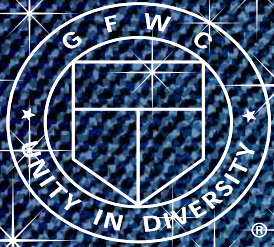


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Winter flew by for me, as I anticipate the arrival of my first grandchild, moved my aunt into my house, relocated my business office, threw a little work in to the mix, and continued to travel the State visiting clubs and promoting the causes of GFWC-SC. If I haven't yet visited your club, please give me the chance.

It is very difficult to believe that my opportunity to serve as your State President is almost over, but the state convention is just around the corner, and with it will begin a new chapter in GFWC-SC. I'm excited to see what comes next!

Speaking of convention, I hope every club will be represented. Valuable information is provided at each state meeting, and club members have a unique opportunity to share ideas. GFWC-SC State Convention 2016 is no exception. South Carolina Attorney General Alan Wilson will be our keynote speaker Friday morning. He will be speaking on his progress in the fight against human trafficking and domestic violence legislation. GFWC-SC members can take pride in our efforts in these causes over the last two years, and it will be nice to see how we fit in to the big picture.

Enjoy your spring!

*Caroline*

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# Ways to support the GFWC-SC General Fund

GFWC  
2014-2016  
Executive Committee

## IS THERE SOMEONE IN YOUR CLUB WHO DESERVES SPECIAL RECOGNITION?

THE ORDER OF THE JESSAMINE gives clubs that opportunity. The Order of the Jessamine is an honorary society comprised of members who have been selected by their club for special recognition. Each club knows what is important to them, and determines their own criteria. Only one member from each club should be selected annually. The Honoree will be recognized in a special presentation during Convention, as well as listed in the June edition of the GFWC-SC Clubwoman magazine.



To bestow this honor, clubs should submit the member's name, reason for distinction, and a \$50.00 contribution in their name to the GFWC-SC Treasurer, Kathie Walker. All proceeds go to benefit the General Fund. The deadline for nominations in the 2015 Class of the Order of the Jessamine is April 1.

## DO YOU WANT TO HONOR A FELLOW CLUBWOMAN?

Perhaps there is someone who has made a special difference in your life, or who you think deserves a little extra recognition. She doesn't necessarily have to be in your club. A mentor from another club? A quiet, behind the scenes member, whose efforts need to be praised?



You can recognize this member by adding their name to the GFWC-SC Honor Roll at Headquarters. They will be recognized at Convention, and their names listed in the Convention Program. To honor these ladies, send a \$25 donation in their name to Kathie Walker by April 1.

### *International President*

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

## HAVE WE GOT A DEAL FOR YOU!

And you can support GFWC-SC at the same time! Advertising opportunities are available for the Convention Program. This is a wonderful opportunity to advertise your business, a vacation rental, or just say thank you to a club member. This opportunity is not limited to club members. Encourage other organizations and businesses to support GFWC.

**\$200 - Full page ~ \$125 - Half page ~ \$75 - Quarter page ~ \$40 - Eighth page**

The deadline is April 8th for Camera Ready advertising. There will be a \$50/hour charge for all ads that are not camera ready. The deadline is April 1 for these ads.

Email or Mail Ads to: Tonja Ivey  
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Lexington, SC 29072  
tivey@cdcsllc.com  
803-785-4242

All proceeds benefit the GFWC-SC General Fund.

Mail Checks to: Kathie Walker, GFWC-SC Treasurer  
1485 Greenmoor Road  
Rock Hill, SC 29732



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

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

Growing our membership has certainly been on the minds of everyone across our state! I am happy to share with you the total new members by district added during this administration through January 31, 2016.

Central District – 27, Midlands District – 113,  
Eastern District – 8, North Central District – 9,  
Northern District – 25, Northwestern District – 3,  
Southern District – 63, Western District – 16  
Total New Members Added – 264

With all of these new members we have chartered **four new clubs** and are on the brink of chartering one more before convention. Membership is the responsibility of all members of GFWC-SC and one that you have all taken very seriously and for that I say THANK YOU!

I look forward to seeing you all at our GFWC-SC State Convention in April!

Love,

*Janet*

***Welcome New GFWC-SC Members***

**Chapin Woman’s Club** ~ Chris Woodworth

**Woman’s Society of Batesburg Leesville** ~ Mandy Luckadoo, Kayla Kneece

**Jr. Woman’s Club of Lake Murray** ~ Kristen Belle, Mattie Powers, Emily Black, Christine Roller, Jesse Casteen, Ainsley Stone, Robyn Douglas, Courtney Wiles, Ellen Duncan, Michael Williamson, Emily Gilger, Erin Willie, Michelle Haladay, Holly Hall, Ashley Murphy, Shannon Payne

**North Myrtle Beach Woman’s Club** ~ Kimberly Losito, Cynthia Whitley, Marlisa Small, Tasha Savage, Betty Cole

**Woman’s Club of Charleston** ~ Marsha Humphreys, Dorthy Prevatte, Marie Pierce

**GFWC Woman’s League of the Lowcountry** ~ Sharyn Behnke, Nancy Marasco, Sophia Binaco, Stephanie Meola, Julie Brown, Dianne Porter, Rosemary Clanton, Nancy Smith, Sandy Clement, Betty Volan, Dorothy Duke, Bev Witzel, Charlene Gorrell, Jennifer Jenkins, Jean Hunt, Barbara Hickerson, Sandra Jernigan, Ursula Mitrook, Michele Karg, Margaret Freeman, Barbara Kohlmann

**Woman’s Club of Rock Hill** ~ Margaret Gillen, Cathy McGinnis, Melynda Rushing

**Aiken Woman’s Club** ~ Rita Supan, Martha Fox, Holly Westcott, Lynn McDonald, Julie Stiles, Audrey Jereb, Bea Hart, Kathy Grant

**Sand River Woman’s Club** ~ Linda Kennedy

Happy spring General Federation Women's Clubs of South Carolina! I am hoping that our groundhog was correct and winter like weather is short lived. I know that spring is coming when reports start appearing in my mailbox. Thank you Junior clubs for submitting round 1 reports- I am always in awe of the great work our Juniors accomplish across the state. I am looking forward to recognizing your hard work at convention!

I would like to invite all Juniors to join us on a little outing after our Friday night session of convention. This will be a low key "get to know each other" cocktail hour down the street from the Marriott. I'm excited to set aside some time for our members to socialize. We have a great speaker planned for the Luncheon Honoring Juniors on Saturday. Convention is open to all club members, I hope to see you there!

Since 1983, April has been recognized as Child Abuse Prevention month. As advocates for children, I encourage our members to participate in at least one activity supporting this cause. It can be as simple as wearing a blue ribbon or as grand as planting a Pinwheel for Prevention garden. Let's get out there and fight for the children in our community!

Thank you again for all the work you do- it is an honor to represent you all. I look forward to seeing you in April.

In Junior Love! *Katie*



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

Equal Pay Day is Tuesday, April 12, 2016. This date symbolizes how far into the year women must work to earn what men earned in the previous year. According to the U.S. Department of Labor, women working full-time only make about 79% of what men earn. How is this possible when Federal law has banned pay discrimination since 1963? How is this possible seven years after the Lilly Ledbetter Fair Pay Act, the first law President Obama signed after taking office? I would suggest that this is possible in South Carolina because our state does not have an equal pay law. The only other states without equal pay laws are Alabama, Mississippi and Utah. I would suggest that the reason we lack an equal pay law is because women are grossly underrepresented in our state legislature. Women hold only 13.5 percent of seats in the South Carolina legislature, the third lowest representation in the country.

Why is no one talking about equal pay in South Carolina? Surely women care about 5.5 Billion Dollars. That is the combined total amount that women in South Carolina lose every year due to the wage gap, according to the National Partnership for Women and Families. How many of you expect to be alive in 2095? That's the year that women in South Carolina will see equal pay if trends continue, according to calculations by the Institute for Women's Policy Research. A 2014 Winthrop University poll found that most South Carolinians – 3 out of 4 – are in favor of a state law requiring women to be paid the same as men for doing the same job, while allowing for different pay based on performance and seniority. So if the federal government supports equal pay, and most folks in our state support equal pay, what can we do to make this happen? Check out the "Equal Pay Day Kit" from the National Committee on Pay Equity, <http://www.pay-equity.org/day-kit.html>. Raise awareness of the gap and push our leaders for change. Wear Red on April 12th as a symbol of how far women and minorities are "in the red" with their pay. Take photos and post them on your club's facebook page and website. Let your voice be heard.



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



**Kristin Fields**  
GFWC-SC  
Recording Secretary

Did you know the GFWC website includes a Blog? From the GFWC.org website “The GFWC blog features posts from fellow club women, partners, staff, and those in the know on a variety of topics.” Check it out next time you are on the website.

**Winter Warm-Up Highlights**

Attendance: 74

Guest Speaker: Sharon Rikard from Doors of Freedom  
Progress Foundation Grants were given out

Marian St.Clair shared Tips and Tricks for effective speeches.

Two of the tips that I wanted to share for those of you that could not be there are:

Speak from the heart

Limit and Organize your points

Katie Moydell kicked off her Sock Project

Juliet Casper shared reporting guidelines

**HEY CLUB TREASURER’S  
ARE YOU “MOVING ON”?**

Many of our clubs will be ending their club/fiscal year in the next couple of months. Have you thought about how you will ensure all your knowledge and experience is passed on to the person taking over from you? Here are some suggestions to ensure a smooth transition, and to ensure the person taking over from you has the information and resources they need.

- Try to give as much notice to the club that you are moving on, in order to allow the club to recruit / elect another volunteer.
- Assist in developing an up to date role description and detailed duty description for the position based on your experience in the role.
- Think of any people that may be interested in the position or people that you think would make a good Club Treasurer and give their names to your Club President.
- Think about the type of information you would like to receive if you were to volunteer for this position, and the format you would like to receive it in e.g. one big file, a face to face hand over meeting, or hand over in a 2 week period to not overload with information.
- Prepare an information pack for the new Treasurer to assist them in their role.
- Prepare a list of any outstanding work/issues.
- Prepare a top tips or similar list to help a new Treasurer.
- Provide a list of key contacts or people who can assist the new Treasurer.
- Hand over hard copies of any files or important correspondence. Put electronic information onto a USB stick.
- Offer to mentor the new Treasurer in this role for an agreed period of time.
- Celebrate!



**Kathie Walker**  
GFWC-SC  
Treasurer

## 2015 Stocking Extravaganza – Big Success

The Fourth Annual Stocking Extravaganza to raise funds for our Headquarters Building was a huge success! The total amount raised was \$10,595.00 and that is due to the hard work of many. Clubs from across the state are to be commended for the excellent participation of donating stockings, raffle items, food, as well as soliciting for sponsorships. The attendance was super. The Headquarters Committee spent many hours planning and implementing this event. We continue to use the funds to renovate and maintain our Headquarters Building. Many thanks to all who helped make this the best year ever! The Fifth Annual Event is already in the making and is scheduled for November 29th, 2016. It is not too early to be thinking about your stocking theme!



### *Disaster Relief Fund Donors*

GFWC-NC District 7 ~ GFWC Northboro Junior Woman's Club  
GFWC Satellite Beach Woman's Club ~ GFWC Capital City Woman's Club  
GFWC-NC District VI ~ Kenosha Jr. Woman's Club Wisconsin  
GFWC of North Carolina ~ North Myrtle Beach Woman's Club  
Woman's Club of Lakeside ~ GFWC Woman's Club of Holden Beach  
CFWC – East Valley Woman's Club ~ Woman's Club of Buckingham County Virginia

### **GFWC-SC Disaster Relief Fund**

The Woman's Club of Lakeside, California sent us this beautiful handmade quilt by members of their club as a token of love during the recent floods. To raise additional funds for the GFWC-SC Disaster Relief Fund, this quilt will be raffled off at the GFWC-SC State Convention in Columbia in April. The winner of this beautiful quilt will go home with it at the close of convention!



## **Candidates for 2016-2018 GFWC-SC Offices**

First Vice President – Juliet Casper  
Recording Secretary – Norma England

Second Vice President – Kristin Fields  
Treasurer – Kathie Walker

### **Confirmations of District Elections**

Central District – Neel Lesesne  
Midlands District – Peggy Aun  
Northern District – Laura Palmer  
Southern District – Jan Stone

Eastern District – Janine Lawson  
North Central District – Misty Konow  
Northwestern District – Tina Winkler  
Western District – Mary Lou Wallace

### **GFWC-SC Board of Trustees**

Central District – Rebekah Horne (2016-2019)  
Northwestern District –

### **GFWC-SC Trustees of Progress Foundation**

Central District – Kaye Hunke (2016-2018) (to serve remainder of term for Neel Lesesne, elected District President)  
Northwestern District – Tammy Garland (2016-2019)  
Southern District – Martha Knight (2016-2019)  
Western District – (2016-2019)

### **GFWC-SC Trustees of Scholarship**

Central District – Joann Morton (2016-2019)  
Eastern District – Sue Burgess (2016-2019)  
Southern District – Emily Timte (2015-2018 to serve remainder for Jan Stone, elected District President)  
Western District - Ann Fornwald

### **State Elections Committee**

Nominee	Alternate
Central – Kaye Jones	Sarah Bolton
Eastern – Debbie Ritter	Maria Johnson
Midlands – Kaye Hutchinson	Lynn Cleckler
North Central – Daisy Miller	Donna Lentil
Northern – Mary Vann	Lynn Shore
Northwestern – Ann Miller	Tammy Garland
Southern – Karen Adams	Melissa Smith
Western – Mary Tipton	Darlene Rittel

Elections/Confirmations shall be held at 11:00AM on Saturday, April 23, 2016. GFWC-SC Bylaws Article XI-Nominations, Elections, and Vacancies provides that additional nominations for GFWC-SC Executive Offices may be made from the floor, provided the consent of the nominee has been secured and nominee meets the eligibility criteria set forth in said Article XI.



**CONSTITUTION & BYLAWS PROPOSED AMENDMENTS YEAR 2016 CONVENTION  
GFWC-SC BYLAWS**

**ARTICLE VI - FUNDS**

**CURRENT BYLAW**

Section 5. The Headquarters Funds shall be held in a separate account called the GFWC-SC Headquarters Account, into which all rent receipts and security deposits shall be deposited and out of which the payment of all expenses relating to Headquarters shall be made. The Chairman of the Headquarters Committee and the Treasurer of GFWC-SC shall have signature authority on this account. All expenditures, other than normal operating expenditures, shall be approved by the Headquarters Committee.

**PROPOSED AMENDMENT**

Section 5. The Headquarters Funds shall be held in a separate account called the GFWC-SC Headquarters Account, into which all rent receipts and security deposits shall be deposited and out of which the payment of all expenses relating to Headquarters shall be made. The Chairman of the Headquarters Committee, the Treasurer of GFWC-SC, and the Headquarters Financial Manager, shall have signature authority on this account. All expenditures, other than normal operating expenditures, shall be approved by the Headquarters Committee.

Rationale: This adds a third person to the signature card and would allow a member of the Headquarters Committee (other than the Chairman) to make deposits and provide payment for repairs, etc. as they are completed.

**ARTICLE VI – FUNDS**

**CURRENT BYLAW**

Section 6. The Sims-Stackhouse Mansion Endowment shall be invested in any manner approved by the Headquarters Committee, or its chosen designee, with authority to invest and reinvest. Only the dividends and interest of the Endowment would be used for maintenance, except that during any fiscal year no more than ten per cent of the corpus could be used in an emergency situation.

**PROPOSED AMENDMENT**

Section 6: The Sims-Stackhouse Mansion Endowment funds shall be invested and reinvested in any manner approved by the Headquarters Committee, with the advice of a professional investment advisor, with prior notification to the GFWC-SC President and First Vice-President. Only the dividends and interest of the Endowment would be used for maintenance, except that during any fiscal year no more than ten per cent of the corpus could be used in an emergency situation.

Rationale: To provide for the advice of a professional investment advisor and to provide notification to the GFWC-SC President and First Vice-President when a transaction takes place.

**ARTICLE XIII - STANDING COMMITTEES**

**CURRENT BYLAW**

Section 5: The Headquarters Committee

A. The Headquarters Committee shall consist of six members with two new members appointed at the beginning of each year of the administration. Any vacancies occurring during a term shall be filled by the President for the remainder of the unexpired term. Said members shall serve for a period of three years and shall be ineligible for re-appointment until one year has elapsed since the close of a member's last term of service. Each two years the Committee shall elect from themselves a chairman and secretary to serve for a two-year term. The Committee or its designee, shall have authority to invest and reinvest the Sims-Stackhouse Mansion Endowment funds and authorize expenditures therefrom. Additional duties of the Committee shall be determined by the Executive Committee. A copy of the policies and rules governing this Committee shall be given each member on her appointment. Three members shall constitute a quorum. The Chairman has responsibility for and signature authority on the GFWC-SC Headquarters Account. The Chairman is responsible for depositing rental checks and paying Headquarters expenditures.

## PROPOSED AMENDMENT

### Section 5: The Headquarters Committee

A. The Headquarters Committee shall consist of six(6) members with two new (delete “new”) members appointed at the beginning of each year of the administration. Any vacancies occurring during a term shall be filled by the President for the remainder of the unexpired term. Said members shall serve for a period of three years and shall be eligible for re-appointment. (Delete: “ineligible for re-appointment until one year has elapsed since the close of a member's last term of service.”) Each two years the Committee shall elect from themselves a chairman and secretary to serve for a two-year term. The Headquarters Committee shall have authority, as provided in the Bylaws, Article VI , Section 6, to invest and reinvest the Sims-Stackhouse Mansion Endowment funds. Additional duties of the Committee shall be determined by the Executive Committee. A copy of the policies and rules governing this Committee shall be given each member on her appointment. Three members shall constitute a quorum. The Chairman of the Headquarters Committee, the Treasurer of GFWC-SC, and the Headquarters Financial Manager, shall have signature authority on the GFWC-SC Headquarters account. The Chairman of the Headquarters Committee and the Headquarters Financial Manager are responsible for depositing all monies and paying Headquarter expenditures.

Rationale: To ensure continuity and to provide for the efficient handling of the Headquarters Committee business.

ADDED FOR CLARITY: (IF THIS AMENDMENT PASSES, THE NEW BYLAW WOULD READ:

### Section 5: The Headquarters Committee

A. The Headquarters Committee shall consist of six (6) members with two members appointed at the beginning of each year of the administration. Any vacancies occurring during a term shall be filled by the President for the remainder of the unexpired term. Said members shall serve for a period of three years and shall be eligible for re-appointment. Each two years the Committee shall elect from themselves a chairman and secretary to serve for a two-year term. The Headquarters Committee shall have authority, as provided in the Bylaws, Article VI, Section 6, to invest and reinvest the Sims-Stackhouse Mansion Endowment funds. Additional duties of the Committee shall be determined by the Executive Committee. A copy of the policies and rules governing this Committee shall be given to each member on her appointment. Three members shall constitute a quorum. The Chairman of the Headquarters Committee, the Treasurer of GFWC-SC, and the Headquarters Financial Manager, shall have signature authority on the GFWC-SC Headquarters account. The Chairman of the Headquarters Committee and the Headquarters Financial Manager are responsible for depositing all monies and paying Headquarter expenditures.)

### Section 5: The Headquarters Committee

#### CURRENT BYLAW

Section 5. C. N/A

## PROPOSED AMENDMENT

### ADD SECTION 5. C.

C. Emeritus members, at the discretion of the Headquarters Committee, shall be appointed to positions that are vital to the smooth operation of this Committee. In the event an emeritus member holds a vital position, she shall have voting privileges. No more than three (3) emeritus members shall have voting privileges at any one time.

Rationale: This would allow emeritus members who have vital positions on the Committee a voice in the decision making process.

## GFWC-SC CONSTITUTION

### ARTICLE VII – FUNDS

#### CURRENT CONSTITUTION

There shall be six (6) separately identified funds of the GFWC-SC, namely: the General Fund, the Endowment Fund, the Scholarship Fund, the Headquarters Fund, the Sims-Stackhouse Mansion Endowment, and the Augusta Wolff Fund.

## PROPOSED AMENDMENT

There shall be seven (7) separately identified funds of the GFWC-SC, namely: the General Fund, the Endowment Fund, the Scholarship Fund, the Headquarters Fund, the Sims-Stackhouse Mansion Endowment, the Augusta Wolff Fund, and the Disaster Relief Fund.

Rationale: To establish a Fund designated to provide aid to GFWC State Federations and GFWC-SC members of GFWC-SC in time of "act of nature" disasters.

Rationale: To establish a Fund designated to aid GWFC and members

## GFWC-SC BYLAWS

### ARTICLE VI – FUNDS

#### CURRENT BYLAW

Section 1. The Funds of the Federation shall be kept in six (6) separate accounts, namely: General Fund, Endowment Fund, Scholarship Fund, Headquarters Fund, Sims-Stackhouse Mansion Endowment, and Augusta Wolff Fund.

#### PROPOSED AMENDMENT

Section 1. The Funds of the Federation shall be kept in seven (7) separate accounts, namely: General Fund, Endowment Fund, Scholarship Fund, Headquarters Fund, Sims-Stackhouse Mansion Endowment, Augusta Wolff Fund, and Disaster Relief Fund.

Rationale: To establish an Account designated to provide aid to GFWC State Federations and members of GFWC-SC in "act of nature" disasters.

### ARTICLE VI - FUNDS

#### CURRENT BYLAW

Section 9. N/A

#### PROPOSED AMENDMENT

ADD : Section 9. The Disaster Relief Fund

Section 9. The Disaster Relief Fund shall be kept in a separate account called the GFWC-SC Disaster Relief Fund Account, into which all contributions for this purpose shall be deposited. This Fund was established to provide aid relief for GFWC State Federations and members of GFWC-SC in times of "act of nature" disasters. A committee of five (5) members shall oversee the collection and distribution of this Fund. At the discretion of the Committee, based on the number of applicants, need, and funds available, funds may be awarded to GFWC State Federations as well as to GFWC-SC members whose names have been submitted for financial aid assistance. The Chairman shall maintain a record of all contributions to the Disaster Relief Fund, all requests submitted to the Committee, and all donations made from this Fund.

Rationale: To establish a Fund designated to help GFWC State Federations and GWFC-SC members in "act of nature" disasters.

### ARTICLE XIII - STANDING COMMITTEES

#### CURRENT BYLAW

Section 1. There shall be seven Standing Committees: Executive, Credentials, Resolutions, Headquarters, Convention/Meetings Planning, Finance, Constitution and Bylaws. The members and chairmen of these Committees, with the exception of the Executive Committee, shall be appointed by the President.

#### PROPOSED AMENDMENT

Section 1. There shall be eight (8) Standing Committees: Executive, Credentials, Resolutions, Headquarters, Convention/Meetings Planning, Finance, Constitution and Bylaws, and Disaster Relief Fund. The members and chairmen of these Committees, with the exception of the Executive Committee, and with the exception of chairmen that are provided for elsewhere in the Bylaws, shall be appointed by the President.

Rationale: To establish a Committee to be responsible for the Disaster Relief Fund, and to clarify how the various Committee Chairmen positions are filled.

#### ARTICLE XIII – STANDING COMMITTEES

##### CURRENT BYLAW

Section 8. N/A

##### PROPOSED AMENDMENT

Add Section 8.

Section 8. The Disaster Relief Fund Committee

The Disaster Relief Fund Committee shall consist of five (5) members, one of which shall be the GFWC-SC First Vice-President who shall serve as Chairman. The GFWC-SC President shall appoint the four (4) additional members, who shall serve a two (2) year term, and may be eligible for reappointment. The GFWC-SC Treasurer shall be ex officio member. It shall be the duty of this committee to oversee the collection and distribution of these funds in times of an “act of nature” disaster, in accordance with Article VI. Section 9. of the Bylaws.

Rationale. To establish responsibility to implement collection and distribution of funds at time of need.

#### VIII - DUTIES AND TERMS OF OFFICERS

##### CURRENT BYLAW

Section 3. The First Vice President shall be the Chairman of the District Presidents, Chairman of the Membership Committee and a member of the Convention Program Committee. She shall assist the President as required. She shall assume the duties of President-elect at the conclusion of Convention of her first year in office. The President-elect shall be installed as President at the next annual Convention held in an even numbered calendar year and shall assume the duties of the President at the adjournment of the Convention

##### PROPOSED AMENDMENT

Section 3. The First Vice President shall be the Chairman of the District Presidents, Chairman of the Membership Committee and a member of the Convention Program Committee. She shall assist the President as required. As Membership Chairman she shall serve as Chairman of the Disaster Relief Fund Committee and shall be responsible for the Women in Business Directory. She shall assume the duties of President-elect at the conclusion of Convention of her first year in office. The President-elect shall be installed as President at the next annual Convention held in an even numbered calendar year and shall assume the duties of the President at the adjournment of the Convention.

Rationale: To add additional duties of the First Vice-President as Membership Chairman.

Bobbie Sox, Chairman  
Constitution & Bylaws Committee

## Club News

Lexington County Senator Katrina Shealy was the Guest Speaker at the November meeting of Lexington Woman’s Club. Senator Shealy spoke on Criminal Domestic Violence and its impact on not only our county and state but on the nation. Senator Shealy introduced the Criminal Domestic Violence bill in the South Carolina Legislature during the last session. South Carolina unfortunately continues to rank nationally among the top ten states in the number of domestic violent acts committed annually. “Domestic Violence Awareness and Prevention” is the Signature Project of the General Federation of Women’s Club, and it is an emphasis of the GFWC-SC President Caroline Mahaffey. The Lexington Woman’s Club Home Life Community Service Program arranged for Senator Shealy’s appearance at the club meeting.



Pictured above from L to R: Home Life Co-Chairs Sheri Kimball and Sue Wharton, Senator Shealy, and LWC President Frances Dantzer.



**Palmetto Woman’s Club**  
**January 25, 2016 Meeting Guest Speaker Combat**  
**Veteran: Colonel Roger Rucker, USAF (Ret.)**



The Woman’s Society  
of Batesburg-Leesville presents

# PJ’s & Pearls

## BRUNCH

**Saturday, April 2, 2016**  
**10:30 A.M.-12:00 Noon**  
**Ponderosa Country Club**  
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*All mothers, daughters, sisters, and friends are invited to join the Woman’s Society for a morning filled with delicious food, fellowship and fun with entertainment for all ages.*

SUGGESTED ATTIRE: PJ’S AND PEARLS.  
DONATIONS OF TOILETRY ITEMS WILL BE ACCEPTED

\$10

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PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT SISTERCARE (SERVICES FOR VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE) AND EPWORTH CENTER FOR CHILDREN

## IN LOVING MEMORY

### **Nancy Fussell Whitlaw**

Nancy joined the Lake Murray-Irmo Woman's Club in August 1989 and went to her Lord in October 2015. She was very active in the club, joining in all their fundraising efforts for the Irmo branch of the Lexington County Library and the many other charities the club supports, including the Honor Flight, Canines for Veterans, and Sistercare. At Nancy's suggestion, the club began selling pecans in 2013 as an additional fundraiser which has been successful. The club honored Nancy in May by creating the Nancy Whitlaw Distinguished Service Award, which was presented by her and the club president to a long-standing member. She also volunteered her talents to Sharing God's Love Ministry, Riverland Hills classes, the Columbia Newcomers Club and the Columbia Residents Club. Nancy enjoyed traveling, attending and watching Clemson football and playing bridge with friends.



### **Violette Ann Hall**

Violette Ann Stevens Hall, 97, of Charleston, passed away Saturday, February 20, 2016.



Violette Hall was born on May 17, 1918 in Davenport, a very small town in western Virginia. She was the beloved wife of the late Rev. Howard Ray Hall, a United Methodist minister born in Logan County, WA. Together they dedicated their life to serving in many churches and raising their five children.

Violette was a remarkable woman and an inspiration to many. She was a lovely person who always saw the good in everyone. Her family would often relate incidents of complete strangers who came up to her in public places and told her how they enjoyed looking at her and her way of talking and laughing in such a pleasant way. She will

be greatly missed.

She was an active member of Bethal United Methodist Church. Her leadership qualities led her to serving as a leader in the UW and her Circle. She was also president of the Women's Club of Charleston, a leader in the Republican Woman's Club, and owned a Key West Fashions dress shop in Kiawah and downtown Charleston.

To many she was like a gift that kept on giving for 97 years. Her only regret was that too many of her friends passed away long before she did and she missed them so much.

Survivors include her son, Harry Ray Hall (Joy), from Chesapeake, VA and her two daughters, Rosemary Hall Taylor and Rebecca Hall Booth, both of James Island, who were her caregivers for 12 years. Also part of her loving family are 15 grandchildren and 25 great-grandchildren.

In addition to her husband she was predeceased by two sons, Howard Lynn Hall and Michael Leon Hall.

## ***YOU CAN BE A WINNER!***

GFWC sponsors a number of contests for individual members, clubs, and State Federations. This is in addition to the regular judging in the program and advancement areas.

They include a Newsletter Contest, Photography Contest, Media Campaign Contest, Website Contest, and a Writing Contest. Unless otherwise noted, the deadline for these entries is March 15. The photography contest and the writing contest are limited to amateurs.

### **The Categories for Photography are:**

The World in Pictures

Living Things

Scenes

Still Life

GFWC Volunteers in Action

A Year in Pictures (also known as the Calendar Contest)

All photography entries must be brought to the registration table at Convention, no later than Noon on Friday, April 22.

### **The Categories for Writing are:**

GFWC Member Short Story

GFWC Member Poetry Writing Contest

Youth Short Story Writing Contest

Youth Poetry Writing Contest.

GFWC – SC has age categories for the youth writing competition: K-2; 3-5; 6-8; and 9-12 grades. Writing Entries should be sent to Ann Fornwald, 1466 Moutrie Dr., Aiken, SC 29803 no later than March 15.

Further information on the requirements for these various contests can be found at [www.gfwc.org](http://www.gfwc.org), or from our state chairmen in these various areas.

GFWC-SC also sponsors a yearbook contest and a scrapbook contest. Scrapbooks must be delivered to the registration table at Convention, no later than Noon, Friday, April 22.

A waiver must be signed for any submissions to these award categories.



# CREATIVE ARTS WAIVER

With my signature I declare that:

- I have created the submitted work, entitled \_\_\_\_\_, and I own the full copyright. The work has not been published before.
- With my work, including pictures, tables, or additional media, I do not violate or infringe the copyright of other persons or entities.

The work in question is (please check one):       Photography       Poetry       Short Story

- I grant the General Federation of Women's Clubs a royalty-free perpetual license to use, reproduce, post, display, create derivative works, sell, license, or sub-license the work in any media now known or later invented without limitation, for commercial or non-commercial purposes.
- I agree that I shall not release the work to any other publication in the same or substantially similar form, without prior written and explicit consent from the General Federation of Women's Clubs.

This agreement shall become effective and binding at the date of formal acceptance of the work for publication by the General Federation of Women's Clubs.

Full Name (Print)		
Mailing Address		
City	State	Zip
Email		
Phone		

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Signature (if submitter is under 18 years of age)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date



# GFWC-SC CLUBWOMAN ARTS CONTEST INFORMATION AND RELEASE FORM

## RELEASE FORM—INDIVIDUAL ENTRIES

The following statement **MUST** accompany each work submitted in ANY Category. Please copy as needed.

I will not, in any way hold the Arts Department of GFWC-SC or GFWC-SC responsible for damage, fire, loss, or theft of the item I have submitted.

**Name of Entrant (print)** \_\_\_\_\_ **Signature** \_\_\_\_\_

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

### **GFWC THE WORLD IN PICTURES CONTEST:** (amateurs only)

- Categories: \_\_\_ Natural History: flowers, animals, insects, etc.  
 \_\_\_ Scenic: vistas, landscapes, seascapes, snow scenes, bridges, parks, farmland, etc.  
 \_\_\_ Feature: human interest picture including people, events, etc.

### **GFWC VOLUNTEERS IN ACTION PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST:** \_\_\_\_\_ (amateurs only)

THIS RELEASE FORM MUST BE ATTACHED SECURELY TO EVERY ENTRY.  
 ENTRIES MUST BE DELIVERED TO THE REGISTRATION AREA BY NOON FRIDAY, APRIL 22nd.

**General Federation of Women's Clubs  
 South Carolina  
 2014-2016  
Scrapbook Rating Sheet and Release Form**

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

President's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

President's Contact Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Members: \_\_\_\_\_ Category: \_\_\_\_\_ District: \_\_\_\_\_

General Club: \_\_\_\_\_ Junior Club: \_\_\_\_\_ Juniorette Club: \_\_\_\_\_

**Release:**

I will not, in any way, hold the GFWC-SC Community Service Arts Department responsible for damage, fire, loss or theft of the item(s) I have submitted:

Remitter's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Remitter's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please complete the information above; DO NOT write in the space below**

**Judging Criteria:**

Category	Available Points	Points Received
Rating/Release Form signed, completed and attached to inside cover?	5	
Scrapbook Cover, Club Name and Current Club Year?	5	
Size is limited to a maximum consisting of 50 pages, front and back with measurements 14 inches wide by 16 inches in height?	5	
Title page includes the club name, district, and number of members?	5	
The Scrapbook follows a distinct theme in accordance with the cover and title pages?	10	
Each Scrapbook page is numbered accordingly in the right hand corner for right hand pages and in the left hand corner for left hand pages?	5	
Scrapbook includes current Executive Officers list, special appointments, club roster of membership and club projects?	5	
New club members are featured within the scrapbook?	10	
Newspaper and magazine articles must include the date and name of the publication.	5	
Club, civic activities and projects must be described on the pages(s) in which they appear?	10	
Judges overall impression including neatness, originality, effort, etc.	35	
<b><u>TOTAL SUM:</u></b>	<b><u>100</u></b>	

**OFFICIAL CALL**  
**118th ANNUAL CONVENTION OF**  
**GENERAL FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS OF SOUTH CAROLINA**  
**April 22-23, 2016**  
**Columbia Marriott, 1200 Hampton St., Columbia, SC 29201**  
**Host Districts: Central and Western**  
**Convention CoHosts: Kaye Hunke and Billie Chartier**

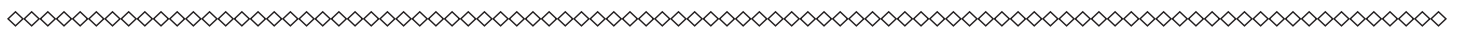
The General Federation of Women's Club of South Carolina will hold its annual convention on April 22 and 23 at the Marriott Hotel in Columbia, SC. Activities will include a special luncheon celebrating Juniors and their Advocates for Children Project. A representative from Palmetto Place will speak to the group at this luncheon, which is intended for all members of GFWC South Carolina. South Carolina Attorney General Alan Wilson will address those at the Opening Session on Friday morning. Headquarters will be open on Saturday afternoon for the second semi-annual Lemonade on Laurel, allowing all members the opportunity to see this gorgeous building, and experience some of GFWC SC's history first hand.

The deadline to take advantage of the group rate \$125.00 per night plus taxes and fees at the Marriott is April 1, 2016. Reservations must be made with the Marriott by calling 1-800-228-9290 and specifying you want the GFWC SC group rate. There is a charge for parking at the Marriott, so try to car pool!

Convention Registration is due by Monday, April 11, 2016. A late fee will be assessed for registrations received and meals ordered after April 11 until April 18. An additional fee will be assessed for any walk-ins, and there will be no meal guarantee after April 18. Business attire is appropriate for Friday morning's session and business casual for Saturday morning's session. Friday evening is the Denim and Diamonds Banquet. Come in your glitz and glam! Saturday evening either cocktail or formal attire is appropriate.

The Juniors will be holding their annual Purse and Bag Auction during Friday night's banquet, and have some great plans for some fun after the banquet. Each club is being asked to bring a basket for a raffle. Baskets will be on display throughout the weekend.

There will also be an opportunity to win a beautiful quilt, with the proceeds to go to the Disaster Relief Fund.



**Preliminary GFWC-SC Convention Agenda**  
(order is subject to change)

All events at Marriott Hotel, Columbia SC unless specified at GFWC SC Headquarters

**Thursday, April 21, 2016**

- 6:00 p.m. Executive Committee Meeting                      GFWC SC Headquarters, 1511 Laurel St.
- 7:00 p.m. Past Presidents' Dinner                              GFWC SC Headquarters

**Friday, April 22, 2016**

- 10:00 a.m. Board of Directors Meeting
- 11:00 a.m. Opening Session, GFWC-SC Convention 2016
- 1:00 p.m. Luncheon
- 6:00 p.m. Social Hour
- 7:00 p.m. Denim and Diamonds Banquet

**Saturday, April 23, 2016**

- 9:00 a.m. GFWC SC Memorial Service
- 9:30 a.m. Business Session
- 1:00 p.m. Luncheon Celebrating the Juniors
- 3:00 Lemonade on Laurel (Headquarters)
- 6:00 Social Hour
- 7:00 Installation Banquet
- 9:30 Celebration

## GFWC-SC CONVENTION REGISTRATION

Send completed form for EACH attendee, with check(s) payable to GFWC-SC to:

Elizabeth Herring, 327 Annapolis Rd., Lexington, SC 29072. Registration fees: \$15 by April 11; \$20. by April 18; after April 18, \$25. There will be no meal guarantee for anyone registering after April 18.

Registration will be open at 9:45 Friday morning, and stay open until after Friday's luncheon has ended. It will open Saturday morning at 8:30 and close at 10:30 a.m. **ANYONE wishing to vote at the business session Saturday morning MUST be registered by 10:30.** Registration will also be open both evenings at 5:45, and remain open for 30 minutes.

If you are in more than one club, list the club you are representing. You may only represent one. There is one delegate allowed for each ten members, rounded to the nearest tenth.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

DISTRICT \_\_\_\_\_ CLUB \_\_\_\_\_  
(list only one)

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

### MARK ONLY ONE - YOUR HIGHEST CURRENT POSITION

#### A. VOTING

- \_\_\_\_ Past President
- \_\_\_\_ State Officer (inc. District Presidents)
- \_\_\_\_ GFWC-SC Program/Special Project Chairman
- \_\_\_\_ Standing Committee Chairman
- \_\_\_\_ Club President or Appointee
- \_\_\_\_ Club Delegate/Voting
- \_\_\_\_ Member-at-Large

#### MEDICAL INFORMATION

Any medications to be taken in case of emergency, and where medication may be found (you are encouraged to keep any such medications within reach.): \_\_\_\_\_

Notify in case of Emergency: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_ Allergies to Medicines: \_\_\_\_\_

#### MEAL RESERVATIONS

- \_\_\_\_ Past Presidents Dinner 7:00 \$20.00
- \_\_\_\_ Friday Luncheon ... OUR NEXT 125 YEARS \$30.00
- \_\_\_\_ Friday Banquet ....DENIM AND DIAMONDS \$50.00
- \_\_\_\_ Saturday Luncheon... ADVOCATES FOR CHILDREN \$30.00
- \_\_\_\_ Saturday Banquet....CELEBRATE \$50.00

**Special dietary needs:** \_\_\_\_ vegetarian \_\_\_\_ gluten free \_\_\_\_ allergies

Please provide a typed list of food allergies on a separate sheet and include with registration. Bring an additional copy to convention.

**Registration:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_ **Meals:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_ **Late fee:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_ **Total:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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**DATES TO REMEMBER 2016**

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| April 21-23 GFWC-SC Annual Convention<br>Marriott Hotel, Columbia, SC   | April 24 Executive Committee Board of Directors<br>Meeting - Marriott Hotel, Columbia, SC |
| June 23-29 GFWC International Clubwoman Conven-<br>tion Baltimore, Maryland   | July 22 - Program Council - Executive Committee<br>Meeting                                |
| July 23 - 2016 Summer Board, Junior Board<br>Meeting and Program Fair Saluda River Baptist<br>Church Family Life Center | October 20-23 Southern Region Conference - Florida  |

**1511 Society - Annual Membership Drive**

It's time to join the "1511 Society" by contributing to the maintenance of the Headquarters Building located at 1511 Laurel Street in Columbia. All individuals or clubs contributing through the month of April will be entered into a drawing for a \$100 VISA card to be drawn on May 1st. Any increment of \$15.11, \$151.10, etc. will be greatly appreciated and is a tax deductible gift.

**Mail your contribution to:**

GFWC-SC Headquarters  
1511 Laurel Street  
Columbia, SC 29201

**Questions:** 803-252-6756

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_

**GFWC-SC  
President's Travel Fund  
Basket Fund Raiser**



Please donate a basket  
from your club.  
Baskets will be on display Saturday  
morning. Drawings will be held  
Saturday after dinner.