VACATION RENTALS PAWLEY'S ISLAND, SOUTH CAROLINA

HOSTESS DISTRICTS: EASTERN AND SOUTHERN

CONVENTION CO-CHAIRS
JANINE LAWSON AND JAN STONE

The General Federation of Women's Clubs of South Carolina will hold its One Hundred and Nineteenth Annual Convention at The Litchfield Company Vacation Rentals, 14276 Ocean Highway, Pawley's Island, South Carolina 29585, April 27-30, 2017. Our special guests will be Jolie Frankfurth, GFWC Director of Junior Clubs, Authors Mary Alice Monroe and Kristy Harvey, Christina Jackson, and Executive Director of Sea Haven for Youth. Also in attendance will be our own Marian St. Clair, GFWC First Vice President who represents our great state in Washington, D.C. All clubwomen are invited and encouraged to attend to celebrate a successful year of community service and to recognize our outstanding clubwomen.

#### Room Reservation Deadline is March 15, 2017

March 15 is the deadline for room reservations and can be made by calling 1-888-734-8228. Please be sure to state our group name when calling – GFWC-SC. Room rates are Summer House One Bedroom (can accommodate four): \$108.32 and Seaside Two Bedroom Condo (can accommodate eight): \$176.82. Rates are per night and include taxes and fees. All rooms require a guaranteed ONE (1) night's deposit, including tax.

#### **Advance Registration and Meal Reservations Required**

April 14 is the deadline for Registration and Meal Reservations. The advance registration fee is \$15 per person. Late registration or on-site registration is \$20 per person. Please complete the Registration/Meal Reservation Form included here for each person attending and send along with check for the total amount due made payable to GFWC-SC. We ask if you have retained a name badge holder from a prior convention to please bring it with you and receive a ticket for a special prize drawing.

#### Convention Attire & Other Information

Friday attire during the day is resort/sporty/casual. Friday evening will start outside for cocktails so wear your favorite resort evening attire. We will have Junior Fun Night where we will play "Bunco for Babies" and will have the always popular "It's In The Bag" Junior Travel Fund Auction. So Junior's be sure and remember to bring your entries for the auction. Saturday is GFWC-SC/GFWC/Club attire day. Our Saturday morning business meeting will flow right into a celebration of our Junior's and the great contributions they make to GFWC-SC. Then you will be free for an afternoon of shopping and networking with your club friends from across the state. Saturday evening we will end our convention in our after five attire. The evening will include a new twist on our 50/50 and of course Drawings for the Basket Auction to benefit the GFWC-SC President's Travel Fund.

#### Preliminary GFWC-SC Convention Agenda

Thursday, April 27, 2017

6:30 p.m. Past President's Dinner Hanser House Restaurant 8:30 p.m. Executive Committee Meeting President's Room

Friday, April 28, 2017

10:00 a.m. Board of Directors Meeting
11:00 a.m. Opening of Convention and Luncheon

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Welcome & Guest Speaker, Mary Alice Monroe, Author

Greetings from GFWC: Marian St. Clair, GFWC First Vice President
Jolie Frankfurt, GFWC Director of Junior Clubs

Preliminary Credentials Report Executive Committee Report Awards & Recognition:

Honor & Net Gain Clubs Club & District Rating Sheet Awards

**Contribution Sheet Awards** 

**GFWC Advancement Reports:** 

Communication & Identity Fundraising
Leadership Membership

Legislation & Public Policy Women's History & Resource Center

**GFWC Community Service Programs Reports:** 

Education Home Life Conservation Palmetto Pride

GFWC Signature Program: Domestic Violence & Prevention Reports GFWC Junior Special Program: Advocates for Children Reports

**FREE TIME** 

6:00 p.m. Reception - Cash Bar

7:00 p.m. Dinner - Guest Speaker - Kristy Harvey, Author

GFWC Community Service Reports:

Arts Writing Contest
Photography Contest Scrapbook/Yearbook

Junior Fun Night - "It's In the Bag" Auction Bunco for Babies

Saturday, April 29, 2017

11:00 a.m.

9:00 a.m. Convention in Session/Brunch

Guest Speaker: Christina Jackson, Executive Director of Sea Haven for Children

Reports from Standing Committees:

Resolutions Headquarters
Conventions & Mtg. Planning Finance

Reports from GFWC-SC Officers: District Presidents and Executive Officers

Reports from Board of Trustees:

Trustees of GFWC-SC Progress Foundation

Trustees of GFWC-SC Scholarship Disaster Relief Fund

**Credentials Report** 

GFWC-SC Elections Committee Report/Confirmations

GFWC Community Service Reports

International Outreach Public Issues

Recognition of GFWC-SC Juniors

1:30 p.m. Photo Opportunity with State President and Director of Junior Clubs

for 1st and 2nd place CSP/Advancement Area Winners

FREE TIME

6:00 p.m. Reception - Cash Bar - Outside Webster's

7:00 p.m. Dinner and Awards -- Guest Speaker: Jolie Frankfurth, GFWC Director of Junior Clubs

GFWC-SC President's Special Project Awards Director of Junior Clubs Special Project Awards

District Awards Outstanding Club Award

Individual Awards Recognition of 2017 Order of the Jessamine

Invitation to 2018 Convention
Adjournment of 119th Convention

10:15 p.m. Reception in Honor of Marian St. Clair, GFWC First Vice President and Jolie Frankfurth, GFWC Director of Junior

Clubs

Sunday, April 30, 2017

9:00 a.m. Memorial Service

## Ways to support the GFWC-SC General Fund

#### Order of the Jessamine

The Order of the Jessamine is a GFWC-SC honorary society comprised of members who have been elected by

their club for special recognition at the annual state convention. Criteria for election is at the discretion of the club and may be revised annually. The honoree will be distinguished at convention in a special presentation and will be listed in the next Clubwoman Magazine as a member of the Order of the Jessamine, Class of 2017. Honorees may be elected to more than one Class. To bestow the distinction, clubs may submit one annually with a fifty dollar (\$50) contribution to the GFWC-SC Treasurer. All proceeds shall benefit the GFWC-SC General Fund. Application for the



Order of the Jessamine can be found at gfwc-sc.org — Resources — Treasurer — "Order of the Jessamine Application"

#### Honor Roll

Honor someone in your life with a \$25 donation to the GFWC-SC Honor Roll. Honorees will be listed in the Convention Program and added to the Honor Roll book at Headquarters. Application for the "Honor Roll" can be found at gfwc-sc.org — Resources — Treasurer — Honor Roll.

#### Sea Haven Wish List

We will be collecting items to present to Christina Jackson of Sea Haven Shelter on Saturday of convention. Please drop your items off at our "Hostess Table" upon arrival at Litchfield:

Men and Women's underwear and socks

Men and Women Navy Polo style shirts, all sizes

Women's bras all sizes

Toiletry items-deodorant, toothbrushes, toothpaste, tampons, tissues, brushes, razors, shampoo, conditioner, shaving cream, combs

Backpacks

School supplies

Art Supplies-poster board, paints, markers, crayons, construction, paper, glue, scissors, drawing paper Daily planners

Food (chef Boyardee, canned tuna, chicken, peanut butter, jelly, soups, vegetables, protein bars, etc.)

Can openers

Reusable Water bottles

Coats, rain ponchos

**Sweatshirts** 

#### GFWC-SC Scrapbook

Photographs tell a story and each club's story is unique. Put your story together in a scrapbook - either traditional or digital - and bring that scrapbook to convention on Friday, April 28th and enter it in the Scrapbook Contest! Judging criteria is listed on the rating sheet and release form. Have the scrapbook to the "Hostess Table" by Noon on Friday, April 28th!

If you have any questions, please contact Frances Dantzler at fedantzler@aol.com or 803-331-5185.

Visit: <a href="http://www.gfwc-sc.org/contests.html">http://www.gfwc-sc.org/contests.html</a> to download the Scrapbook and Yearbook Rating Sheet and Release Forms.

#### Memorial Service

A memorial service honoring our GFWC-SC club members who have passed away dating from May 2016 - April 2017, will be held on Sunday, April 30, at 9:00 a.m. Each District President will participate in the service lighting a candle in memory of members from her district.

Club members are encouraged to attend this special service.

#### March of Dimes—March for Babies Webinar

Recently, GFWC and March of Dimes partnered on a webinar to highlight information about the March for Babies. That webinar, which features (in part) GFWC member Shana Folks and her family, is now available online. Here is the link for the webinar, a message from Jolie Frankfurth, GFWC Director of Junior Clubs, plus further contact information:

#### **Link to March for Babies Webinar:**

https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/6157789962982303491

(Note: The beginning of the audio is delayed due to connection problems so skip forward to minute 4 when the program actually begins.)

#### GFWC-SC 2017 Convention Speakers



Jolie Frankfurth, GFWC Director of Junior Clubs

Serving as GFWC Director of Junior Clubs will be the highlight of Jolie Frankfurth's nineteen years of community service with the General Federation of Women's Clubs. As a member of the GFWC Board of Directors, Jolie has served as GFWC Florida Director of Junior Clubs, GFWC Communications and Public Relations Committee, GFWC Strategic Planning Committee, and most recently, GFWC Director-Elect of Junior Clubs.

Few GFWC members can attest to being an integral part of the GFWC at all three levels of membership, but Jolie has been the Advisor of GFWC New Tampa Juniorette Club for the past five years, and she has held many positions, including president, of both GFWC Woman's Club of New

Tampa and GFWC New Tampa Junior Woman's Club. In 2008, Jolie was honored as the GFWC Jennie Award winner and GFWC's Empowering Women of the Present.

Jolie is a graduate of the University of South Florida with a Bachelor's Degree in Business Education and a Master's Degree in Educational Leadership. She realizes that her 20 years of teaching experience helps members of GFWC when working with club members in the areas of leadership training and membership retention and recruitment. Jolie has taught Business Communications, Business Management, Forms Design, Keyboarding, and Word Processing at the community college level. She also has trained adult students in the technology areas of Desktop Publishing/Design and in other specific software programs.

If you "friend" her on Facebook you will see that she loves to fish, paddle board, and travel. Although she spent her young life traveling as part of a military family, her own family has lived in Tampa, Florida since her marriage to Tom, almost 24 years ago. Both of their children are in college, leaving time for Jolie's Federation life and travel.

As GFWC Director of Junior Clubs, Jolie's vision is for members of GFWC to choose to commit, to work hard, to focus on the big picture of community service and to be resilient in their efforts to making individual communities a better place. Jolie will strive for each State Federation to pursue membership in all three levels —the key to making GFWC's future brighter and stronger.



#### Welcome to the Lowcountry!

The Turtle Lady and Best Selling Author, Mary Alice Monroe, discusses how nature inspires her writing.

New York Times bestselling author Mary Alice Monroe found her true calling in environmental fiction when she moved to coastal South Carolina. Already a successful author, she was captivated by the beauty and fragility of her new home. Her experiences living in the midst of a habitat that was quickly changing gave her a strong and important focus for her novels.

Mary Alice Monroe writes richly textured books that delve into the complexities of interpersonal relationships and the parallels between the land and life. Monroe's novels are published worldwide.

With the same heart of conservation, Monroe has written two children's picture books as well.

Her novels have achieved many lists, including the New York Times, USA Today and SIBA. She has received numerous awards, including several Readers' Choice Awards; the 2014 SC Book Festival Award for Excellence in Writing; the 2015 SW Florida Book Festival Distinguished Author Award; RT Lifetime Achievement Award; and the 2008 South Carolina Center for the Book Award for Writing.

Monroe was also featured at the National Festival of the Book. In 2011, her novel The Butterfly's Daughter won the International Book Award for Green Fiction. It was also selected as a finalist for the 2012 Book of the Year by the Southern Independent Booksellers Alliance (SIBA).

Monroe lives with her family on a barrier island outside Charleston, South Carolina. She is an active conservationist and serves on the Board of the South Carolina Aquarium, The Leatherback Trust, and Charleston Literacy Volunteers. She is a frequent speaker at book festivals, conferences, and private events. Monroe is also a frequent contributor to magazines and blogs.



#### Kristy Harvey "Designing Women for the Millennium"

Kristy Woodson Harvey is the bestselling author of Dear Carolina (Berkley/Penguin Random House, 2015), Lies and Other Acts of Love (Berkley/Penguin Random House, 2016) and the forthcoming Peachtree Bluff Series, beginning with Slightly South of Simple (Gallery/Simon & Schuster, 2017). Dear Carolina was long-listed for the Pat Conroy Southern Book Prize, has been optioned for film and has ap-

peared on numerous "must-read" lists. Lies and Other Acts of Love was a Romantic Times top pick, a Southern Booksellers Okra Pick and was chosen to be a part of the 2017 Trio display, an integration of story, art and song, which will spend the year traveling the country.

She blogs with her mom daily on Design Chic, the inaugural member of Traditional Home's design blogger hall of fame, about how creating a beautiful home can be the catalyst for creating a beautiful life and loves connecting with readers at kristywoodsonharvey.com.

Harvey is a Phi Beta Kappa, summa cum laude graduate of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill's school of journalism and holds a master's in English from East Carolina University, with a concentration in multicultural and transnational literature. Her writing has appeared in numerous publications and websites, including Southern Living, Domino, Houzz and Our State. She lives in North Carolina with her husband and four-year-old son where she is working on her next novel.





Christina Jackson, Executive Director

Christina Jackson brings over 22 years of experience in the human services field and positive youth development. As a graduate from Coastal Carolina College and the University of South Carolina, she worked with the Horry County Department of Social Services for over ten years and with North Carolina Behavioral Services monitoring services for physically and mentally challenged adults, youth, and children, in various environments. In 2004, Christina joined Sea Haven and became the Executive Director in 2006 where

she operates four essential program components. She is a facilitator for the Managing Aggressive Behavior Curriculum and has presented workshops on topics such as Building and Maintaining Organizational Resiliency and Community Collaboration and Engagement. Christina has extensive experience in researching and securing grants by using a proactive approach to grant writing, fiscal management, supervision of employees, and collaborating with community resources. She is a 2014 graduate from the Francis Marion Non-Profit Leadership Institute. "I believe that the simple successes in life are what is most important and we as human beings should never lose hope but instead work harder to lend a hand to those struggling youth who need us."

#### Special Announcements from Headquarters

#### 1511 Society

It is time to renew the annual membership in the 1511 Society and checks are accepted in dimensions of 1511. Individuals, as well as clubs, are encouraged to participate. Funds are used to help with the maintenance and upkeep of our Headquarters Building at 1511 Laurel Street. All who contribute will be entered into a drawing for a \$100 Visa gift card. The drawing will be held on May 1st.

#### Apartment Available for Rent

The Upstairs Carriage House Apartment at GFWC-SC Headquarters located at 1511 Laurel Street (Columbia) is available for rent in March. The one bedroom apartment is \$600 per month plus utilities. Please contact Princa Wright at 803-787-4297 if you are interested

#### GFWC-SC 2017 Convention Menu

#### Friday Opening Session Lunch

Salad Sampler, Chicken & Tuna Salad, Assorted Wraps/Rolls, Tossed Salad with Dressings,
Marinated Cucumber Tomato Salad
Bagged Chips, Cookies & Brownies, Coffee, Tea and Water

#### Friday Evening Dinner

Shrimp & Grits or Bruschetta Chicken with side and vegetable Garden Salad, Rolls & Butter, Cheesecake, Coffee, Tea and Water

#### Saturday Morning Brunch

Quiche Lorraine, Fresh Fruit, Home Fries, Bacon, Coffee, Tea and Water

#### Saturday Evening Dinner

Prime Rib or Bourbon Pork Loin with side and vegetable Garden Salad, Rolls & Butter, Season Spring Dessert, Coffee, Tea and Water

Note: Vegetarian Option available for all meals

GFWC 2017 Annual Convention
Palm Springs, California — June 23—26, 2017



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#### **GFWC-SC Convention Registration Form**

April 28-30, 2017

Send completed form for **EACH Attendee** along with check(s) payable to GFWC-SC to: **Elizabeth Herring, 327 Annapolis Road, Lexington, SC 29072, <u>liz.herring@windstream.net</u>** 

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Basic Information		
Name:	Email:	
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<ul> <li>Past President (of GFWC-SC)</li> <li>State Officer (including District Presidents</li> <li>State Program Chairman (CSP/Adv./ Spectors)</li> <li>Standing Committee Chairman (Finance,</li> <li>Club President or Appointee (if President)</li> <li>Club Delegate/Voting (convention only –</li> <li>Member-At-Large (Not affiliated with any)</li> <li>Club Member/Non-voting</li> <li>Guest</li> </ul>	Proj.) Name of Program Costi. & ByLaws, Credentials, absent or credentialed in any one per ten members, rounde	Headquarters, Resolutions, Disaster Relief) of above categories)
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	Meal Reservations	<b>i</b>
	<b>DEADLINE APRIL 14, 20</b>	17
Opening Session Luncheon (Friday – 11:00 a.r Friday Evening (7:00 p.m.) Shrimp & Grits Bruschetta Chicken		
Saturday Brunch (9:00 a.m.)	\$15	
Saturday Evening (7:00 p.m.) Prime Rib Bourbon Pork Loin	\$42	
***Late Meal Fee: \$5 per meal after April 14		
Meal Prices are inclusive of SC Tax, Service Ch	_	Charges
Vegetarian Option available for all meals upor	n request	
Registration Fee:	\$10.00	
Meal Total:	\$	-
Total Due GFWC-SC	\$	_

#### GFWC-SC CONSTITUTION AND BY LAWS COMMITTEE:

Lynn Cleckler, Chairman Bobbie Sox Kaye Hunke Brenda Rickenbaker

#### PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE GFWC-SC CONSTITUTION & BYLAWS

**APRIL 29, 2017** 

#### PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO:

ARTICLE V - DUES AND FINANCE

Add: Section 4. State Meetings - Registration Fees Juniorettes

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<u>Section 4. State Meetings - Registration Fees Juniorettes. The Juniorettes shall pay a registration fee of five</u> dollars (\$5) to attend any state meeting, with the exception of Convention. Registration fees shall be non-refundable.

**Rationale**: Since Juniorettes are middle and high school students, we want to encourage them to attend the state level meetings when possible, and do not want cost to be an issue.

#### **PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO:**

ARTICLE VII - OFFICERS, EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND BOARDS OF TRUSTEES

#### **CURRENT:**

Section 4. The Program Council. The work of the Federation shall be further carried on by a Program Council. The Program Council shall be composed of the Dean of the Community Service Programs, the District Presidents, the Community Service Programs Chairmen, the Junior Community Service Program Chairmen, and Special Committees Chairmen. The duties of the Council shall be to plan and coordinate the programs of the Federation in compliance with the objectives set forth by the Board of Directors and to provide materials for the use of member clubs. The Program Council shall approve all awards relating to programs, and then submit recommendations to the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors shall meet immediately after the Program Council meeting to approve any recommendations.

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Rationale: To clarify the various chairmen who serve on Program Council.

#### PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO:

#### **ARTICLE VIII - DUTIES AND TERMS OF OFFICERS**

#### **CURRENT:**

Section 1. The President of GFWC-SC shall preside at all of its meetings and shall have general charge of its affairs. She shall sign all orders on all funds not budgeted. She shall be the chairman of the Executive Committee, and the Board of Directors. She shall appoint a Special Assistant to the President; Chairmen of the six Community Service Programs; Special Appointments Chairmen; Standing Committee members as outlined in Article XII of the GFWC-SC Bylaws; a Parliamentary Advisor; a Poet Laureate; Tellers; and Special Committees as deemed necessary and shall be an ex-officio member of all Community Service Programs and Committees except the Elections Committee. In addition, she shall submit an annual report to GFWC as specified by the International Federation.

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Rationale: To clarify the appointment duties by the GFWC-SC President of various chairmen.

#### PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO:

#### ARTICLE II - DISTRICTS

#### **CURRENT:**

Section 1. The State shall be geographically divided into eight districts, to be known as Central, Eastern, Midlands, North Central, Northwestern, Southern and Western.

Central District shall consist of the counties of Richland, Sumter, Fairfield, Lee and Darlington.

Eastern District shall consist of the counties of Horry, Dillon, Marian, Florence, Williamsburg, and Georgetown.

Midlands District shall consist of the counties of Lexington, Calhoun, Orangeburg, Saluda, and Clarendon.

North Central District shall consist of the counties of York, Chester, Lancaster, Chesterfield, Kershaw, and Marlboro.

Northern District shall consist of the counties of Greenville, Spartanburg, Laurens, Union, Cherokee, and Newberry.

Northwestern District shall consist of the counties of Oconee, Pickens, Anderson, Abbeville, McCormick, and Greenwood.

Southern District shall consist of the counties of Jasper, Beaufort, Charleston, Colleton, Dorchester, and Berkeley.

Western District shall consist of the counties of Aiken, Barnwell, Edgefield, Allendale, Bamberg, and Hampton.

PROPOSED:

**ARTICLE II - DISTRICTS** 

Section 1. The State shall be geographically divided into three districts, to be known initially as Coastal District, Midlands District, and Upstate District. Each new district may vote to keep the initial name as the permanent name of its District or members can vote to rename its District.

Coastal District shall consist of the counties of Allendale, Hampton, Jasper, Beaufort, Colleton, Bamberg, Dorchester, Charleston, Berkeley, Clarendon, Williamsburg, Georgetown, Horry, Marion, Florence and Dillon

Midlands District shall consist of the counties of Barnwell, Aiken, Edgefield, Saluda, Newberry, Lexington, Orangeburg, Calhoun, Richland, Fairfield, Kershaw, Sumter, Lee, Chesterfield, Darlington, and Marlboro.

<u>Upstate District shall consist of the counties of McCormick, Abbeville, Anderson, Oconee, Pickens, Greenville, Laurens, Greenwood, Spartanburg, Union, Cherokee, York, Chester, and Lancaster.</u>

Section 2. Each district shall elect three officers: president, vice president, and secretary/treasurer, who shall serve a two-year term. At least two of the three officers shall be a-member of a different club in a different County within the district. The District Officers shall serve on the GFWC-SC Board of Directors. The District Presidents shall also serve on the GFWC-SC Program Council.

Section 3. Each general and junior club within each district shall pay annual district dues in the amount of Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) per club. Heritage clubs and Juniorette clubs do not pay district dues. District dues shall be sent to the appropriate district's secretary/treasurer no later than November 1<sup>st</sup> of each year.

Section 4. Meetings. The districts shall meet at the Annual State Convention. The Districts may also meet at the Summer and Winter Board meetings. In addition, each district shall hold an annual district conference sometime after Summer Board and before Winter Board.

Section 5. District Nominating Committee. Each District, at its initial District Conference of the Administration, shall appoint a District Nominating Committee consisting of three members, who shall serve a two-year term. The purpose of the Nominating Committee shall be to seek out qualified applicants for the Offices of District President, Vice President, and Secretary/Treasurer for election by the District Members.

Section 6. Duties of District Officers. The District President shall be responsible for all meetings of the District she serves. She shall organize the annual District Conference of her District. She shall serve as an Executive Officer of GFWC-SC and she shall be installed with the GFWC-SC Executive Officers in the even year. She shall serve as a member of the GFWC-SC Membership Committee, shall serve on the GFWC-SC Board of Directors, and shall represent the District on GFWC-SC Program Council.

The Vice President of the District shall assist the District President in all planning and organizational work of the District. She shall serve as District President in the absence of the President. She shall serve as a member of the GFWC-SC Membership Committee and shall serve on the GFWC-SC Board of Directors

The Secretary/Treasurer of the District shall be responsible for keeping minutes of the Annual District Conference and as Treasurer shall be responsible for maintaining accurate records of the checking/banking account of the District. She shall be responsible for preparing invoices to each Club in the District for their annual District Dues. She shall collect and deposit all funds relating to the District. She shall assist in the planning and organizational work of the District. In the absence of the President and the Vice President, she shall serve as President of the District. She shall serve as a member of the GFWC-SC Membership Committee and shall serve on the GFWC-SC Board of Directors.

**Rationale**: To facilitate the connection of clubs in an extended geographical area for their mutual benefit, including joint leadership, the development of district programs and other initiatives, and to combine efforts in hosting district and state meetings.

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#### DATES TO REMEMBER:

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July 22, 2017 An Evening With Jeanne Robertson to Benefit Sandhills School Dsylexia and Sponsored By GFWC-SC

