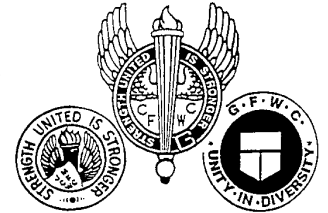


# GFWC-CFWC JUNIORS E-News



## Calendar of Events

- **October 21, 2006**  
AREA A Conference-Ukiah
- **October 28, 2006**  
AREA B Conference- Solvang  
**Make A Difference Day**
- **November 4, 2006**  
AREA C Conference-Santa Monica
- **February 8-11, 2007**  
CFWC Executive Board Meeting  
San Francisco
- **Feb/Mar 2007**  
GFWC President's Tour to China
- **March 16-18, 2007**  
Junior Retreat in LaCrescenta
- **May 3-6, 2007**  
CFWC Convention-Sacramento
- **May 5, 2007**  
Junior Annual Meeting- Sacramento
- **June 8-11, 2007**  
GFWC Convention-Philadelphia
- **July/Aug 2007**  
GFWC President's Tour to Italy
- **August 10-11, 2007**  
CFWC Executive Committee-Irvine
- **September 6-9, 2007**  
GFWC Board of Directors Meeting  
San Antonio
- **September 20-23, 2007**  
CFWC Executive Meeting-San Jose
- **September 28-30, 2007**  
Western States-Bozeman, Montana
- **October 6, 13, 20, 27, 2007**  
AREA Conferences
- **February 21-24, 2008**  
CFWC Executive Board Meeting  
San Diego
- **May 1-4, 2008**  
CFWC Convention-Irvine
- **June 27-July 1, 2008**  
GFWC Convention-Chicago

October 2006

## *from the Junior Director*

Dear Juniors,

The GFWC Board of Directors meeting was a great experience and I believe "time well spent". I attended the Junior meeting and was asked to share my vision and goals for the Juniors of California. I would like to share a portion of my report with you....

*"Our Vision for California Juniors is to retain and build the Junior membership in our state. I have chosen "A New Chapter for California Juniors" as my theme and my personal goals for this administration are to build a leadership ladder within the Junior membership and promote Advocates for Children within the entire California Federation.*

*We took our first step to accomplish these goals by becoming a Junior Section of GFWC/CFWC in May 2006. Juniors now belong to a General District and receive all GFWC and GFWC/CFWC communication from their District Board. We no longer duplicate Department Chairman efforts by having both Junior Chairmen and General Chairmen in the same position...but Juniors still have the opportunity to volunteer as a District or State Chairman if they choose. (This administration, I am serving as Advocates for Children Chair...and my endorsed project is Foster Care).*

*Juniors will continue to meet annually without the time commitment of planning our own Junior Convention. We will honor our Juniors and take care of business during a Junior Annual meeting that will now be held during the Annual GFWC California Federation of Women's Clubs Convention".*

I've included in this E-News highlights from GFWC that I thought you might find interesting. Keep an eye out for more information at your next District Meeting.

In federation,

*Linda*

# Federation Activities

## Updates & Reminders

### 1. **UPDATE FROM GFWC BOARD MEETING- September 7-10, 2006**

#### **#A. Attention all Juniors!!**

#### **Your recommendation is needed!!**

As you probably know, GFWC (General Federation of Women's Clubs) is the best know secret. We're the oldest women's volunteer organization, but no one has heard of us. The diversity of our clubs is what makes us such a wonderful organization to belong to...each club volunteers in areas that are meaningful to its members. If our club members are passionate about the ARTS, we focus on arts projects. If our club members love education, we focus on libraries; literacy....But there lays the problem. GFWC does not have a primary focus...such as the Lions Club and their eyeglass project.

The GFWC Board of Directors has been given the task to recommend an "Identity Project" for consideration at the upcoming Region meetings and again at the next GFWC board meeting.

Specifically this project will:

- Promote organizational public awareness
- Provide consistency from one administration to another
- Provide uniformity among club activities
- Build member's pride in organization
- Ensure efforts are consistent with our mission

We do need an identity project.

Wouldn't it be nice if GFWC became a household word...and as a result help GFWC members receive the recognition from the community that they so justly deserve?

**Now this is where you come in.** What project/program do you think would

appeal to all clubs across the nation? Please, let me hear from you.

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#### **#B The following recommendations were approved by the GFWC Board of Directors:**

##### 1. State Annual Report for publication...

I hope you noticed the CA Junior Director's recap in the GFWC Clubwoman back in the June/July 2006 issue of the GFWC Clubwoman. We voted "yes" on the recommendation to make this an official responsibility of the entire GFWC Board.

##### GFWC Website:

A NEW and Improved GFWC website is in the works. A survey was given to members this past year requesting our "wish list" for the website. We wanted to be able to:

1. Locate a Club
  2. Download material
  3. GFWC Newsletter on line with links back to the website for more information.
  4. Press and media section
  5. A secure site so we can include a Shopping cart to purchase GFWC items on line.
  6. A Members only section
  7. A Section for the 1734 Society
  8. On- line registration
  9. Interactive forms available
  10. LEADS (Leadership Seminar) information
  11. Grant information
  12. Club Manual
  13. Convention information
  14. GFWC Clubwoman
  15. Update the website frequently and design to enable members/guests to locate information easily.
- I'm happy to announce....we voted to "go for it all" and will contract with That Automated Graphic Systems, Inc (AGS)

to develop the new GFWC website with a total cost not to exceed \$60,000.

GFWC emblematic supplier-

If you have an "Award Crafters" Catalog on hand, you may want to "retire" the catalog. The GFWC Board voted to use a new GFWC emblematic supplier: Image Imprinting, Inc.

We will also have a new procedure for GFWC pins. The pins will be supplied by Plano Pins and will be handled through Headquarters. You will see the pins listed with the other GFWC items on the LAM (List of Available Materials). You can find this list in your GFWC Club Manual or at [www.gfwc.org](http://www.gfwc.org)

**#C- ABC Quilts-**

Did you know that the ABC Quilts Project has been absorbed by Project Linus and GFWC would like you to report all quilts, afghans donated to Projects Linus in "Arts in the Community".

**#D- Direct Mail fund raiser for GFWC**

Did you know that GFWC raised over \$800,000 since 1999 with Direct mailing? (You know... those mailing labels, greeting cards and the GFWC Calendar). Barton and Cotton is the company that has helped GFWC receive this money and they also came up with the idea for our "A Year in Pictures" Calendar. Look in the GFWC Club Manual under the Arts Department for Rules for the Contest. Clubs should send one photo to GFWC Headquarters, Attn: Calendar Contest by May 1, 2007 and 2008.

**#E- GFWC Day on the Hill**

On September 8<sup>th</sup>, the California Delegation (Tammy Guensler, Mary Sprague, Carol Lopez, Vicki Holden, Linda Bridges) met with the staff at both Senator Feinstein and Senator Boxer to voice our support on two issues of national importance to GFWC-

- Full funding of the 2005 reauthorization of the Violence Against Women Act

- Support passage of the Elder Justice Act.

***Keep abreast of national issues by joining the GFWC Legislative***

***Network.*** Since 1890, members of the General Federation of Women's Clubs have rallied as community-based advocates on issues of national importance. Throughout the years, Federation advocacy has garnered results including child labor laws, women's suffrage, pure food and drug statutes, guaranteed rights for people with disabilities and sensible gun control. The GFWC Legislative Network (LegNet), an interactive network, advances and supports the Federation's impact on national policy by creating an effective communication and advocacy link between Congress and GFWC members. Participation includes letter writing, telephone calls, visiting legislators, community events or local coalition building. Advocacy communication educates members on national policy issues and facilitates grassroots action. LegNet is available on-line and is being sent by e-mail. To join, please visit: [www.gfwc.org](http://www.gfwc.org) or send your name, email address, club/district, street address/city/state/zip, telephone/fax # to:

GFWC Headquarters  
1734 N Street, NW  
Washington DC 20036.2990

**2. GFWC California Federation of Women's Clubs (GFWC/CFWC) WEBSITE- TO HAVE A COMPLETE NEW LOOK...**

The "Junior Section" will have a page on the website. Please let Linda Bridges know if you have suggestions as to what you would like to see included on our page...and if your Club has a website, please let her know. Email information to: [LIN1326@aol.com](mailto:LIN1326@aol.com)

## Junior Clubs with websites:

**\*\*Please email Linda  
([LIN1326@aol.com](mailto:LIN1326@aol.com)) with your  
club's website address**

Area A-

Area B-

Lafayette-Suburban Junior Women's Club  
[www.lafayettejuniors.org](http://www.lafayettejuniors.org)

Area C-

San Clemente Junior Women's Club  
[www.scjwc.org](http://www.scjwc.org)

Westlake Village Junior Woman's Club  
[www.westlakejuniors.org](http://www.westlakejuniors.org)

Area D-

Contemporary Women of North County  
[www.cwonc.org](http://www.cwonc.org)

### **3. First Annual Junior Retreat**

**SAVE THE DATE  
March 16-18, 2007  
LaCrescenta**

### **4. Report writing NEW Procedure**

You'll be receiving your 2006-08 GFWC/CFWC Procedure/Yearbook from your District President in the very near future. Check out pages 137-148 for General Information on Reporting your projects and membership activities. Each District sets it's own deadline for these reports...

**but Junior Clubs, please *don't forget to send a complete copy of your GFWC Statistical Report (and narratives) to the Junior Director by February 1<sup>st</sup>***

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Escondido, CA 92026**

### **Why Report?**

- Reports are a "diary" of the club's activities during the year, providing a picture of the achievements of the group and the accomplishments of individual members.
- Reports are the heart and soul of a club's history, reflecting the concerns

and interests of club members at a particular point in time and over time.

- Reports are the basis of a publicity campaign, illustrating what the group is doing at the moment.
- Reports help future club members plan activities, knowing what was or wasn't successful in the past
- Reports are useful for membership efforts, allowing potential members to gain a realistic picture of the club's purpose.
- Reports are necessary to compete for recognition and awards on the district, state and international levels of GFWC.
- Reports provide critical statistical information to help GFWC procure financial support from foundations and corporations.
- Reports assist clubs when writing grants as they provide the history of the club's activities that is needed.

### **5. Club Bulletins/Newsletters**

**Please email or "snail" mail your club newsletter to the Junior Director and the GFWC/CFWC Public Relations Chairman:**

Chris Herzog  
8974 Westhill Road, Lakeside, CA 92040  
[cherzog@nethere.com](mailto:cherzog@nethere.com)

### **6. Don't forget to include District Dues in your budget for 2007-08...**

Totals, per capita...

- GFWC International Dues \$14.00
- GFWC/CFWC State Dues \$ 2.50
- District Dues (check with your individual District for 2007-08 amount) \$\_\_\_\_\_
- Junior Club Dues \$10.00

You'll be receiving the 2007-08 DATA Blank from your District Treasurer early in 2007. It will look very similar to the Junior Data Blank you have received in the past. Deadline will be set by your District. Any questions, please don't hesitate to call/email Linda Bridges:  
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**AREA-DISTRICT MEMBERSHIP**

**Area A- Vineyard District**

St. Helena

**Area B-Mount Diablo District**

Manteca

Moraga

Lafayette-Suburban

Orinda

Pleasanton-Livermore

**Area B-Kern District**

Wasco

**Area C-Marina District**

Playa Del Rey

El Segundo

Westchester

**Area C- Sierra Cahuenga District**

Westlake Village

**Area C-San Gabriel District**

LaCrescenta

Walnut

Whittier

West Covina

**Area D-DeAnza District**

Blythe

Hemet

**Area D-Orange District**

Orange

San Clemente Juniores

San Clemente

El Camino Real

**Area D-Palomar District**

Contemporary Women of North County

Carlsbad

**Area D-San Bernardino District**

Montclair-Ontario

San Bernardino

Redlands

Hi Desert Juniores

Hi Desert

**Area D-San Diego District**

Mira Mesa

San Diego Juniores

**Area D-Southern District**

East County

Coronado