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Club Chatter

Volume 2021, Number 4

April 2021



From Our President

Betsy Grannis

It looks like March is going out like a lamb (hopefully!) Now we make way for those **April** showers to bring our May flowers. I think we have had enough rain in March to do the trick, but we will just see what April brings.

April is bringing lots of activity for our club! We have the **Easter Egg Hunt at the Garden** on the first Saturday in April. Rachel and the Environment CSP and crew are working very hard to put together a really fun day for kids and adults alike. The Easter Bunny will be attending our event! Please help get the word out to your neighbors and friends to come on out and enjoy all the activities from 11am - 4pm that day!

Nancy Maynard and the Health and Wellness CSP are heading up the effort to plant some **Pinwheel Gardens** around town to raise awareness for Child Abuse Prevention month. Keep your eyes open as you drive around town in April - I hear there may be a garden at Horne Square, at our clubhouse, at the Garden (while the Easter Egg Hunt is going on), and at some other possible locations. This project is in alignment with our GFWC-NC Junior Director's Special Project for children.

The second Saturday in April finds our whole club stretching quarters as far as we can - the goal being to reach a **Quarter Mile!**

We will be out at East Clayton Park and will be sponsoring lots more fun for kids and families. There will be two food trucks and an ice cream truck (yummy!!) and our Art CSP is providing our Little Picassos opportunity for young artists. Bring your friends, bring everyone you know, bring your moolah, and come on out!! Our event goes from 11am - 4pm. **Please help us reach our goal of collecting a Quarter Mile's worth of quarters.** You can do it by contributing dollars, as well! See how easy that is?!

Our April meetings on **April 14th and 15th** will be virtual once again. The Executive Board made the decision to keep our meetings virtual for April in the interest of safety for all of our members. Don't forget our **Federation Day** quiz to be held at our April meetings - you may want to review the information (hint! hint!). The program for our April meeting is presented under the President's Special Project and will be Elizabeth McCullough of the **Racial Equality Coalition**. As more and more of us are receiving our vaccinations, however, we will be having a **live, in-person meeting in May!!** As you may know, our May meeting is our business meeting so it is not open to guests. We



will be having our **Silent Auction**; and the meeting is hosted by the Executive Board. More about that in our May newsletter!

Our **GFWC-NC Convention** will also be held virtually on **April 16th and 17th**. Registration is required to participate and there is a registration fee. The **registration form and agenda** are attached to this newsletter or contact me and I will send you the link for meeting information.

As I said, we have a very busy month in April! As we move through all these different events, it feels like we are **emerging into the spring** - finally - the season of **hope and re-birth!** April will be not just a new month, but a new reality and so I leave you with this:





4/10 Catherine Lane
4/13 Lorraine Perri
4/15 Jo Howard
4/28 Peggy Earp



Trish Perna
Whose father passed away in Las Vegas. Our thoughts and prayers are with Trish and her family during this difficult time.



March Meeting Highlights

The **March meeting** was comprised of two Zoom sessions on March 10 at 11am and March 11 at 7pm. There were 19 participants at the day meeting and 7 participants at the evening meeting.

Sandy Nesselrode provided the devotion and blessing.

The program was arranged by the Environment CSP. Marshall Warren from the Johnston County Agriculture Extension Agency gave a presentation on the **Pollinator Garden** focusing on the activities that need to take place to complete and maintain the Pollinator Garden that will be planted at the library.

Highlights from the meeting:

- The **Executive Board** will discuss the format of meetings for the April and May meetings at their March meeting.
- **Angela Williams** will assume Parliamentary responsibilities for Susan Quinn.
- **Virtual "social" gatherings** are held the 4th Wednesday of each month at 10:30am.
- **Quarter Mile Fundraiser**—The fundraiser to be held April 10th at East Clayton Community Park. Sarah Brooks will be handling the publicity and will send flyers to members who are encouraged to print and distribute the flyers. Members

will also receive a list of volunteer opportunities to help with this event. The **Arts & Culture CSP** will operate a Little Picasso painting station during the event.

- **District 8** is trying to raise money for GFWC-NC. Each district was assigned a decade to highlight women from their decade as part of the **Elevating Women** theme. District 8 chose 3 female astronauts and members Cheryl Champion, Becky Stewart and Sharon Wilson dressed the part of the pioneering women and posed for pictures at the Johnston County Airport. The district that raises the most money will win a prize. Susan Johnson will be sending members more information regarding this fundraiser.
- **Nancy Maynard** reported that the Health & Wellness CSP will establish Pinwheel gardens to recognize Child Abuse Awareness Month. She is working with the town to determine the locations for the gardens.
- Angela Williams reported that the **Arts & Culture CSP** donated funds for the library to purchase 6 books on Arts and Culture.
- **Nancy Maynard** stated the club will donate \$200 to Holy Cross Lutheran for Backpack Buddies.
- Dianne Carroll reported that she talked with Jim Quinn and **Susan Quinn** is doing well at Smithfield Manor.

Environment CSP

Co-Chairs: Rachel Masimore, Trish Perna, Susan Quinn

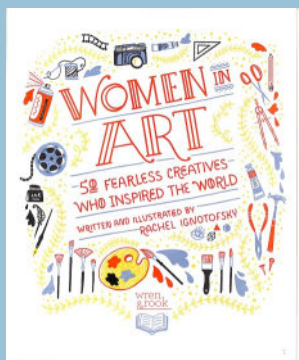


The Environment CSP spearheaded the planting of a **Pollinator Garden** at the library. The lovely stone path and preparation of the garden was done by the town. TWCC is responsible for planting and maintaining the garden.

The **worker bees** pictured left to right: Marybeth Bailey, Cecilia Soporowska, Trish Perna, Marlene Dillon, Rachel

Masimore, Susan Johnson, Betsy Grannis, Donna Steele and Librarian, Joy Garretson.

Pictured at left is Peggy Earp who was planting pansies with Rachel Masimore at **Harmony Playground**—an Environment CSP project.



Arts & Culture CSP

Co-Chairs: Angela Williams, Faye Brooks, Dianne Carroll



The Arts and Culture CSP made a **donation of \$100 to the library**. With this money the library purchased the following books:

1. *The Complete Poetry* of Maya Angelou
2. *Georgia O'Keeffe* by Tanya Barson
3. *How to Love the World: Poems of Gratitude and Hope* by James Crews
4. *Letters Like the Day: On Reading Georgia O'Keeffe* by Jennifer Sinor
5. *Out of Many, One: Portraits of America's Immigrants* by George W. Bush
6. *Women in Art: 50 Fearless Creatives Who Inspired the World* by Rachel Ignotofsky

The Arts & Culture CSP will be sponsoring a **kids art space** at the Quarter Mile Fundraiser. **If you would like to help out please contact Dianne Carroll**, dscarroll063@gmail.com.

We are still collecting yarn for our **"afghan of many colors"** and **cards for St. Jude's Children's Ranch**. If you have either you would like to donate please bring them to the fundraiser at Harmony Playground on April 10. Angela Williams will be there to accept your donations.

The **Johnston County Writers Group** invites adults to submit their best works for judging in its first Spring Writing Contest. Acceptable genres are Fiction, Non-Fiction, Romance, Mystery, Poetry, Sci-Fi, Fantasy, Christian Inspirational, and Children. Genres not acceptable are Erotica and Horror. Entrants may submit up to three works in any acceptable genre at no cost, but there will be no financial awards given. The contest opens March 30th. **The entry deadline is April 30**. Entries will be limited to the first 75 e-mailed to Dot La Motta at justadotintime@yahoo.com. For Submission Guidelines send an email to: justadotintime@yahoo.com Put: Joco Contest on the subject line Cost: FREE

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Night 'N' Gals

Chair: Robin Sachsenheimer



The **Night 'N' Gals** meeting on **April 15th at 7pm** will be held via Zoom and all members are invited to participate. At the May meeting, the Night 'N' Gals will be collecting items for the **Senior Food Pantry**.



Civic Engagement & Outreach CSP

Co-Chairs: Betty Lou Evans and Janet Williams



The CEO CSP has the fewest number of members and **they would love to have more members** join their group. Their primary focus is the military so if this interests you, please let Sarah Brooks or Brenda Hill know.

Education & Libraries CSP

Co-Chairs: Brenda Gay, Margaret Lee



Nothing new to report

What's Happening

April 3

Easter Egg Hunt
Main Street
Community Garden
11:00am-4:00pm

April 5

ESO Book Club
215 Beaufort Loop
10:00am
(9:30am for coffee & breakfast treats)

April 10

Quarter Mile Event
11am-4pm
East Clayton
Community Park

April 14

TWCC Meeting
Virtual via Zoom*
11am

April 15

Night 'N' Gals
Virtual via Zoom*
7pm

April 16-17

GFWC-NC Annual
Convention
Virtual

April 20

TWCC Executive
Board
Virtual via Zoom*
10:00am

April 23

House of Hope Golf
Tournament
Riverwood Golf Club
<https://givebutter.com/srcphG>

April 28

TWCC Virtual Social
Gathering via Zoom*
10:30am

*(email instructions
sent out prior to
meeting)

Health & Wellness CSP

Co-Chairs: Nancy Maynard, Marybeth Bailey



Thank you to **Marie Monsees and Sandy Harrison** for packing 50 bags for the **Back Pack Buddy** program in March. The Food Bank in Raleigh are supporting the program for the remainder of the year and we will hopefully be able to resume bagging snacks for the children again beginning in the fall.

We made a monetary donation to the **Holy Cross Lutheran Church** School Back Pack Buddy program. They were very appreciative especially since their funds are low this year. Thank you again, Marie Monsees for doing such a wonderful job being our liaison with this program.

April is **Child Abuse Awareness Month** and the Health and Wellness CSP is participating in the Pinwheels for Prevention. Be on the lookout for signs and blue pinwheels around town.



Laurie Partlo (pictured at left) participated in the 2021 Run Over Cancer Virtual 5k on Saturday, March 20th on South Hutchinson Island, Fl. Way to go, Laurie!!

We have two slots available to make meals for **The House of Hope**. Thursday, April 15th and Thursday, April 29th. If you are interested in making a meal and/or dessert for 8 people please call Nancy Maynard at (815) 274-4446. Thank you!

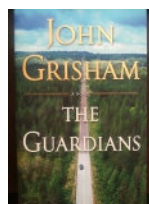
H&W message from Donna Steele: According to Cary OB-GYN, **mammograms** should either be performed prior to receiving your Covid Vaccine or 4 weeks after receiving the second dose. Swollen lymph nodes, a normal response after receiving the vaccine, is resulting in numerous false positive mammograms, prompting additional follow up testing. These false positives and additional testing can be avoided by following the suggested guidelines.

ESO Book Club

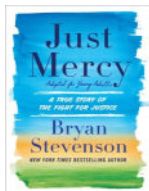
Chair: Brenda Gay



Several members of the ESO book club met at Manning's Restaurant for the **March 1st book club**. We really enjoyed getting out and sharing time together with a nice meal and reporting on some great books that members read. Below are a few of the books that were reported on.



"The Guardians" by John Grisham (Fiction, Thriller) The story takes place in the small Florida town of Seabrook. A young lawyer is shot dead at his desk. (this must have been a good book, two of our members reported on it.)



"The Power of One" by BJ Gallagher & Steve Rittenberg (Non-Fiction) The book is about how everyday things done by everyday people can change someone's life. You may very well be one person, but you can make a difference.

"Just Mercy" by Bryan Stevenson (Non-Fiction) A story of Justice and Redemption.

"The Guest Book" by Sarah Blake. This book is about three generations of a privileged American family and the secrets that bind them.

Members, friendly reminder to get your reports in to Hilda Jernigan, State ESO chair **before April 1st**. If you have not read enough books for a "Level", remember you can report on four of the same category to send in. If you need assistance, please let me know and I will help you.

Our next book club meeting will be **Monday, April 5th**, at the home of Betsy Grannis, 215 Beaufort Loop at 10am. Members may arrive at 9:30 for early coffee and breakfast treats. **Please RSVP to Brenda Gay.**

Happy Spring, Brenda Gay, ESO chair



Betty Lou Evans has been moved to an assisted living facility. Please continue to keep her in your thoughts and prayers.

Joann Cassone has completed radiation therapy and she is very weak and hoarse. Please keep Joann in your thoughts and prayers.

Susan Quinn is at Smithfield Manor. She is receiving physical therapy to help strengthen her legs, arms and back. She is appreciative of the concern and cards sent by members. Cards can be sent to Smithfield Manor Nursing and Rehab, 902 Berkshire Rd, Smithfield, NC 27577. Thoughts and prayers go out to Susan and Jim.



In the event of illness or bereavement, members are encouraged to contact Marlene Dillon if assistance is needed with meals, errands, etc.
Call 315-559-7240
or email
marlenedillon4@icloud.com

Quarter Mile Event Fundraiser

Chair: Trish Perna



Family, Friends, Food and FUNdraising! Ladies, gear yourself up for a SUPER Fundraiser. All members are encouraged to participate in this fun event that will be the **last fundraiser** before the club's summer break. You can enjoy a lovely day in the park, eat food from two food trucks and an ice cream truck, and help throughout the day. The event will be held **April 10, 2021** at the East Clayton Community Park: 1774 Glen Laurel Rd in Clayton from **11 am – 4:00 pm**.

How does it work? Request contributions in any amount—not just quarters. There will be a "fence" on the park's walking park. A sticker the size of a quarter will be placed on the fence for every "quarter" raised. The goal is to raise enough quarters that will stretch at least a quarter of a mile.

Help get the word out (event flyer is attached to this newsletter)! Come out and help cover a quarter of a mile! **Volunteers are still needed!!!** Below are the list of volunteer opportunities, date and time needed, # volunteers needed, persons who have already volunteered. As you can see, there are still vacant slots. Anyone wanting to volunteer the day of the event please contact **Sarah Brooks** (sbrooks@twccnc.org) or **Trish Perna** at 702-875-2692 or email at tricia.perna@gmail.com.

Volunteer Opportunities	Date Needed	Time	# Helpers Needed	Volunteers
Prior to Event				
Solicit funds prior to event (local businesses, family, friends); for businesses, let Trish Perna know businesses you contact	Before 4/10/21		ALL	
Apply "quarter" stickers to cardboard strips prior to day of event for funds already raised	4/5/21		1	
Day of Event				
Place signs around town	4/10/21	8am-9am	1	
Set up for Quarter Mile event at East Clayton Community Park	4/10/21	9am-11am	6	Cecilia Soporowska; Susan Johnson; Loretta Mascia; Sarah Brooks
Main Desk (collect funds, notify runners of funds raised, answer questions)	4/10/21	10am - Noon	3	Margaret Lee; Loretta Mascia; Donna Steele
		Noon -2pm	3	Sarah Brooks
		2pm-4pm	3	Sarah Brooks
Runner (go wherever needed, help kids apply stickers)	4/10/21	10am - Noon	3	Nancy Maynard & son; Susan Johnson; Lynn Roman
		Noon -2pm	3	Cecilia Soporowska
		2pm-4pm	3	
Clean up at end of event	4/10/21	3pm-5pm	6	Susan Johnson (if needed); Sarah Brooks

Arts Festival

Chair: Susan Johnson



TWCC ladies had an outstanding showing at the GFWC-NC State Art Festival! The awards are as follows:

Peggy Earp – 1st place Poetry; **Sarah Brooks** – 2nd place Short Story; **Linda Strevig** – 3rd place Paper Craft; **Becky Stewart** – 2nd place Open Category; **Patty Jo Johnson** – 2nd place Crochet-Large; **Betsy Grannis** – 2nd place Crochet-garment; **Marlene Dillon** – 2nd place Photography-reflections. Please congratulate these ladies at our next gathering!



Recognizing Outstanding Women of the 1990s

Zoom Meeting



General and Executive Board meetings will be held virtually in April. Sign up is not required. Instructions for the Zoom session will be sent to members the day prior to the meeting.



Bring the kids and grand kids to the **Main Street Community Garden** on April 3rd, 11am-4pm, for an **Easter Egg Hunt!** Admission is \$1—all proceeds will go to the Quarter Mile Event! TWCC 2nd Vice President, **Brenda Hill** will be the Easter Bunny so come cheer her on!!



Cheryl Champion is Eileen Collins, first woman to command a shuttle mission; Becky Stewart is Shannon Lucid, first woman on space station Mir; Sharon Wilson is Mae Jemison, first black woman in space program who has a wonderful life of giving.

Women have been important members of the U.S. astronaut corps. Three very special astronauts served during the 1990s. Eileen Collins was the first female shuttle commander. Shannon Lucid was the first American woman aboard the Russian space station Mir. Mae Jemison was the first black female astronaut. District 8 clubwomen Cheryl Champion, Becky Stewart and Sharon Wilson are proud to portray these women in the **2021 GFWC-NC Women of the Decades** fundraiser.

We are competing with the other districts in an effort to raise funds for GFWC-NC. Other districts have been assigned to other decades, but we hope you will support the 1990s by voting for our astronauts! You vote by contributing money. Each dollar counts as one vote. You can vote as follows:

- Give money directly to one of our representatives
 - Send a check to a District 8 officer (Rachel Masimore, Susan Johnson, Jessica Rigouard)
 - Send money online via PayPal or Venmo
 - Mail checks (include District 8 on the memo line) to GFWC-NC Headquarters
 - Vote online during the Friday evening virtual gathering at the 2021 GFWC-NC Convention.
- Representatives from other districts may ask for your vote. Yes, it all goes to the same cause, but please consider voting for District 8! We encourage each club in the district to contribute at least \$10. Back in the old days when there was a silent auction at the convention, each club would spend at least that much to purchase items to go into our district gift basket. Giving to this fundraiser is optional, but as a thank-you for participating, there will be:
- a \$25 gift card given to the club that contributes the most money, which the club can use however it chooses—for a raffle prize, a door prize, a gift to a teacher, student, or someone in the community, or give it to the person in your club who contributes the most to this fundraiser
 - a \$25 gift card given to a club chosen at random from all the clubs that participate in this fundraiser, which again, the club can use however it chooses.

VOTE FOR THE ASTRONAUTS, VOTE GFWC-NC DISTRICT 8!

Please send in your donations by April 1st!



Notify Susan Johnson,
Corresponding Secretary,
if a card from the club
needs to be sent to anyone

*Recipes provided
by
Angela Williams*



Each month will feature
recipes by category

May—Poultry

Send your favorite
recipes to

sbrooks@twccnc.org

Recipe Corner—Breads



Baked Cheese Bread

Ingredients

- 2 cups finely grated sharp Cheddar cheese
- 1 cup butter, softened
- 2 tablespoons heavy cream
- 1 large egg
- 1 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce
- 1/2 teaspoon table salt
- 1/2 teaspoon dry mustard
- Ground red pepper or hot sauce to taste
- 1 (16-oz.) package firm white sandwich bread slices

Instructions:

- Preheat oven to 375°. Beat cheese and butter at medium speed with an electric mixer until blended. Beat in cream and next 5 ingredients.
- Cut crusts from bread slices; cut each bread slice into 4 squares. Spread cheese mixture on half of bread squares (about 1 tsp. per square); top each with 1 remaining square. Spread remaining cheese mixture over top and sides of sandwiches. Place sandwiches, 1 inch apart, on a lightly greased baking sheet.
- Bake at 375° for 15 minutes or until golden brown.

Note: We tested with Pepperidge Farm White Sandwich Bread.



Baked Cornbread

Ingredients

- 1 cup yellow cornmeal (not cornmeal mix)
- 1 cup all purpose flour
- 4 tablespoons sugar
- 4 teaspoons baking powder
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 cup buttermilk
- 1 egg
- 1/4 cup oil plus about 3 tablespoons for skillet

Instructions:

- Preheat oven to 375°F. Place 3 tablespoons oil in iron skillet and let it heat up in the oven while you prepare the batter.
- Mix all dry ingredients with a whisk. Add all your wet ingredients and stir until well mixed. When skillet is sizzling put batter in and bake in oven until golden brown, about 20-30 minutes.



Easy No Yeast Dinner Rolls

Ingredients

- 1 cup flour
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 cup milk
- 2 tablespoons mayonnaise

Instructions:

- Combine all ingredients. Spoon into a greased muffin pan. Makes approximately 5 rolls.
- Cook in a preheated 400° oven for 15 minutes or until golden brown.





Do you have club member news, personal announcements, family news, personal achievements or recipes to share with club members?

Please submit items by the **25th** of the month to the "Club Chatter" Editor, Sarah Brooks
sbrooks@twcnc.org

Recipes provided by Sarah Brooks



Quarter Mile Event
Hospitality
Meals for House of Hope

Recipe Corner—Breads



Banana Bread

Ingredients

3 bananas
 1 cup sugar
 1/2 cup butter
 2 cups flour
 1 tsp baking powder
 1 tsp baking soda
 1 tsp salt
 2 eggs

Instructions:

- Mash bananas; add sugar and let set for 15 minutes.
- Melt butter and add melted butter to banana and sugar mixture.
- Mix in dry ingredients.
- Add eggs and mix only until blended.
- Bake at 350°; 50-60 minutes



The Most Amazing Banana Bread Recipe



Pumpkin Muffins

Ingredients

2¼ cups all-purpose flour (about 10 ounces)
 2 teaspoons pumpkin pie spice
 1½ teaspoons baking soda
 1 teaspoon ground ginger
 ¼ teaspoon salt
 1 cup golden raisins
 1 cup packed brown sugar
 1 cup canned pumpkin
 1/3 cup buttermilk
 1/3 cup canola oil
 ¼ cup molasses
 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
 2 large eggs
 Cooking spray
 2 tablespoons granulated sugar

Instructions:

- Preheat the oven to 400°F.
- Combine the flour, pumpkin pie spice, baking soda, ginger, and salt in a medium bowl, stirring well with a whisk.
- Stir in the raisins and make a well in the center of the mixture.
- Combine the brown sugar and the next six ingredients (through eggs), stirring well with a whisk.
- Spoon the batter into 18 muffin cups coated with cooking spray.
- Sprinkle the muffins with granulated sugar.
- Bake at 400°F for 20 minutes.
- Remove the muffins from pans immediately and enjoy!

Yield: 18 servings



April 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 	2 	3  Easter Egg Hunt Easter Egg Hunt Main St Garden 11am-4pm
4  <i>Easter Sunday</i>	5  ESO 215 Beaufort Loop 10am; 9:30am for coffee/ breakfast treats	6	7 	8	9	10  <i>Catherine Lane</i>  Quarter Mile Event East Clayton Park 11am-4pm
11  NATIONAL PET DAY	12	13  <i>Lorraine Perri</i>	14  TWCC Meeting Virtual via Zoom 11am	15  <i>Jo Howard</i>  TWCC Meeting 7pm Virtual via Zoom	16  GFWC-NC Annual Convention-Virtual 6pm	17  GFWC-NC Annual Convention-Virtual 10am-2pm
18	19	20  TWCC Board Meeting via Zoom 10am	21	22  EARTH DAY	23  House of Hope Golf Tournament— Riverwood Golf Course	24
25  <i>...and the Oscars go to...</i>	26	27	28  <i>Peggy Earp</i>  TWCC Virtual Social Gathering 10:30am	29  International Dance Day April 29	30  Arbor Day	


The Quarter Mile Event

A FUNdraiser presented by The Woman's Club of Clayton

April 10, 2021

11:00 am—4:00 pm

East Clayton Community Park



***Donate, then
stay and enjoy
the day!!***

Play at Harmony Playground!

Enjoy the dog park!

Eat at the Food Trucks!

Invite Friends and Family!

This fundraiser supports the Woman's Club of Clayton with their efforts for Harmony Playground, Harbor Shelter Backpack Buddies, scholarships and many more community support opportunities and projects!

Donate @ twccnc.org or
Contact Trish Perna @
702-875-2691



GFWC-NC Annual Convention Registration Form



Name: _____ Club Name: _____

Position Held (Club, State, District): _____

District: _____ Delegate: Yes No Phone Number: _____

Choose Appropriate Registration Fee: (Donations are optional but greatly appreciated)

Annual Convention Registration	\$25.00
Friends of Convention Registration (includes Sunflower Headbands for Hope)	\$40.00
Arts Fund	\$ _____
LEGACY Fund Donation	\$ _____
Sallie S. Cotten Scholarship Donation	\$ _____
GFWC-NC Greeson Johnson Teaching Scholarship Donation	\$ _____
General Trust Fund Donation	\$ _____
1902 Society Donation	\$ _____
Corporate Champions for Women & Children Donation	\$ _____
Mary K Whitener Scholarship Donation	\$ _____
GFWC-NC President's Special Project Donation	\$ _____
Disaster Relief Fund Donation	\$ _____
GFWC-NC Member Relief Donation	\$ _____
GFWC/SER Candidacy Fund Donation	\$ _____

TOTAL AMOUNT TO BE PAID: \$ _____

PAYMENT INFORMATION

Checks made payable to GFWC-NC and mailed to:
GFWC-NC 7474 Creedmoor Rd. Unit 310 Raleigh, NC 27613

E-mail: hq@gfwcnc.org

OR

Via paypal

www.paypal.me/GFWCNC OR

Via Venmo

www.venmo.com/GFWC-NC

If paying via PayPal or Venmo, please include description of fund designations.

Name on Card: _____ Signature: _____

Address: _____

Credit Card Number (Visa or Master Card Only) _____

Expiration Date: _____ 3 Digit CVC Code (located on back of card): _____

E-mail to have credit card receipt mailed to: _____

Financial information about this organization and a copy of its license are available from the State Solicitation Licensing Branch at 919-807-2214 or 888-830-4989 for NC Residents.

GFWC-NC Virtual Convention

OFFICIAL CALL

April 16-17, 2021

I hereby call the membership of the GFWC of North Carolina, Inc. to send duly elected delegates and representatives to meet virtually on April 16-17, 2021.

Crystal O'Neal, GFWC-NC President

GFWC-NC BYLAW - ARTICLE XI

Section 11.3. A Club having between 5 and 9 members shall be entitled to be represented by its President or her representative as its delegate. A Club having between 10 and 25 members shall be entitled to be represented by its President or her representative as its delegate and one additional delegate. A Club having more than 25 members shall be entitled to one additional delegate for each additional 25 members or majority thereof after the first 25.

Section 11.4. Members of the GFWC-NC entitled to vote shall be the Executive Committee, Junior Officers, Board of Trustees, Chaplain, Parliamentarian, Historian, Protocol Chairman, Community Service Program Chairmen, Arts Festival Contest Chairmen, Chairmen and members of Standing and Special Committees, Chairmen of Special Projects; District Presidents, Vice Presidents, Junior Directors, and Junior Membership Chairmen; GFWC-NC Past Presidents and Directors of Junior Clubs who are members of federated NC clubs; members serving GFWC in an official capacity; and club delegates. No proxies shall be permitted.

PRELIMINARY SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, APRIL 16TH

6:00 PM

Honorary Life Membership Presentations
New Club Charter Presentations
Woman of the Decade Fundraiser

SATURDAY, APRIL 17TH

10:00 AM

BUSINESS SESSION

Invocation
Credentials

REPORTS

Board of Trustees
Personnel Committee
Bylaws Committee (Vote)
Nominating Committee
Election - Board of Trustees
Treasurer's Report & Budget (Vote)
Corporate Champions for Women & Children
Resolutions Committee (Vote)
Long Range Planning Committee

AWARDS

GFWC and GFWC SER Endorsements
Presentation of Lucy Bramlette Patterson Award
Address from GFWC Director of Junior Clubs,
Kristina Higbee
Speaker
ADJOURN

2:00 PM

JUNIOR BUSINESS SESSION

Schedule Subject to Change

Become a Friend of GFWC-NC Annual Convention and receive a Sunflower themed Headbands of Hope knotted tie headband!

Headbands of Hope was founded in 2012 by Jessica Ekstrom with her mission being for every item sold, a headband will be donated to a child with an illness. To date, over half a million headbands have been donated and counting! For more information www.headbandsofhope.com



Kristina Higbee,
GFWC Director of
Junior Clubs

A dedicated clubwoman for over 16 years, Kristina is currently serving as GFWC Director of Junior Clubs. She has served on the GFWC Board of Directors for the past six years. She is a past GFWC-WI State Director of Junior Clubs, receiving an Outstanding Director of Junior Clubs award in 2016. She has served as Convention Chairman and Nominating Chairman for the Great Lakes Region. Joining the Oconomowoc Junior Woman's club in 2004, she has served in many offices including club president twice. She received the GFWC-WI Junior of the Year award in 2017. She is a 2009 LEADS graduate.

Kristina has been a scout leader for over 10 years, earning the council District Award of Merit in 2015 and Silver Beaver Award in 2019. She is the Committee Chair for Venturing Crew 196 and has served as a Wood badge staff member. She is a lifelong Girl Scout, earning her Silver Award in her youth. She is a member of First Congregational UCC, Oconomowoc where she has served on the board of directors for the preschool, as a Sunday school teacher and worked with the scouts of her church to earn their scout religious emblem awards. She earned the BSA God & Service award in 2016.

Kristina is an accomplished artist and photographer. She owns a glass studio and also works for Lifetouch photography.

Married to her best friend Michael, they have three wonderful children with whom they enjoy many adventures, whether it is exploring the National Parks or camping with the scouts.



Beach Fest coming to The Farm on April 24

Live music returns next month to The Farm, 215 Batten Road, Selma.

The eighth annual Beach Fest will get underway at 11 a.m. Saturday, April 24. The following will perform: The Embers, Band of Oz, Jim Quick & Coastline and Chairmen of the Board. Tickets are \$20 in advance and \$30 the day of the show.

To learn more, or to purchase tickets, go to thefarmnc.com/beach-fest-2021/.



HOUSE OF HOPE — OF NORTH CAROLINA — **GOLF TOURNAMENT** **PRESENTED BY TOOL TIME TRADES**

Riverwood Golf Course

8:00 AM

April 23

Gather a friend, a foursome, or just yourself and sign up today! This event benefits local teen girls and their families as they seek hope and healing at House of Hope. The girls at HOH have endured difficulties like sexual abuse, bullying, mental illness, and other traumas. All proceeds of the event will be used to provide therapeutic services and a safe place to heal, grow, and be given a fighting chance at a thriving life.

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Contact Anna Jongkind anna@houseofhopeofnc.org with any questions or if you need help signing up.

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