

What is this thing called MARKETPLACE? Why are we doing it? How is it different than Institute in the past?

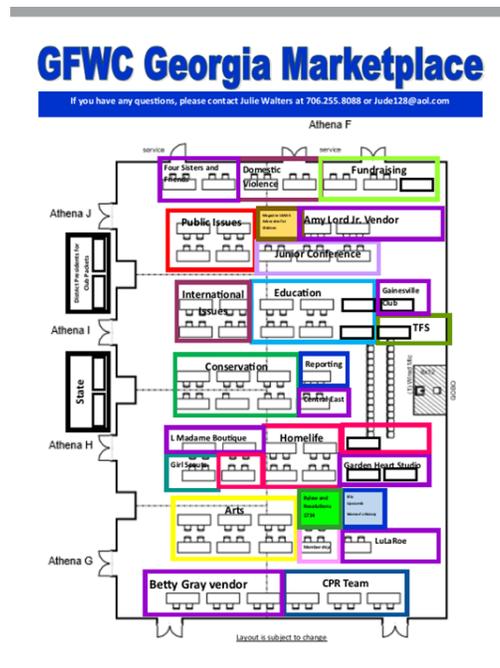
As a long time attendee of Institute, I watched and listened to the feedback from the members. One of the typical comments was “the workshops I wanted to attend are at the same time”, “we had to make sure club members went to the workshops we needed”, or “it was a lot of sitting”. I gathered information from the surveys the members completed. I attended my own professional workshops and conferences. And, I wanted to provide what the members wanted. I wanted it to be worth the time and money each member spent to come to Institute to be able to bring back club project ideas. This year the Marketplace will make the yearbook come alive! It is an Institute like you have never before seen.

It is going to be different. It is going to be fun. It is going to be hands-on. It is going to be full of project ideas you can take back to your club and your community. Learn how to make bags for the homeless (Homelife project) by recycling plastic grocery bags (Conservation). Learn about how Heifer International impacts women and children around the world and projects you can do in your community (International Outreach). Play putt-putt at the Tallulah Falls School booth and learn how to “Tee Off for Tallulah”. These are just a few of the things everyone will experience.

Savor the experience. Take your time at each booth. Paint. Interact with other members. Learn about how to take your blood pressure and what your numbers mean. Learn about building your membership. It is all for YOU to enjoy and take this learning experience back to help your club and community.

Find out about the exciting and new reporting changes! It’s what you have been asking for your years and it is happening. Come and learn about those changes firsthand at Institute.

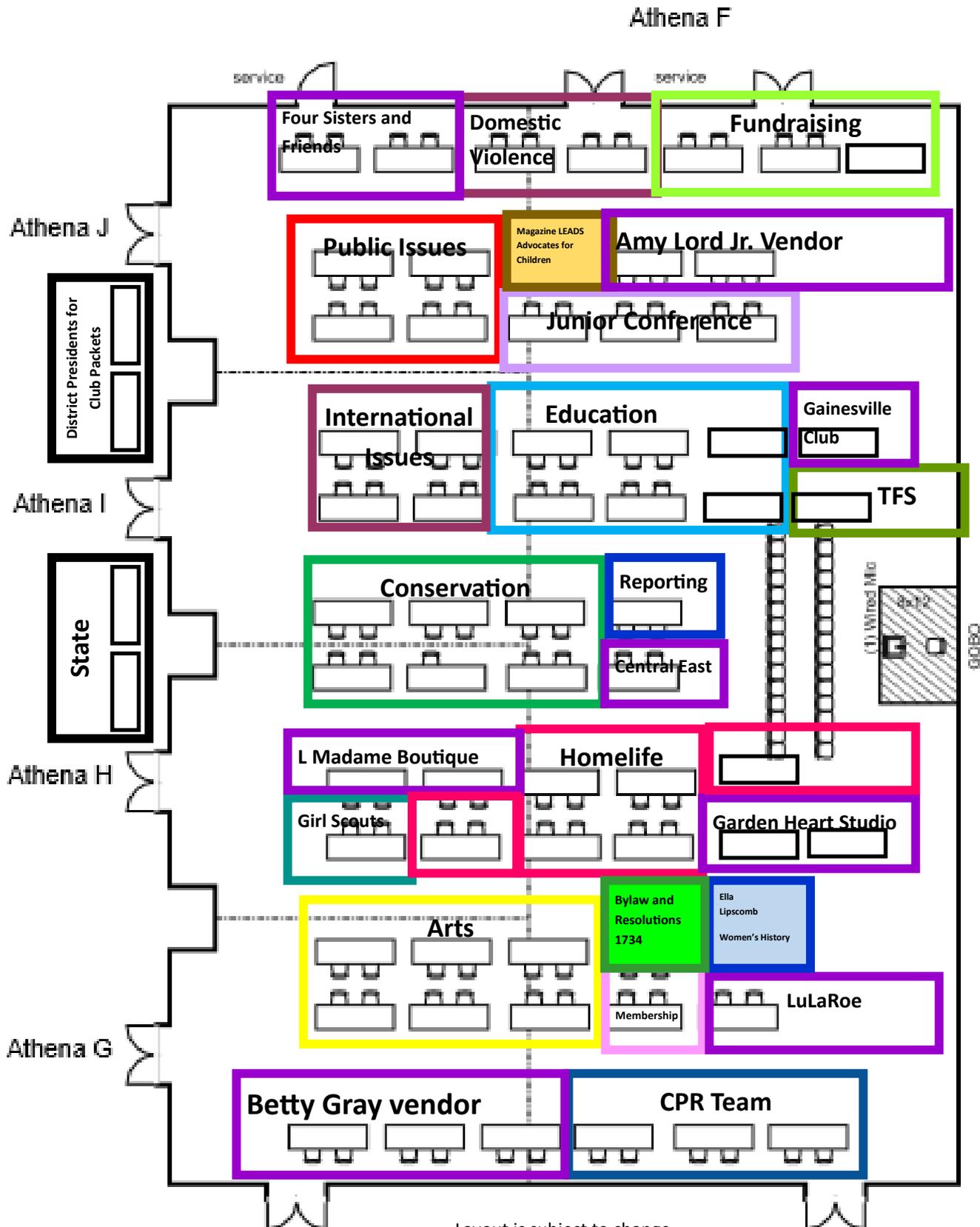
AND, earn some fun badges. Visit with Girl Scouts who will be on hand at every booth, have their own booth, and listen to some wonderful girl stories and the impact Girl Scouts makes in their lives. How do you earn those badges? You will receive a passport (remember, we are on a “Trip of a Lifetime”). At each booth you visit, you will get your passport stamped. At the end of the Marketplace, present your passport for inspection and you will receive your badges. You will have an opportunity to earn seven badges. You may also make a donation of \$25 to the Girl Scout booth for their “Friends and Family” (Historic Georgia) and “Annual Fund” (Greater Atlanta) to help with lots of items needed for their programs and earn an 8th badge from their table (this may be pre-donated as well).



Come, learn, have fun, live the experience! The leadership team has been hard at work making this vision come alive.

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