

GFWC Report Form Annual Reporting Period: January 1 - December 31

1. REPORT SUBMITTED BY (SELECT ONLY ONE):

Club District State

2. TELL US ABOUT YOUR CLUB/DISTRICT/STATE:

Date: March 31, 2008

Name of Club: _____ City/Town: _____

General Junior Juniorette

District #/Name: _____

State Federation: GFWC of South Carolina

Number of Members: 1546 in club district state

3. TELL US ABOUT THE PERSON WHO PREPARED THIS FORM:

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4. TELL US WHAT YOU DID ...

- Adhere to all 2006-2008 GFWC Reporting Guidelines (see Guidelines in Club Manual)
- Activities listed in GFWC programs/projects should be reported in the appropriate program/project area on the chart below.
- Activities not listed in GFWC programs should be reported in the program/project area which most closely relates.
- **Narratives are optional but may enhance chances of recognition.**
- If you submit a narrative description of your project/activities, please check the "narrative enclosed" box for that program area and attach the narrative to this Report Form.
- Narratives may not exceed two pages (clubs) or three pages (states) and must be typewritten/single-spaced.
- **No cross reporting permitted.**

2006-2008 GFWC ADMINISTRATION		Number of Programs/Projects	Number of Members Participating	Volunteer Hours	Dollars Donated	Narrative Enclosed?
President's Special Project	Domestic Violence	97	870	2207	53241	✓
Juniors' Special Project	Advocates for Children	54	578	1847	57067	✓

Department	GFWC Program	Number of Programs/ Projects	Number of Members Participating	Volunteer Hours	Dollars Donated	Narrative Enclosed?
Arts	Arts in the Community	156	911	7740	32544	✓
Conservation	Beautification	45	401	715	8130	✓
Conservation	Resource Conservation	107	614	3412	7201	✓
Education	Literacy	73	582	4055	22,782	✓
Education	Lifelong Learning	140	865	5243	73,929	✓
Home Life	Helping Hands	232	980	5746	209,062	✓
Home Life	Dollars and Sense	27	308	169	29	✓
Home Life	Women's Health	151	909	7099	46,596	✓
Int'l Affairs	Reaching Out Internationally	112	827	2752	34,733	✓
Int'l Affairs	United Nations	16	199	74	479	✓
Public Affairs	Citizenship	146	695	5474	168,623	✓
Public Affairs	Community Safety	74	537	1018	17,704	✓
Spec. Projects	Empowering Women	17	214	967	2851	✓



GFWC Special Projects

(To report activities in the following Special Projects please indicate that a narrative is attached by checking the appropriate box below).

- Fundraising
 Public Policy
 Leadership
 Public Relations
 Membership
 WHRC/Preserving Our Heritage

5. COPY YOUR REPORT FOR YOUR OWN CLUB/DISTRICT/STATE RECORDS

6. COPY AND SUBMIT YOUR REPORT TO THE FOLLOWING:

- CLUBS: One copy of this form (plus narrative if applicable) to the appropriate state chairman AND one copy to GFWC, Dept. P, 1734 N St., NW, Washington, DC 20036.
- STATES: One copy of this form (plus narrative) to the appropriate GFWC Chairman, postmarked no later than March 15 (annually).

Please accept our sincere THANKS for your participation in GFWC programs, projects and contests and, for TELLING US WHAT YOU DID! Please contact the Program Office at GFWC Headquarters with any questions.

GFWC SOUTH CAROLINA ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2008

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Number of Clubs as of 12/31/07: 62
Number of Clubs Reporting: 41
Number of Members as of 5/1/07: 1546

Number of Programs/Projects: 2,087
Number of Volunteer Hours: 96,952
Number of Dollars Donated: \$1,148,782

The theme for the GFWC-SC 2006-2008 Administration is *Building Better Communities.*

ARTS (Arts in the Community): 156 PROJECTS 7,740 HOURS \$32,544 DOLLARS

Aiken Woman's Club (Rachel Pirkle, 803-648-6748) sponsored the 21st Annual Midlands Very Special Arts Festival, which provides a creative outlet for athletes competing in the Special Olympics and piloted an monthly arts program at an area nursing home. The **St. Andrews Woman's Club** (Cathy Dixon, 803-732-2003) sponsors a Student Artist of the Quarter in cooperation with a local middle school. **Winnsboro Woman's Club** (Susan Yenner, 803-635-6963) raised monies to allow underprivileged children to attend theatre camp. **St. George Woman's Guild** (Dolly Infinger, 843-563-4917) held their 25th annual Clothesline Art Show for grades K-4-grade 5.

CONSERVATION: BEAUTIFICATION: 45 PROJECTS 715 HOURS \$8,130 DOLLARS;

RESOURCE CONSERVATION: 107 PROJECTS 3,412 HOURS \$7,201 DOLLARS

North Myrtle Beach Woman's Club (Pat Estep, 843-272-4190) provided and planted 223 landscaping plants for a Women's Build Habitat house. Three clubs recycled cans through the local fire station to help burn victims. Four clubs adopted sections of highway for cleanup. **Walhalla Woman's Club** (Julie Mahon, 864-944-9912) became politically involved with their city by lobbying the mayor and city officials to keep public land from being sold to a private developer.

EDUCATION: LIFELONG LEARNING: 140 PROJECTS 5243 HOURS \$73,929 DOLLARS;

LITERACY: 73 PROJECTS 4055 HOURS \$22,782 DOLLARS

Junior Woman's Club of Lexington (Jennifer Nicholson, 803-957-2237) organized a 2 month "school supply drive". They delivered 62 backpacks to area schools and the local parenting center. The **Junior Woman's Club of Rock Hill** (Misty Konow, 803-524-8072) held a Dr. Seuss part at the Children's Attention Home. **The Woman's Society of Batesburg-Leesville** (Lois Black, 803-532-5469), a club of 20, worked with area schools, raising over \$12,000 in scholarship donations and bought "big books" for children's programming.

HOME LIFE: HELPING HANDS: 232 PROJECTS 5746 HOURS \$209,062; DOLLARS & SENSE: 27 PROJECTS 169 HOURS \$29; WOMEN'S HEALTH: 151 PROJECTS 7,099 HOURS \$41,596 DOLLARS

Several clubs used the "Shingles", "Heart Truth" and "Stroke" kits in their clubs and communities. Most of the clubs are involved with Relay for Life, National Breast Cancer and Ovarian Cancer Awareness. **Saxe Gotha Woman's Club** (Terry Hutto, (803) 926-8726) initiated the first annual Todd Little Strike for Cure Bowling Tournament and donate \$32,500 in property/land to Habitat for Humanity. Twenty-four (24) of the clubs supported Habitat for Humanity. **Aiken Junior Woman's Club** (Paige Tiffany, 803-642-6993) raised \$48,000 to sponsor a Women Build Habitat House. Our clubs reached out to those in need to many organizations including Meals on Wheels, Nursing Homes, Homes and groups for the disabled, Salvation Army, State and private facilities for the needy, homeless and disadvantaged, Hospice, Child Development centers. Clubs held programs on identity theft and credit checks.

INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS: UNITED NATIONS: 16 PROJECTS 74 HOURS \$479 DOLLARS;

REACHING OUT INTERNATIONALLY: 112 PROJECTS 2752 HOURS \$34,733 DOLLARS

Clubs participated in UNICEF Trick or Treat projects, purchased UNICEF greeting cards, supported UNIFEM and donated monies. **Charleston Federation of Women's Clubs** (Jo Ann Bolchoz, 843-556-1606) supported Water Missions International that provides water purification systems to people in locations that need safe, clean water. **Winnsboro Woman's Club** (Lisa Cathcart, 803-635-9381) provided sewing notions, patterns and fabrics for a cottage sewing industry for women in Haiti. **Woman's Club of Columbia** (Virginia Beale, 803-781-0456) gave a \$4000 grant to Operation Smile. Our clubs provided food for World Food Day, funds for eye care, dental care, general medical care, clothing and food for children in Guatemala, the Ukraine and throughout the globe.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS: CITIZENSHIP: 146 PROJECTS 5474 HOURS \$168,023 DOLLARS;

COMMUNITY SAFETY: 100 PROJECTS 1742 HOURS \$36,782 DOLLARS

St. Andrews Woman's Club (Susan Dox, 803-749-1769) bought four bullet proof vests (\$2000) for law enforcement officers and donated to the local Secual Trama Center. **Lexington Woman's Club** (Joy Lind, 803-359-5163) gave each member a fresh smoke detector battery at the October meeting and raised \$135,000 for a center dedication of Heroes and Legends that honors and memorializes veteran including two Navajo Code Talkers from WWII. **North Myrtle Beach Woman's Club** (Leslie Kuznick, 843-390-0541) fed 400 police officers during the Memorial Day Bikers Weekend and sent thirty boxes of goodies to two squads of deployed soldiers. **Woman's Club of Rock Hill** (Connie Zdenek, 803-366-9763) provided gifts, gift certificate and personal items to needy veterans. **Woman's Club of Columbia** (Virginia Beale, 803-781-0456) repaired, relocated and re-landscaped an old WWII monument. **Aiken Woman's Club** (Ann Steeper, 803-648-3385) persuaded local school districts to serve blue Jell-O in all the school

lunch programs the first Monday of April to increase awareness of children's safety and protection and continued their City Celebration of Character by honoring local children of character and providing the city with 35 Character Counts street banners.

GFWC PRESIDENT'S SPECIAL PROJECT: 97 PROJECTS 2,207 HOURS \$31,654 DOLLARS

Seneca Junior Woman's Club (Nina Chitty, 864-653-7608) chose a day in October to wear purple clothes and an 'Ask Me Why I'm Wearing Purple' button. Clubs invited speakers, raised money for shelters, donated books and supplies to shelters, purchased and used Domestic Violence US Postal stamps, and donated cell phones. **Seneca Junior Woman's Club** (Nina Chitty (864-653-7608) members attended a candlelight vigil for victims of domestic violence, raised money for Women Alive and Safe Harbor.

GFWC JUNIOR SPECIAL PROJECT: 54 PROJECTS 1,847 HOURS \$57,067 DOLLARS

Junior Woman's Club of Columbia (Carolyn Talbert, 803790-4265) provides fundraising for the Palmetto Place Children's Emergency Shelter that serves close to 500 children a year. One club redecorated all eight bedrooms in a local shelter. **Seneca Junior Woman's Club** (Trena Alexander, 864-882-9251) completed fifteen projects for child advocacy ranging from their annual Sweetheart Ball that benefited a shelter for children to promoting April as Prevent Child Abuse Month and handing out blue ribbons to members of the community. **Hillcrest Juniores** (Alex Snow, 843-) assisted with a "Snow Day" where they helped their local community recreation department provide snow to children who have never seen snow.

EMPOWERING WOMEN: 17 PROJECTS 967 HOURS \$2,851 DOLLARS

Woman's Society of Batesburg-Leesville (Lois Black, 803-532-5469) presented a program on Empowered Women to the local Wal-Mart employees. **Junior Woman's Club of Rock Hill** (Misty Konow, 803-524-8072) donated money to the Keystone Substance Abuse Center to encourage women to remain "clean" and drug free. **Easley Junior Woman's Club** (Kim Welborn, 864-859-2917) held an Empowering Women workshop for incoming officers and chairmen. **Charleston Federation of Women's Clubs** (Jo Ann Bolchoz, 843-556-1606) established a Woman of the Year Award which recognizes women who have contributed a minimum of twenty-five (25) years service with the community.

FUNDRAISING: 107 PROJECTS 24,125 HOURS \$352,941 DOLLARS

Lake Murray-Irmo Woman's Club (Meredith Fields, 803-407-2716) raised \$9,899 at their booth at the Okra Strut Festival where they sold fried okra, bottled water and cookbooks. **Woman's Club of Rock Hill** (Connie Zdenek, 803-366-9763) held their 19th annual "Bridal Fair" but changed the event to "Celebrate 2007" which information for proms and weddings. **Aiken Junior Woman's Club** (Paige Tiffany, 803-642-6993) participated in a used item sale called Bloomingdeals. They also developed a booklet to help members raise money over the summer. **Aiken Woman's Club** (Ann Steeper, 803-648-3385) held their spring sample and share luncheon where each member prepared two different recipes and each guest received a cookbook. **St. Andrews Woman's Club** (Susan Dox, 803-749-1769) held their 26th annual Bridal Showcase with 109 merchants and raised over \$37,000.

MEMBERSHIP: 174 PROJECTS 9,382 HOURS \$22,757 DOLLARS

GFWC-SC clubs participated in the "Let's Build Something Together" and "Act in Oct" adding 75 new members to their rosters. State membership workshops were held at all state and district meetings to encourage retention and recruitment. A membership task force was formed to develop a plan to target areas of the state for new clubs. **Aiken Junior Woman's Club** (Paige Tiffany, 803-642-6993) held an annual club retreat to plan and prepare for the new club year. **Woman's Club of Rock Hill** (Connie Zdenek, 803-366-9763) held member appreciation socials on Lake Wylie. **Seneca Junior Woman's Club** (864-Trena Alexander, 864-882-9251) gave members annual appreciation awards and used monthly appreciation tokens. **Charleston Junior Woman's Club** (Susan Fletcher, 843-762-3361) presented a 'Palmetto Pin' to the outstanding member of the month. The pin was then passed to the next month's recipient.

LEADERSHIP: 240 PROJECTS 13,692 HOURS \$38,606 DOLLARS

GFWC-SC supports the GFWC LEADS Program and provides additional funding for our LEADS Candidate. Recognizing the importance of leadership, leadership has been emphasized during this administration. Leadership workshops have been held at each of our State Board meetings. Clubs have been encouraged to use the information gleaned from these workshops to conduct leadership workshops in their own clubs. **Saxe Gotha Woman's Club** (Terry Hutto, 803-359-1615) mentors members of a local Junior Club. **Aiken Junior Woman's Club** (Paige Tiffany, 803-642-6993) donated to Future Begins Now, an organization founded by Emanuel Lewis, whose mission is to enable youth to become successful entrepreneurs, educators, ambassadors and overall productive members in communities of the world.

PUBLIC POLICY/ADVOCACY: 25 PROJECTS 221 HOURS \$66 DOLLARS

Walhalla Woman's Club (Joy Waller, 864-638-2042) wrote letters to their legislation to share their environmental concerns about the overuse of plastic shopping bags. **Spartanburg Woman's Club** (Nota Ramantanin, 864-582-0788) has an active lobbyist who brings GFWC resolutions to the General Assembly of SC. **Jubilee Club** (Jolene Bryant, 864-579-2039) made 4 trips to the General Assembly of SC to lobby for education issues.

PUBLIC RELATIONS: 76 PROJECTS 682 HOURS \$1,354 DOLLARS

Junior Woman's Club of Columbia (Carolyn Talbert, 803-790-4265) used the internet website with links to GFWC and GFWC-SC., a club information pamphlet, and a monthly newsletter, *The Banner*, flyers, posters, bulk mailing of save-the-date cards and local radio advertising. **Foothills Woman's Club** (Kammie Lydick, 864-933-1710) used flyer about GFWC at every sponsored event, meeting dates and information in the local newspaper and on the Newcomers Club of Clemson website.

WOMEN'S HISTORY & RESOURCE CENTER: 18 PROJECTS 337 HOURS \$3,687 DOLLARS

Club histories and clubhouses were maintained by GFWC-SC clubs. Clubs held programs on Women's History and most clubs compile a scrapbook to maintain a record of their club year. **Jubilee Club** (Jolene Bryant, 864-579-2039) wrote, taped and mailed their oral history Interviews to the WHRC.



Habitat for Humanity®

GFWC-SC STATE PRESIDENT'S SPECIAL PROJECT

Habitat for Humanity, the GFWC-SC President's Special Project for 2006-2008, addresses the issues of low income housing in our State. The goals of the project are to increase awareness of the need to eliminate substandard housing by building simple, decent houses and build pride and self-respect within the partner homeowners while enabling our members to use their knowledge and skills to make a difference in the life of a low income family. The GFWC-SC goal for the 2006-2008 Administration was to raise \$100,000 or the equivalent of building two Habitat Houses. Not only did we build two houses, but we raised additional needed funds.

GFWC-SC clubs have embraced the GFWC-SC President Special Project, Habitat for Humanity. Clubs submitted reports in the *Habitat for Humanity* program reporting 96 projects, 2892 hours, and \$126,500 in contributions during the 2006 reporting period. **North Myrtle Beach Woman's Club** (Juliet Casper, 843-390-0541) organized the fundraising for a Women's Build Habitat House in North Myrtle Beach and provided and planted 223 landscaping plants. **Aiken Junior Woman's Club** (Paige Tiffany, 803-642-6993) raised \$48,000 to build a Women's Build Habitat House in Aiken, provided 50% of all the lunches for the workers and donated household goods for the "pounding". **Saxe Gotha Woman's Club** (Terry Hutto, 803-926-8726) donated property/land estimated at \$32,500 to Central SC Habitat. Clubs around the state worked on Habitat Builds, donated to and worked at Habitat Restores, enjoyed speakers at club meetings, held fundraisers for Habitat, prepared and served meals for Habitat crews, held monthly club raffles and donated over 800 pounds of nails at the 2007 convention. Again this year, clubs will be recognized for their efforts toward Habitat for Humanity at the Saturday evening banquet at our upcoming State Convention. Saturday has been declared GFWC-SC Service Day at Convention and club members are again asked to bring nails for a local habitat affiliate. It takes over 42,000 nails for each habitat house. A representative from Central SC Habitat will be a guest at the banquet to receive the nails. Richard Church, Executive Director of Aiken County Habitat for Humanity will be the keynote speaker.

Please describe any other significant accomplishments or improvements in your state. (This could include the institution of a state newsletter, a great media campaign; changes in meeting format or anything else you deem important)

- 1. Website Upgrade:** Our GFWC-SC.org website was updated and improved allowing club members to have access to forms and our state magazine in .pdf form.
- 2. Membership Task Force** was revitalized and is working on recruitment and retention of clubs and members. The task force has set forth a plan to develop clubs in underserved areas of our state and are redesigning the club federation manual.
- 3.** GFWC-SC joined the governor's **Women's Alliance**, an organization dedicated to improving the lives of women in South Carolina.
- 4.** The use of only the GFWC logo and discontinuing of the SC Federation logo.
- 5.** Bi-weekly emails to all club contacts, Board of Directors and officers with updates from GFWC and GFWC-SC.
- 6. Changes in 2007 State Convention:** (1) Convention began on Friday evening and ended on Sunday morning shortening the hotel stay by one night. (2) Convention GFWC-SC Day of Service was held on Saturday; (3) the third President's Reception for First Time Attendees and Club Presidents was held on Saturday; (4) Convention schedule for the first time included breakfast meetings.
- 7. 2008 State Convention:** (1) Convention will begin on Friday evening and end on Saturday evening. 2006-2008 Administration will meet on Sunday morning. (2) Convention GFWC-SC Day of Service will be held on Saturday; (3) the fourth President's Reception for First Time Attendees and Club Presidents will be held on Saturday; (4) Convention schedule will again include breakfast meetings. (5) 110th Anniversary High Tea to be held on Saturday afternoon. (6) District Silver Awards will no longer be awarded at state conventions; they will be awarded at District Conferences.
- 8. International Officers Visits:** International Director of Junior Clubs, Jeri Lyn Cancel attended our 2007 Winter Board meeting; International President-elect, Dr. Rose Ditto, attended our 2008 Winter Board meeting.
- 9. Clubwoman magazine:** Our state *Clubwoman* magazine was updated to include better paper, more consistent format and 4-part color. "Clubs in Action" and "Program Updates" became standard features. Our database of membership rosters was reviewed, updated and all duplicates eliminated, thus ensuring that club members would receive their magazine and reducing the cost to the state. All magazines were saved as .pdf files and added to the state website. This enabled members to have access to the magazine sooner and allowed them to print information from the magazine.
- 10. Executive Board:** The GFWC-SC Executive Board was eliminated during this administration. The leadership administration currently consists of an Executive Committee and Board of Directors. This change has saved the state organization money and time at each of its state meetings and has encouraged and enabled more participation of the Board of Directors.
- 11. Presidential Travel:** The state President traveled in excess of 14,000 miles over the roads of South Carolina attending club meetings, events, fundraisers and installations.
- 12. Workshops:** Leadership and Membership workshops were held at all state and district meetings during the 2006-2008 administration.

Submitted March 31, 2008