

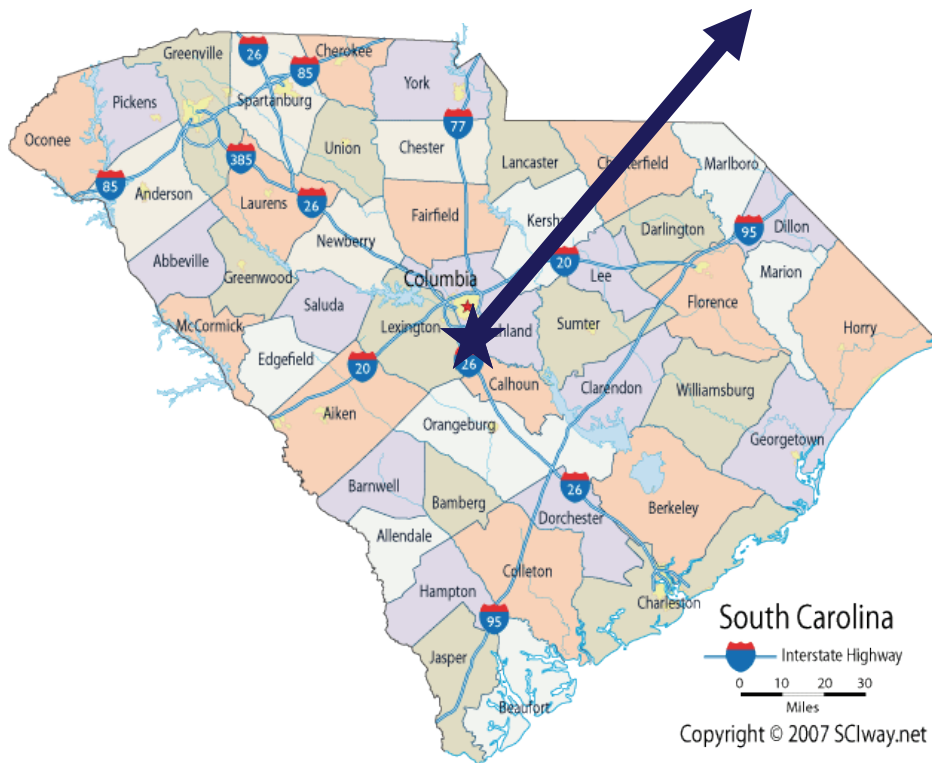


*Dedicated women  
taking the time to  
make a difference  
in the home,  
community, and  
the world one  
project at a time.*

# GFWC - SC 112th Convention Columbia, SC April 23 - 24, 2010



## "Round-Up" your clubwomen and meet to celebrate your volunteering successes in "Columbia Country".



GENERAL FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS IN SOUTH CAROLINA



# Clubwoman



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**Tammy M. Garland**

It has just occurred to me that I have not been turned down by one single person that I have asked to do a job or a favor for GFWC-SC. That is amazing! That is the kind of women you are....AMAZING!

This administration has been filled with lots of joy and fun for me. When you are asked to serve in this organization, do not hesitate to say yes because it is not really hard work, instead it is a pleasure. It has been my pleasure serving you.

I can't wait to see you at convention. Lots of work and planning have gone into making sure you have a really enjoyable time. Please take advantage of this fun opportunity and meet me at convention in April.

Time does fly! I can not believe that this administration will soon be coming to a close. This thought leaves me with many different emotions.

I am so truly proud to have been your president for the last two years. You are truly an amazingly diverse, talented, and fun bunch of women. It has been nice to see you let your hair down and celebrate. It has also been breathtaking to see how hard you work for your communities. I am proud!

It has been a true pleasure to work with an executive committee that is supportive and helpful. They not only do their job, but they are always willing to help others. Volunteers like this could not be paid because we could not afford them.

I appreciate all the chairmen who have shared their many talents with us. They take your work and make us all look good. They are a kind, caring, and contentious group of women. This is not a one women show. It takes us all to make it work.



In Federation Love,

Tammy

**Remembering Elise Cain, Past President of GFWC-SC  
1990-1992**

Elise Cain passed away February 5, 2010. She was born and raised in Dillon, SC. After receiving an education degree, she taught math and science in the middle school in Dillon. Elise was one of the founders of Avalon Academy, a private school in Dillon and served as a Board Member for over 35 years; she was a member of the SC Medical Association Auxiliary for Women; a member of the Board of Friends of Francis Marion College; a member of the Dillon Business and Professional Women's Club and was a member of GFWC Avon Study Club. One of her greatest accomplishments was being involved in the initial legislation of the Guardian ad Litem Program. Elise was a member of Main Street United Methodist Church in Dillon where she served as President of the Methodist Women, a Sunday School teacher and on the Board of Trustees of the United Methodist Center of South Carolina. She was predeceased by her husbands, Walter Ewing Belk and Dr. Rufus H. Cain, Jr. She leaves behind five children, nineteen grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Elise will be remembered for her volunteer service, not only in Dillon but throughout South Carolina as she led the 1990-1992 GFWC-SC theme of "Remembering the Past-Focusing on the Future" and also as a soft spoken, southern lady.



*Elise Cain*



## GFWC-SC Leadership Seminar

January 8, 2010

Hyatt Place, Irmo



## GFWC-SC Winter Board Meeting

January 9, 2010

Saluda Shoals ~ River Center



*It may have been  
twenty degrees  
outside, but inside it  
was warm with  
smiles and laughter.*



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## President-elect ~ Laurie O'Kelly

It has been an honor and a pleasure to serve as First Vice President/President-elect this administration. I have enjoyed meeting and talking with many of you and I look forward to working with you all in the next administration. But first, it is time to celebrate your successes and congratulate you for your many hours of time given to your communities and GFWC-SC. Please help with the celebration by following these guidelines:

1. Send me and your district president the **Rating Sheet**, postmarked by **March 15**.
2. Send the names of deceased club members to Chaplain, Jolene Bryant at 206 Phillips Drive, Spartanburg, SC 29307 or email her at [brya3872@bellsouth.net](mailto:brya3872@bellsouth.net).
3. Polish any state silver you won at convention last year (not district silver) and bring it to convention or get it to someone who will be there before **11:00 a.m. on Friday**.
4. Send me the names of new 50 years service members by April 1 so I can present them with the new 50 year member pin.
5. Reserve your room now for convention. It promises to be a fun weekend.

***Remember you can still submit dues for new members to Linda Rodgers through early April.***

And lastly, club presidents, please, please send the **Club President's Directory Form** to Jackie Boland by **April 15**. It is so important for us to have the **correct** contact information for clubs. If you can't find the form in your president's packet, check the website: [www.gfwc-sc.org](http://www.gfwc-sc.org) click on Member Information and then Forms and Documents.

Thank you for your time and dedication to federation, as it keeps us strong. Congratulations on your successful club year! I look forward to seeing you all at convention!

Laurie



Pre-order your 2010 lime green convention t-shirt now. The shirts are a 50/50 blend. The front will feature the GFWC logo and the back will feature the palmetto tree. Cost is \$8.



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

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

Size: S M L XL 2X 3X

Mail your order form & payment to Laurie O'Kelly no later than April 1.

Make checks payable to GFWC-SC.

**No extra shirts will be available for sale at convention.**

Mail check or order to: Laurie O'Kelly, 1608 Willow Creek Lane, Columbia, SC 29212

***These will be great to wear on Saturday, April 24th to celebrate Federation Day.***



## Second Vice President ~ Jo Ann Bolchoz



THANK YOU FOR TAKING TIME TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE BY REPORTING  
YOU'RE GREAT

I have enjoyed reading about all of the club contributions to communities across our great state. I am also inspired by the clubs who decided to “go green” and support resource conservation by reporting electronically. Bobbie Wilhite, our GFWC-SC Chairman for Resource Conservation was elated with all our collective efforts to conserve natural resources. Program Council will meet prior to Summer Board July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2010. Everyone has ample time to review awards, make changes to existing awards, create new awards and possibly retire some awards. All request should be submitted to your current District President with a copy to me. I will coordinate with the newly elected 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-President and District Presidents voted on at Convention regarding Program Council agenda items. My email is [jbolchoz@comcast.net](mailto:jbolchoz@comcast.net) and my mailing address is 2435 Pristine View, Charleston, SC 29414.

AGAIN, THANK YOU  
FANTASTIC JOB REPORTING.

## Junior Director ~ Caroline Brown



Dear Juniors!

I hope all of you survived your reporting and are ready to celebrate your accomplishments at Convention this coming April! A major Thank You to the clubs that participated in the 1<sup>st</sup> ever GFWC-SC Paperless Reporting! Just think this is something you can report next year under Resource Conservation!!! I am really impressed and excited to end my term on that note! Way to go ladies!!!!

The 2010 State Convention is going to be at the Marriott in Columbia on April 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>. This year we will be hosting the ever-popular “It’s In the Bag” Live Auction immediately following the Friday Banquet. I would appreciate all GFWC-SC Junior Clubs and Past Junior Directors to bring a bag filled with goodies to participate in the Live Auction with our very own President, Tammy Garland, as Auctioneer. All GFWC members are encouraged to attend. The proceeds earned will go towards the Director of Junior Clubs Travel Fund. Later, there will be a Junior Drop-In in the Junior Suite. Please come with your favorite drink of choice and be prepared to meet and visit with fellow Junior’s from around the state.

In closing, I would like to remind you to share with me the special fundraisers your clubs are working on so that I can share the themes and dates with everyone! Plus, don’t forget to forward me your digital pictures displaying the fun you have had and the hard work that you are doing so we can show them off in a slide show during the Junior Luncheon. I need them no later than Sunday, April 11<sup>th</sup>.

I look forward to seeing you in April!

In Junior Spirit!  
Caroline~



## In Pausing

Janet R. Smalley, GFWC-SC Poet Laureate

In pausing,  
what waits?

Does the mountain lower its peak  
or the rain cease; the thunder silence?

In looking at the beyond horizon,  
Does the golden edge move toward us  
or the crooked path straighten to pull us forward?

How much time,  
do we spend,

waiting for the music to begin,

only to stand,

and never,

Dance?

In pausing,  
what waits?

Only us.



**MEMORIAL SERVICE**

Club presidents should send the names of deceased members (from May 2009 to April 2010), club name, 3-4 items about the deceased member and her work in the club and community, and district to:

**Jolene Bryant**  
**206 Phillips Drive**  
**Spartanburg, SC 29307**  
**[brva3872@bellsouth.net](mailto:brva3872@bellsouth.net)**

by April 15, 2009. These names are needed so the Memorial Service held at Convention can be planned.

**GFWC-SC Board of Trustees  
will meet Friday afternoon at  
Convention in the Lobby**

Questions - Please contact Linda Ham  
[LHam@dmsaccess.com](mailto:LHam@dmsaccess.com)  
803-794-2855

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

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

## GFWC-SC Honor Roll

Honor the favorite people in your life by enrolling them on the GFWC-SC Honor Roll for only \$25



**Send check for \$25 payable to GFWC-SC and mail to:**

GFWC-SC Honor Roll c/o Kathy Monahon  
2646 Spring Valley Drive  
Aiken, SC 29803



*All proceeds will benefit the  
GFWC-SC Endowment Fund*

*These funds help to defray the GFWC-SC President's Travel.*



# GFWC South Carolina Chairmen...

*From all of us in the state, to all of you who have given of your time and talents to serve we say:*

## *Thank you!*

### GFWC SPECIAL PROJECTS/COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN:

- Community Improvement-** Misty Konow
- Communications/Public Relations Program-** Kaye Jones
- Domestic Violence Awareness & Prevention-** Lynn Cleckler
- Fundraising for Clubs-** Sally Killough
- JENNIE Award-** Karen Kaylor
- Junior Special Project Chairman-** Michele Hood
- Leadership Program-** Meredith Fields
- Membership Program-** Laurie O'Kelly
- Public Policy and Advocacy Program-** Elizabeth Herring
- WHRC - Exploring Our Heritage-** Janet Agnew

### GFWC-SC SPECIAL PROJECTS/APPOINTMENTS:

- Chaplain-** Jolene Bryant
- Courtesy Coordinator-** Misty Konow
- Database Coordinator-** Maribeth Kowalski
- GFWC-SC Clubwoman Magazine Editor & Web Site Host-** Tonja Ivey
- GFWC-SC President's Special Focus- Time-** Julia Hoyle
- Juniorette Coordinator-** Caroline Mahaffey
- Parliamentary Advisor-** Marian St. Clair
- Poet Laureate-** Janet Smalley
- Scrapbook/Yearbook-** Judy Soltis
- Special Assistant to the President-** Jackie Boland

### GFWC-SC STANDING COMMITTEES

- Constitution and ByLaws Committee-** Bobbie Sox
- Meetings/Convention-** Nanette Butler
- Credentials Committee-** Charlotte Wymer & Midge Burgess
- Budget and Finance Committee-** Kaye Jones
- Headquarters Committee-** Prince Wright
- GFWC-SC Board of Trustees of Progress Foundation-** Sylvia Ayers & Janet Agnew
- GFWC-SC Board of Trustees-** Linda Ham
- GFWC-SC Scholarship Committee-** Misty Konow
- State Elections Committee-** Sue Burgess

### GFWC-SC Department Program Chairmen

- Arts in the Community** ~ Debbie Alexander
- Creative Arts** ~ Janet Smalley
- Beautification in the Community** ~ Joy Waller
- Resource Conservation** ~ Bobbie Wilhite
- Education in the Community** ~ Linda Grant
- Focus on Literacy** ~ Janet Prince
- Helping Hands in the Community** ~ Libby Love
- Focus on Health** ~ Sylvia Ayers
- Focus on Financial Issues** ~ Heather Byrd
- United Nations Program** ~ Lois Black
- Reaching Out Internationally** ~ Beth Taylor
- Citizenship in Action** ~ Laura Palmer
- Focus on Community Safety** ~ Gail Elfert

V aluable is the work you do,  
 O utstanding in how you always come through.  
 Loyal, sincere and full of good cheer,  
 U ntiring in your efforts throughout the year.  
 N otable are the contributions you make,  
 T rustworthy in every project you take.  
 E ager to reach your every goal,  
 E ffective in the way you fulfill your role.  
 R eady with a smile like a shining star,  
 S pecial and wonderful - that's what you are!

### **Volunteers are the Best**

Sometimes we seem so lucky,  
 Or maybe we're just blessed,  
 When there seems to be too much to do-  
 Along comes a volunteer like you!

You've made our days much brighter,  
 Our work a joy to share,  
 We know we'll always make it through-  
 As long as there's a volunteer like you!

**...leading the way toward excellence.**





# Meet the Candidates for GFWC-SC Office



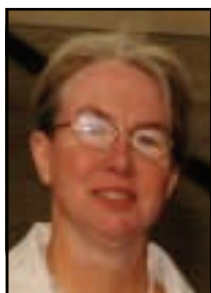
## **Janet Prince**

*Candidate for  
Recording  
Secretary*

Janet Prince was invited to join The Woman's Club of Cayce in 2001. While at

The Woman's Club of Cayce, Janet served as 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President and Club President. In 2008, Janet joined The Woman's Club of the Midlands. Janet currently serves as the GFWC-SC Midlands District President as well as the GFWC-SC

Focus on Literacy Department Program Chairman. Janet resides in West Columbia and is married to Gary Prince and has two daughters, Ashlan and Genna.



Caroline Richardson Mahaffey, 52, started her Federation experience with the Greenville Junior Woman's Club twenty four years ago, where she held various offices before leaving to found the Upstate Woman's Club 18 years ago. She has served in various offices of the Upstate Woman's Club, including several terms as President.

On the State level, in addition to serving as a variety of different department chairs, Caroline has served on the SGFWC-SC Progress Foundation and as Northern District President. She currently serves as the state's first Juniorette Coordinator. She has

attended Southern Region Conferences from Biloxi to Birmingham, and GFWC International conventions in Orlando, Denver, and Chicago, and in Cleveland where she represented GFWC-SC as the L.E.A.D.S. candidate.

On a personal level, Caroline is a divorced mother of seven children living in Simpsonville. She is broker-in-charge and owner of Jeff Richardson Company, a family real estate business. Caroline is a member of the Simpsonville Kiwanis, serves on the Simpsonville Planning Commission, serves as a mayoral advisor on Simpsonville 2020, and is a member of the Board of Directors of the Simpsonville Chamber of Commerce.



## **Jo Ann T. Bolchoz**

*Candidate for  
First  
Vice President*

Jo Ann T. Bolchoz has been an active clubwoman in the State of South Carolina for over thirty-five years and a GFWC-SC clubwoman for greater than fifteen years. Jo Ann has served GFWC-SC as second vice-president, recording secretary, treasurer, corresponding secretary, southern district president, convention finance chairman and a member of the convention site selection committee. In addition, she currently serves GFWC/GFWC-SC as a trainer/representative for the National Institutes of Health Stroke

Champion Program. In the Southern District she serves as the 2006-2010 President of the Charleston Federation of Women's Clubs. She has previously served on the Education Committee and as Recording Secretary for the Woman's

Club of Charleston and is a past president of the Charleston Exchange Club Auxiliary and the Charleston Federation of Women's Clubs. She has served on numerous committees in all the clubs. In 2002, Jo Ann was selected as Woman of the Year, Charleston Federation of Women's Clubs and was one of fifteen women in a feature article on "Women of Charleston Making A Difference in Non-Traditional Workplace Roles". She is a recipient of an outstanding student service award of the Charleston Higher Education Consortium and was honored by the Medical University of South Carolina with a bronzed plaque placed in the Harper Student Center recognizing her greater than 30 years of service to her colleagues and the students upon her retirement December, 2006.



## **ShirLee Alfors**

*Candidate for  
Second  
Vice President*

ShirLee has been a member of GFWC since 1984 when she joined Junior Sorosis of Orlando. In 1997 a job change had the family move

to South Carolina. At that time she was invited to join Junior Woman's Club of Rock Hill. In April of 2009, she was recognized for her volunteer hours. During 2002 she joined the Woman's Club of Fort Mill and currently serves as club president. Since joining GFWC-SC ShirLee has served North Central District

President, GFWC-SC Treasurer and presently as Recording Secretary. While in Florida she was Junior District Director, Corresponding Secretary for Director of Junior Clubs, and Junior Leadership Chairman. In 1995 she received a state award, Charlotte M Smith Outstanding Volunteer.

ShirLee has been married to Jim over 35 years and they have two children: Stephen writes software for a gaming company in Las Vegas and Suzanne is a pediatric nurse practitioner working in Charleston. After many years in retail including management, ShirLee works part time for the Fort Mill School District at Gold Hill Middle School. ShirLee currently serves as a board member of York County Quilters and a member of Quilters of South Carolina. Also a member of Grace Lutheran Church, she serves on the Parish Life Committee.



## **Linda Rodgers**

*Candidate for  
Treasurer*

Linda has been an active member of The General Federation of Women's Clubs-South Carolina (GFWC-SC)

since 1997 when she became a member of The Charleston Junior Woman's Club (CJWC). She was also a member of The Charleston Federation of Women's Clubs (CFWC) until moving to the upstate of South Carolina in 2004 when she became a member of the GFWC-Palmetto Junior Woman's Club (PJWC).

While a member of CJWC she served as Home Life Department Chair, Treasurer, 1st Vice President, Ways and Means Chairman, and President. From January 2005 through June 2008 Linda served an extended term as the GFWC-SC Director of Junior Clubs. In both 2007 and 2008 she received the First Place Junior Director's award in South Carolina's category at GFWC's International Convention. Since June 2008 Linda has served as the GFWC-SC Treasurer.

During her membership with CJWC, Linda assisted the club with many projects benefiting the Florence Crittendon Home, Habitat for Humanity - Woman Build Program, Keep America Beautiful, Operation Smile and Operation Christmas Child.

With CFWC she assisted in organizing the annual Fine Arts Tea reception for high school students and their families whose artwork was submitted for the First Federal of Charleston Annual Scholarship Contest. On the Southern District Level, Linda has served as a member of the District Nominating Committee. At the State level, she represented GFWC-SC at the 2004 International Convention in Orlando, Florida as the GFWC-SC LEADS candidate and assumed the role of Junior Director in 2005.

In addition to her work with GFWC-SC, Linda works full-time at Fluor Corporation and is a member of El Bethel Baptist Church. Linda received a B.S. degree in Accounting from Clemson University. She and her three cats, Calhoun, Riggs and Tillman live in Greer, SC.



## South Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs Progress Foundation

The Club members of General Federation of Women's Club are indebted to those who have gone before us for their wisdom and foresight in establishing South Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs Progress Foundation. The Foundation was created as a charitable organization and holds a 501 C (3) tax status. This status was held as follows long before GFWC-SC held this status. In 1978 during my term as President, the IRS ruled that SCFWC Board did not have to approve the grants made by Progress Foundation.

The Executive Committee of South Carolina Federation of Women's Club on August 31, 1951 created a fund called "The South Carolina Federation of Women's Club Progress Foundation." This fund shall be and operate as a trust under South Carolina laws and only for the purposes and under the terms and conditions provided: 1. This Foundation is 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 (said confinement to the State of South Carolina to be in effect only so long as Section 2440 (1) Laws of South Carolina (1946) {Legislative Supplement} remains in statutory effect, but in any event shall be limited to the United States of America or its possessions). Among such purposes, but not completely inclusive there of are: 1) Promotion of Libraries, 2) Family Counseling, 3) Maternity care, 4) Health Education and Child Welfare, 5) Promotion of scout troops, parks, play grounds, swimming pools, teenage canteens, 6) Education and rehabilitation of juvenile delinquents, 7) Assistance to feeble-minded and hard of hearing children, 8) Education of needy girls, 9) Aid to Cancer control, 10) Aid in tuberculosis control, 11) Aid to crippled children, 12) Education in mental hygiene, and 13) Education in the field of international relations.

2. No part of the net earnings of property of the Foundation shall inure to the benefit of any private shareholder or individual. 3. No substantial part of the activities of this Foundation shall be that of carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation. 4. Refers to the terms of office. 5. This Foundation shall continue in existence until terminated by proper official act of South Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs, Inc., or by operation of law. Upon Termination of this Foundation all of the property of the Foundation of whatsoever type and what-soever situate, 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 shall be conveyed to the State of South Carolina for use of the bother property and funds of the S.C. State Industrial Schools [Penal] in equal shares to each school. 6. This Foundation shall keep its property and funds separate and apart from any other funds of the S.C. Federation of Women's Clubs, Inc. and separate and apart from the funds and property of any other person, corporation or other entity

I, Janet Agnew, have tried to give you a little background on SCFWC Progress Foundation. The above statements were taken from the 1978-1980 SCFWC Handbook printed by the 1978-1980 Administration. If you would like further information, I, Janet Agnew, will be glad to make you a copy of this entire section of the Handbook. It also includes a list of donors to the Foundation.

Thirty Clubs requested Grants from SCFWC Progress Foundation in the amount of over twenty-two thousand (\$22,000) dollars. The Committee found one of the clubs had not paid their dues on time and another club had not submitted a thank you note for the money received in a previous year. The Trustees of SCFWC Progress Foundation were proud to award Grant for the following projects of GFWC-SC members: 1) Approximately one hundred four scholarships for students to attend technical schools, colleges, universities, and other training schools were provided; 2) Six libraries were helped with books and other materials; 3) A homeless shelter was helped to provide heat and air condition for their clients; 4) Three historical land marks were provided with grants to meet federal requirements for the physically challenged and to restore the area in a cemetery; Needy and physically challenged children were provided with gowns in which to graduate high school and gifts of clothing, school supplies, and other necessities. The eighteen thousand (\$18,000) dollars SCFWC Progress Foundation had to distribute was stretched to provide for as many projects qualifying under the Federal guidelines for this Foundation. The amounts of the Grants requested ranged from seventy-five dollars to two thousand four hundred dollars. Some clubs could not be awarded the total amounts requested as there was not enough money to fulfill all requested monies. The following Clubs were Awards Grants: Aiken Woman's Club, Belvedere Woman's Club, Chapin Woman's Club, Charleston Federation of Women's Clubs, Easley Junior Woman's Club, GFWC Jubilee Club, GFWC-SC Sax Gotha Club, Junior Woman's Club of Columbia, Junior Woman's Club of Lexington, Junior Woman's Club of Rock Hill, Lake Murray Irmo Woman's Club, Lexington Woman's Club, Monetta Woman's Club, North Myrtle Beach Woman's Club, Palmetto Woman's Club, Sandy River Woman's Club, St. Andrews Woman's Club, Wagner Woman's Club, Walhalla Junior Woman's Club, Walhalla Woman's Club, Woman's Club of Easley, Woman's Club of Fort Mill, Woman's Society of Batesburg/Leesville, Woman's Club of Cayce, Woman's Club of Midlands, Woman's Study Club of Ridge Springs, and Woman's Club of West Columbia.



*Hillcrest High School Junioresettes made a donation to Pendleton Place Children's Shelter. Pictured is the Junioresettes President Chelsea White, Lauren Scoggins (Pendleton Place), Kit Malcolm Sponsor, and Junioresette Officers LaPorche Allen, Britney Bowman, and Emily Clough. The girls sponsored bake sales and a car wash in order to raise money to donate to Pendleton Place. Each year the Junioresettes research and visit one charity in the community and set goals to raise money for their cause.*

*The North Myrtle Beach Woman's Club was voted the Nonprofit of the Year by the North Myrtle Beach Chamber of Commerce.*



GFWC-SC  
Club News  
from You

# *Creative Arts Program and Competitions*

Mail to writings: Janet R. Smalley  
202 E. Mauldin St., Walhalla, SC 29691

**Great States Update Color Photography Contest** – In this 2-year program, the winning SC matted and framed photo will hang in the GFWC Washington Headquarters and at the 2010 International Convention. Photos should be “SC representative,” no larger than 20 x 18 horizontal (including frame). \*

**The World in Pictures BW/Color Photography Contest** – This contest seeks amateur entries from natural history, scenic vistas and/or human interest, with awards made in each category and the top photo in each submitted to GFWC for national competition. Matted photos must be between 10x12 to 14x16 size, (including matting), no frames or glass (SC Winners in each category must be postmarked to GFWC by March 15. Places 1,2,3 in GFWC win \$100, \$75 and \$50 respectively.)\*

**GFWC Volunteers in Action Photography Contest** – The name says it all; judged on creativity and quality. Size, stipulations, submission and deadlines same as “The World in Pictures.” (Places 1,2,3 in GFWC win \$100, \$75 and \$50 respectively.) \*

**A Year in Pictures Calendar Photography Contest** - Want to make your mark in history? Then shoot some flowers, fauna, vistas and more – all appropriate for the GFWC Calendar. Size, stipulations, submissions and deadlines same as “The World in Pictures.” No GFWC monetary prize, but SC winning photo could be chosen to appear on GFWC Calendar. \*

*\*Photos sent to GFWC can not be returned and become the royalty free property of GFWC.  
(Friday, April 23rd, turn in your photos at the Registration Table in lobby by 12 noon)*

***First and Second Places in each area will be awarded at Convention.***

**GFWC Short Story Contest** – Amateurs are encouraged to write a fictional short story limited to 2000 words, typed, double-spaced, with 1-inch margins on 8.5 x 11 paper. Top right hand must have author, email, mailing address, phone, local club and club category, title.

**GFWC Poetry Contest** – Amateurs with poetic persuasion may write an entry of any style, between 8 – 50 lines. Formatting and submission rules are same as Short Story regulations.

**GFWC YOUTH Short Story Contest** – Students in grades 1 – 12 are encouraged to write a fictional short story limited to 2000 words, typed, double-spaced, with 1-inch margins on 8.5 x 11 paper. Top right hand must have author, email, mailing address, phone, youth category\*, sponsoring local club and club category, title.

**GFWC YOUTH Poetry Contest** – Amateurs with poetic persuasion in grades 1 – 12 are encouraged to write an entry of any style, between 8 – 50 lines. Formatting and submission rules are same as Short Story regulations. \*

*\*Youth entries compete in 3 categories: Category 1 - Grades 1-3; Category 2 – Grades 4-6; Category 3 – Grades 7-9; Category 4 – Grades 10-12. Manuscripts sent to GFWC can not be returned and become the royalty free property of GFWC.*

**Submit all writing entries to Creative Arts Chair by March 15th Reporting Deadline;  
SC Winner must sign a release to compete in GFWC national contest.**



# 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)

**A YEAR IN PICTURES CALENDAR PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST:** \_\_\_\_\_

**GREAT STATES UPDATE COLOR PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST:** \_\_\_\_\_

THIS RELEASE FORM MUST BE ATTACHED SECURELY TO EVERY ENTRY.

## **ELECTIONS**

**2010-2012 GFWC-SC President ~ Laurie O’Kelly**

**2020-2012 GFWC-SC Director of Junior Clubs ~ Michele Hood**

First Vice President - Jo Ann Bolchoz

Second Vice President - ShirLee Alfors  
Caroline McHaffey

Secretary - Janet Prince

Treasurer - Linda Rodgers

### ***Confirmation of District Elections:***

#### **District Presidents**

Central District – Peggy Aun  
Eastern District – Juliet Casper  
Midlands District – Meredith Fields  
North Central District – Karen Kaylor  
Northern District – Meg Hawes  
Northwestern District – Melanie Branham  
Southern District – Melissa Smith  
Western District – Darlene Rittel

#### **GFWC-SC Scholarship Committee**

Central – Kristin Fields, St. Andrew’s Woman’s Club  
Eastern – Jill Moore, Grand Strand JWC  
Western – Alma Holston, Woman’s Study Club of Ridge Spring

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

Central - Rachael Meehan, JWC Columbia  
Northwestern – Janet Smalley, Walhalla WC

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

Northwestern – Laura Mathis, Walhalla WC  
Southern – Ginny Gregg, Charleston JWC  
Western – Tonya Watson, Monetta Woman’s Study Club

#### **GFWC-SC Headquarters Committee**

Central – June Alexander, Palmetto WC  
Stephanie Blackmon, JWC Columbia

#### **GFWC-SC 2010-2012 Elections Committee**

##### **Nominee**

Central – Sarah Guthrie, JWC Columbia  
Eastern – Sue Burgess, North Myrtle Beach  
Midlands – Jackie Boland, WC Midlands  
Northern – Jolene Bryant, GFWC Jubilee Club  
North Central – Sylvia Ayers, WC Rock Hill  
Northwestern – Nina Chitty, Seneca JWC  
Southern – Mimi Scharf, Charleston WC  
Western – Mary Tipton, Belvedere WC

##### **Alternate**

Laura Howell, North East Columbia WC  
Sarah Thomas, North Myrtle Beach WC  
Cindy Smith, Lexington WC  
Mary Vann, GFWC Jubilee Club  
Krista Howell, JWC Rock Hill  
Katherine Eossert, Easley JWC  
Annie Sallie, JWC Charleston  
Jane Johnson, Belvedere WC

*Elections/Confirmations will begin at 11 a.m. on Saturday, April 24th. 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.*

**Official Call**  
**The 112th Annual Convention**  
**General Federation of Women's Clubs of South Carolina**



**April 23-24, 2010**  
**Columbia, SC at the Columbia Marriott**  
1200 Hampton Street, Columbia, SC 29201  
1-800-228-9290 (rooms are \$99 for doubles)  
**\*Book your rooms by March 23rd\***  
Hostess Districts are Midlands and Northern  
Convention Co-Chairmen are Janet Prince and Kay Berry

The General Federation of Women's Clubs of South Carolina will hold its One Hundred and Twelfth Annual Convention in Columbia at the Marriott Downtown on 1200 Hampton Street. All clubwomen are invited and encouraged to attend to celebrate a very successful year, the ending of an administration and a new beginning of community service and volunteerism.

The Marriott is ready for you to book your room, the banquet staff is planning excellent meals, and the hotel staff said they would start taking their vitamins so they can keep up with your every need (*they have heard that you are a very fun group of ladies who can stay up very late and get up early*).

Friday morning will begin with the Board of Directors Meeting at 10:00. The opening session will begin with a lunch at 11:30 and will end by 4:30. Lots of clubs will be recognized during this session for the time they have devoted to improving their communities. Calling all Cowgirls to the 7:00 "Saddle Up In Columbia Country" banquet Friday evening. Be working on your dancing moves for this fun night of country tunes. Lots of fun and surprises will be waiting for you along with some awards. After that plan to stay up a little later and have fun with the Juniors. We will resume again on Saturday morning at 9:00 with the business session which will include elections at 11:00 and we will end by 12:30. The luncheon honoring the GFWC-SC Juniors will begin at 1:00. You are encouraged to have fun all afternoon. A stroll to The Sims-Stackhouse Mansion (GFWC-SC Headquarters) will take place at 3:15. Come back and Dress-up for an elegant evening to "Celebrate with Friends". Dinner will be at 7:00.

We have lots to do and fun to have, so please make your plans now. Join us to celebrate you and all the volunteer work that has been accomplished across our great State and beyond.  
It is **"Time to Celebrate in Columbia Country"**!



# GFWC-SC Convention Registration Form

(April 23 - April 24, 2010)

Send completed form for **EACH ATTENDEE** along with check(s) payable to **GFWC-SC** to:  
**Midge Burgess 311 Pebble Branch Road, Chapin, SC 29063**

**REGISTRATION FEE:** Registration for Convention is \$10 per person. (Late registration fee is \$15).

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CLUB: \_\_\_\_\_ DISTRICT: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

**(please mark all that apply)**

GFWC-SC State Officer including District Presidents

GFWC-SC Junior Chairman

GFWC-SC Department Program, Special Project or  
Special Committee Chairman

Club President

GFWC-SC Standing Committee Chairman

Club Officer \_\_\_\_\_

GFWC-SC Past State President Guest

Club Member (voting) \*1 for 10 members

Club Member (nonvoting)

## MEDICAL INFORMATION/RELEASE

Allergies to food or medication: If yes, please list: \_\_\_\_\_

Any medication to be taken in case of emergency and where it can be found: \_\_\_\_\_

Notify in case of emergency: Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (DAY) \_\_\_\_\_ Evening \_\_\_\_\_

Authorization for emergency treatment: (signature) \_\_\_\_\_

Medical Insurance (indicate number) \_\_\_\_\_

Coverage verification phone number \_\_\_\_\_

## MEAL RESERVATIONS

**Deadline April 12, 2010**

Opening Session Lunch (Friday ~11:30)

**Executive Deli Luncheon:** \$16 \_\_\_\_\_

Saddle Up in Columbia Country Banquet (Friday~7:00)

**Western Buffet:** \$34 \_\_\_\_\_

*(fried chicken and pork barbeque)*

Junior Luncheon (Saturday~1:00)

**Grilled Chicken Caesar Salad:** \$18 \_\_\_\_\_

Saturday Evening Banquet ~ Celebrating with Friends (7:00)

**Prime Rib:** \$35 \_\_\_\_\_

**Grilled Salmon:** \$35 \_\_\_\_\_

Sunday Morning 2010-2012 Board Meeting 9:00 \$7 \_\_\_\_\_

**Pastries, Biscuits, and Coffee**

**\*Meal late fee is \$5 per meal after April 13th.**



*Meal prices are inclusive of tax and gratuity.*

**Registration Fee:** \$ 10.00

**Meal Total:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL DUE TO GFWC-SC** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

*Walk to Headquarters (free)*

## Preliminary Agenda for GFWC-SC CONVENTION

### Thursday, April 22

- 6:30 pm Pre-convention Dinner at 7:00 GFWC-SC Headquarters  
*(by invitation only for the Executive Committee and Past State Presidents)*  
9:30 pm Executive Committee Meeting

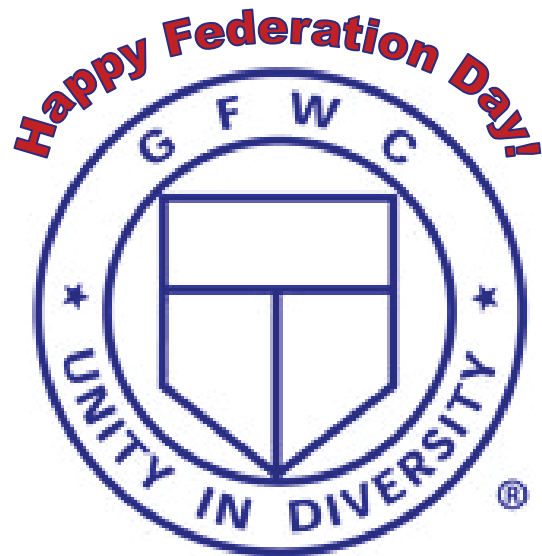
### Friday, April 23

- 10:00 am Board of Directors Meeting  
***By 12:00 turn in all photos and scrapbooks to the registration table for judging***  
11:30 ~ 4:30 Opening of Convention, Business Session, and Take Time to Make a Difference Luncheon  
Honor Roll & Net Gain  
Committee Reports  
Rating Sheet Awards  
Membership Awards  
Contribution Sheet Awards  
Fundraising for Clubs  
Leadership Program  
Communications/Public Relations  
Public Policy & Advocacy Program  
WHRC-Exploring Our Heritage  
Officers Reports  
President's Special Focus~Time  
7:00 pm "Saddle Up in Columbia Country" featuring The Coconut Cowboy Band  
Creative Arts  
Arts in the Community  
Beautification in the Community  
Resource Conservation  
*Line Dancing Columbia Country Style*  
Junior Fun Night Auction "It's In The Bag"



### Saturday, April 24

- 9:00 ~ 12:30 Convention in Session  
Memorial Service  
Constitution and By-Laws  
Budget & Finance Committee  
Headquarters Committee  
Trustees of Progress Foundation  
Trustees of Scholarship Committee  
11:00 am Elections  
Education in the Community  
Focus on Literacy  
Helping Hands in the Community  
United Nations  
Reaching Out Internationally  
Citizenship in Action  
Focus on Community Safety  
1:00 pm Junior Luncheon  
3:15 pm Walk to Headquarters *(meet in the lobby ~ shopping along the way is permissible)*  
7:00 pm Banquet "Celebrate with Friends"  
Outstanding Club Awards  
Individual Awards and Recognitions  
Installation of 2010-2012 GFWC-SC Officers  
Celebrate!





# 119th GFWC Annual International Convention



## *June 11-15, 2010 in Omaha, Nebraska*

Nestled along the Missouri River in the center of the United States discover Omaha's unique brand of adventure. Get lost in the world's largest indoor rain-forest and play with a giant Gravitron. Explore the city's ever-changing cultural landscape and unleash your inner artist. Savor legendary Omaha steak and watch as history comes to life. Shop in the Old Market district, where restaurants, pubs and galleries line authentic cobblestone streets. Whether it's business or pleasure Omaha hotels offer comfort, class and distinct hospitality. Genuinely committed to making your visit relaxing and memorable, in Omaha it's all about customizing the city just for you.

### *Preliminary Agenda:*

Friday, June 11th ~ Nebraska State Night

Saturday, June 12th ~ Opening Session and Junior Banquet

Sunday, June 13th ~ Speeches from Candidates and Region Banquets

Monday, June 14th ~ Elections

Tuesday, June 15th ~ Installation of the new officers for GFWC

*South Carolina has a very unique opportunity at this international convention. From South Carolina, we have a candidate for GFWC Treasurer and we will have a dedicated member installed as a Southern Region Officer. Please make every effort to attend any part of this convention you can. Your vote counts on Monday.*



***Marian St. Clair***  
Candidate for  
GFWC Treasurer

*As a Candidate for GFWC Treasurer, I hope to work with Carlene and other members of the Executive Committee. Whether or not this opportunity is realized, I pledge to always work in the best interest of GFWC and to remain dedicated to its ideals.*

*Within clubs, the first order of business must be making our individual groups something others want to be a part of, and the second is to invite a friend, or even the person sitting next to you at your daughter's soccer game, to join. But most importantly, each of us must take a part in the process – becoming active in club projects and concerns, attending district and state meetings, staying linked to the parent organization, and claiming the rewards of membership that have enriched women for more than a century.*

*The truth of the matter is, no matter how diligently our leaders work for the betterment of our organization, the responsibility is not theirs alone. A healthy and productive future for GFWC can only be secured by us all.*

*~Marian*

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## Report from GFWC-SC Bylaws Committee

The Bylaws Committee did not receive any proposed amendments to the Bylaws.

There are some mandatory changes to the Bylaws, per GFWC. Departments have been changed to: Community Service Programs, and Corresponding Secretary will be changed to: Special Assistant to the President. The Bylaws Committee will make these changes where appropriate, and any other editorial changes if needed, following Convention close. We will submit a copy of the corrected bylaws to the president and the secretary before the summer board meetings.

Bobbie Sox, Chair  
GFWC-SC Bylaws Committee



## GFWC-SC 2008-2010

### *Take Time to Make a Difference*



- March 15            Reports for State and District Silver Awards due
- March 15            Rating Sheets due to GFWC-SC President-elect, Laurie O'Kelly & District President
- March 15            Deadline for State Chairmen Reports to GFWC Counterparts
- April 1              GFWC-SC Scholarship Deadline
- April 15             Club President Directory form due to Jackie Boland
- April 23-24        GFWC-SC Annual Convention ~ Columbia, SC
- May 3                Deadline for GFWC-SC June *Clubwoman* magazine
- June 12-15         119th GFWC Annual Convention ~ Omaha, Nebraska
- July 31              GFWC-SC Summer Board Meeting ~ Columbia, SC
- October 29-31     Southern Region ~ Huntsville, Alabama