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SMILE it's contagious, Share one TODAY!



Dear Federated Sisters,

Fall is my favorite time of the year which includes the wonderful colors as well as a time for our thoughts to turn towards counting our blessings. I am thankful for each club women across Georgia. GFWC Georgia club women have been busy attending June Convention, August Institute, GFWC Convention in Atlanta and then on to the Southern Regions Conference in Orlando. I am very thankful for these learning experiences plus our time to socialize with our federation sisters!

As an update from our donations and helping hands that supplied 10,126 packaged meals, I am delighted to announce these meals prepared during our August Service Project "Rise Against Hunger" have shipped in a container totaling 285,120 meals from the Atlanta warehouse. These meals will be received by an in-country partner ORPHANetwork in Nicaragua. ORPHANetwork is an organization that nourishes lives through food assistance and other services in Nicaragua. **THANK YOU GFWC Georgia** for your generosity to make an impact being felt across the world for the vision to end world hunger and to allow hope to live longer and to build a better future for children and families. These meals will feed school children and/or adults in a vocational training program. As a suggestion for a special Christmas gift during the upcoming holiday season, please visit the "Meet the Need Market" page at riseagainsthunger.org/market for suggestions of donations from your club or your family of requested items such as nutritious lunches, medical supplies, bars of soap or purchase a goat to empower a farmer. To report your participation in the "Rise Against Hunger" service project, please report under the Civic Engagement CSP area.

An important date is December 1st as this is the deadline date for sending dues to the State Office. Also, if you your club has reinstated a former club member, please send in the Reinstatement Credit Voucher for a \$5.00 credit in payment of the former members club dues. This form is located under Reporting Forms - Treasurer 2020-2022 on the GFWC Georgia website.

I am excited to share the Lipscomb Society has approval from Dr. Peevy to host an in-person Holiday Open House at the State Office on December 8th from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. Please include this date on your calendar to attend as December will be the last month for celebrating the GFWC Georgia 125th year anniversary. We have been waiting for you to see the beautifully decorated 125th Christmas Tree. It will be a fun time to celebrate together!

My special thanks to Pat Shaver of the Lilburn Woman's Club for sharing her talents in creating the ornaments for the GFWC Holiday Open House with the theme of "Good Tidings of Comfort & Joy!" These beautiful ornaments were mailed to GFWC Headquarters to be included during the 2021 Holiday Open House that will be held on December 8th.

As an update from GFWC, President St.Clair informs a new GFWC Chief of Operations has been hired by the Executive Committee. Cheri L. Meyer started work on Monday, November 1, 2021. Cheri is a versatile leader and strategist with more than 17 years of experience in operations and administration of nonprofit associations. President St.Clair states she feels Cheri will be a good fit for GFWC with her skills, credentials, and qualities to be an excellent Chief of Operations. Our best wishes are extended to Patty Budka, as she will be greatly missed.

Please make note the State Office will be closed during the week of November 29th as Deborah Landress will be attending the Festival of Trees in Atlanta. If you should need assistance, please contact myself or your District President.

On a personal note, I thank those who sent words of sympathy when my sister passed away in October. I appreciated hearing from so many of my Federation family during this time of loss.

Remember, the key to our success rests in people like you, who embody the spirit of greatness by saying "Yes, I can, and you can too." Let us all shine our light as we approach the remaining two months of 2021 with thoughts of Volunteer Service in our communities. In federated service,



Shelby Holland
2020-2022 GFWC Georgia President

125 Years of Community Service



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

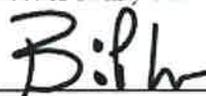
A COMMENDATION

- WHEREAS:** The State of Georgia is honored to celebrate the Georgia Federation of Women's Clubs' 125 years of continuous volunteer service; and
- WHEREAS:** The Georgia Federation of Women's Clubs organized in Atlanta, Georgia on October 28, 1896, and joined the General Federation of Women's Clubs in July 1897. The club incorporated on May 11, 1920; and
- WHEREAS:** The Georgia Federation of Women's Clubs is a unifying organization of the many women's clubs throughout Georgia and the thousands of dedicated members who work diligently for the welfare of the State's children, domestic violence victims, education system, government, environment, international friendship, health care, and many other issues; and
- WHEREAS:** The tireless efforts of these individuals have led to numerous successes, including founding 75 percent of Georgia's libraries, the establishment and maintenance of Tallulah Falls School since 1907, and the support of legislation involving child labor laws, highway safety, and juvenile justice systems; and
- WHEREAS:** The State of Georgia celebrates the work of all chapters of the Georgia Federation of Women's Clubs and their compassionate and selfless contributions to all Georgians; now
- THEREFORE:** I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby commend

GEORGIA FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS



In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 21st day of July in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-One.


GOVERNOR

ATTEST

CHIEF OF STAFF

Kim's Sensational Sidekicks

Thank you to all the District Presidents and members for hosting me at your fall district meetings. Whether virtually or in-person, I enjoyed being with you all and I appreciated the chance to visit with club members across the state. As we move into this season of Thanksgiving, I am grateful for each of you and the talents and time you give to GFWC Georgia. I am grateful to our leadership for their creativity and tenacity in guiding us through this administration and, I am most especially grateful for your District Presidents, aka Kim's Sensational Sidekicks. They are all such wonderful leaders and I am grateful to call them my friends. They have all done an outstanding job and I applaud them! As leaders, we are only as successful as the members who surround us. Thank you all for what you do and what you give to your communities and to our organization.

The time to begin planning for the 2022-24 administration is here! Please consider working for GFWC Georgia at the state level. If you have any interest in serving as a chairman or on a committee, please let me know by completing a short survey to express your interest. You can find the survey at the following link. <https://tinyurl.com/2022Admin> I will be making appointments after the holidays!

We had a fabulous SRC in Orlando, Florida. The GFWC Florida gals really raised the bar for Georgia as we host SRC in Jekyll Island next October 20-23, 2022. We will be at the Holiday Inn Beach Hotel and I hope to see you all there. The Georgia members who attended SRC issued the invitation in Orlando with beach music, beach balls, bikini t-shirts and lots of enthusiasm! Please mark your calendars now so you won't forget! The hotel will be honoring our group rate 3 days before and 3 days after the meeting so plan to stay and enjoy the area.

However you celebrate the holidays, please know I wish you good health, joy, laughter and blessings. Thank you again for all you mean to me and to GFWC Georgia.



Debbie Brown, Jill Bagley, Linda Ford, Brenda Martin, Deborah Landress, Julie Walters, Charlie Oliver, and Janice Blanchard, not pictured Shelby Holland, Kim Sekulow, and Shirene Daniels



North West District — PRESIDENT Cimi Douglass

The NW District hosted an incredible Fall District Meeting on October 16th, thanks to the Cartersville, Marietta, Calhoun and Acworth Carrie Dyer Woman's Club. It's been 2 years and too long since we met in person. The hybrid meeting accommodated "in person" and "online" attendees and it was flawless thanks to Laedenia Jewel and Sara Keys. We took care of business, we learned new things, we laughed, and we loved seeing Amy Milliken's children, Betsy and Beau Milliken recite the pledge and inspiration. We also had the pleasure of hearing from three special guest speakers, GFWC Georgia President-Elect, **Kim Sekulow**; Jr. Director Elect **Nicole Braun** and to recognize October's Domestic Violence Awareness Month we were honored to have Tranquility House guest speakers, Teresa Milsaps and Zannette Ellington.

During the meeting we made flowers out of facecloths and danced & stretched while making pumpkins out of rolls of toilet paper thanks to our District Arts Chair, Joyce Broughton, Marietta Woman's Club. Our 1st VP, Julie Bates crowned the Queen Bee of Membership, Connie Morris of Atlanta Woman's Club while our 2nd VP Maria Barnhart discussed reporting and announced reporting workshop dates.

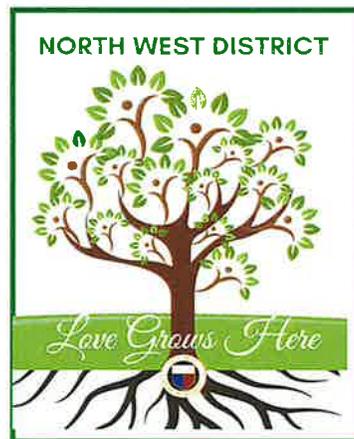
I'm proud to say collectively we impacted the Cartersville area as our District collected a lot of towel sets and created 40 hygiene kits for Tranquility House. We also collected over 100 stuff toys and tagged them with inspirational tags and placed in ziplock bags for 1st responders to hand out to children in distress. In addition we collected board books for the free little libraries around the Cartersville area.

After the meeting, we stuffed hygiene kits, some of us made cupcake socks, we learned how to make boo-boo bears to either hand out in schools with bear related books, school counselor's office, or for 1st Responders to give to children in distress.

Our members visited seven tables filled with wonderful creative project ideas from our CSPs. Education created stem projects; Civic Engagement provided info about the human trafficking awareness, offered thank you cards at registration for 1st responders and Veterans, and a displayed a basket of pocket soldiers. Arts & Culture created recycled napkin holders out of TP rolls and taught us how to create a pumpkin from Toilet Paper rolls. Our Environment CSP displayed birdseed wreaths and recipe cards for everyone while our Health & Wellness provided information regarding the importance of stretching during long meetings and throughout the day. Our FARE chair promoted the teal pumpkin project information and we also promoted Macy's Believe Project for Make a Wish Foundation. For every letter written by children or adults, and sent to Santa via the Georgia Make a Wish website or mailed to Georgia Make a Wish, Macy's will donate \$1.00 to Georgia Make a Wish.

But most of all WE HAD A GREAT TIME at District! It's not just a meeting, it's an experience and I'm so thankful to our club members for their time and dedication to our organization, and all that they do for their communities.

Love Grows Here!
Cimi





Central East District -PRESIDENT Deborah Brown

I'm so thankful to serve as the Central East District President. Our district is filled with many leaders who serve GFWC at the State, Region, and International levels. These leaders have helped our district move forward and I want to thank them for all the work they do at the district level. **You all are greatly appreciated!!**

Our 2021 CED Fall Meeting was held via Zoom on October 2. It was so nice to see our members together. We were honored to have Kim Sekulow and Nicole Braun join us as guests and give us insight into their administration. I'm thankful the meeting went smoothly and our district nominating committee and state nominating representative were chosen using Zoom Polls. Everyone liked the voting procedure.

We also held a Spooky Bingo fundraiser on Thursday evening, October 28th. It was a lot of fun to see everyone in a costume or at least one from the neck up.

I'm thankful I was able to attend the GFWC GA Convention, GFWC GA Institute, GFWC Convention and GFWC Southern Region Conference. Our organization has a lot of gifted and talented ladies at many levels. Please use them as a resource for your club. In listening to many of these ladies speak about their journey with GFWC, friendship is a recurring topic. Think about what your life would be like without GFWC. I know I'm thankful for my GFWC Sisters.

Happy Thanksgiving, Merry Christmas, Happy New Year!! Blessings to all for a safe and happy holiday season.

#IAMGFWC

My symbol for this administration is the mermaid. Purchase this silver toned 2 1/4" rhinestone pin adorned with pearls for just \$25 each plus \$5 shipping. She will be packaged in a treasure chest - perfect for gift giving. Supply is limited, so do not delay in ordering. Your mermaid pin will be mailed to you.

<https://gfwc-ga-central-east-district.square.site/>



Central West District — PRESIDENT Patricia D. Busby

The year 2021 maybe winding down, but not the ladies of the Central West District. Like the Energizer Bunny, they keep going and going, working tirelessly on new projects and the completion of commitments. They continue to work for the good of their community and the state. They are so dedicated that they have "fallen" in love with every project they undertake.

At this time, I would like to thank each club for the work that they have done for my special project, Autism Awareness. Recently one club was gracious to make a donation to the sensory room at a local elementary school.

I would also like to thank them for allowing me to serve as their president. It has been an interesting two years, living during a pandemic, but our members have found new, innovative ways to get volunteer work accomplished.

At this time I would like to highlight some activities that different clubs in the Central West District have accomplished. I am pleased to announce their accomplishments via pictures, flyers, and statements. All items indicate major accomplishments. I hope you will join me in celebrating their achievements.

Pat Busby
Central West District



College Park Woman's Club has an ongoing literacy project furnishing the common library of the Clarion Hotel in College Park, GA, where there are many families living long term. Members Tina Hall and Sylvia Pace source the books from the community and stock frequently.

Macon Service League partners with Read United of the United Way of Central Georgia and Bibb County school system, Books will be delivered to four second grade classrooms at Rosa Taylor School here in Bibb County. Students will receive their own personal book, Amy Wu and the Patchwork Dragon, on behalf of Macon Service League

Morrow Civic Woman's Club: Raised over \$500.00 which we bought a heifer and some chickens, Collected items for Operation Christmas Child (Over 40 boxes), Collected toiletries for homeless shelter, Made, signed, and sent 125 cards to veterans, Raised money for Breast Cancer research through a game of throwing ping pong balls into bras on a board. Money raised was about \$300.00, We had a program on gardening and supporting our environment., Collected baby items and hard books for the pregnancy center in Jonesboro., Made ornaments for Festival of Trees

Old Campbell County held its annual flea market on October 9 to raise money for our charitable donations. We also included baked items individually wrapped. At our November meeting we will be filling boxes for Operation Christmas Child. We donated pinecone angels to be sold at the Festival of Trees. In December we will have our Christmas luncheon. At that function we will collect white socks for the Veterans Hospital and write Christmas cards to our servicemen and women as well as veterans.

Reynolds Woman's Club - We hosted and provided cupcakes to give away during a cakewalk in support of Law Enforcement Community night out. It was a success and much fun. This showed support to our local law enforcement officers and the community, We hosted at our club house a Bruch Fairy Event for a local artist. Artists came by and purchased art supplies at discounted prices. The club provided refreshments and free face masks. This gave us an opportunity to reach out into our community as well as surrounding counties as artists came for supplies, this will be done Wednesday at our meeting: Members will bring totes for "Totes for Tots". These will be delivered to our local Department of Family and Children Services for children who are being placed into or from foster care. This is a much-needed service and was suggested by someone who has experienced this need. This is great way to help someone in our community and in keeping with the goals of the GFWC.

West Georgia Woman's club participated in the Bremen town festival by selling decorative books, a \$100 raffle and we displayed a teal pumpkin and gave out FARE information

South East District -PRESIDENT Hilda Hagarty



Members of the South East District met via Zoom on Saturday, October 9, 2021 at 10:00 am for their Fall 2021 District Meeting. Twenty-eight District Members came together on the virtual screen to greet one another and welcome our special guests -- the 2020-2022 GFWC Georgia State First Vice President/President-Elect **Kim Sekulow** and 2020-2022 GFWC Georgia Junior Conference First Vice President/Director-Elect of Junior Clubs **Nicole Braun**. Both ladies brought greetings and inspirational words for their forthcoming administrations. We thank both ladies for joining us.

During the meeting, we heard from our club presidents on the many projects their respective clubs had done in 2021 and despite the pandemic still prevalent in all our lives, the members have overcome that adversity and found new and innovative ways to better their communities. Congratulations to all the clubs on a successful year!

The fall meeting of the odd year in an administration is always jam-packed with the normal reporting, special guests, and the election of a nominating committee and district representative to the state nominating committee. This year was no different, just on the Zoom screen, as technology via polling took over the election process. The District Nominating Committee composed of Chairman **Armenda Barnes** of the GFWC Magnolia Civic Woman's Club, Chairman, and members **Sandi Quattlebaum** of the GFWC Georgia Woodbine Woman's Club and **Sandy Powell** of the GFWC Sylvania Junior Woman's Club were successfully elected to begin the process of finding a slate of officers to lead us in the 2022-2024 Administration. **Emily Proctor** of the GFWC Gordon Woman's Club and **Sherri Clifton** of the GFWC Civic Woman's Club of Milledgeville were elected as alternates. **Kathryn Youles** of the GFWC Sylvania Junior Woman's Club was elected as the District Representative to the State Nominating Committee and **Julie Wilson** of the GFWC Magnolia Civic Woman's Club was elected as the alternate. In addition, the District proudly endorsed **Dale Reddick** of the GFWC Sylvania Junior Woman's Club for the position of State Recording Secretary for the 2022-2024 Administration.

Before the meeting began, members met for a little fun and games, socializing and playing GFWC Trivia for several door prizes. Congratulations to **Barbara Scott**, **Sandi Quattlebaum** and **Emily Proctor** who were the lucky recipients of an Amazon gift card.

Joining us for the first time at a District Meeting were two new members – **Cathe McEnerney** of GFWC Brunswick Woman's Club and **Patsy Satterwhite** of the GFWC Civic Woman's Club of Milledgeville. Overall, we welcomed nine (9) new members to the District since our Spring 2021 Meeting. Several members were recognized at the meeting: ADD-A-MEMBER Contest Winner was **Cathe McEnerney**, a new member of the GFWC Brunswick Woman's Club and the Long-Time Attendee was **Emily Proctor**, member of the GFWC Gordon Woman's Club. Both ladies received an Amazon gift card. Three of our clubs are celebrating milestone anniversaries during 2021 -- GFWC Savannah Woman's Club (65 years), GFWC Georgia Woodbine Woman's Club (70 years), and GFWC Gordon Woman's Club (105 years). Congratulations to all!

The fundraising project for the 2020-2022 Administration is a Crisco Queen Bake-Off Contest. Because of restrictions on an in-person fall meeting, each club will be having a baked goods raffle locally, with proceeds sent to the District Treasurer no later than December 31, 2021. The baker whose entry brings in the most money will be recognized as the Fall 2021 Crisco Queen at our Spring Meeting in March 2022.

Hilda



North East District -PRESIDENT Jill Bagley



Hi, Ladies,

Happy Fall ! Our North East District Met in late September sporting our GFWC and club apparel. We welcomed Kim Sekulow and Nicole Braun, who discussed plans for the 2022 -2024 administration. A special highlight to the day was our **Camp Sunshine** fundraiser, where we raised **\$782** and because of a matching donor were able to donate \$1564 to this camp for kids with cancer. We also featured a variety of hand made Christmas ornaments and cool embroidered pillow cases to be donated to Festival of Trees. The GFWC Gainesville Phoenix Woman's Club presented 8 GFWC Bicentennial plates and a signed and numbered print of Tallulah Falls School chapel to state president, Shelby Holland, for the state office. These items were given to GFWC Gainesville Phoenix by the GFWC Vidalia Woman's Club, who have defederated and disbanded. In October, clubs were busy with events like Pink Partini, membership drives like making scare crows for town square, hosting membership teas, promoting teal pumpkin projects, honoring First Responders and firefighters with buckets of Halloween treats and distributing candy at Yellow River Game Ranch Halloween event. Dawson County Woman's Club donated a 9-foot Christmas tree to the Bowen Art Center and decorated it with items donated by the club, including some unique vintage ornaments. The tree will be displayed during the Festival of Trees at the Bowen and will be auctioned off with proceeds going to the Bowen. Three of us enjoyed Southern Region Conference in Orlando, Florida visiting and networking with our Southern Sisters. And for many of us, our next stop is Festival of Trees.



Happy Holidays, my friends!

🌟 Dream Big Sparkle More Shine Bright 🌟



South West District – PRESIDENT Janice W. Blanchard



Second Vice President - Cathy Jones

REPORTING REMINDERS



1. Follow the GFWC Plan of Work.
2. Stick to the reporting period: Jan 1 – Dec 31.
3. Pay dues by December 1.
4. Pay dues on the same number to District, State or Jr. Conference.
5. Complete the online reporting questions.
6. Place projects in the appropriate spot, according to intent.
7. File by the deadline: January 25 at 11:59 PM.
8. Remember these definitions:

Number of Members in Club = # for which dues are paid by Dec 1st

Volunteer Hours = # Members X # Hours worked on Club project

Dollars Donated = Money given by Club through Club treasury

In-Kind Donations = Value of items donated for project

Annual Club Report = Statistical data (required)

Narrative of Top Ten Projects (optional)

Creative/Outstanding Project (optional)



Your link to reporting!

Don't forget to smile

<https://gfwcgeorgia.org/club-resources/reporting-forms/>

Third Vice President - Peggy Wilson

VERY IMPORTANT REMINDERS!!!!!!

Due to the date change of the GFWC Georgia Convention, the Day of Service at a Ronald McDonald house will be held on Saturday, April 16, 2022. Start collecting items NOW and your club will be ahead of the game and ready to shower your local house. Thank you for all you do for the Ronald McDonald Houses.

The second reminder is to send in your quarterly report of new members to the GFWC and to GFWC Georgia Membership chairmen. I hope we have had several new members this quarter. Thank you for focusing on membership.

Let's recognize all our GFWC Georgia members during the month of December. December is a great time to show your members how much they are appreciated. Give each member a "Membership Care Package." Below are ideas for items to put into a baggie to recognize members for what they do for your club and community.

Rubber Band – to remind you to stretch your knowledge, your imagination, and to be flexible.

Tissue – to remind you that you may need to dry someone's tears or perhaps your own.

Button – to remind you that sometimes you need to "button your lip."

Toothpick – to remind you to "pick" out the good qualities of everyone.

Band Aid – to remind of healing hurt feelings, either yours or someone else.

Candy – to remind you that everyone needs a special treat occasionally.

Gold Ribbon – to remind you that volunteers are like having pots of gold – a real treasure.

Q-Tip – to remind you that your ears should always be receptive to the concerns of others.

Mint – to remind you that you are worth a mint to GFWC Georgia.



Treasurer - Dale Reddick

Have you heard the buzz.....
GFWC Georgia Dues have increased!



Georgia dues: \$10.00 ~ GFWC dues: \$15.00

Total: \$25.00 per member to be paid to GFWC Georgia by December 1, 2021

New vouchers are available online at GFWC Georgia.

Let's make sure all clubs know before December 1, of the increase! Treasurer's don't get caught "sleeping on the job"! Be a winner and beat the December 1st deadline and get those dues in the mail!!

Don't forget!

Send a membership roster in with your checks to the State, District, and if you are a Junior Club to the Junior Conference. Pay on same number of members to the State, District and if you are a Junior Club to the Junior Conference. Make sure your checks are post marked and in the mail before December 1, 2021

Recording Secretary - Julie Walters

8 Tips on How to Be an Efficient and Organized Recording Secretary

Julie Walters ~ GFWC Recording Secretary

Being a good secretary means being prepared, efficient, and well organized.

1. Be on time. Give yourself plenty of time to commute to the meeting. Be early to give yourself time to prepare or just catch up on emails or other tasks.
2. Be clear mentally. Get plenty of rest so that your mind stays sharp and thinking efficiently.
3. Know the schedule. Keep the meeting agenda close by.
4. Come to meetings with all materials. Show up to any meeting ready with materials and clear notes from previous meetings, and a device or notebook to take down minutes and other notes from the current meeting. Ask the president about anything regarding your role in the meeting, including any special materials like forms or handouts that you can have ready to save time on preparing or printing later.
5. Commit to lists and planners. Keep a planner, calendar, and to-do list and update them consistently. Keep them in easily seen and reached places, or have multiple that can be synced together. If you work well with pen and paper, keep a small planner or calendar that can fit in your pocket or purse so you always have it with you. Keep a pen attached if possible so you never have to fish around for one. Have a designated note pad for to-do lists at your desk, and cross things off as you go. If you work better with digital organization, use your phone's calendar and reminder system to make appointments and receive notifications about them.
6. Sync your information. Make sure you always have notes and other materials with you by syncing calendars, lists, and files across all your devices, which nearly every modern app has the capability to do.
7. Color-code everything. Set up a color-coding system to help categorize all of your materials at a glance. Use highlighters and colored tabs or labels to mark up files and notebooks to easily locate the right information. Many web and mobile apps for email, calendars, and lists also allow you to assign a color to each item.
8. Be consistent. Keep materials of the same type in a particular place, and designate notebooks and folders to specific meetings. Keep meeting notes in a separate place from other notes so information doesn't get mixed up and hard to find later.



PARLIAMENTARY TIPS

Brenda Martin, Parliamentary Advisor

VOTE AGAINST APPROVING MINUTES

QUESTION: Can a Member vote against approving the minutes?

ANSWER: RONR (12th Ed.) 41:9 -12 and 48:9 – 15 sets forth the procedures to approve the minutes. The chair will start the minutes approval process by calling for the secretary to read the minutes, or if the minutes are circulated ahead of time, the chair announces that fact.

It is not necessary to make a formal motion to approve the minutes, although it's not out of order; usually the chair asks, "Are there any corrections to the minutes?" Corrections are often handled by unanimous consent, but if there is an objection to a proposed correction, then the proposal is handled as an amendment to a main motion. Once all proposed corrections have been taken care of, and there is no further response to the chair asking for any (further) corrections, the chair declares the minutes approved as read or corrected.

RONR (12th ed.) 41:11 provides that "the minutes are thus approved without any formal vote, even if a motion for their approval has been made," and that the "only proper way to object to the approval of the secretary's draft of the minutes is to offer a correction to it." In addition, in the table of rules relating to motions found on tinted page 18, # 47, it expressly states, under the vote required to adopt minutes, that such "is not voted on." Furthermore, if a member feels that further investigation or revising to correct the minutes is needed, a motion to refer the minutes to a committee or to postpone the approval to a certain time could be adopted.

A member who was absent from the meeting may still participate in the correction and approval of the minutes. RONR (12th ed.) 41:11

For these reasons, a member can't vote against approving the minutes. Instead, he or she can offer a correction, make a motion to refer the minutes to a committee, or postpone their approval. Even if the member was not present at the meeting in question, he or she can't vote against the approval of the minutes of that meeting.

(This question was recently printed in the National Parliamentarian, Volume 82, No. 4 / Summer 2021 Thought would be good information for GFWC member to be aware of.

November 1-15th Civic Engagement and Outreach Statewide Challenge
Support/Aid/Celebrate Women Veterans

Want to send Holiday Cards?

Here is a website with further information about these organizations --
<https://www.minted.com/lp/send-christmas-cards-to-soldiers>.

GFWC GEORGIA JUNIORETTE

Judine B. Heard

We know membership has declined, not only with GFWC and its affiliates, but many established organizations face the same issue. In the case of GFWC and GFWC Georgia, leadership devotes many hours developing programs to increasing membership and member retention.

So, why don't people join organizations such as GFWC Georgia as we did in the past? When polled, some of the reasons people provide for not joining organizations such as GFWC are

The frequency of meetings;
Dues and cost of membership might be too high;
Not wanting to participate in club functions;
Work-related duties prevents them from joining a club; and
The list goes on with various reasons.

Let's face it, we are competing for ladies' time. While we know the importance of organizations such as GFWC in our communities, our challenge is having younger people understand the importance.

GFWC Georgia leadership has an excellent program dedicated to increasing and retaining members within our General and Junior clubs, so that is not our focus, rather let's consider Juniorette clubs.

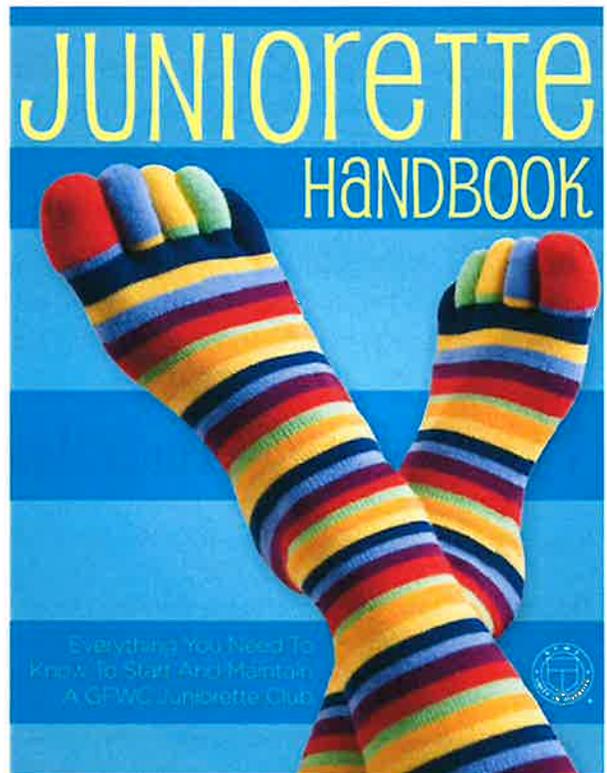
Juniorette clubwomen today are clubwomen in junior and general clubs tomorrow. By involving young ladies now, they will understand the value of GFWC in our communities.

Let us challenge ourselves, and sponsor a Juniorette club. Discuss it with your club president and members. Finding potential members are easier than you might think. Supporting a Juniorette club today are club member for life.

Each president has a Juniorette packet that will assist in starting a Juniorette club.

Let's get started. Contact me for information:

Judine B. Heard
email:
404-768-8376 - home



Lipscomb Society - Martha Lee Sherman

It seems quite appropriate this time of the year to be reporting on the Lipscomb Society and Cottage, especially when we think of Autumn, Halloween, Celtic Festival of Samhain, All-Hallows Eve, All Saints Day, and Ghosts As she moves about the Cottage through the hallways and from room to room, our "Resident Ghost" keeps vigilance over our Cottage

Should your club wish to hear more about our Ghost, contact a Committee member to arrange a guest at your meeting.

GOOD NEWS! IT'S A GO!!!

Christmas is coming and we will be hosting the Annual Christmas Reception at the Cottage for TFS Faculty and Staff and GFWC Georgia Clubwomen! **Wednesday, December 8, 2021, 3:00pm-5:00pm**
If you would like to assist with this event, you may provide some refreshments. Please contact Martha Lee Sherman 706-499-6458.

The "Big Tree" is up and boxes of decorations surround it awaiting distribution around the Cottage and on the tree. If you would like to help, please join us on Saturday, November 13, at 1:00pm as we have fun making Christmas magic throughout the Cottage.

T F S Chairman - Linda Mote

Happy Fall! The students at TFS are well into their school year and along with learning they are having some fun adventures.

TFS Seniors SOAR - A field trip to the Highlands Aerial Park was a highlight for the Tallulah Falls School Class of 2022. Eighth graders enjoyed a fun day at Woodlands Camp in Cleveland on Oct. 15. Even though summer is waning, students braved the colder water temperatures to immerse themselves fully in the camp activities.

Congratulations to Georgia's No. 1 ranked TFS **Pit Vipers competition barbecue team**. They continue to dominate the barbecue competition circuit with a Grand Championship win at the Blues and Boogie Festival in Calhoun on Sept. 24-25.

"It was a big, big weekend; perhaps our biggest," said Team Pitmaster Tom Tilley. "Eight of the top Kansas City BBQ Society [KCBS] teams were in attendance."

The Pit Vipers placed as follows:

KCBS Overall, first [Grand Champion]

KCBS Ribs, first with a Pit Viper record-breaking score of 179.4/180.

KCBS Pork, third

KCBS Brisket, third [first time attempt]

KCBS Chicken, seventh

Dessert, third

The Pit Vipers are currently ranked No. 3 in the nation in Ribs (KCBS) and No. 10 in Chicken (KCBS).

Remember that Tallulah Falls School Dues and/or Donations are due by Dec 1. If you are donating to "The Commons" Shelby's TFS project and Dana's "Steinway" project, there is now a separate line for you to indicate that's where you want your funds to go. There is also a line for the Extra Mile Fund, Scholarships, and other donations. **The Nina Smith TFS award** goes to a club who institutes a new scholarship in this calendar year.



So, I spent some time at a Food Bank today, and spoke to the people getting food. Here are some things I learned from those in need:

1. Everyone donates Kraft Mac and Cheese in the box. They can rarely use it because it needs milk and butter which is hard to get from regular food banks.
2. Boxed milk is a treasure, as kids need it for cereal which they also get a lot of.
3. Everyone donates pasta sauce and spaghetti noodles.
4. They cannot eat all the awesome canned veggies and soup unless you put a can opener in too or buy pop tops.
5. Oil is a luxury but needed for rice a roni which they also get a lot of.
6. Spices or salt and pepper would be a real Christmas gift.
7. Tea bags and coffee make them feel like you care.
8. Sugar and flour are treats.
9. They fawn over fresh produce donated by farmers and grocery stores.
10. Seeds are cool in spring and summer because growing can be easy for some.
11. They rarely get fresh meat.
12. Tuna and crackers make a good lunch.
13. Hamburger Helper goes nowhere without ground beef.
14. They get lots of peanut butter and jelly but usually not sandwich bread.
15. Butter or margarine is nice too.
16. Eggs are a commodity.
17. Cake mix and frosting makes it possible to make a child's birthday cake.
18. Dishwashing detergent is very expensive and is always appreciated.
19. Feminine hygiene products are a luxury and women will cry over that.
20. Everyone loves Stove Top Stuffing.

In all the years I have donated food at the holidays, I bought what I thought they wanted, but have never asked. I am glad I did. If you are helping a family this Christmas, maybe this can help you tailor it more. I does me!

Posted by Carrollton Junior Woman's Club

GETTING INTERNATIONAL RECOGNITION

General Federation Women's Club (GFWC) South West District President **Janice Blanchard**, pictured right, presents **GFWC Tifton Woman's Club** President **Genie McCook**, left, the **Honorable Mention** certificate from the **GFWC International Convention for Women's History and Resource Center**. The **Tifton Woman's Club**, formerly **Tifton Twentieth Century Library Club**, was honored for its activities recognizing the club's **115th anniversary celebration** in **February 2020**.



TIFTON WOMAN'S CLUB WINS AWARDS

Members of the **GFWC Tifton Woman's Club** display certificates the club was awarded recently at a Georgia state convention: **Third place** in Education and Libraries Community Service Program (CSP), **Outstanding** Project in Education and Libraries CSP, **Outstanding** Project in Health and Wellness CSP, **second place** in Arts and Culture CSP, and **South West District Poetry Winner Genie McCook**.

Pictured above, standing from left, are Sybil Oglesby, Nancy Nehring, Debbie Thompson, Darlene Moran, Club President Genie McCook, South West District President Janice Blanchard, First VP Jamie Stewart, Karen Hendrix, Gail Merlin, Bonnie Sayles, and Shirene Daniell.



North East District meeting - September 25, 2021 in Gainesville Georgia with guest speaker President Shelby Holland about Food Allergy Research & Education (FARE) and President-Elect Kim Sekulow.

Southern Region Conference — Orlando FL



Club women and Junior Conference,

Junior's Corner

We have had a wonderful time at international convention, and being able to see each and every one of you. Regretfully, I was not able to attend Southern Region Conference in Orlando. But, I cannot tell each of you enough how much we appreciate each of you and all the wonderful projects and events you have accomplished in this administration.

A great big Thank you for supporting our Tallulah Falls School and those projects. Rehabbing the Steinway and the Commons area are both of our initiatives for the school and we are encouraged and elated regarding the work that has been focused toward them and the school itself.

During the month of October, I was so gleeful to participate in several mental health awareness projects as well as being on TV with the Lori Duke Show.

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Dana Skelton joins the Lori Duke Show! As we sprint toward April to finalize this administration my hope is that we all focus, stay healthy and safe and we shine bright like a diamond, while we smile and be kind!

In Federation love,

Dana Paige Skelton

Director of Junior Clubs 2020-2022



Junior Clubs please note that the Junior Conference Treasurer has a new name (Erica Davis) and address (304 Madeline Place Macon Georgia 31211. If you have mailed your dues already and used the old address, please get in touch with Erica as soon as possible.

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5K & 1 Mile Fun Run

Tifton Junior Woman's Club

Friday, November 19, 2021 • Tifton, Georgia

Northside Baptist Church • 4605 Murray Ave., Tifton

5K – 6:45 p.m. 1 Mile – 6:00 p.m.

Valdosta Junior Woman's Club - Collecting for Operation Christmas Child—We are collecting items for Operation Christmas Child. We will meet at Wooden Nickle November 4th @5:30 to eat, fellowship and pack boxes to send out. We need small toys, hair bows, toiletries, socks and more. Come join us that night!

Bremen Junior Woman's Club—During the month of October the Bremen Junior Woman’s Club always puts on the Bremen Town Festival. This year we had a scarecrow contest that ran from October 1st until the festival date October 16th. All scarecrows were set up downtown to add art to the community. Voting took place during this time and cost \$1 a vote. All proceeds from the scarecrow contest will be going towards the student art competition we will have at the beginning of the year to determine winners to send to District for the student art competition. During the festival, we also held a scavenger hunt, which led patrons through various buildings and businesses around town. We wrote and received a grant through tourism. The purpose was to increase social media awareness of the club and the features of the downtown area which included the festival. All of the scavenger hunt clues were through social media and required certain photos or visits to feature downtown with a highlight of our club and its purpose



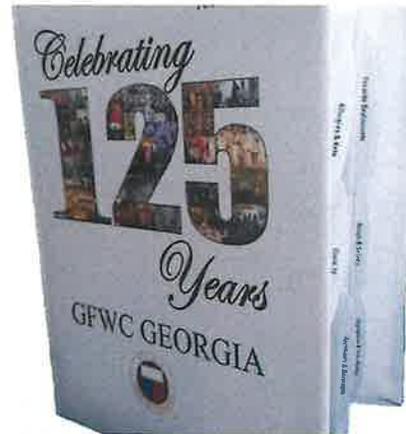
Sylvania Junior Woman’s Club—Taking a “lick” from DV. Project-Stop Domestic Violence Suckers

Up Coming Events

Membership Dues Deadline	December 01, 2021
Holiday Open House	December 08, 2021 Lipscomb Cottage
GFWC Holiday Reception	December 08, 2021 1734 N Street Washington, DC
End of Year Reporting	December 31, 2021
Club Electronic Reports Due	January 25, 2022 All club reports must be submitted by this date

125th Anniversary Celebration Cookbooks are on SALE!

Find on GFWC Georgia Marketplace



Dues ~ December 1, 2021 postmark



TFS swimmers christened the new natatorium in the season-opening Mask-Erade meet, Saturday October 30, 2021. GFWC Georgia President, Shelby Holland and husband Ron in attendance with Dr. Larry Peevy.