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**GENERAL FEDERATION
OF WOMEN'S CLUBS**

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Club Life

MAY 2024

A Scrapbook of Club Activities



*Alone we can do so little,
together we can do so much.*
Helen Keller



The **GFWC Suburban Woman's Club** of Augusta celebrated their annual Spring Fling at beekeeper Deborah Sasser's home on May 1st. They learned lots and lots about bees, and an added benefit was a jar of honey. Afterwards, they enjoyed lunch at Edgar's Grill.



Members of the **GFWC Service Guild of Covington** took items to help restock the pantry at the Ronald McDonald House Charities, and they also gave a monetary donation.



The **GFWC Chickamauga Woman's Club** hosted the CHI Mobile Mammogram in downtown Chickamauga on May 2, 2024.



Make a craft, have your picture taken, and enjoy sweet tea and refreshments with your West Enders. Together we will also be able to provide personal family services.

When: May 4, 2024 from 10am to 12pm
Where: Sylvester Senior Center
(101 S. Main St.)

Refreshments will be provided for you to enjoy. We will also have a raffle for you to enjoy. We will also have a raffle for you to enjoy. We will also have a raffle for you to enjoy.

For more information contact Alice at 404-404-4044



The **GFWC Sylvester Woman's Club** sponsored a "Morning with Mom" on Saturday, May 4, 2024 at Sweet Caroline's. Moms and up to 2 children had a fun morning making crafts, having their picture taken, and enjoying refreshments. They also had a raffle for a Mother's Day Basket, loaded with pampering goodies. All proceeds from the event will benefit club projects and other non-profit organizations in the Sylvester-Worth County area.



The **GFWC Hartwell Service League** celebrated their 50th Anniversary on May 4, 2024. Past and current members and past and present presidents warmly welcomed special guests Hartwell City Mayor Brandon Johnson, Sonya Smith, Executive Director for Advancement at Tallulah Falls School, and 2022-2024 GFWC North East District President Barbara Brooks. Charter members Kay Cleveland and Sandra English received their 50-year pins. Awards, scrapbooks, newspaper clippings, and other mementos were displayed for all to see the impact the club has had on their community since 1974. Congratulations on 50 years of Service! Best wishes for continued success in serving Hartwell and Hart County.



next journey.

The GFWC Tifton Junior Woman's Club served dinner at the Called to Care Senior Banquet. They also gave each senior a Walmart gift card to help with their



Congratulations to the **GFWC Lilburn Woman's Club**. They received a plaque of appreciation from Minor Elementary School for volunteering at and support of the school.



The GFWC Dallas Woman's Club held their Mother's Day Tea on Sunday, May 5, 2024. Proceeds from the event will benefit the 1921 Project to restore their clubhouse.



The Environment CSP of the GFWC LaFayette Woman's Club added bees to their plant swap stand. They encourage everyone to stop by and swap a plant.



The GFWC LaFayette Juniors Club and their GFWC LaFayette Woman's Club and LaFayette High School sponsors.

Congratulations to the 2024-2025 Juniors Board and their LHS sponsors.





The **GFWC Stone Mountain Woman's Club** held a reception for their Garden Tour Home Owners as a thank you for allowing them to include their homes on their tour.

Five gardens are on the tour, scheduled for May 18.



On May 4, 2024, the **GFWC Morrow Civic Woman's Club** hosted a luncheon filled with fun, food, and fellowship to raise funds to assist their efforts in Advocacy for Women and Children and in Arts and Culture, Education and Libraries, Health and Wellness, Environment, Civic Engagement, and Women's History and Resource Center. There were Opportunities to win Baskets full of prizes. There were door prizes and special treats for those in attendance.



Several members of the **GFWC Brunswick Woman's Club** met the 8th-grade class of Tallulah Falls School at the St. Simons Grand Condos and welcomed them to the Golden Isles. The 53 students and 10 staff/chaperones arrived for the annual week-long coastal adventure of the 8th grade class. All enjoyed a pasta dinner catered by Del Sur Restaurant on St. Simons.



At their May Meeting, members of the **GFWC Vienna Woman's Club** learned about awards the club received at the GFWC Georgia Convention including the Lucy Willard 1734 Society silver award, the Sharon Carter Operation Christmas Child silver award, the Judine Heard Best Overall Civic Engagement silver award, and the Most Outstanding Project Award in the area of Advocates for Children. And they also enjoyed cheesecake!



GFWC Vienna Woman's Club members enjoyed another reunion lunch at 'Orleans in Perry with their former GFWC Georgia 3rd District sisters on May 8, 2024.



The Health and Wellness CSP of the **GFWC Lilburn Woman's Club** had fun making Mother's Day bouquets for the Brookside Stone Mountain residents. meeting.



Members of the **GFWC LaFayette Woman's Club** assisted at the annual Senior Citizens Day in LaFayette on May 7, 2024. Seniors from Walker County were treated to a free meal and entertainment.



Lerica Harris, South Coast Advocate for 100 Miles was the guest speaker at the **GFWC Brunswick Woman's Club** May meeting. Lerica was invited by the Environment CSP Chairman Lillie Smith to speak about the mission of One Hundred Miles -- to protect and preserve Georgia's 100-mile coast -- and the numerous advocacy, education, and citizen engagement programs to do so. From their efforts to save the Okefenokee Swamp to the Youth Environmental Leadership Program, 100 Miles is very active in coastal conservation.



On Monday, May 6, 2024, GA Governor Brian Kemp signed SB324, State Printing and Documents, a Victim-Centered Address Confidentiality Program! There to witness the event and to receive a signing pen was Lois Wolfe, GFWC Georgia Legislation/Public Policy Chairman and member of the **GFWC Morrow Civic Woman's Club**.

Many thanks to the club-women who answered Georgia's Call to Action through GFWC LAC, urging their state senators and representatives to sign this bill, which was sponsored by State Senator Kim Jackson of District 41.

Present for the signing was also Karimah Dillard, GCADV Director of Policy.



Members of the **GFWC Lilburn Woman's Club** assisted the VFW Post 9143 Auxiliary with another one of their Treats for the Troop packing events. The club prepared shipping labels for the boxes, some of which are headed for the local Georgia National Guard unit that is deployed.

Six members of the **GFWC Brunswick Woman's Club** joined the 53 8th graders and 10 staff/chaperones from Tallulah Falls School for a morning of service-learning at MAP International, a 70-year-old Christian organization that supplies needy areas of the world with medicines and basic supplies. Almost 2000 hygiene packs were assembled and packed by the club members, students, and staff, many of them going to the tornado-ridden areas of the Midwest.



May 7th. Each basket contained notebooks, pens, and pencil pouches with inspirational sayings.

The Education CSP of the **GFWC Hartwell Service League** delivered "thanks for teaching" baskets to Hart County's private preschool teachers in honor of National Teacher Day on

The **GFWC Bremen Junior Woman's Club** donated 15 new boxed fans to help Haralson residents stay cool this summer.





The **Atlanta Woman's Club** installed new officers and CSP committee chairmen at their meeting on May 13, 2024. The new 2024-2026 Officers are: President: Peggy Pruett, 1st VP: Darlene Kimmes, 2nd VP: Ann Hazzard, Treasurer: Judy Reece, Asst. Treasurer: Judine Heard, and Recording Secretary: Melissa Bernadel.

The 2024-2026 Community Service Programs Chairs are: Arts & Culture, Lynn Brentnall, Civic Engagement & Outreach, Jennifer Spivey, Education & Libraries, Maria Krane, Environment, Ursula Reynolds, Health and Wellness, Barbara Washburn & Isabel Urrutia. Congratulations to all. And a special thank you to outgoing President Connie Morris.



The **GFWC Locust Grove Woman's Club** installed their new officers for 2024-2026 at their May meeting.

Congratulations Tiffaney, Marianne, Layne, Alison, and Betty!



The **GFWC Service Guild of Covington** celebrated their achievements and a successful year of service to our community with a Derby themed luncheon at their May 13th meeting. Joining them were Sheila and Nicole from the GFWC Lawrenceville Woman's Club.

Winners of club's silver awards (based on the body of work for 2023) were :
 Club Woman of the Year - Anla Etheridge
 Spirit - Donna Little Sneed
 Club Officer - Laurie Riley
 Community Service - Donna Snned
 Outstanding Dept. - Health and Wellness (Becky Ison-Savage Chair)

And they celebrated that Peggy Hawley has been a member of GFWC for 30 years!!



The **GFWC LaFayette Woman's Club** held its Spring Luncheon on May 13, 2024. Club Appreciation Awards and State and District Awards were handed out to Club Members and the Juniorettes.

The prestigious Club Appreciation Award, chosen by the members of the club, was awarded to three members: Marilyn Fulmer, Dianne Dotson, and Alicia Reagan, for their commitment and dedication to the club.

Used shoes were also collected for the LaFayette High School Beta Club.



The **GFWC Tifton Junior Woman's Club** held a Socks & Underwear Drive for Called to Care to help restock their supply. Through the efforts of their members, friends, and community members, they were able to do so!



Members of the **GFWC Cochran Woman's Club** welcomed guest speaker, Laurie Martin of WINGS in Dublin, to their May meeting. WINGS is state-certified family violence program that provides a range of services, including a twenty-four hour crisis line, emergency shelter, legal advocacy, weekly support groups, and monthly family activities for the primarily rural seven-county service area (Laurens, Bleckley, Dodge, Johnson, Telfair, Wilcox, Wilkinson).

Club members also assembled goodie bags for the residents with things to hopefully brighten their day.



The **GFWC Reynolds Woman's Club** introduced their newly-elected officers for 2024-2026 at their May picnic. Officers are: President—Becky Forbes, First VP—Sharon Harvey, Second VP—Nicole Acree, Secretary—Katie Fountain, and Treasurer—Libby Bond.

Also recognized were the men behind the club members who provide necessary muscle and support for their various tasks and events.



In May, the **GFWC Tifton Junior Woman's Club** awarded five leadership scholarships, worth \$1,000 each, to students from Tifton County High School and Tiftarea Academy. The club raised money for these scholarships from their Glow Run in November each year.



In early May, the **GFWC Dawson County Woman's Club** awarded four outstanding students of Dawson County High School with scholarships.



The Civic Engagement and Outreach CSP Committee and club members of **GFWC Stone Mountain Woman's Club** provided summer snacks to the police officers and firefighters of Stone Mountain and Tucker for them to enjoy as they work hard keeping the communities safe this summer.



GFWC Sylvester Woman's Club members attended Worth County High School's Senior Honors Night and presented three scholarships. Each senior was awarded \$1,000 to use

towards their college tuition.



The **GFWC Covington Woman's Club** was blessed by the generosity of the team of Sweet Magnolias Netflix, who are using their clubhouse to film portions for the series. The club was surprised with new plexiglass that surrounds the stained glass windows. The old plexiglass was old and yellow and prevented the view of the clubhouse.



The **GFWC Dunwoody Woman's Club** had their end of the season luncheon at the Dunwoody Country Club on May 18, 2024.

Joining them were the three handsome scholarship winners along with their families.

Awards were presented to the club winners from district and convention. A health and wellness group gave a short program

on women's health.



To celebrate National Police Appreciation Week and to show the local Dawson County Sheriff's Office a little bit of our thanks for everything they do, the **GFWC Dawson County Woman's Club** donated to the Shop with a Cop program and gave a big basket of snacks to grab on the go. We remembered all of our School Resource Officers, as well with snacks.



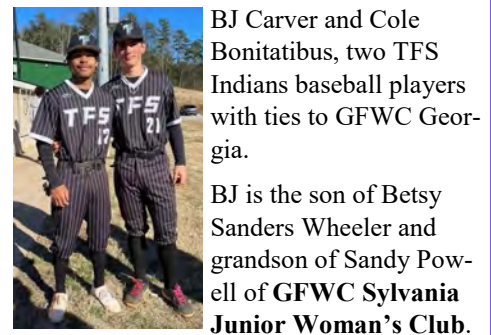
The **GFWC Reynolds Woman's Club** sponsored "Poetry in the Park" in May for Taylor County Middle School students to showcase their artistry.



On Saturday, May 18, 2024, the **GFWC Stone Mountain Women's Club** held their Art of Nature Garden Tour featuring five lovely gardens in the Stone Mountain/Smoke Rise area.



The **2024-2026 Membership Committee** held a Membership Retreat at Lipscomb Cottage during the May 18th weekend.



BJ Carver and Cole Bonitatibus, two TFS Indians baseball players with ties to GFWC Georgia.

BJ is the son of Betsy Sanders Wheeler and grandson of Sandy Powell of **GFWC Sylvania Junior Woman's Club**.

Cole is the son of Tonya Bonitatibus of **GFWC Augusta Woman's Club**.

