

GFWC WOMAN'S CLUB OF THE MIDLANDS

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER – JULY 2024



This month we celebrate our country's freedom. Living in the U.S.A. is a privilege, and one we should never take for granted. Saying the Pledge of Allegiance at the beginning of every club meeting is a great reminder. Our club has a heart for Veterans and for our country, and that makes me so happy. We may have varied opinions, political views, and religious beliefs, but I'm proud of the way we work together because we value our freedom to accomplish big goals and still have the right to our own beliefs.

My challenge for each of us over the summer is the following:

1. Be thinking of a friend or family member you'd like to invite to our Membership Outreach event in August. (see info on pg.2)
2. Begin memorizing the Club Collect. If you can memorize only the first few lines by the next meeting, that's a win!
3. Be thinking "outside the box" for unique projects we can do to increase our visibility & promote our GFWC mission in our community.
4. And of course, always "bee kind!"

Can't wait to see you all again! ~Linda Wagster

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HAVE YOU REGISTERED FOR GFWC-SC SUMMER BOARD YET?

Saturday, August 10th at the Hilton Garden Inn—Harbison

Registration info is in the June Clubwoman Magazine,
which you can find online at gfwc-sc.org.

Let's see if we can have at least TEN women from our club attend!
(And perhaps go to lunch together afterwards? Let's do it!)



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2024 NATIONAL DAY OF SERVICE
FOOD INSECURITY & HUNGER

SEPTEMBER 28, 2024

**WE'RE REGISTERED!
EMAIL YOUR IDEAS OF
A PROJECT
WE CAN DO TO:
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Next Club Meeting
Thursday, September 12th
6:30 pm
"B" Ave. Community Center

What to Bring

- ◆ A Friend!
- ◆ Ideas for Projects for: National Day of Service & Progress Foundation Grant

Living the Volunteer Spirit

Please Join Us For The WCOM Membership Outreach

Sweet Tea & Puzzle Event

Saturday
August 17th
11:00 am

Broadacres Baptist Church
2350 Taylor Road
Cayce, South Carolina



The event will include refreshments and sweet tea. We will be putting puzzles together so we can talk and have fun!

PUT ON YOUR THINKING CAPS!

Our September meeting will be here before you know it, and it promises to be jam-packed with plans for our new club year. Two items that will need our immediate attention (and vote) will be:

1. Project for GFWC National Day of Service (Sept. 28) focusing on hunger and food insecurity.
2. Ideas for Progress Foundation Grant (we will actually vote at the October meeting). Remember, this is for a large project that, if approved, the Foundation will give us funds for. Think big!



Some great ideas are already being tossed around, but we want YOURS as well! Keep your eyes and ears open for unique things that catch your attention which might fit into one of these areas. Again, don't be afraid to think "outside the box!"

**** Any ideas or suggestions you have for the National Day of Service—hunger and food insecurity projects—go ahead and start emailing to Linda Wagster at gfwcwcom@yahoo.com****



DO YOU KNOW WHERE OUR STATE HEADQUARTERS IS? HOW ABOUT OUR NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS?

OUR SC HEADQUARTERS IS AT 1511 LAUREL ST IN DOWNTOWN COLUMBIA. OUR NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS IS IN WASHINGTON, DC, AT 1734 N STREET NW.

BOTH ARE BEAUTIFUL HISTORICAL HOMES, IN WHICH MANY GFWC EVENTS ARE HELD. WHEN YOU GET AN OPPORTUNITY TO VISIT EITHER, DEFINITELY GO AND ENJOY THE BEAUTY & RICH HISTORIES.