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OF SOUTH CAROLINA**

*Happy Holidays*



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Be the Light “was the theme for the 2022 Southern Region conference held in Jekyll Island, Georgia. Twenty-two South Carolina members attended. Five South Carolina ladies were attending Southern Region for the first time. We toured Jekyll Island and enjoyed lunch at the Jekyll Island Club. It was fun to be with our Southern sisters in such a lovely location. Our speakers were informative. Carrie Zimmerman presented a workshop on the GFWC Signature Program. Juliet Casper presented a workshop on Legislation and Public Policy. Katie Moydell, Director of Junior Clubs, reported as a GFWC officer. GFWC President, Debra Strahanoski was the keynote speaker Saturday evening. Laurie O’Kelly gave a report as Southern Region Vice President. South Carolina will host the Southern Region in 2024 in Greenville. We will begin planning for this event soon. Please let Suzanne Carswell know if you are interested in serving on the Committee for the 2024 Southern Region.



**Norma England**  
**GFWC-SC**  
**President**

Congratulations to District Presidents, Rhonda Garris, Melanie Mathews and Anne Redlus on hosting successful District Conferences in September and October. All of our District Meetings were well attended. The Coastal District Conference became a Zoom meeting due to Hurricane Ian. They still met and conducted business. The Midlands District welcomed a new club to their District Conference as Pine Ridge Woman’s Club attended their first GFWC-South Carolina meeting. The Upstate District had two wonderful speakers from the Julie Valentine Center in Greenville. I have also enjoyed visiting with several clubs during October as they hosted new member events and member orientation sessions. I also met with officers of a new club that is forming in Spartanburg.

I know many South Carolina clubs have special teas, luncheons, and tours as fundraisers during December. South Carolina Clubs also celebrate the Christmas season by bringing joy to others by contributing to food pantries, providing holiday meals, providing gifts to children, veterans, senior citizens, and others who may need extra help and support during the holiday season. I will be waiting to hear about all of your holiday projects. Enjoy working with your club members during the holidays.

This issue of the Clubwoman Magazine contains important information. We have information from Second Vice President, Kaye Jones on reporting guidelines and procedures for the 2022 club year. There is information on reporting deadlines, awards, and criteria. You will refer to this issue of the Clubwoman again in January, February, and March as you work on reports. There is also information on Winter Board. Information and a link to Eventbrite are on our website. The Call for Winter Board and information is found later in this magazine. The last day to book a hotel room for Winter Board at the group rate is December 14th. You can make a reservation directly with the Doubletree Hotel or get in touch with GFWC-SC Meetings & Convention Chairman Dolly McDermott at [dollymcdermott@aol.com](mailto:dollymcdermott@aol.com)

Thanks you so much for your help and support since May. Best Wishes for a wonderful Holiday Season and a Happy New Year!

**In Federation Spirit,**

*Norma*



To my dear sweet GFWC-SC Sisters,

What a treat it was to get to know many of you at the Southern Region Conference. It was a wonderful weekend filled with singing, dancing, good food, fundraising, learning and service. Our own GFWC-SC Junior Director, Shelli Pue, assisted in planning (alongside the FL and GA Junior Directors) a very fun Junior mermaid night. We played some very fun "under the sea" games, had a mermaid costume contest and packed bags for a children's home. It was "mer-tastic!"

I hope you are finding moments of joy amongst the hustle of this holiday season. I bet many of those moments of joy are secondary to your generosity. As we head into a new year, my hope for you and your club is that your generous hearts & the volunteer spirit be contagious in your communities.



**Michelle Blackmon**  
**GFWC-SC**  
Director-elect of Junior Clubs

When it comes time for the merry elves in your clubs to report, don't forget to report on your clubs work to advocate for children. As shared before,

ALL clubs (Women's, Junior, Juniorette, International Affiliate) are encouraged to complete a project in this category at any time during your club year. The Juniors' Special Program: Advocates for Children encourages advocacy and projects that will assist and protect children in crisis. I can't wait to read your reports on how your clubs stepped up to advocate.

*Michelle*

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#### The Gift

Give the gift of Kindness  
Of genuine Praise  
Of thoughtful gestures  
Of voices unraised.

Give the gift unasked for  
Of unselfish constant Caring  
Of holy boundless Faith  
Of Hope strong and unerring.

Give the gift of Loving  
Of every creation here  
Of every person, high or low  
Of our blessings everywhere.

Our Gifts are beyond comprehension  
Our troubles our design and few.  
Our commandment every resounding :

Love All as I have loved you.

*Jane R. Smalley*

GFWC-South Carolina Poet Laureate



Our South Carolina federation members just returned from a wonderful trip to Jekyll Island, GA for the 2022 Southern Region Conference. It was so good to catch up with our southern sisters, meet new friends, share, learn and laugh.

At Summer Board I announced a challenge for GFWC-SC, to increase our membership by 10% in the two years of this administration. I am happy to say we are doing a great job growing our membership, and that's just from information I have from only a few clubs. But increasing our numbers is only the first part of the equation when it comes to membership. Clubs will need to follow through with orientation and mentorship. Beginning with orientation, what does your club do to educate your new members about GFWC and about expectations of members? Do you continue to welcome them and help to integrate them into club projects and state meetings? The following was taken directly from the Membership Toolkit, found in the membership portal of GFWC.org under Resources/M.



**Suzanne Carswell**  
**GFWC-SC**  
First Vice President

**ENGAGE NEW MEMBERS BY:**

- Offering a ride to club and committee meetings and project sites.
- Organizing a seating plan, such as grouping by favorite color, to mix new and seasoned members.
- Conducting an icebreaker at the beginning of each meeting or several times a year.
- Inviting them to travel with you to a District or State Federation meeting.

**Consider These Suggestions For Integrating New Members Into The Club:**

- Hold a special initiation or induction ceremony for new members and present them with a GFWC member pin. (GFWC Marketplace offers pins and a GFWC Ceremonies Guide.)
- Encourage a class of new members to plan and execute their own service project under the guidance of an experienced member.
- Find out what skills, talents, and abilities each new member offers and is willing to share (e.g., computer skills, artistic talents, knowledge of specific program or advancement areas, etc.).
- Teach new members about the club and GFWC. Host new member orientations, set up Big Sis/Little Sis or other mentoring programs, and welcome them to each meeting and encourage their participation in discussions and project activities.

These are just some ideas to help new members feel a part of your club. If you would like me to help with any of these activities, conduct an installation, or if I can help in any other way, please let me know. I'm happy to help share the sparkle of GFWC and GFWC South Carolina!

In Federation Friendship,

*Suzanne*

**Disaster Relief Fund**

The devastation wrought by Hurricane Ian was not limited to Florida and other states. Two of our GFWC South Carolina sisters' homes suffered major damage as a result of the storm. Though both Karen Lassiter, Co-President of Woman's Club of Charleston and Stephanie Hankins, North Myrtle Beach Woman's Club sustained significant property damage, thankfully, no one was hurt. The Disaster Relief committee approved sending funds to both Karen and to Stephanie, and will reevaluate our donation if more funds are received as designated donations.

We also sent money to GFWC Florida, whose members and clubhouses were greatly affected. Again, as donations come into the Disaster Relief Fund, we may be able to reevaluate and send additional assistance.

Please have your clubs consider making a donation to the Disaster Relief fund. As Hurricane Ian reminds us, we are not only helping others with these funds, we help our own. After the devastation of the flooding in Kentucky and now Hurricane Ian, our funds are quickly becoming depleted. Contact Carrie Zimmerman, GFWC-SC Treasurer, if you or your club wishes to donate.

*Suzanne Carswell*, Disaster Relief Fund Chair



**Shannon Smith**  
GFWC-SC  
Secretary

Hello Clubwomen!

I hope you are having great club years and are enjoying doing face-to-face activities again. Many of our clubs have events happening this time of year, so get out and support your GFWC SC sisters!

I wish each of you the happiest of Holidays and I look forward to seeing you soon!

Hello fellow Clubwomen!

First off this Treasurer wants to thank all the clubs that have turned in their dues by November 1, 2022! Many of you will qualify for our Progress Foundation Grant! If you have not turned them in yet please do so soon!

Clubwomen if you add new members in the next few months please send in dues and updated typed rosters so that we can have an accurate count for our membership when we turn in our GFWC dues. This Treasurer was able to attend all conventions, GFWC-SC State Convention, GFWC International Convention, GFWC SC Upstate District meeting and GFWC Southern Region Convention in 2022. It has been refreshing to hear about all of the great things our ladies are doing!

**A few reminders:**

This Treasurer continues to thank you for your support and trust in me as your GFWC-SC Treasurer.

If you use the calendar year your taxes are due April 15.

Please use the form on our GFWC-SC website when requesting reimbursement. It helps the organization process.

Do not hesitate to ask this Treasurer if she has received any money you send.

Especially if a tracking form has not been put on it. This Treasurer will answer quickly.

A survey will be coming out for Clubs to respond about how they are collecting funds for events. This Treasurer would like to share different options that have worked for Clubs. Please complete the survey when it is emailed to youj

Thanks for trusting me with your club funds and this Treasurer looks forward to seeing all of you at Winter Board.

\*Remember I can be reached by email, [czim22@gmail.com](mailto:czim22@gmail.com) , snail mail, 605 White Oak Farms Rd., Tamasee, SC. 29686 or phone (864) 710-5851.

**In Federation Love,**

*Carrie*



**Carrie Zimmerman**  
GFWC-SC  
Treasurer

**2022-2024 GFWC-SC REPORTING INFORMATION**

**Reporting Matters!!!!**

**Kaye Jones, GFWC-SC Second Vice President**

**Reporting Period: January 1, 2022 – December 31, 2022**

**Reports are Due: NO LATER THAN MIDNIGHT OF THE DUE DATE LISTED**



**Kaye Jones**

**GFWC-SC**

**Second Vice President**

**CLUB CATEGORIES**

- General I 1-14 members
- General II 15-19 members
- General III 30+ members
- Junior
- Juniorette

**REMINDER!**

***For Reporting Purposes***

TOTAL NUMBER OF CLUB MEMBERS IS PAID MEMBERS FOR YOUR CLUB AS OF APRIL 30, 2022

**INTENT OF YOUR CLUB PROJECT DETERMINES WHERE TO REPORT**

**Examples:**

- An ART THERAPY project that emphasizes the therapeutic value of art> ARTS & CULTURE
- A project to aid veterans with PTSD> CIVIC ENGAGEMENT & OUTREACH
- Animal themed fundraiser to benefit endangered animals> ENVIRONMENT
- A project that helps special needs children focus attention> EDUCATION & LIBRARIES
- And a project to aid those with addiction or depression> HEALTH & WELLNESS

**REPORTING INFORMATION**

**-CLUBS ARE ASKED TO SUBMIT ONE COPY OF EACH REPORT TO KAYE JONES AT [clemsongirlkaye@aol.com](mailto:clemsongirlkaye@aol.com) with the club's name and title of the report in the email subject line.**

**-All forms are now fillable – please go to GFWC-SC.ORG under More>Member Resources>President Packet**

**-All reports must be emailed by midnight of the due date listed – please send your reports in separate emails with the club's name and CSP/ Special Project name in the email subject line**

**-Report all club approved projects your club has done for each CSP, GFWC Special & Signature Program, Advancement Plan and President's Special Project**

**-Complete a Statistical & Narrative Cover sheet on EVERY club approved project even if your club is not providing a narrative**

**-INCLUDE IN EACH REPORT FOR EACH REPORT: A separate Statistical & Narrative Cover Form with *Submission Type* clearly marked, a separate narrative for each program report, as well as addenda (if you are providing any of these). Make sure you indicate Narrative and/or Addenda or both**

**-Clubs are asked to put special emphasis on up to three (3) TOP projects in each of their reports by BRIEFLY describing the INTENT of the project...who, what, when, where & why of the project in the narrative**

**-Up to three (3) Narrative pages can be attached in the email with the Statistical & Narrative Cover Form marked as Narrative**

**-Up to five (5) Addenda pages can be attached in the email with the Statistical & Narrative Cover Form marked as Addenda**

**-Caption ALL photo addenda with Club Name, CSP or Special Project reporting under, and what is happening**

**-Junior Clubs must submit one additional report to the Director of Junior Clubs Shelli Pugh at [shellipue1@gmail.com](mailto:shellipue1@gmail.com)**

**-All clubs are encouraged to, AT A MINIMUM, submit the Statistical & Narrative Cover Form**

**-GFWC-SC PRESIDENT'S SPECIAL PROJECT, GFWC-SC DIRECTOR OF JUNIORS SPECIAL PROJECT, FUNDRAISING & THE CIP REPORT are the only projects that may be 'double' or 'cross' reported**

**-For questions or trouble with downloading forms, please contact Kaye Jones via text or phone 803.360.8906 or email [clemsongirlkaye@aol.com](mailto:clemsongirlkaye@aol.com)**

## **JUDGING CRITERIA:**

Evaluation of each report will be based on the following so please address all applicable items in your

<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>-Total volunteer hours, dollars donated, dollars raised and in-kind donations will be evaluated on a per capita basis for all clubs</li><li>-Description of the projects in the narrative form</li><li>-Number of projects, hours, dollars, &amp; in-kind contributions</li><li>-Innovation an originality of project</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>-Participation of membership as compared to club size</li><li>-Community participation especially other outside organizations or individuals</li><li>-Publicity of project for club, GFWC-SC, and GFWC</li><li>-Success of project – impact on community</li><li>-Any additional information i.e. awards, sponsorship relating to project</li></ul>
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## **DEFINITIONS FOR REPORTING**

**ADDENDA** may include photos, handouts, publicity, etc. which help augment the understanding of your narrative and project.

**ADVANCEMENT PLANS** are the programs and projects clubs initiate to advance their clubs. There are 6 plan areas: **Communication & Public Relations, Fundraising, Leadership, Legislation & Public Policy, Membership, Women’s History & Resource Center**

**AFFILIATE ORGANIZATIONS** such as United Nations Program Shot@Life, Heifer International, St. Jude’s Children’s Research Hospital, Operation Smile, Hope for Justice, March of Dimes, Canine Companions for Independence, and UNICEF. **PLEASE SHARE IN YOUR NARRATIVE ANY IN-KIND DONATIONS AND VALUE. GFWC HAS ASKED FOR THIS AFTER OUR FORM WAS APPROVED.** (As AFFILIATES do change, for a complete list, refer to the GFWC.org website.) Also complete the SC Affiliate Statistical Form – this is one form to capture ALL the work your club does with any of the Affiliate Organizations.

**COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS (CSPs)** are the programs and projects club members initiate and participate in to serve their communities, including projects with GFWC Affiliates. There are 5 program areas: **Arts & Culture, Civic Engagement & Outreach, Education & Libraries, Environment, Health & Wellness.**

**DOLLARS DONATED** is the monetary amount given to programs and projects.

**DOLLARS RAISED** reflects dollars earned from fundraising and development of programs and projects. Applies to FUNDRAISING ONLY.

**IN-KIND DONATIONS** reflect the monetary value for goods provided to CSP programs and projects. Please refer to the GFWC In- Kind Donation Guide for an *estimated* value of commonly donated items at <https://www.gfwc.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/08/In-Kind-Donation-Guide-2018.pdf> You may certainly estimate a value you feel best reflects your contribution.

**INTENT** explains reason for project.

**NARRATIVE** is the written description wherein you describe the Intent of the Project and the Who, What, When, Where, How and Why of a project.

**NUMBER OF PROJECTS** is the numerical account of the programs and projects initiated and participated in by your club.



**STATISTICS** is the Numbers: dollars, hours, members, etc.

**VOLUNTEER HOURS** is the amount of time that members worked on **Club Approved** programs and projects.

EXAMPLE: If a club member or even several separate members donate blood, deliver Meals-On-Wheels, make financial contributions to a charity, etc. it is NOT REPORTABLE. IF your CLUB votes to make a project of volunteering at the food pantry, delivering Meals-On-Wheels, makes a charitable grant or contribution with Club Funds, or go as a group wearing GFWC or Club apparel to donate blood, then that is a **Club Project** and those hours are reportable. REMEMBER: When you have a speaker (or attend a state meeting), you may count volunteer hours for the subject matter (ex: Environment) for each club member attending. Round to nearest hour!

## **DUE FEBRUARY 1**

Submit to 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, Kaye Jones, [clemsongirlkaye@aol.com](mailto:clemsongirlkaye@aol.com)

### ***GFWC-SC STATE STATISTICAL & NARRATIVE COVER ENTRY FORM***

### ***GFWC COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAMS, SIGNATURE & SPECIAL PROGRAMS and***

### ***ADVANCEMENT PLAN REPORTS***

All clubs submitting reports will be considered for:

Certificate of Awards given to 1<sup>st</sup> Place winning Entries

Club Creativity Awards in the three (3) General Membership, Junior, & Juniorette categories

#### **SILVER CERTIFICATE AWARDS**

***Debbie Alexander Adult Education Award:*** To the club which has accomplished the most in the field of adult education by promoting adult literacy.

***Hughes Legislation Award:*** To the club reporting on an unusual legislation project.

***Lexington Woman's Club Civic Engagement & Outreach Award:*** To the club doing the most outstanding work in Civic Engagement & Outreach.

***Marie J Hammond Literary Award:*** To the club accomplishing the most toward the eradication of illiteracy.

***Rebecca Robbins Fundraising Award:*** To the club, or clubs working jointly, with the best overall fundraising project.

#### **Special note for CSP reports from GFWC ~**

**2022-2024 GFWC COMMUNITY CONNECTION INITIATIVES** The 2022-2024 Community Connection Initiatives are projects that make a visual, physical or emotional impact at the grassroots level. They are projects that bring awareness to what GFWC volunteering is all about. A Community Connection Initiative brings the shimmer, the glitter, and the shine to being a member of a GFWC club into your local community. Public relations and media play a large part in a Community Connection Initiative. Be sure to share your "sparkle" through internet, newspaper articles, social media, blog posts, radio, and television. Make an impact that will ensure your community members want to be a part of such a passionate group of women making good things happen at the grassroots level.

Read more up on this on [GFWC.org](http://GFWC.org) and make sure you include this information in your reports

Submit to 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, Kaye Jones, [clemsongirlkaye@aol.com](mailto:clemsongirlkaye@aol.com)

**GFWC-SC AFFILIATE ORGANIZATIONS STATISTICAL FORM**

The information here may have been reported in other reports however please complete this *one* statistical form for *all* projects your club completed with any GFWC affiliate organization. This form is available on GFWC-SC > MORE>MEMBER RESOURCES>President's Packet> S >GFWC-Sc Statistical Affiliate Form 2022 (pdf).

**DUE MARCH 15**

**GFWC-SC PRESIDENT'S SPECIAL PROJECT AWARDS – USE STATE/DISTRICT AWARD FORM**

Submit one (1) copy to Program Chair, Lynne Hauptner, [PeaceLynne@aol.com](mailto:PeaceLynne@aol.com)

**Stand Tall Award** for the best overall award project(s) in the area of Elder Abuse/Neglect Awareness & Prevention.

**Wear a Crown Award** to the club that contributes the most money to Project Lifesaver.

Submit one (1) copy to Program Chair, Tracy Morzuch at [tmariemorzuch@gmail.com](mailto:tmariemorzuch@gmail.com)

**Tech Tidbits** awarded to the best overall project promoting technology assistance and computer training for/with club members.

**SILVER CERTIFICATE AWARDS – USE STATE/DISTRICT AWARD FORM**

To be awarded at state convention. Submit per instructions below.

**General Cup Award:** To the General club in each category that most effectively carries out the GFWC Program Guidelines. Use the GFWC-SC State/District Award Form. Summarize club work from Jan. 1-Dec. 31. Limit report to NO MORE THAN SEVEN (7) pages to include: cover, narrative (double-spaced) and FIVE (5) pages of addenda (optional). Report SEPARATELY in each Community Service Program only. Include a brief description of the programs and projects of your club. Describe briefly visual aids used such as exhibits, workshops, publications, etc. List other activities or contributions (money, time, etc.) that in any manner promoted GFWC Programs. Submit to 2nd Vice President Kaye Jones, [clemsongirlkaye@aol.com](mailto:clemsongirlkaye@aol.com).

**PRESIDENT'S AWARD OF EXCELLENCE AWARD:** the 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President and the Director of Junior Clubs will submit to President Norma England the winners of the above categories by March 25 to be judged as the overall Best of the Best winner for GFWC-SC President's Award of Excellence. This award rewards and recognizes outstanding projects and reporting for work done in the community by their club. This award will be a Silver Certificate as well as a \$100 monetary award.

**Rosemary Rivers Memorial Award:** To the club with the best overall project. Submit two (2) copies to your District President. (In turn, each District President will send the winning reports to President-Elect, Suzanne Carswell, [suzannecarswell@gmail.com](mailto:suzannecarswell@gmail.com) by April 1 for final judging.)

**MEMBERSHIP SILVER CERTIFICATE AWARDS**

**Howie Stackhouse/Nancy Boozer Award:** To the District gaining the most newly federated clubs during the reporting year. To be judged by the Treasurer.

**Sylvia Ayers Membership Award:** To the club with the largest net gain in the reporting year. Judged by President-Elect and Treasurer.

### HEADQUARTERS SILVER CERTIFICATE AWARDS

Submit per instructions below.

**Jan W. Hadwin Sims-Stackhouse Mansion Endowment Award:** To the club submitting the largest dollar amount in contributions to the Mansion Endowment. Submit contributions and names to the GFWC-SC Sims-Stackhouse Mansion Endowment Fund, 1511 Laurel Street, Columbia, SC 29201. To be judged by GFWC-SC Headquarters Committee.

**Princa M. Wright Sims-Stackhouse Mansion Endowment Award:** To the club generating the largest number of contributions to the Mansion Endowment, which includes all Mansion Society categories. Submit names of contributors to the GFWC-SC Sims-Stackhouse Mansion Endowment Fund, 1511 Laurel Street, Columbia, SC 29201. To be judged by GFWC-SC Headquarters Committee.

**Rudy H. McManus Sims-Stackhouse Mansion Endowment Award:** To the District generating the largest number of contributors to the Sims-Stackhouse Mansion Endowment. Submit contributors to GFWC-SC Sims-Stackhouse Mansion Endowment Fund, 1511 Laurel Street, Columbia, SC 29201. To be judged by GFWC-SC Headquarters Committee.

### CONTRIBUTION SHEET SILVER CERTIFICATE AWARDS

All clubs submitting a CONTRIBUTION SHEET will be considered for the awards listed below.

Submit to GFWC-SC Treasurer, Carrie Zimmerman, [czim22@gmail.com](mailto:czim22@gmail.com)

**Keith Unger Memorial Award:** To the club with the most donations to the Headquarters Fund.

**Stackhouse Headquarters Award:** To the club that contributes the most per-capita to the GFWC-SC Headquarters Fund. In-kind contributions, i.e. time and items, should be listed and submitted along with the Contribution Sheet.

**Virginia (Sissy) Welch Award:** To the District contributing the most money per capita to the GFWC-SC Headquarters Fund.

**Endowment Fund Award:** To the club with the most donations to the Endowment Fund.

**Janet B. Agnew Award:** To the club with most donations to the General Fund.

**Kate T. Davis Memorial Award:** To the club with the most donations to the Scholarship Fund.

**Clubwoman Magazine Award:** To the club with the most donations to GFWC-SC Clubwoman Magazine.

**Progress Foundation Award:** To the club with the highest per capita donation to GFWC-SC Progress Foundation, awarded annually at convention.

**Caroline Mahaffey Hope Award:** To the club that donates the most per capita to the Disaster Relief Fund during the GFWC-SC club year, including any funds donated on the Contribution Sheet, through Calls for Giving or random contributions. Award to be determined by the report of the GFWC-SC Treasurer and awarded by Caroline Mahaffey at the annual GFWC-SC Convention.

### RATING SHEET SILVER CERTIFICATE AWARDS

All clubs submitting a RATING SHEET will be considered for the awards below.

Submit one (1) copy to President Elect Kaye Jones, [clemsongirlkaye@aol.com](mailto:clemsongirlkaye@aol.com) and  
one (1) copy to your District President

#### TO THE GENERAL CLUB IN EACH CATEGORY WITH THE HIGHEST POINTS ON THE RATING SHEET

CATEGORY I: Myrtis Flanagan Award

CATEGORY II: Jean T Knight Award

CATEGORY III: Lavonia V. Hendrix Award

JUNIORETTE: Mary S. Smith Award

ALL CATEGORIES: Mrs. John R. Wolff Award

#### TO DISTRICTS BASED ON THE RATING SHEET

**Past President's Cup:** To the District with the highest points on the Rating Sheet.

## INDIVIDUAL RECOGNITION AWARDS

Use Award Nomination Form as outlined below. To be awarded at GFWC-SC Convention

**GFWC-SC VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR:** GFWC-SC Volunteer of the Year is awarded to the clubwoman who has been outstanding during the club year through volunteer work in club projects and in other community work. Each club may nominate one member for this award. The nomination should be written in narrative form, five pages maximum, by someone other than the nominee and include: (A) Number of projects participated in by the nominee. Include a brief description of each club project and community project. (B) Number of hours the nominee volunteered in each club and community project. (C) Amount of monies raised in each club and community project as a result of her volunteer work. (D) A brief paragraph describing her family and employment. Narratives should be sent, along with the Nomination Form and a photograph of the nominee, to: Catherine Sharpe, 116 Fox Glen Circle, Lexington, SC 29072. A panel of three (3) judges not affiliated with GFWC-SC will make the final decision.

**GFWC-SC WOMAN OF DISTINCTION:** A lifetime achievement award to a clubwoman judged on personal/professional accomplishment, challenges faced, demonstration of responsibility/influence, courage, humanistic contributions, philanthropic activities, community involvement, volunteer work, professional commitment, notable success and honors, and any other laudatory qualities and achievements. Each club may nominate one member. Narratives of no more than five (5) pages should be sent, along with the Nomination Form and a photograph of the nominee, via email to: [clemsongirlkaye@aol.com](mailto:clemsongirlkaye@aol.com) with GFWC-SC Woman of Distinction in subject line. A committee of no less than three (3) judges unaffiliated with GFWC-SC will judge nominees.

**GFWC-JENNIE AWARD:** The GFWC Jennie Award is the only national honor bestowed by GFWC that recognizes individual members for personal excellence. Club members are nominated by their clubs to compete at state, regional, and national levels for the Federation's highest honor. Clubs must complete and submit the official GFWC Jennie Award Nomination Form along with a separate letter of introduction explaining the reason for the nomination with a maximum 500-word written narrative. Narratives should include descriptions of the nominee's: commitment to her nuclear or extended family, participation in community groups and organizations, both volunteer and professional, club activities. Clubs must submit no more than 25 pages (printed single-sided) of supportive materials, including: The title-page nomination form and letter of introduction, digital color photograph of nominee (high-resolution/300 dots per inch or pixels per inch) Note: If the photo does not meet the required specifications, it will not be used), clips of two-three newspaper (or other media) stories about successful projects to which the member contributed (it is not necessary for such articles to mention the member by name), letter of endorsement from club president, and letter of endorsement from a representative of another organization. Please refer to [GFWC.org](http://GFWC.org) for more information. Send to Ann Malpass at [malpassat@aol.com](mailto:malpassat@aol.com)

### AWARDS CREATED FOR GFWC-SC

Submit per instructions below.

**Janet Prince, GFWC-SC LEADS Grows New Leaders Awards, GFWC-SC Past President 2016-18.** To be awarded to each club in all club categories that sponsors a club member to attend the GFWC-SC LEADS Training each year. This includes paying for their registration fee and any other expenses associated with their attending. There is no form to complete for this award – clubs with LEADS candidates meeting the criteria specified will automatically receive this award.

**Palmetto Pride Environment Achievement Awards: Due March 15.** To encourage club projects to eradicate litter and beautify their communities. Three (3) awards will be given. Palmetto Pride award information and forms are available at [GFWC-SC.org](http://GFWC-SC.org) under More > Member Resources > President Packet. Submit (1) copy to GFWC-SC Environment Chair, Donna Anderson at [donnapanderson@charter.net](mailto:donnapanderson@charter.net) and (1) to Palmetto Pride as indicated in award information.

## DUE MARCH 15

### DISTRICT AWARDS

#### USE STATE/DISTRICT AWARD FORM

#### Coastal District Awards

Submit to Coastal District President Anne Redlus, [anneredlus@gmail.com](mailto:anneredlus@gmail.com)

**Myrt Riggs Award:** To the club with the best overall club project.

**Coastal District Award:** To the club in each category with the highest number of points on the Rating Sheet.

**Sue Burgess Education and Libraries Award:** To the club with the best project(s) involving local schools, public libraries, senior citizens, monetary donations and book drives, etc.

**Sissy Welch Award:** To the club with the largest membership percentage increase during the year.

**Pat Estep Award:** To the club with the best GFWC-SC President's Special Project report.

**Annie Utsey Award:** To the club with the highest percentage of members present at the District Conference. Determined by District Secretary.

**Joann Thornhill Bolchoz Spirit Award:** To the club with the best overall spirit. Criteria: 1) Attendance at Summer and Winter Boards, Conventions, District Conference and District Socials; 2) Attendance of State and/or District Officers at club meetings, fundraisers or socials; 3) Club Yearbook sent to District President and GFWC-SC First Vice President; 4) Prompt return of GFWC-SC District Dues, Rating Sheet and Club President's Directory; 5) Reporting Participation in all Community Service Programs. To be judged by the Coastal District President.

#### MIDLANDS DISTRICT AWARDS

Submit to Midlands District President Melanie Matthews, [melanie@pestfreesc.com](mailto:melanie@pestfreesc.com)

**Boineau/Brodie/Clarke Silver Project Award:** For the best overall project for a club with 30 members or less.

**Crook/Somerset Project Award:** For the best overall project for a club with 31+ members.

**Abiklald CIP Award:** Given in even years. (Not given in 2020) To the club whose Community Impact Project improves the community and lives of the most diverse groups of its citizens (child and adult, rich and poor, male and female).

**Addy/Samsel Education & Libraries Award:** To the club with the best overall project(s) in Education & Libraries.

**Bonnette Library Award:** To the club with the best overall project(s) in support of libraries.

**Alexander/George Advocates For Children Award:** To the club with the best overall project(s) for Advocates for Children.

**All Environment Award:** To the club with the best overall projects in Environment.

**Betty Thomason Civic Engagement & Outreach Award:** To the club with the best Civic Engagement & Outreach project(s).

**Keating International Children's Award:** To the club with the best international children's project.

**Lexington Woman's Club Legislation & Public Policy Award:** To the club with the best overall project in Legislation & Public Policy.

**Marine Arts & Culture Award:** To the club with the best overall Arts & Culture project(s).

**Junior Woman's Club of Lexington/Palmetto Woman's Club Rating Sheet Award:** To the club with 30 or fewer members with the highest number of points on the Rating Sheet.

**McFarland Rating Sheet Award:** To the club with 31+ members with the highest number of points on the Rating Sheet. and Winter Boards, Conventions, District Conference and District Socials; 2) Attendance

#### UPSTATE DISTRICT AWARDS

Submit to Upstate District President Rhonda Garris, [wgarris@truvista.net](mailto:wgarris@truvista.net)

**Davenport-Morgan Project Award:** To the club with the best overall project.

**Cassles-Dye Arts & Culture Award:** To the club with the best Arts & Culture report. Criteria: (A) Averaged volunteer hours of service; (B) Projects or events constructed to promote the Arts; (C) Programs introduced to educate others about the Arts (i.e. for club meetings, schools and community events). Submit two copies, (1) to your District President and (1) to GFWC-SC Arts & Culture Chair, Dianne McCarty, [diannemccarty@gmail.com](mailto:diannemccarty@gmail.com).

**Jolene W Bryant Education & Libraries Award:** To the club with the best Education & Libraries report.

**Making Time For Others Award:** To the club with the best overall hands-on project benefitting special needs or underprivileged individuals.

**Janet Agnew Photography Award:** To the club with the most Photography Contest entries at the GFWC-SC state convention. Determined by number of entries delivered at convention.

**Davis Cup:** To the club membership of 1-13, with the highest number of points on the Rating Sheet.

**Crocker-Spartanburg Award:** To the club membership 14+ with the highest points on the Rating Sheet.

**Mary Renfro Membership Award:** To the club with the highest membership increase during the year.

**Upstate District Attendance Award:** To the club with the highest percentage of members present at the District Conference, de-

## JUNIOR AWARDS

### DUE MARCH 15

#### GFWC-SC DIRECTOR OF JUNIOR CLUBS SPECIAL PROJECT AWARDS:

**Polly's Good Neighbor Award:** Awarded to the club that best displays random acts of kindness in the community.

**Gabrielle's Neighborhood Literacy Award:** Awarded to the club that best displays random acts of kindness toward literacy advancement for the youth (including financial literacy).

**Neighborly Love Award:** Awarded to clubs that use collaborative efforts in their participation of the Director of Junior Clubs Special Project, Neighbors Who Care.

#### GFWC & GFWC-SC CONTESTS AND WRITING AWARDS

**\*\*\* ALL ENTRIES IN GFWC & GFWC-SC CONTESTS MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY A COMPLETED GFWC CREATIVE ARTS WAIVER (included in Club Presidents Packet, downloadable at GFWC-SC.org under MORE > MEMBER RESOURCES > PRESIDENT PACKET or via GFWC.org in the Club Manual). \*\*\***

ALL information on GFWC CONTESTS is available via GFWC.org, > Member Portal > My Digital Library > Resources > C > Club Manual > Awards and Contests > GFWC Creative Arts Waiver (to fill out and download form). Also available at GFWC-SC.org > MORE > Member Resources > President Packet.

### DUE FEBRUARY 1

#### GFWC NEWSLETTER CONTEST and WEBSITE CONTEST – Please log into GFWC.ORG for more info.

**Newsletter Contest:** Only one newsletter issue per club or State Federation may be submitted. Entries will be judged and awarded points on the following elements: • Content quality, including timeliness, clarity, and member impact (30%) • Presentation (30%) • Design (30%) • Adherence to rules (10%). The newsletter must have been published and clearly dated during the contest year (January 1-December 31). The front page of the newsletter must prominently display the official GFWC emblem and mention membership in GFWC. Refer to the GFWC Stylebook for GFWC Trademark Use Policies at [www.GFWC.org](http://www.GFWC.org). Newsletter entries must include the contact information of at least one member, defined as an email address, telephone number, and/or mailing address. Clubs and State Federations with an electronic newsletter must follow the same entry rules - printed copies of electronic newsletters are required. **Email to: Tracy Morzuch at [tmariemorzuch@gmail.com](mailto:tmariemorzuch@gmail.com)**

**Website Contest:** MUST include website address, Club/State Federation name, President's name and contact information, name and contact information of person submitting entry, number of Club/State Federation members, and a 250-word essay describing why their website is a valuable resource to members and potential members. The homepage MUST contain a link to GFWC.org and include contact information for at least one member of the club (email address, telephone number and/or mailing address). **Email entry to Website Contest Chair, Tracy Morzuch, [tmariemorzuch@gmail.com](mailto:tmariemorzuch@gmail.com)**

### DUE MARCH 15

**GFWC and GFWC-SC WRITING CONTEST ENTRIES:** Please log into GFWC.ORG for more info on GFWC contests. Manuscripts will not be returned.

Submit all entries for Clubwoman Writing Contests to GFWC-SC Contest Chair, Dianne McCarty, [diannemccarty@gmail.com](mailto:diannemccarty@gmail.com) .

**GFWC YOUTH WRITING CONTEST:** Entries must be typed, double-spaced, and printed on one side only, with minimum margins of one-inch on all four sides, on 8.5 x 11-inch paper. Entries must be written during the contest year (January 1-December 31). Entries must have the following on the top right-hand corner of each page: Author's name, email address, mailing address, and phone number; Name of the GFWC club and State Federation submitting author's work; Category; Title of work; Grade Level. Category 1: Grades K, 1 & 2; Category 2: Grades 3, 4 & 5; Category 3: Grades 6, 7 &

8; Category 4: Grades 9, 10, 11 & 12.

## Writing Contest (continued)

**GFWC MEMBER CONTEST:** Authors must be dues-paying members of a GFWC club. Entries must be typed, double-spaced, printed on one side only, with minimum margins of one inch on all four sides, on 8-1/2" x 11" paper; must be written during the contest year (Jan. 1-Dec. 31); must have the following in the top, right hand corner of each page: Author's Name, E-mail address, mailing address, phone number, name of Author's GFWC club and state federation, category and title of work. Submit one entry per person per category. Authors must be of amateur status: earnings from writing may not exceed \$500 annually. Entries may not have been published prior to competition and must be original works by the author. Short stories limited to 2,000 words. Poetry entries may be any style with minimum length of eight lines and maximum of 50 lines.

**GFWC-SC CREATIVE WRITING AWARDS:** Will be given in the following categories: 1) ESSAYS, 2) PRAYERS, 3) CLUB INSTALLATIONS, 4) SONG LYRICS, 5) CHILDREN'S SHORT STORIES. Each entry must be on a separate sheet of paper, typed and double-spaced. Author's name, address, telephone number, club name and district, classification and title of writing should appear in the top right-hand corner of each page. Previous entries may not be resubmitted and only unpublished material may be entered

**WRITING AWARDS TO BE DETERMINED BY ENTRIES RECEIVED** (Judged by GFWC-SC Contest Chair):

**Nancy Ann Morris Rivers Drama Award:** To the writer of the best drama.

**Emma R Lipscomb Memorial Writing Award:** To the writer of the best overall entry in the GFWC-SC Creative Writing Contest.

**Frances B Hair Award:** To the writer of the best short story submitted in the GFWC Clubwoman Short Story and Poetry Contest.

## BY NOON APRIL 28 AT CONVENTION

**GFWC & GFWC-SC PHOTOGRAPHY** entries are to be submitted at the GFWC-SC STATE CONVENTION by NOON on Friday of convention. (Please note: The Scrapbook contest will NOT be held during the 2022-2024 administration.)

**GFWC PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST:** Please refer to contest specifics at GFWC.org in the Club Manual. For questions, contact Photography Contest Chair, Dianne McCarty, [diannemccarty@gmail.com](mailto:diannemccarty@gmail.com).

**The GFWC Photography Contests encourage our members' artistic expression and recognize and support members' achievements in photography. GFWC offers three opportunities to participate in the GFWC Photography Contests:**

### The World in Pictures

Living Things

Scenes

Still Life

### GFWC Volunteers in Action

### A Year in Pictures

\*\*Photographs will NOT be returned.\*\*

## GFWC-SC ATTENDANCE AWARDS

**Emma McIntyre Burton Attendance Award:** To the District with the largest club membership attending GFWC-SC Annual Convention as reported to the President-Elect, not later than 4:00 p.m. (or previously announced time) on the second day of Convention. Count to be made by Credentials Committee and Award to be made by President-Elect at Awards Banquet.

**Jackie Boland Attendance Award:** To the club with the largest membership (per capita) attending the Summer Meeting. Count to be made by the Credentials Committee. Award to be made by the First Vice President.

**Marian St.Clair Club Attendance Award:** To the club with the largest membership attending the Winter Board Meeting. Count to be made by the Credentials Committee.

# Community Service Programs



## GFWC- Environment CSP

The most wonderful time of the year!! The Holiday Season is upon us which provides us all with many opportunities to reuse and recycle and fun activities for our club's participation.

Did you know...

Americans send 2.65 billion Christmas cards annually-enough to fill a football field ten stories high. One billion Christmas cards are discarded each year into a waste bin.

There is a 25% increase in waste from Thanksgiving to New Year's Day, one million tons/week  
227,000 miles of wrapping paper is thrown away each year.

Tips before the holidays...

Consider sending plantable cards this season. There are several companies that make these cards with seeds embedded in the paper. Once the holiday is over, soak the paper overnight, cover with a thin layer of soil and plant indoors or out, keep watered and watch your colorful wildflower garden grow

Bring your own shopping bags when shopping and save on the plastic

Put out recycling bins next to your trash for holiday gatherings to make it easy for guests to recycle

Look for wrapping paper and cards made with recycled materials

Consider purchasing a cut Christmas tree that has been harvested from a tree farm, many of which are family owned and operated. These farms often plant two or more trees for every one cut and often use rocky soil that does not support other types of agriculture. For assistance in finding a local farm, search <https://www.localharvest.org> You might also want to consider buying a genuine pot grown tree to plant after the holidays.

After the holidays...

Go to <https://berecycled.org> for tips on what items can be recycled; Christmas tree, cardboard, packaging, wrapping paper tubes etc...

Check your recycling day. The holidays may alter the days that your city or town is picking up trash.

Possible Club projects...

Save your used postage stamps for all mail received. At a meeting cut a ¼" margin around the edges of perforation and send to <https://www.stampsforthewounded.org>

Recycle your holiday cards to make gift tags, bookmarks etc. Pinterest has lots of ideas and you could do this craft with a children's home or the elderly.

Donna Anderson, GFWC-SC Chair, Environment CSP 2022-2024, [donnapanderson@charter.net](mailto:donnapanderson@charter.net)





## WreathsAcrossAmerica.org

In 2007, the Worcester family, along with veterans, and others who had helped with their annual Christmas wreath ceremony in Arlington, formed Wreaths Across America™, to continue and expand this effort, and support other groups around the country who wanted to do the same. This nonprofit organization continues the Arlington tradition as part of its mission to Remember, Honor and teach.

In 2021, Wreaths Across America and our national network of volunteers laid over 2,400,000 memorial wreaths at nearly 3000 locations in the United States and beyond. We accomplished this with help from over 4000 fundraising groups, many corporate contributions, and donations of trucking, shipping, and thousands of helping hands. Our annual pilgrimage from Harrington, Maine to Arlington National Cemetery is known as the world's largest veteran's parade, stopping at schools, monuments, veteran's homes and communities all along the way to remind people how important it is to remember, honor and teach.

Proceeds place a wreath at one of the participating cemeteries; help support our fundraising partners, educational and veteran's services outreach. *Please note that all sponsorships are sent directly to the location and no wreaths are sent to the individuals purchasing sponsorships.*

We welcome all to join us at any Wreaths Across America ceremony. If you would like to participate or help bring sponsored wreaths to your local community, please contact us and we will help connect you with other groups already working in your area.

### Schedule of Events

#### Sunday, December 11, 2022

Start of World's Longest Veterans Parade from Maine to Arlington National Cemetery and participating locations

#### Monday, December 12, 2022 12:00 Noon at the SC Veterans Memorial

Located on the Assembly Street side of the Statehouse grounds

There will be State House wreath-laying ceremonies in all 50 States and Puerto Rico

#### Saturday December 17, 2022 12:00 Noon

Fort Jackson National Cemetery 4170 Percival Rd, Columbia, SC 29229

Parking will be at the Blue Cross Blue Shield parking lot across from the cemetery. We will have shuttle buses to bring you to and from the cemetery starting at 10:30am the morning of the ceremony. There will be limited handicap parking in cemetery with proper identification.

For more information email [waaftjackson@gmail.com](mailto:waaftjackson@gmail.com), or call Carol Davis (803) 467-4482

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# **Roaring Twenties**

## **Little Black Dress Wine & Cheese Affair**

**Saturday, February 11, 2023**

**7:00 – 10:00 PM**

**Batesburg-Leesville Leisure Center**

**227 Highland Ave., Batesburg-Leesville, SC 29006**

**Beverages - Heavy Hors d'oeuvres - Silent Auction - Music-Dancing**

**FOR TICKETS OR INFO, CALL (803-413-2437)**



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***ALL PROCEEDS TO BE DONATED TO LOCAL SCHOLARSHIPS & CLUB PROJECTS***

## **Official Call to GFWC-SC Winter Board of Directors Meeting & Winter General Session**

Saturday, January 14, 2023

Doubletree Hotel, 2100 Bush River Rd., Columbia, SC 29210

### **9:00 a.m. Registration**

### **9:15 a.m. GFWC-SC Board of Directors Meeting**

GFWC-SC By-Laws Article VII - Section 3. The Board of Directors of GFWC-SC shall consist of the Executive Committee, the District Presidents, District Officers, the Special Assistant to the President, the Director-elect of Junior Clubs, the Past State Presidents who are residents of South Carolina, Community Service Programs Chairmen, Special Appointments Chairmen, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the GFWC-SC Scholarship Fund, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Progress Foundation, Chairman of the Constitution and Bylaws Committee, Chairman of the Credentials Committee, Chairman of the Finance Committee, Chairman of the Headquarters Committee, Chairman of the Resolutions Committee, and the Presidents of Clubs, either direct or affiliated, or their appointees.

### **10:00 a.m. Call to Order Winter Board Session**

2020 Winter Report from Board of Directors Meeting Report, GFWC Southern Region Report, Reporting Workshop GFWC, Progress Foundation Grants, Recognize new GFWC-SC Clubs, guest speaker for Project Lifesaver, Updates from District Presidents, Information on 2023 Convention, Invitation to LEADS

### **1:00 p.m. Adjourn**

A block of rooms is being held at the Doubletree Hotel at a special group rate of \$139 +tax **until December 14**. You may contact the hotel directly at 803 731-0300 to reserve a room or you may contact Meetings and Convention Chairman Dolly McDermott at [dollymcdermott@aol.com](mailto:dollymcdermott@aol.com) Just give her your name and phone number and she will reserve a room for you.

***Winter Board, January 14, 2023***  
*Doubletree Hotel, 2100 Bush River Rd, Columbia, SC*

### **Registration Information**

**Winter Board Registration Fee: \$20**

**Late fee (after 1/7)/2023: \$5** (late registration is accepted only if space is available)

As approved by the Board of Directors and membership at Summer Board Meeting, August 2022—  
All Registration will be done via **EventBrite**. The link is on the GFWC-SC website. Follow the steps below:

1. CLICK THE LINK - the registration page for Winter Board 2023 will open
2. CLICK GREEN BUTTON "TICKETS" - A list of registration options will open, select what you would like, after your selection
3. CLICK ORANGE BUTTON "CHECKOUT" - enter your contact and payment information
4. CLICK PLACE ORDER BUTTON
5. A CONFIRMATION EMAIL WILL BE SENT TO YOU

LEADS 2.2 Request: • If your club would like to help with the LEADS 2.2 leadership workshop by donating bottled water, wrapped chocolate candies or individually packaged snacks, please bring to Winter Board. Thank you

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## Important GFWC-South Carolina Dates

- January 14, 2023 - Winter Board Session—Columbia, Doubletree Hotel  
February 1, 2023 - CSP, Special Projects, and Advancement Area Reports due to 2nd Vice President, Kaye Jones  
February 18, 2023 - LEADS, Woman's Club of Cayce, Clubhouse, Cayce, SC  
March 1, 2023 - GFWC-SC Chairmen Reports due to 2nd VP  
March 15, 2023 - State and District Reports/Awards due (see Clubwoman Magazine for details)  
March 15, 2023 - Submit Rating Sheet to First Vice President, Suzanne Carswell & District President.  
March 15 2023 - Submit Contribution Sheet to Treasurer, Carrie Zimmerman  
April 1, 2023 - Send names of deceased members to GFWC-SC Chaplain, Linda Wagster  
April 15, 2023 - Send Presidents Directory Form to President's Special Assistant, Kathie Walker  
April 27-30, 2023 -GFWC-SC 125th Annual Convention, Hotel Indigo, Mount Pleasant, SC

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Stand Tall



Wear A Crown

&  
Be Sweet

