

HISTORY

The Purpose and Objectives of the General Federation of Women's Clubs of North Carolina, Inc. is to unite member clubs into a statewide charitable organization of volunteers for the promotion of education, community service, fellowship, and leadership development.

GFWC-NC Abridged History

Complete History can be found online at www.gfwcnc.org

Historic Highlights

A condensed history of GFWC-NC is available online or through Headquarters, and is updated each Administration. More complete histories may be purchased from State Headquarters. The following are highlights from the organization's history:

- 1890 The GFWC was founded in New York City.
- 1902 Seven clubs organized the NCFWC at Salem College in Winston-Salem on May 25-27. In October the first convention was held in Winston-Salem. Seventeen clubs were represented.
- 1903 The North Carolina Federation, consisting of 20 clubs and 449 members, joined GFWC.
- 1906 The Federation colors of blue and white and the emblem were adopted.
- 1907 The first scholarship fund was begun, and the first clubhouse was established – in Raleigh.
- 1910 The Clubwoman's Hymn by Mrs. R.P. Cotten and Mrs. E.C. Duncan was adopted. Midyear meetings of the Board of Directors began. Competition in the Arts was begun as a Fine Arts evening at the annual convention.
- 1911 The Endowment Fund was established, and the first districts were established.
- 1913 The charter was issued by the state of North Carolina. The seal and motto, The Union of All for the Good of All, was adopted. The Board of Trustees was established.
- 1926 Junior clubwomen were identified for the first time.
- 1927 The State Headquarters was established in Raleigh, and an Executive Secretary was hired.
- 1932 A motion to form a State Junior Department for those aged 16 through 25 was approved at the 30th Convention. Convention pages were utilized for the first time.
- 1934 The state's magazine name was changed to the *NC Clubwoman*. It was sent to subscribers only.
- 1946 The position of Third Vice President/Director of Juniors was established.
- 1951 A Headquarters building was purchased in Raleigh for \$40,000. Two staff members were hired.
- 1953 A one-year administration occurred in order to conform to GFWC. The first president from the Junior ranks was elected.
- 1954 GFWC began the Community Improvement Program with \$60,000 in prizes. The Woman's Club of Raleigh was the first state winner. Membership peaked with over 18,000 members.
- 1956 A permanent scholarship fund was established.
- 1958 An ESO chapter was organized.
- 1963 The charter was revised, and NCFWC was incorporated as a non-profit corporation. Sub-Juniors were accepted into the organization.
- 1967 Arts Festivals were held in all sixteen districts.
- 1973 The Arts Festival was held at Salem College in Winston-Salem.
- 1977 The Federation celebrated its 75th anniversary. The Katie Rankin Art Fund Endowment was established, and Honorary Life Memberships were presented for the first time.
- 1978 The term "Sub-Junior" was changed to "Juniorette."
- 1982 Juanita Bryant was installed as International President of GFWC, the first North Carolinian to hold this office. The first Juniorette Jamboree was held at Peace College in Raleigh.
- 1984 A computer system was installed at Headquarters.
- 1985 The Mary K. Paul Whitener Piano Scholarship was established.
- 1986 The organization's constitution and bylaws were combined.

- 1989 The Artfest Program was established to recognize the art created by mentally and physically handicapped individuals.
- 1990 The Centennial of GFWC was observed. The first federated collegiate club in the country was established at Meredith College in Raleigh.
- 1998 The organization name was changed to GFWC of North Carolina, or GFWC-NC.
- 1999 Districts were realigned and reduced in number to nine. The Junior age was changed to 45 so long as the club member held dual membership in a Junior and a General club.
- 2000 The website was established.
- 2002 The Lucy Bramlette Patterson Creative Writing Scholarship was established. The GFWC-NC Centennial was celebrated with a NC Historical Highway Marker placed near Salem College. A time capsule was created as well, and the State President's Pin was retired and replaced.
- 2010 Departments were changed to Community Service Programs.
- 2010 The GFWC-NC Greeson-Johnson Teaching Scholarship was developed.
- 2010 First Annual "Links 4 Literacy" Golf Tournament was held.
- 2013 Dual membership was no longer required to remain a Junior member until age 45.
- 2014 The title of the GFWC-NC Junior Director was updated to GFWC-NC Director of Junior Clubs.

GFWC-NC History (Since 2000)

2000-2002

In her inaugural address, President Teresa Shaver Lee urged North Carolina clubwomen to "go light their world," stating that light dispels the darkness of discouragement and despair and that their light would create positive changes in the communities throughout the state. She chose as her theme *Lighting the Way Into the New Millennium: The Union of All for the Good of All*.

President Lee's Special Project was the North Carolina Aquarium. Major expansions were planned for all three sites: Roanoke Island, Pine Knoll Shores, and Fort Fisher. Clubwomen were urged to "Help Fill the Tanks," and a \$50,000 pledge was made to the project. At the end of Mrs. Lee's administration, over \$90,000 had been given to the aquarium and a revised goal of \$100,000 was set. The Oceans Classroom at the Fort Fisher Aquarium was named in honor of the GFWC-NC.

Youth was a special emphasis of the administration as well, and clubwomen were urged to become involved with the youth of their communities. An additional emphasis of the president was Leadership. A leadership team, composed of members from each district, was created. The team was given training and materials and was urged to visit each club during the administration to provide leadership training. Membership was emphasized as well with President Lee urging that eight new clubs be federated during her first year as president.

Regional meetings were held during each summer of the administration at which local clubwomen received information about the departments and special projects along with training in leadership and membership.

The Strategic Plan for GFWC-NC was reviewed and tweaked in an effort to keep the Federation focused and relevant in the future. A Federation Vision Committee was established as well under the leadership of immediate Past President Jane Carver. The general office policies and procedures and financial policies were reviewed and updated. The format of the *North Carolina Clubwoman* magazine was updated, and the publication of a newsletter to the GFWC-NC Board of Directors was continued.

GFWC-NC partnered with First Lady Mary Easley in major initiatives to combat underage drinking and to ensure that each child in the state is immunized. A 7-minute video in Spanish entitled

Vaccinations for Everyone targeted the growing Hispanic population in North Carolina. The *Germ Patrol* storybook was translated for Spanish-speaking readers as well. These two initiatives, entitled “Healthy Children – Healthy Youth,” were launched in 2001 with a reception at the Governor’s Mansion.

In response to the tragic events of September 11, 2001, the GFWC-NC raised \$15,400 for disaster relief in New York and New Jersey.

During the Mid-year Board meeting, a moving Cancer Awareness program netted over \$650 for the Cancer Society, and members stuffed comfort pillows for mastectomy patients.

A major focus of the second year of the administration was the planning of a celebration befitting the 100th anniversary of the Federation in North Carolina. Past GFWC and GFWC-NC President Juanita Bryant chaired the Centennial Committee. A Centennial Society was established to raise funds for the celebration, and members of the Society enjoyed gala dinners prior to the annual convention and the Mid-year board meeting. Local clubs were encouraged to write their club histories, prepare club banners, and publicize this milestone in the media. The Centennial Convention in Winston-Salem featured the unveiling of a highway marker commemorating the forming of the Federation 100 years earlier, a reenactment of the organizational meeting of the Federation at the actual site of that meeting (the current Moravian Church at Salem College) and a gala dinner at which a number of North Carolina Women of Achievement were presented.

The excitement and pride of celebrating 100 years of outstanding service to the communities of North Carolina was in evidence during Mrs. Lee’s administration. So, too, was abundant enthusiasm about future possibilities as the Federation entered its second hundred years.

2002-2004

“Reach for the Stars,” the 101st GFWC-NC Annual Convention brought together NC clubwomen to celebrate the 100th anniversary of affiliation with GFWC and provided an opportunity to learn, share, and celebrate their accomplishments of the first year under the leadership of President Pat Davis. At the beginning of the year she had reminded club members that “the Federation experience means something different to each of us—whether angels, bees, smiles or stars.” Her logo, the smiling star/bee, represented the facets of her special project, “12 for NC.” These are delineated below:

-The Bee - Membership/Leadership Skills = Personal and professional development = Identity

-The Smile Face - Networking/Friendships = Image

-The Star - Departments = Contribution to the greater good by volunteering - Visibility

Clubs were encouraged to participate in the 12 for NC Program so as to meet the needs of Identity/Image/Visibility, thus making a difference in their communities and increasing membership opportunities, developing leadership skills, and creating a public awareness of their clubs. Projects selected from the six departments were:

- Arts - Arts Festivals

Conservation - From the Mountains to the Sea: Aquariums, Blue Ridge Parkway, North Carolina Zoo, and Museum of Natural Sciences

- Education - Libraries, Scholarships, Junioresettes
- Home Life - Cancer, Immunizations
- International Affairs - Operation Smile

Public Affairs - Legislative Action including Reducing Underage Drinking and working with the North Carolina Museum of History

During the administration clubs reported spending nearly \$2.5 million and volunteering nearly 500,000 hours in over 8,200 community improvement and global service projects.

Clubs excelled in many areas. Under Arts, one club displayed art work from nine local schools and 240 students. For the Libraries 2000 and Beyond Project, \$700,000 worth of books were presented by a club to a library. One club presented ten \$1,000 scholarships. Three new Junioresette Clubs were organized. Club participation in “Relay for Life” programs provided strong support for cancer drives. One club raised \$15,000 for cancer. *Germ Patrol*, a two-book set (English and Spanish) was distributed to a number of schools. To combat underage drinking, Golden Corral in conjunction with one club helped host a late night after prom breakfast. These few projects are typical of the many that involved clubwomen as they worked to make a difference in their communities.

Here are some other accomplishments of note:

- The Federation Vision Committee continued to look toward the Federation's future. North Carolina Women of Achievement were honored at a banquet prior to each annual convention.

- Bangles and charms proved to be a big hit and a good fund-raiser.

- The Second Century Endowment Fund's goal was reached, and the 2002 Society was organized. Contributions to this new fund ranged from \$20.02 to \$200.20 and beyond. Those participating were recognized at an event in the President's Suite during state conventions and with special ribbons for name tags.

- The festivities surrounding the Mid-year Board meeting centered on the 100th year celebration of the First Flight of the Wright Brothers and a Harvest Festival celebration.

- During the two years, membership and leadership were often repeated words. A representative of North Carolina attended GFWC LEADS—Leadership, Education, and Development Seminar each year, learning much.

- In 2003, clubs were asked to prepare membership brochures. These were judged at that year's convention. Membership goals were asked to be attained according to the year— three new members by 2003 and four by 2004.

- The state won the GFWC ESO Award at the 2003 GFWC Convention and at the 2004 annual state convention it was announced that ESO membership had more than doubled.

- A major highlight was the announcement that all clubs in one district had sent copies of their histories to the GFWC Women's History and Resource Center.

A discussion of 501(c)(3) status funneled significant information to many clubs.

- During this period, clubs and club member's dependence on the Internet and communicating through E-mail increased considerably.

At the 102nd Convention, "Volunteers are Shining Stars," attendees readily noted that special guests of the last two years had been outstanding persons. Leading the group was the GFWC President and Director of Junior Clubs. Other's included the State's First Lady, members of Congress, and the NC General Assembly and well-known authors.

Legislative Day and Congressional Day in Washington, DC was considered outstanding. Hearing club concerns discussed, having lunch with US Senator Elizabeth Dole, visiting GFWC Headquarters, attending "Capitol Steps" at the Kennedy Center greatly enhanced the two years.

An appropriate beginning for the administration included the dedication of a historical highway marker commemorating the life and work of Gertrude Weil, a member of the second oldest GFWC-NC club, the Goldsboro Woman's Club. With the receipt of a special Immunization Award from the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services Immunization Branch and the completion of the Fifth Edition of the GFWC-NC's History, *A Century to Celebrate*, the administration ended on a high note.

2004-2006

"Open Your Heart and Lend a Hand" was the theme for the 2004-2006 administration and Ann D. Viperman was installed as the 53rd President of GFWC-NC. In her installation address, she requested clubs to band together in the volunteer spirit to make a difference in the lives of those in our state, our nation, and our world. Working together as a TEAM (Together Each Accomplishes More) to accomplish the goals of this administration was also a central theme.

Helping the Hungry, the Homeless, and Persons with Disabilities was selected as the GFWC-NC President's/Junior Director's Special Project. Over two million dollars and numerous volunteer hours were donated to this project. Clubwomen across the state worked in soup kitchens, homeless shelters, and numerous other facilities to assist those in need.

Boys and Girls Homes of North Carolina and Victory Junction Gang Camp were chosen as the GFWC-NC President's/Director of Junior's Special Emphases. The Federation pledged \$25,000 to each facility. Once again, members banded together to embrace these facilities and donated over \$48,000 to Boys and Girls Homes of North Carolina and over \$38,000 to Victory Junction Gang Camp for the Girls' Dressing Room, which bears the name of GFWC-NC.

Victims of several natural disasters were the recipients of generous support. Donations totaling over \$9,000 were distributed to clubwomen from Florida, Louisiana, and North Carolina with the hope that our contributions would be used to help those clubwomen “get back on their feet.” Over \$10,000 was donated to UNICEF to aid the victims of a tsunami that occurred in Southeast Asia.

During the 103rd GFWC-NC annual convention that was held in Raleigh, members participated in a Day of Service at the Raleigh Rescue Mission, a Christian-based nonprofit agency that provides the basics of food, shelter, educational, and vocational training to the homeless and persons of low income. Members cleaned out and organized the food pantry and assisted the preschool children with an art project. The playground area was weeded and new mulch spread around the playground equipment. District 6 donated funds for a new sandbox and sand. During the opening day of that convention, the GFWC-NC Home Life Department sponsored a Health Fair, which was organized by Raleigh’s Rex Hospital and Wellness Center. Members had the opportunity to visit booths containing information on vital health issues. Screenings for various diseases affecting women were also available. Numerous clubwomen took advantage of this opportunity.

Regional meetings were held during each summer of the administration. The agenda for these meetings included workshops on special projects, leadership development and membership. Additional information on departments and districts was also distributed at this time.

During this administration revisions were made to the GFWC-NC personnel policy. Several members of the Executive Committee served on a committee to study various policies from other organizations and proposed additions and deletions to be included within our policies.

Table decorations from all state meetings were donated to worthy organizations. A few of the items that were collected were: socks for homeless shelters, art supplies for a day care for children with disabilities, toiletry items for Boys and Girls Homes and Victory Junction Gang Camp and food for food banks. At the State Arts Festivals, clubwomen made comfort pillows for cancer awareness and blue bears were stuffed, sewn, and delivered to Emergency Medical Services for Children to be included in local ambulances. Canned food was collected for the Winston-Salem Food Bank. Various craft workshops were also offered.

Other accomplishments worth noting are as follows:

- The Website was constantly updated. Meeting registrations and reporting forms were available for download.
- During annual conventions, silver certificates were awarded to those members that have been GFWC-NC members for 25 years.
- The leadership of GFWC-NC submitted installation services to be compiled and made into a booklet that was made available to club members. This compilation was made available through GFWC-NC materials for sale.
- The GFWC-NC Vision Committee streamlined their process assuring a more user-friendly document.

The members of GFWC-NC truly embraced the programs and the projects of this administration. Through the efforts of our Federation, numerous individuals benefited from our generosity and our volunteer spirit.

2006-2008

The 2006-08 administration opened with the installation of the 54th President, Sandra (Sandy) Harper Jahn of Hickory. Sandy announced the administration theme, “Plant the Seeds-Harvest the Blessings” in her inaugural address. The theme emphasized the fact that every effort made by a club or a clubwoman can be compared to planting seeds from which not only an immediate but also a future harvest of blessings may be realized.

The President’s Special Project was “Parks As Classrooms,” a component of the Blue Ridge Parkway Foundation. Sandy issued a statewide Call for financial and vocal promotion of the project. A goal of \$60,000 was set and surpassed with a final tally of \$70,000 for the construction of a major portion of a pavilion near Linville Falls. National Park Service personnel will use the pavilion as a classroom to help children learn about the natural world and appreciate the Blue Ridge Parkway.

The Third Vice President and Director of Juniors, Junior theme was, "Volunteers...Giving and Growing" which suggested that when Junior clubwomen give of their time and resources they grow as individuals. "Emergency Medical Services for Children" (EMSC) was the Junior Special Project. Color-coded pediatric bags were donated to emergency personnel across the state. Over \$55,000 was harvested to fund the project. The Junior Director's Special Emphasis was, "Grassroots," an initiative to promote an increase in membership, club visibility and leadership training.

Juniorettes were active GFWC-NC members. A major project was the making of blue bears for distribution to local sheriff and police departments to aid children experiencing trauma during emergencies. Fundraising projects were conducted in support of the "Parks as Classrooms" project and for the "Emergency Medical Services for Children" project during 2007-2008. A Juniette Jamboree was held each year at Peace College in Raleigh. Juniorettes attended workshops alongside General and Junior clubwomen in conjunction with the GFWC-NC District Leadership Training event. Juniette presidents were Anna Gribble of Kannapolis and Erin McCarty of Elizabeth City.

Firsts occurring during the administration included the following:

- The first GFWC-NC work team for disaster relief traveled to Biloxi, Mississippi to assist with ongoing recovery efforts following Hurricane Katrina. At least three additional work teams traveled to the Gulf as an outgrowth of the first disaster relief team.
- The first GFWC-NC clubs to receive GFWC-Merck & Company, Inc. Health Grants were the Southport Woman's Club, Mebane Woman's Club and Winston-Salem Junior Woman's Club. The grants were awarded during the first year of the administration. The Woman's Club of Raleigh and the Burlington Junior Woman's Club received health grants from the GFWC during the second year of the administration.
- The first GFWC-NC LEADS seminar was conducted at the 2007 Annual Convention. A second GFWC-NC LEADS seminar was held in 2008 as well. Each district chose a representative to participate in GFWC-NC LEADS, and one clubwoman was chosen from among them to represent North Carolina at the GFWC Convention. North Carolina's 2007 representative, Allison Yezek, was selected by GFWC from among all state representatives to document her volunteer year and her search for the project (Postpartum Depression) that would become her passion.
- A committee was appointed to set criteria for the awarding of five (5) \$200 Arts Grants to local clubs. The grants were presented at the 2008 State Arts Festival to the following clubs: Women's League of Hickory, Littleton Woman's Club, Spencer Woman's Club, Statesville Woman's Club and the Goldsboro Junior Woman's Club.
- Generals, Juniors and Juniorettes participated in joint leadership workshops.
- A task force was appointed to determine ways in which to strengthen the districts. Surveys were conducted at district and state levels. Topics for evaluation included territorial boundaries, leadership, membership increase, travel distance to meetings and the number of meetings. Realignment of the districts occurred in 2000 at which time the number was reduced from 16 to 9. The effectiveness of this procedure was also reviewed. The final report indicated that an increase in membership and meeting attendance needed to be addressed. A majority of survey respondents approved of the present functioning of the districts.
- GFWC-NC General and Junior officers visited the districts and many local clubs upon request. They served in the roles of speakers, installing officers and workshop leaders.

Leadership training and recognition was promoted:

- A specific effort was made to further strengthen the GFWC-NC at the district level through leadership training and opportunities for service. State leaders conducted a training meeting for district officers and chairmen. The districts were also promoted as channels to disseminate information from state and national levels to local clubs.
- Women leaders from across the state were recognized at a Women of Achievement Awards Program at each annual convention. The 2007 award recipients were honored at a reception hosted by North Carolina First Lady, Mary Easley, at the Executive Mansion. GFWC International President, Jacquelyn Pierce, was the keynote speaker at the 2007 Women of Achievement Banquet, and President of AT&T, North Carolina Cynthia Marshall, spoke in 2008. Candidates for the Juanita M. Bryant Citizenship Award and the Minnie Lou Parker Creech Clubwoman of the Year Award were guests at a Women of

Achievement reception prior to the announcement of the winners at the Women of Achievement Banquet at the 2008 Annual Convention.

Volunteer service is powerful as was evidenced in the work conducted in all six departments. A new feature of the Arts Department was the establishment of four \$250 Creative Writing Grants. Clubs reported having a club chorus and volunteering with music in the schools. The Arts Festival chair and committee directed the long-standing annual State Arts Festival which was held for the first time in High Point, NC. Awards and certificates were presented to students and clubwomen judged best in their category of expression. Artfest, a part of the Festival devoted to the art of those in group homes and developmental centers, remained in place. The Festival continued to be the most well attended GFWC-NC meeting. A Gala was held the evening prior to the 2008 Festival in support of "Parks as Classrooms." A fashion show and silent auction were featured events.

In addition to the "Parks as Classrooms" project, the Conservation Department conducted numerous beautification projects and participated in Big Sweep. There was continuing statewide support for the North Carolina Zoo, NC Museum of Natural Sciences, NC Museum of Art and the three state aquariums. Arbor Day programs promoted the preservation of trees, forests and woodlands. Tree seedlings were provided for all attendees of the 2007 Annual Convention.

The Education Department reported the awarding of scholarships by local clubs, an emphasis on literacy, participation in ESO and the sponsorship of book clubs. The coveted Sallie Southall Cotten Scholarship was awarded annually at the State Arts Festival. The stipend was \$5,500. In 2008 runners-up awards were increased and each district winner was given \$1,000. One club was responsible for the opening of a public library which it had promoted and for which it had raised funds. The Lucy Bramlette Patterson Creative Writing Award was presented each year to an outstanding North Carolina author.

A wide range of support given community agencies was reported in the Home Life Department. The list included the American Red Cross, Habitat for Humanity, the Salvation Army, the American Cancer Society, the American Heart Association and the Alzheimer's Association. Hospice units in separate facilities as well as those in medical centers were assisted financially and by volunteer service. Health Fairs and programs featuring women's and children's health issues were popular. A result of the disaster team work in Mississippi was a "sister cities" pack between Raleigh, North Carolina and Raleigh, Mississippi. Service and money were given in support of Boys and Girls Homes. A CROP Walk and a Relay for Life were sponsored in a number of communities.

A club project reported in the International Affairs Department revealed that there were more people of Scottish descent in North Carolina than in any other state. Clubs continued to support the Heifer International program. A number of clubs wrote cards and letters of support to US troops serving in Iraq. Books, food packages and other items were supplied the troops. Information about UNICEF was distributed. In December 2007, 37 GFWC-NC clubwomen visited New York City for a guided tour and history of the United Nations and a visit to the Statue of Liberty.

The Junior Special Project, (EMSC) and the GFWC President's Project, "Domestic Violence," were a major focus of work in the Public Affairs Department. Members of one club attended every monthly meeting of their county Board of Commissioners seeking program funding for a Domestic Violence project. Citizenship and communication were topics at many club meetings. One club worked with a woman's club at the NC Correctional Facility for Women. Members volunteered for Meals-On-Wheels deliveries. Clubs sponsored alcohol free proms and other events for teens. The Salute to the North Carolina flag became official upon the passage of North Carolina Senate Bill 258. The bill was signed by Governor Michael F. Easley on May 4, 2007. Clubwomen played a significant role in securing passage of this bill.

The presentation of silver awards for excellence in the work of the departments, for projects performed by clubs and districts, and individual awards remained a special feature of annual conventions.

The 1902 Society was promoted and publicized. Dues at the three levels of membership were \$19.02, \$190.20 and \$1,902.00. Revenue from this program was used in support of the Federation. Members were listed in the CLUBWOMAN magazine and received recognition at each annual convention.

The biennial Mid-year Board of Directors Meeting was held in November, 2007 in Hickory. A workshop for current and incoming club presidents was conducted by the Leadership Committee. A

second workshop featuring reporting was held for current and incoming Department and Program Chairman. Leadership training was a feature of the meeting.

GFWC-NC leaders who attended the 2007 GFWC Board of Directors Meeting in Washington, DC had the opportunity to meet with North Carolina Senators to encourage their support of funding for the Violence Against Women Act and the Elder Justice Act.

Support of the General Federation of Women’s Clubs remained strong as indicated below:

-North Carolina clubwomen worked 8,759 hours and gave \$126,208 in support of the GFWC President’s Special Project, Domestic Violence. Battered women shelters, domestic violence agencies and rape crisis centers were benefactors of this project.

-One of the most successful GFWC Southeastern Region Meetings was hosted in Charlotte in 2006. Over 100 North Carolina clubwomen were in attendance.

-GFWC-NC clubwomen joined other GFWC members in working beyond state boundaries to assist victims of Hurricane Katrina in the Gulf Coast area.

-GFWC International President, Jacquelyn Pierce, was guest speaker at the 2007 GFWC-NC Annual Convention and Jeri Lyn Cancel, GFWC Director of Juniors, was a guest speaker at the 2008 GFWC-NC Annual Convention.

-A delegation of GFWC-NC officers and members represented the state at each GFWC Annual Convention and each GFWC Southeastern Region Meeting.

-Seven GFWC-NC members served on the GFWC Board of Directors.

Headquarters staff changes occurred in 2007. A move was made from a full-time Assistant Treasurer to two part-time employees, one as an Administrative Assistant and one in the position of Bookkeeper.

Sadness befell the Federation early in 2008 upon the deaths of two Past State Presidents. Mabel Claire Hoggard Maddrey died January 14th in Raleigh at age 100. She was the 30th president and served during the 1960-1962 Administration. Minnie Lou Parker Creech died March 9th in Tarboro. She was 89. She was the 38th president and served during the 1974-1976 Administration.

General, Junior and Juniorette clubwomen worked in tandem to coordinate and promote the myriad of projects conducted during the administration. They had reason to celebrate as evidenced in the following account of their efforts.

Projects	Members	Hours	Money	New clubs
8,298	5,400	694,200	\$3,281,933	General (2) Junior (1)

Upon reflection, it was noted that the members of the GFWC of North Carolina were empowered women who had volunteered needed and meaningful community service to the benefit of all of the citizens of the Tar Heel State.

The Federation is “Ever Changing-Ever the Same.” The 2006-2008 administration encompassed change while maintaining the GFWC-NC tradition of excellence in service.

2008-2010

During the 2008-2010 Administration, President Beverly Lassiter selected, along with her Junior Director, Georgann Athanaelos Sapp, Girls on the Run, Inc. (GOTR) as their Special Project. Headquartered in Charlotte, GOTR was founded in 1996 by Molly Barker and is a 501c(3) organization. Its mission is “To Educate and Prepare Girls for a Lifetime of Self Respect and Healthy Living.” GOTR uses an interactive curriculum and running to develop self respect and healthy lifestyles in pre teen girls. Clubwomen from all across North Carolina embraced this worthwhile project. President Lassiter’s goal was to raise \$50,000 over two years and start new GOTR Councils in North Carolina in communities of need. Clubwomen started two new Councils and several new programs, donated thousands of pairs of running socks for young girls, donated huge amounts of Gatorade, and supplies for Coach’s boxes, created adorable fundraisers in their clubs such as shoe bags and pearls for the girls, all to raise money and awareness for GOTR. Clubwomen participated in GOTR 5K races, helping young girls to cross the finish line with zeal. GFWC-NC Clubwomen pulled their resources together and worked thousands of volunteer hours and raised over \$59,000 for this special project. Clubwomen laced up their shoes and ran with the team, crossing the finish line with so much more than we had ever dreamed of during the administration. We made a difference to these young girls and GFWC-NC made a lasting impression with GOTR.

In an effort to tell the Federation story, a membership video was prepared and given to each club to use as an orientation tool and as an avenue to recruit new members. The video began with a greeting by the State President and gave a history of the Federation along with current information. It was very well received by clubs across the state. "Membership is the Sole of the Federation" was promoted during this administration and 11 new clubs were formed. GFWC-NC also was very successful during the ACT in OCT campaign by gaining 129 new members during this promotion. GFWC-NC won the membership award from GFWC for its category both years of the administration.

The GFWC-NC State Arts Festivals held annually were a great success. Clubwomen and students alike competed against other district winners from across the state. Approximately \$18,000 in Arts scholarships were awarded at this event and potentially 1,000 certificates were presented. The Sallie Southall Cotten Scholarship awarded annually to an outstanding senior increased its monetary value this administration to \$6,000 per year, for a total of \$24,000. The runner-up received a one-time sum of \$3,000, the second runner-up received \$2,000, and the remaining contestants received \$1,000 each which was sent to the schools of their choice. The Whitener Piano Scholarship awarded annually to a high school senior pursuing a degree in music received \$1,500 and will continue to receive this amount during their four years. The Lucy Bramlette Patterson Award for Excellence in Creative Writing was given to two deserving writers during this administration. Additionally, a \$1,000 scholarship was given in their honor each year to a rising senior at Salem College who was focusing on creative writing.

Regional meetings were held during each summer of the administration with an almost record setting attendance. The agenda for these meetings included workshops on special projects, leadership development, and membership. Additional information on departments and districts was also distributed at this time. Due greatly to the efforts of our state WHRC Chairman, GFWC-NC was nominated to be inducted into the North Carolina Transportation Museum's Hall of Fame. Since organizations cannot be inducted, Kate Herring Highsmith, the GFWC-NC President during World War II will be inducted on October 4, 2010. During a trip to DC, GFWC-NC presented the GFWC WHRC as well as the National Women's History Museum with a framed "Larkspur" print and a copy of Homefront Heroines: Contributions of the North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs to the Defense of Democracy in World War II, an honor thesis by Jenny Biser. The Larkspur was a WWII hospital ship purchased and stocked, along with 24 fighter and bomber planes, by North Carolina clubwomen from the sell of war bonds. Jenny Biser, a student at University of North Carolina at the time, used many of the archived resources from our state Headquarters in her research. She presented the program to our organization on several occasions; one being at a Family Fun Day held at the North Carolina Transportation Museum early in the Administration where GFWC-NC was presented a plaque on the "Wall of Heroes." The Spencer Woman's Club used funds awarded from a State Arts Grant to have an area artist do a rendering of the Larkspur and produced prints and note cards from it. At the Family Fun Day, one such print was presented to the museum, one to Miss Biser, and of course one hangs in our own headquarters. Past President Highsmith who is being inducted into the Hall of Fame was so chosen because it was under her leadership that both the aircraft and ship were donated.

GFWC-NC Clubwomen across the state took the steps to help bring awareness to the serious and often deadly crime known as domestic violence. Each district collected shoes for the "Purple Shoe Exhibit" which is a traveling visual exhibit representing the domestic violence death across the state. Also, GFWC-NC was honored at the North Carolina Coalition Against Domestic Violence as the sponsors for the annual "Chocolate Break" during their Biennial Conference for our support and donations during this administration.

The GFWC-NC Juniorettes held their Jamboree at the State Arts Festival to generate more interest and hopefully be joined by their sponsoring club. Also, Juniors awards were given at Saturday's Awards Luncheon during State Convention. Five new Juniors clubs were started during this administration.

GFWC-NC LEADS was held at each state convention with each district selecting a representative to attend. Candidates attended leadership workshops on the opening day of convention and were also treated to lunch, the Women of Achievement Reception and Awards Dinner, and hotel accommodations for one night. One of the candidates was selected to attend the GFWC Convention each year. This is an invaluable tool in developing the future leaders of the Federation. In conjunction with this, the Beverly

Wolfe Lassiter LEADS Award was established to recognize President Lassiter for her work in setting up this program for GFWC-NC.

The Women of Achievement (WOA) Awards Program Banquet was held at each annual convention honoring women leaders from across the state. The candidates for the Juanita M. Bryant Citizenship Award and the Minnie Lou Parker Creech Clubwoman of the Year Award were also presented during the WOA Banquet each year.

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GFWC-NC statistics for 2008-2010 of the six departments were as follows:

	Projects	Members	Hours	Money
Arts	1494	6429	73,184	\$196,290
Conservation	877	7710	55,289	\$176,852
Education	1358	8141	123,034	\$577,961
Home Life	1946	12,935	142,216	\$822,906
International Affairs	520	5050	17,064	\$113,276
Public Affairs	1063	8386	47,990	\$312,459

North Carolina has received two special honors during this administration. Jane Carver, Past State President, has been elected President of SER and North Carolina was chosen to be the host of the 2012 GFWC Annual Convention in Charlotte, NC. Excitement and enthusiasm were evidenced this administration as President Beverly Lassiter got us off and running and we broke many records and set new goals for the future of our Federation.

2010-2012

Literacy: The Adventure of a Lifetime, was chosen as the President's and Junior Director's Special Project for the 2010-2012 GFWC-NC Administration. Sharon Greeson was installed as the 56th President of GFWC-NC and Andie Johnson was installed as the Director of Juniors. In Sharon's Installation address, a shift was made away from a monetary goal for the Special Project and instead a goal was set for club women to donate 75,000 **hours** to support Literacy in North Carolina. The President's and Special Director's Special Emphasis was Membership- Keeping EVERY Member a Part of our Story, to focus on membership retention.

As a critical part of this Administration's Special Project a new scholarship for rising collegiate Juniors was started. The Greeson-Johnson Teaching Scholarship was established to be given to a student who was scheduled to become a teacher. To fund this scholarship a new state-wide fundraiser was initiated- Links for Literacy, a golf tournament. Links for Literacy was successful in raising over \$26,000 for the scholarship and the first one was awarded at the 2011 Arts Festival. Two outstanding students were chosen to receive this scholarship during this administration each getting \$2,500 to help with paying for college!

Club members, Juniors and Generals alike, from across the state, enthusiastically participated in and supported the Special Project and the new scholarship. Every District contributed to Links for Literacy and many Districts sent volunteers. A wonderful silent auction was held and the golfers and the volunteers had lots to eat, three meals, mostly donated by area sponsors. In 2010 the rains came but still a good time was had by all. In 2012 the weather was much nicer and funds were again added to support the new teacher scholarship. Club members also exceeded the goal for volunteers hours supporting Literacy with over 76,000 volunteer hours reported!

In Membership a program was started which recognized clubs who made membership gains during each of the four seasons. Clubs reported members recruited in the Fall, Winter, Spring and Summer. GFWC recognized these clubs in the GFWC Magazine. To encourage attendance at GFWC-NC state meetings a Passport to Adventure "passport" was used. Those members who had their passports stamped at every meeting were in the running for a surprise at the end of the Administration. Arts Festivals- Two successful Arts Festivals were held at the first new venue in many years, Campbell University. The facility turned out to be an excellent and reasonable facility for our Arts Festival! GFWC-NC, as a part of the Literacy focus, awarded the first GFWC-NC Literacy Grants to support club projects in Literacy.

Our 2011 convention was held in Atlantic Beach. Mary Ellen Laister, GFWC President-elect spoke at our membership luncheon. The 10th Anniversary of the GFWC-NC Women of Achievement Awards was held with a special celebration at the Pine Knoll Shores Aquarium. In 2012 the GFWC-NC Convention was in Greensboro. The Juniors planted a pinwheel garden to increase awareness of the problem of child abuse.

Junioresses- In 2010 there were 17 clubs with 562 members. Hannah Smith served as the 2010-2011 Junioress President with her special project focusing on teen mental health awareness. In 2012 the NC Junioresses celebrated their 50th Junioress Jamboree at the State Arts festival. A fashion show fundraiser was held in commemoration. Haley Barefoot and Hannah Wallace were the state 2011-2012 Junioress Co-Presidents with the theme, "Pay it Forward".

This administration saw the first change in many years at GFWC-NC Headquarters. A new Executive Director was hired and the office was moved to a better location. The GFWC-NC website was completely overhauled and updated and steps were initiated to make it more user friendly. The Junioress Manual was distributed digitally for the first time as well.

The 2012 GFWC Annual International Convention was held in Charlotte, NC. This was the first time that NC had hosted a GFWC convention since 1958. Funds were needed to host such an event and GFWC-NC sold crown pins to North Carolina members and Tarheel pins to supporters around the country. Beverly Lassiter was the state's Convention Chairman and Ann Viperman was the volunteer coordinator. Club women across the state were excited to help and attend the convention since many had never attended an international convention. Every District and many individuals donated a vast array of items for attendees to choose as part of their registration packet. Members worked the registration desk, planned and executed a fabulous State Night Banquet, collected NC items for the GFWC officers and special attendees, planned and organized decorations for all the banquets, hosted a special dinner for the GFWC Executive Committee, donated special gifts, and welcomed club women from around the United States and the world. Southern Hospitality was quite evident! State night showcased NC seafood and NC music. NC silver was used to hold beautiful hydrangeas on the tables. Over 125 NC clubwomen wore black dresses and blue pashminas at the State Night event and were such an impressive sight! NC club members again rose to the occasion and NC shone! Way to go ladies! NC could not have been more proud!

The 2010-2012 was an Administration that saw a lot of change and many accomplishments. The GFWC-NC club women enthusiastically supported and worked on the fundraisers, projects and conventions of this Federation and many, many schoolchildren across North Carolina benefitted!

2012-2014

During the 2012-2014 administration, President Wendy Carriker, along with her Junior Director, Crystal O'Neal, selected "Feed the Future" as their Special Project. With the focus on hunger, specifically childhood hunger, a partnership with No Kid Hungry was formed. A goal was set to feed 500,000 children in the two years of the administration.

Clubwomen from all across North Carolina embraced this worthwhile project. Over the span of two years, the members of GFWC-NC volunteered enough time, money and energy to provide the food for insecure children of North Carolina with over 17 million meals. Over the past two years, 67 clubs of North Carolina consisting of nearly 2,000 members reported volunteering on over 280 projects to promote Feed the Future and No Kid Hungry. More than 14,000 hours were also volunteered by club women across the state to support the project.

The theme for this administration was "Honor the Past, Connected to the Future". In this age of computers and technology an emphasis was placed on new venues that social media provides for our clubs. Workshops and articles in the *North Carolina Clubwoman* magazine helped to inform club members in this area. The Junior theme was "Connected Through Service."

In an effort to continue to tell the Federation story, a new membership video was prepared and placed on You Tube for each club to use as an orientation tool and as an avenue to recruit new members. The video began with a greeting by the State President and gave a history of the Federation along with current information. It was very well received by clubs across the state. "Membership, Connecting GFWC to the World" was promoted during this administration and five new clubs were formed. GFWC-

NC also was very successful during the administration showing an increase of 4.6 percent in membership.

The GFWC-NC State Arts Festivals held annually was a great success having the highest attendance ever. Clubwomen and students alike competed against other district winners from across the state. Approximately \$18,000 in Arts scholarships were awarded at this event and potentially 1,000 certificated were presented.

The Lucy Bramlette Patterson Award for Excellence in Creative Writing was given to two deserving writers during this administration. A \$1,000 scholarship was also given each year to a rising senior at Salem College who was focusing on creative writing. The recipient is the first to be elected to receive the award as a published writer.

In support of the Greeson-Johnson Teaching Scholarship the Links 4 Literacy Golf Tournament was held raising over \$7,600 for the fund.

Regional meetings were held during the first summer of the administration with an almost record setting attendance. The agenda for these meetings included workshops on special projects, leadership development and membership. Additional information on Community Service Programs and districts was also distributed at this time.

GFWC-NC served as host to SER Conference in Winston-Salem with Advocates for Children and Feed the Future servings focus for the meeting. The Fall Conference was held in Cary with the theme being Service and Leadership.

Members of GFWC-NC traveled to Washington, DC visiting GFWC HQ, museums, galleries and other sites throughout our nation's capital. While at Headquarters members were given a tour of the historic building that houses GFWC.

GFWC-NC clubwomen across the state took the steps to help bring awareness to the serious and often deadly crime known as domestic violence. Clubs were asked to participate through the Precious Purses Project by donating gently used purses filled with new personal items to shelters.

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The Women of Achievement Awards Program was held at each annual convention and honored women leaders from across the state. While this event is a fundraiser for our organization, it is a wonderful way to let others across the state come to know and understand all that is GFWC-NC. The funds from this are used to promote public relations and enhance the image of GFWC-NC.

During this administration the 1902 Society was promoted in an effort to raise funds for the General Fund. The first year goal of \$10,000 was accomplished and the goal of \$3,000 was reached in the second year. The Fundraising Committee was very creative this administration as well as successful. One of the favorite items for sale was the Collect Pin, a pearl pin that could be worn as a pin or pendant named after the Collect for Clubwomen.

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GFWC-NC statistics for 2012-2014 of the six community service programs were as follows:

Arts 88 GFWC-NC Clubs with 643 members participated in 2173 programs/projects with 29,587 hours of volunteer service and \$63,761 donated and \$35,838 In Kind donations. The GFWC-NC clubs were busy volunteering for the 2013 club year in the Arts Partnership. In 2013, there were 4 GFWC-NC Clubs with 91 members participated in 5 programs/projects with 38 hours of volunteer service and \$420 donated.

Conservation 74 GFWC-NC Clubs with over 1871 members participated in 366 programs/projects with 18,225 hours of volunteer service and \$38,748 donated and \$12,404 In Kind donations.

Education 86 GFWC-NC Clubs with over 2332 members participated in 794 programs/projects with 36,512 hours of volunteer service and \$264,589 donated and \$75,008 In Kind donations.

Home Life 93 GFWC-NC Clubs with 2481 members participated in 948 programs/projects with 47,665 hours of volunteer service and \$208,621 donated and \$149,750 In Kind donations. Home Life Partnerships with 281 members participated in 23 programs/projects with 300 hours of volunteer service and \$755.00 donated and \$105.00 In Kind donations.

International Outreach 64 GFWC-NC Clubs with over 1748 members participated in 196 programs/projects with 8334 hours of volunteer service and \$27,054 donated and \$13,282 In Kind donations. International Outreach Partnerships 1816 GFWC-NC members participated in 96 programs/projects with 2832 hours of volunteer service and \$13,859 donated and \$7,771 In Kind donations.

Public Issues 80 GFWC-NC Clubs with 2249 members participated in 507 programs/projects with 26,279 hours of volunteer service and \$136,890 donated and \$168,517 In Kind donations. Public Issues Partnerships. 654 GFWC-NC members participated in 31 programs/projects with 475 hours of volunteer service and \$4,186 donated and \$1,101 In Kind donations.

These figures are direct evidence of our pledge of “Connecting Volunteering with Community Service!”

Excitement and enthusiasm was evidenced this administration as goals were more than achieved as we honored the Past and Connected to the Future furthering our Federation.

2014-2016

Volunteering Today – The Key to Tomorrow, the theme of the 2014-2016 administration, was announced by 58th President Gay Warren at the close of the 112th Annual Convention in Charlotte. The joint Special Project of the President and Jennifer Jobe, Director of Junior Clubs, was “***Unlocking A Brighter Tomorrow***”. Realizing that not all children have access to educational and basic needs, the project incorporated several past administrations’ emphases in addition to working with Communities In Schools of North Carolina and encouraging support of STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) education. North Carolina clubs supported this emphasis with 844 projects for 34,055 volunteer hours, with \$152,808 donated, and \$88,318 in in-kind donations.

2014-2016

<i>GFWC – North Carolina January 1, 2014 – December 31, 2015</i>	Number of Projects	Volunteer Hours	Dollars Donated/ Spent/Raised	In-Kind Donations
GFWC Signature Project: Domestic Violence	254	13,586	<i>Donated:</i> 65,769	200,741
GFWC Juniors’ Special Project: Advocates for Children	359	8,830	“ 43,660	29,976
Arts	862	50,301	“ 131,381	54,417
Conservation	640	30,229	“ 74,773	25,649
Education	1138	63,622	“ 460,915	89,821
Home Life	1542	65,287	“ 340,631	195,178
International Outreach	523	18,688	“ 105,891	36,108
Public Issues	2958	43,988	“ 191,121	374,236
Communications & Public Relations	298	7,489	<i>Spent:</i> 21,408	
Leadership	607	203,662	“ 316,525	
Legislation & Public Policy	15	254	“ 209	
Membership	182	6,726	“ 11,670	
WHRC	29	885	“ 425	
Fundraising & Development	319	36,755	<i>Raised:</i> 291,221	
TOTALS	9726	550,302	<i>Donated:</i> \$1,414,141 <i>Spent:</i> \$350,237	\$1,006,126

GFWC SIGNATURE PROJECT: DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS AND PREVENTION.

Work in the area of Domestic Violence Awareness and Prevention has long been a focus of clubs in North Carolina.

GFWC JUNIORS’ SPECIAL PROJECT: ADVOCATES FOR CHILDREN. GFWC-NC Junior and General clubwomen are dedicated to helping children.

ARTS COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM. The commitment to the Arts through the State Arts Festivals has continued for over 40 years. The Festival brings together clubwomen and students from across the state to compete in various categories including photography, visual arts and music.

CONSERVATION COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM. Clubs found many ways to recycle and reuse items – from operating a thrift store to reusing clean plastic and glass containers at a local food pantry to repackage items. Newspapers, magazines, paper tubes, grocery bags, egg cartons were all recycled and reused by various organizations in their communities. Clubs continue to support the NC Museum of Natural Sciences, the NC Zoo, the Blue Ridge Parkway, and the NC Aquariums – all former Special Projects of our Past State Presidents.

EDUCATION COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM. GFWC of North Carolina has long supported education through scholarships and through projects to foster literacy and lifelong learning. GFWC-NC offers the Sallie Southall Cotten Scholarship, a four-year scholarship awarded to a high school senior for college studies. Competitions are held at the club, district, and state level, with the state winner receiving \$6,000 annually, for a total of \$24,000. GFWC-NC awards nearly \$30,000 annually through this scholarship. The state also offers the GFWC-NC Greeson-Johnson Teaching Scholarship, which is awarded to a rising college junior who has declared a major in education. This scholarship at the state level is a one-time award of \$2,500. For the Juniores, the Essie Harris Newsom Scholarship is offered, awarded to a Juniores who is a senior. The winner received a \$500 scholarship.

HOME LIFE COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM. GFWC-NC clubs continued working with programs that provide food for those in need during 2014. Local food pantries and school backpack programs benefitted from the support of clubs. Clubs also have supported projects with events to assist the American Cancer Society and other cancer support groups, by raising money for the alumni of a school for the blind, and by making princess hospital gowns for children with cancer. Another long-time project of GFWC-NC is the Boys and Girls Home for children in need of long-term placement due to abuse, neglect, or other reasons. The Juniores Project focused on a “Stop Bullying” campaign, with Juniores raising and donating funds, hearing speakers, and performing skits to promote this campaign.

INTERNATIONAL OUTREACH COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM. In the International Outreach area, GFWC-NC clubs worked to support Operation Smile, Heifer International, SHOT@LIFE, and the U.S Fund for UNICEF.

PUBLIC ISSUES COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM. Clubs in North Carolina supported a number of organizations relating to civic engagements. These included Purple Heart Homes, Wounded Warrior Ride, Military Missions in Action, USO, Canine Angels, and the VA.

COMMUNICATIONS AND PUBLIC RELATIONS. The GFWC-NC website continues to be updated and revised to be a resource for clubwomen and to provide information to the public about our organization. There is also a state magazine, the *North Carolina Clubwoman*, published four times a year for members. In 2014, the magazine was made available via online links. GFWC-NC has begun using MailChimp to improve its communication with members across the state. Clubs are using Email, Facebook, Twitter, and YouTube, as well as the printed word to get out the message about their clubs and activities. Several clubs saw traffic to their sites increase, and new members were recruited through these avenues. The state magazine, the *North Carolina Clubwoman*, switched to electronic distribution in 2015.

LEADERSHIP. Leadership was the Special Emphasis of the 2014-2016 GFWC-NC Administration. Members were encouraged to strive to reach their fullest potential as volunteers and to be united in their efforts. The State Executive Committee and Junior Officers held retreats to plan for the administration, share, and brainstorm together. Elements of the LEADS training were shared to help bolster leadership skills and understanding. During the Fall District Meetings, each of the nine NC districts were provided a workshop to help identify primary leadership characteristics of the individual, and to learn how to better utilize the talents of others. The state LEADS program also made changes, and the representatives from the districts now meet for training and learning in the winter, prior to the State Convention in April. GFWC-NC continues to send a state representative to the GFWC LEADS program. Recognition of outstanding North Carolina women at our 13th and 14th annual Women of Achievement

Banquets continue to be high points of our annual conventions and significant fundraisers for GFWC-NC. The honorees' reception at the convention in 2015 was held at the Western Governor's residence in Asheville and the reception at the 2016 convention was held at the NC Aquarium at Pine Knoll Shores.

LEGISLATION AND PUBLIC POLICY. GFWC-NC has a long history of education and advocacy on issues important to women and families. Each clubwoman has the opportunity to study and discuss the issues because the resolutions process begins at the local club level and then goes to the state federation for consideration and adoption by delegates. GFWC-NC worked to inform members about the GFWC Legislative Action Center which provides clubwomen a mechanism to communicate to Members of Congress on relevant issues. Clubwomen continue to enroll.

MEMBERSHIP. The State Membership Team met at the GFWC-NC State Arts Festival and at the 2014 Convention. These meetings allowed members to receive information on promoting membership, to share ideas and concerns, and to meet the incoming State Chairman and Junior State Chairman. During the two Summer Regional meetings, the State Chairman and the Junior Chairman presented a workshop that included information on the GFWC Seasonal Recruitment Campaign, GFWC-NC Membership Award, GFWC Membership Recruitment, and GFWC Membership Grants. Prior to each of the nine District Fall meetings, membership material was provided to each district for distribution. At the State Conventions, 25-year and 50-year members were recognized as well as clubs participating in the Seasonal Recruitment Campaign. During the Fall Conference, the State Chairman presented information about the values of membership.

North Carolina	Clubs 04-15-15	Clubs 04-15-16	Members 04-15-15	Members 04-15-16
General	90	84	2,758	2,715
Junior	21	19	349	295
Juniorette	16	13	498	287
TOTAL	127	116	3,605	3,297

WOMEN'S HISTORY AND RESOURCE CENTER. In recognition of the WHRC's 30th Anniversary, information was provided to clubwomen about this facility and clubs were encouraged to support the WHRC.

FUNDRAISING AND DEVELOPMENT. The clubwomen of North Carolina were very busy in their efforts to raise funds for the local clubs, their districts, and the state as a whole. GFWC-NC's "Queen of the Convention" and "Kiss the Pig" were very successful state fundraisers. These contests held at the Conventions raised almost \$20,000 for the state's operating funds.

BYLAW and OTHER CHANGES. Bylaw changes were primarily to clarify existing bylaws. The age limit for Juniors in North Carolina was previously raised to 45. Dual membership between 40 and 45 is no longer required. A Task Force was established to review the GFWC-NC's financial shortfall and make recommendations for the future with an emphasis on providing for financial security. The task force, under the guidance of State President-elect, Dottie Jennings, worked as a team to observe, research, review, crunch numbers, strategize, and began problem solving. The task force realized how devastating the reduction in membership had been to GFWC-NC's financial health, how the downturn in the market, combined with other factors, had accelerated our way along this path (the same path we travelled just over fifty years ago), and how our organizational culture had factored into this situation. The first presentation of the Task Force was made at the 2015 Convention, and follow-up presentations were done at each of the nine Fall District Meetings. An Endowment Committee requested donations from the membership through the state magazine and via email and will continue the ongoing campaign to raise funds. Donor categories were established, and this information was posted to the GFWC-NC website with the capability of making donations online. A Fall Conference was held in 2015 where a **State of the Federation Address** was presented by President Warren. A proposed bylaw change which would increase the state dues amount was defeated.

During the summer of 2014, two Summer Regional Meetings were held for clubwomen. Community Service Program Chairmen and/or Junior Chairmen, as well as the Special Project Chairmen,

presented workshops to encourage members to participate in the programs and to share ideas about potential projects.

The involvement of clubwomen in the activities of the GFWC-Southeastern Region (SER) and GFWC is evident with an increase with representations on both Boards and as well as workshop leaders. Beverly Lassiter from Charlotte was elected Treasurer of SER and Wendy Carriker of Mount Airy was elected Treasurer of GFWC. GFWC-NC's delegation at GFWC Conventions was especially proud to watch the State President and Director of Junior Clubs receive the awards as follows: in 2015, Outstanding Junior Director: Jennifer Jobe, Leadership, Education CSP, Home Life CSP, Newsletter, Website, recognition from Shot@Life for Lifesaver status (#2 in nation) and a Certificate of Recognition honoring GFWC's 125th Anniversary. In 2016, the following were received: Charlotte Emerson Brown Award: Gay Warren, Conservation CSP, Home Life CSP, Newsletter, Website, and recognition from Heifer International and from Shot@Life as the #1 Lifesaver State.

The 2014-2016 administration was an eventful one. Changes were made. Accomplishments were many. Members reached their fullest potential as volunteers and were united in their efforts to strengthen GFWC-NC, GFWC's 6th largest state federation, as it worked to meet the challenges that change brings.

2016-2018

The President's and Director of Junior Clubs' Theme was "***Focus on Federation...Building Our Legacy***". Through this theme, the **focus** was to encourage clubs to target the six Community Service Programs, GFWC Special Projects, and GFWC Advancement Areas, to identify how they fit into local communities and to further understand the overall organization of which we are a member. **Legacy** targeted how membership in GFWC-NC encompasses skills in/to leadership, empower, give and grow, achieve, community, and you. Leadership presentations were held at every meeting and membership was an emphasis using weekly email newsletters. A significant goal was set for the GFWC-NC Legacy Fund, which was achieved, as well as creating a new endeavor for GFWC-NC, the Corporate Champions for Women & Children Event. Several transitions, changes, and efforts to streamline GFWC-NC were accomplished during the administration as the administration looked towards the future and made suggestions, offered ideas, and held retreats to develop ideas **in lieu of a specific "special" project for GFWC-NC**. GFWC-NC personnel are now part-time, work from home, and GFWC-NC no longer has office space. Bylaws included major revisions to committee structure, decrease in GFWC-NC Officers for following administrations, significant increase in dues to achieve a balanced budget, and many other changes to streamline and update.

2016-2018

<i>GFWC – North Carolina January 1, 2016 – December 31, 2017</i>	Number of Projects	Volunteer Hours	Dollars Donated/ Spent/Raised	In-Kind Donations
GFWC Signature Project: Domestic Violence	232	13,392	<i>Donated:</i> 85,000	51,346
GFWC Juniors' Special Project: Advocates for Children	332	4,822	42,706	29,316
Arts	828	41,865	123,901	53,058
Conservation	729	33,248	107,726	50,216
Education	1,177	54,904	434,538	69,397
Home Life	1,448	77,925	357,028	215,485
International Outreach	578	20,591	141,134	40,341
Public Issues	956	30,793	138,565	323,096
Communications & Public Relations	249	10,732	<i>Spent:</i> 50,688	
Leadership	8,990	125,954	99,653	
Legislation & Public Policy	361	751	419	
Membership	293	6,394	9,401	
WHRC	13	1,345	30	
Fundraising & Development	436	51,963	<i>Raised:</i> 469,406	
TOTALS	16,764	474,649	<i>Donated:</i> \$1,430,598	\$832,255

			Spent: \$160,191	
			Raised: \$469,406	

During the administration, clubs and districts were encouraged to utilize information shared by GFWC related to the **Community Service Programs** by researching and making decisions about what their interests were and what fit best into their community. A Summer Meeting was held in July 2016 and July 2017 to provide information to clubs regarding the CSP's and other pertinent areas of interest. Clubs across North Carolina completed many wonderful endeavors which impacted their communities, the intent of the CSP framework.

For the **GFWC Signature Project: Domestic Violence** and the **GFWC Juniors' Special Project: Advocates for Children**, workshops were held at GFWC-NC meetings for both areas. GFWC-NC projects for each of these areas included brining materials and providing individual bags for domestic violence, which were donated, participating in the St. Jude Walk in September in 2016 and 2017 through the GFWC-NC team, and purchasing a brick for St. Jude as well.

In **Communication and Public Relations**, all GFWC-NC brochures were updated for availability by email and for posting on the internet regarding GFWC-NC. Special Edition issues of the *North Carolina Clubwoman* were issued to focus on Domestic Violence and Advocates for Children, as well as an issue for an Arts Festival summary. The *North Carolina Clubwoman* magazine continued to be sent electronically, along with frequent eblasts to update members on pertinent information and to provide reminders.

Regarding **Leadership**, workshops for leadership were held at every GFWC-NC meeting through featured speakers and the GFWC and GFWC-NC Leadership Committee. The GFWC-NC Executive Committee held retreats in July 2016 and July 2017 regarding options for transition for the organization, LEADS was held during the State Arts Festival each year, and LEADS representatives attended the GFWC Convention in Palm Desert Springs, California and St. Louis, Missouri each year.

In **Membership**, Membership Monday Newsletters were sent weekly to District representatives during the two-year administration. Each week focused on different areas within membership, including recruitment, retaining, rebuilding, ice breaker activities, along with many other topics for clubs. This framework allowed district representatives and additional link to the clubs in their district for further assistance with membership.

Fundraising and Development was a significant area during the administration. A goal was set for the GFWC-NC Legacy Fund of \$125,000, which was surpassed with \$143,699 donated to this fund. A new endeavor, the Corporate Champions for Women & Children (CCWC) Event was held. CCWC recognized corporations that assist women and children, and an additional \$62,174 was raised through corporations and donations. Fundraising efforts during 2016-2017 prior to the dues increase raised \$42,218. In 2017-2018, fundraising totals were \$7,110 for the operating funds. Throughout this administration, \$255,183.30 to support GFWC of North Carolina was raised to move our organization forward.

Other areas of note during the administration included a bylaws vote in April 2017 for an increase of \$20 in GFWC-NC dues, increase in cost of Honorary Life Memberships to \$750, and a change in the due date for dues to December 31. In April 2018, other bylaw changes included that an elected Corresponding Secretary will no longer be part of the Executive Committee (to begin with the 2020-2022 administration) and significant changes to committee structures. Resolutions also transformed significantly, with resolutions eliminated for those that are already represented by GFWC. Number coding and history tracking for resolutions also took place.

GFWC-NC had representation within GFWC and SER as well. During the 2016-2018 administration, Beverly Lassiter from Charlotte served as the GFWC Southeastern Region (SER) Treasurer and Wendy Carriker of Mount Airy served as the GFWC Treasurer. In addition to these two positions, many within GFWC-NC served in appointed positions within SER and GFWC for the two years.

At the GFWC Convention in June 2017, GFWC-NC was honored to receive the following awards and recognitions:

- **GFWC-NC Awards:** Heifer International, Operation Smile, Shot@Life Top Lifesaver State, Signature Program: Domestic Violence Awareness & Prevention Prevention Fund Award, Juniors'

Special Program: Advocates for Children Award, Membership Award, Website Contest, Legislative Action Center Award

- *GFWC-NC Club Awards:* GFWC Statesville Woman's Club, Top 5 Fundraising Club for Shot@Life; GFWC Charlotte Women's Club, Sew Much Comfort Club Award; Juniorette Participation: Fuquay-Varina Juniorette Club, Lumberton Juniorette Club, A.L. Brown Juniorette Club, St. Stephens High School Juniorette Club, Wake Forest Juniorette Club
- *GFWC-NC Member Awards:* Jodi Hodges, Writing Contest, Short Story; Heather Bolick, Millie Crom Award for Excellence in Junior State Leadership, Gold Level

At the GFWC Convention in June 2018, GFWC-NC was honored to receive the following awards:

- *GFWC – NC:* Arts CSP, Public Issues CSP, Fundraising & Development, Legislative Action Center Subscriptions, Outstanding Increase (\$50), Membership, Newsletter Contest, Shot@Life – Silver Level, Operation Smile Paula Cutter Award and Heifer International Make A Difference Award
- *Clubs:* The Woman's Club of Raleigh – Community Improvement Program, 2nd place, \$3,500 South Brunswick Islands – GFWC March for Babies, Top Fundraising Club, 1st place
Fuquay-Varina Woman's Club – Unicef USA, 5th place
Fuquay-Varina Junioresettes – Juniorette Participation
Lumberton Junioresettes – Juniorette Participation
AL Brown Junioresettes – Juniorette Participation
St. Stephens High School Junioresettes – Juniorette Participation
Wake Forest Junioresettes – Juniorette Participation
- *Members:* Jane Marshall Carver, GFWC Jennie Award
Heather Bolick, Millie Crom Junior Leadership Award – Gold Level
Dottie Jennings, Charlotte Emerson Brown Award

In addition, during the GFWC 2018 Convention, Beverly Lassiter was installed as the 2018-2020 SER Secretary, and Wendy Carriker was installed as the 2018-2020 GFWC Secretary.

This time of transition for GFWC-NC has been to focus on the organization we are a part of, assist in moving GFWC-NC forward, and to build our legacy as GFWC-NC as our collaborative “special project” this administration. Serving in this position has been full of wonderful moments – working with likeminded ladies who have a **passion** to serve and help others, to represent GFWC of North Carolina, and to develop **friendships** – to make a **difference**. It has been an honor to represent GFWC of North Carolina during the 2016-2018 administration and to assist in the development of moving the organization forward.

2018-2020

Celebrate Women and Thriving Children were the themes of the 2018-2020 administration announced by the 60th President Ann Landis and Director of Junior Clubs LeAndra Ratliff at the close of the 116th Annual Convention in Cary.

The GFWC-NC President's Special Project “**Healthy Women**” recognized the need to take care of ourselves so we can take care of others. The project focused on 3 areas: **Walking, Wellness, and Healthy Eating**. Reports show that members walked 488,067 miles for 20 months—May, 2018 through December, 2019. With calculated estimates for the remaining 4 months of the administration, members logged another 97,612 miles. These calculations equal 585,679 miles walked by members during the two-year administration. We exceeded our 250,000-mile goal! We walked around the Moon and back to Earth! In addition, 63 GFWC-NC Charity Miles team members logged over 10,000 miles using the Charity Miles smartphone app. This means that \$2,500 was donated to SHOT@LIFE and other charities.

Other wellness goals were also met. Reports show 131 projects, 11,822 volunteer hours, \$925 dollars donated and \$3,922 in-kind donations. Women reported 815 physical exams, 1,509 breast ex-

ams/mammograms, 617 gynecological exams, 972 dental check-up/cleanings, 90,534 healthy eating days, 133,729 “4x8 ounces of water” days.

GFWC-NC focused on membership this administration. A weekly **Federation Friday** newsletter and a **Thank You Tuesday** postcard were shared through an E-Blast and posted on the GFWC-NC Facebook page. A new program, **Passport to Learning**, offered two workshop opportunities at every state meeting. Topics included: “The Diva Is in the Details” and “Make Your Meeting Agenda Sing.” Members enthusiastically participated in this program. **Corporate Champions for Women and Children (CCWC)** recognized corporations and businesses for their outstanding support of *Women & Children’s* issues in local North Carolina communities. A 2019 record-breaking year yielded \$100,000 in donations. The newly organized **Girls with Pearls Society** strengthened our GFWC-NC Legacy Fund. GFWC-NC increased its **visibility** by becoming a major sponsor with the NC Department of Natural and Cultural Resources on the ***She Changed the World*** initiative to celebrate the upcoming 100th anniversary of the passage of the 19th Amendment which ensured women’s right to vote.

GFWC-NC hosted the GFWC-SER Conference Fall, 2018, at the Winston Salem Double Tree by Hilton. The theme was *Carolina Moon Shining on GFWC SER*. The April, 2019, GFWC-NC State Convention was held in Wilmington at the Ballast Waterfront Hotel. For safety during the COVID-19 Pandemic, the 2020 State Convention was a ZOOM convention. One hundred eleven women registered for this event.

<i>GFWC – North Carolina January 1 – December 31, 2018</i>	Number of Projects	Volunteer Hours	Dollars Donated/ Spent/Raised	In-Kind Do- nations
GFWC Signature Project: Domestic Violence	89	7,060	<i>Donated:</i> \$ 48,747	133,234
GFWC Juniors’ Special Project: Advocates for Children	173	4,722	118,332	57,328
Arts	308	15,929	52,054	27,194
Conservation	301	10,251	47,738	13,657
Education	481	26,580	207,505	43,500
Home Life	596	24,803	169,383	84,042
International Outreach	234	7361	55,500	24,117
Public Issues	315	11,297	63,192	110,869
WHRC	14	454	3,350	3,150
Communications & Public Relations	194	8,623	<i>Spent:</i> 29,147	
Leadership	252	35,527	74,110	
Legislation & Public Policy	30	455	3,000	
Membership	130	6,913	10,245	
Fundraising & Development	164	15,020	<i>Raised:</i> 267,645	
TOTALS	3,281	174,995	<i>Donated:</i> \$ 765,801 <i>Spent:</i> \$116,502 <i>Raised:</i> \$267,645	\$437,045

COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAMS AND SPECIAL PROJECTS

In July 2018, GFWC-NC held a Summer Meeting. 194 attendees from across the state participated. Nine workshops were held throughout the day including information related to all six Community Service Programs, Membership, the North Carolina President’s Special Project “Healthy Women,” and the Director of Junior’s Special Project “Thriving Children.” Our speaker, Dr. Christina Bowen, provided a Plenary Workshop on “Living a Life of Intention—Focusing on Self Care: Mind, Body and Spirit.”

ARTS COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM

GFWC-NC continued its commitment to the Arts through the State Arts Festival, bringing together clubwomen and students from across the state to compete in various categories including photography, visual arts and music. In 2018, our club members were involved in 85 projects involving the local, district, and state level competitions, and contributed over 4,895 hours, \$14,736 in monetary donations and \$3,906 in in-kind donations.

Clubs in North Carolina supported the Arts with activities including a “Spirit Rocks” project. Members worked with Girls on the Run teams creating spirit rocks. The project was fun and created team spirit as the girls worked together with the club members. One club created 32 sensory blankets for Alzheimer patients. Another club hosted a Sunday craft day that also served as membership day.

CONSERVATION COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM

Clubs in North Carolina found many ways to impact conservation activities in communities. One club set aside a recycle day for shredding documents, and collecting all types of electronics, appliances, construction materials, furniture, cabinets, toilets, pesticides, etc. Several clubs adopted roadways and kept up with litter pickup and beautification. One club collected pop top tabs for the Ronald McDonald House. Another club brought the importance of using cloth napkins to their members to abandon paper napkins for the more environmentally friendly cloth napkins.

EDUCATION COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM

GFWC of North Carolina has long supported education through scholarships and projects to foster literacy and lifelong learning. GFWC-NC offers the Sallie Southall Cotten Scholarship, a four-year scholarship awarded to a high school senior for college studies. Competitions are held at the club, district and state level, with the state winner receiving \$3,000 annually, for a total of \$12,000. The state also offers the GFWC-NC Greeson-Johnson Teaching Scholarship, which is awarded to a rising college junior who is a declared education major. This is a one-time award of \$2,500.

To support teachers, several clubs held school supply drives to help stock the teacher supplies. Also, to support special needs students, a club donated Chromebooks to cover the entire classroom. Another club collected first grade level reading books, pencils, and small stuffed animals as a “reading buddy” for first grade students. These items filled 102 book bags personalized with the student’s name.

HOME LIFE COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM

GFWC-NC clubs worked in various areas including opioid abuse. Clubs and districts hosted several workshops with speakers. One club created Buddy Benches for two different elementary schools and placed them on the playgrounds. Another club worked with Canine Companions – hearing a speaker as well as gathering supplies for the dogs. A Junior club made dinner each month for girls living at House of Hope, a therapeutic school for troubled girls ages 12-17. Multiple clubs across the state supported North Carolina’s Disability Centers with Christmas gifts, birthday cards, and get-well cards. As a state, we made and stuffed 50 teddy bears to be donated to a camp for children who are living with life threatening diseases.

INTERNATIONAL OUTREACH COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM

In International Outreach, several clubs worked with Samaritan’s Purse to provide Christmas boxes to developmentally challenged areas. Other clubs supported Operation Smile with funds to purchase items needed for their smile bags. Another club provided funding for a lunch program in Tanzania. The funds supplied lunch for a year for one school. “Free the Girls” was a program done by a club collecting new and gently used bras. Businesses sell the bras and the funds are used to help free girls from human trafficking.

PUBLIC ISSUES COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM

North Carolina supported organizations relating to citizenship, military personnel and veterans, emergency needs, safety and crime prevention. In a partnership with their Sewing Committee, one club participated in the “Soldier’s Angels Sewing Team” initiative by providing patriotic pillowcases for US service personnel in military hospitals in Europe. On Veterans Day, one club delivered goody bags to Veterans in various assisted living homes in their community. Members also supported veterans with

visits, gifts, and cards throughout the year, and one member regularly mailed “care packages” to military units deployed overseas.

Safety was also a topic. Club members learned self-defense at a meeting. They took it an extra step and helped register women in the community for additional seminars.

GFWC SIGNATURE PROJECT: DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS AND PREVENTION

Domestic Violence Awareness and Prevention has long been a focus of many of the clubs in North Carolina. Partnering with organizations focused on sexual assault and physical and mental abuse, clubs provided paper products, personal hygiene products, towels and flip flops to the organizations. Members raid their closets and sought donations from friends and family to donate to Hope Harbor Home, a domestic violence shelter. Another club made quilts for children in need for comfort and security. As a state, we stuffed 50 “Precious Purses” to be donated to domestic violence shelters.

GFWC JUNIORS’ SPECIAL PROJECT: ADVOCATES FOR CHILDREN

Helping children in North Carolina through club activities is a cornerstone for many clubs. A club’s signature project, the Shoe Closet, provided new shoes to thirty students in the community. The children were taken to a shoe store and allowed to shop and choose shoes. Backpacks Full of Blessings helped combat the issue of childhood hunger by filling backpacks weekly with healthy food and snacks for school age children.

COMMUNICATIONS AND PUBLIC RELATIONS

Clubs are using email, Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter, as well as the printed word to get the news out about their clubs and activities. The state website for GFWC-NC received its much-needed facelift and became a resource for clubwomen. The CLUBWOMAN MAGAZINE was published 4 times a year and distributed by email. Club members accessed the issues through Facebook postings and downloads from the website. GFWC-NC continued to use MailChimp for communication, in addition to Facebook and email blasts sent as needed. This year GFWC-NC added a weekly FEDERATION FRIDAY newsletter focusing on different topics each week. It was emailed to the leadership of North Carolina.

One club participated in the UNC-TV Telethon and helped raise funds for public television as well as talk about GFWC during the programming breaks. Another club replaced their traditional phone trees with the online application called Dial My Calls which resulted in a 10% increase in meeting attendance since its implementation.

LEADERSHIP

A GFWC Advancement Area, Leadership, took on a whole new level with the “Passport to Learning.” In-depth workshops were held at each state meeting. The workshops were planned through the convention of 2020 and each workshop focused on a different aspect of leadership. Those completing four of the five sessions were recognized. The state LEADS program was held, and representatives from the districts met for training and learning in a state-wide seminar. GFWC-NC pays to send a state representative to the GFWC LEADS program.

A junior club developed formal leadership training for its members, which includes an active leadership committee to provide meetings, workshops, and training sessions to develop skills. New member orientations, as well as officer transitional meetings, were held by multiple clubs.

LEGISLATION AND PUBLIC POLICY

In 2018, GFWC-NC enrolled members in the Legislative Action Center. One club provided a list of all legislators, both national and state, to their members, had all members enroll in GFWC Legislative Alerts, and engaged the members in local, state, and national issues. The club created two handouts for legislation and public policy which were added to the club’s guide. Efforts resulted in increased personal contact with legislators.

MEMBERSHIP

In North Carolina, recruiting members and retaining members have continued to be vital. At the 2018 State Convention, 25-year and 50-year members were recognized, and a membership work-

shop was held at the State Summer Meeting. A brand new “How to Start a GFWC-NC Club” packet was developed by our President-elect (Membership Chairman). #ThankYouTuesday posts were weekly on the GFWC-NC Facebook page.

Membership: (As of 03/30/19)

North Carolina	Number of Clubs	Number of Members
General	79	2251
Junior	19	236
Juniorette	11	276
TOTAL	109	2,763

FUNDRAISING AND DEVELOPMENT

The clubwomen of North Carolina were busy during the 2018 club year in their efforts to raise funds for the local clubs and districts. North Carolina clubs raised over \$267,000 through various fund-raising events. Club fundraising activities included a “Juleps & Jazz” event which raised over \$20,000, a Spring Fashion Show which raised \$6300 for a homeless shelter, and a “Stock Your Cellar” wine raffle which raised about \$5000.

GFWC-NC continued the Corporate Champions for Women and Children event, which raised over \$60,000 while recognizing three corporations in North Carolina that focused efforts on women and children. \$10,000 was donated to the Boys & Girls Homes of NC to assist with repairs from property damage from Hurricane Florence. A new Disaster Relief fund was established and \$12,582 collected the first year was disseminated by two Eastern NC non-profits to those devastated by hurricanes. CCWC funds provide financial security for GFWC-NC.

2018-2020 BYLAW AND OTHER CHANGES

Significant changes in 2018 included bylaw changes to remove the Corresponding Secretary from the Executive Committee, to be in effect beginning with the 2020-2022 Administration. Additional changes were to allow the State 1st Vice President Nominee to have prior service as any state chair position rather than just Community Service Program Chair, plus changes to several of the state committees.

GFWC-NC contributed to the GFWC President’s 7 Grand Initiatives and 3 Brand Initiatives in the following ways:

1. 1199 trees planted during Arbor Day.
2. 41 projects for women in the military.
3. 2980 pairs of shoes donated to Soles 4 Souls and Nike "reuse-a-shoe" program.
4. 1078 Dr. Seuss books donated to local programs and 251 Dr. Seuss books donated to GFWC for DC.
5. 53 projects on Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, January 20, 2020.
6. GFWC North Carolina joined the Million Dollar Club by donating \$1,000 to the GFWC Capital Campaign.
8. 31 calls/emails/letters to US Congressmen on September 23, 2019, urging passage of Miranda's Law.
- 79 emails/letters to US Congressmen on other days urging passage of Miranda's Law.
9. 26 calls/emails/letters to US Congressmen on October 23, 2019, urging passage of 3D Gun Safety Act. 40 calls/emails/letters to US Congressmen on other days urging passage of 3D Gun Safety Act.
10. 15 club/state projects planned to celebrate 100th Anniversary of Women winning the Right to Vote, to be celebrated August 2020.

2020-2022

The history of the 2020-2022 GFWC-NC Administration will always be paired with the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. It was a time that our members and clubs showed resilience and adapted to rapid changes in the way that we met, served, and conducted our club business. President Crystal O’Neal and Director of Junior Clubs Angela Moss led the state with the theme “She Elevates the World” and our clubs certainly embodied that theme. We held a virtual Arts Festival and Annual Convention during the first year of the administration due to mandatory social distancing. The 2020 Summer Meeting at the

Charlotte Hawkins Brown Museum State Historic Site met state attendance limits and allowed our members to see the need for improved landscaping. Our President's Special Project pledged \$10,000 for campus improvements at the Charlotte Hawkins Brown site. Incorporating this initiative, the Administration supported five focus areas: Sunflowers for Suffrage, Elevating Women & Girls, Impact NC, supporting GFWC Special Programs, and the GFWC-NC Junior Special Project – "Protect Our Future" and our clubs committed to supporting SafeKids programs throughout the state.

August of 2020 marked the 100th anniversary of the adoption of the 19th Amendment. Clubs across the state celebrated this milestone with an awareness that the struggle for suffrage did not end in 1920. Statewide, we held a virtual tea party called "EqualiTea" on Zoom while we shared suffrage statistics and history.

Many Districts and clubs learned to meet virtually and GFWC-NC supported them with a shared Zoom account. Our Executive Committee expanded paging opportunities to both Junior and General members, broadened attendance opportunities for our state LEADS seminar, and created a Member Relief Fund. Our chairmen presented webinars in the Fall to keep our members informed and connected. North Carolina Clubwoman Magazine became a monthly publication, we expanded our use of social media including monthly giveaways featuring local, women-owned businesses to help keep our members connected. We launched GFWC's first podcast, Women Volunteers, A GFWC-NC Podcast, to share our history, our work, our clubs and our members in an accessible new way.

Jess Ekstrom, founder of Headbands of Hope, delivered an inspirational address to our members at our 2021 Convention and we honored her at our Corporate Champions for Women & Children that Fall. We held a Summer of Service campaign to keep clubs and members active featuring a scavenger hunt and a virtual socials. Fall Conference was held in Asheville with the theme, "A Higher Elevation." Shunta Grant motivated us to make the most out of every day and we honored our Districts. We returned to an in-person Arts Festival in Spring 2022. GFWC-NC celebrated 120 years of service at the 2022 Annual Convention in Winston-Salem, our birthplace. We continued our tradition of leadership as we endorsed past state presidents for GFWC offices – Beverly Lassiter was installed as GFWC Southeastern President and Wendy Carriker was installed as GFWC First Vice President at the 2022 GFWC Convention. Clubs exceeded our \$10,000 goal for campus enhancements at Charlotte Hawkins Brown Museum State Historic Site and Landscape Engineering students from North Carolina A&T University presented an incredible design to beautify Dr. Brown's grave site for generations to come.

This administration introduced revised GFWC Community Service Programs. International Outreach was incorporated into each of the new CSPs since projects with international impact and scope can be found in each of the five new CSPs: Arts & Culture, Civic Engagement, Education & Libraries, Environment, and Health & Wellness. While the Juniors' Special Program remained its Advocates for Children focus, the Signature Program, Domestic & Sexual Violence Awareness and Prevention, was expanded in scope to include the focus areas of Intimate Partner Violence, Child Abuse, Teen Dating Violence, Campus Sexual Assault, Elder Abuse, Violence Against Native American Women, Military Sexual Assault, and Human Trafficking. GFWC-NC Clubs excellence in supporting GFWC CSPs, Special Programs, and Advancement Plans was recognized with following GFWC awards at annual conventions in Atlanta and New Orleans: Leadership, Website, Newsletter, Communications & Public Relations, Environment, Advocates for Children, Women's History and Resource Center, Legislation/Public Policy, Fundraising & Development, Health & Wellness, Chartering/Federating New Clubs, Juniorette Participation, Signature Program, Stick Your Neck Out, and Legislative Action Center New Member Achievement Certificate. Director of Junior Clubs Angela Moss received the Millie Crom Award for Excellence in Junior State Leadership and President Crystal O'Neal received the Charlotte Emerson Brown Award for Exemplary Service & Excellence in State Leadership. GFWC of North Carolina clubwomen truly elevate the world!

GFWC-NC Past Presidents

(asterisk(*) means deceased)

1902-1905	*Lucy Bramlette Patterson (Mrs. J. Lindsay)	Winston-Salem
1905-1907	*Lillian Watson Alderman (Mrs. J. T.)	Henderson
1907-1909	*Margaret Lovell Gibson	Wilmington
1909-1911	*Laura Holmes Reilley (Mrs. James Eugene)	Charlotte
1911-1913	*Sallie Southall Cotten (Mrs. Robert R.)	"Cottendale" - Bruce
1913-1915	*Dr. Adelaide Lisetta Fries	Winston-Salem
1915-1917	*Clara Souther Lingle (Mrs. Thomas W.)	Davidson
1917-1919	*Kate Burr Johnson (Mrs. Clarence)	Raleigh
1919-1921	*Ida McDonald Hook (Mrs. Charles C.)	Charlotte
1921-1923	*Mary Lou Jackson Cooper (Mrs. Sydney Perry)	Henderson
1923-1925	*Cornelia Petty Jerman (Mrs. T. Palmer)	Raleigh
1925-1927	*Gertrude Dills McKee (Mrs. E.L.)	Sylva
1927-1929	*Annie Land O'Berry (Mrs. Thomas)	Goldsboro
1929-1931	*Marie Long Land (Mrs. Edward M.)	Statesville
1931-1933	*Lucille Hassell Hobgood (Mrs. J.M.)	Farmville
1933-1935	*Mamie Brown Latham (Mrs. Rowland H.)	Winston-Salem
1935-1937	*Nancy Miller Marshall (Mrs. George E.)	Mount Airy
1937-1939	*Ethel Godfrey Etheridge (Mrs. Howard G.)	Asheville
1939-1941	*Lewellyn Williams Robinson (Mrs. John D.)	Wallace
1941-1943	*Katie McAulay Rankin (Mrs. Pressley Robinson)	Mount Gilead
1943-1945	*Kate Herring Highsmith (Mrs. J. Henry)	Raleigh
1945-1947	*Frances Farrell Bishopric (Mrs. Karl)	Spray
1947-1949	*Blanche Gaskill Gupton (Mrs. James A.)	Charlotte
1949-1951	*Stella Williams Anderson (Mrs. Edward Moore)	West Jefferson
1951-1953	*Maude Davis Bunn (Mrs. J. Wilbur)	Raleigh
1953-1954	*Jewel Sumner Kirkman (Mrs. Grady E.)	Greensboro
1954-1956	*Dorothy Heath Brown (Mrs. Edwin Pierce)	Murfreesboro
1956-1958	*Katharine Shenk Mauney (Mrs. Aubrey)	Kings Mountain
1958-1960	*Mary Cross Dent (Mrs. Raymond T.)	Spruce Pine
1960-1962	*Mabel Claire Hoggard Maddrey (Mrs. C. Gordon)	Ahoskie
1962-1964	*Margaret Taylor Harper (Mrs. James M., Jr.)	Southport
1964-1966	*Evelyn Sherrill Bunch (Mrs. Fred B., Jr.)	Statesville
1966-1967	*Marjorie Yates Yokley	Mount Airy
1967-1968	*Norma Phaup Cates (Mrs. George H.)	Faison
1968-1970	Juanita Martin Bryant (Mrs. J. Frank)	Boonville
1970-1972	*Eleanor Smith Barnes Keller (Mrs. Paul)	Smithfield
1972-1974	*Elaine Miller Odenwald (Mrs. Harold W.)	Greensboro
1974-1976	*Minnie Lou Parker Creech (Mrs. V. Herman, Jr.)	Tarboro
1976-1978	Molly Lambeth Johnson	Thomasville
1978-1980	*Peggy Dixon Moffett (Mrs. Frank C.)	Charlotte
1980-1982	*Helen Hughes Sutton (Mrs. John V.)	Greensboro
1982-1984	*Katherine Highsmith Holoman (Mrs. Kern)	Raleigh
1984-1986	Betty Evans Weathers (Mrs. J. W., Jr.)	Youngsville
1986-1988	Gladys Brooks Boroughs (Mrs. Lewis E.)	Greensboro
1988-1990	Katy Hauser Grubbs (Mrs. Vance B.)	Winston-Salem
1990-1992	Norma Thompson Price (Mrs. J. Patrick)	Asheville
1992-1994	Elizabeth Huntley Maddrey (Mrs. Joseph G.)	Eden
1994-1996	Julene Barlow McPhaul (Mrs. Elbert)	Raleigh
1996-1998	Barbara Glennon Volk (Mrs. James)	Hendersonville
1998-2000	Jane Marshall Carver (Mrs. Bill)	Andrews

2000-2002	Teresa Shaver Lee (Mrs. L. Murrie)	Wilmington
2002-2004	Pat Davis (Mrs. Ron)	Raleigh
2004-2006	Ann D. Vipperman (Mrs. Rick)	Charlotte
2006-2008	Sandy Jahn (Mrs. Tom)	Hickory
2008-2010	Beverly Wolfe Lassiter (Mrs. John)	Charlotte
2010-2012	Sharon Greeson (Mrs. Mick)	Raleigh
2012-2014	Wendy Oncea Carriker (Mrs. Chip V., Jr)	Mt. Airy
2014-2016	Gay DeWitt Warren (Mrs. Mike)	Fort Mill, SC
2016-2018	Dottie Jennings (Mrs. Jerry)	Elizabeth City
2018-2020	Ann Landis (Mrs. Bill)	Holden Beach
2020-2022	Crystal Sharpe O'Neal (Mrs. Dennis)	Graham

GFWC-NC Junior History (Since 2000)

2000-2002

Wendy Carriker was installed as the State Junior Director in Asheville, at the 98th state convention. Her theme was a "Symphony of Service". The installation performed by Gail Theard compared each Junior Officer and their part of the symphony. During her administration, a State-wide summer training session was established for clubwomen across our state in which the Junior Officers attended various meetings around the state. The success of this training session has enabled it to become a yearly event that was very well received by Juniors. Symphony of Service t-shirts were selected as a fund-raising item as well as music pins. Proceeds of over \$2,000 from the sale of music pins were donated to the Winston-Salem Repertory Youth Orchestra as part of the Junior Special Project Advocates for Children. At the 2001 Convention, Wendy selected David Browning to be the Junior Night speaker, an impersonator who spoofed Barney Fife from the Andy Griffith Show. The evening theme was Welcome Home Y'all to a Symphony of Service with a first, casual attire. The night was filled with laughter and celebration as two new Junior clubs were chartered, the Clinton Junior Woman's Club and the Hamlet Junior Woman's Club. The Junior Special Project remained Advocates for Children. SER meetings were attended in Kentucky and Virginia, as well as GFWC Conventions in Boston, Massachusetts and St. Paul, Minnesota. 2002 proved to be an exciting year as the Juniors of our State celebrated their Diamond Jubilee Anniversary, 75 years of Service in North Carolina.

2002-2004

Kris Bryant of Wallace chose "Volunteers are Angels on Earth" to celebrate the Junior membership of GFWC-NC. Clubwomen were reminded to keep their "halo's shiny" and their wings "dust free" during this administration. Cooperation with Generals was stressed, and the number of members moving from Junior clubs to General clubs has steadily increased. Two new Junior clubs were formed: the Kings Mountain and the Asheboro Juniors. Juniorettes were mentored, and three new Juniette clubs were formed during this administration. The format of the Junior Business Session at convention was altered to reflect the needs of the current Junior Section. The Junior Special Project remained Advocates for Children to be in line with GFWC. An emphasis was placed on the Ronald McDonald Houses of NC. Many clubs and districts went to the homes to prepare meals, to assist with cleaning duties and to visit with those staying there. "Pop Tabs" were collected to build playground equipment at the Chapel Hill house. Juniors and Generals alike embraced the recycling of these tabs. Georgann Sapp, the Junior Secretary, designed a drawing depicting the Ronald McDonald Houses and GFWC-NC; one was placed in each of the four houses. The Juniors of NC showed that they truly are Angels on Earth through their estimated \$800,000 in monies donated, 2,500 projects, and 14,000 volunteer hours. Kris appeared on the cover of the GFWC magazine, giving the State Federation something to be proud of and during 2004-2006, she would be serving as the GFWC Junior Special Project Chairman. Beverly Lassiter was chosen to continue in her service to GFWC also, as the GFWC Juniette Chairman.

2004-2006

Lori Seiler of Alamance was installed as 2004-2006 Director of Juniors during the annual convention in Charlotte. Her theme was "Hearts and Hands Working Together to Make a Difference." Working together is what happened during this administration. The State President's/Junior Director's special project was a joint effort. Junior and General clubwomen were encouraged to work together to "Help the Hungry, the Homeless, and Persons with Disabilities." A goal of \$25,000 a piece was set to raise money for Victory Junction Gang Camp (VJGC) as well as the Boys and Girls Homes of North Carolina (B&GH). The Clubwoman far exceeded their goal and raised \$38,865.37 for VJGC and \$46,775.01 for B&GH. The Juniors held State Fun/Service Days at both VJGC and B&GH, which were open to all clubwomen to attend, again Juniors and Generals were working side-by-side. Additionally, clubs adopted these two special emphases as their own club's special projects. Junior and General clubs worked hand-in-hand to make this goal a reality.

During this administration our Convention Pages took on a new look. Pages' clothing changed from khaki and white to black and white. It was a big change from the khaki and white and all white

eveningwear from previous years. Another change that took place was the presentation of Page Pins. Each Convention Page was recognized for her years of service with a gold pin that was presented during the Junior/General Banquet. It was the start of a great tradition for Convention Pages.

The Junior Director represented the Juniors at SER in West Virginia and Kentucky, GFWC Conventions in Las Vegas, Nevada and Denver, Colorado and she also attended Juniette Jamboree at Peace College. During the 114th GFWC Convention in Las Vegas the Juniors received the award for GFWC's Junior's Special Project, "Advocates for Children." Lori Seiler was also awarded the Junior Director of the Year for Level 2.

This administration has left its mark on hearts across our state, and we could not have done it if we had not worked hand-in-hand together.

2006-2008

With Dottie Jennings as Director of Juniors at the helm, North Carolina Junior Clubwomen eagerly promoted Junior Special Projects such as Advocates for Children, Emergency Medical Services for Children (EMSC), and "Grassroots," a public relations emphasis. Junior clubs supported projects in creative and innovative ways, and members worked extremely hard to improve their communities. Over 70,000 hours and \$825,000 in donations from Junior clubs impacted our state, along with over 430 color-coded pediatric bags, totaling over \$55,000, were donated for the EMSC project. GFWC-NC Juniors were recognized by North Carolina Emergency Medical Services for Children for their "outstanding commitment and support to the state's EMSC program." North Carolina Juniors have opened lines of communication; built recognition and awareness of federation work in communities; educated themselves about community needs; and grown personally through developing leadership skills and making new federation friends. GFWC-NC Juniors received the GFWC Advocates for Children Award in their membership category at the 2007 GFWC Convention in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; GFWC Fuquay-Varina JWC was recognized for their work with the EMSC project; and Director of Juniors Dottie Jennings received the Junior Director Award in the North Carolina membership category. GFWC-NC Juniors truly care about the lives of others and were effective in their mission to "give and grow," both personally and in club work. Through participation in the various projects, GFWC-NC Juniors have willingly demonstrated the goal of "Volunteers...Giving & Growing," the GFWC-NC Junior Theme for the 2006-2008 administration.

2008-2010

Junior Director, Georgann Athanaelos Sapp of Kannapolis, chose the theme "Running with the Team; Make Membership Matter." GFWC-NC President, Beverly Lassiter, and Georgann combined their State President's and Junior Director's Special Project to have all GFWC-NC clubwomen partner to raise over \$59,000, donating supplies, and volunteering hundreds of hours for Girls on the Run. As Beverly and Georgann's combined Special Emphasis, Membership, Juniors and Generals have focused on recruiting new members as well as encouraging clubs to help start new clubs especially Juniette clubs. The Juniors exceeded our expectations by attracting over 150 new Junior members and over 130 new Juniette members. They also helped to form 11 clubs this administration. GFWC Camel City JWC, Clayton JWC, and GFWC Meredith College JWC (refederated); GFWC Kannapolis Middle School Juniettes, GFWC Fuquay-Varina Juniettes, GFWC Vance Juniettes, GFWC-NC Juniettes of Johnston County, GFWC Cox Mill Juniettes, St. Stephens Juniettes (refederated) and the Juniette Department of the GFWC Winston Salem JWC. The Juniors participated in 1657 projects volunteering 65,586 hours and donating \$466,481.36 helping better their communities.

GFWC-NC received the GFWC Advocates for Children Award in their membership category both years of the Administration. Director of Juniors, Georgann Athanaelos Sapp, received the GFWC Junior Director Award and the Newsletter Award.

GFWC-NC Juniors have definitely strived for and achieved the goal of "Running with the Team; Make Membership Matter."

2010-2012

Literacy: The Adventure of a Lifetime, was chosen as the President's and Junior Director's Special Project for the 2010-2012 GFWC-NC Administration. Sharon Greeson was installed as the 56th President of GFWC-NC and Andie Johnson was installed as the Director of Juniors. In Sharon's Installation address, a shift was made away from a monetary goal for the Special Project and instead a goal was set for club women to donate 75,000 **hours** to support Literacy in North Carolina. The President's and Special Director's Special Emphasis was Membership- Keeping EVERY Member a Part of our Story, to focus on membership retention.

As a critical part of this Administration's Special Project a new scholarship for rising collegiate Juniors was started. The Greeson-Johnson Teaching Scholarship was established to be given to a student who was scheduled to become a teacher. To fund this scholarship a new state-wide fundraiser was initiated- Links for Literacy, a golf tournament. Links for Literacy was successful in raising over \$26,000 for the scholarship and the first one was awarded at the 2011 Arts Festival. Two outstanding students were chosen to receive this scholarship during this administration each getting \$2,500 to help with paying for college!

Club members, Juniors and Generals alike, from across the state, enthusiastically participated in and supported the Special Project and the new scholarship. Every District contributed to Links for Literacy and many Districts sent volunteers. A wonderful silent auction was held and the golfers and the volunteers had lots to eat, three meals, mostly donated by area sponsors. In 2010 the rains came but still a good time was had by all. In 2012 the weather was much nicer and funds were again added to support the new teacher scholarship. Club members also exceeded the goal for volunteers hours supporting Literacy with over 76,000 volunteer hours reported!

In Membership a program was started which recognized clubs who made membership gains during each of the four seasons. Clubs reported members recruited in the Fall, Winter, Spring and Summer. GFWC recognized these clubs in the GFWC Magazine. To encourage attendance at GFWC-NC state meetings a Passport to Adventure "passport" was used. Those members who had their passports stamped at every meeting were in the running for a surprise at the end of the Administration. Arts Festivals- Two successful Arts Festivals were held at the first new venue in many years, Campbell University. The facility turned out to be an excellent and reasonable facility for our Arts Festival! GFWC-NC, as a part of the Literacy focus, awarded the first GFWC-NC Literacy Grants to support club projects in Literacy.

Our 2011 convention was held in Atlantic Beach. Mary Ellen Laister, GFWC President-elect spoke at our membership luncheon. The 10th Anniversary of the GFWC-NC Women of Achievement Awards was held with a special celebration at the Pine Knoll Shores Aquarium. In 2012 the GFWC-NC Convention was in Greensboro. The Juniors planted a pinwheel garden to increase awareness of the problem of child abuse.

Juniorettes- In 2010 there were 17 clubs with 562 members. Hannah Smith served as the 2010-2011 Juniorette President with her special project focusing on teen mental health awareness. In 2012 the NC Juniorettes celebrated their 50th Juniorette Jamboree at the State Arts festival. A fashion show fundraiser was held in commemoration. Haley Barefoot and Hannah Wallace were the state 2011-2012 Juniorette Co-Presidents with the theme, "Pay it Forward".

This administration saw the first change in many years at GFWC-NC Headquarters. A new Executive Director was hired and the office was moved to a better location. The GFWC-NC website was completely overhauled and updated and steps were initiated to make it more user friendly. The Juniorette Manual was distributed digitally for the first time as well.

The 2012 GFWC Annual International Convention was held in Charlotte, NC. This was the first time that NC had hosted a GFWC convention since 1958. Funds were needed to host such an event and GFWC-NC sold crown pins to North Carolina members and Tarheel pins to supporters around the country. Beverly Lassiter was the state's Convention Chairman and Ann Vipperman was the volunteer coordinator. Club women across the state were excited to help and attend the convention since many had never attended an international convention. Every District and many individuals donated a vast array of items for attendees to choose as part of their registration packet. Members worked the registration desk, planned and executed a fabulous State Night Banquet, collected NC items for the GFWC officers and special attendees, planned and organized decorations for all the banquets, hosted a special

dinner for the GFWC Executive Committee, donated special gifts, and welcomed club women from around the United States and the world. Southern Hospitality was quite evident! State night showcased NC seafood and NC music. NC silver was used to hold beautiful hydrangeas on the tables. Over 125 NC clubwomen wore black dresses and blue pashminas at the State Night event and were such an impressive sight! NC club members again rose to the occasion and NC shone! Way to go ladies! NC could not have been more proud!

The 2010-2012 was an Administration that saw a lot of change and many accomplishments. The GFWC-NC club women enthusiastically supported and worked on the fundraisers, projects and conventions of this Federation and many, many schoolchildren across North Carolina benefitted!

2012-2014

Crystal Sharpe O'Neal of Burlington, 2012-2014 GFWC-NC Director of Juniors, and the Junior Officers chose "Connected Through Service" as the administration's Junior Theme. GFWC-NC President, Wendy Carriker, and Crystal combined the State President's and Junior Director's Special Projects in an effort to fight food insecurity in North Carolina's children. "Feed the Future" was extremely successful and our club members, clubs, and districts united to provide over 17 million meals for children in 2012-2014.

NC Juniors have always been Advocates for Children who participate in international, national, state, and local efforts to keep children safe and well. In 2012, clubs donated toys, art supplies, and games to local pediatric medical facilities through "Juniors Care for Kids." In 2013, NC clubwomen participated in GFWC Pillowcase Project for children in crisis and the GFWC-NC statewide project to raise awareness of TV/furniture tip-overs in an effort to keep children safe at home.

Our Juniors worked with General and Juniorette clubs to ensure that our communities are safe, healthy, and educated. The NC Juniors completed 1,795 projects, volunteered 2,972 hours, donated \$107,493.10, and contributed \$61,349 in kind donations. Director Crystal O'Neal received the GFWC State Director's Award for 2012 and the incredible GFWC-NC volunteers received the GFWC Advocates for Children Award for BOTH years of the administration. By "Living the Volunteer Spirit," the Junior membership enriched and improved their lives and the lives of others – NC Juniors were truly "Connected through Service."

2014-2016

Juniors Unlocking Potential... Leadership, Membership, and Service was the theme for the Juniors of North Carolina during the 2014-2016 GFWC-NC Administration. Jennifer Jobe of Rural Hall was installed as the GFWC-NC Director of Junior Clubs at the 2014 Annual Convention held in Concord, North Carolina.

Once again the President and Director of Junior joined together for their Special project of Unlocking A Brighter Tomorrow. This combined North Carolina's love for children by continuing several of GFWC-NC's existing areas of work, including: supporting local children's feeding programs, food pantries, and backpack programs, promoting literacy programs, reading in the schools, and book donations, working with "Girls on the Run," and sponsoring and supporting the GFWC-NC Juniorettes.

Adding to GFWC-NC's current work to fight child hunger, address literacy concerns and provide mentoring guidance to young people, a new partnership with Communities In Schools of North Carolina (CISNC) will focus on expanding access to Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) resources in schools state-wide.

The Juniors of North Carolina, along with their Junior Officers, made great strides to help their communities, their Districts, their State, and their Federation with workshops, projects, and fund raisers.

2016-2018

The GFWC-NC Juniors felt strongly about combining the General and Junior theme of this administration into one collective theme by embodying the Collect for Clubwomen; "Grant that we may realize that it is the little things that create differences, that in the big things of life we are at one." While Juniors do enjoy their own special identity, we all identify first and foremost as Clubwomen. At this moment in time, we felt it appropriate to combine forces and support our statewide theme for

- *Denton, Gaynelle
Derrick, Mary
Deyo, Misty
Dixon, Amelia
Dixon, Marty
*Duff, Marian
- E**
Earp, Peggy
Easley, Mary
*Eddins, Virginia
Enzor, Rebecca
Elder, Mary
*Ellington, Dorothy
Elliott, Loretta
Elliott, Louise
Ellis, Lydia Hayes
Eplee, Mary
*Euliss, Ione
*Evans, Virginia
- F**
*Finch, Lucy
Folckomer, Sarah
Fowlkes, Julie
Frankow, Betty
Frazier, Jane Stoll
*Fulbright, Claudia
Fulcher, Kim
Fulper, Carolyn
- G**
*Gandy, Helen
Gardner, Catherine
*Gardner, Gertrude
Gardner, Marilyn
*Gerard, Virginia
Gibbs, Ruth Gill
*Gilbertson, Catherine
Glosek, Peggy
Godwin, Cindy
Grouley, Judy
Graham, Betty Ann
Graham, Leigh
Gray, Carrie
Greer, Joyce
Greeson, Sharon
*Groce, Nonnie
Grubbs, Katy
Guenther, Sharon
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Haire, Jodi
Hall, Betty
Hall, Bennie
*Hall, Ella
Hall, Janet
- 1982 Roanoke Rapids
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1982 Greensboro
1991 Burlington
- 1991 Selma/Clayton
2003 Southport
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1993 Oxford
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2011 Youngsville
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- 1989 Rockingham
1985 Elizabeth City
1983 N. Wilkesboro
1989 Fuquay-Varina
1985 Washington
1982 Greensboro
2000 Burlington
1996 Burlington
2001 Raleigh
2011 Goldsboro
1991 Forest City
1985 Salisbury
2010 Raleigh
1981 Lexington
1992 Raleigh
1982 Winston-Salem
1984 Winston-Salem
1995 N. Wilkesboro
- 1987 Charlotte
2017 Raleigh
1992 Mocksville
2020 Holden Beach
1988 Garner
2006 Statesville
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Hankins, Carolyn
Harwood, Gail
*Harmon, Sibyl
*Harper, Margaret
*Harris, Margaret
*Harris, Mary
Harris, Susie
Harris, Tull
Hatcher, Alice
*Haywood, Julia
Heile, Beth
*Hendricks, Ruby
*Henry, Juanita
Hewitt, Cindy
*Hewitt, Nell
Hill, Julie
*Hinnant, Kathleen
Hobbs, Alice
*Hodgman, Alberta
Hoffman, Faye
Hoffner, Cindy
Holoman, Debbie
*Holoman, Kaye
*Holt, Florence
Honeycutt, Jennifer Harris
*Hooks, Mildred
Hoover, Frances
*Hopkins, Christina
*Hopson, Myrtle
*Horn, Dorothy
Horn, Martha
Horton, JoAnn
*Howard, Wava
Huffines, Margot
*Hunt, Ruth B
Huntley, Rosemary
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1998 Charlotte
2001 Glen Alpine
1979 Kinston
2001 Outer Banks
2001 Fuquay-Varina
1987 Zebulon
1982 Salisbury
2013 So. Brunswick
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1981 Elizabeth City
2008 Kannapolis
2005 Raleigh
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2014 Henderson
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1993 Mocksville
2012 Pilot Mountain
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1999 Raleigh
1997 Thomasville
1982 Troy
- 1985 Lexington
1998 Charlotte
1995 Burlington
2008 Burlington
- I**
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Ipock, Debbie
Isley, Joanna
Isley, Ruth
- J**
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*Jackson, Garnette
*Jeffcoat, Sarah
Jennings, Dottie
Jernigan, Hilda Grey
Jobe, Jennifer
Johnson, Andie
Johnson, Molly
Johnson, Patty Jo
*Johnson, Pauline
Johnson, Peggy
Johnstone, Elizabeth
*Jones, Madeline
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1986 Dunn
1985 Burlington
2006 Elizabeth City
2012 Burlington
2011 Winston-Salem
2008 Henderson
1987 Thomasville
2013 Clayton
1983 Selma
1991 Dunn
1992 Mocksville
1982 Hamlet

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*Junker, Jessie 1992 Mocksville
 Jung, Alisa 2007 Burlington

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Kellett, Jane 1981 Greensboro
 Kelly, Gail 1988 Mocksville
 *Kenney, MarthaLouise 1988 High Point
 Ketter, Amy 2011 Greensboro
 King, Mary Etta 2006 Burlington
 *Kirkman, Jewel 1982 Greensboro
 Kirkman, Phebe 2012 Winston-Salem
 Klein, Barbara 2000 Albemarle
 Kolstad, Cathy 2005 Wilkesboro
 Kontos, Martha 1994 Pfafftown
 *Koontz, Sara 2007 Burlington

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Lamb, Ann 1980 Outer Banks
 Lambdin, Barbara 1994 Fuquay-Varina
 Lane, Shannon 2012 Pilot Mtn.
 Lane, Beth 2006 Raleigh
 Lancaster, Maratha 1988 High Point
 Landis, Ann 2012 Holden Beach
 Larson, Margaret 1987 Burlington
 Lassiter, Beverly 1996 Charlotte
 Lavinder, Linda 2000 Statesville
 Laws, Gladys 2004 Burlington
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 Lee, Elizabeth 2002 Wilmington
 Lee, Teresa 1979 Wilmington
 *Lentz, Mary 1985 Burlington
 *Lewis, Carol 1982 Gastonia
 Lewis, Frances 2004 Raleigh
 Lewis, Glenna 1984 Burlington
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 Little, Linda 2002 Raleigh
 Lloyd, Dottie 1994 Lenoir/Caldwell
 Lockamy, Ginger 1990 Raleigh
 *Long, Rochelle 1987 Zebulon
 Lowe, Ann 2015 Winston-Salem
 *Luck, Dot 2003 Oriental

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McLean, Jennifer 2018 Raleigh
 *McIntosh, Brownie 1981 High Point
 Maddrey, Libbey 1984 Eden
 *Maddrey, MabelClaire 1978 Raleigh
 Mahl, Pat 1995 Wilmington
 Maness, Dora Ann 2008 Carthage
 *Mann, Lisa 1989 Zebulon
 *Mann, Margaret 1983 Greensboro
 Marcott, Linda 1982 Greensboro
 Martin, Helen 1987 High Point
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 *Massey, Vivian 1987 Zebulon
 *Mathews, Mary 1984 Thomasville
 McAuley, Betty 2002 Huntersville

McGonigle, Myra 2014 Mocksville
 McConnell, Carol 1987 Greensboro
 *McCray, Bea 1986 Lexington
 McGowan, Nancy 2009 Wilmington
 McLellan, Jeanne 1990 Winston-Salem
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 McPhaul, Julene 1990 Raleigh
 Meek, Nancy 1990 Hickory
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 *Mendenhall, Martha 1981 Raleigh
 Mills, Alane 2012 Spencer
 Mitchell, Jane 1983 Zebulon
 Moell, Ann 2002 Fuquay-Varina
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 *Moore, Polly 1982 Henrietta
 Morris, Laura 2015 Winston-Salem
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 *Mullis, Christine 1992 Zebulon
 *Musselman, MaryLou 2006 Mocksville
 *Myers, Gerturde 1983 Ahoskie
 Myers, Rita 1988 Ahoskie

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Nagel, Betty Jo 2013 Winston-Salem
 Napier, Jacqueline 1988 High Point
 Nelson, Margaret 1989 Thomasville
 *Newsom, Essie 1979 Star
 Newsome, Dot 2002 Ahoskie
 Newton, Ida 2013 Wilmington
 Nichols, Margaret "Peggy" 2017 Winston-Salem

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O'Neal, Crystal Sharpe 2012 Burlington
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 Oliver, Eleanor 1996 Raleigh
 Osburne, Ann 2003 Burlington
 Owen, Elette 2012 Mocksville

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Pappert, Lori 2004 Charlotte
 Parker, Kelly 2007 Wilmington
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 Patterson, Ellen 2000 Charlotte
 Patton, Susan 2006 Raleigh
 Pearce, Kim 1991 Fuquay-Varina
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 Pike, Kathy 2012 Burlington
 *Pippin, Ethel 1992 Zebulon
 Powell, Jonette 1991 Spencer
 *Powers, Martha 2007 Lexington
 Pressel, Leslie 1986 Raleigh

Price, Norma
Price-Ferrell, Janet
Privette, Jenny W
Privette, Sonia
*Proctor, Joanna
*Purser, Jane

1988 Asheville/Forrest
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1999 Fuquay-Varina
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Q

Query, Carol

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R

Radar, Viola
*Rankin, Katie
Ratliff, LeAndra
*Rains, Clarice
*Rand, Elizabeth
Ray, Hilda K
*Ray, Louise
Reid, Ann Seifert
Richards, Jennifer
Richie, Helen
Riddle, Cam
Rigouard, Jessica
Rigsbee, Julie
Ritchie, Elizabeth
Roberts, Jeannine
Roberson, Patricia
Roberston, Ree
Rollins, Marilyn
Rose, Ruth
*Ross, Eva
*Rudd, Amy
Russ, Polly
*Russell, Wanda

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Safriet, Marian
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Sapp, Mary Carol
Sawyer, Barbara
Sawyer, Jennifer
Scott, Esther
Schiavone, Peggy
*Seay, Louise
Sechrist, Linda
Secret, Emma Dora
Seiler, Lori
Shamel, Marlene
*Shearin, Helen T.
*Shuford, Vera
Simmons, Anne
*Singleton, Lolene
Slate, Rachel
Slovacek, B.J.
Smith, Daphne
*Smith, Dot
Smith, Ginny
Smith, Sharon

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Smith, Sharon P
*Spicer, Ruth S
Spoon, Beth
Stadler, Doris
Starling, Priscilla
Stead, Helen
Stephens, Betty Jo (BJ)
*Stephenson, Emma Gay
Stevens, Melanie Carriker
Stewart, Shari
Stilley, Anita
Stone, Sue
Stoutenburg, Susie
*Sullivan, Dorothy
*Sutton, Helen
Sykes, Ginny

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*Tart, Eunice
*Terrel, Elizabeth Y
*Thatcher, Della
Thompson, Sara Barefoot
*Thompson, Virginia
Throckmorton, Karen
*Thorton, Vera Lee
*Tilghman, Meda
Tobert, Betty
*Tomlin, Doris
Turner, Audrey
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Tysinger, Penny

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VanDerwerken, Toni
*Van Horn, Jessie
*Vaught, Grace
Vipperman, Ann
Volk, Barbara

1990 Lincolnton
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Waggett, Charlene
Wallace, Stephanie
Ware, Linda
Warren, Gay
Watts, Carol
Weathers, Betty
Welborn, Angell
*Welch, Marion
Wells, Lou
*West, Genevieve
West, Josephine
White, Gwen
*Whitener, Mary K
*Whitley, Nelle
*Whitley, Thelma
Wilder, Peggy
Williams, Angela
Williams, Elaine

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Wilson, Laura	2015 Wilmington
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*Wishon, Mildred	1981 Hickory
Wolfe, Julie	2016 Holden Beach
Wood, Michelle	2004 Raleigh
Woodley, Jean	2015 Clayton
Woodlief, Ellen	2000 Youngsville
*Worth, Olive	1978 Raleigh
*Worth, Pam	1996 Raleigh
Worth, Susan	2017 Winston-Salem
Wrage, Pam	2005 Zebulon
Wyly, Ruby	1994 Hickory

Y

*Young, Nelle	1981 Glen Alpine
Youngblood, Jessie	2001 N.Mecklenburg

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