

GFWC WOMAN'S CLUB OF THE MIDLANDS

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Hello! It is finally starting to feel like spring, but all the cold weather of the past few months didn't stop the Woman's Club of the Midlands from being active!



After a busy January, we hit the road running again on February 1st, meeting at a member's home to assemble bags of necessities for patients of Columbia's Free Medical Clinic. We had a great turnout, and were able to quickly put together 60

bags! Then we had time for some fun socializing with each other. Several new members stayed afterward for a time of Orientation.

In February, Caryn from the Free Clinic came to speak to us about their busy and much-needed organization. The 60 donated bags were given to her for their worthwhile cause.

On February 7th, we hosted our 3rd Annual Valentine's Dance at Glenforest School in West Columbia. Both kids and adults had a great time dancing, eating, and making crafts. The students got goodies to take home, and our club members took home many blessings!

We are in "Fundraising Season!" Not only will our regular spring shopping event with Gifts Galore take place, we have two new fundraisers this year as well. One involves doughnuts and



the other, Easter eggs. What could be more fun? In fact, we are so excited that one member had sold a Krispy Kreme BOGO card before she got home from the meeting! Let's really work on these cool fundraisers, so the money we earn can be used to do more projects to help others. See page 2 for details. (But hurry on the doughnuts, the deadline is drawing near!)

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DID YOU KNOW. . . That we, the Woman's Club of the Midlands, are celebrating 70 years as a club this year? We have a rich legacy of women who came before us and paved the way to make us one of the best clubs in GFWC! Our history includes two former GFWC-SC

Presidents, a GFWC Southern Region President, as well as many state, regional, district, and international level offices and positions. We can't wait to see where the next 70 years takes us! Happy Birthday to Us: **The GFWC WOMAN'S CLUB OF THE MIDLANDS!**

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Next Club Meeting

Thursday, March 13th
6:30 pm
West Cola. Community Center
754 "B" Ave, West Columbia

What to Bring

Your February Service/Donation
Worksheets
Optional Donations for Little
Libraries & MOR

It's Fundraiser Time... with the emphasis on "FUN!"



We may not be the Easter Bunny, but we are the **WCOM SPRING CHICKENS!** Let us come hide treat-filled plastic eggs sometime during April 6th-19th to surprise and thrill your kids, grandkids, nieces & nephews, or neighbors. When you register/pay, we will work with you to schedule a day and go over the particulars. Don't miss out on the fun! ***Orders taken through March 31st***

Contact us at gfwcwcom@yahoo.com, or talk to any club member to sign up.

GFWC Woman's Club of the Midlands EGG MY YARD Fundraiser



Twenty-five (24) eggs = \$25.00



Thirty-six (36) eggs = \$35.00



Forty-eight (48) eggs = \$45.00

The club women will hide plastic eggs, filled with candy and/or toys, in your front yard. (Prepay)
Egg delivery available within Lexington, Cayce, West Columbia, Columbia, and Irmo between April 6th – April 19th, 6PM – 9PM.

***HURRY* Pre-order**

Still time if you



**BOGO
FUNDRAISING
CARDS**



thru March 2nd!

\$25 for a 10x Buy dozen/get a dozen glazed free. Contact any club member or email us at gfwcwcom@yahoo.com



Don't Miss Our
Spring Shopping Event
at
Gifts Galore & So Much More!

**Wednesday, April 30th
4:00 pm to 7:00 pm*
170 Corley Mill Rd, Lexington SC**

One trip will get you ready for Mother's Day, graduation, and upcoming summer weddings and baby showers. For each purchase, Gifts Galore will generously donate a part of their proceeds to WCOM to help us keep serving our communities!



****You may shop earlier in the day, just be sure to mention the Woman's Club of the Midlands when you check out.***



What's Coming Up?

WCOM CLUB MEETINGS

Thursday, March 13th @ 6:30 pm

Thursday, April 10th @ 6:30 pm

Thursday, May 8th @ 6:30 pm

Location: 754 "B" Ave., West Columbia

GFWC Federation Day

April 24th

GFWC-SC Convention

April 25th—27th, 2025

Rock Hill, SC

All members of GFWC are encouraged to attend. Registration info will be in the March GFWC-SC Clubwoman Magazine, coming out soon.

GFWC Annual Convention

June 6th-9th, 2025

Atlanta, GA

For more detailed information and/or to register, go to gfwc.org (Registration closes April 30th.)

Reminder: Woman's Club of the Midlands Website is www.gfwcwcom.org

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We treated our adopted school, Oak Grove Elementary, with treats for the staff, and several members have already started reading on Fridays to Mr. Couch's 3rd-grade class. We will soon be working with Mr. Couch to provide materials needed for a session on bees, thanks to the generosity of the SCFWC Progress Foundation Grant we received.

Six members of our club (Jennifer C., Gale G., Patricia W., Allie H., Angie K., and Donna Z.) attended LEADS in February. They gave positive feedback of what they gained from the experience. We were so happy to be able to sponsor both current and future leaders in GFWC.



It's hard to believe we only have 3 more meetings this club year, wow, it has gone by fast! Yet we still have a lot to come, so don't miss any of it!



Looking forward to seeing you soon. Love our club!

~ Linda Wagster