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*Carnevale By The Sea  
Unveiling of the Stars*





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Spring is trying to arrive in Charleston—the azaleas, yellow jessamine, daffodils and tulips are blooming in my yard. I love spring because it reminds me that it is almost time to see my special friends again—each of you. I hope you will join us at the Marina Inn in Myrtle Beach for “Carnevale” as we unveil our shining stars.

The Eastern and Southern District Presidents, clubs and members have been hard at work preparing for your arrival and look forward to greeting you seaside. The Official Call with all the information about the festivities is in this issue of Clubwoman. A Unveiling of the Stars Masquerade Ball is planned for Friday evening so begin working on your costume and mask now as prizes will be awarded. Please also polish up and bring any silver won last year to convention by 10:00 AM on Friday morning so it will be available for awards Friday after our luncheon, make your room reservations and send Liz Herring your registration form and monies. I am so excited about our convention and look forward to fun and fellowship by the sea.

Now a few items of business. Please plan to submit candidates for Volunteer of the Year, Woman of Distinction, Junior Clubwoman of Achievement and Juniorette of the Year to the individuals indicated in December Clubwoman by March 15. Also, please consider recognizing a club member for outstanding work by means of the Honor Roll or Order of the Jessamine. Information is in this publication on Page 3. If you have club members with 25 or 50 years of membership please send information to Caroline Mahaffey by April 1. Lastly, please note the following updates of email or mailing addresses. Pat Estep, Chair, Board of Trustees and Leadership Chair has new email - pat.estep@pru-mb.com. Caroline Brown, Special Assistant to President also has new email - liney1971@gmail.com. and Judy Soltis, Midlands District President has new mailing address and phone number which is 201 Sheringham Road, Columbia, SC 29212 and phone 803-513-9540. I provide these updates since some of you may be sending documents to these individuals for March 15 reporting. See all of you at convention in April.

**Wishing you a fabulous spring!**

**Jo Ann**

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# Ways to support the GFWC-SC General Fund

## Order of the Jessamine

The Order of the Jessamine is a GFWC-SC honorary society comprised of members who have been elected by their club for special recognition at the annual state convention. Criteria for election is at the discretion of the club and may be revised annually. The honoree will be distinguished at convention in a special presentation and will be listed in the next Clubwoman Magazine as a member of the Order of the Jessamine, Class of 2013. Honorees may be elected to more than one Class. To bestow the distinction, clubs may submit one name annually with a fifty dollar (\$50) contribution to the GFWC-SC Treasurer. All proceeds shall benefit the GFWC-SC General Fund.



## Honor Roll



Honor someone in your life with a \$25 donation to the GFWC-SC Honor Roll. Honorees will be listed in the convention program and added to the Honor Roll book at HQ. Make checks payable to GFWC-SC and send to Kristin Fields, 230 Muirfield Court, Columbia, SC 29212.

## Business Opportunity

Do you own a business? Would you or someone you know like to advertise their business in the Myrtle Beach Convention Program? Ads in the convention program are available at the following rates:

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

Ads must be camera-ready or our printer will charge \$50 per hour to prepare it.

Deadline for Ads is April 15th.

Email or Mail Ads to: Tonja Ivey  
115-C Library Hill Lane  
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All proceeds benefit the GFWC-SC General Fund.

Mail Checks to: Kristin Fields, GFWC-SC Treasurer  
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2012-2014**

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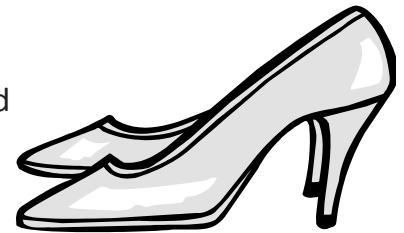
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I have been having so much fun traveling the state, attending membership events, meeting clubwomen, as well as many prospective members. I want to say a huge thank you to the district presidents, club presidents and members who have been working so diligently to host these events. They appear to have been a huge success. I'll be giving an update at convention! Don't miss it!



**GFWC-SC**  
**First Vice President**  
**Caroline Mahaffey**

Thank you to all the clubs who reported their membership activities. I've gotten some great ideas, and will be sharing those in this article, as well as in future SC Clubwoman Magazines. Feel free to use any of them, as well as any you may find in the News and Notes and on the gfwc.org site.

Kick off those old comfortable shoes and step out in a brand new stylish pair. Invite at least one person to every club event. Post all of your events on Facebook, along with fun pictures. Create a Facebook Event for every activity, inviting all of your local friends. Add your events to your website, keeping your site current. Clubs across the state have been doing these very simple things and are gaining members at a steady pace.

I look forward to more visits across South Carolina, and to seeing all of you in Myrtle Beach in April!

*Caroline*



**GFWC-SC**  
**Second Vice President**  
**Janet Prince**

Dear Friends,

What an amazing group of Clubwomen we have in GFWC-SC! Your reports reflect an enormous amount of creativity and talent and I cannot wait until convention when we will be able to celebrate all of your success! Thank you for adapting to the new reporting process. It has been a challenge, but overall it appears to have worked well for us all. Please see the separate article concerning additional contest offered by GFWC and district awards of GFWC-SC with a deadline of March 15th.

Program Council will meet at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, April 26, 2013, prior to the opening of convention. Any items you have that need to come before Program Council must be submitted in writing to me via email (jhprince@aol.com) or postal mail (1550 McSwain Drive, West Columbia, SC 29169) by April 19th. A few items that have come to the attention of this administration that will be discussed are: a review of when Summer Board should be held, the schedule of district conferences and the continuation of silver awards at both the district and state levels. All members of Program Council are asked to attend this very important meeting.

Thank you again for your continued support and especially your friendship! See you at the beach in April.

Love,  
*Janet*

## Happy Springtime Juniors!

I am reading your reports and I am amazed at all the wonderful things we do for our communities. I can't wait to share them with you at convention.

Speaking of convention...there are a lot of fun things planned. I hope that each of your clubs will make sure to join us. The hotel is very nice and the room rates are great! Did I mention it is just down the street from the outlets?!

Please remember to bring to convention any new/used book that you have collected for my special project, "Read to a Child."

I would like to give a special "shout out" to the Aiken Juniors for hosting me at their meeting in February. I really enjoyed it and I look forward to making visits to other Junior Clubs.



**GFWC-SC**  
**Director of Junior Clubs**  
**Rachael Fulmer**



**GFWC-SC**  
**Recording Secretary**  
**Juliet Casper**

The Sun and Sea are calling you! I can't wait to see y'all in Myrtle Beach on Thursday April 25th at the Marina Inn. I know that our convention won't open until Friday, but you do not want to miss "Purses with Purpose", a girls night out fundraiser hosted by the clubs from the Eastern District right at the convention hotel. One of you might just leave with Vanna White's purse.

For those of you looking to shop, you can't beat the Tanger Outlets, just north and about ten minutes down the road. Or head south, in ten minutes you will be at Broadway at the Beach with over 100 specialty shops, 15 attractions, and 11 night-clubs. For those of you bringing your family, the Pirates Voyage is a new attraction which is just across the street from the hotel.

Committee chairs don't forget to bring your written reports to the convention so that my minutes are complete.

## Progress at Headquarters!

A Grant Application was submitted last January to the Richland County Conservation Commission and after a long process, Headquarters received a grant in the amount of \$6,808 from them - 20% of which had to be paid either in kind or cash. The grant was for replacing the wooden porch flooring - front and west side of the Historic Sims-Stackhouse Mansion which is the Headquarters Building at 1511 Laurel Street in Columbia. The original bid to replace the tongue and groove porch was \$6,762.00. When the contractor started the removal of the old wood, it was noted that the joists were rotten and had to be replaced. The total cost ended up being \$11,212.00. A grant was received from The Woman's Club of Columbia to replace the concrete portion of the porch. Volunteer hours were given by a Consulting Engineer (Bob Malpass) and members of the Headquarters Committee to monitor the work until completion. Work was begun in August and completed in October. A big 'Thank You' to the Richland County Conservation Commission, The Woman's Club of Columbia and to the many volunteers who have made this possible!

Ann Malpass, Chairman

[www.gfwc-sc.org](http://www.gfwc-sc.org)



**Unpainted tongue and groove treated boards**



**Finished Front Porch**



Michele Cuppy, President/CFO & Co-Founder, Sew Much Comfort

**Winter  
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**2013**





## Club News

North Myrtle Beach Woman's Club and Grand Strand Junior Women's Club will be hosting a fundraising event the Thursday night before Convention convenes....April 25 from 7 pm – 11 pm. It is called Purses for Purpose, which involves auctioning of purses from national and local celebrities. All fund raised go to our local charities. The tickets are \$40 and to purchase go to <https://www.facebook.com/nmbwomansclub>.



Lee Wenthe, club member Edisto Women's Club attended the Inaugural Reception January 20, 2013 at GFWC Headquarters, Washington, DC. She says she was graciously greeted by Mary Ellen Laister, GFWC President.

Woman's Club of Fort Mill  
ShirLee Alfors - Left  
Ride For Patriotism Fundraiser  
Canines For Veterans & Sew Much Comfort



Support Canines For Veterans and Sew Much Comfort with the purchase of koozies in patriotic colors—red on blue with their logos in white. The koozies are \$3 each or 2 for \$5. To purchase contact ShirLee Alfors, Donna Lentell or any member of the Woman's Club of Fort Mill. Koozies will be available at GFWC-SC convention.



Walhalla Woman's Club  
35th Anniversary Reception - January 27, 2013



Easley Juniors  
Partner-In-Pride Beautification Project



## **PROGRESS FOUNDATION**

Jan W. Hadwin

The trustees of SCFWC Progress Foundation met on December 2, 2012 to review grant requests from clubs to support their projects.

Grants were awarded to 26 clubs for a total of \$17,000.00. Clubs received their checks at Winter Board and if not present check was mailed.

If you have not sent a thank you note to Jan Hadwin, 4009 Rockbridge Road, Columbia, S.C. 29206 or email at: janetwh@aol.com do so immediately so you will not be disqualified for a grant this year.

When submitting your grant please be sure that you are concise in explaining what your project is and your clubs' participation, number of hours and number of members involved. If the project involves purchasing materials itemize the cost of each.

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### **GFWC Awards and Contests with a Deadline of March 15, 2013**

Please be sure to submit your clubs entries for the following GFWC Awards and Contests directly to GFWC by the March 15, 2013 deadline. Details for each entry can be found in the GFWC Manual at [www.gfwc.org/clubmanual](http://www.gfwc.org/clubmanual).

- GFWC Media Campaign Contests
- GFWC Newsletter Contests
- GFWC Website Contests

You should also send copy of your entry to Lois Black, GFWC-SC Communications and Identity Chair, 225 Bobcat Road, Leesville, SC 29070 or email: [loisblack@sc.rr.com](mailto:loisblack@sc.rr.com). GFWC annually awards \$50 to a club in each of the categories at the GFWC Annual Convention. GFWC-SC also has recognition at our state convention regarding these contests.

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### **GFWC Writing Contests Deadline: March 15, 2013**

#### **AUTHOR! AUTHOR!**

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

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

Author must be of amateur status; writing earnings must not exceed \$500 annually. Entries must be written during contest year and may not have been published prior to competition and must be original works by author.

Entries must be typewritten, double-spaced, with minimum margins of 1", one side only, on 8 1/2" x 11" papers. Entries must have the following in the top right hand corner of each page: author's name, e-mail address, mailing address and telephone number; name of sponsoring club/state; category and title of manuscript. Authors should keep a copy; manuscripts will not be returned.

Send to Writing Contest Chairman, Linda Grant, 622 Hanover Court, Rock Hill, SC 29732, postmarked on or before March 15, 2013. State winners will be announced at GFWC-SC Convention. First place state winners will be sent for national judging.





## Creative Arts Waiver

With my signature I declare that:

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

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

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

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

Print Full Name \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

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

Daytime Phone with Area Code \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

# GFWC-SC CLUBWOMAN ARTS CONTEST INFORMATION AND RELEASE FORM

## RELEASE FORM—INDIVIDUAL ENTRIES

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

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

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

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

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

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

THIS RELEASE FORM MUST BE ATTACHED SECURELY TO EVERY ENTRY.  
 ENTRIES MUST BE DELIVERED TO THE REGISTRATION AREA BY NOON FRIDAY, APRIL 26TH.

**General Federation of Women's Clubs**  
**South Carolina**  
**2012 – 2014**  
**Scrapbook Rating Sheet and Release Form**

Club Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 President's Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 President's Contact Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Number of Members: \_\_\_\_\_ Category: \_\_\_\_\_ District: \_\_\_\_\_  
 General Club: \_\_\_\_\_ Junior Club: \_\_\_\_\_ Juniette Club: \_\_\_\_\_

**Release:**

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

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

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

**Judging Criteria:**

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



## **GFWC-SC Scrapbook**

Photographs tell a story and each club's story is unique. Put your story together in a scrapbook, the scrapbook is a history of your club's activities. Bring that scrapbook to convention at Myrtle Beach, SC April 26 and enter it in the scrapbook contest. Judging criteria is listed on the rating sheet and release form. Have the scrapbook to the designated area by Noon on Friday, April 26th.

If you have questions please contact ShirLee Alfors [salfors@comporium.net](mailto:salfors@comporium.net) or 803.548.1751

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## **Memorial Service**

A memorial service honoring GFWC-SC members who have passed away dating from May 2012 – April 2013 will be held on Saturday, April 27, at the conclusion of the morning business session. Each District President will participate in the service by lighting a candle in memory of members from her district. Clubs are encouraged to send the following information by April 1st.

- A. Member(s) name and several items about their club work
- B. Name of Club
- C. Name of District

**Mail or Email to:** Patricia Ezell, GFWC-SC Chaplain  
5 Nuffield Road, Charleston, SC 29407-3318  
**Email:** [PatnHack@comcast.net](mailto:PatnHack@comcast.net)  
843-571-3549

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## **GFWC-SC 2013 Convention Menu**

### **Friday Opening Session, "Festival of the Stars" Luncheon**

Smoked Turkey & Bacon, Curry Mayonette, Lettuce, Tomato, Horseradish Mustard on Pumpnickel Bread  
Fresh Fruit Slices      Baked Potato Chips      Wild Berry Shortcake      Iced Tea and Coffee

### **Friday Evening, "Unveiling of the Stars" Masquerade Ball - Italian Buffet**

Caesar Salad    Tomato Mozzarella Caprese Salad  
Bruschetta with Marinated Tomato and Pecorino Cheese  
Antipasto with Imported Cured Meats, Cheeses, Olives and Grilled Vegetables  
Grilled Chicken with Penne Pasta Broccolini, Roasted Garlic Pomodoro  
Italian Sausage with Farfalle Pasta, Wild Mushroom, Light Cream and Mozzarella  
Sauteed Sweet Creek Shrimp with Orecchiette Pasta, Diced Tomatoes, Basil, Olive and Parmesan Reggiano  
Garlic Bread      Tiramisu Cheesecake      Pistachio Chocolate Chip Cannoli      Iced Tea and Coffee

### **Saturday Junior Awards Luncheon**

Chicken Caprese Wrap  
Grilled Chicken, Mozzarella Cheese, Cured Tomatoes, Garden Greens and Basil Aoli  
Pasta Salad      Baked Potato Chips      Crème Brulee      Iced Tea and Coffee

### **Saturday Evening, "Rolling Out the Red Carpet For Our Stars" Banquet**

Marinated Ice Box Cucumbers      Green Leaf Lettuce      Grilled Crouton      Sherry Vinaigrette  
Chicken and Shrimp Pairing or Chicken Only      Alfredo Sauce      Herb Risotto      Seasonal Vegetables  
Rolls & Butter      Double Chocolate Mousse Bombe      Iced Tea and Coffee

**Vegetarian Meals Available Upon Request**



**OFFICIAL CALL**  
**115TH ANNUAL CONVENTION**  
**GENERAL FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS**  
**OF SOUTH CAROLINA**

APRIL 26-28, 2013

MARINA INN AT GRANDE DUNES  
MYRTLE BEACH, SOUTH CAROLINA

HOSTESS DISTRICTS: EASTERN AND SOUTHERN

CONVENTION CO-CHAIRS  
SARAH THOMAS AND MELISSA SMITH

The General Federation of Women's Clubs of South Carolina will hold its One Hundred and Fifteenth Annual Convention at the Marina Inn at Grande Dunes, 8121 Amalfi Place, Myrtle Beach, South Carolina 29572, April 26-28, 2013. The hotel chosen by our Eastern District clubwomen for our annual convention is a 2013 AAA 4 Diamond Award Recipient, a 2012 Conde Nast Top Hotel Readers Choice Award Winner, and a Platinum Partner of the SC Sustainable Seafood Initiative. **The theme for convention is Carnevale by the Sea - Unveiling of the Stars.** Our special guests will be Rick and Pat Hairston, Canines For Veterans & Service Dog Titus, Deb Strahanoski, GFWC Treasurer from Illinois and Marilyn Hatley, Mayor of North Myrtle Beach and member of the North Myrtle Beach Woman's Club. Also in attendance will be Marian St. Clair, GFWC Secretary and Jackie Boland, GFWC Southern Region Vice President who so effectively represent us and our great state. All clubwomen are invited and encouraged to attend to celebrate a successful year of community service, recognize outstanding clubwomen and unveil our shining stars for 2012.

**Room Reservation Deadline March 26 - Book Your Rooms Now**

**March 26** is the deadline for room reservations. The link is [www.marinainnatgrandedunes.com/GFWCSC](http://www.marinainnatgrandedunes.com/GFWCSC) and the Group Reservation telephone number is 1-877-913-1333. Room rates are Grande Guest Room Single or Double: \$129 and Two Bedroom Suite: \$189 plus 13% tax and 12% Resort Fee. Rates apply 2 days prior and 2 days following convention. The Resort Fee includes valet parking, unlimited local and toll-free telephone calls, wireless internet access throughout hotel, daily newspaper, 24 hour business center, 24 hour exercise spa with sauna, and free transportation around resort. The hotel has indoor pool and outdoor infinity edge pool. All rooms have terrace with views of the Intracoastal Waterway or the Grande Dunes Marina and the Grande Guest Room have choice of (1) king or (2) queen beds, oversized bathroom with separate shower, in room safe and furnished with the finest linens and rich earth tones.

**Advance Registration and Meal Reservations Required**

**April 15** is the deadline for Registration and Meal Reservations. The advance registration fee is \$10 per person. Please complete the Registration/Meal Reservation Form included herein for each person attending and send along with check for the total amount due made payable to GFWC-SC. We ask if you have retained a name badge holder from a prior convention please bring with you and receive a ticket for a prize drawing.

**Convention Attire & Other Information**

Friday attire during the day is resort/sporty/casual. Friday evening is the "Unveiling of the Stars Masquerade Ball" where we will crown a Queen of Carnevale and court with prizes awarded for the best costumes and masks. We also will have the ever popular "It's In The Bag" Junior Travel Fund Auction throughout the evening. So Junior Clubs remember your entries for the auction. Let's all be creative with our costumes and masks and have a grand time together. Saturday is GFWC-SC/GFWC/Club attire day. We will begin with presentation by Deb Strahanoski followed by "The Successful Meetings Game Show" skit, conduct business, make some awards and honor the wonderful contributions of the Junior Clubs and members at the Junior Luncheon. Saturday evening we will end convention with the "Rolling Out The Red Carpet for Our Stars" Banquet. Attire for this event is After Five. Drawings for the Basket Auction to benefit the GFWC-SC President Travel Fund will be conducted at this event. ***"It is time for Carnevale!"***



## GFWC-SC Convention Registration Form

(April 26-28, 2013)

Send completed form for **Each Attendee** along with check(s) payable to **GFWC-SC** to:  
**Elizabeth Herring, 327 Annapolis Road, Lexington, SC 29072, lizherring@windstream.net**

Registration Fee: Registration for Convention is \$10 per person. (Late Registration Fee is \$15)

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(please mark all which apply)

\_\_\_ GFWC-SC State Officer including District Presidents

\_\_\_ GFWC-SC Past Presidents

\_\_\_ GFWC-SC Junior Chairman

\_\_\_ GFWC-SC Community Service Program Chairman

\_\_\_ Club President (or appointee)

\_\_\_ GFWC-SC Special Project or Special Committee Chairman

\_\_\_ Club Member

\_\_\_ GFWC-SC Standing Committee Chairman

\_\_\_ Guest

(Finance, Constitution & Bylaws, Credentials, Headquarters)

### MEDICAL INFORMATION RELEASE

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

Any medication to be taken in case of emergency and where may 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 15, 2013

Opening Session Luncheon (Friday - 11:30) \$25 \_\_\_\_\_

Friday Evening Masquerade Ball - (7:00 ) \$45 \_\_\_\_\_

Junior Luncheon (Saturday - 1:00) \$25 \_\_\_\_\_

Red Carpet Banquet (Saturday - 7:00) \$48 \_\_\_\_\_

Chicken & Shrimp Pairing \_\_\_\_\_

Chicken Only \_\_\_\_\_

\* Late Meal Fee: \$5 per meal after April 15.

Meal Prices are inclusive of SC Tax, Service Charges  
& SC Tax on Service Charges

**Vegetarian Meal Substitutions Available By Request**

Registration Fee:	\$ 10.00
Meal Total:	\$ _____
<b>Total Due GFWC-SC</b>	<b>\$ _____</b>

## Preliminary GFWC-SC Convention Agenda



### Thursday, April 25, 2013

4:00 PM Executive Committee Meeting Presidential Suite  
 6:30 PM Purses for Purpose Executive Committee & Past Presidents

### Friday, April 26, 2013

9:00 AM Program Council Meeting  
 10:00 AM Board of Directors Meeting  
 11:30 AM – 4:30 PM Opening of Convention & Festival of Stars Luncheon  
 Welcome & Guest Speaker, Marilyn Hatley, Mayor, North Myrtle Beach, SC  
 Greetings From GFWC : Marian St. Clair, GFWC Secretary  
 Deb Strahanoski, GFWC Treasurer  
 Awards & Recognitions:  
 Honor & Net Gain Clubs  
 Club & District Rating Sheet Awards  
 Contribution Sheet Awards  
 GFWC Advancement Awards and Reports:  
 Communication & Identity Fundraising  
 Leadership Membership  
 Legislation & Public Policy Women's History & Resource Center  
 GFWC Community Service Programs Awards and Reports  
 Education Home Life Conservation  
 6:00 PM Reception - Cash Bar - Loggia  
 7:00 PM "Unveiling of the Stars" Masquerade Ball & "Its in the Bag" Junior Auction  
 Costume & Mask Attire –Crowning of Queen of Carnevale and Court  
 GFWC Community Service Awards and Reports:  
 Arts  
 Writing Contest  
 Photography Contest  
 Scrapbook/Yearbook  
 GFWC Signature Project: Domestic Violence Awareness & Prevention Awards  
 GFWC Junior Special Project: Advocates for Children Awards

### Saturday, April 27, 2013

9:00 AM - 12:30 PM Convention in Session  
 Guest Speaker, Deb Strahanoski, GFWC Treasurer  
 Skit: "The Successful Meetings Game Show" - Jackie Boland, GFWC Southern Region Vice President  
 Reports from Standing Committees:  
 Credentials Constitution & Bylaws Executive Committee  
 Headquarters Budget & Finance  
 Reports from GFWC-SC Officers  
 Reports from Boards of Trustees  
 Trustees of GFWC-SC Trustees of GFWC-SC Progress Foundation  
 Trustees of GFWC-SC Scholarship  
 11:00 AM Elections/Confirmations  
 GFWC Community Service Program Awards and Reports:  
 International Outreach Public Issues  
 Memorial Service of Remembrance & Honor  
 1:00 PM Luncheon Honoring Juniors  
 6:00 PM Reception - Cash Bar - Loggia  
 7:00 PM Banquet: "Rolling Out the Red Carpet for Our Stars" & President's Travel Fund Basket Drawings  
 GFWC-SC President's Special Project Awards Director of Junior Clubs Special Project Award  
 District Awards Outstanding Club Awards  
 Individual Awards and Recognitions Recognition of 2013 Order of the Jessamine  
 Invitation to 2014 Convention  
 Adjournment of 115th Convention





## Debra "Deb" Strahanoski

*GFWC Treasurer 2012-2014*

Deb Strahanoski brings 25 years of Federation experience to her role as GFWC Treasurer. She has served her clubs, district, and GFWC Illinois in various roles, including district corresponding secretary, scholarship and state project chairman; Illinois State Director of Junior Clubs (2000-2002); and GFWC Illinois President (2008-2010).

Nationally, Deb served GFWC as Home Life, Membership, and Community Improvement Program Award Chairman. Deb is not only a powerhouse volunteer for GFWC, but within her community as well. She served Easter Seals as president of its board of directors (1995-1997). Deb also served on the Joliet Township High School Foundation board and is currently serving as a board member for both the United Way and Prevent Child Abuse Illinois.

Deb has been employed with Easter Seals since 2004 as Development Manager, managing all annual fundraising activities and events for the Joliet Region. She credits any career success to the experience, leadership, and communication skills she has garnered through her many GFWC relationships.

Deb also works alongside her husband, Bill, in his public accounting office; a business they have owned for 27 years. They recently celebrated 30 years of marriage and have two grown children.



GFWC-SC is pleased to welcome Deb to South Carolina for our 115th Annual Convention. Her informative presentation will be on Saturday morning prior to the Business Session. Please make your plans now to attend and show our southern hospitality to our GFWC friend from Illinois.



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### Dates to Remember

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| March 26       | Deadline to Reserve Room Marina Inn, Myrtle Beach           |
| April 15       | Club President's Directory Form to Caroline Brown           |
| April 15       | Deadline for Convention Registration                        |
| April 26-28    | GFWC-SC Convention, Marina Inn, Myrtle Beach                |
| May 1          | Deadline Articles for June Clubwoman Magazine               |
| June 29-July 2 | GFWC Annual Convention, Westin Diplomat, Hollywood, Florida |

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

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



### GFWC-SC Headquarters

Have you joined the 1511 Society this year?

Support Headquarters with your  
annual contributions of

**\$15.11, \$151.11 or \$1,511.00.**

### Constitution and Bylaws

The Constitution And Bylaws Committee did not receive any proposed amendments to the Constitution or Bylaws. There will be some recommendations for Standing Rules.

**Bobbie Sox, Chair GFWC-SC  
Constitution And Bylaws Committee**

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