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*Merry Christmas
and
Happy New Year*





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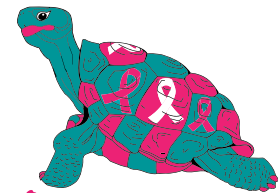
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Sharing Our Passion



One Step at a Time

WOW...did 2017 go by in a hurry to you? It sure did to me! I cannot believe my time as serving as your state president is rapidly coming to an end. But before we close the books on the 2016-2018 administration we have a few more very important task to complete.

We have our 2018 Winter Board Meeting/Winter Session scheduled for Saturday, January 6, 2018, at the Wingate in Lexington. This meeting will focus on the third part of my President's Special Project—Domestic Violence Awareness. We will be collecting items for "Hopeful Horizons" in Beaufort County. Hopeful Horizons is a children's advocacy, domestic violence and rape crisis center. We will also have special guest sharing with us what we should do should we ever find ourselves in that situation and also how the DV calls are handled by the police. Please mark your calendar now to attend this meeting because not only will we be having our Reporting Workshop, but at the close of the meeting the new districts will meet to elect their new officers. The "Official Call" and registration information can be found in this magazine.

GFWC-SC LEADS Training will be held on Saturday, February 17, 2018, at the Woman's Club of Cayce Clubhouse. Information on this training and application is included in this magazine.

The GFWC Southern Region Conference was held recently in Atlanta, Georgia and was attended by 18 members from GFWC-SC. It was a great conference where we heard from both GFWC President Sheila Shea and GFWC President-elect Mary Ellen Brock. The weekend included the presentation of the Jennie Award Nominees from each state. What an honor it was for me to present Gail Elfert of the St. Andrews Woman's Club as our nominee! The Jennie Award will be presented at the GFWC International Convention in St. Louis, Missouri this summer.

I hope the kick-off of your club year has included a "membership" social. The beginning of your club year is a great time to introduce your friends and family to GFWC. There are many benefits of belonging to GFWC from being exposed to different speakers and organizations that need our help, to making friendships to last a lifetime!

Speaking of club meetings, please be sure and let me know when you are meeting...I would love to come and visit and meet your members face to face where they serve.

From my family to yours, I wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year!

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

Janet



Happy Holidays, GFWC-SC!

I can't believe we're already getting geared up for mistletoe, hot chocolate and Santa. I hope you and your fellow club members have a wonderful season spent with family and friends!

We are accepting nominations for Director Elect of Junior Clubs. Please note this member must be an active member and either already served as club president or state committee chair. If you have any questions about this position, please let me know. Nominations should be emailed to me by 12/15/17. It has been one of the best experiences I have had and I am so thankful for the time I have served as your Director!

Thank you to all the Junior Clubs who have participated in our Branding challenge! So far we have the following winners. All clubs will be included in the August entry and each winner thereafter will get another entry. I will pull the winning club at Winter Board.

- August- All clubs because y'all are awesome!
- September- Junior Woman's Club of Lake Murray.
- October- Charleston Junior Woman's Club

In October I attended Southern Region conference in Atlanta, George. We had a wonderful weekend celebrating our federation and the Southern Region. While there, we heard great things from Mary Ellen Brock, President Elect of GFWC. She has some great ideas planned for her administration and I know some of them are very different but fun and needed! More details will come on that.



Katie Moydell
GFWC-SC
Director of
Junior Clubs



Carrie Zimmerman, your Director Elect, attended her Incoming Leader Training recently in Washington DC. We look forward to all the great ideas that Carrie will bring to our Juniors during the 2018-2020 administration. #yourockCarrie

Thank you all for the great activities you've been participating in this year! I've enjoyed seeing your club posts and can't wait to read your reports. Your commitment to the betterment of your communities is inspiring! Please do not hesitate to let me know if you need anything to me!

In Junior Love- Katie

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Juliet Casper
GFWC-SC
President-elect



Equal Rights?

Recent news stories about sexual harassment and assault got me thinking about GFWC’s advocacy for women’s rights. Did you know that in 1934, GFWC began a ten year study to review the proposed Equal Rights Amendment? Did you know that in 1944 GFWC adopted a resolution in support of the Equal Rights Amendment?

Here is the text of GFWC Resolution 015-210:

Equal Rights and Responsibilities for Women (Convention 1944; Reviewed 1950; Amended 1967; Reviewed 1987; Reviewed 1991; Reviewed 1995; Reviewed 1999; Amended 2003, Reviewed 2007; Reviewed 2011; Reviewed 2015)

WHEREAS, The United States Constitution does not guarantee quality of status for women, except with regard to the right to vote, and will guarantee equality of other rights only when an amendment for the purpose is included therein; and

WHEREAS, Lack of ratification of the Equal Rights Amendment (ERA) continuously jeopardizes women’s parity with men in the areas of health care, violence, education and employment; therefore

RESOLVED, That the General Federation of Women’s Clubs reaffirms its support and urges the immediate ratification of the Equal Rights Amendment(ERA) which would provide that equality of rights under the law shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any state on account of gender.

Even though this resolution was adopted in 1944, the push to have the ERA passed occurred between 1972 and 1982. Supporters, many who were clubwomen to be sure, lobbied, marched, petitioned, picketed, went on hunger strikes and committed acts of civil disobedience in an effort to get the amendment passed. The Equal Rights Amendment passed the U.S. Senate and then the House of Representatives, and on March 22, 1972, the proposed 27th Amendment to the Constitution was sent to the states for ratification. Congress placed a seven-year deadline on the ratification process. Thirty eight states need to ratify the amendment in order for it to become law.

Opponents of the amendment played on the same fears that had generated female opposition to woman suffrage. Anti-ERA organizers claimed that the ERA would deny woman’s right to be supported by her husband, privacy rights would be overturned, women would be sent into combat, and abortion rights and homosexual marriages would be upheld. Don’t these fears seem so strange and foreign in 2017? By the way, South Carolina was one of the states that did not ratify the amendment.

The Equal Rights Amendment has been reintroduced before every session of Congress since 1982, and GFWC continues to support its passage. Some of you may wonder why this amendment is needed, and I guess I would point you back to the recent news stories of sexual harassment and assault. The ERA would clarify the legal status of sex discrimination for the courts, where decisions still deal inconsistently with such claims. For the first time, sex would be considered a suspect classification, as race currently is. Incoming GFWC International President Mary Ellen Brock at the Southern Region Conference listed resolutions and legislation as two of the six areas she intends to focus upon, so expect GFWC to return to its roots by supporting legislation. Such support is not political, but practical, to paraphrase Mary Ellen Brock.

Juliet

State Elections Committee Report

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

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

- Be an active member in good standing of a club with direct membership.
- Have been a member of GFWC-SC for three or more years.
- Have served as either a club president, District President, or GFWC-SC Chairman.
- Is a legal resident of South Carolina.

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



Kathie Walker
GFWC-SC
Treasurer

To Budget or Not!

Does your club prepare an annual budget? Now is the time to start thinking about your club's annual budget. Many of our clubs feel that they are so small – they do not need a budget but the budget is your financial roadmap for the year.

Start with outgoing money.

Identify the key activities and programs you spend money on, as well as administrative expenses that arise each year. Look at what your club has actually spent in each of these areas over the last two or three years, and come up with an estimate of how much you need for the upcoming year.

Next, measure the incoming money.

How has your club raised money in the past? Go through the same exercise: look at your income over the last year two or three years including membership fees and fundraisers. What will you repeat? What was successful? What's not working? What's realistic? Get a total for what you hope to raise and how you plan to do it.

The balancing act...

Look at the two lists: income and expenses. If your expenses outweigh your income you probably know the two alternatives: cut back on your expenses or increase your income. Which will better serve your membership? Can you add

another fundraiser?

Should you eliminate or reduce the scope of a particular activity? If your income outweighs your expenses, you also have decisions to make. Do you cut back on fundraising and give your volunteers a break? Or do you raise the bar and provide more services this year?

Set some money aside.

Your final step is to "reserve" some money for carry over to the next year. How much is right for your club? If you plan your major fundraising activities early in your financial year, you can get by with less carry over. But if you have major financial commitments each year, you will want to ensure that you have enough money to meet these if fundraisers don't do as well as planned.

Changing the Budget

Throughout the year, adjustments may need to be made to stay on course. If a particular fundraising activity brought in more revenue than you'd planned for, you will need to look at how to spend that unanticipated income. Alternatively, if expenses were higher than anticipated, you may need to increase fundraising activities or cut back on services in order to balance your budget. Remember, your club's budget is just a plan – a living document which will help to successfully guide you through your next program year.

Kathie

Reminder for Club Secretaries

(but this is also a reminder for club presidents and chairmen who help with club reporting)

Remember to share information from your minutes with your club president and others as they begin working on the 2017 Reports for GFWC-SC and GFWC. Your minutes can serve as helpful reminders regarding projects and accomplishments of your club. Information in the minutes can also help your club president and others remember the person they need to contact to get information for all those reports. Club minutes may also help serve as a way to organize information for reporting. This is another reason that keeping accurate minutes is so important!!! The club secretaries' job is not always easy---but it is so important!!! Thank you for all your hard work! Club presidents remember to use this important resource to help with your reporting

Merry Christmas! Happy New Year---2018

Norma



Norma England
GFWC-SC
Secretary



Kristin Fields
GFWC-SC

Second Vice President



2017 GFWC-SC Reporting Information

GFWC-SC Club Statistical Form; Special Programs, GFWC Community Service Programs, and the Advancement Area Reports

Due Date: **February 1, 2018**

The reporting period: January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017.

Each club may submit one report for: each of the two Special Programs (Domestic Violence and Advocacy for Children), each of the six GFWC Community Service Programs and each of the six GFWC Advancement Areas.

No projections should be made in these reports.

GFWC-SC Club Statistical Form: The Form can be found at www.gfwc-sc.org website under Resources. This report can be emailed to GFWC-SC Second Vice President Kristin Fields at kristinf11@aol.com or mailed to Kristin Fields, 230 Muirfield Drive, Columbia, SC 29212. The form is due **February 1, 2018**.

Statistical Data: The following summarizes the statistical data needed for each report.

GFWC Special Programs and GFWC Community Service Programs:

Number of Projects, Volunteer Hours, Dollars Donated, In-Kind Donations

Advancement Areas:

Number of Projects, Volunteer Hours, Dollars Spent

Fundraising & Development:

Number of Projects, Volunteer Hours, Dollars Raised

Woman's History Resource Center:

Number of Projects, Volunteer Hours, Dollars Donated, In-Kind Donations

Reports for GFWC Special Programs, GFWC Community Service Programs and Advancement Areas:

Two (2) copies of each report should be mailed, postmarked on or before February 1, 2018, to GFWC-SC Second Vice President Kristin Fields, 230 Muirfield Drive, Columbia, SC 29212. The first hard copy of each report mailed is needed by the Second Vice President to forward to the respective State Chairman for judging. The second copy is forwarded to our State President for reporting purposes.

If you choose to email the reports, each report should be sent by separate email to kristinf11@aol.com with the name of the club and the name of the Community Service Program, Special Project or Advancement Area in the subject line.

An email confirmation will be sent to the club president upon receipt of the reports, whether you submit via mail or email.

Junior clubs must submit **one (1) additional copy** to the Director of Junior Clubs, Katie Moydell, 200 Conrad Circle, Columbia, SC 29212, or by email at KatieMoydell1020@gmail.com.

Include with each Report:

(1) A **Separate** completed GFWC-SC State Narrative Entry Cover marked "FOR JUDGING". A GFWC-SC State Narrative Entry Cover form can be downloaded from www.gfwc-sc.org website. Note: The number to be inserted in the Total Number of Club Members is the **number of club members paid as of April 30, 2017**. This number was included on the Club Roster in the Club President's Packet distributed at Summer Board.

(2) A **Separate** narrative for each program report consisting of a maximum of three (3) single spaced typed pages. [Do Not Combine Narratives.] Only reports submitted with narratives are eligible for consideration for state awards. **If you choose not to include a narrative, the statistics provided on the cover sheet and/or on the Statistical Form will be included in the totals for composite state reports to GFWC.**

(3) **Addenda** (supporting documents) are optional. Addenda are limited to five (5) pages and must be attached **only** to the report marked "FOR JUDGING."

Reporting Criteria

Clubs should report all activities for each Community Service Program, GFWC Special Program or Advancement Areas. All activities reported must be club approved projects. A project/program may not be reported in more than one Community Service Program, Special Project and/or Advancement area report. **Clubs are asked to put "special emphasis" on up to three (3) of their top projects** for each of the Community Service Programs (CSP Projects and Partnership Projects), GFWC Special Programs and Advancement Areas by reporting the "who, what, when, where, how and why" of the project as well as pertinent statistics for the project. Providing complete details will assist our state chairmen with judging and writing of their reports.

Certificates of Award

Certificates of Award will be given at convention to the 1st and 2nd winning entries in each of the three (3) General membership categories and two (2) Junior membership categories, and one (1) Juniorette category.

General Categories

Category I	1 – 12 members
Category II	13 – 30 members
Category III	31+ members

Junior Categories

Category I	1 – 20 members
Category II	21+ members

SILVER CERTIFICATE AWARDS TO BE AWARDED AT GFWC-SC CONVENTION BASED ON REPORTS SUBMITTED FEBRUARY 1, 2018

All Clubs submitting reports by February 1, 2018, will be considered for the following Silver Certificate Awards to be judged by the respective Community Service Program or Advancement Area Chair. Clubs do not need to send a special report for these certificates but should include in their narratives the appropriate information qualifying the club for the particular Silver Certificate. For example, the Education report would contain a description of the club's activities to eradicate illiteracy, thus qualifying the club for the Marie J. Hammond Silver Certificate.

Education:

Marie J. Hammond Award: Sponsor: Mrs. Dean C. Hammond. Basis: To the club accomplishing the most toward the eradication of illiteracy.

Debbie Alexander Adult Education Award: Sponsor: Friends of Debbie Alexander. Basis: To the club which has accomplished the most in the field of "Adult Education" by promoting adult literacy. Action Plan: Volunteer to tutor, provide transportation, offer facilities, purchase books or supplies for local literacy organizations, provide child care facilities, assist with refreshment for celebrations, promote adult education programs in your community, etc.

Fundraising:

Rebecca Robbins Award: Sponsor: Aiken Junior Woman's Club and Sand River Woman's Club. Basis: To the club or clubs working jointly, with the best overall fundraising project.

Leadership:

Leadership Silver Award: Sponsor: Saxe Gotha Woman's Club. Basis: To the club with the best overall leadership report

Legislation and Public Policy:

Legislation Award: Sponsor: Carrie Jane Hughes. Basis: To the club reporting on an unusual legislation project.

Public Issues Award:

Lexington Woman's Club Public Affairs Award: Sponsor: Lexington Woman's Club. Basis: To the club doing the most outstanding work in Public Issues.

GFWC-SC JUDGING CRITERIA

Evaluation of the report will be based on the following points of information. Please address each applicable item in your report. Total volunteer hours, dollars donated, dollars spent, dollars raised and in-kind donations will be evaluated on a PER CAPITA BASIS for all clubs.

Description of the project(s) in narrative paragraph form.

Number of projects, hours, dollars and in-kind contribution.

Innovation/originality.

Participation of membership (consider club size).

Community participation (any outside organization or individuals that were involved and how).

Publicity of project, club, GFWC-SC, GFWC.

Success of project (impact on community).

Any additional information requested by the award sponsor relating to a particular award.

Contest Entries due February 1, 2018

Yearbook Award - Certificates will be awarded to clubs in the same membership categories as Community Service Program Awards. Yearbooks will be judged as professional (all or any typeset and layout work done by printer) or non-professional (club members type, copy and put together). Refer to the Yearbook Rating and Release Form distributed in President's Packet for content/judging criteria.

One (1) copy of the Club Yearbook with Yearbook Rating and Release Form must be sent to the Yearbook Chairman Frances Dantzler, 101 Point Drive, Lexington, SC 29072. Yearbooks may also be delivered at the GFWC-SC Winter Board Meeting in January 2018.

Communications and Public Relations

Newsletter Contest - Clubs and States may submit only one newsletter, and the newsletter must have been printed and clearly dated during the reporting year (January 1 – December 31, 2017). Accompanying your entry must include a cover letter with GFWC specifics included.

Entries will be judged and awarded points on the following elements: 1) Content quality, including timeliness, clarity, and member impact (30%); 2) Presentation (30%); 3) Design (30%); 4) Adherence to rules (10%).

Please visit the GFWC Club Manual: Awards, Contests and Club Grants Section to learn more about the contest specifics.

A copy of the submitted sample of the club newsletter must also be sent to the GFWC-SC Communication/Identity Chairman, Melanie Branham, 119 Richland Drive, Easley, SC 29642, postmarked on or before February 1, 2018.

GFWC Awards:

Clubs - A first, second, and third place certificate will be awarded annually at the GFWC Convention to three clubs in the nation.

State – GFWC certificates are awarded annually at the GFWC Annual Convention to the one State Federation in each membership category to recognize creativity and outstanding achievement in producing a State Federation newsletter.

Website Contest - Only one website per Club/State Federation may be submitted. The website homepage must contain a link to www.GFWC.org, and must include contact information for at least one member of the club (email address, telephone number and or mailing address).

The submission should include the website address, Club/State Federation name, website address, President's name and contact information, name and contact information of the person submitting the entry, number of Club/State Federation members, and a 250 word essay describing the website's purpose and the club's/State Federation's approach on website maintenance.

Please visit the GFWC Club Manual: Awards, Contests and Club Grants Section to learn more about the contest specifics.

Submissions should be emailed to GFWC-SC Website Chairman, Kaye Gerrald at k.gerrald@gmail.com on or before 5:00 PM February 1, 2018.

GFWC Awards:

Club - A first, second, and third place certificate will be awarded annually at the GFWC Convention to three clubs in the nation.

State - GFWC certificates are awarded at the GFWC Convention to one State Federation in each membership category to recognize outstanding achievement in website implementation and maintenance.

Media Campaign Contest - Clubs may submit one media campaign per category: Advocacy, Fundraising, Membership Recruitment, and Special Events.

The media campaign must take place during the contest year: January 1, 2017-December 31, 2017. Campaign materials must include a medium (i.e. website, Facebook page, Twitter feed, YouTube Video, etc.) and contact information where additional information can be obtained. The following information should be included: Club President's name and contact information, Name and contact information of individual submitting the entry, Number of club members, Campaign Category, and an essay of no more than 500 words that includes the goal, budget, target audience, strategies and tactics, key messages, and post-campaign measurement and analysis.

Each campaign must be emailed separately to GFWC-SC Communication/Identity Chairman, Melanie Branham at melaniebranham@yahoo.com on or before 5:00 PM February 1, 2018.

Contest and Writing Awards due March 15, 2018:

GFWC Youth Writing Competition: 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. Entries must be written during the contest year (Jan. 1 – Dec. 31).

Entries must have the following in the top right hand corner of each page: author's name, e-mail address, mailing address and phone number; name of author's GFWC club and state federation submitting the author's work; category and title of work.

Grade Level Categories: 1 (Grades K, 1, and 2), 2(Grades 3, 4, and 5), 3(Grades 6, 7 and 8), 4(Grades 9, 10, 11 and 12). One entry per person per category.

Authors must be of amateur status; earnings from writings may not exceed \$500 annually.

Entries may not have been published prior to the competition and must and must be original works by author.

Short stories limited to 2000 words. Poems can be any style with a minimum length of eight lines and a maximum of 50 lines.

A completed and signed GFWC Creative Arts Waiver must be submitted with each entry.

Manuscripts will not be returned. Authors should keep a copy. First place state winners will be sent for national judging.

Send to GFWC-SC Writing Contest Chairman, Stephanie Williams, 274 Sun Colony Blvd. Longs, SC 29568, postmarked on or before March 15, 2018.

GFWC Clubwoman Short Story and Poetry Contest: Authors must be dues-paying members of an active 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. Entries must be written during the contest year (Jan. 1 – Dec. 31). Entries must have the following in the top right hand corner of each page: author's name, e-mail address, mailing address and 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 author.

Short stories limited to 2000 words. Poems can be any style with a minimum length of eight lines and a maximum of 50 lines.

Send to GFWC-SC Writing Contest Chairman, Stephanie Williams, 274 Sun Colony Blvd. Longs, SC 29568, postmarked on or before March 15, 2018.

A completed and signed GFWC Creative Arts Waiver must be submitted with each entry.

Manuscripts will not be returned. Authors should keep a copy. First place state winners will be sent for national judging.

Please visit the GFWC Club Manual: Awards, Contests and Club Grants Section to learn more about the contest specifics.

GFWC-SC Creative Writing Awards: GFWC-SC Individual 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. The 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 re-submitted and only unpublished material may be entered. Submit entries to GFWC-SC Writing Contest Chairman, Stephanie Williams, 274 Sun Colony Blvd., Longs, SC 29568, postmarked on or before March 15, 2018.

Nancy Ann Morris Rivers Drama Award: Sponsor: Nancy Rivers. Basis: To the writer of the best Drama. Author must be of amateur status; writing earnings must not exceed \$500 annually. Entries must be typewritten, double-spaced, with a minimum margins of 1", one side only, on 8-1/2" x 11" paper. All plays and skits are limited to one-act (30 – 60 minutes in length). Entries must have the following information on the top right corner of each page: name, address and telephone number of author, name of local club and title of manuscript. Entries must have been written during the contest year, may not have been published prior to competition and must be original works.

Submit entries to: Writing Contest Chairman, Stephanie Williams, 274 Sun Colony Blvd., Longs, SC 29568, postmarked on or before March 15, 2018.

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

Submit entries to: Writing Contest Chairman, Stephanie Williams, 274 Sun Colony Blvd., Longs, SC 29568, postmarked on or before March 15, 2018.

Frances B. Hair Award: Sponsor: The Woman's Club of Charleston. To the writer of the best short story submitted in the GFWC Clubwoman Short Story and Poetry Contest.

Submit entries to: Writing Contest Chairman, Stephanie Williams, 274 Sun Colony Blvd, Longs, SC 29568, postmarked on or before March 15, 2018.

GFWC-SC District/State Reports

Due Date: **March 15, 2018**

The reporting period: January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017.

No projections should be made in these reports.

Each club may submit one report for each of the awards below. Submit entries using the **GFWC-SC District/State Report Form**. The following are due postmarked on or before March 15, 2018.

Silver Certificates of Award to be presented at GFWC-SC State Convention:

GFWC-SC Program Council Report: DONOR – GFWC-SC Program Council. BASIS – To the general club which most effec-

tively carries out the GFWC Program Guidelines. First place in each General Membership category receives a silver award that the club retains.

Program Council Reporting Instructions: Use the GFWC-SC State/District Form. Summarize club work from January 1, 2017 – December 31, 2017. Report is limited to SEVEN (7) pages to include cover, narrative double-spaced and FIVE (5) pages of addendum (which is optional). First page heading should include name of club, district and number of members paid to GFWC-SC Treasurer by April 30, 2017. Report in each Community Service Program: Arts, Conservation, Education, Home Life, International Outreach, and Public Issues (total 6) separately. Include in your report 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.) which, in any manner, promoted GFWC Programs. Reports should be submitted to the Second Vice President, Kristin Fields, 230 Muirfield Drive, Columbia, SC 29212, postmarked on or before March 15, 2018.

GFWC-SC Mrs. John R. Wolff/Cancer SAVE-A-LIFE Project: Donated by the American Cancer Society, SC Division. **Form due to the American Cancer Society by March 15, 2018.** Entry material distributed to club presidents in President's Packets. Certificates awarded to participating clubs, framed certificates will be awarded to the club with the most points in each District, and a plaque (State Award) will be awarded to the club with the most points overall.

The Perry Anne Renwick Silver Award: Sponsor: Carole J. Mullis. Basis: to the clubs which report the best joint project undertaken by a general and a junior club working together. The clubs must submit one report, written together, and signed by the participating clubs' presidents, briefly describing the manner in which they worked together. Limit of two (2) typewritten pages, double-spaced; limit of two (2) additional pages of addenda. Report must be postmarked on or before March 15, 2018, and submitted to the GFWC-SC Leadership Chairman, Connie McFarland, 149 Seaygard Lane, Lexington, SC 29072.

GFWC-SC President's Special Program Awards:

Please use the State/ District Reporting form for 2017 which is available online at GFWC-SC website under resources. This form will also be available in hard copy at Winter Board.

"The Symbol of Longevity Award" to the club in each category with the best overall program in support of "What Color Is Your Cancer?" to be reported on the GFWC-SC/District Reporting Form postmarked by March 15th to Sylvia Ayers, GFWC-SC President's Special Project Chairman "What Color is Your Cancer?", 2307 Wintercrest Drive, Rock Hill, SC 29732.

"The Slow and Steady Award" to the club in each category with the best overall program in support of Dyslexia Awareness to be reported on the GFWC-SC/District Reporting Form postmarked by March 15th to Gail Elfert, GFWC-SC President's Special Project Chairman "Dyslexia Awareness", 208 Aristides Drive, Irmo, SC 29063.

"The Turtle Shell of Protection Award" to the club in each category with the best overall program in support of the Your State...Your Project...the GFWC Signature Program – Domestic Violence Awareness to be reported on the GFWC-SC/District Reporting Form postmarked by March 15th to Sue Burgess, GFWC-SC President's Special Project Chairman "Your State...Your Project", P.O. Box 807, N. Myrtle Beach, SC 29547.

"The Affection Award" to the district with the best overall support of "What Color is Your Cancer?" through donations, awareness and volunteering. This award will be judged by Sylvia Ayers, GFWC-SC President's Special Project Chairman "What Color is Your Cancer?" from the entries received for "The Symbol of Longevity Award". **No additional report will be needed.**

"The Passion Award" to the district with the best overall support of Dyslexia Awareness through donations, awareness and volunteering To be judged by Gail Elfert, GFWC-SC President's Special Project Chairman "Dyslexia Awareness" from the entries received for "The Slow and Steady Award". **No additional report will be needed.**

"The Devotion Award" to the district with the best overall support of "Your State...Your Project – GFWC Signature Program – Domestic Violence Awareness through donations, awareness and volunteering to be judged by Sue Burgess, GFWC-SC President's Special Project Chairman "Your State...Your Project" from the entries received for "The Turtle Shell of Protection" Award. **No additional report will be needed.**

GFWC-SC Headquarters Awards

Jan W. Hadwin Sims-Stackhouse Mansion Endowment Award: Sponsor: Jan W. Hadwin. 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, postmarked on or before March 15, 2018. To be judged by GFWC-SC Headquarters Committee.

Princa M. Wright Sims-Stackhouse Mansion Endowment Award: Sponsor: Princa M. Wright. To the club generating the largest number of contributors to the Mansion Endowment, which includes all Mansion Society categories. Submit names of contributors to the GFWC-SC Sims-Stackhouse Mansion Endowment, 1511 Laurel Street, Columbia, SC 29201, postmarked on or before March 15, 2018. To be judged by GFWC-SC Headquarters Committee.

Rudy H. McManus Sims-Stackhouse Mansion Endowment Award: Sponsor: Princa M. Wright. To the district generating the largest number of contributors to the Sims-Stackhouse Mansion Endowment. Submit names of contributors to GFWC-SC Sims-Stackhouse Endowment, 1511 Laurel Street, Columbia, SC 29201, postmarked on or before March 15, 2018. To be judged by the GFWC-SC Headquarters Committee.

Additional GFWC-SC State Awards:

GFWC-SC Rosemary Rivers Memorial Award: Sponsor: the Spartanburg Woman's Club in memory of Mrs. Rudolph Rivers, President of GFWC-SC, 1984-1986. Basis: to the club with the best overall project. Two (2) copies to be submitted to your District President postmarked on or before March 15. In turn, each District President will send the winning report to the President-elect by April 1 for final judging.

GFWC-SC Volunteer of the Year Award: Sponsor: Catherine Sharpe. Basis: 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. Please send your nominations, postmarked on or before March 15, 2018, to Catherine Sharpe, 116 Fox Glen Circle, Lexington, SC 29072. A panel of three judges not affiliated with GFWC-SC will make the final decision. The nomination should be written in narrative form by someone other than the nominee. Please include:

A) The number of projects participated in by the nominee. Include a brief description of each club project and community project. B) The number of hours the nominee volunteered in each club and community project. C) The 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. Please note: This nomination should be for volunteer work from January 1, 2017 – December 31, 2017.

GFWC-SC Woman of Distinction: Sponsor: Debbie Alexander. Basis: 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 achievement. Each club may nominate one member. Reports of no more than five (5) pages should be sent to GFWC-SC Second Vice President, Kristin Fields, 230 Muirfield Drive, Columbia, SC 29212, postmarked on or before March 15, 2018. Nominees will be judged by an independent committee of no less than three (3) judges.

Juniorette Volunteer of the Year: Sponsor: Jo Ann Bolchoz. Basis: To the juniorette clubwoman who has been outstanding during the club year through volunteer work in club projects and in other community work. Each juniorette club may nominate one member for this award. Please send the nomination, postmarked on or before March 15, 2018 to Jo Ann Bolchoz, 2435 Pristine View, Charleston, SC 29414. A panel of judges not affiliated with GFWC-SC will make the final decision. The nomination should be written in narrative form by someone other than the nominee. Please include (1) the number of projects participated in by the nominee; (2) a brief description of each club and community project; (3) the number of hours volunteered and (4) the amount of monies raised as a result of her volunteer work. A brief paragraph describing her family life and school achievements should also be submitted. The nomination should be for volunteer work from January 1, 2017 – December 31, 2017.

GFWC and GFWC-SC CLUB AND INDIVIDUAL CONTESTS ENTRIES to be submitted at the GFWC-SC STATE CONVENTION

Scrapbook Award: Certificates will be awarded to clubs in the same membership categories as Community Service Program Awards. Entries should be brought to GFWC-SC Convention to the designated area by noon on Friday of Convention. Each entry must be registered with the Scrapbook Chairman Frances Dantzler and accompanied by the Release Form/Scrapbook Rating Sheet. The Scrapbook Rating Sheets were distributed in President's Packets.

Photography Contests: Please visit the GFWC Club Manual: Awards, Contests and Club Grants Section to learn more about the contest specifics and entry rules.

Photographers must be dues-paying members of active GFWC clubs and must be amateur photographers (earnings from photography must not exceed \$500 annually). Photographs must be original work of the member submitting the photo. Photos may be black and white or color. Size of entry must be 8 x 10 inch print, mounted on rigid 8 x 10 board with an overall thickness not to exceed 3/8 inch. No mattes, frames or hangers. Photos must be taken during the contest year.

Entries are to be brought to the GFWC-SC Convention registration table by noon on Friday of Convention. Linda Grant, State Photography Contest Chairman will select one state winner for each contest or category below and will send to GFWC for judging.

The same image may be submitted to multiple photo contests, but separate photos must be entered into each category.

All entries must be accompanied by a completed GFWC Creative Arts Waiver.

Photos will NOT be returned.

The GFWC Club Manual - Awards, Contests and Club Grants section outlines all the Photo Contest details. GFWC offers three opportunities to participate in the Photo Contests:

The World in Pictures Categories

Living Things – adults, animals, children, domestic birds, fish, flowers, insects, reptiles, wildlife.

Scenes – city, landscapes, rural, skies, sunrise, sunset, waterscapes, weather.

Still Life – abstract (any assemblage of objects either in an arranged or natural setting), buildings, monuments.

GFWC Volunteers in Action – These photos should capture GFWC members in action as they engage in volunteer activities

A Year in Pictures (Calendar Contest): This contest is also known as the Calendar Contest. It features photographs depicting the twelve months of the year, providing members the opportunity to showcase their talents while supporting GFWC through the fundraising calendar.

Each photo for all contests must have a label on the back with the following information:

- a) Contest Name
- b) Photographer's name, e-mail address, mailing address, and phone number
- c) Name and State of sponsoring club
- d) Title and Brief caption giving location and other notes about the photo
- e) Arrow indicating the top of the photo.

Please be sure to review GFWC Club manual to find all the Photo Contest details.

Bring your photos to Convention and Linda Grant our Photography Contest Chair will send off State entries to GFWC by the deadline.

SILVER CERTIFICATES OF AWARD AND RECOGNITIONS TO BE PRESENTED AT GFWC-SC STATE CONVENTION

GFWC-SC CONTRIBUTION SHEET: A Contribution Sheet was included in the Club President's Packet. This is to be completed and submitted on or before March 15, 2018 along with a check payable to GFWC-SC for total of contributions to GFWC-SC Treasurer, Kathie Walker, 1485 Greenmoor Road, Rock Hill, SC 29732.

Silver Certificates of Award to be awarded to the club donating the most per capita based on the Contribution Sheet:

Endowment Fund Award: Sponsor: Mrs. Wayne Unger. Basis: donation to the Endowment Fund. Contributions must be received by the Treasurer by March 15, 2018.

Keith Unger Memorial Award: Sponsor: Mrs. Gus F. Floyd. Basis: donation to the Headquarters Fund. Contributions must be received by the Treasurer by March 15, 2018.

Janet B. Agnew Award: Sponsor: Janet B. Agnew. Basis: donation to the General Fund of GFWC-SC. Contributions must be received by the Treasurer by March 15, 2018.

GFWC-SC Kate T. Davis Memorial Award: Sponsor: Miss. Sara McColl in memory of Mrs. George E. Davis, Chairman of GFWC-SC International Scholarship and Student Loan 1938-1959. Basis: donation to the Scholarship Fund. Contributions must be received by the Treasurer by March 15, 2018.

Clubwoman Magazine Award: Sponsor: Dianne M. McCarty. Basis: donation to the GFWC-SC Clubwoman Magazine. Contributions must be received by the Treasurer by March 15, 2018.

Stackhouse Headquarters Award: Sponsor: GFWC-SC Headquarters Committee. Basis: to the club that contributes the most per capita to the GFWC-SC Headquarters Fund postmarked on or before March 15, 2018, based on contributions received by the Treasurer. In kind contributions, i.e. time and items, should be listed and submitted with the contribution sheet.

The GFWC-SC Progress Foundation Silver Certificate Award: Sponsor: GFWC-SC Saxe Gotha Woman's Club. To be awarded annually at state convention to the club with the highest per capita donation to GFWC-SC Progress Foundation postmarked on or before March 15, 2018, to the Treasurer.

Virginia (Sissy) Welch Award: Sponsor: Mrs. Silas B. Welch. Basis: to the district contributing the most money per capita to the GFWC-SC Headquarters Fund postmarked on or before March 15, 2018, to the Treasurer.

GFWC-SC RATING SHEET: A Rating Sheet was included in the Club President's Packet. The Rating Sheet is to be completed, and then ONE (1) copy is submitted to your District President and ONE (1) copy to President-elect Juliet Casper, P.O. Box 808, Myrtle Beach, SC 29578, postmarked on or before March 15, 2018.

Rating sheets are used to determine Honor Club designations.

RATING SHEET: Silver Certificates of Award to be awarded based on the Rating Sheet postmarked on or before March 15, 2018. Judge: President-elect Juliet Casper.

To the General Club with the highest points on the Rating Sheet:

Category I: Myrtis Flanagan Award Sponsor: Mrs. W. C. Flanagan.

Category II: Jean T. Kight Award Sponsor: Mrs. R. Larry Kight.

Category III: Lovonia V. Hendrix Award Sponsor: Mrs. Lovonia V. Hendrix.

Juniorette Category: Mary S. Smith Award Sponsor: Mrs. Lynwood Smith.

All Categories: Mrs. John R. Wolff Award Sponsor: Mrs. John R. Wolff.

To Districts based on the Rating Sheet:

Past President's Cup – Basis: to the district with the highest points on the Rating Sheet postmarked on or before March 15, 2018. Judge: President-elect.

Lovonia Hendrix Award: Sponsor: Mrs. Hubert Hendrix. Basis: to the district with the second highest points on the Rating Sheet postmarked on or before March 15, 2018. Judge: President-elect.

Sylvia Ayers Membership Award: Sponsor: Sylvia Ayers. Basis: to the club with the largest net gain for 2017. To be judged by the President-elect and Treasurer.

Howie Stackhouse Award: Sponsor: Mrs. Sanford Howie. Basis: to the district president gaining the most new clubs paid in full by February 1 of each year. Judged by President-elect.

Nancy Boozer Award: Sponsor: Mrs. L. Dale Boozer. Basis: to the district president who organizes or federates the most clubs in a fiscal year. Judged by GFWC-SC President-elect and Treasurer.

Emma McIntyre Burton Attendance Award: Sponsor: Mrs. Norman W. Lynch. Basis: to the district with the largest club membership attending GFWC-SC Annual Convention, as reported to the President-elect not later than 4 p.m. (or previously announced time) on the second day of convention. The count will be made by the Credentials Committee. Award to be made by the President-elect (Chairman of District Presidents) at Awards Banquet.

COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM ENTRY DEADLINE March 1, 2018 – Club entries must be sent via mail, postmarked no later than March 1, 2018, to the State GFWC Community Improvement Program Award Chairman, DeAna Reed-Sharpe, 1005 Ontario Drive, West Columbia, SC 29169.

Please be sure to review GFWC website: www.gfwc.org for entry guidelines.

JUNIOR AWARDS due FEBRUARY 1, 2018:

Instructions for Junior Reports: Entries for the Junior Department Silver Awards 1 and 2 can be the same as those submitted for the GFWC-SC Community Service Program Reports.

All reports can be emailed or mailed to the Director of Junior Clubs, Katie Moydell, 200 Conrad Street, Columbia, SC 29212, katiemoydell1020@gmail.com.

JUNIOR SILVER AWARDS

Categories 1 and 2 – One Silver Certificate Award for each Community Service Program in both Categories. Basis: to the club with the best typewritten report on Community Service Program work as stated in the GFWC objectives, postmarked to the Director of Junior Clubs on or before February 1.

Junior Cup Award I – Basis: to the junior club with the best overall written report on the year's work in Junior Category I; to the Director of Junior Clubs on or before February 1. Limited to 20 double-spaced pages, including addenda.

Junior Cup Award II – Basis: to the junior club with the best overall written report on the year's work in Junior Category II; to the Director of Junior Clubs on or before February 1. Limited to 20 double-spaced pages, including addenda.

Bobbie L. Lowe Award – Basis: to the junior club with the most number of points earned on the Junior Honor Sheet per capita; copy of Honor Sheet to the Director of Junior Clubs postmarked on or before February 1.

Mary Plyler Memorial Award – Sponsored by Mrs. Pat Taylor. Basis: to the junior club with the most hours spent per capita on club projects. Winner to be determined by the Junior Honor Sheet; a copy to the Director of Junior Clubs postmarked on or before February 1.

Jan W. Hadwin Award – Basis: to the Category II club with the best overall written report on the GFWC Junior Special Project to the Director of Junior Clubs postmarked on or before February 1.

Beth Broome Silver Award – Basis: to the Category I club with the best overall written report on the GFWC Junior Special Project to the Director of Junior Clubs postmarked on or before February 1.

Elizabeth Prince Gouge Award - Sponsored by Aiken Junior Woman's Club. To the junior club who does the most outstanding work in children's health care. To the Director of Junior Clubs postmarked on or before February 1.

Ann Borris Memorial Award: Cancer Project. Basis: to the junior club (largest half) reporting the most outstanding work done in the field of cancer; to the Director of Junior Clubs postmarked on or before February 1.

Augusta Wolff Award: Cancer Project. Basis: to the junior club (smallest half) reporting the most outstanding work done in the field of cancer; to the Director of Junior Clubs postmarked on or before February 1.

Susan Abelkop Membership Award – Sponsored by Piedmont Junior Woman's Club. Basis: to the junior club with the best overall membership report. Judged by Junior Membership Chairman by GFWC Membership Guidelines. Report to Director of Junior Clubs postmarked on or before February 1.

Junior Spirit Award – Sponsored by Susan Haynes. Basis: to the junior club with the "Best Overall GFWC Volunteer Spirit". Points: 10 – invitation to Director of Junior Clubs and/or Director of Junior Clubs-Elect to club events (i.e. meetings, fund-raisers, social); 10 – club members servicing on Junior Board; 10 – attendance at Summer Board; 10 – attendance at Winter Board; 10 – attendance at Convention; 50 – Junior club peer vote (may not vote for own club). To be judged by the Director of Junior Clubs. Awarded at GFWC-SC Convention Junior Luncheon. Points due postmarked on or before February 1 to the Director of Junior Clubs.

Junior Reports due March 15, 2018

Carol Vann Rowland and Susan Vann Haynes Junior Clubwoman of Achievement Award – Sponsored by Mary and Christy Vann. Basis: to a Junior Clubwoman who upholds the ideals of General Federation of Women's Clubs and Junior

Clubs. A woman who is outstanding in her club and community. Each Junior Club may nominate one member. Reports should be sent to the Director of Junior Clubs postmarked on or before March 15 to be judged by Mary Vann, the Director of Junior Clubs, and the President-elect.

GFWC-SC Director of Junior Clubs Special Program Awards:

Please use the State/ District Reporting form for 2018 which is available online at GFWC-SC website under Resources. This form will also be available in hard copy at Winter Board.

Samantha's Hopeful Award: Named after a local homeless teen starting her Junior year at USC, this will be awarded to the **General Club** that overall best incorporates the Director's Special Program focusing on Homeless Teens and Human Trafficking. Reporting in both areas of this program preferred. Report is due to Director of Junior Clubs postmarked on or before March 15. To be judged by Director of Junior Clubs.

Magic's Hopeful Award: Named after a local homeless teen who just graduated high school; this will be awarded to the **Junior Club** that overall best incorporates the Director's Special Program focusing on Homeless Teens and Human Trafficking. Reporting in both areas of this award preferred. Report is due to Director of Junior Clubs postmarked on or before March 15. To be judged by Director of Junior Clubs.

The Millie Crom United Award: Named after the first International Director of Junior clubs; this will be awarded to the **Junior clubs** which report the best joint project undertaken by 2 or more Junior clubs working together. The Junior clubs must submit one report, written together, and signed by the participating Junior clubs' presidents, briefly describing the manner in which they worked together. Report is due to Director of Junior Clubs postmarked on or before March 15. To be judged by Director of Junior Clubs.

All reports can be emailed or mailed to the Director of Junior Clubs, Katie Moydell, 200 Conrad Street, Columbia, SC 29212, katiemoydell1020@gmail.com.

INDIVIDUAL DISTRICT AWARDS

(Awarded at District Conference)

The GFWC-SC State/District Form should be used to submit reports. This form was included in the Club President's Packet, is in this magazine and can be downloaded from the GFWC-SC website under Resources. Reports should be postmarked on or before March 15, 2018.

CENTRAL

Somerset Silver Award – Donor: Roy Somerset. Basis: to the club membership 31 and over, that has the best overall project. Two copies must be submitted to the District President postmarked on or before March 15.

Dotsy L. Boineau Silver Award – Donor: Mrs. Trippett Boineau. Basis: to the club membership 10 – 30, that has the best overall project. Two copies must be submitted to the District President postmarked on or before March 15.

Palmetto Club Award – Donor: Palmetto Woman's Club. Basis: to the club 1-25 members, with highest points on the Rating Sheet. Postmarked on or before March 15 to District President.

Central District Award – Basis: to the club 26 and over members, with highest points on the Rating Sheet. Postmarked on or before March 15 to District President.

Judy Keating International Affairs Children's Award – Donor: St. Andrew's Woman's Club. Basis: to the Central District club with the best International Outreach (previously International Affairs) project(s) working with children in other countries. Postmarked on or before March 15 to District President.

Debbie P. Alexander Award – Donor: Junior Woman's Club of Columbia. Basis: to the club with the best overall project working with children in crisis-day care centers, schools, South Carolina Cares for Children, etc. Postmarked on or before March 15 to GFWC-SC Public Issues Chairman, Beth Taylor, 4 High Pointe Lane, Blythewood, SC 29016.

Ethel M. Wismer Memorial Award – Donor: Jan W. Hadwin. Basis: to the club with the highest attendance at District Conference to be judged by District President.

EASTERN

Mrs. Rufus H. Cain Award – Sponsored by Mrs. Rufus H. Cain. Basis: to the club with the highest average points on the Rating Sheet. Postmarked on or before March 15 to the District President.

Pat Estep Community Service Award – Sponsored by North Myrtle Beach Woman's Club. To the club with the best GFWC-SC President's Special Project report. Submitted to the District President on or before March 15.

Sue Burgess Education Award – Sponsored by Sue Burgess. Basis: to the club in the Eastern District with the Best Educational Project(s). Action Plan: Any projects dealing with the education of others, such as programs for local schools, public libraries, senior citizens, money donations, book drives, etc. Two (2) copies must be submitted to the District President postmarked on or before March 15.

The Ruth Fairchild Memorial Award – In memory of Ruth Fairfield for over 30 years of deep selfless devotion and outstanding service to the Woman's Club of Darlington and her community. Sponsor: Woman's Club of Darlington. Basis: to the Eastern District Club that has earned the most hours as a mentor to a child. Two (2) copies must be submitted to the District President on or before March 15.

MIDLANDS

Becky M. Silver Award – Sponsored by the Woman's Society of Batesburg-Leesville. Basis: to the club, membership 25 and under, with the best overall project. One (1) copy of the report must be submitted for judging to the District President on or before March 15.

Ruby Crook Silver Award – Sponsored by the Lake Murray-Irmo Woman’s Club. Basis: to the club, membership 26 and over, with the best overall project. One (1) copy of the report must be submitted for judging to the District President on or before March 15.

Junior Woman’s Club of Lexington Silver Award - Sponsored by Junior Woman’s Club of Lexington. Basis: to the club, membership 25 and under, with the highest number of points on the Rating Sheet. One (1) copy of the report must be submitted for judging to the District President on or before March 15.

Connie B. McFarland Silver Award – Sponsored by Lexington Woman’s Club. Basis: to the club, membership 26 and over, with the highest number of points on the Rating Sheet. One (1) copy of the report must be submitted for judging to the District President on or before March 15.

Midlands Conservation Award – Sponsored by Rose T. Wilkins. Basis: to the club with the “Best Overall Conservation Project”. To be retired to the GFWC-SC Headquarters at the request of the donor. One (1) copy of the report must be submitted for judging to the District President on or before March 15.

Christie C. Addy Education Award – Sponsored by Saxe Gotha Woman’s Club. Basis: to the club with the “Best Overall Education Project”. One (1) copy of the report must be submitted for judging to the District President on or before March 15.

The Annie Laurie George Silver Award – Sponsored by the Lexington Literary Club. Basis: to the club initiating a project to benefit young people in children’s centers by providing pleasant experiences that minimize the possibility of traumatic after effects. One (1) copy of the report must be submitted for judging to the District President on or before March 15.

Pamela Abikhaled Community Improvement Program Award (to be awarded in the even years) – Sponsored by Magnolia Woman’s Society. Basis: to the club whose Community Improvement Project improves the community and lives of the most diverse groups of its citizens (child and adult, rich and poor, male and female). One (1) copy of the report must be submitted for judging to the District President on or before March 15.

Lexington Woman’s Club Legislation Award – Sponsored by Lexington Woman’s Club. Basis: to the club with the “Best Overall Legislative Project” that involves individual lobbying and/or keeps the club informed of legislative issues. To be retired to the GFWC-SC Headquarters at the request of the donor. One (1) copy of the report must be submitted for judging to the District President on or before March 15.

Midlands District President’s Spirit Award – Sponsored by Terry S. Tucker. Basis: to the club with the “Best Overall GFWC Spirit”. Criteria includes: 1) Attendance at Summer and Winter Boards, Conventions, District Conference and District Socials; 2) Attendance of State and/or District Officers at club meetings, fundraiser’s or socials; 3) Club Yearbook sent to District President and GFWC-SC First Vice President; 4) Prompt return of GFWC-SC and District dues, Rating Sheet and Club President’s Directory Forms; 5) Reporting participation in all Community Service Programs. To be retired to the GFWC-SC Headquarters at the request of the donor. One (1) copy of the report must be submitted for judging to the District President on or before March 15.

Mabel J. Bonnette Award – Sponsored by the Woman’s Club of Cayce. Basis: to the club, membership 26 and over, demonstrating the most support for its local library. To be retired to the GFWC-SC Headquarters at the request of the donor. One (1) copy of the report must be submitted for judging to the District President on or before March 15.

Midlands District Conference Attendance Award – Sponsored by Connie B. McFarland. Basis: to the club with the highest percentage of members present at District Conference. To be retired to the GFWC-SC Headquarters at the request of the donor.

Midlands District Membership Award – Sponsored by Sally Yarber. Basis: to the club with the largest net gain. To be retired to the GFWC-SC Headquarters at the request of the donor. One (1) copy of the report must be submitted for judging to the District President on or before March 15.

NORTH CENTRAL

North Central Project Award – Sponsored by Jane Davenport. Basis: to the club with the best overall project. Post-marked on or before March 15 to the District President.

North Central District Award I - Sponsored by Andrea Davis. Basis: to the club membership 10-30, with the highest number of points on the Rating Sheet.

North Central District Award II – Sponsored by Judy Crocker. Basis: to the club membership 31 and over, with the highest number of points on the Rating Sheet.

Perry W. Cathcart Arts Award – Sponsored by Winnsboro Woman’ Club. Basis: to the club reporting the “Best Overall Promotion of the Fine Arts within Their Community.” Criteria: (a) hours of volunteer service by members to promote the fine arts within the community; (b) involvement with sponsorship of a fine arts event within the community; (c) presentation of a program within the club pertaining to the fine arts. Shall be judged by the District President and the State Arts Community Program Chairman. Two copies of the report must be submitted to the District President, postmarked on or before March 15.

NORTHERN

Northern District Award – Sponsored by Spartanburg Council of Federated Women’s Clubs. Basis: to the club with the highest number of points on the Rating Sheet.

Northern District Photography Award – Sponsored by Janet Agnew. To the club with the most photography entries at the GFWC-SC State Convention.

Jolene W. Bryant Award – Sponsored by Piedmont Junior Woman’s Club and Spartanburg Junior Woman’s Club in honor of Jolene Bryant, 1992-1994 GFWC-SC Northern District President. Basis: to the club with the best education project submitted to the District President for judging on or before March 15.

Mary Renfro Memorial Award – Sponsored by Spartanburg Woman’s Civic Club. Basis: to the club with the largest membership percentage increase during the year.

Spartanburg Council of Federated Women’s Clubs Award – Sponsored by Spartanburg Council of Federated Women’s Clubs. Basis: to the club having the highest percentage of attendance at **Northern District Conference**. This award is to be retired to the club when club has won three successive years.

NORTHWESTERN

Once-A-Week Club Award – Sponsored by Miss. Elizabeth Morgan. Basis: to the club with the best overall project reported to the District President postmarked on or before March.

Northwestern District Cup – Basis: to the club with the highest number of points on the Rating Sheet.

The Walhalla Junior Woman's Club Community Spirit Award – Sponsored by Walhalla Junior Woman's Club. Basis: to the club with the best overall project exemplifying service and enthusiasm while physically improving the community. Due postmarked on or before March 15 to the Northwestern District President.

Making Time for Others Silver Award – Sponsored by Seneca Junior Woman's Club. Basis: to the Northwestern District club with the best overall hands-on project benefiting special needs or underprivileged individuals reported to the District President postmarked on or before March 15.

Northwestern District Easley Junior Women's Club Arts Award – Sponsored by Lane Wells Dye, in memory of Clara Cassles and Ellen C. Dye for their past service in Easley Women's Club. Basis: to the club with the best "Arts Within Their Community" 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). Two copies to be submitted to the District President for judging with the Arts Committee Chairman, postmarked on or before March 15.

Beulah Higgins Conference Attendance Award – Sponsored by Mrs. Forney W. Lowe. Basis: to the club with the highest percentage of members present at District Conference.

SOUTHERN

Myrt Riggs Award – Sponsored by Mrs. Larry T. Riggs. Basis: to the club that has the best overall project submitted to the District President with the Rating Sheet postmarked on or before March 15.

Southern District Award – Sponsored by Jean L. Pearce. Basis: to the club with the highest number of points on the Rating Sheet.

Jean L. Pearce Award – Sponsored by Brenda Kiser. Basis: to the club that has the best overall Arts Program Report based on GFWC criteria submitted to the District President postmarked on or before March 15.

Virginia Baxley Silver Award – Sponsored by Tuesday Afternoon Book Club of Harleyville. Basis: to the club with the most photography and creative entries at the GFWC-SC Convention. To be determined by the District President at Convention.

Charleston Junior Woman's Club community Improvement Program Award – Sponsored by Charleston Junior Woman's Club. Basis: to the club with the best overall Community Improvement Project submitted to the District President, postmarked on or before March 15 of even numbered years.

Jo Ann Thornhill Bolchoz Award – Sponsored by Jo Ann Thornhill Bolchoz. Purpose: to increase scholarship funding for women pursuing education at colleges and universities domiciled within the Southern District. Criteria: to be given annually to a woman's club in the Southern District which documents the largest donations in this category of scholarship funding. Must be received by the District President on or before March 15.

Brenda Kiser Silver Award – Sponsored by Brenda Kiser. Basis: to the club that reports the best overall activities pertaining to the District President's Special Project submitted to the District President postmarked on or before March 15.

Sissy Welch Award – Basis: to the club with the largest membership percentage increase during the year submitted to the District President with the Rating Sheet.

Southern District President's Spirit Award – Sponsored by Jadona Hadwin Rowell. Basis: to the club with the "Best Overall Spirit." Criteria includes: 1) Attendance at Summer and Winter Boards, Conventions, District Conference and District Socials; 2) Attendance of State and/or District Officers at club meetings, fundraiser's or socials; 3) Club Yearbook sent to District President and GFWC-SC First Vice President; 4) Prompt return of GFWC-SC and District dues, Rating Sheet and Club President's Directory Forms; 5) Reporting participation in all Community Service Programs. Shall be determined by the Southern District President.

Annie Utsey Award – Sponsored by Jadona Hadwin Rowell. Basis: to the club with the highest percentage of members present at District Conference. To be determined by the District Credentials Chairman.

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Sissy Brodie Award – Sponsored by Aiken Junior Woman's Club. Basis: to the club with the best overall project. Two (2) copies must be submitted to the District President, postmarked on or before March 15.

Joan Marine Award – Sponsored by Aiken Woman's Club. Basis: to the club with the best project in the Arts Community Service Program. Submit two (2) copies to the District President, postmarked on or before March 15.

Peggy All Award – Sponsored by Aiken Junior Woman's Club. Basis: to the club with the best project in the Conservation Community Service Program. Submit two (2) copies of the report to the District President on or before March 15.

Ginnie Samsel Award – Sponsored by Sand River Woman's Club. Basis: to the club with the best project in the Education Community Service Program. Submit two (2) copies of the report to the District President on or before March 15.

Betty Thomason Award - Sponsored by Betty Thomason. Basis: to the club with the most outstanding project with the greatest impact in Public Issues.

Western District Conference attendance Award – Sponsored by Kathy Monahan. Basis: to the club with the highest percentage of members present at District Conference. Shall be judged by the District President and District Treasurer. This award to be retired to the club when won three years in a row.

Other Awards:

Jackie Boland Attendance Award. Sponsor: West Columbia-Cayce Woman's Club. Basis: To the club with the largest membership (per capita) attending the Summer Meeting. The count will be made by the Credentials Committee. Award to be made by the First Vice President.

Marian St. Clair Club Attendance Award. Sponsor: St. Andrews Woman's Club. Basis: To the club with the largest membership (per capita) attending the Winter Board Meeting. The count will be made by the Credentials Committee.

Palmetto Pride Achievement Awards. Sponsor: Palmetto Pride. Basis: To encourage club projects to eradicate litter and beautify their communities. Four awards will be given: Litter Trashes Everyone Award, Litter Busters Award, Trash Talkers Award, and Beautiful Places Award. The Official Report Form is located on the GFWC-SC website under Resources. Clubs must send a copy of the report form by **February 1, 2018**, to GFWC-SC President Janet Prince **and** to Palmetto Pride, 2700 Middleburg Drive, Suite 216, Columbia SC 29204.

CONGRATULATIONS!



Laurie O'Kelly of the St. Andrews Woman's Club and Past GFWC-SC State President for being elected to serve as the 2018-2020 Treasurer of GFWC Southern Region!

GFWC-SC 2017 Jennie Award Nominee Gail Elfert

The GFWC Jennie Award honors one clubwoman from each GFWC Region for outstanding commitment to club, community, and family. They are chosen by their clubs to compete at state, region, and national levels for their outstanding personal commitment to club, community, and family.

The GFWC Jennie Award is named in honor of GFWC's founder, Jane Cunningham Croly, who wrote for national newspapers under the pseudonym, "Jennie June." The award highlights those extraordinary clubwomen who epitomize her spirit of independence, courage, and persistence in purpose through their roles as volunteers within their clubs, elsewhere in the community, and as members of a family or extended family. Although GFWC has many awards for states and clubs, the GFWC Jennie Award is the only national honor that recognizes individual members for personal excellence. In fact, it is the highest honor bestowed by GFWC.



2018 LEADS

The 2018 LEADS will be held on Saturday, February 17, 2018, beginning at 8:30 am at the Woman's Club of Cayce Clubhouse., 901 Oakland Avenue, Cayce, SC. GFWC-SC Leadership Chairman Connie McFarland and GFWC-SC President Elect Juliet Casper are planning a day long program that will prepare and assist incoming club officers, district officers, and state chairmen. Applications are due to Connie McFarland by **January 31, 2018**, and can be found in this issue of Clubwoman and on the website under resources. Reservations for Friday, February 16, 2018

Holiday Inn & Suites
110 McSwain Drive
West Columbia, SC 29169
803-391-4000

(This is the same hotel that GFWC-SC Convention will be held.)

Reservations Deadline: Midnight, Monday, January 15, 2018. 10 Rooms blocked in the name of General Federation of Women's Clubs of South Carolina - GFWC-SC. \$99.90 per night, includes taxes. (Does not include breakfast.) Be sure to reserve your rooms as early as possible as this is Valentine's Day Weekend. Rooms will fill up fast.



GFWC- SC LEADS February 17, 2018 APPLICATION FORM

Name:
Address:
Phone:
Email:
Club:
District:

To help us plan our program, please answer the following questions in as much detail as possible:

As a participant in the GFWC-SC LEADS Program, what would you most like to take away at the end of the training?

List all local club offices and/or chairmanships held:

List all district offices and/or chairmanships held:

Will you be serving as a club officer, district officer or on the state level as a CSP Chair, Advancement Area Chair, or a member of one of our many boards? If so, provide your position.

Return this form with \$20 Registration Fee by January 31, 2018:

Submit to:
Connie McFarland
GFWC-SC Leadership Chairman
149 Seaygard Lane
Lexington, SC 29072

GFWC-SC District Elections



The following nominees will be voted upon at the District Meetings that will be held at the close of Winter Session on Saturday, January 6, 2018. This meeting is very important as this is the beginning of the leadership for our newly formed districts.

Midlands District Candidates:

President:

Katie Moydell – Junior Woman’s Club of Columbia, Central District

Vice President:

Shellie Pue – Junior Woman’s Club of Columbia, Central District

Sec/Treasurer:

Pamme Eades – Woman’s Club of Cayce, Midlands District

Tammie Hall – Aiken Junior Woman’s Club, Western District

Coastal District Candidates:

President:

Anne Redlus – Woman’s League of the Lowcountry, Southern District

Vice President:

Jeri McCumbee — North Myrtle Beach Woman’s Club, Eastern District

Sec/Treasurer:

Kendall Spillman – Junior Woman’s Club of Charleston, Southern District

Upstate District Candidates:

President:

Tina Winkler – Seneca Junior Woman’s Club, Northwestern District

Vice President:

Deb Peabody – Women’s Club of Greenville, Northern District

Sec/Treasurer:

Tricia Ganner – Golden Strip Woman’s Club, Northern District

The following clubs celebrated a milestone anniversary in 2017

5 Years

GFWC Junior Woman’s Club of Lake Murray
2012-2017

15 Years

GFWC Golden Corner Woman’s Society
2002-2017

40 Years

GFWC Walhalla Woman’s Club
1977 - 2017

45 Years

GFWC Saxe Gotha Woman’s Club
1972-2017

75 Years

GFWC Woman’s Club of Rock Hill
1942-2017

80 Years

GFWC The Woman’s Club of Cayce
1937-2017



Christmas Stocking Extravaganza



Official Call GFWC-SC 2018 Winter Session/Board Meeting Saturday, January 6, 2018

Wingate by Wyndham, 108 Saluda Pointe Court, Lexington, South Carolina 29072

GFWC-SC By-Laws Article VII - Section 3. The Board of Directors of GFWC-SC shall consist of the Executive Committee, the District Presidents, 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.

8:45 a.m. Registration/Light Refreshments

9:00 a.m. GFWC-SC Board of Directors Meeting

10:00 a.m. Call to Order 2018 Winter Session
Report from Board of Directors Meeting
Report of GFWC Southern Region
Reporting Workshop
Guest Speakers
NEW District Meetings

GFWC-SC Room Block

Wingate by Wyndam Columbia/
Lexington
Courtesy Rate of \$89 per night plus
tax
Reservation must be made by
December 6, 2017
By calling 803-957-9000
Request "GFWC-SC" Block

Directions to Wingate by Wyndam

From Charleston—Take Exit 110—Turn left and go 2.9 miles. Turn left onto Ginny Lane and the hotel will be on your left.

From Greenville/Spartanburg—Take Exit 107A and merge onto I-20 W toward Augusta. Take Exit 61 onto US-378 toward Lexington. Turn immediate left onto Ginny Lane and the hotel will be on your left.

From Aiken—I-20 to Exit 61. Turn left on to Sunset Blvd. toward Lexington. Turn left on to Ginny Lane and the hotel will be on your left.

GFWC-SC Registration Form for Winter Session

Due by Tuesday, January 2, 2018

Basic Information

Name: _____ Email: _____

District: _____ Club: _____

Credentials Information (check the first one that applies):

Past President (of GFWC-SC)

State Officer (including District Presidents)

State Program Chairman (Comm. Serv., Spec. Proj/Comm/Appt). Name of Program: _____

Standing Committee Chairman (Finance, Const. & Bylaws, Credentials, Headquarters, Resolutions, Disaster Relief)

Club President or Appointee (if President absent or credentialed in any of above categories)

Club Delegate/Voting (convention only -one per ten members, rounded to nearest ten)

Member-at-Large (Not affiliated with any club)

Club Member/Non-voting

Guest

Medical Information –In Case of an Emergency:

Notify (primary): _____ Phone: _____ Relationship: _____

Notify (alternate): _____ Phone: _____ Relationship: _____

Medicine allergies: _____

Medications/location/instructions in case of emergency: (You are encouraged to keep emergency medications handy.)

Event and Meal Reservations:

Registration fee: \$15 _____

Late fee (after 1/2):\$5 _____

Meals: N/A

Total: _____

Make checks out to GFWC-SC.
Mail to:
Elizabeth Herring
327 Annapolis Rd. Lexington, SC 29072
liz.herring@windstream.net

Special Dietary Needs:

Vegetarian: _____ Gluten Free: _____ Food Allergies: _____

2018 GFWC-SC Winter Session Guest Speakers



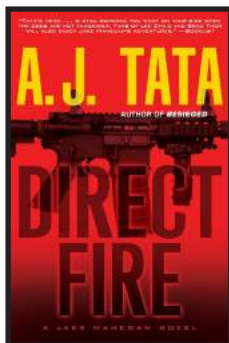
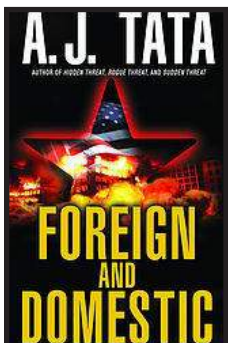
Brigadier General (Ret.) Anthony J. Tata

Having served 28 years in the U.S. Army before retiring as a Brigadier General, acclaimed author Anthony J. Tata parlays his years of combat and operational experience into exciting, realistic thriller novels.

Tata is the National Security Expert for One American News Network, appearing every Tuesday with Liz Wheeler on Tipping Point.

He also has appeared frequently as a guest commentator on Fox News, The Daily Buzz, NBC's Today Show with Jane Pauley, The South Florida Today Show, The CBS Early Show and local television stations around the country. General Tata has also been a guest commentator on countless nationally syndicated and local radio stations. He donates a portion of his earnings to the USO Metro DC, the North Carolina Heroes Fund, and the Michael Murphy Foundation. He lives in Raleigh, NC.

The Jake Mahegan Thriller Series by A.J. Tata: Packed with high-powered action and stunning authenticity, the novels of Brigadier General A.J. Tata have won widespread acclaim from the bestselling masters of suspense. In *Direct Fire*, he brings the war on terror to America—with his hero, Jake Mahegan, caught in the crossfire...



Deputy Elizabeth Dickman Richland County Sheriff's Department Victims Service Unit

The Richland County Sheriff's Department is dedicated to the principle that all persons in Richland County will be provided equal protection under the laws of this state, and the federal government as well as any ordinances set forth by the Richland County Council. It is the goal of our department to treat all victims of crime with compassion and respect, ensuring that their dignity is maintained and to promote healing of the suffering they may have endured. No victim of crime will be turned away for any reason or discriminated against based on sex, race, religion, social or economic status, sexual orientation, age, or mental or physical disability.



Hopeful Horizons is a children's advocacy, domestic violence and rape crisis center located in Beaufort County. Our mission is to Protect, Treat and Prevent. We will provide safety, hope and healing to survivors of child abuse, domestic violence and sexual assault through evidence-based practices and lead in ending abuse through primary prevention and education.

Wish List of items to bring to Winter Session:

- Nabisco Saltine Crackers
- Mott's Applesauce
- Kraft Paper Lunch Bags
- Graham Crackers
- Gerber Graduates Puffs Cereal Snack
- Ziploc Slider Sandwich Bags
- Wendy's Gift Card

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DATES TO REMEMBER

Proposed Bylaw Changes Due
January 1, 2018
Lynn Cleckler - LCleckler@MCNAIR.NET

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

GFWC-SC Leads Workshop
February 18, 2018
8:30 am at the Woman's Club of Cayce Clubhouse
901 Oakland Avenue, Cayce, SC

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

