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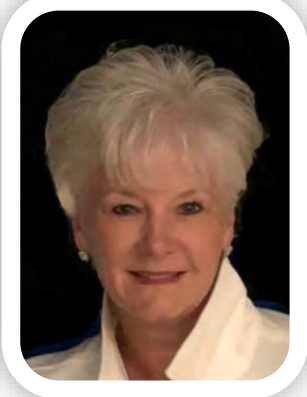
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Happy Summer!

Dear Federated Friends,

As I write this, our delegation is prepping and packing for the GFWC International Convention in Louisville, Kentucky. I'm hoping we have lots of good news to share with you in August. I am proud of the dedication and work completed this past year, whether or not we receive any recognition for our accomplishments. You get high honors in my book!



Please mark your calendars for our Institute meeting in August 25-26. We will be back in Athens at the UGA Center for Continuing Education. Friday, August 25th is LEADS, so be sure to send at least one representative from your club. (I encourage all Club Presidents to attend!) Saturday is our working day, and the State Board meeting is that evening. Please plan to join us to get all the updates, learn from the speakers and presenters, and renew friendships! Of course, there will be shopping opportunities too.

I am excited about the work our clubs are doing with membership. Kudos to the new night group in the GFWC Dunwoody Woman's Club, and congratulations to the GFWC Dallas Woman's Club for their work in growing, reinvigorating, and engaging their community. I can't wait to hear about other success stories when we're together again in August. Please share your victories so I can brag about your successes!

Use these summer days to reinvigorate your passion for GFWC. As you sip on some lemonade, take time to dream, create, and plan events for your club in the coming year that are full of excitement, create interest for prospective and current members, and can be hands-on projects for members to embrace. I know this year of club work will be the best one ever!

Your officers, including myself, are here to help in any way we can. Don't forget to reach out and let us know what you need. And please invite us to visit and participate in your events. Being with our club members in their communities is the best part of serving this federation.

Be safe, relax, and get ready for another great year of GFWC Georgia!

See you in Athens,

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The General Federation of Women's Clubs is a unifying force, bringing together local women's clubs with members dedicated to strengthening their communities and enhancing the lives of others through volunteer service. With nearly 60,000 members in affiliated clubs in every state and more than a dozen countries, GFWC members are community leaders who work locally to create global change by supporting the arts, preserving natural resources, advancing education, promoting healthy lifestyles, encouraging civic involvement, and working toward world peace and understanding. For more information, please visit www.GFWC.org or call 1-800-443-GFWC (4392).

First Vice President/President-Elect

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For those of you who missed GFWC Georgia's Convention in April, your six district presidents, AKA Cathy's Crew of Pirates, were awesome! Mary Beth Jacobson, Central East; Libby Bond, Central West; Barbara Brooks, North East; Julie Bates, North West; Barbara Scott, South East; and Lisa Ramsey, South West, dressed in pirate attire and presented the first episode of "A Pirate's Tale," sung to the tune of *Gilligan's Island*.

Cathy's Crew

Just sit right back, and you'll hear a tale
A tale of a glorious trip
That started from a southern state
Aboard a pirate's ship.

The crew was brave and ready to go.
The captain was so sure.
Six leaders set sail that day.
For a two-year tour, a two-year tour.

The tasks they had were not too tough.
Their purpose was not crossed.
If not for the courage of the fearless crew
The districts would be lost, the districts would be lost.

The crew found buried treasures there
In towns from near and far.
With Barbara Scott,
The captain, too,
Barbara Brooks and Libby Bond,
One Julie Bates,
Lisa Ramsey and Mary Beth,
Here are Georgia's stars.

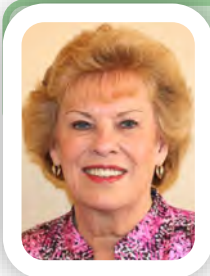
So join us here each time my friends.
You're sure to get a smile
From seven cherished pirate's mates.
We're here to stay a while.



At this convention, we learned that our Central West District President, Peggy Gau, and her husband are facing several health issues, causing Peggy to be unable to fulfill her duties. Therefore, she has stepped down as president. Our thoughts and prayers are with the Gau family as they face this difficult time. Please join me in welcoming Libby Bond, who will complete the unexpired term.

Throughout their first year, Cathy's Crew has searched for hidden treasures from our past, present, and future in our clubs, districts, and state. What they have found gives us ideas for projects and programs, ways to improve our volunteer efforts, and lots of wisdom from successful or failed endeavors.

Someone once said, "To know your future, you must know your past." We study the past to acquire a broader and richer understanding of our world today and our place in it. Our past actions determine our present self and situation, and our present actions determine our future situation. We can't live without any of the three. I look forward to hearing what treasures the Crew will find this year.



Second Vice President - Peggy Wilson

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Thank you, thank you to all of the clubs in Georgia that reported during the 2022 reporting year. **I want to encourage every club to report for the 2023 club year.** We need to show GFWC that Georgia is number one in our work throughout all states in the GFWC organization.

During judging, I learned so many things that I did not know happened behind the scenes. As often as I have been at our state convention, I listened to clubs and members being recognized, but I never realized how much work went into getting the awards set up and in the correct order. I can never thank **Kathryn Youles** enough for her insight and hard work in making this happen. Also, thank you to **Julie Wilson, Annette Belk,** and **Tina Neese,** for your assistance in keeping the awards in order and ready to be handed out to the winners.

Thank you

I want to thank all the CSPs and Committee Chairman for their dedication to making judging a successful event. At the convention in Atlanta, many clubs were honored for their hard work and creativity in implementing the GFWC and GFWC Georgia plans of work. At Institute, each CSP will share their best overall project. I am looking forward to hearing these as well.

Through the work of all the members of GFWC Georgia TEAM (Together Everyone Achieves More), every club made a difference in their community through the splendid work completed in 2022. *If you did not report the work your club completed in 2022, please let us know about the activities you completed in 2023. Every activity — large or small — makes a difference in our communities.* I hope to see many more club reports when reporting time comes in January.



Congratulations



2022 Georgia Federation Cup Award

GFWC Dunwoody Woman's Club
(NW District)

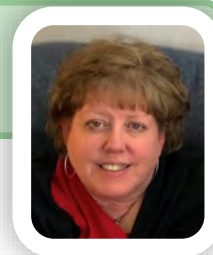


2022 Gertrude Harris Club Award

GFWC Sylvania Junior Woman's Club
(SE District)

Third Vice President - Julie Walters

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GFWC Georgia is excited to support this national service project, and it is a vehicle for attracting new members to GFWC clubs.

Clubs are being asked to host a project or program that helps fight against food insecurity in their community on September 30, 2023.

To participate, you must pre-register your club--- please email Melanie Gisler, Director of Membership Services, at mgisler@gfwc.org and cc Deb Strahanoski, GFWC International President, at dstrahanoski@gfwc.org.

GFWC has created a Toolkit now available in the GFWC Member Portal in the Digital Library. After you log in, click on the profile icon. Click "My Digital Library" in the drop-down menu and follow this path:

My Digital Library > Resources > N > NDS Toolkit

Also, on the GFWC website, under "What We Do," you will find a list of clubs and state federations that have already registered for the National Day of Service.

It's Not Too Late — Register Today!

The following GFWC Georgia clubs have registered!

GFWC Georgia

- GFWC Atlanta Woman's Club-(Atlanta)
- GFWC Carrollton Civic Woman's Club-(Carrollton)
- GFWC Four Corners Woman's Club-(Athens)
- GFWC Gainesville Phoenix Woman's Club-(Gainesville)
- GFWC Georgia Gordon Woman's Club-(Gordon)
- GFWC Lilburn Woman's Club-(Lilburn)
- GFWC Monroe Junior Woman's Club-(Monroe)
- GFWC Roswell Cares Service League-(Roswell)
- GFWC Service Guild of Covington-(Covington)
- GFWC Stone Mountain Woman's Club-(Stone Mountain)
- GFWC Sylvania Junior Woman's Club-(Sylvania)
- GFWC Valdosta Junior Women's Club-(Valdosta)
- GFWC Violets Junior Woman's Club-(Sharpsburg)
- GFWC Winder Woman's Club-(Winder)

THE GEORGIA CLUBWOMAN

What is Food Insecurity?

The USDA defines food insecurity as a need for consistent access to enough food for every person in a household to live an active, healthy life. This can be a temporary situation for a family or can last a long time. Food insecurity is one way we measure how many people can't afford food.

More than 34 million people, including 9 million children experience food insecurity in the United States.

Causes

Unfortunately, many people in America struggle to meet their basic needs, which increases their risk of food insecurity. For example, lay-offs at work, unexpected car maintenance, or an accident can suddenly force a family to choose between buying food and paying bills. The causes of food insecurity are complex and include:

- Poverty, unemployment, or low income
- Lack of affordable housing
- Chronic health conditions or lack of access to healthcare
- Systemic racism and racial discrimination

Effects of food insecurity

Food insecurity can have a broad impact, depending on someone's circumstances, such as:

- It can cause serious health issues when people choose between spending money on food, medicine, or healthcare.
- It can make learning and growing more difficult for a child.
- It can lead to difficult decisions like choosing between food and rent, bills, and transportation.

Need Ideas on how to participate?

One project idea is to host an **Empty Bowl Lunch**, which GFWC Georgia will be doing during the Saturday lunch at Institute in August. Our guest speaker will be from the North East Georgia Food Bank. Please plan to attend and support this project — proceeds will be donated to the Food Bank.



Take advantage of this chance to collaborate with fellow community members to assist people in your area who are struggling with food insecurity and also to spread awareness about your club's membership. You could:

- Organize a food drive.
- Create a food pantry in your community. It could be as simple as a pantry for canned goods at your local library to a larger pantry at a shelter for the homeless.
- Earmark funds for your local school district to provide backpacks of food on Friday so that students have healthy food options for the weekend. These bags can contain cereal, mac and cheese, fruit cups, juice boxes, and other

snacks.

- Work with Meals on Wheels program or a similar organization that provides food to the older adult community or helps stock a food pantry to assist struggling seniors with basic needs.
- Supply your local food pantry with “Birthday Bags,” which is a gift bag that contains a 9”x13” foil baking pan, cake mix, oil, frosting, candles, tablecloth, party hats, favors, balloons, and other items that will contribute to a festive gathering. These return dignity to clients who cannot provide a birthday celebration for their loved ones.
- Have a “Cookies for Cans” food drive, giving a dozen home-baked cookies for several items donated to the local food pantry. Attach a sticker with the GFWC logo and your club’s name to each bag of cookies.
- If your community holds a Scarecrow Walk in a local park where individuals or groups can enter a scarecrow — have your club host one that reflects food insecurity and have members present with containers to collect food donations to help micro-pantries in their community.
- Volunteer in your local soup kitchen for a day, making and serving folks with food insecurities.
- Volunteer at your local food bank—sorting, packing, and organizing donations.
- Host a booth at your town’s First Friday or Fall Festival, collecting canned goods and sharing information about your local food bank.
- Host an event with the keynote speaker being the leader of your local food bank — admission is a donation of a box of cereal.

MEMBERSHIP EVENTS

Every program, every project, and everything you do as a club is a membership event. To continue to grow, we need to work to retain members as we recruit new members. We are always recruiting new members, and it might be helpful also to arrange events that are membership events. Here are some ideas:

Book and Author Lunch

Hold a lunch and invite a local author to attend and speak about their book. Invite prospective members and the general public to attend. Have information about the club to hand out.



Welcome Back Pot Luck

If your club does not meet over the summer, when you have your first meeting in the fall, make it a Welcome Back Pot Luck meal meeting and invite prospective members to attend. Plan activities that require members to mingle and talk to each other. Have sign-up sheets for current members and encourage prospective members to sign-up.



Monthly Tea

Club members take turns hosting a tea monthly at their homes. Invite current members to bring at least one prospective member. Purchase vintage tea cups at Goodwill or flea markets and tie a tea bag and membership invite to the handle. All prospective members get their tea in one of those cups — and it becomes a take-home favor.



Ice Cream Social

Hold an ice cream social and invite prospective members to attend. Promote on social media and have membership information to distribute at the event.

Virtual Membership Bingo

If the pandemic taught us anything, we can still connect if we are not in the same room. WE can connect virtually. Hold a membership Bingo game via Zoom or Teams. It is a fun way to connect and introduce prospective members to your club.



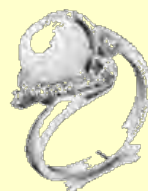
At the Office

Have a membership event at the office and invite interested coworkers.

Library

Reach out to your local library and see if you can participate in their Summer Reading Program, hold an event, and invite

GFWC 2022-2024 Membership “Sparkle and Shine” Recruitment Campaign



Retention: “Pearls—Strengthening Relationships”

Report Due for June, July, and August Recruitments

Deadline: September 1, 2023

Complete the fillable Campaign Report Form available at <https://gfwcgeorgia.org/club-resources/membership-info/> and send to:

- 1) GFWC via mail (address is on form) or email — **GFWC@GFWC.org**.
- 2) Send a copy of the report to **membership@gfwcgeorgia.org** for Julie Walters, Third Vice President.

Clubs recruiting 3 or more new members will be listed in the *GFWC Clubwoman* magazine.



Welcome to the Community Postcards

We have had great success with our Welcome to the Community Postcard project. If your club needs additional postcards to give to a REALTOR in your community, be sure to pick some up in August at Institute.

Thank You



Many thanks to the clubs and individuals who participated in the GFWC Georgia Day of Service Dinner Party in support of Wellspring Living.

How Does GFWC Georgia Add Value to Your Club?

By Cimi Douglass, Website/CPR Team, 2022-2024

Purpose + Passion = Power



Start where you are, use what you have and do what you can.

How does GFWC Georgia add value to your club? This topic idea began when someone told me, “I love being a part of GFWC Georgia, and I know what our club does, but I’m not sure what the State organization offers us besides belonging to the organization.”

That’s a fair point; I think sometimes we belong because we like to belong while having the opportunity to serve, meet new friends, and do cool things – but after a while, I understand that some may think about it deeper and ask the question – **what does GFWC Georgia really bring to the table for our clubs and its members?**

In a nutshell, GFWC Georgia strives to provide our members with the tools and resources they need to succeed. We offer a wide range of benefits to help you grow and thrive. Our goal is to empower women, support our communities, and make a difference in the world.

This PowerPoint fully answers the question and is packed with information on how we add value to our clubs and club members.

Click below to access the PowerPoint:

<https://gfwcgeorgia.files.wordpress.com/2023/06/federation-fellowship-1.pptx>

Also, a new promotional video is an excellent tool for recruiting and helping new and seasoned members understand the mission of GFWC Georgia. Click here to access the video — <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mnXQtUih85c>

GFWC Georgia Day of Service *Dinner Party*



Kim hosted a party in "Gary's Garage" to support her Special Project, Wellspring Living.



Four Corner's Woman's Club hosted a Dinner Party at Julie Walters' home.



Gainesville Phoenix Woman's Club hosted a "Ladies Luncheon on the Lake."



Brunswick Woman's Club hosted a luncheon for the House of Hope at the First United Methodist Church.



Dunwoody Woman's Club hosted a Spring Fling at the Dunwoody Country Club.



Cartersville Woman's Club hosted an International Dinner at the Church of the Ascension.

On April 29, 2023, clubs across the State hosted GFWC Georgia Day of Service Dinner Parties in support of Wellspring Living.

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Meeting Minutes

Preparing meeting minutes doesn't have to be an arduous task. Here are some tips and ideas to help you start writing and preparing effective meeting minutes.

What are the meeting minutes?

Meeting minutes are the written record of a meeting. Minutes are usually structured and formal, so they can be shared after the meeting and serve as historical documents in the future. For those who could not attend the meeting, minutes bring them up to speed. Minutes also offer accountability for action items that were discussed during the meeting.

To write meeting minutes, you should follow these steps:

- **Prepare a template before the meeting.** It helps to use a template every time you take meeting minutes. That way, they're all laid out the same way, and you won't have to waste time adding headings and bullet points. This is useful when other people in the organization need to reference them later. Some clubs even put their agenda and expected attendees on the meeting notes for efficiency.
- **Take clear and concise notes during the meeting.** If you are a new secretary, you might have trouble keeping up with notetaking. If you're experiencing this, consider recording the meeting. You can do this with any smartphone, audio recording device, or camera. Later, you can listen to the recording as a refresher when needed. Before recording, though, let your attendees know they are being recorded.
- **Collect copies of any reports or presentations.** If members submit written reports or handouts, add these to the official minutes as an addendum.
- **Review your notes.** When you're writing meeting notes, summarize. You should document as much information as possible, especially on action items, but don't write everything verbatim. It's not necessary to record everything that was said during the meeting. You also might have difficulty keeping up if you try to write the entire conversation word-for-word. Simplify and clarify what happened during the meeting.
- **Create a final draft.** Some clubs use a reading committee to review the minutes.
- **Distribute the minutes.**
- **Follow-up on action items.**



Federation Fellowship



Monthly GFWC Georgia Gatherings

Second Monday of the Month via Zoom — 7:00 to 8:00 pm

Click on the button (Federation Fellowship) in the Constant Contact email.

Each session will begin with a "Meet and Greet" from 7:00 to 7:15 pm, a "CPR" Highlight from 7:15 to 7:30 pm, and Questions following the presentation.



Treasurer - Cimi Douglass

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I hope everyone is having a great summer!

Our new fiscal year began on June 1st, so we can now accept your 2023 membership dues. State Dues can be paid from June 1st through December 1. The breakdown of dues is as follows: GFWC \$15, GFWC Georgia \$10 for a total of \$25, payable to *GFWC Georgia*. District dues of \$3.00 are payable to your District. All the forms for submitting dues (Woman’s, Juniors, Juniorette, District), the Tallulah Falls School voucher, and an Expense Reimbursement Form can be found on the GFWC Georgia website —<https://gfwcgeorgia.org/>— under “Club Resources.” Scroll down to “Reporting and Forms” and click— remember that this is password-protected. Then scroll down to “Treasurer Forms 2022-2024” and select the voucher/form you need.



GFWC Georgia is now an approved nonprofit on Facebook.

We are excited to announce that we are now approved to raise funds on Facebook, so we added a new feature to our Georgia Federation of Women’s Clubs public page on Facebook - a **Donate Button!** With just one click, you can now donate to support GFWC Georgia and our mission to empower women and improve communities. This new feature allows us to streamline the donation process and make it easier for our members and supporters to contribute to our cause. To donate, visit our Facebook page and click the Donate Button. Your support is greatly appreciated and will help us continue to impact our communities positively.



Are you looking for a way to support GFWC Georgia and celebrate a special occasion simultaneously? We have great news! You can now create a Birthday or Anniversary Fundraiser on Facebook to help us raise funds. The best part is that it does not cost you anything other than a fundraiser post on your Facebook page.

It is easy to get started.

- Visit your Facebook page and look for the waffle on the left side. 
- Scroll to the bottom until you see Fundraisers. 
- Select "Fundraisers" from the menu on your Facebook page and choose "Raise Money for Nonprofit."
- From there, search for "Georgia Federation of Women’s Clubs."
- Select **us** as the nonprofit you want to support.
- You can then customize the details of your fundraiser post and share it with your friends and family.
- Once done, a message will pop up congratulating you on creating your fundraiser.
- From there, you can invite your friends to donate, share your fundraiser in your Feed, or donate to the fundraiser yourself.

Thanks for considering a Birthday or Anniversary Fundraiser for GFWC Georgia on Facebook!

Remember to set up GFWC Georgia as your selected charity on your Kroger Plus so they can donate to our organization each time you shop! Please visit <http://www.kroger.com>. Once logged into your Kroger account, please search for GFWC Georgia by name or WX744 and then click Enroll. An instructional video on how to link your card to our organization can be found on our GFWC Georgia YouTube Channel - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2H8iVsJhM2E>.

Please consider participating in one of these fundraising opportunities; every little bit counts. All funds will be designated to our educational programming and operations.

Thank you,
Cimi Douglass
GFWC Treasurer 2022-2024
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"Alone we can do so little;
together we can do so much."
- Helen Keller



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GFWC Georgia Strategic Plan for 2022 - 2024

'Living the Volunteer Spirit'

GFWC GEORGIA MISSION

GFWC Georgia is part of an international women's organization dedicated to community improvement by enhancing the lives of others through volunteer service.

GFWC GEORGIA VISION

Our vision is to empower women in collaborative efforts of philanthropy, advocacy, and community leadership.

GFWC GEORGIA CORE VALUES

Stewardship
Empowerment
Respect
Vision
Integrity
Collaboration
Excellence

SUMMARY

GFWC Georgia's Mission Statement reflects a unifying vision for our organization and states the purpose and scope of our endeavors. The Strategic Plan supports and advances the Mission Statement.

A strategic plan is a working document that guides and strengthens the activities of an organization. Goals designed for achievement enable our organization to plan effectively for the future.

This Strategic Plan will identify five major issues. They are Membership, Leadership, Public Awareness, Special Projects and Community Service Programs, and Financial Stability and Management. It is organized with clear goal statements within each issue and specific strategies for achieving each objective.

Focusing on these five issues and the achievement of the goals will help us realize our vision. It will provide opportunities for members to serve their communities more effectively, develop leadership skills, participate in learning enrichment, and cultivate lasting friendships.

STATEMENT OF RESPONSIBILITY

It is the responsibility of every member to support and promote the goals, objectives, and strategies outlined in the 2022 - 2024 GFWC Georgia Strategic Plan.

GFWC Georgia Executive Board oversees the implementation of the 2022 -2024 Strategic Plan. The Strategic Plan is reviewed each administration.

State, District, and local Club leaders work to achieve the goals and strategies that are relevant to their program areas and how they impact their communities.

Shari Carter

GFWC Georgia Parliamentary Advisor



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Many clubs take off volunteering during the summer, while others work all twelve months.

Here are two ideas no matter what your club is doing during the next two months.

July - Summer Watering Schedule

In the midst of summer vacations, many flower gardens that do not have an irrigation/drip system are not maintained. Contact local officials and offer to keep the gardens watered. Develop a volunteer watering schedule for members to sign-up for tasks.

August 19, 2023 - National Honey Bee Day

National Honey Bee Day is the third Saturday in August when we honor the insect responsible for more than 1/3 of our food. We also pay homage to beekeepers, whose labors ensure we have bees to pollinate our crops.

Another essential part of the day includes learning about honey bees and providing them with a supportive environment. We support pollinators such as honey bees when we plant wildflowers, orchards, and other flowering plants. They depend on the nectar of a variety of plants for their survival.

What can you do in honor of National Honey Bee Day?

Simple — Create a honey recipe cookbook for your club. And then, share it on your club's social media sites or use it as a fundraiser.

For additional monthly project ideas, resources, GFWC Environment CSP newsletters, and more, click this link to access the [GFWC GEORGIA ENVIRONMENT CSP's website](#).



MEMBERSHIP: JUNIORETTE

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During the 1966-1968 GFWC Administration, President Carolyn Pearce noted the purpose of a Juniorette Club would be:

- To contribute to a meaningful community life,
- To become aware of community problems and how they could be met, and
- To learn the pleasures and rewards of working with a group.

The same remains true today. Some might say more so today than yesterday because the "GenZ," also known as Digital Natives, is the first generation to have grown up in the digital/internet age. They socialize, do their homework, and do other activities through the Internet. There is very little in-person interaction other than what is required of them.

As General and Junior clubs, we need to support the young ladies in our communities and sponsor a club. We need to ensure we are offering the young ladies accessibility to all, as Mrs. Pearce stated more than 50 years ago.

Starting a Juniorette club is as easy as 1-2-3:

- 1) the club commits to sponsoring a Juniorette club;
- 2) the club identifies an advisor(s); and
- 3) the club has a meet and greet inviting at least three young ladies and sharing GFWC with them. *Remember that young people come in pairs, so you will have more than three young ladies at the first information meeting.*

To request an information packet with everything needed to start a club, email Judine B. Heard at juniorette@gfwcgeorgia.org.

Last, look at what the young ladies are doing at LaFayette Juniorette Club by visiting their Instagram and Facebook sites.



2022-2023 Lafayette Juniores and their awards

From the Committees

AWARDS

Kathryn Youles, Chair
 Julie Wilson, Co-Chair
 Annette Belk, Junior Awards Chair
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If your club won a silver, pewter, acrylic, or another physical award at the 2023 Convention, please remember it is your responsibility to get it back to Kathryn Youles or Julie Wilson or if a junior award to Annette Belk before next year's judging weekend, which is February 18-19, 2024.

If you wish, you can return the award to Kathryn, Julie, or Annette at the GFWC Georgia Institute on Saturday, August 19, 2023. Or arrange with your District President to bring it to the GFWC Georgia Executive Board Meeting on February 18, 2024.

If you return it at your Fall District Meeting or your Annual District Executive Board Meeting, please be sure your District President knows. *Please do not give it to anyone else but Kathryn, Julie, Annette, or your District President.*

Again, please have it to us by judging weekend, February 18-19, 2024.

**If it is silver, then please be sure
to return it polished.**



COMMUNITY IMPACT PROGRAM (CIP)

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Just a few Reminders:

- You have until **Dec 31, 2023**, to select a project you can use for CIP.
- Your project can last for months or could just be a one-day project.
- Club entries are due **March 2, 2024**.
- You have plenty of time to find something that impacts your community.
- Complete guidelines about the CIP can be found in the 2022-2024 GFWC Georgia Yearbook.
- Don't forget that this is a Monetary award — state level \$100. If the club wins at the national level—\$2500.
- **Good luck!**



WHAT IS CONSTANT CONTACT?

WHY IS IT IMPORTANT TO GFWC GEORGIA?

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Well, let me answer those burning questions for each GFWC Georgia Member.

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Club and District Presidents, when new members join your club or district, do you send that information to me? If not, then the master list does not get updated! When a club member joins, a club member leaves the club for whatever reason, or a club member changes their address, email, or phone, please forward that information to me. I can then update the database, and everything stays up to date.

As part of your new member orientation, their name, address, email, phone number, and birthday (month and day) should be sent to me. It is part of my job to keep this information updated. I am writing this article to assist the State Office and our Constant Contact database to be accurate so everyone receives all those important messages.

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I hope this information helps you understand this database's importance to our GFWC Georgia! So, contact me for any changes or new additions as follows:

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Your assistance with this is greatly appreciated!

ELLA F. WHITE MEMORIAL ENDOWMENT FUND

Barbara Reynolds, Chair
E: ellawhite@gfwcgeorgia.org

The Ella F. White Memorial Endowment Fund was established in 1913 to ensure that we always have funds to operate our State Office. We draw up to \$32,000 annually to support the activities of our business office.



Are you ready to celebrate Ella? Now is the time to plan for a presentation to your club highlighting the Ella F. White Memorial Endowment Fund. Share the great news about the EFW fund with your members. In about 10 minutes, you can give an informative program to your members. Then, please submit a report of your activity to the EFW committee and compete for the Carolyn Friedlander Award. We look forward to hearing from all our GFWC Georgia clubs.

Please consider including the EFW Memorial Fund in your charitable gifting. We are a 501c(3) organization and, as such will save you from paying taxes on your deferred income required minimum distribution. Many of us already do this for contributions to our churches and other charitable organizations. Please contact your financial advisor, attorney, or our financial advisor at Merrill Lynch. There is something good in this for all of us.

Thank you to all clubs and individuals who have already contributed to the EFW Fund. Many annual donations in varying amounts have added considerable value to our fund over the years since 1913. We appreciate your support!

LEADERSHIP/LEADS

Becky Bolden, Chair
Diane DeGaetano, Co-Chair
Shirene Daniell, Co-Chair
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2023 GFWC Georgia LEADS Graduate



Introducing **Jamie Stewart**, a resident of Tifton, GA, who is currently serving as the president of the **GFWC Tifton Woman's Club**. With a remarkable record of holding multiple leadership positions in her club and district, Jamie is currently serving as the second vice president of the South-west District.

Jamie attended the GFWC LEADS training in Louisville, KY, on June 9, 2023. She also attended several business sessions and represented Georgia very well. Jamie will share what she learned and her experience at the GFWC Georgia LEADS seminar on August 25th in Athens, GA. Please plan to attend. You will also receive information on applying for the 2024 GFWC Georgia candidate.

A BIG Congratulations and Thank You to Jamie Stewart!



Diane, Becky, Jamie, Shirene



Becky, Jamie, Shirene

2023 GFWC GEORGIA LEADS



Please join us on Friday, August 25, as we use our Compass to find our way on the *Road Trip of Leadership*. We will visit the:

BEACH – Learn How to navigate the waves of GFWC with relevant information on various topics.

DESERT – Learn How to handle those “Hot” and “Uncomfortable” topics in your Club.

MOUNTAINS and LAKES – Learn How to maneuver the “Highs” of Club Work as we Fish through different topics of club leadership.

Juliet Casper, GFWC Legislative and Public Issues Chair, will share valuable information for your club on a variety of topics.

In addition, we will have a panel discussion, hands-on activities, breakout sessions, guest speakers, technology updates, and lots of great information.

Every Club President is encouraged to attend as GFWC Georgia President, Kim Sekulow, will share valuable information. **ALL GFWC club women** are encouraged to attend, and Clubs can send as many ladies as they want to LEADS. We have a new location (First Presbyterian Church of Athens) which can accommodate a large group




If you have any questions, please email Leads@gfwcgeorgia.org. The cost is only \$30 and includes lunch. You can register through the email you will receive in the next few days. We look forward to sharing the **Leadership Road** with you!



President's Special Project - Tina Neese

Summer 2023 Wellspring Living Ways to Support the President's Special Project



<p>Day of Service</p> <p>Many clubs held membership and awareness events to gain membership and promote the special project. President Kim Sekulow hosted friends at her home. Gainesville Phoenix held a "Luncheon on the Lake". Dunwoody WC and Cartersville held events. Send pictures of your events to post! The current estimate is \$4100 and is not included in the total below!</p>	<p>June 3</p> <p>Hands-On Day of Service at the Wellspring Living locations. A link to sign up to help in the Peachtree City or the Duluth locations will be sent in Constant Contact emails and at GFWC Georgia.org.</p>	<p>Life is Better at the Lake!</p> <p>Join Stone Mountain Woman's Club at President Kim Sekulow's house on July 15th for a fun time grilling and chilling! Donate \$25 per person (partners and friends welcome). A link to register will be sent in Constant Contact emails and at GFWC Georgia.org.</p> 
<p>Institute</p> <p>Hygiene box donations! Collect toothpaste, toothbrush, body wash, shampoo and conditioner, deodorant, lotion, hairbrush/comb, nail care set and towel set in a box for survivors. Goal: 100 boxes.</p>	<p>Bee the Change!</p> <p>Donate your loose change at State Board Meeting!</p> 	<p>October 1</p> <p>Off to the Braves ballgame </p> <p>Wear your shirt from last year or order one at www.gfwcgeorgia.org beginning in June. The link to order tickets will be sent in Constant Contact emails and will be on the Website.</p>

Fall Plans: Household Box Donation – who will be the Queen of Clean? Crown your District President by reaching your household box donation of 10 boxes per district. Household boxes should include the following: paper towels, toilet paper, cleaning supplies, light bulbs, batteries, small tool set, dishwashing liquid, laundry detergent, roll of quarters, hand soap, and hand sanitizer. Send boxes with President-Elect Cathy Jones as she visits your district at your Fall meeting. **Goal: 60 boxes.**



3,125 Pairs of Shoes Collected



A check for **\$20,000** was presented to Wellspring Living employee Andrea Hipwell at the April Annual Convention!



Year in Review – May 2022 to April 17, 2023

- Mother's Day Tea \$4,520.29
- Almost 40 Birthday Boxes with in-kind donations of \$3,800
- Over 50 Back Packs with school supplies donated with in-kind donations of \$1,500
- Collected change at Institute asking women to be the change \$947.87
- 241 Braves games tickets were sold with t-shirts and raised \$2,431.71
- Held a virtual ring bomb party and raised \$600
- Over 60 Food Boxes were donated by all 6 districts with in-kind donations of \$3,000
- Funds were raised with donations by clubs at the Festival of Trees of \$4,000
- Held a Gingerbread House event and raised \$2,869.82
- A Paws for the Cause event was held and raised \$47.66
- Women Who Make A Difference has raised \$1100
- 3,125 Pairs of Shoes donated and raised \$1,341.35
- Collected change from the executive committee \$93.25
- Mother Day Pop Up Shop Cards \$250
- Donation at Convention \$10,000**

WOW!



\$36,501.95

DIRECTOR OF JUNIOR CLUBS' TALLULAH FALLS SCHOOL PROJECT

“Take a Seat and Raise the Net for TFS Baseball”

Dale Reddick, Junior Conference Chairman for TFS

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The Tallulah Falls baseball team had a great year, along with making it to the first round of the State Championships. It is even more exciting to have two team members with mothers and grandmothers who are members of the GFWC Georgia.

Last year at Institute, we launched the Director of Junior Clubs’ campaign to “Take a Seat and Raise the Net for TFS Baseball.” As the TFS Junior Chairman, I asked members to help fund this project by joining GFWC Georgia’s new Booster Club for TFS Baseball.

Thank you to the following charter members for joining the Booster Club.

GFWC Georgia Bronze Level: (\$1.00 - \$24.00)

- Kathy Roe
- Lynn Garrett
- Sandi Quattlebaum
- Betsy Millican/Amy Millican
- Peggy Pruett
- Gloria Stevens
- Ginger Readdick-Lloyd
- Shirene Daniell

RBI Silver Level (\$25.00 – \$49.00)

- Kim Sekulow
- Debbie Brown
- Janice Blanchard
- Maria Barnhart
- Pat Portico

Home Run Gold Level (\$50.00 - \$99.00)

- Suzanne Mashburn
- Cathy Jones
- Brenda Martin

All-Star Platinum Level (\$100 and up)

- Diane Norris
- Sandy Powell
- Shari Carter
- Tina Neese
- Mary Beth Jacobson
- Libby Bond
- Deborah Landress
- Kathryn Youles



I hope each of you that joined last year will consider renewing your membership for another year and help us to fund this worthwhile project for TFS baseball.

TALLULAH FALLS SCHOOL
CONGRATULATIONS CLASS OF 2023



TFS graduates from the Class of 2023 have been accepted to more than 150 outstanding colleges and universities and earned more than \$7 million in scholarships. This amount does not include Hope Scholarships to qualifying Georgia residents attending in-state schools.

TAKE A SEAT AND RAISE THE NET
FOR TFS BASEBALL

DIRECTOR OF JUNIOR CLUBS TFS SPECIAL PROJECT

GFWC GEORGIA BOOSTER CLUB

**SHOW YOUR SUPPORT BY DONATING TO THIS PROJECT WHICH IS
 PURCHASING SEATING FOR THE MIDDLE SCHOOL BASEBALL FIELD
 AND NETTING FOR THE HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL FIELD**

DONATION LEVELS

Level 4

ALL-STAR PLATINUM MEMBER

Donate: \$100.00 – AND UP

Level 3

HOME RUN GOLD MEMBER

Donate: \$50.00 - \$99.00

Level 2

RBI SILVER MEMBER

Donate: \$25.00 - \$49.00

Level 1

GFWC GEORGIA BRONZE MEMBER

Donate: \$1.00 - \$24.00



Make checks payable to GFWC Georgia

**A great way to honor an individual or your club, by donating and joining
 our booster club.**

Please Print

<i>Amount Donated:</i>	
<i>Name of Individual/ Club/District Donating:</i> Mailing Address Email Address	
<i>If in Honor or In Memory:</i> Name and address of person/club to notify of the donation.	

2024 GFWC GEORGIA CONVENTION



The GFWC Georgia Central East District gave the Call to the 2024 GFWC Georgia Convention on April 23rd. The theme for the 2024 convention is the **Wizard of Oz**. Dorothy (and Toto), the Tin Woman, The Lion, The Scarecrow, and Glenda shared information regarding the 2024 Convention with attendees.

Members of the Central East District wore yellow and stood to sing "Follow the Yellow Brick Road" throughout the presentation.

A gift bag with a magnet, postcard, and Lollipops was presented to attendees.



Mark your calendars for April 26-28, 2024, at the Marriott Atlanta Northeast as we Follow the **GFWC Yellow Brick Road!**

DID YOU KNOW?

GFWC Georgia Federation Facts

Motto	Wisdom, Justice, and Moderation
Emblem (Flower)	Cherokee Rose
Colors	Green and White
First State President	Mrs. Rebecca D. Lowe (1896-1897) Atlanta Woman's Club
Ladies Who Have Served as Director of Junior Clubs and as State President	Doris Wood—(1968-1970 DJC) (1974-1976 Pres) Angela Dearing—(1970-1972 DJC) (1980-1982 Pres) Carole Henderson—(1984-1986 DJC) (1992-1994 Pres) Pat Swan—(1980-1982 DJC) (1994-1996 Pres) Patsy Carlton—(1986-1988 DJC) (1998-2000 Pres) Kay Chadwick—(1992-1994 DJC) (2006-2008 Pres) Ida Dorvee—(2002-2004 DJC) (2015-2018 Pres) Shelby Holland—(2008-2010 DJC) (2020-2022 Pres)

Member Spotlight

Ask anyone what the most crucial resource of an organization is, and the answer is the same — its valued members. Without them, none of the work in accomplishing the goals and objectives, the mission, or the organization’s purpose could be done.

Beginning with this issue, a valued member of GFWC Georgia will be profiled — one who is always willing to do her part in furthering the mission of GFWC and the work of GFWC Georgia. In other words, a woman “who makes a difference.”

Our first honoree needs no introduction. If you have ever attended a state or Southwest District or an old 8th District meeting, then you have certainly been introduced to this lady. Tall, elegant, and very much a Southern lady, **Jeanette Coody** of GFWC Azalea City Woman’s Club in Valdosta is not one you quickly forget. Whether she is quizzing you about something, telling a joke, or laughing with you, you realize you are in the presence of a truly remarkable woman.



Many words could describe Jeanette and her lifetime of service, but persistence is undoubtedly one that comes to mind. Throughout her lifetime, she has had to face adversity and move forward. When she saw a need in her community for a domestic shelter, she enlisted the help and financial support of Levi Strauss, her employer, to make it happen. And through her tireless efforts, a temporary emergency shelter for battered women was opened in 1988. Today, The Haven serves a 9-county area in South Georgia, and Jeanette was recently honored with its first lifetime achievement award.

Jeanette is no stranger to many awards and honors. At the 121st GFWC Convention in Charlotte, NC, Jeanette received the GFWC Jennie Award for the Southern Region, the highest honor a GFWC club woman can receive. And there have been many more awards and accolades through the years — Valdosta’s Woman of the Year, Hall of Fame member for the National Boys and Girls Clubs, Grand Marshall of Valdosta Christmas Parade, a charter member of GFWC Azalea City Woman’s Club and President for 25 years, 83 years of perfect attendance in Sunday School, and participant in 25 mission trips— to name a few. The accolades have certainly been plentiful in her almost 101 years of life, but those extrinsic rewards are not what motivates Jeanette to continue to serve her community, her church, and her many charitable organizations — it is her desire to help others. She, indeed, does have a servant’s heart!



For an excellent article on Jeanette, click the link below to the *Valdosta Magazine*, Summer 2022 issue:

https://issuu.com/showcasepublicationsga/docs/vm_summer_2022

Thank you, Jeanette! You are a “Woman Who Makes a Difference!”

Find Your Passion Contest

Let’s make reading this newsletter interesting!

Where are the compasses? We have hidden several compasses (Kim’s symbol and other examples) throughout the newsletter. They may be hiding in plain sight or in articles and photos. Count the number you find. Then, send your name, club name, home address, and the number of compasses you find to news@gfwcgeorgia.org.

Deadline to enter — **July 21, 2023 by 11:59 pm. Only one entry per person.**

The winner (of those submitting the correct number) will be announced on GFWC Georgia Facebook pages on July 22, 2023.

Prize: **\$25 Amazon Gift Card**



Happy Hunting!

GFWC Georgia Convention *Highlights*

The 127th GFWC Georgia Convention at the Atlanta Marriott Northeast/Emory area from April 21-23, 2023, was a time for clubwomen from across the state to *Celebrate!* Fun, fellowship, and food were the orders of the day as members celebrated a productive and successful 2022, heard heartwarming, inspiring, and hilarious speakers, showed their dance moves, and displayed their generosity with special collections and donations. The current GFWC Secretary, Mary Beth Williams, from Colorado, joined Georgia Clubwomen for the weekend.



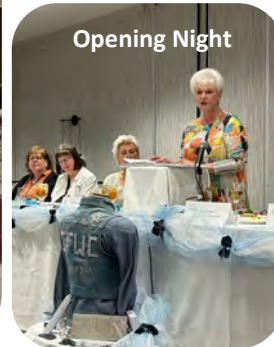
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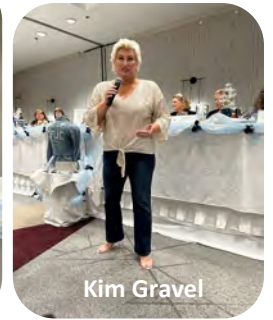
Nicole and Kim



Kim, Mary Beth, Shari



Opening Night



Kim Gravel



State Officers and Mary Beth



Past Presidents



North West District Hosts



Dancing Queens



Nicole



Atlanta Woman's Club



CE District

Additional photos by the GFWC Georgia Photographer Martha Lee Sherman can be found on the website — <https://gfwcgeorgia.org/club-resources/photos-and-fun/>.

Member-taken photos of the weekend are on GaFWC Photo-Circle. Open the camera on your phone and scan the QR code to access the site.



GFWC At a Glance

New GFWC Marketplace is Open!



WELCOME TO THE GENERAL FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS ONLINE STORE!
BROWSE THE PRODUCT CATALOG BELOW.

On Monday, May 1, 2023, GFWC launched the new Marketplace. You can access the Marketplace from the GFWC website or at: www.gfwc.org/marketplace.

This is a new system, and **all users will need to create a new account before using the Marketplace for the first time.**

Love a Challenge?



Then the GFWC Legislation and Public Policy has just the thing for you — a Scavenger Hunt!

An individual member, club, or State Federation may complete the Scavenger Hunt, which

is intended to encourage legislative advocacy on the local, state, and national level, while also raising awareness of GFWC as an organization.

Check it out! Details are on the GFWC Member Portal in the Digital Library. After you log in, click on the profile icon. Click on “My Digital Library” in the drop down menu and follow this path:

Digital Library > Resources > L > Legislation Public Policy Toolkit > Legislation and Public Policy Scavenger Hunt.

Good luck!



Save The Date
2023 GFWC Southern Region Conference
 10.26-29.23
Mississippi Gulf Coast

Club Life Around the State

14th Annual Taste of Chocolate
 In Memory of Gail H. Cantrell
 Hosted by GFWC West Georgia Women's Club and
 GFWC Georgia Bremen Junior Women's Club
 Saturday, March 4, 2023
 1:00-3:00 p.m.
 Sowell Mill, 126 Hamilton Ave., Bremen, GA
 Tickets - \$10 Sponsorships - \$25
 Proceeds will benefit the First Readers & other local projects
 For Info Call Pat 404-788-8282/Amanda 770-880-0162



Bremen Junior Woman's Club and West Georgia Woman's Club held their 14th Annual Taste of Chocolate Event and dedicated it in memory of Gail Cantrell, a former member of both clubs. Proceeds went to First Readers and other local projects.



In conjunction with Keep Carrollton Beautiful, the Environment CSP of **Carrollton Woman's Club** planted the beds around the Kramer Park sign with flowers and plants for spring and summer. Pictured at Kramer Park are: Nancy Johnson, Donna Simmers, Nina Edwards, Sue McBrayer, Shelly Martineau, and Bonnie Robinson.



In April, the **College Park Woman's Club** held a Giant Yard Sale fundraiser at their clubhouse, Camellia Hall. The club will use the proceeds for their work in the community. The two-day event with a preview was a huge success!



The Environment CSP of the **Civic Woman's Club of Milledgeville** adopted a planter as part of Milledgeville Main Street and planted pretty spring and summer flowers in it.





Club President, Carolyn Bennet, Civic Engagement and Outreach Chair, Donna Little Snead and Health and Wellness Chair, Becky Savage delivered a carload of donations collected from the clubwomen in the **Service Guild of Covington** to the Ronald McDonald House Charities (RMHC) in Atlanta. And a monetary donation was also given.



The **Stone Mountain Woman's Club Night Guild** donated an Elkay Water Cooler to the Stone Mountain Police Department. Pictured: Officer Roseberry, Brenda Price, President, Chief Westerfield, and Sharon Matheny, Chair of the Night Guild.



The Thirtieth Annual Cherry Blossom Charity Croquet Tournament, sponsored by the **Heartland Woman's Club**, was held on May 20, 2023, at Oxford College of Emory University soccer field. Proceeds—\$3,840.45 — from the tournament went to the Miracle League. Two-member teams were treated to a continental breakfast, lunch, and a wine toast. Flight A Winners — Vic Jackson and Dustin Vanderbunt. Best Dressed- Vic Rosser and Linda Farley.

THE GEORGIA CLUBWOMAN



Roswell Cares Service League volunteered in April at MedShare, a 501c(3) humanitarian aid organization dedicated to improving the quality of life of people, communities and our planet by sourcing and directly delivering surplus medical supplies and equipment to communities in need around the world.



Culture is the focus this year for the **Gainesville Phoenix Woman’s Club Arts & Culture CSP**. Spanish phrases have been included in the club’s newsletter, with translations. Cinco de Mayo was celebrated, and a Sari Party was held at the June meeting, where ladies dressed in Saris, danced, ate Indian food, and learned about Indian culture. The club’s Environment CSP is working on the CIP Sardis Reading Garden Project. The garden is at a local elementary school and is in memory of one of the oldest member’s daughters who taught at the school, along with many past and present members. Club members planted two pinwheel gardens in April for Child Abuse Prevention Month.



Members of the **Atlanta Woman’s Club** attended the 31st Anniversary of the “I Have a Dream” World Peace Rose Garden at the MLK Center.

Martin Luther King Jr.’s daughter-in-law, Arndrea King, was the keynote speaker. The club sponsors the annual Inspirational Messages of Peace Contest for Elementary to Middle School students to present their Peace poems. Finalists will have their poems on plaques displayed in the garden.

For the last 8 years, the club has maintained the garden as the “Snippets” prune the blooms each month.



Members of the **Manchester Woman’s Club**, and one friend, made 41 Ditty Bags for the Drama Department at Manchester High. L-R, Lorna Meier, friend Nancy White, Pres. Yvonne Atkins, Brenda Entekin Hancock, Pat Turner, and Dawn Thompson.



Members of the **Moultrie Federated Guild** met in March to work the garden with Farmer Fredo. Harvested food was donated to the Colquitt County Food Bank.



The **Reynolds Woman's Club** hosted a Saint Patrick's Day Bunco Night for members and the community at their clubhouse. The cost was \$15. The evening was fun, with prizes, tiaras, laughter, and fellowship. Chili and sweet desserts were served to those attending.



Members of the **Azalea City Woman's Club** attended the Valdosta High FFA Parent Member Banquet at Oak Hill Farm in May.

They received a Certificate of Appreciation from the FFA for their continued support.



Members of the **Cartersville Woman's Club** are hitting the sewing machines this summer to create homemade items to sell to benefit their community service projects. Items include bowl cozies for hot or cold items, doggie bandanas, and baked potato bags for microwave (\$10 each); two-handed pot holders, kitchen boas, and aprons (\$20 each); and casserole carriers (\$25). Custom orders are also available.

Email: meekapa42@yahoo.com or text 678-570-1339 with your orders or information.



In April, thirteen new members were inducted into the Evening Division of the **Dunwoody Woman's Club**. GFWC Georgia Treasurer Cimi Douglass served as the induction officer. The Evening Division was the brainchild of Ida Dorvee and Diane Norris. The service project for the meeting included Golden Olympics—hula hooping, putt-putt, bean bag toss, and golf ball relay. Proceeds of \$250 benefited Special Olympics. All had a fun time!

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“Cheers to 70 Years” was the theme of the 2023 Miss Screven County Livestock Festival Queen pageant, sponsored by the **Sylvania Junior Woman’s Club**. Six contestants vied for the honors, with Emma Warren, a 15-year-old sophomore at Screven County High School as the winner. The pageant is a major fundraiser for the club.



Members and past presidents of the **Dallas Woman’s Club** welcomed about 40 guests in May at their Membership Social on their club house lawn. President Kim Sekulow and Administrative Assistant Deborah Landress attended the event.



The **Morrow Civic Woman’s Club** celebrated their 60th Anniversary with a 1960’s themed Membership Salad Supper at their June meeting, complete with games and prizes, fellowship, food, and a virtual tour of Tallulah Falls School!

Congratulations!



Dawson County Woman's Club members recently planted pollinator plants at the Dawson County Library. They were joined by a few young ladies who learned about the significance of native plants, insects, and the birds that rely on them. As a gesture of appreciation, the young ladies were given plants to take home for a local church.



The **Tifton Woman's Club** sponsored the Mother's Day Brunch for the shelter ladies at Ruth's Cottage & The Patticake House (RCPC), which serves victims of child abuse, domestic violence, and sexual assault.



The **Cochran Woman's Club** celebrated its 100th Anniversary on June 11, 2023.
Congratulations!



Living the Volunteer Spirit.



The Vienna Woman's Club, in conjunction with the Fullington Academy FFA classes and the Vienna Garden Club, completed their raised community garden project at the local Senior Citizens Center.



The Hartwell Service League kicked off the summer and the 4th of July with their 46th Annual Pre-4th Festival in downtown Hartwell. The Festival had something for everyone — arts and crafts, tons of food vendors, family fun, and a Children's Parade with bikes, banners, wagons, and strollers decked out in red, white, and blue. And the weather cooperated!

In Memoriam

Remembering Our Lost Members

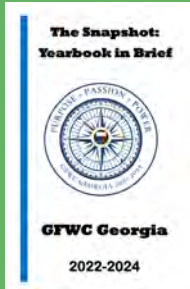


Nancy Rivers Parker
GFWC Cochran Woman's Club

Jennie Glasgow—founder of Bee-A-Buckler and GA Chair for Operation Lifesaver
Former member of Sandy Springs Junior Woman's Club

Lynda Barrs
GFWC Augusta Junior Woman's Club

GFWC Georgia Marketplace - www.gfwcgeorgia.org



\$10 Snapshot
A spiral bound brief of the yearbook



\$20 Large Garment bag
24"x54" black with gold GFWC logo



\$15 Clear Tote
Clear vinyl 12"x12"x6", GFWC logo in silver



\$10 Clear Wristlet
Clear vinyl 6"x9" with GFWC logo in silver,



\$10 6 oz Stainless steel tumbler in emerald green, GFWC logo in white. plastic liner and push-on lid features a swivel mechanism to help reduce spills or leaks



BOGO CARDS
BUY ONE GET ONE
Valid for 10 free dozens
\$25
That's a savings of \$130

Check Out the new GFWC Georgia Fundraiser!

With your Krispy Kreme Card you will receive 1 FREE dozen of original glazed donuts with the purchase of any dozen.

All proceeds benefit the Georgia Federation of Women's Clubs (GFWC Georgia), a 501c3 nonprofit to be used for Educational Programming.



Order today and pick up at Institute.

<https://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/eventReg?>



Need to Contact the State Office?

Administrative Assistant Deborah Landress

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Phone: 706-754-3127
Hours: M-W-F (9:00 am to 4:00 pm)



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P.O. Box 39
Tallulah Falls, GA 30573

A Look Ahead



Federation Fellowship

Monday, July 10, 2023

7:00 to 8:00 PM — Via Zoom

“Life is Better at the Lake”

Saturday, July 15, 2023

Sekulow Home at Lake Lanier

Wellspring Living Event

Federation Fellowship

Monday, August 14, 2023

7:00 to 8:00 PM — Via Zoom

GFWC Georgia Institute and LEADS

Friday, August 25 through Saturday, August 26, 2023

LEADS—Friday, August 25th

UGA Center for Continuing Education & Hotel — Athens, GA

GFWC Membership Recruitment Campaign “Sparkle and Shine” Report Due

Retention: Members added in June, July, and August

Friday, September 1, 2023

Federation Fellowship

Monday, September 11, 2023

7:00 to 8:00 PM — Via Zoom

GFWC Georgia District Meetings

September and October 2023

GFWC National Day of Service

Saturday, September 30, 2023

To help end food insecurity

Federation Fellowship

Monday, October 9, 2023

7:00 to 8:00 PM — Via Zoom

GFWC Advocates for Children Week

Sunday, October 22 through Saturday, October 28, 2023

GFWC 2023 Southern Region Conference

Thursday, October 26 through Sunday, October 29, 2023

Biloxi, MS



Life is Better at the Lake Party!

July 15th 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Join President Kim Sekulow and sponsoring clubs Stone Mountain Woman's Club and Gainesville Phoenix Woman's Club at Kim's home on Lake Lanier to enjoy a little adult time sitting by the water with a cool glass of lemonade. We will be chilling and grilling hamburgers, hotdogs with chips and cold non-alcoholic beverages. Attendees will need to bring sunscreen, towels and an outdoor chair. Bring your partner to the party and enjoy music and socializing with your clubwomen friends.

Cost \$25 per person. All proceeds will be donated to Wellspring Living.

Deadline to register—**July 7th.**

GFWC GA Institute and LEADS | AUGUST 25-26

Make plans to attend the 2023 GFWC Georgia Institute and LEADS!



- WHEN** August 25-26, 2023
- WHERE** UGA Center for Continuing Education & Hotel
117 South Lumpkin Street
Athens, GA 30602-3603
- WHY** Fun, training, fellowship, ideas, food, guest speakers, etc.!
- WHO** All club members!
- WHAT** Get all the details in the Institute email via Constant Contact coming to your inbox after July 7th!

Deborah Landress

For the last several years, Deborah has done a remarkable job editing this newsletter along with her many other duties. Now the torch has been passed to a new editor.

Thank you for your many years of hard work and dedication in making *The Georgia Clubwoman* a spectacular publication!

A Job Well Done!



Editor's Note

- ◆ *Have you liked GFWC Georgia and GFWC on Facebook?*
- ◆ *Have you visited the GFWC Georgia or GFWC websites?*
- ◆ *Have you sent your Club newsletters to news@gfwcgeorgia.org?*

If not, then please do so!

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