

December
2009

Seasons Greetings and Happy Volunteering

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



*Our state tree
on the lawn in
Washington, DC*

GENERAL FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS IN SOUTH CAROLINA



Clubwoman



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I Believe...



I Believe...

Just because two people argue, doesn't mean they don't love each other and just because they don't argue, doesn't mean they do love each other.

I Believe...

We don't have to change friends if we understand friends change.

I Believe....

No matter how good a friend is, they're going to hurt you every once in a while and you must forgive them for that.

I Believe...

True friendship continues to grow, even over the longest distance. Same goes for true love.

I Believe...

You can do something in an instant that will give you heartache for life.

I Believe...

It's taking me a long time to become the person I want to be.

I Believe...

You should always leave loved ones with loving words. It may be the last time you see them.

I Believe...

You can keep going long after you think you can't.

I Believe...

We are responsible for what we do, no matter how we feel.

I Believe...

Either you control your attitude or it controls you.

I Believe...

Heroes are the people who do what has to be done when it needs to be done, regardless of consequences.

I Believe...

Money is a lousy way of keeping score.

I Believe...

My best friend and I can do anything or nothing and have the best time.

I Believe...

Sometimes the people you expect to kick you when you're down will be the ones to help you get back up.

I Believe...

Sometimes when I'm angry, I have the right to be angry, but that doesn't give me the right to be cruel.

I Believe...

Maturity has more to do with what types of experiences you've had and what you've learned from them, and less to do with how many birthdays you've celebrated.

I Believe...

It isn't always enough to be forgiven by others; sometimes, you have to learn to forgive yourself.

I Believe...

No matter how bad your heart is broken, the world doesn't stop for your grief.

I Believe...

Our background and circumstances may have influenced who we are, but we are responsible for whom we become.

I Believe...

Two people can look at the exact same thing and see something totally different.

I Believe...

Your life can be changed in a matter of hours by people who don't even know you.

I Believe...

Even when you think you have no more to give, when a friend cries out to you - you will find the strength to help.

*The happiest of people don't necessarily have the best of everything;
They just make the most of anything.*

*May you and your family
make the most of everything this holiday season.*

Merry Christmas!

Tammy Garland



Southern Region Success



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Happy Holidays! Where did the year go?? I hope you are all enjoying every moment of the busy holiday season and creating special memories to treasure for years. I can't wait to spend some time with my boys when they come home from college. I'm already stocking the pantry.



As soon as the holidays end, Winter Board and the Winter Leadership Training Seminar will be here. The Leadership Seminar is Friday, January 8 at the Hyatt Place starting at 4:00. This seminar is for incoming District and Club Presidents, club leaders and any clubwoman who wants to build on her leadership skills. All clubwomen are welcome! Our International First Vice President Mary Ellen Laister is also attending. Let's fill the room with lots of South Carolina clubwomen. Look for the registration on the page with Winter Board registration.

Laurie O'Kelly
President-elect



So far, I have only received a few yearbooks from clubs. It is so helpful to me to have access to club and member information. Please bring your yearbook to me at Winter Board and save the expense of postage or email it to me at llok385@aol.com. I only want the pages and not the binders.

The "Act in Oct" cards are coming in. Congratulations on your new members! Remember to include all recruiting activities in your membership report that is due to Second Vice President Jo Ann Bolchoz on February 1. I want to read about everything you do to recruit and retain members.

The Virginia Baxley Award in Southern District was inadvertently left off the list of silver winners in the September Clubwoman Magazine. Congratulations to the Charleston Junior Woman's Club for winning this district award.

And finally, thank you for all the cards, thoughts and prayers with my Mother's passing in October. It is heart-warming to know so many cared. After all, isn't that what friendship and club work are all about? Have a blessed holiday season and I look forward to visiting with you January 8 and 9.

Laurie



Dear SC Juniors!

Thank you for participating in some way this past weekend with the GFWC Southern Region Conference. You were greatly missed if you were unable to attend. We had a nice meeting with Missi McCoy, International Director of Junior Clubs. She was gathering information to share with the Incoming Board in Washington. Specifically about building a Junior Web Page on the GFWC site. When I joined my local club in 2000 I did not imagine that I would follow the path of becoming the Director of Junior Clubs for SC.

This position has allowed me to grow in more ways than I can describe. I have learned a lot and am grateful for the opportunities GFWC/GFWC-SC has given me over the last 4 years. Please consider running for this position I know it will help you grow as an individual as I have. I would like to let you know that the position for the 2010-2012 Junior Director Elect is OPEN. If you are interested in pursuing this position or know of an outstanding club member who would like to represent SC on the International Level of GFWC please be advised. Nominations are due to me by 12/31/2009 Nominee must be a GFWC-SC Active Clubwoman for 3+ years I must receive a letter from the club president as an endorsement I would like to have a resume as well. Nominees will be asked to speak at the Junior Board Meeting immediately following the Winter Board Meeting in January. This will also be when we VOTE!!!! Please contact me if you have any questions.

Caroline Brown
Junior Director

In Junior Spirit!
Caroline

Charleston Junior Woman's Clubs' permanent address is P.O. Box 22675 Charleston, SC 29413

What Future for GFWC?

Marian St.Clair, Candidate for 2010-2012 GFWC Treasurer

At the November 2010-2012 GFWC Orientation, during a presentation by Gail Rodgers McCormick, Director of the Women's History and Resource Center, attendees received a list written by GFWC Missouri Juniors in 1930, titled, "Ten Reasons Why Every American Girl Should Belong to The General Federation of Women's Clubs." For me, the list not only spoke to our past, it also pointed to the continuing importance of the Federation and to the many reasons we must strive for renewed strength and vitality.

Though some language is dated, the message of the list is clear: The work and fellowship of the Federation offer opportunities for life-long learning, self discovery, character development, personal expression, lasting friendships, AND the rewards of service. Simply put, while we make our communities better, we also make our lives bigger.

While this principle is diligently maintained, our international leaders are also working to make the structure and programs of GFWC more relevant and functional in today's world. For example, when you receive your next guidelines you will notice "Departments" have become "Community Service Programs," (already shortened to CSPs by some). Likewise, "International Affairs" is renamed "International Outreach," and "Public Affairs" is called "Public Issues."

You will find more substantial changes, too. I hope you will push aside any reluctance towards change and embrace them all. We must tackle the problems associated with a declining and aging membership, and Carlene Gardner, GFWC President-elect, is committed to providing the thoughtful and prudent leadership that will offer new solutions.

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

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

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

Ten Reasons Why Every American Girl Should Belong to The General Federation of Women's Clubs

Written By GFWC Missouri Juniors 1930

1. It (the GFWC) serves as a college or university extension course to the girl of limited educational advantages;
2. It is an avenue of expression and an opportunity for service to humanity for the college-bred girl;
3. It is an incentive to mental activity which often wanes with the passing of school days;
4. Its various departments offer a variety of interests;
5. By the strength of cooperation it becomes a tremendous force in the development of American life – making a lasting contribution to civilization;
6. Through its meetings, kindred souls are brought together and warm and lasting friendships are formed, which is a divine experience;
7. It is cultural in its ideals, and the world needs more culture;
8. By the contact of many minds the intellect is sharpened, the perspective is enlarged, and thus it develops magnanimity and bigness of character;
9. It discovers hidden talents in girls and offers a medium for passing them on to the world;
10. In its ideals it combines the spirits of Mary and Martha and creates "The Perfect Woman."

More Christmas

More than vibrant lights hung on the tree
Or forest wreaths of green.
More than Santa's beard or suit or belly
And friends that are seldom seen.
More than cards with clever rhymes and wishes
And candy canes and cake.
More than sales and songs and garlands hung
Plastic, silk, and fake.
More than eggnog sweet and reverie
About our Christmas past.
It is Joy and Hope and Prayers for Peace
That These will come at Last.
Ignite Songs and Light within Your Heart
And joyfully spread them to -
Those you love and those you should
And the Miracle begins with You.

Janet Smalley, GFWC-SC Poet Laureate



2009 Reporting

Reflections of Club Year - Moments In Time

Happy Happy Holidays to everyone! Where did all the fall moments in time go! That means the February 1 reporting deadline is just around the corner! Think of reporting as your opportunity to brag and showcase the many accomplishments of your club. Consider gathering your department chairmen and officers for a day of planning and compiling your reports. This is an excellent opportunity to foster new friendships. Please carefully read through the 2009 Reporting Guidelines in this issue of Clubwoman magazine for the specific requirements. **All GFWC Department Program and Special Projects/Standing Committee Reports must be post-marked by February 1, 2010.** Listed below are some things to keep in mind as you work on your club reports.

The reporting period is January 1, 2009 through December 31, 2009.

Complete the front side of the 2008-2010 GFWC Report Form with your club's information on the front and make many, many copies of this form.

The Number of Members to use on the Report Form is the number of paid members as of April 30, 2009 and listed on the Club Rosters and on the Membership Report that was included in the Club President's Packets distributed at the Summer District Conferences.

Report all of your club's activities in the program where it best fits.

Report each project only one time. No cross-reporting is allowed.

Complete the GFWC Report Form (on the back side) for each GFWC Program in which you are reporting. Each program requires a separate Report Form for State Reporting. You may use the combined GFWC Report Form you are mailing to GFWC and make many copies.

Write the name of the GFWC Program in the upper right-hand corner on the front side of the Report Form to simplify the sorting process. For example, Beautification or Leadership.

Narratives are encouraged but optional. Attach narratives to the Report Form and check the box indicating a narrative is attached. Narratives are limited to two pages, single spaced **per each department program. Please do not combine department program narratives on the same page. If you choose not to include a narrative with your state reports the club is ineligible for consideration of state awards. However, the hours, number of club members participating and dollars donated or spent on projects will be included in the totals for composite state reports.**

Make 4 copies of each GFWC Program in which you report (narrative and the GFWC Report Form). Keep one copy for your club's records and mail **3 complete copies** to:

Jo Ann Bolchoz
GFWC-SC Second Vice President
2435 Pristine View
Charleston, SC 29414

Junior clubs will need to mail 2 additional copies to the Junior Director, Caroline Brown.

Complete the GFWC Report Form and combine all the statistical information onto one form for GFWC. Mail this one combined form along with copies of all narratives to:

GFWC

Dept P

1734 N St., NW

Washington, DC 20036-2990

Or Report Online at www.GFWC.org/Reporting
Available January, 2010

Reports must be postmarked by February 1, 2010.

There are 22 different sets of reports you could send to me that are due by February 1. These include the GFWC President's Special Project-Membership, the GFWC Juniors' Special Project, 13 Department Programs, 7 GFWC Special Projects. **Remember the Community Improvement Project Report is due March 1 to Misty Konow, Community Improvement Project Chairman.**

The next reporting deadline is March 15, 2010. You will need to submit the Program Council Report and Junior Cup Report, along with other state and district awards. Also, don't forget to send the Rating Sheet and Contributions Sheet (found in the Club President's Packets), along with nominations for Volunteer of the Year, Woman of Distinction, and your Community Improvement Project Report due March 1. See the Reporting Guidelines for details of each award.



I look forward to reading about South Carolina club work and many accomplishments and all the wonderful contributions clubwomen make to our communities. Please contact me if you have any questions. My email address is jbolchoz@comcast.net and my phone number is 843-556-1606. If I am not home when you call I'll get back to you as soon as possible. I hope you all have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and I'll see you at Winter Board!

GFWC-SC Second Vice President

2009 GFWC-SC Reporting Information

1. Department Program Reports and Special Project/Standing Committee Reports must be postmarked on or before February 1, 2010. Reporting period is January 1, 2009 to December 31, 2009. No projections should be made in these reports. THREE (3) separate copies of the club's reports (the GFWC report form with narratives stapled to it) must be sent to the GFWC-SC Second Vice President, Jo Ann Bolchoz, 2435 Pristine View, Charleston, SC 29414. ONE (1) copy of the Department Program and Special Project Reports should be mailed or faxed to GFWC, Dept. P., 1734 N Street NW, Washington, DC 20036. Fax Number: 202-835-0246. GFWC Online Reporting is available and encouraged. The Guide to Online Reporting may be found on the GFWC Website and will be available January, 2010. Junior clubs must submit TWO (2) additional copies to Director of Junior Clubs, Caroline Brown, 1459 Headquarters Plantation Drive, Charleston, SC 29455.
2. All Department and Special Project/Standing Committee Reports must be submitted on the appropriate GFWC Reporting Form. (This form is found in the GFWC Club Manual) and a copy was included in the 2009 President's Packet. Each report should include up to two additional narrative pages. The narrative must be single spaced and typed.
3. State Silver and District Award Reports must be postmarked on or before March 15, 2010, and submitted on the 2009 GFWC-SC Report Form (copy included in President's Packet and in this magazine issue). Person receiving and/or judging the report will be listed with specific award information in this magazine. These reports may include a second page that is typed or handwritten.
4. Addenda (supporting documents) are optional on all reports, are limited to 5 pages and must be stapled to one copy of the report clearly marked "FOR JUDGING" (this is one of the three copies sent to the Second Vice President.) Do not send the addenda with reports going to GFWC.
5. All activities reported must be club approved projects. A project/program may not be reported in more than one Department Report or Special Project/Standing Committee Report (this is cross-reporting); however, a project/program may be reported again in a State/District Silver Award Report.
6. Certificates of Award will be given to the 1st and 2nd winning entries in each of the three (3) general membership categories and two (2) junior membership categories. A juniorette certificate of award will be given.

General Categories

Category I	1 -15 members
Category II	16-29 members
Category III	30 and up members

Junior Categories

Category I	1-35 members
Category II	36 and up members

7. Total hours spent and total monies donated will be evaluated on a PER CAPITA BASIS for all clubs.

8. If you would like to be informed of receipt of reports, please include a stamped, self-addressed postcard with your reports.

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.

1. Description of the project(s) in narrative paragraph form.
2. Number of events, hours, and monetary contribution.
3. Innovation/originality.
4. Participation of membership (consider club size).
5. Community participation (any outside organizations or individuals that were involved and how).
6. Publicity for project, club, GFWC-SC, GFWC.
7. Success of project (impact on community).
8. Any additional information requested by the award sponsor relating to the particular award.

GFWC-SC CLUB AWARDS

GFWC-SC Program Council Report: DONOR - GFWC-SC Program Council. BASIS - To the general club which most effectively carries out the GFWC Program Guidelines. First place in each general membership category receives silver that the club retains. **REPORTING INSTRUCTIONS:** Summarize club work from January 1, 2009 - December 31, 2009. Report is limited to SEVEN (7) pages – cover, narrative double-spaced and FIVE (5) pages addendum (which is optional). First page heading should include name of club, district and number of members paid to GFWC-SC Treasurer. Take each Department: ARTS, BEAUTIFICATION, EDUCATION, HOME LIFE, INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS, and PUBLIC AFFAIRS and include in your report a brief description of the programs and projects accomplished. 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. Report should be submitted to the Second Vice President, Jo Ann Bolchoz, 2435 Pristine View, Charleston, SC 29414, postmarked on or before March 15, 2010.

Nuts About Projects Club Awards: Awards for the best club projects as determined by the GFWC-SC Department/Program Chairmen in each of the six departments. Thirteen \$25.00 awards will be presented to clubs at convention. These thirteen projects will be submitted to GFWC counterparts from our state for judging and consideration for awards internationally.

GFWC-SC Rating Sheet: Rating Sheets were included in the President's Packet. These are to be completed, then ONE (1) copy is submit-

ted to your District President and ONE (1) copy to President Elect, Laurie O'Kelly, 1608 Willow Creek Lane, Columbia, SC 29212, postmarked on or before March 15, 2010. Rating Sheets are used to determine Honor Club Designations.

CLUB AWARDS AWARDED AT CONVENTION BASED ON RATING SHEET

Rating Sheet Awards - to the club with the highest points on rating sheet:

Myrtis Flanagan Award: (To be held for one year). Donor Mrs. W. C. Flanagan Category I.

Jean T. Kight Award: (To be held for one year). Donor Mrs. R. Larry Kight Category II.

Mary S. Smith Award: (To be held for one year). Donor Mrs. Lynwood Smith Category III.

Lovonia V. Hendrix Award: (To be held for one year). Donor Mrs. Lovonia V. Hendrix Juniorette Category.

Mrs. John R. Wolff Award: (To be held for one year). Donor Mrs. John R. Wolff All Categories

Bobbie L. Lowe Award: (To be held for one year on a rotating basis). Basis: To the junior club with the most number of points on the Junior Honor Sheet, a copy to the Junior Director postmarked on or before February 1.

DISTRICT AWARDS AWARDED AT CONVENTION BASED ON RATING SHEET

Past President's Cup: (To be held for one year). Basis: to the district with highest points on the Rating Sheet postmarked on or before March 15. Judge: First Vice President.

Lovonia Hendrix Award: (To be held for one year). Donor: Mrs. Hubert Hendrix. Basis: to the district with second highest points on the Rating Sheet postmarked on or before March 15. Judge: First Vice President.

GFWC-SC CONTRIBUTION SHEET:

Contribution Sheets were included in the President's Packets. These are to be completed, then ONE (1) copy is submitted to GFWC-SC Treasurer, Linda Rodgers, 116 Rushcroft Drive, Greer, SC 29651, postmarked on or before March 15.

CLUB/DISTRICT AWARDS BASED ON CONTRIBUTION SHEET – CONVENTION

Per Capita Donation Awards - to the club donating the most per capita:

Endowment Fund Award: (To be held for one year). Donor: Mrs. Wayne Unger. Basis: donation to the Endowment Fund. Deadline for contributions is March 15, sent to GFWC-SC Treasurer. Judge: GFWC-SC Treasurer.

Keith Unger Memorial Award: (To be held for one year). Donor: Mrs. Gus F. Floyd. Basis: donation to Headquarters Fund postmarked on or before March 15, sent to GFWC-SC Treasurer. Judge: GFWC-SC Treasurer.

Janet B. Agnew Award: Donor: Janet B. Agnew. Basis: donation to the General Fund of GFWC-SC postmarked on or before March 15, sent to the GFWC-SC Treasurer. Judge: GFWC-SC Treasurer.

Pennies for Pines-Edna J. Lockwood Award: (To be held for one year). Donor: Edna J. Lockwood. Basis: largest donation to Pennies for Pines postmarked on or before March 15, sent to GFWC-SC Treasurer. Judge: GFWC-SC Treasurer.

Susan James Memorial Award: (To be held for one year). Donor: Edna J. Lockwood. Basis: second largest donation to Pennies for Pines postmarked on or before March 15, sent to GFWC-SC Treasurer. This is an incentive award to interest club members in the preservation of our National Forests. Judge: GFWC-SC Treasurer.

GFWC-SC Kate T. Davis Memorial Award: (To be held for one year). Donor: 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 postmarked on or before March 15, sent to GFWC-SC Treasurer. Judge: GFWC-SC Treasurer.

GFWC-SC Patriots Point Chapel Award: (To be held for one year). Basis: donation to the Chapel Fund postmarked on or before March 15, GFWC-SC Ongoing Project. This is an incentive to our clubwomen to contribute to a Living Memorial that our GFWC-SC will leave to future generations to exemplify our "Faith in our Forefathers" and to rededicate our "Faith in the Future". Send contributions to GFWC-SC Treasurer. Judge: GFWC-SC Treasurer.

Clubwoman Magazine Award: (To be held for one year). Donor: Dianne M. McCarty. Basis: donation to the GFWC-SC Clubwoman Magazine postmarked on or before March 15, sent to GFWC-SC Treasurer. Judge: GFWC-SC Treasurer.

Stackhouse Headquarters Award: (To be held for one year). Donor: 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. In kind contributions, i.e. time and items, should be listed and submitted with the contribution sheet. These will be confirmed with the Committee. Judge: GFWC-SC Treasurer.

The GFWC-SC Progress Foundation Silver Award: Donor: GFWC-SC Saxe Gotha Woman's Club. To be held for one year. To be awarded annually at state convention to the club with the highest per capita donation to GFWC-SC Progress Foundation. To be judged by the GFWC-SC Treasurer.

Virginia (Sissy) Welch Award: (To be held for one year). Donor: 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 to the GFWC-SC Treasurer. Judge: GFWC-SC Treasurer

ADDITIONAL DISTRICT AWARDS TO BE AWARDED AT CONVENTION

Howie Stackhouse Award: (To be held for one year). Donor: Mrs. Sanford Howie. Basis: to the district president gaining the most new clubs, paid in full by February 1 of each year.

Nancy Boozer Award: (To be held for one year). Donor: Mrs. L. Dale Boozer. Basis: to the district president who organizes or federates the most clubs in a fiscal year. Judge: GFWC-SC Treasurer and Membership Chairman.

Ruby H. McManus Sims-Stackhouse Mansion Endowment Award: (To be held for one year). Donor: 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. To be judged by the GFWC-SC Headquarters Committee and verified by the GFWC-SC Treasurer.

Emma McIntyre Burton Attendance Award: (To be held for one year by the district president). Copper Flower Container. Donor: Mrs. Norman W. Lynch. Basis: to the district with the largest club membership attending GFWC-SC Annual Convention, as reported to the First Vice President 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 First Vice President (Chairman of District Presidents) at Awards Banquet.

ADDITIONAL CLUB AWARDS TO BE AWARDED AT CONVENTION

Jan W. Hadwin Sims-Stackhouse Mansion Endowment Award: (To be held for one year) Donor: 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. Judge: GFWC-SC Headquarters Committee and verified by GFWC-SC Treasurer.

Princa M. Wright Sims-Stackhouse Mansion Endowment Award: (To be held for one year) Donor: 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 GFWC-SC Sims-Stackhouse Endowment, 1511 Laurel Street, Columbia, SC 29201. Postmarked on or before March 15. Judge: GFWC-SC Headquarters Committee and verified by GFWC-SC Treasurer.

Marie J. Hammond Award: (To be held for one year). Donor: Mrs. Dean C. Hammond. Certificate and Plaque. Basis: to the club accomplishing the most toward the eradication of illiteracy. Report should be sent to the Focus on Literacy Program Chairman, Janet Prince, 1550 McSwain Drive, West Columbia, SC 29169, postmarked on or before March 15.

Debbie Alexander Adult Education Award: (To be held for one Year). Donor: 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 refreshments for celebrations, promote adult education programs in your community, etc. To be retired to the GFWC-SC Headquarters at the request of the honoree. One copy of the report must be submitted to your District President and one copy to the state Focus on Literacy Program Chairman, Janet Prince, 1550 McSwain Drive, West Columbia, SC 29169, postmarked on or before March 15.

The General Club Breast Cancer Awareness Silver Award: (To be held for one year). Donor: Sylvia E. Ayers. To the general club with the best project(s) in the fight against this disease. Reports sent to Sylvia E. Ayers, 2307 Wintercrest Drive, Rock Hill, SC 29732, postmarked on or before March 15.

GFWC-SC Mrs. John R. Wolff/Cancer SAVE-A-LIFE Project: Donor: American Cancer Society, SC Division. 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.

GFWC-SC International Affairs Department Award: (To be held for one year). Donor: Elizabeth B. Maddox in honor of Sara McColl, Chairman of International Hospitality for 17 years and giving of her time and talent with outstanding devotion. Basis: to the club doing the most outstanding work in International Hospitality. Report submitted postmarked on or before March 15 to Reaching Out Internationally Chairman, Beth Taylor, 4 High Pointe Lane, Blythewood, SC 29016.

Lexington Woman's Club Public Affairs Award: (To be held for one year) Donor: Lexington Woman's Club. Basis: To the Club doing the most outstanding work in Public Affairs. Submit report to Citizenship In Action Chairman, Laura Palmer, 2249 Country Club Road, Spartanburg, SC 29302, postmarked on or before March 15.

Rebecca Robbins Award: (To be held for one year). Donor: Aiken Junior Woman's Club and Sand River Woman's Club. Basis: to the club, or clubs working jointly, with the best overall fund-raising project sent to GFWC-SC Treasurer, Linda Rodgers, 116 Rustcraft Drive, Greer, SC 29651, postmarked on or before March 15. Judge: GFWC-SC Treasurer.

Leadership Silver Award: (To be held for one year). Donor: Saxe Gotha Woman's Club. To the club with the best overall leadership report. Reports sent to Leadership Chairman, Meredith Fields, 112 Sandstone Road, Columbia, SC 29212, postmarked on or before March 15.

Legislation Silver Award: (To be held for one year). Donor: Carrie Jane Hughes. Basis: to the club reporting on an unusual legislation project. Send report to Public Policy Chairman, Elizabeth Herring, 327 Annapolis Road, Lexington, SC 29072, postmarked on or before March 15.

Sylvia Ayers Membership Award: Donor: Sylvia Ayers. Basis: to the club with the largest net gain for 2009-2010. A \$50 stipend, do-

nated by GFWC-SC First Vice President and Membership Chairman, will be awarded. Judges: First Vice President and Treasurer. (No report required).

Yearbook Award: Certificates will be awarded to clubs in the same membership categories as Department and 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 Yearbook Rating and Release Form distributed in President's Packet for content/judging criteria). One (1) Copy of Club Yearbook with Yearbook Rating and Release Form must be sent to the Scrapbook/Yearbook Chairman, Judy Soltis, 1400 Waterbrook Drive, Columbia, SC 29212, postmarked on or before February 1.

Scrapbook Award: Certificates will be awarded to clubs in the same membership categories as Department and 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 and accompanied by the Release Form/Scrapbook Rating Sheet. The Scrapbook Rating Sheets were distributed in President's Packets.

Publicity Book Award: (To be held for one year). To the club with the best documentation of their media coverage for the year (January 2009 - December 2009). Refer to guidelines in the 2008-2010 GFWC Special Projects Public Relations section. Submit to Communications/Public Relations Chairman, Kaye Jones, 1380 Railfence Drive, Columbia, SC 29212, postmarked on or before March 15.

GFWC-SC Rosemary Rivers Memorial Award: (To be held for one year). Donor: 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 First Vice President by April 1 for final judging.

The Perry Anne Renwick Silver Award: (To be held for one year). Donor: 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 2 additional pages of addenda. Postmarked on or before March 15. Submit to Leadership Chairman, Meredith Fields, 112 Sandstone Road, Columbia, SC 29212.

GFWC-SC INDIVIDUAL AWARDS

GFWC International Photography Contests: Please refer to GFWC Club Manual, Arts Department, Creative Arts Program, Photography Contests for contest entry rules. Photographers must be dues-paying members of active GFWC clubs.

The World In Pictures Categories: 1) Natural History: flowers, animals, insects, etc.; 2) Scenic: vistas, landscapes, seascapes, etc.; 3) Feature: human interest picture. Each club is entitled to submit one entry in each of the three categories. Entries: 1) Black and white, or color; 2) Size of entry (including matting) must be at least 10"x 12" and no larger than 14" x 16". All others will be disqualified at the state level. No frame or glass. Entries must be matted. 3) Back of each photo must have an arrow drawn indicating the top; 4) Each photo must have the following information on the back: a) Category name, b) Name, e-mail address, mailing address, and phone number of photographer, c) Name and state of sponsoring club; d) Brief caption giving location and other notes about the photo; and photo title; 5) Photos must be taken during the contest year. Contestants must be amateur photographers (earnings from photography must not exceed \$500 annually). Entries to be brought to the GFWC-SC Convention registration table by noon on Friday of Convention. One state winner for each category will be sent to GFWC International for judging. All entries must be accompanied by a completed Release Form. GFWC International Awards: Certificates and cash awards will be presented, annually, to the top three national entries in each category: 1st - \$150, 2nd - \$100, 3rd - \$50. Top entry in each category will be featured in GFWC Clubwoman Magazine.

GFWC Volunteers In Action: Photos should "describe" a club project. Judges will look for "action" shots rather than a posed group of GFWC members, overall creativity and quality of photograph. Entries: 1) Black and white, or color; 2) Size of entry (including matting) must be at least 10"x 12" and no larger than 14" x 16". All others will be disqualified at the state level. No frame or glass. Entries must be matted. 3) Back of each photo must have an arrow drawn indicating the top; 4) Each photo must have the following information on the back: a) Category name, b) Name, e-mail address, mailing address and phone number of photographer, c) Name and state of sponsoring club; d) Brief caption telling the location and situation; e) photo title; 5) Photos must be taken during the contest year. Contestants must be amateur photographers (earnings from photography must not exceed \$500 annually); 6) Photos may be taken using film or digital cameras. Date stamps should not appear on photographs, nor can digital photos be submitted by e-mail. Entries to be brought to the GFWC-SC Convention registration table by noon on Friday of Convention. All entries must be accompanied by a completed Release Form. The same image may be submitted to multiple photo contests, but separate matted prints must be entered into each contest.

A Year In Pictures (Calendar Contest): Deadline: Each club may send one calendar appropriate photo directly to GFWC Headquarters in Washington, attn: Calendar Contest, by May 1 of each year. Judges will look for photos particularly suitable for calendars such as photos relevant to particular months or seasons. Photos must be color prints and horizontal. This may be a copy of the same picture that is submitted to the other photo contests. Please refer to Creative Arts Program Guidelines in GFWC Manual for specific information.

GFWC Youth Writing Competition: Youth (grades 1-12) may enter one poem and/or one short story on local club level. Categories: 1 (grades 1-3), 2 (grades 4-6), 3 (grades 7-9), 4 (grades 10-12). Authors must be of amateur status. Entries must be typewritten, double-spaced, with minimum margins of 1", one side only, on 8 1/2" x 11" papers. Entries must be written during the contest year. Short stories limited to 2000 words. Poems can be any style with a minimum length of eight lines and a maximum of thirty lines. Entries must have the following in the top right hand corner of each page: author's name, e-mail address, mailing address and telephone number; name of sponsoring club/state; category and title of manuscript. Manuscripts will not be returned. Authors should keep a copy. Send to Janet Smalley, 202 E. Mauldin Street, Walhalla, SC 29691, postmarked on or before March 15. First place state winners will be sent for national judging. Entries must be written during contest year and may not have been published prior to competition and must be original works by author.

GFWC Clubwoman Short Story and Poetry Contest: Authors must be of amateur status, writing earnings may not exceed \$500 annually. Entries must be typewritten, double-spaced, with minimum margins of 1", one side only, on 8 ½" x 11" papers. Short stories limited to 2000 words. Plays/skits limited to one-act (30-60 minutes in length). Poems can be any style ranging in length from eight lines to a maximum of fifty lines. Entries must have the following in the top right hand corner of each page: name, e-mail address, mailing address and telephone number of author, name of local club/state, category and title of manuscript. Manuscripts will not be returned. Authors should keep a copy. Entries must be sent to Janet Smalley, 202 E. Mauldin Street, Walhalla, SC 29691 postmarked on or before March 15. First place state winners will be sent for national judging. Entries must be written during contest year and may not have been published prior to competition and must be original works by author.

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: Janet Smalley, 202 E. Mauldin Street, Walhalla, SC 29691 postmarked on or before March 15.

Nancy Ann Morris Rivers Drama Award: (To be held for one year). Donor: 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 minimum margins of 1", one side only, on 8 ½" x 11" pages. 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: Janet Smalley, 202 E. Mauldin Street, Walhalla, SC 29691 postmarked on or before March 15.

Emma R. Lipscomb Memorial Award: (To be held for one year). To the writer of the best overall entry in the GFWC-SC Creative Writing Contest. Submit entries to: Janet Smalley, 202 E. Mauldin Street, Walhalla, SC 29691 postmarked on or before March 15.

Frances B. Hair Award: (To be held for one year). Donor: Woman's Club of Charleston. Plaque to the writer of the best short story submitted in the GFWC Clubwoman Short Story and Poetry Contest. Submit entries to: Janet Smalley, 202 E. Mauldin Street, Walhalla, SC 29691 postmarked on or before March 15.

GFWC-SC Volunteer of the Year Award: Donor: 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 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 life and employment. Please note: This nomination should be for volunteer work from January 1, 2009 to December 31, 2009.

GFWC-SC Woman of Distinction: (To be held for one year). Donor: Debbie Alexander. Basis: a lifetime achievement award to a clubwoman judged on personal/professional accomplishments, 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. Reports of no more than five (5) pages should be sent to GFWC-SC Second Vice President, Jo Ann Bolchoz, 2435 Pristine View, Charleston, SC 29414, postmarked on or before March 15 to be judged by an independent committee of no less than three (3) judges.

INDIVIDUAL DISTRICT AWARDS

(Awarded at District Conference)

CENTRAL

Somerset Silver Award: (To be held for one year). 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: (To be held for one year). 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: (To be held for one year). Donor: St. Andrews Woman's Club. Basis: to the Central District club with the best International Affairs project(s) working with children in other countries. Postmarked on or before March 15 to District President.

Debbie P. Alexander Award: (To be held for one year). Donor: Junior Woman's Club of Columbia. Basis: to the club with the best overall project working with children in crisis-day care center, schools, South Carolina Cares for Children, etc. Postmarked on or before March 15 to community Safety Chairman, Gail Elfert, 137 Coldstream Drive, Columbia, SC 29212.

Ethel M. Wismer Memorial Award: (To be held for one year). Donor: Jan W. Hadwin. Basis: to the club with the highest attendance at District Conference.

EASTERN

Mrs. Rufus H. Cain Award: Donor: 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: (To be held for one year). Donor: North Myrtle Beach Woman's Club. To the club with the best GFWC-SC President's Special Project report. Submitted to the District President postmarked on or before March 15.

Sue Burgess Education Award: (To be held for one year). Donor: 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: (To be held for one year). 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. Donor: 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.

MIDLANDS

Becky M. Clark Silver Award: (To be held for one year). Donor: Batesburg-Leesville Woman's Club. Basis: to the club, membership 9-25, that has the best overall project. Two (2) copies must be submitted to the District President, postmarked on or before March 15.

Ruby Crook Silver Award: (To be held for one year). Donor: Lake Murray-Irmo Woman's Club. Basis: to the club membership 26 and over, that has the best overall project. Two (2) copies must be submitted to the District President, postmarked on or before March 15.

Junior Woman's Club of Lexington Silver Award: (To be held for one year). Donor: Junior Woman's Club of Lexington. Basis: to the club, membership 9-25, with the highest number of points on the Rating Sheet.

Connie B. McFarland Silver Award: (To be held for one year). Donor: Lexington Woman's Club. Basis: to the club, membership 26 and over, with the highest number of points on the Rating Sheet.

Midlands Conservation Award: (To be held for one year). Donor: 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. Two copies of the report must be submitted to the District President, postmarked on or before March 15. The District President forwards one report for judging to the Resource Conservation Chairman, Bobbie Wilhite, 209 Zion Road, Walhalla, SC 29691 and retains one report for her records.

Christie C. Addy Education Award: (To be held for one year). Donor: Saxe Gotha Woman's Club. Basis: to the club with the "Best Overall Education Project". To be retired to the GFWC-SC Headquarters at the request of the donor. Two (2) copies of the report must be submitted to the District President, postmarked on or before March 15. The District President forwards one report for judging to the Education in the Community Chairman, Linda Grant, 1728 Heatherhill Road, Rock Hill, SC 29732 and retains one report for her records.

The Annie Laurie George Silver Award: (To be held for one year). Donor: Lexington Literary Club. Basis: to the club initiating a project to benefit young people in children's centers by providing pleasant experiences that minimizes the possibility of traumatic after effects. To be retired to the GFWC-SC Headquarters at the request of the donor. One (1) copy must be submitted to District President and one (1) copy to District Home Life Department Coordinator postmarked on or before March 15.

Pamela Abikhaled Community Improvement Program Award: (To be held for one year.) Donor: Magnolia Woman's Society of Lexington. 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). Postmarked on or before March 15 to the District President.

Lexington Woman's Club Legislation Award: (To be held for one year). Donor: 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 copy of the report must be submitted to the District President for her records, and one copy for judging to Public Policy Chairman, Elizabeth Herring, 327 Annapolis Road, Lexington, SC 29072.

Midlands District President's Spirit Award: (To be held for one year). Donor: 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, fund-raisers 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 Form; 5) Reporting participation in all departments. To be retired to GFWC-SC Headquarters at the request of the donor. Shall be judged by the District President and to be awarded at the GFWC-SC Convention.

Mabel J. Bonnette Award: (To be held for one year). Donor: The Woman's Club of Cayce. Basis: to the club, membership 26 and over, demonstrating the most support for its local public library. To be retired to GFWC-SC Headquarters at the request of the sponsoring club. Shall be judged by the District President. Report must be submitted to the District President postmarked on or before March 15.

Midlands District Conference Attendance Award: (To be held for one year). Donor: Connie B. McFarland. Basis: to the club with the highest percentage of members present at District Conference. To be retired to GFWC-SC Headquarters at the request of the donor.

Woman's Club of West Columbia Midlands Attendance Award: (To be held for one year). Donor: Woman's Club of West Columbia. Basis: to the General club having the "Highest Percentage of Attendance" at its regularly scheduled meetings from March 1 to February 28/29. In case of a tie, the award is to be shared by the winning clubs at the discretion of the District President. To be eligible for the award, a club must complete two (2) copies of the appropriate form and submit to district president postmarked on or before March 15. Time and place of retiring of the award to be at the request of the sponsoring club. At the end of the year, the club winning the award shall be responsible for getting it to the District President, polished and in the same condition as it was received.

Midlands District Membership Award: (To be held for one year). Donor: Sally Yarber. Basis: to the club with the largest net gain. To be retired to GFWC-SC Headquarters at the request of the donor. Shall be judged by the District President and Treasurer and to be awarded at District Conference.

NORTH CENTRAL

North Central Project Award: (To be held for one year). Donor: Jane Davenport. Basis: to the club with the best overall project. Postmarked on or before March 15 to District President.

North Central District Award I: (To be held for one year). Donor: Andrea Davis. Basis: to the club membership 10-30, with the highest number of points on the Rating Sheet.

North Central District Award II: (To be held for one year). Donor: Judy Crocker. Basis: to the club membership 31 and over, with the highest number of points on the Rating Sheet.

Essie Mae Eller Arts Award I: (To be held for one year). Donor: the Phoenix Club of Sharon. Basis: to the club membership 10-30, with the most entries in the Clubwoman Photography and Creative Writing Contests. This award is to be returned to the Phoenix Club if and when it is retired.

Essie Mae Eller Arts Award II: (To be held for one year). Donor: The Junior Woman's Club of Rock Hill. Basis: to the club membership 31 and over, with the most entries in the Clubwoman Photography and the Creative Writing Contests.

Perry W. Cathcart Arts Award: (To be held for one year). Donor: Winnsboro Woman's 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 in the Community Chairman, Leslie Stanley, 162 Bellevale Lane, Columbia, SC 29223. Two copies of the report must be submitted to the District President, postmarked on or before March 15.

NORTHERN

Northern District Award: (To be held for one year). Donor: 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: (To be held for one year). Donor: Janet Agnew. To the club with the most photography entries at the GFWC-SC State Convention.

Jolene W. Bryant Award: (To be held for one year). Donor: 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, postmarked on or before March 15.

Mary Renfro Memorial Award: (To be held for one year). Donor: 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: Donor: 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: (To be held for one year). Donor: Miss Elizabeth Morgan. Basis: to the club with the best overall project reported to the District President postmarked on or before March 15.

Northwestern District Cup: (To be held for one year). Basis: to the club with the highest number of points on the Rating Sheet.

The Walhalla Junior Woman's Club Community Spirit Award: (To be held for one year). Donor: 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: Donor: Seneca Junior Woman's Club. To be held for one year. 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: (To be held for one year). Donor: Lane Wells Dye, in memory of Clara Cassles and Ellen C. Dye for their past service in Easley Women's Clubs. 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: (To be held for one year). Donor: Mrs. Forney W. Lowe. Basis: to the club with the highest percentage of members present at District Conference.

SOUTHERN

Myrt Riggs Award: (To be held for one year). Donor: 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: (To be held for one year). Donor: Jean L. Pearce. Basis: to the club with the highest number of points on the Rating Sheet.

Jean L. Pearce Award: (To be held for one year). Donor: Brenda Kiser. Basis: to the club that has the best overall Arts Department Report based on GFWC criteria submitted to the District President postmarked on or before March 15.

Virginia Baxley Silver Award: (To be held for one year). Donor: 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: (To be held for two years). Donor: 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: (To be held for one year). Donor: 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 postmarked on or before March 15.

Brenda Kiser Silver Award: (To be held for one year). Donor: 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: (To be held for one year). 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: (To be held for one year). Donor: Jadona Hadwin Rowell. Basis: to the club with the "Best Overall GFWC Spirit." Criteria includes: (a) attendance at Summer and Winter Boards, Conventions, District Conference and District Socials; (b) attendance of State and/or District Officers at club meetings, fund-raisers or socials; (c) Club Yearbook to District President and GFWC-SC First Vice President; (d) prompt return of GFWC-SC District Dues; (e) reporting participation in the six departments. Shall be determined by the Southern District President.

Annie Utsey Award: (To be held for one year). Donor: 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.

WESTERN

Sissy Brodie Award: (To be held for one year). Donor: 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: (To be held for one year). Donor: Aiken Woman's Club. Basis: to the club with the best project in the Arts Department. Submit two (2) copies of the report to the District President, postmarked on or before March 15.

Peggy All Award: (To be held for one year). Donor: Aiken Junior Woman's Club. Basis: to the club with the best project in the Conservation Department. Submit two (2) copies of the report to the District President, postmarked on or before March 15.

Ginnie Samsel Award: (To be held for one year). Donor: Sand River Woman's Club. Basis: to the club with the best project in the Education Department. Submit two (2) copies of the report to the District President, postmarked on or before March 15.

Betty Thomason Award: (To be held for one year). Donor: Betty Thomason. Basis: to the club with the most outstanding project with the greatest impact in Public Affairs.

Western District Conference Attendance Award: (To be held for one year). Donor: Kathy Monahon. 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.

JUNIOR AWARDS

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 Department Program Reports. All reports go to the Junior Director, Caroline Brown, 1459 Headquarters Plantation Drive, Charleston, SC 29455.

JUNIOR DEPARTMENT SILVER AWARDS

Categories 1 and 2: (To be held for one year). One silver award for each department in both Categories. Basis: to the club with the best typewritten report on departmental work as stated in the GFWC objectives, postmarked to the Junior Director on or before February 1.

Junior Cup Award I: (To be held for one year). Basis: to the junior club with the best overall written report on the year's work, in Junior Category I; to the Junior Director postmarked on or before February 1, limited to 20 double-spaced pages, including addenda.

Junior Cup Award II: (To be held for one year). Basis: to the junior club with the best overall written report on the year's work, in Junior Category II; to the Junior Director postmarked on or before February 1, limited to 20 double-spaced pages, including addenda.

Bobbie L. Lowe Award: (To be held for one year on a rotating basis). 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 Junior Director postmarked on or before February 1.

Mary Plyler Memorial Award: Donor: 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 Junior Director by postmarked on or before February 1.

Jan W. Hadwin Award: (To be held for one year). Basis: to the Category II club with the best overall written report on the GFWC Junior Special Project to the Junior Director postmarked on or before February 1.

Beth Broome Silver Award: (To be held for one year). Basis: to Category I club with the best overall written report on the GFWC Junior Project to the Junior Director postmarked on or before February 1.

Elizabeth Prince Gouge Award: (To be held for one year). Donor: Aiken Junior Woman's Club. To the junior club who does the most outstanding work in children's health care. To the Junior Director postmarked on or before February 1.

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

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

Susan Abelkop Membership Award: Donor: 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 Junior Director postmarked on or before February 1.

Junior Spirit Award: (To be held for one year). Donor: Susan Haynes. Basis: to the junior club with the "Best Overall GFWC Volunteer Spirit". Points: 10 - invitation to Junior Director and/or Junior Director-Elect to club events (i.e., meetings, fund-raisers, socials); 10 - club members serving 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 Junior Director. Awarded at GFWC-SC Convention Junior Luncheon. Points due postmarked on or before February 1 to the Junior Director.

Carol Vann Rowland and Susan Vann Haynes Junior Clubwoman of Achievement Award: (To be held for one year). Donor: 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 Junior Director postmarked on or before March 15 to be judged by Mary Vann, the Junior Director, and the First Vice President.

The Junior Club Breast Cancer Awareness Silver Award: (To be held one year). Donor: Sylvia E. Ayers. To the Junior Club with the best project(s) in the fight against this disease. Reports sent to Sylvia E. Ayers, 2307 Wintercrest Drive, Rock Hill, SC 29732, postmarked on or before March 15.

GFWC INTERNATIONAL AWARDS

To determine requirements and deadlines for entry see GFWC 2008-2010 Club Manual. Please mail reports to appropriate counterparts, and if you have any questions please call a GFWC-SC officer.

NEW GFWC CONTEST

Club Newsletter Contest: Clubs and states may submit only one newsletter, and the newsletter must have been printed and clearly dated during the calendar year preceding the award (so newsletters must be dated in 2008 to be eligible in 2009). Judges will award points as follows to all groups: 1) quality of content, including timeliness, clarity, and member impact: 50 percent, 2) presentation, design, and ease of use: 25 percent, 3) required elements as outlined: 25 percent.

See Guidelines in the GFWC Program Manual for the new Club Newsletter Contest. A \$50 Award will be given annually to one club in the nation to recognize creativity implementing an effective club newsletter. The submitted sample of the club newsletter should be sent to the Communications/Public Relations Chairman, Kaye Jones, 1380 Railfence Drive, Columbia, SC 29212 by February 1. The winning state entry to the national GFWC Communications and Public Relations Chairman is due March 15 each year.

Community Improvement Contest

The GFWC Community Improvement Contest is the organization's oldest, continually running, and most beloved. Held biennially, \$13,750 in total monetary awards are presented to the top five state entries, best Juniorette entry, and best international entry. 2010 awards will be presented at GFWC's 2010 Annual International Convention in Omaha, Nebraska.

Important Contest Dates:

March 1, 2010: Club entries are due to state GFWC-SC Chairman, Misty Konow, 302 Kirkstone Lane, Rock Hill, South Carolina 29732.

March 5-15, 2010: State judging.

April 1, 2010: State's first place entries due to GFWC Headquarters.

Other Awards:

Jackie Boland Club Attendance Award: (To be held for one year.) Donor: 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 Committees. Award to be made by the First Vice President.

Marian St. Clair Club Attendance Award: (To be held for one year) Donor: St. Andrews Woman's Club. Basis: to the club with the largest membership attending the Winter Board Meeting. The count will be made by the Credentials Committee.

2009 GFWC-SC STATE/DISTRICT REPORT FORM

REPORTING PERIOD: January 1, 2009 – December 31, 2009
Due March 15, 2010

CLUB NAME _____

DISTRICT/STATE AWARD _____

NUMBER OF MEMBERS

PAID BY 4/30/2009 _____

CATEGORY (circle one)

GENERAL I, II, III

JUNIOR I, II

JUNIORETTE

NUMBER OF PROJECTS _____

VOLUNTEER HOURS _____

CONTRIBUTIONS \$ _____

Report may include one other page of narrative for a total of two pages.

DO NOT USE THIS FORM FOR DEPARTMENT REPORTS



Mary Ellen Laister to Visit in January

GFWC First Vice President 2008-2010

Mary Ellen Laister has successfully blended a 20-year career in the insurance business with her Federation volunteer activities, and now serves as GFWC Second Vice-President. In past years she was President of the GFWC Arizona State Federation and the GFWC Arizona Central District.

As a member of the GFWC Board, Mary Ellen served as Treasurer during 2002-2004, Recording Secretary during 2004-2006, and previously held positions on the GFWC International Hostess Committee and the GFWC Membership Committee.

Mary Ellen also was Past President of GFWC Las Nochas Woman's Club and served three terms as GFWC Arizona Junior Mentor. Her experience also includes a term as GFWC-Arizona Community Improvement Chairman, three terms as Free Enterprise Chairman, and a three-year term as Ball Chairman.

In addition to her volunteer work, Mary Ellen is a member of King Glory Lutheran Church, Zonta. International of the East Valley and is a past president of PROFIT Executive Club.

Born and raised in Beaver, Pennsylvania, Mary Ellen is a graduate of Walsh College in Miami, Florida. She and her husband Mel have one son.

NEWS FROM HEADQUARTERS

A GREAT BIG THANK YOU is shouted out to the ladies of *St. Andrews Woman's Club, Junior Woman's Club of Columbia, and Palmetto Woman's Club* for all the work you did on our workdays in September and October. Your diligent work and the wonderful, sweet spirit with which you went about it are greatly appreciated.

January 30 and March 13, 2010, have been selected for our next work days with the time being 9:00 A. M. to 12:00 Noon.

The downstairs Carriage House apartment is ready for a new tenant. It has living room, one bedroom, kitchen, bathroom with tub and shower (newly renovated) and a large walk-in closet. All utilities except telephone and cable are furnished for the monthly rent of \$350.00.

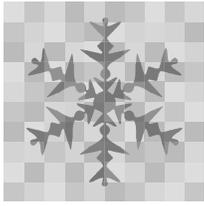
The deadline for Constitution and Bylaws proposed changes is January 1st. Please send any changes to Bobbie Sox, Chairman at 400 Reed Avenue, Lexington, SC 29072 or e-mail her at FBKJ@aol.com

Time to Serve

Clubs please send a letter endorsing your candidate to the State Elections Committee Chairman, Sue Burgess, PO Box 807, North Myrtle Beach, SC 29597 by January 1, 2010.

"Service is the rent we pay to be living. It is the very purpose of life and not something you do in your spare time."

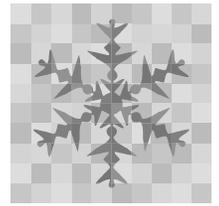
— Marion Wright Edelman



2010 GFWC-SC Winter Board Meeting

Saluda Shoals Park

~ River Center ~
January 9, 2010



The 2010 GFWC-SC Winter Board meeting will be held on Saturday, January 10, 2010, at Saluda Shoals Park Environmental Education Center 5605 Brush River Road in Columbia, SC 29212.

The spotlight of this meeting will be on your club and its members.

FRIDAY, January 8, 2010

- 4:00 p.m. Leadership Seminar at Hyatt Place in Irmo
Leaders Dinner
- 9:30 p.m. Executive Committee Meeting

SATURDAY, January 9, 2010

- 8:30 a.m. Registration Opens
- 8:45 a.m. Department Chairman Reporting Information Meeting ~ Jo Ann Bolchoz
- 9:30 a.m. Call to Order ~ General Session
Inspiration ~ Jolene Bryant, Chaplin
National Anthem ~ Special Guests
Pledge of Allegiance ~ Laura Palmer, Citizenship in Action
South Carolina Pledge ~ Gail Elfert, Focus on Community Safety
Collect of Club Women ~ Beth Taylor, Reaching Out Internationally
Junior Pledge ~ Michele Hood, Junior Special Project Chairman
Recognition of Past State Presidents ~ Misty Konow, Courtesy Coordinator
Presentation of Officers ~ Kaye Jones, Communications/Public Relations Program
Welcome ~ Tammy Garland, President
- Reports from Officers and Standing Committees
Membership Message ~ Laurie O'Kelly, Membership Chairman
A Look to the Future ~ Laurie O'Kelly, President-elect
Greetings from GFWC ~ Mary Ellen Laister, GFWC 1st Vice President

BREAK

- Club Reporting Workshop ~ Jo Ann Bolchoz, Second Vice President
District Highlights ~ 2008-2010 District Presidents "Fresh Fundraising Ideas"
Progress Foundation Grant Awards ~ Sylvia Ayers, Chairman of Progress Foundation
Invitation to GFWC-SC 2010 Convention ~ Janet Prince & Kay Berry
Attendance Awards ~ Summer: *Jackie Boland Attendance Award*
Winter: *Marian St. Clair Club Attendance Award*

- 12:30 p.m. Adjournment



77.9 mi – about 1 hour 24 mins. from Rock Hill
Head southwest on 21 toward Union Ave
Left on 21/E Black St.
Right on Porter Rd.
Ramp to Columbia
1-77 S
Right at SC-277 S
Exit 1-20 W toward Augusta
64B to 1-26 W toward Spartanburg
Exit 103 to Harbison Blvd
Left at Wescott Rd
Right at Brush River Rd
Saluda Shoals Park on Left

12.2 mi – about 20 mins. from
GFWC-SC Headquarters on Laurel St.
Head west on Laurel St toward Bull St
Right on Bull St
Left on Elmwood Ave
1-26 West
Exit 103 to Harbison Blvd
Left on Wescott Rd
Right at Bush River Rd
Saluda Shoals Park on Left

96.5 mi – about 1 hour 34 mins.
Greenville
Head southwest on N Church St
Left at N Academy St
1-385 S
1-26 E
Exit 103 to Harbison Blvd
Left at Wescott Rd
Right at Brush River Rd
Saluda Shoals Park on Left

121 mi – about 1 hour 57 mins. from
Charleston
Head southwest on Spring St
Right on Coming St.
1-26 West
Exit 103 to Harbison Blvd
Left on Wescott Rd
Right at Bush River Rd
Saluda Shoals Park on Left

56 mi – about 1 hour 8 mins. from
Aiken
Head south on SC-19
U-turn at Colony Pkwy
U-turn at Richland Ave
Left on US-1
1-20 East to Columbia
Exit 63 for Bush River Rd
Left at Bush River Rd
Left at St. Andrews Rd
Slight left at Bush River Rd
Saluda Shoals Park on Left

Driving Directions:

Winter Board Registration Due January 1, 2010

Registration for the Winter Board Meeting is \$5.00 per person. Send a completed form for each attendee along with a check payable to GFWC-SC to Charlotte Wymer, 442 Lakemont Drive, Chapin, SC 29036. Charlotte may be reached at 803-345-2205 or cyw4vt@aol.com.

(Please print clearly)

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Club: _____ District: _____

Check one only

- GFWC-SC State Officer including District Presidents
- GFWC-SC Department Program, Special Project or Special Committee Chairman
- GFWC-SC Standing Committee Chairman
- GFWC-SC Past State President
- GFWC-SC Junior Chairman
- Club President
- Club Member
- Guest

Saluda Shoals Park
5605 Bush River Rd.
Columbia, SC 29212



Leadership Seminar Registration Due January 1, 2010

Registration for the Leadership Seminar and Dinner is \$20.00 per person. Send a completed form for each attendee along with a check payable to GFWC-SC to Laurie O'Kelly 1608 Willow Creek Lane, Columbia, SC 29212. Laurie may be reached at 803-732-0287 or llok385@aol.com.

(Please print clearly)

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Club: _____ District: _____

Check one only

- Current Club Officer _____
- 2010 Club Officer _____
- Club Member

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Friday 4/23

9:00 Board Meeting
11:30 General Session I
Lunch
6:00 Cocktails
7:00 Dinner

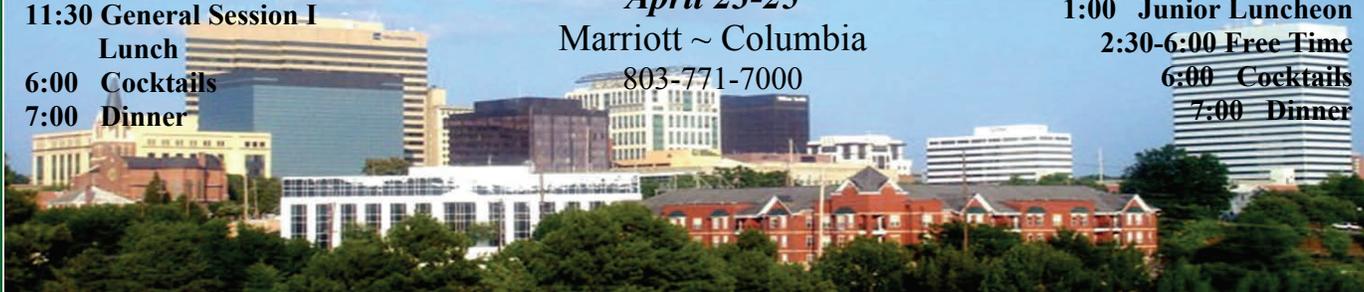
GFWC-SC Convention ~ 2010

April 23-25

Marriott ~ Columbia
803-771-7000

Saturday 4/24

9:30 General Session II
1:00 Junior Luncheon
2:30-6:00 Free Time
6:00 Cocktails
7:00 Dinner



GFWC-SC 2008-2010

Take Time to Make a Difference



January 1	Deadline for Constitution and Bylaws proposed changes, Bobbie Sox, Chairman
January 1	Deadline for GFWC-SC officer nominations, Sue Burgess, Chairman
January 8	GFWC-SC Leadership Seminar ~ Hyatt Place in Irmo, SC
January 9	GFWC-SC Winter Board Meeting ~ Columbia, SC
February 1	Department/Special Project Reports due to GFWC-SC 2nd VP, JoAnn Bolchoz
February 1	Deadline for GFWC-SC LEADS Candidate Application
February 1	Deadline for GFWC-SC March <i>Clubwoman</i> magazine
February 7	Candidates for GFWC-SC meeting at Headquarters 1:00
March 1	Deadline for State Federations to submit completed LEADS participant profile
March 15	Reports for State and District Silver Awards due
March 15	Rating Sheets due to GFWC-SC President-elect, Laurie O'Kelly & District President
March 15	Deadline for State Chairmen Reports to GFWC Counterparts
April 23-25	GFWC-SC Annual Convention ~ Columbia, SC
May 3	Deadline for GFWC-SC March <i>Clubwoman</i> magazine
June 12-15	119th GFWC Annual Convention ~ Omaha, Nebraska