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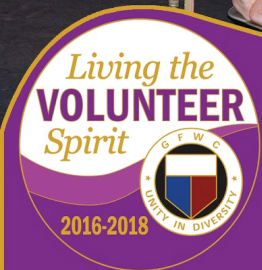
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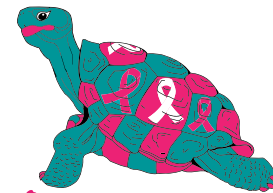
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*Sharing Our Passion*



*One Step at a Time*

What an honor it was to represent you at the 2017 GFWC International Convention in Palm Desert, California as your state president. The feeling of pride of all the work each of you do every day for your communities and our great state was just overwhelming! Convention was a wonderful time to catch up with friends made across our country and to learn new ideas to carry us into the new club year. Many of the items collected at convention have been added to our website under 2017 Convention.

We had great attendance at our Summer Session held on July 22 at the Wingate Inn in Lexington. From the comments I received about the meeting space, I have already booked it for our January 2018 Winter Session on January 6th. So go ahead and mark your calendars! This will be a very important meeting for all to attend as the three new districts will meet to elect their new officers for the 2018-2020 administration.

Our District Conferences are off and running and are also having good attendance. Becoming involved on the district level is a great way to see how your local club and the state are connected. I congratulate our District President's on presiding over each of their meetings.

As you begin your club year, I encourage you to invite prospective members to your meetings but also to your club socials. Sometimes being introduced to GFWC at a social event is easier than attending a club meeting first. Show your friends and neighbors how much the sisterhood of GFWC-SC means to you!

Speaking of club meetings, please be sure and let me know when you are meeting...I would love to come and visit and meet your members face to face where they serve. Thank you again for all you do each and every day!

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

*Janet*

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

I hope everyone is having or has had a great recruiting season! It hardly seems like the summer has already come and gone. It's time for all things football, pumpkin spice and boots!

At Summer Board I announced a Junior contest I am holding. Between August 1 and December 31 I am challenging Junior Clubs to tag "#GFWC" and "#GFWC-SC Juniors" on all your club posts. I will check at the end of each month and whichever club had the most tags will have their name entered into a drawing for \$75 for your club. The winner will be drawn at Winter Board!

The St. Jude Walk/Run to End Childhood Cancer will be held September 23 in Charleston. I hope your club will look into joining the GFWC South Carolina team!

October will host our annual GFWC Advocates for Children's Week October 22-28. I ask that each of you host an activity in honor of this week since this is the Junior special project. Last year a number of clubs held Bunco for Babies and donated half of the winning to March of Dimes. This was a very fun activity that raised awareness and money for this cause.

I look forward to hearing about all the wonderful things our Juniors do for the Palmetto State. Your commitment, passion and enthusiasm is

inspiring and I consider myself so fortunate to represent you all.



*In Junior Love- Katie*



**Juliet Casper**  
GFWC-SC  
President-elect

Did You Know...



The suffrage movement's official beginning took place at the Seneca Falls (NY) Woman's Rights Convention held in 1848, but it would be another seventy two years (August 18, 1920) before the Nineteenth Amendment allowing all American women to vote was ratified and part our of Constitution. The March-April issue of the GFWC Clubwoman magazine has a wonderful one page suffrage pop quiz for GFWC members that I encourage clubs to share with their members by sharing facts via their club newsletters, websites and social media pages. GFWC has proudly endorsed the development of the Turning Point Suffragist Memorial to be located in Occoquan Regional Park in Fairfax County, Virginia, so your club could also choose to donate funds to this memorial. You can find educational materials and ways to support the memorial at the website, <http://www.suffragistmemorial.org/>. Under the website's Education tab, you can find a wonderful article on GFWC and Suffrage. You can also find some suffrage videos posted on YouTube, including a classic from my childhood, The Schoolhouse Rock cartoon on the 19th Amendment, which could be shared at a club meeting.

Exercising our right to vote is vital to improving our communities, to ending domestic violence, and to protecting our children. GFWC has provided a wonderful tool to insure that our elected officials in D.C. hear our voice. It is called the Legislative Action Center. The Center allows you to track bills, contact your local representative and take action on issues germane to GFWC Resolutions. Just sign up to be on the Center's mailing list, <http://www.gfwc.org/legislative-action-center/> At the GFWC Convention at the end of June, I attended the workshop on Public Policy and Legislation and learned that GFWC is able to provide each state with a list of members that have signed up for the mailing list along with the number of times the member has taken action on an GFWC issue. Only 83 of our GFWC-SC members are on the mailing list, and of that eighty three, only 20 have taken action more than two times. The voice of GFWC-SC is not being heard in D.C. A great program or project for your club this year would be to sign up your members for the mailing list, educate members about the GFWC Resolutions and review the laws GFWC took action on last year.

Projects or programs on the suffrage movement or on the Legislative Action Center may just land you a few new members, especially if your club publicizes its project or program via social media. GFWC Junior Director Jolie Frankfurth told us at our state convention in April that Millenials (women age 15-35) identify most with a project, not an organization. These young ladies want to see photos of Clubwomen working in the community, not photos of Clubwomen having lunch. Sharing the suffrage videos or posting information on pending legislation via your club's Facebook page or website will connect your club with a cause, with a passion-exactly what younger women are looking for.

*Juliet*



**Kristin Fields**  
GFWC-SC

Second Vice President

It has been a pleasure working with each of you during the first year of the 2016-2018 administration. As your club plans projects, speakers and events for the club year, please consider incorporating our State President and Director of Junior Clubs special programs in those plans. Programs with contact names are given below:

**President Special Programs:**

- “What Color Is Your Cancer?” – Contact: Sylvia Ayers
- Dyslexia Awareness - Contact: Gail Elfert
- Your State...Your Project: GFWC Signature Program – Domestic Violence Awareness - Contact: Sue Burgess
- Director of Junior Clubs Special Program: Homeless Teens and Human Trafficking – Contact: Katie Moydell



Visit the GFWC and GFWC SC websites to find a wealth of information to aid your club in planning club projects. Those website addresses are: <http://www.gfwc.org/membership/club-manual> and <http://gfwc-sc.org>

I look forward to seeing you all at the Winter Board and Reporting Workshop to be held January 6, 2018.

In Federation Spirit, *Kristin*



**Kathie Walker**  
GFWC-SC  
Treasurer

Fall is usually a busy time for most of our Club Treasurers. Tasks high on the Treasurer “To Do” List are:

**IRS Tax or Informational Return Filing.** Although your club is exempt from income taxation, you are required to file an annual return of your income and expenses with the Internal Revenue Service. Small tax-exempt organizations with gross receipts ≤ \$50,000 can file an annual electronic notice. The 990-N or E-Postcard (electronic notice) filing is due every year by the 15th day of the 5th month after the close of your tax year.

Ending Date of Tax Year	Return Due Date	Category	Per Member
December 31	May 15	General Clubs	\$27
November 30	April 15	Member-at-Large	\$27
October 31	March 15	Heritage Clubs	\$16
September 30	February 15	Junior Clubs	\$31
August 31	January 15	Juniorette Clubs	\$11
July 31	December 15		
June 30	November 15		
May 31	October 15		
April 30	September 15		
March 31	August 15		
February 28/29	July 15		
January 31	June 15		

**Secretary of State Registration or Exemption:** The Registration Statement for a Charitable Organization or The Application For Registration Exemption, and the Annual Financial Report for a Charitable Organization are all due on an annual basis 4 1/2 months after the close your club’s fiscal year. Please see [http://www.sos.sc.gov/Public\\_Charities/Public\\_Charities\\_Info](http://www.sos.sc.gov/Public_Charities/Public_Charities_Info).

**Secretary of State Financial Report:** Unless you have registered with the Secretary of State’s Office for an Exemption – your club may either submit the Secretary of State’s Annual Financial Report Form or the IRS Form 990, 990-EZ or 990-PF. Please see [http://www.sos.sc.gov/Public\\_Charities/Public\\_Charities\\_Info](http://www.sos.sc.gov/Public_Charities/Public_Charities_Info).

**GFWC-SC Raffle Report:** If your club conducts “raffle” fund raisers - Please see <http://www.sos.sc.gov/Raffles>. Generally, in order to conduct a raffle, a nonprofit organization must file an annual raffle registration form with Division of Public Charities.

**GFWC-SC Annual Dues:** Annual dues shall be paid to the Treasurer on or before the first day of November.



**Norma England**  
GFWC-SC  
Secretary

Club and District Secretaries please remember that it is our job to record accurately the minutes of all club meetings. Include the title of each meeting, the date, the time, and location of each meeting. Include those in attendance. Remember that the minutes serve as the historical record of your club meetings. The minutes are the official record of the final decisions made. You do NOT have to include the discussion involved in an issue, you just record the final decisions.

All chairmen and officers should give you a copy of their reports in writing. You should attach their reports to the minutes. (It is also very helpful if they give you the reports before the meeting begins.)

Remind your club president and chairmen that the Club minutes are a great tool to use when writing their reports for GFWC-SC.

Hope you have a wonderful club year!

*Norma*

### What Color is Your Cancer?

As we begin to plan activities for the new club year, it is time to use your creative talents and come up with some unique projects to emphasize this very special cause, which touches so many of us in one way or another. We did not have many reports but you still have an opportunity to follow through with an idea you had and just were not able to complete a project. Some ideas on reports received: club honored their own cancer survivors, they participated in Relay for Life, they recognized a cancer each month by having some information and facts about those cancers, one club started a "Mystery Bag" filled with items for children's crafts and delivered them to their local children's hospital cancer floor and a very unique event where members had a Pure Barre, a trendy ballet based total body workout social and service project. Admission was free but members brought drink and food donations that were given to South Carolina Oncology Associates.

Use the calendar of Cancer Awareness Months and your ribbon colors chart to bring awareness to your Color Your Cancer Program.

**Sylvia Ayers**  
**What Color Is Your Cancer Chairman**

### *And Then*

*When autumn whispers to the trees,  
and winds push summer away,  
I look beyond the flowers' end  
to welcome fall home, again.*

*As songbirds follow nature's path  
and move in mystery,*

*To write new songs for friends unknown  
until we meet the same.*

*As all light ends to light again,  
And warmth to warmth imbue,*

*We all will change but yet remain,  
As life and time renew.*

**Janet R. Smalley**

**GFWC-SC Poet Laureate**

**Peggy Enright**  
**The Woman's Club of Rock Hill**

Words cannot express the sadness and loss that the members of the Woman's Club of Rock Hill felt when hearing that our member, Peggy Enright, had died of a heart attack. Peggy was a very active member of WCRH. She served as our 1st Vice President in 2014-2016 and was our current Conservation Chairman. Peggy had also served as Secretary-Treasurer for the North Central District from 2012-2016. Peggy's deeds spoke volumes about her and her special traits touched us all. We have such warm and happy memories of the times we spent with Peggy on garden trips to Daniel Stowe Botanical Gardens and Wing Haven Garden, going out to lunch, working on a fundraising project, making shell angels for our boutique, planning activities to help our community and working in our clubhouse garden. We admired and loved her. Peggy had a way of making everyone feel at home whenever you were in her presence.

Our club members have shared the following words about Peggy in emails since her death:

*"Peggy was such a special friend to so many of us. She was a wonderful, kind woman whose infectious smile and positive attitude will be greatly missed."*

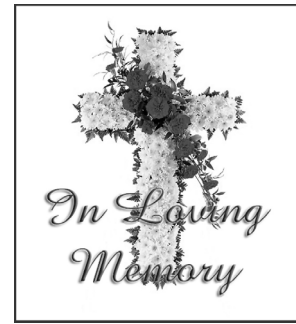
*"She was a special, fun loving, caring, knowledgeable leader who did her tasks with love and a smile. She knew how to be a friend to all."*

*"Peggy was a no-nonsense, competent person who loved life, who always looked at the glass half full and gave of herself and her time."*

*"Peggy was a most vital part of WCRH...so welcoming, supportive and hard working. She was truly the spirit of a fun loving, giving club woman."*

As we remember Peggy, we know that she would want us all to live every day to the fullest and continue the celebration of her contagious love for life. The members of the Woman's Club of Rock Hill deeply cared for Peggy and we will always carry this dear, loving, kind and generous friend in our hearts.

Geri Rinehart, President, Woman's Club of Rock Hill



**Maggie "Carolyn" Garland**  
**1935 ~ 2017**  
**Seneca Woman's Club**

Having grown up on a farm in Pauline, South Carolina with her family, gave Carolyn the best background for being a good club woman. She was hard working, had strong family ties, lived the volunteer spirit, and displayed an inner strength that helped her to always make the right decisions. She graduated from Winthrop University with a degree in Home Economics and started a job right away at the Tamassee DAR School in Salem, South Carolina. After marrying her sweetheart Dean, she moved to Seneca and began a long career at Seneca High School. She taught Family Life, Home Economics, and became the head Guidance Counselor before retiring in 1988. Carolyn joined the Seneca Woman's Club and was an active member of the Seneca Woman's Study Club for 55 years, after starting her career at Seneca High School in 1962. She was the first person to ask her new daughter-in-law to join the Seneca Woman's Club in 1988. Carolyn always seemed to embrace and live the...

**Collect for Club Women**  
**by Mary Stewart**

Keep us, O God, from all pettiness  
Let us be large in thought, in word and in deed.  
Let us be done with faultfinding and leave off  
Self-seeking.  
May we put away all pretenses and meet each  
other Face to face, without self-pity and with-  
out Prejudice.  
May we never be hasty in judgment, and al-  
ways be generous.  
Let us always take time for all things, and  
make us grow calm, serene and gentle.  
Teach us to put into action our better impuls-  
es, to be straightforward and unafraid.  
Grant that we may realize that it is the little  
things of life that create differences, that in  
the big things of life, we are one.  
And, O Lord God, let us not forget to be kind.  
-Amen

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Federated: 1955  
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## **GFWC-SC Progress Foundation**

South Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs Progress Foundation Applications for the 2018 Progress Foundation Awards are due by November 15, 2017. Be sure to mail a copy of the application to the Chairman, the Secretary, and the Treasurer of the Foundation. The project should come from the list on the back of the application that was in the President's Packet provided at the 2017 Summer Session. 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 also be found on our website at [gfwc-sc.org](http://gfwc-sc.org).

### **Attention Club President's!**

The 6th Annual GFWC-SC Headquarters Stocking Extravaganza is Tuesday, November 28, 2017, 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 sponsorship opportunities.



## **State Elections Committee Report**

GFWC-SC members who wish to serve on the Executive Committee must submit letters of nomination from their clubs to the State Elections Committee Chairman by December 31, 2017. Elections will be held at the 2018 Annual Convention for the following offices: First Vice President, Second Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Director of Junior Clubs and Director-elect of Junior Clubs.

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

Be an active member in good standing of a club with direct membership.

Have been a member of GFWC-SC for three or more years.

Have served as either a club president, District President, or GFWC-SC Chairman.

Is a legal resident of South Carolina.

Please mail or email letters of nomination to Kaye Jones, State Elections Chairman, [kaye@alumni.clemson.edu](mailto:kaye@alumni.clemson.edu) or 1320 Railfence Drive, Columbia, SC 29212 **postmarked by December 31, 2017**.

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### **Where Will YOU Serve GFWC-SC in 2018-2020?**

The time is near for the 2018-2020 Administration!

If you would like to serve the members of GFWC-SC, please take a moment and go to our website and complete the ***“2018-2020 Administration Interest Form”***

and return to Juliet Casper, GFWC-SC President-elect by **September 30th**

Either by email at [jcasper@newbylaw.com](mailto:jcasper@newbylaw.com) or U.S. Mail to P. O. Box 808, Myrtle Beach, SC 29578

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### **The GFWC Experience: More than Ourselves** **Marian St.Clair, GFWC First Vice President**

Recently, I heard a friend describe his mother as a “joiner.” I knew exactly what he meant.

I became a Girl Scout in grade school because I liked the uniform with its badges and exotic beret. As a young teenager, I was the only junior majorette in the marching band and struggled to keep up with the more senior girls, who didn’t want to be caught dead with a 8th grader; and later I joined the Camera Club to be with the cool kids, though I didn’t own a camera. Even as an adult, I didn’t change. True to my nature, I joined St. Andrew’s Woman’s Club as a young mother, with no knowledge or skill in community service or civic engagement.

But that’s okay, right? You understand; you’re “joiners” too. So, here’s the not-so-surprising outcome:

I perfected new skills as a scout and began to discover my natural talents, as well as the joys and pitfalls of group dynamics. The band took me beyond my small, rural town and broadened my horizons, giving me a better understanding of life and pushing me towards loftier goals. I learned to keep up with the big girls, or failing that, to smile and be the cute one, a skill that’s not as useful at 59 as it was then. I found even without a camera, I could understand artistic principles and use them in other creative efforts and, surprisingly, I discovered the cool kids weren’t all that different from anyone else.

Being a “joiner” has its benefits. I know you’ve discovered them too. In time, through success and failure, and the revelation of new experiences and self-knowledge, it’s what makes us more than ourselves.

In my adult life, and yours too, it’s GFWC that has continued to nurture our individual growth. We’ve gained friends, personal and professional skills, empathy for those who need our help, and the initiative to take things in hand and use our personal gifts for the greater good. But individual power is not always enough, that’s why joining together is vital for sustained progress.

As a group, GFWC gives us the power of connection, combining our ability, our empathy, and our initiative, and in doing so, multiplies our personal power. Collective advocacy gives us a louder voice, collective effort and collective giving drives bigger improvement and broader influence, and collective thinking produces better ideas.

It’s through GFWC that we have the ability to conceive, design, and create change. Change that creates the fabric of our culture—and it’s our culture that shapes the future.

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# 2017 General Federation of Women's Club International Convention Palm Springs, California



## GFWC-SC Awards Received

Leadership

Public Issues

Fundraising

Woman's Club of Rock Hill Website Design

Chloe Powell Writing Contest Award



## March of Dimes

## Operation Smile





**Congratulations Katie Moydell  
Recipient of the  
Millie Crom Award  
for Excellence in Junior State Leadership Award  
Gold Level**



**Proud moment escorting Marian St. Clair,  
GFWC First Vice President  
in the opening ceremonies of the  
2017 GFWC International Convention**



# Highlights of Summer Board Saturday, July 22, 2017



*Linda Wagster of the Woman's Club of the Midlands offering inspiration for the day.*



*Speaker: Donna Coombs of Sandhills School*



*Guest Author: Susan Boyer*



*Genna Prince, Janet Prince, Tammy Garland and Laurie O'Kelly*

# Highlights of Summer Board Saturday, July 22, 2017



*Susan Swails and Ann Malpass  
Christmas Stocking Extravaganza Raffle*

*Genna Prince, Donna Coombs of Sandhills School  
and Janet Prince, GFWC-SC President*





# Highlights of Summer Board Saturday, July 22, 2017



Jackie Boland Attendance Award  
The Woman's Club of the Midlands



The Jessamine's



# Jo Anne Reid, President GFWC Southern Region

2016-2018



Together **E**ffectively **A**chieving **M**ore

Dear GFWC Southern Region Members:

It is with great pleasure that I invite each of you to attend the 2017 Annual Meeting of the GFWC Southern Region to be held at the Atlanta Marriott Century Center in Atlanta, GA on October 26-29, 2017. The Board of Directors will meet and dine together on Thursday night. I am so excited about our Friday tour – designed as a “fix” for all our football fans who will be missing the “Friday Night Lights” and their favorite team on Saturday – a Tour of the College Football Hall of Fame!! I hope that you are looking forward to it! The Official Opening will be held Friday evening at the Georgia State Dinner and State Photos will be made during the social time this evening. At this meal, you will receive a Welcome from the host state and Official Greetings from our International GFWC Officers. A Fun Night of Bunco (great prizes I hear) will follow, benefitting my President’s Special Project “Just Too Sweet” - Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation.

Saturday will begin with an Official Welcome and Georgia member Mary Harmon singing and playing her original arrangement of The Collect. In the Business Session to follow, we will hear the Report of our Officers and the Nomination Committee, followed by the election of our 2018-2020 Officers. The Officers nominated are:

- President – Kay Chadwick – Georgia
- Vice President – Cynthia Geis – Alabama
- Secretary – Joyce Johnston – Florida
- Treasurer – Laurie O’Kelley – South Carolina

Special recognition will be given the LEADS participants, followed by GFWC platform workshops of interest to all. Our Luncheon will feature GFWC President-elect Mary Ellen Brock as speaker and in the afternoon session we look forward to reports from our GFWC and Region Chairmen. The afternoon will conclude with a community service project benefitting Battered Women’s Shelters in the area. Each state is asked to bring different items and we will “fill the bags” at the conclusion of the afternoon session! There will be a special collection area for them when you register. The items are:

- Alabama – individual snack crackers, fruit cups, pudding
- Florida – Wash clothes, soap, and paper napkins wrapped around a plastic fork, knife and spoon
- Georgia – combs, hairbrushes, tooth brushes and toothpaste
- Mississippi – individual packs peanut butter, saltines and socks
- South Carolina – individual packs of cereal, small cans of tuna, and crackers
- Aruba – just choose whichever of these is easiest for you to bring!

The Saturday banquet will feature our GFWC International President Sheila Shea as speaker, recognition of our five state Jennie Award winners and the Invitation by GFWC Mississippi to the 2018 Southern Region Annual Meeting.

Sunday will feature Annabelle Bunch speaking on her experiences as Mississippi’s representative in Washington D.C. for THE JDRF CHILDREN’S CONGRESS – Advocating for a World without Type 1 Diabetes, and bring you up to date on current needs, new developments and how you can help!

Interspersed throughout the meeting will be the highly anticipated reports from our State Presidents and Directors of Junior Clubs, Health Checks, and WOW moments – Words of Wisdom from our Past Region Presidents.

Suggested dress is: Thursday pm - dressy casual, Friday tour – casual -GFWC apparel/ Favorite team!, Friday night-dressy casual, Saturday daytime– business casual, Saturday evening - cocktail/after 5, Sunday - headed home/GFWC casual.

We’ve planned it ALL for you and worked hard to keep the costs low and the interest level high! Come join your SOUTHERN SISTERS October 26-29, 2017, for the 2017 GFWC Southern Region Annual Meeting!



**GFWC Southern Regional Annual Meeting**  
**Hosted by GFWC Georgia Federation of Women's Clubs**  
**Atlanta Marriott Century Center**  
**October 26-29, 2017**



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		<b>Cost</b>	<b>Total</b>
Registration Fee	Full Conference	\$10	_____
Registration Fee	One Day Only	\$5	_____
Thursday, October 26	Region Board of Directors Meeting and Dinner @7pm	\$41	_____
Friday, October 27	Tour– College Football Hall of Fame and lunch	\$50	_____
	State Night Dinner @7pm	\$43	_____
	Fun Night– Bunco game to benefit Belle's Bunch	\$10	_____
Saturday, October 28	Luncheon @12 noon	\$37	_____
	Dinner @ 7pm	\$45	_____
Sunday, October 29	Breakfast @ 7:45am	\$34	_____
<b>LATE FEE ONLY APPLIES IF YOU ARE MAILING THIS AFTER THE OCTOBER 12, 2017 DEADLINE</b>		<b>\$25</b>	_____
<b>Total Due</b>	<b>Registration, Meals and Tour</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	_____

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**Registration Deadline is October 12, 2017. Late fee of \$25 will apply after October 12. Don't delay– register today!**

Mail the registration form (and completed tour form if going) and check made payable to: **GFWC Georgia** for the total amount due to: **Cimi Douglass, 290 Fall Creek Trace, Roswell, Georgia 30076**. Her number is 678.467.1922 and email [cimi.douglass@gmail.com](mailto:cimi.douglass@gmail.com)  
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<b>HOTEL INFORMATION</b>	<b>Atlanta Marriott Century Center is located at 2000 Century Blvd N.E. in Atlanta, Georgia 30345</b>	<b>HOTEL INFORMATION</b>
	Room Reservation deadline is October 5, 2017. You can call the hotel direct at 404.325.0000 and request the Georgia Federation of Women's Clubs Southern Region block or register online from the link on our website— <a href="http://gfwcgeorgia.org">gfwcgeorgia.org</a> .	
	Rooms begin at \$125 a night, plus any additional taxes and fees. Parking is complimentary.	
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**Atlanta, Georgia**

**GFWC-SC Winter Board/Winter Session**  
**January 6, 2018**  
**Wingate Inn**

**GFWC-SC 120th Annual Convention**  
**April 20-22, 2018**  
**Holiday Inn & Suites Columbia-Airport**

