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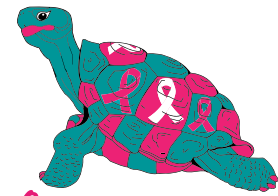
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Sharing Our Passion



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I cannot believe that fall is in the air and we are off to another exciting year of club work and serving our communities. We had a very successful Summer Session with 90 in attendance! Thank you so much to the great Community Service Chairmen, Advancement Area Chairmen and Special Projects Chairmen for doing a fabulous job with our Program Fair. As you read this, several of our District Conferences have been held and the same message is being given across the state by your Executive Committee. Thank you District President's for your leadership in planning successful meetings! I want to remind you that our Southern Region Conference is coming up in October in Jacksonville, Florida. I hope you will gather your club friends and travel with your EC to a great weekend of learning and meeting our Southern Sisters. The "Call" is included in this magazine.

Our Bus Trip to Washington, D.C. is December 4-6. I hope you are marking your calendar to go on this very first "Girlfriends Trip" with me. Registration information can be found on our website and from your club president. Speaking of our website, I hope you have a chance to visit our newly updated gfwc-sc.org website. Tonja Ivey has done a remarkable job bringing this to life with many new items added. Most importantly we have added our "Members Only" section where you can find all things GFWC-SC! Please take a moment to visit the site and let us know what you think!

At the Summer Board of Directors Meeting, it was approved that we hold "An Evening with Jeanne Robertson" to benefit Sandhills Schools Scholarships and GFWC-SC. This event is planned for Saturday, July 22, 2017, at the Medallion Center in Columbia. This event is open to the public and is being planned in conjunction with our 2017 Summer Board Meeting/Session. More information on this very exciting event can be found on our website.

I hope you are enjoying our new "Notes with a Passion" you are receiving in your email. This is a quick way to get information straight to you, our members, in a timely manner.

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

Janet

Happy fall, GFWC-South Carolina! I know everyone is busy now that school is back in session, football season has begun and club years are kicking off! I hope everyone is ready to do better than ever before, what work we have to do!

I hope all SC clubs are planning to participate in “Bunco for Babies” this October. I would like clubs to host an event that is most convenient for your members; a social to bring in new members, in place of a meeting or a fellowship event. The concept is easy: play Bunco, have fun and winner splits the pot with March of Dimes. Please make donations during Advocates for Children week (October 23-29) and be sure to notate this is a GFWC donation! You will report this event under Advocates for Children but please e-mail me you make the donation advising the number of participants and dollars donated.

Calling all Junior artists- please submit your designs for a GFWC t-shirt to me by the end of October. We will review the designs and send them out to our Junior clubs to be voted on. Since I hope to sell these shirts to other federations, I prefer they not be state/junior specific. Designs should be for the front of t-shirt and in one color.



Katie Moydell
GFWC-SC
 Director of
 Junior Clubs



I am excited to share that we are planning a Statewide Junior Project/Fun Night, February 4. Details will follow but we will meet in Charleston to work on a project for Doors to Freedom. After our project, we will enjoy a social evening- I hope to see as many juniors as possible!

Hopefully, everyone has had a chance to friend us on Facebook, we can be found by searching GFWC South Carolina Juniors. If not, please do so. I am so excited about our new Junior Page on the GFWC-SC website. Thank you, Tonja Ivey for your hard work.

I am looking forward to this year and as always, am here if you need anything. Please feel to contact me, Carrie Zimmerman (Director Elect) or Shelli Pue (Special Assistant to

Director) if you have any questions, concerns, etc. I can't wait to see what we all accomplish when we live each day, trying to accomplish something, not merely to exist!

In Junior Love- Katie

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GFWC-SC The Real Deal

The theme for the 2016-2018 Administration’s Membership Recruitment Campaign is GFWC, “It’s the Real Deal”. Each of the quarters has a card game theme: Go Fish for Members (due September 1), Bridge the Gap (due December 1), Game of Hearts (due March 1) and 52 Pick-Up (due June 1). Postcards to submit the necessary information will be available on our new and improved state website under Membership and may be distributed at the district conferences. Be sure to check out the Membership Advancement Guide in the Club Manual available at GFWC’s website. There are lots of great ideas for marketing GFWC membership, retaining members, and welcoming new members.



Juliet Casper
GFWC-SC
First Vice President



I am so happy to announce that we have a new statewide club, Dream Makers of GFWC-SC. This is also our first cyber club! Vickie Lovett, our state photographer, is the President and the club already has 16 members. This cyber club will conduct its “meetings” through its Facebook Group Page with annual meeting each June to elect and install new officers and present annual reports. Ladies that may be too busy to attend meetings may find that this club is just a perfect fit for their schedule.

Juliet



Norma England
GFWC-SC
Secretary

Just a few tips and reminders for all club and district secretaries.

You all know it is our job to record accurately the minutes of all club meetings. Remember to include the title of each meeting, the date and the time, and location of the meeting.

Example: GFWC-SC Summer Session, July 23, 2016 10:00 a.m., Saluda River Baptist Church, West Columbia, SC.

Also include those in attendance. Remember the minutes are the official record of the final decisions made. You do NOT have to include all the discussion involved in the issue, you just record the final decisions.

It is very helpful if you arrive early at each meeting, that way you will be prepared and ready when the meeting begins. Also if you are there ahead of time, it will be easier for members to give you copies of their reports ahead of time. It is a good policy to ask (really insist, but in a nice way) all chairmen and officers to give you their reports in writing. It is even better if they give you the reports before the meeting begins.

Good luck! Hope you all have a wonderful club year!!!

Norma



Kristin Fields
GFWC-SC
Second Vice President



I am excited to begin our first year of the new administration with each of you. Many clubs begin the year planning new activities, programs and guest speakers for your club meetings. As plans are being made for the upcoming year, consider the new awards approved at the Program Council meeting in July.

President Special Programs Awards:

Club Awards:

The Symbol of Longevity Award” to the club in each category with the best overall program in support of “What Color Is Your Cancer?”

“The Slow and Steady Award” to the club in each category with the best overall program in support of Dyslexia Awareness.

“The Turtle Shell of Protection Award” to the club in each category with the best overall program in support of the Your State...Your Project...the GFWC Signature Program – Domestic Violence Awareness.

District Awards:

“The Affection Award” to the district with the best overall support of “What Color is Your Cancer?” through donations, awareness and volunteering.

“The Passion Award” to the district with the best overall support of Dyslexia Awareness through donations, awareness and volunteering.

“The Devotion Award” to the district with the best overall support of “Your State...Your Project – GFWC Signature Program – Domestic Violence Awareness.

Director of Junior Clubs Special Programs Awards

Samantha’s Hopeful Award: Named after a local homeless teen starting her Junior year at USC, this will be awarded to the General Club that overall best incorporates the Director’s Special Program focusing on Homeless Teens and Human Trafficking. Reporting in both areas of this program preferred.

Magic’s Hopeful Award: Named after a local homeless teen who just graduated high school; this will be awarded to the Junior Club that overall best incorporates the Director’s Special Program focusing on Homeless Teens and Human Trafficking. Reporting in both areas of this award preferred.

The Millie Crom United Award: Named after the first International Director of Junior clubs; this will be awarded to the junior clubs which report the best joint project undertaken by 2 or more junior clubs working together.

The GFWC website has many resources that may be helpful in planning club projects. The website address that will take you to the club manual is: <http://www.gfwc.org/membership/club-manual>. Within the Club Manual you will find GFWC Top Projects and GFWC Partners which lists projects and other ideas for your club.

Please mark your calendars for Winter Board and Reporting Workshop to be held on January 7, 2017. I hope to see you all then.

I look forward to working with you!

Kristin



Kathie Walker
GFWC-SC
Treasurer

Upcoming Important Dates

IRS Return

The e-Postcard (Form 990-N, Electronic Notice for Tax-Exempt Organizations Not Required to File Form 990 or Form 990EZ, is used by small, tax-exempt organizations for annual reporting and can only be submitted electronically) and is due every year by the **15th day of the 5th month after the close of your tax year**. For example, if your tax year ended on December 31, the e-Postcard is due May 15 of the following year. If the due date falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, the due date is the next business day. You cannot file the e-Postcard until after your tax year ends.

There is a new process this year. Electronic submissions should now be made through IRS.gov instead of Urban Institute’s website, as was done in the previous years. Form 990-N filers will be required to complete a short, one-time registration before submitting their electronic form to IRS.gov.

SC Secretary Of State Charitable Organization Registration

Annual Financial Report for a Charitable Organization - This form is used by the charitable organization to report financial information to the Secretary of State on an annual basis (4 ½ months after the close of the charitable organization’s fiscal year). No Fee.

Application For Registration Exemption - This form is used by charitable organizations that are exempt from registration requirements. This form should be submitted to the Secretary of State’s Office on an annual basis (4 ½ months after the close of the charitable organization’s fiscal year). No Fee.

Registration Statement for a Charitable Organization - This form is used by the charitable organization to register with the Secretary of State’s Office on an annual basis (4 ½ months after the close of the charitable organization’s fiscal year). \$50.00.

SC Secretary Of State Raffle Registration

Generally, in order to conduct a raffle, a nonprofit organization must file an annual raffle registration form with the SC Secretary of State Division of Public Charities. 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, 4 ½ months after the end of their fiscal year. This form is also available on the Secretary of State’s website (includes itemized receipts/expenditures for each “non-exempt” raffle). This form is also available on the Secretary of State’s website. \$50.00.

Club Remittance Form (with Dues)

The Club Remittance Form – located on GFWC-SC Website, is due by November 1, 2016. Mail Club Remittance form, check for dues (payable to GFWC-SC), and a copy of your corrected membership roster postmarked by November 1. An electronic copy of your club roster, e-mailed to wfwkew@comporium.net, rather than hardcopy, would be greatly appreciated. Please see www.IRS.gov and www.sos.sc.gov for additional information.

Unfettered

Clouded eyes wishfully looking back darken the blinding opportunities of light.
A life timbered by nostalgia crumbles each new day to ruin.
Plans locked by a stilled clock deaden the ticking of now.
Fear for “what may” smothers the power of “what if.”
Softly gloved hands can never feel the real.
Hearts that only beat will never sing with hope.

Janet R. Smalley
GFWC-SC Poet Laureate

South Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs Progress Foundation

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GFWC-SC Clubs should choose a project and make plans to carry out the project. Clubs should submit an application to SCFWC Progress Foundation for a grant to help fund your project. Ask for an amount that your club can match and that the Foundation will be able to fund. Remember that investments have not made the same return in previous years. Be sure to mail a copy of the application to the Chairman, the Secretary, and the Treasurer of the Foundation. The application must be postmarked by November 15. The project should come from the list on the back of the application that was in the President's Packet provided at the Presidents' Institute. Only the Clubs whose dues have been paid on time and have written a 'Thank You note' for a grant given in the previous year will be considered for a Grant. Grant Applications can be found in the Presidents' Packet given out at Presidents' Institution.

This is a little history of SCFWC Progress Foundation. General Federation of Women's Clubs of South Carolina are indebted to those who have gone before for their wisdom and foresight for establishing South Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs Progress Foundation. The Executive Committee of South Carolina Women's Clubs created Progress Foundation on August 31, 1951. Many club women and businesses donated to the Foundation. This gave the Foundation money to make donations from the interest earned on the Fund to provide the clubs of General Federation of Women's Clubs with money to supplement each club's donation to community service. This Foundation was established and organized and shall operate exclusively for charitable, educational, literary and scientific purposes, and for the prevention of cruelty to children, all exclusively, within the state of South Carolina. The Foundation may not profit any individual or any private shareholder. Upon Termination of this Foundation all property of the Foundation of whatsoever type and whatsoever situation, shall be conveyed and distributed in equal shares to the tax supported county libraries in South Carolina, and if none are in existence at such time, then said property of the Foundation for use of other property and funds of S.C. Industrial Schools [Penal] in equal shares to each school.

This information came from the SCFWC Yearbook for 1979-1980. In this Yearbook there is a complete list of donors to the Foundation. Additional Funds are not really needed in this Foundation.

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What Color is YOUR Cancer?

Who Determines Cancer Awareness Colors

When I started my research on this project, I was amazed that there were so many cancer colors. Surprisingly, the American Cancer Society is not responsible; they provide many services and research funding but are not involved with the cancer color awareness.

It began in the 1980's when Susan G. Komen, a small grassroots organization born to bring awareness for breast cancer, created the "Pink Ribbon!" We all know the rest of that story and how it has become a nationwide campaign.

Other organizations jumped on the ribbon bandwagon and cancer awareness colors such as Teal for Ovarian Cancer, Light Blue for Prostate Cancer, and many others were introduced by non-profit organizations. In the 90's the Childhood Cancer Organization banded together and chose Gold (because our children are as precious as gold). Organizations such as the Lung Cancer Alliance, the National Cervical Cancer Coalition, the Colon Cancer Alliance, among many other cancer organization have assigned or acknowledged a color for their cancer.

We would encourage our GFWC-SC clubs to bring awareness to the cancer or cancers you choose by using the Calendar of Cancer Awareness Months provided below. September has six cancers, October has two, and November five. Create any project, participate in the walks or runs for your cause, invite a nurse, doctor, or survivor to speak at your meeting and bring friends. Put together "Bags of Hope" and deliver them to your local oncology centers or doctor's offices. You can go to the site, Choose Hope, for materials you may want to purchase. I have taken my information from this very useful source.

GFWC-SC President's Special Project Chair

Sylvia Ayers



Dyslexia Awareness

One of our GFWC-SC President's Special Projects for the 2016-2018 administration is "Dyslexia Awareness." Since Janet's husband and both daughters have varying levels of dyslexia, this is a topic of great interest to our President. Even though we have all heard of dyslexia, most of us have only a vague understanding of what it really is and how it affects the way people learn and function in their daily lives. Therefore, each club is encouraged to have a speaker or take on a project to increase your understanding and awareness of dyslexia; work with and support a school in your area that specializes in teaching young people with this language based learning disability; and even help to fund scholarships for teachers to get specialized training so they can learn to recognize the disability and help their students learn more effectively.

GFWC-SC President's Special Project Chairman

Gail Elfert

Your State....Your Project....Domestic Violence Awareness

Members chose the GFWC Signature Program: Domestic Violence Awareness for the "Your State...Your Project". September is Domestic Violence Awareness Month so plan a project now to address this issue in your community.

GFWC-SC President's Special Project Chairman
"Your State...Your Project"

Sue Burgess

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Home Life Community Service Program

Goals for Home Life CSP for 2016-2018

At this time there are two GFWC partner organizations in the Home Life CSP during this administration. They are Canine Companions for Independence (South Carolina is covered by the CCI Southeast Region Center in Orlando, F), (www.cci.org) and Easter Seals (<http://sc.easterseals.com>). The Heart Truth (www.hearttruth.gov) and Inside Knowledge (<http://www.cdc.gov/cancer/knowledge>) are no longer Partners but GFWC Resources for our members on Heart Disease and Gynecologic Cancers. When looking for programs for your club meetings, don't forget to seek speakers from these organizations and on these topics. Make sure you look at and copy the Home Life section in the 2016-2018 GFWC Club Manual for ideas and contact information.

Have a goal this year to get involved in one new Home Life Project and maybe think about retiring a project that you have been doing for a number of years that isn't getting the support it once did. Home Life encompasses a myriad of topics and projects that start with autism and go all the way to Zumba with a topic/project for every letter in between. Be creative, keep good records and this chairman encourages everyone to report when the time comes on February 1st.

GFWC-SC Home Life CSP Chairman

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Public Issues Community Service Program

The GFWC Public Issues CSP encourages members to get involved with civic and social needs with projects and activities. The program focuses on the following areas:

Citizenship (VOTE)
Military Personnel
Emergency and Disaster Preparedness
Safety and Crime Prevention

The following Partnerships are for the 2016-2018 Administration.

Sew Much Comfort: www.SewMuchComfort.org
United Service Organization (USO): www.USO.org

Ladies, let's get creative and see how many fun and new projects we can come up with this year. We all need to step up and get involved with our politics now more than ever. We will be encouraging everyone to register to vote and then actually VOTE!! There are so many, much needed, projects to get involved with.

I am Beth Taylor and I will be serving as your Public Issues CSP Chair for the 2016-2018 term. I will be here if you need me. I am giving you my contact info for you to call or email me anytime.

Beth Taylor

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International Outreach Community Service Program

This year's GFWC-SC state project for International Outreach was announced at Summer Board on July 23. We are excited to be partnering with Free The Girls, as we think this is a 'perfect fit' for GFWC-SC.

WHAT'S THE PROBLEM?

Currently 20-37 million men, women and children are being held as slaves around the world—more today than in any other time in history. The majority of those slaves are women and girls—many of whom are victims of sex trafficking. There are a number of amazing organizations that are helping to rescue these women out of a life of prostitution, but what happens after they are rescued?

Free The Girls' Solution

By partnering with established after-care facilities, Free The Girls provides an opportunity for sex trafficking survivors to build their own business selling second-hand clothing while going to school, establishing a house, and caring for their families. Selling clothes allows them to work as much or as little as their schedule permits. Women in the program receive their starting inventory as a donation, and are then able to buy additional inventory from Free The Girls for below wholesale value to help maintain their competitive edge in the marketplace. Revenue from inventory sales covers overseas program costs so the international programs are sustainable. FTG works one-on-one with each budding entrepreneur in areas like inventory management, budgeting, and financial planning for future dreams and goals they want to achieve.

WHY BRAS?

Let's face it, ladies: the back of your lingerie drawer is most likely a graveyard of bras you don't wear anymore or that never fit right in the first place. By contrast, second-hand clothing is a profitable market in many countries around the world. Bras are sought after items. And even better, bras provide an opportunity for these women to work with other women, since they have a history of being abused and used by men.

THE INSPIRATION

Free The Girls is inspired by the love of Christ to love all people and to fight for justice and wholeness for survivors of sex trafficking. They embrace and care for these women and girls regardless of their religion. The desire is to see a world where all are free.

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

What GFWC-SC is suggesting now is to donate a bra or host a bra drive. Enlist a local boutique to be a bra drop-off location. Host a club social where the 'entry fee' is a bra. Clean out your lingerie drawer. Ask your club members, daughters and friends, book club, bunco and bridge groups, Sunday School and Bible Study groups to do the same. Once bras are collected, you may ship them to:

DOMESTIC SHIPPING ADDRESS:

Free The Girls
1552 Pioneer Trail
Chesterton, IN 46304

For your convenience, here is the link to the shipping label:

<http://freethegirls.org/wp-content/uploads/Bra-Address-Label.pdf>

For more information, here is the link directly to Bra Drive Packets, which are available for purchase or download: <http://freethegirls.org/shop/bra-drive-packets/>

IMPORTANT INFO:

- When looking at the website, you may see where you are asked to 'register' your fundraiser. You do not need to register unless you wish to do so.
- Additionally, if you get to a point in the website that asks you to sign a Hold Harmless agreement – THIS DOES NOT APPLY TO US. GFWC-SC has dealt with this for you.

Certainly, if you would like to include a donation to help with their shipping overseas, Free The Girls would be thrilled to have it. Otherwise, the cost to your club is only the shipping to Chesterton, IN.

For more information or questions, contact:

Suzanne Carswell, GFWC-SC International Outreach CSP Chair. suzannec@sc.rr.com 803-397-9767 (call or text)

Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=36smtrjzHNI&feature=youtu.be>

Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PJlhxBLMKys> (Meet the Girls)

Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sjgD1HJ8gGk&app=desktop>

Women's History & Resource Center

The Women's History and Resource Center of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, celebrating over 30 years of preserving historical records and providing quality reference service to members, officially opened at GFWC Headquarters in Washington, D.C. on May 1, 1984. The WHRC invites GFWC members, the research community, and the general public to explore the rich history of women volunteers.

Some ideas for club projects for your local club using GFWC history:

- When planning and publicizing a membership recruitment program, highlight your club's history to demonstrate the importance of your club to your community.
- Gain inspiration for fundraising and community outreach by reviewing past GFWC Community Improvement Program Award winners in the WHRC online catalog. And remember, GFWC history is relevant to ALL program areas.
- Develop a proactive public affairs program by offering GFWC history stories to your local news media for Women's History Month (March), Federation Day (April 24), and Archives Month (October).

For more information, please refer to the Women's History and Resource Center 2016-2018 GFWC Club Manual.

GFWC-SC Women's History and Resource Center Chairman

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In loving memory of our GFWC-SC Club Sisters



Ethel Johnson "Midge" Burgess (1947-2016) Midge passed away July 24, 2016. She was born in Sumter and was a graduate of Edmunds High School in Sumter. She was employed with the University of South Carolina for over 40 years and was a past member of the Lake Murray-Irmo Woman's Club. She continued to serve GFWC-SC on the credentials committee as a member at-large. She was a member of Lake Murray Presbyterian Church where she served as a Deacon and was an officer of the Presbyterian Women. All who knew her remember her cheery disposition and ready smile.



Our deepest condolences to the North Myrtle Beach Woman's Club on the recent passing of club member, Mae Hucks. Mae joined the club in 2008. She served as Chair of the Education committee and also served on the Home Life committee. She is survived by three daughters and one son.

Marian St.Clair
Candidate for GFWC First Vice President
Speech given at the 2016 GFWC Convention

What's it to you?

In 1869, when Jane Cunningham Croley and other women journalists were denied tickets to hear Charles Dickens speak in New York City, a small voice whispered "What's it to you?" and Croley formed a club, Sorosis, which aimed for the "collective elevation and advancement" of women.

In 1906, when snake-oil tonics and adulterated foods and drinks deprived citizens of their health and well-being, a small voice whispered "What's it to you?" and our GFWC foremothers undertook a letter-writing campaign credited with the passage of the Prue Food and Drug Act.

In 1944, when a fascist government based on raciest principles waged war to rule the world, a small voice whispered "What's it to you?" and our GFWC foremothers raised 154 million dollars through the Buy a Bomber Campaign, funding the purchase of 431 planes to protect and promote democracy.

In the 1970s, when our country was plagued with a sharp rise in violent crime, a small voice whispered "What's it to you?" and our GFWC foremothers brainstormed and lead a grassroots campaign, Hands Up, and were commend by President Gerald Ford for their ingenuity and initiative.

For more than 125 years GFWC members have engaged in collective effort, collective advocacy, collective giving, and collective thinking, not only for Croley's initial aim for women, but for the benefit of all, advancing society into more enlightened times.

Together collectively, we have the power to conceive, design, and effect change. And yet the voice still whispers. What's it to you that poverty-stricken school children have little or no food on weekends?

What's it to you that Alzheimer's disease robs many sufferers of their memory and other vital mental functions in what should be the most rewarding years of their life?

What's it to you that human trafficking, a multi-billion dollar criminal industry, denies freedom to 21 million people through sexual slavery, sexual exploitation, and forced labor?

What's it to you that children around the world continue to die from preventable diseases?

What's it to you that violent intimate relationships persist in modern society?

I'm here today because I believe in the power of GFWC. I believe we are women that not only hear the question, but that can answer the question, and perhaps even more importantly in today's divided society, are able to put aside small differences to work for change, knowing that in the big things in life, we are at one.

In my efforts as GFWC Treasurer, Secretary, and Second Vice President, I have committed myself whole-heartedly to our organization, and today, I pledge to you again my loyalty, diligence, and best work.

I have no doubt that the world is a better place because of GFWC, or that we can continue to shape the fabric of our culture. Indeed, we must, because the culture we shape today becomes the future.



Awards received at the 2016 GFWC International Convention in Baltimore, Maryland:

Certificate of Appreciation from HOBY
Paula Cutler Award from Operation Smile
2014-2016 Membership Increase Award
Outstanding Achievement in Membership
Outstanding increase in Legislative Action Center Subscriptions
Outstanding Achievement in Legislation and Public Policy
Outstand Achievement in International Outreach
Outstanding Achievement in Communications and Public Relations
Honorable Mention for Fundraising presented to the Junior Woman’s Club of Columbia
Membership Creativity Award to The Junior Woman’s Club of Lake Murray



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Club News

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GFWC Steel Magnolias Service Club community service project is support of Thrive Upstate. (Formerly known as the Greenville County Department of Disabilities and Special Needs.) The club supports the mission of Thrive Upstate to provide all people with disabilities and special needs with meaningful services, opportunities, and support, so they may thrive in life, work and play. The club volunteered for the first annual fundraiser, the Vine & Stein event at the Bon Secours Wellness Arena, on Thursday evening, July 28th. Four members helped with the Save the Date mailing; three helped put together the "goodie" bags and baskets for the silent auction and five of the members volunteered at the event. One of club's members serves on the Board of Directors for Thrive Upstate, and another volunteers weekly at Thrive.

Lynn Shore

President-GFWC Steel Magnolias Service Club

On May 14th, The Womans Club of Cayce participated in Governor's Cup Half Marathon Spirit Corp. Using the theme "Get Lei'd by the Womans Club of Cayce," members cheered runners as they entered Cayce and again as they headed back to Columbia. We also handed out lei's advertising our club house for rentals. The club earned \$250 for participating in the Spirit Corp and won the 3rd place prize of \$200 for our Hawaiian Spirit!



Back Row: Doris Brumfield, Julie Isom, Middle Row: Chris Power, Linda Long, Kay Hutchinson, Ann Malpass, Front Row: Pamme Eades, Carol Dalton, Sue Sexton

The Jessamine's

The Jessamine's had their first club meeting at Summer Board on July 23!

Seven young ladies participated and contributed in the morning's activities – Avery Bonner, Savannah Boone, Kinsley Evans, Bradlee & Baylee Hook, Kaylen Logans, and Kennedi Tucker.

The morning started out with the Jessamine's helping in the kitchen with refreshments. They made sure all the delicious treats and items were opened, stocked, and ready for all the clubwomen that morning!



Next, the Jessamine's met in their own ac-

tivity room and had a lot of fun! They were able to chat and get to know each other while their mothers and aunts attended the general meeting. In their activity room, the girls each decorated their own GFWC--SC tote bag with paints, fabric pens, and embellishments. Their fun bags will allow them to show off their club spirit wherever they go!

The Jessamine's also completed a wonderful service project for St. Jude's Ranch. New or used greeting cards were collected from among the clubwomen and the girls trimmed off all the covers. The covers were then mailed off to St. Jude's and the children at the Ranch will turn them into brand--new greeting cards.

After the girls complete these activities, they were each recognized with a certificate of achievement for the day's work and also for any service projects they completed on their own before Summer Board. Plans are already underway for a service project for the Jessamine's to do together in the fall before Winter Board!

Between now and Winter Board, the girls are encouraged to keep track of their own service projects (i.e. collecting Box Tops for their school, volunteering at church, helping with their mother's club, etc.) on their Jessamine Service Log (available at gfwc-sc.org).

The next big--group meeting for the Jessamine's will be at Winter Board on January 7, 2017, in Columbia. The current Jessamine's would love to meet more young ladies and serve along with them! If your daughter, granddaughter, or niece is interested in joining this group, please email me and we'd love to have her!

My email is saralesliebonner@gmail.com

Thanks so much!

Sara



Jo Anne Reid, President
GFWC Southern Region
2016-2018

Together Effectively Achieving More

August 18, 2016

Dear GFWC Southern Region Members:

It is my pleasure to issue your Official Call to the GFWC Southern Region Annual Meeting to be held October 20-23, 2016, "**Down by The Riverwalk**" at the Hyatt Regency Riverwalk Hotel in Jacksonville, Florida. All of your *Southern Sisters* are invited, so please not only share this with your members but encourage them to attend! This letter, the Registration form and airport shuttle information will be posted on the Southern Region website soon!

The conference agenda includes presentations by our own GFWC Chairmen & Committee members and includes Communications and Public Relations, Leadership and the state's LEADS graduates, important Legislation/Public Policy, Membership, our Capital Campaign, the Signature Juniors' Special Programs, some "**WOW**" moments from our Past Region Presidents, and this President's Special Project – "**Just Too Sweet**".

You will also have an opportunity to not only meet our 2016-2018 GFWC International President Shelia Shea and President-Elect Mary Ellen Brock, but hear them speak. There will be wonderful opportunities to learn/share information with your *Southern Sisters* from AL, FL, GA, MS, SC, and Aruba, shop with the conference vendors, take lots of photos (some by Joel) and renew/form new friendships with these fabulous ladies! On Friday, you will have two opportunities to sightsee – (1) go on a tour of and have lunch at "**The Cummer**", one of the premier museums and historic gardens in the Southeast or visit **The Summer Women's Show** where you can visit booths on current fashion, beauty tips, health, lifestyle, shopping, prizes with lunch included! Florida State Night will once again involve the *River – the St. John's-* with our meal at the fun destination of **The River City Brewing Co.** on the Southbank of Jacksonville with transportation there by water taxi! Since October is *Domestic Violence Month*, we are all asked to **wear all/something purple** to this event! Following this fun excursion, we will return to the hotel for more social time and visiting. Saturday will feature the business session and the presentation of our state flags – so inspiring. Our Saturday evening banquet, with the processional, will be unforgettable. Sunday you will have an opportunity to hear from the State Presidents and Directors of Junior Clubs and receive your invitation to our next annual meeting in Georgia! Dress for the tours will be GFWC casual with comfy shoes, the meetings are business casual, and the banquets, dressy/cocktail/after five. Door prizes, opportunities to own, GFWC merchandise, vendors galore- what fun! I look forward to seeing you all there!

Jo Anne Reid, President
GFWC Southern Region



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 Hosted by
GFWC Florida Federation of Women's Clubs
Hyatt Regency Jacksonville
October 20-23, 2016

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Registration Fee	One Day Only	\$ 5.00	_____
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Friday, Oct. 21	Tour: Cummer Museum & Gardens Tour & Luncheon	\$30.00	_____
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Saturday, Oct. 22	Luncheon 12:00 Noon	\$35.00	_____
	Dinner - 7:00 PM	\$55.00	_____
Sunday, Oct. 23	Breakfast - 7:45 am	\$25.00	_____
Total Due:	Registration, Meals, & Tour	TOTAL	_____

_____ Please mark here if Vegetarian Plate substitute is desired for entrees.

Deadline for Registration: October 1, 2016

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Visiting our Home in Washington, DC - GFWC Headquarters!

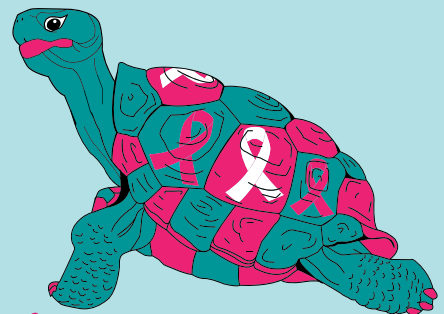
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Visit <http://www.gfwc-sc.org/2016-2018Administration.html> to download information and registration form.

Attention Club Presidents!

The Fourth Annual Christmas Stocking Extravaganza to benefit our Headquarters at 1511 Laurel Street is scheduled for the Tuesday after Thanksgiving – November 29, 2016, from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. We appreciate the support of all the clubs from across the state and look forward to another successful event this year! Please watch for a packet of information that should arrive the first week of September. In the packet will be information regarding the tickets, stockings, raffle items and sponsors.

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