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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Dear Ladies,

Once again, thank you so much for your support over these past two years. I certainly have enjoyed meeting you all and visiting your clubs. That was the BEST part of being state president! Lots of THANK YOUs. First, a big THANK YOU to Jackie Bice, Mary Jane Weisenstein and the convention committee. That was a beautiful convention full of fun, education, and celebration. Your work is so much appreciated by this president.

Much gratitude goes to the Board of Directors and Extended Board for all their work these last two years. I've always believed in surrounding myself with good people, and this board was incredible! Special thanks to Edith Rathbun and to Carolyn Selders for their assistance throughout the two years. We couldn't have done it without your help. You two are a wealth of information and a goldmine for GFWC Pennsylvania.

Your support of the State President's Project was phenomenal. Besides all the projects you accomplished in your communities for children ages 0-18, you also supported the limited fundraising efforts at the state level. With that money, we are supporting a \$500 scholarship to the Distinguished Young Women of Pennsylvania Scholarship Program, formerly Jr. Miss, which is a program near and dear to my heart. The rest of the money will be divided three ways and given to our three HOBY seminars. As I write this, it is the day after I arrived home from convention so the amount is around \$345 to each.

Congratulations to all our award winners. The descriptions of the winning projects were amazing, and I was proud to present these awards! Thank you to the 1895 Society donors. Please remember that anything you or your club give to the 1895 Society is to support our Pennsylvania organization. Thanks to the Pennies for the Arts donors, who support the student entries of our arts contest.

One last thank you to my daughter Carrie Wood, who took over 800 pictures at convention. The website and passwords are inside this newsletter if you want to see them. I will be purchasing one of each and have them at Summer Leadership should you want to look through them.

In Federation Service,

Lois A. Richards



GENERAL FEDERATION
of WOMEN'S CLUBS



General Federation of Women's Clubs Pennsylvania

GFWC Pennsylvania Summer Leadership Conference

July 20 – 21, 2018

Location: The Penn Stater Conference Center Hotel, 215 Innovation Boulevard, State College, PA 16803

Make a reservation for the hotel by calling The Penn Stater Conference Center @ (814) 863- 5000 by **June 19, 2018**
Group Code: **GFWC18A**

Return this form with your check payable to: **2018 GFWC PA SLC for \$155**

Mail to: Nancy San Julian
562 Melissa Lane
State College, PA 16803

Registration Deadline is June 19, 2018
Confirmations will be sent by e-mail upon receipt of registration and check.

Cancellations *must* be received in writing.

Pre-Registration is required for all Summer Leadership Conference Attendees.

You may duplicate this form as needed.

Return Bottom Portion of Form to Register. Please Print Clearly.

GFWC Pennsylvania Summer Leadership Conference Registration Form July 20-21, 2018

Name _____ Club Position _____

Address _____

Club _____ Club number _____

Phone number _____ District _____

Email _____

GFWC Pennsylvania Position _____

Friday & Saturday Conference Fee: **\$155.00 per person**, inclusive (includes dinner, ice cream social, breakout and lunch)

Check if a **First Time Summer Leadership Conference Attendee**

Total Amount Enclosed: _____ **Full payment is required to complete registration.**

Please list any food Allergies, Dietary Needs, etc.

All efforts will be made to accommodate any special requests but cannot be guaranteed. Both meals will be buffets.



GENERAL FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS PENNSYLVANIA

Shelly Smolnery, President

2018 GFWC Pennsylvania Summer Leadership Conference

Nancy Spannuth, Conference Chairman

"We are...Visionaries"

Friday, July 20, 2018

11:00 – 1:00 p.m. **Registration**
GFWC PA Fundraising
1:00 p.m. **Opening Session**
Welcome, Introductions, Pledge, Thoughts of Day

Keynote Speaker: Mary Ohashi

Recognition of First Time Attendees
Membership
Leadership
Reporting
Fundraising

3:00 – 3:20 p.m. **Break**

3:20 p.m. **General Session**
President's Project
5:30 – 6:00 p.m. Social Reception
6:00 p.m. Buffet Dinner
7:00 p.m. **Speaker:** Cindy Kolarik, The Jared Box Project
7:45 p.m. **GFWC PA Marketplace**
Penn State Ice Cream and Fun Activities
9:00 p.m. **District Gatherings**

Saturday, July 21, 2018

8:00 – 8:30 a.m. **Workshop Session 1**
Education Community Service Program
Conservation Community Service Program
8:45 – 9:15 a.m. **Workshop Session 2**
Parliamentary – Secretary and Treasurer Duties
International Outreach Community Service Program
9:30 – 10:00 a.m. **Workshop Session 3**
Home Life Community Service Program
Public Issues Community Service Project
10:15 – 10:45 p.m. **Workshop Session 4**
Conservation Community Service Program
Education Community Service Program
11:00 – 11:30 p.m. **Workshop Session 5**
International Outreach Community Service Program
Parliamentary – Secretary and Treasurer Duties
11:45 – 12:15 p.m. **Workshop Session 6**
Public Issues Community Service Project
Home Life Community Service Program
12:30 – 1:30 p.m. **Buffet Lunch**
1:45 – 3:00 p.m. **General Session**
Arts Community Service Project,
GFWC Convention Recognition
Announcements, Closing Thoughts, Collect

SOUTHWEST DISTRICT

Denise Tovlin, District Director

The Southwestern District gathered at Ferrante's Lakeview to go "Hopping Into the Arts." Another wonderful day of art, fun, and information was provided by co-chairmen Dawn Himler and Toni Mangretta, assisted by the State Literature Chairman, Donna Napoleon. All the arts, photography and crafts were prejudged and displayed upon arrival. We had 32 entries in 11 member categories and 19 student and youth entries in 8 categories. Our District had their own craft categories for crocheted baby afghan, decorated Christmas card and envelope, painted rock or stone and decorated wooden birdhouse. Dawn and Toni announced the winners in each category and filled in the time with fun facts about Easter and the Easter Bunny. Donna Napoleon read the Literature entries that were submitted from our District. The highlight of the day was the "Easter Hat Parade." Members were asked to make and model an Easter Hat. Members voted for the best hat and certificates were given. Barbara Longstreth from the Women's Club of Duquesne won first place with her Easter Fascinator. During lunch, participants voted for "Best of Show" from the Art/Photography entries with their "pennies." All proceeds were donated to the Pennies for the Arts from the Southwestern District.

As my term as District Director comes to a close, I'd like to take this opportunity to thank the presidents of the clubs of my district. These women stepped up and took a leadership role when others preferred to sit back and let someone else do it. Many of these presidents have had this role for years and continue to do the job to keep their clubs viable. These presidents answered my emails, attended my meetings, met with me individually, and invited me to their club meetings. They are an amazing group of women. THANK YOU to Janice Demes, **ACFWC Circle of Presidents**, Kirsten Pastrick, **GFWC Women's Club of Duquesne**, Marilyn Hill, **GFWC Century Club of Wilkins Twp.**, Kathie Strait, **GFWC Woman's Club of the City of Pittsburgh**, Kathy Stramella, **GFWC New Brighton Civic Woman's Club**, Donna Napoleon, **GFWC Woman's Club of Baden**, Chelyne Curci-Lang and Angela Hoppe, **GFWC Junior Women's Club of Butler**, Jackie Bice, **GFWC Butler County Circle of Presidents**, Phyllis LaPorte, **GFWC Intermediate League of Butler**, Dot Hoffman, **GFWC Saxonburg District Woman's Club**, Andrea Semenoff, **GFWC Women's Civic Club of Carmichaels Area**, Barbara Mollenauer, **GFWC Rostraver Woman's Club**, and Dawn Himler, **GFWC Town and Country Woman's Club**. Because of you, the light of Federation continues to shine brightly in the Southwestern District.

DISTRICT DIRECTORS' REPORTS

SOUTH CENTRAL DISTRICT

Carol Foley, District Director

LIVE, LAUGH, LOVE: The members of the district continue to follow this motto as they support federation projects in their communities. **GFWC Dillsburg Woman's Club** decorated a tree in Quay Park in their town and raised \$450 holding a theater night at the Mechanicsburg Little Theater. **GFWC Camp Hill Junior Civic Club** spread holiday cheer at their Breakfast with Santa event. **Upper Allen Woman's Club GFWC** helped at New Hope Ministries to pack sustainable and nutritious bags of food for home weekend consumption for children at risk of hunger. From January-December, 2017 approximately 1,680 bags were distributed to three elementary schools. **GFWC Hollidaysburg Area Woman's Club** held their 16th annual Thanksgiving Food Drive for three days at Sam's Club and Walmart. They collected enough food and money to donate 6,240 pounds of turkey. The turkeys, along with the other food collected, were given to ten organizations in the area to help people in need have a nice holiday. **GFWC Mechanicsburg** held a Mystery Art Auction raising \$370 for Domestic Violence Services. They also collected Christmas decorations valued at more than \$603 for low income families in the school district. The members continue their work at the Cancer Recovery Center where they packed 2,642 toys to benefit 1315 children in 13 hospitals in nine states. The GFWC Cumberland Valley Pups will be working with a bike repair shop to learn how to repair children's bikes. In turn, they will teach children living the city how to fix their bikes so they can have transportation.

We had a great Arts Day in Hollidaysburg at the US Hotel. The venue was lovely, the food was delicious, and the art and craft displays were amazing. We experienced some Ice Breaker activities, heard reports from club presidents and state and district chairmen, and made decorated paper clips as our craft project. Our district Pocket Prayer Square project will culminate at convention. We will be collecting any Prayer Squares that members have made and want to have them distributed. **GFWC Mechanicsburg** has made 60 squares and distributed them to a beauty shop and the Pink Hands of Hope Thrift Store. An additional 30 squares have been made and will be distributed in the community or given to individuals. All of the Pocket Prayer Squares were greatly appreciated.

We had a wonderful time at convention to celebrating our federation accomplishments and socializing with our federation friends. It is great to be a GFWC Pennsylvania club members.

Living the Volunteer Spirit

SOUTHEASTERN DISTRICT

Ruth C. Ainis, District Director
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What a difference the members of the Southeastern District have made in their communities. With their support of food cupboards, domestic violence centers, libraries, scholarships for graduating seniors and college students, sewing for Operation Smile and cancer patients, our communities have benefited. The ladies had fun collecting items for classrooms, food for Friday backpacks and the President's 7 day challenge. The President's projects were a success.

The SED collected pairs of socks for Family Service of Chester Counties October project, "Sock it to Us." The socks were distributed to over 20 county agencies. Socks of all colors and patterns were donated for a total of 700 pairs.

The Art Festival was held in March with many member and student projects displayed for judging. The Linus Blanket project was a success. The blankets were displayed and were delivered to convention. Donations were requested for Camp Dreamcatcher, a youth camp for youth carrying the HIV/AIDS virus. Club members donated twin sheets, blankets, socks, shirts, flashlights and other items. A total of 133 articles were delivered to their office. Decorative bags were placed on each table for monetary donations for Pennies for the Arts.

Our program, "I Am Woman — Watch Me Plan," was presented by Vicky Ann Trimmer. We learned that Pennsylvania has changed the document wording for end of life decisions three times in the past five years. Vicky suggested you update your legal papers if you have not done so in the last five years.

Ladies, thank you for your generous support of the Southeastern District projects and your Southeastern District Director. It was appreciated and your efforts have made a difference in the communities of the Southeastern District.

HOME LIFE COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM

Marian B. Wellington, Chairman

The Magic and Mystery of Plain White Flour, Heart Attack and Water

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How can plain white flour help you? Since many of us will be cooking and barbecuing this summer, a short true story regarding the magic and mystery of plain white flour. Once I was cooking some corn and stuck my fork into the boiling water to see if the corn was ready, I missed and my hand went into the boiling water...A friend of mine, who was a Vietnam Vet, came into the house just as I was screaming in pain, and asked me if I had some plain white flour. I pulled out a bag and he stuck my hand in it. He said to keep my hand in the flour for 10 minutes which I did. He said that in Vietnam, a cook was on fire and in their panic, they threw a bag of flour all over him to put the fire out...well, it not only put the fire out, but the cook never even had a blister!! So I put my hand in the bag of flour for 10 minutes and then pulled it out and had not even a red mark or a blister and absolutely NO PAIN. A Great Miracle — the magic of flour! So, keep a bag of white flour in your fridge and you will be happy you did. Cold flour feels better than room temperature flour. IMPORTANT: Do Not run your burn area under cold water first, just put it directly into the flour for 10 minutes and experience the magic and mystery of plain white flour!



How does drinking water help the heart? A cardiac specialist states that drinking water at a certain time maximizes the effectiveness of water on the body. You should drink: 2 glasses of water after waking up - helps activate internal organs; 1 glass of water 30 minutes before a meal - helps digestion; 1 glass of water before taking a bath or shower - helps lower blood pressure; 1 glass of water before going to bed - avoids a stroke or heart attack. It also helps prevent night time leg cramps because the leg muscles are seeking hydration when they cramp and wake you up.

With this information you have learned the Magic and Mystery of plain white flour and how drinking water helps your heart stay healthy. Ladies, always educate yourself with knowledge so you have the understanding necessary to make correct choices for your health.



It was an evening filled with singing, celebrating, tiaras, and Mickey Mouse, as Michele "Shelly" Smolnery, was installed as GFWC Pennsylvania State President at the 121st GFWC Pennsylvania Business Meeting & Convention on Saturday, May 19th, 2018. A very memorable installation ceremony was conducted by Past GFWC PA Presidents, Dawn Himler and Vicky Trimmer. Members of Shelly's family attended the event to share in the celebration.

Congratulations, Shelly! We look forward to working with you during the 2018-2020 Administration.

Your Federation Sisters!



Legislation/Public Policy

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The **Opioid Epidemic is growing**, the Center for Disease Control reports an increase of Opioid overdoses by a rise of 30% in Pennsylvania and there is no easy solution. Pennsylvania reported an 81% spike in reported overdoses in emergency rooms. Opioids are involved in two-thirds of all overdose deaths. If you thought heroin was bad, fentanyl is worse — it's 30 to 50 times more potent than heroin. Just 2 milligrams is lethal to most people according to the DEA. The use of Naloxone that reverses the drug's effects on the body is a life saver and can also lead to more opioid-related emergency room visits. Opioid users look at *Naloxone as an insurance policy* so in some instances, it enhances risk-taking. GFWC members are advocates for Public Policy and Legislation. **Resolution 015-830 Opioids** advocates for the development of educational awareness programs for providers, patients, and community and to promote legislation and regulations to combat opioid overdose and addiction. Call or email your Senators and ask them to support our efforts to combat the use of Opioids. **Many Voices Not Just One.**

MEMBERSHIP

Toni Mangretta, Chairman

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THE GOLDEN FORCE OF WOMEN COMPANY MEMBERSHIP BAND

I am so happy to say that in the last two years we gained a total of 336 new club members who have joined our band. Great job ladies, we have **BEAT** our **DRUM** and **BLEW** our **HORNS** as we help grow our Federation.

I want to thank my **District Membership Chairmen**, they have done an outstanding job, and I thank them for marching in our Membership Band. Always taking care of anything I asked of them.

I would like to thank all of the **Club Presidents** who followed thru and sent the New Members forms with the **SPONSOR** section filled out. It helped so that I could give out the Membership star pins. (be sure to continue for the next Membership chairman).

A note, along with the 25-year and 50-year pins, you can purchase 5-year pins, 10- year pins, 15-year pins (each five years as a member) Just visit the marketplace.gfwc/pins. The cost for each pin is \$5.00. Along with the pins, you can contact Edith for a certificate for a small fee. I enjoyed being the State Membership Chairman. Even though we lost a few clubs the last two years, we are still growing as a Federation.



121st GFWC Pennsylvania Business Meeting & Convention
Cranberry Township, PA May 18th & 19th
"It's A Celebration!"

GFWC Pennsylvania Lois A. Richards, President

2017 Award Winners presented at the 2018 GFWC Convention/Business Meeting, May 18-19, 2018

- Arts:** Northeastern District, Luzerne County, The GFWC West Side Woman's Club
Southeastern District, Chester County, GFWC The New Century Club of West Chester
Southwestern District, Beaver County, GFWC New Brighton Civic Woman's Club – Small Club
North Central District, Northumberland County, GFWC Woman's Club of Milton – Creativity Entry
- Conservation:** Northeastern District, Luzerne County, GFWC West Side Woman's Club
Northeastern District, Lackawanna County, Abington Heights Civic League, Inc.
South Central District, Cumberland County, GFWC Mechanicsburg – Small Club
Northeastern District, Luzerne County, GFWC West Side Woman's Club – Creativity Entry
- Education:** Southeastern District, Chester County, The New Century Club of West Chester
North Central District, Northumberland County, GFWC Warrior Run Woman's Club
North Central District, Centre County, GFWC Bellefonte Woman's Club – Small club
Southeastern District, Bucks County, GFWC Women's Club of Quakertown – Creativity Entry
- Home Life:** South Central District, Cumberland County, Upper Allen Woman's Club GFWC
Southeastern District, Bucks County, Women's Club of Perkasio
Southwestern District, Butler County, GFWC Intermediate League of Butler
Southeastern District, Bucks County, Women's Club of Perkasio – Creativity entry
- International Outreach:** Southwestern District, Butler County, GFWC Intermediate League of Butler
Southwestern District, Duquesne County, GFWC Women's Club of Duquesne
North Central District, Northumberland County, GFWC Women's Club of Milton
Southwestern District, Butler County, GFWC Intermediate League of Butler – Creativity Entry
- Public Issues:**
South Central District, Cumberland County, Upper Allen Woman's Club GFWC
South Central District, Blair County, GFWC Hollidaysburg Area Women's Club
Southwestern District, Allegheny County, ACFWC Circle of Presidents – Small Club
Northeastern District, Lackawanna County, Abington Heights Civic League, Inc. – Creativity entry
- Communications/Public Relations**
South Central District, Blair County, GFWC Hollidaysburg Area Women's Club
North Central District, Centre County, GFWC State College Woman's Club
South Central District, Cumberland County, GFWC Mechanicsburg
South Central District, Blair County, GFWC Hollidaysburg Area Women's Club – Creativity Entry
Newsletter Award: South Central District, Cumberland County, Upper Allen Woman's Club GFWC
Website Award: South Central District, Cumberland County, Cumberland Valley Pups
- GFWC Signature Project: Domestic Violence Prevention & Awareness**
South Central District, Blair County, GFWC Hollidaysburg Area Women's Club
South Central District, Cumberland County, GFWC Mechanicsburg
South Central District, Blair County, GFWC Hollidaysburg Area Women's Club – Creativity Entry
'Stop Child Abuse' Poster Contest – Member Carolyn Smith
'Stop Elder Abuse' Poster Contest – Club Cumberland Valley Pups
- Fundraising:** North Central District, Centre County, GFWC State College Woman's Club
Southeastern District, Berks County, GFWC Pennsylvania Junior Woman's Club of Boyertown
Northeastern District, Northampton County, GFWC Pennsylvania Nazareth Women's Club – Small Club
North Central District, Centre County, GFWC State College Woman's Club – Creativity Entry
- Juniors' Special Program: Advocates for Children and the GFWC PA President's Project**
South Central District, Cumberland County, GFWC Mechanicsburg – Small club
Southwestern District, Butler County, GFWC Intermediate League of Butler
Southwestern District, Butler County Saxonburg District Woman's Club - Creativity Entry
- Leadership:** Southeastern District, Montgomery County, GFWC PA Women's Civic Club of Schwenksville
Northeastern District, Lackawanna County, Abington Heights Civic League, Inc.
Southwestern District, Beaver County, GFWC New Brighton Civic Woman's Club
South Central District, Blair County, GFWC Hollidaysburg Area Women's Club – Creativity entry
Southeastern District, Berks County, New Century Club of Berks County – Special Award
- Legislation/Public Policy:** Southwestern District, Beaver County, GFWC Woman's Club of Baden
Southwestern District, Butler County, GFWC Intermediate League of Butler
- Membership:** North Central District, Northumberland County, GFWC Women's Club of Milton – Small Club
South Central District, Blair County, GFWC Hollidaysburg Area Women's Club
Southeastern District, Berks County, GFWC Pennsylvania Junior Woman's Club of Boyertown
South Central District, Blair County, GFWC Hollidaysburg Area Women's Club – Creativity entry
District with highest increase in membership 2016-2018 – Southeastern District

GFWC PENNSYLVANIA AWARDS (continued)

Women's History & Resource Center (WHRC)

South Central District, Cumberland County, Upper Allen Woman's Club GFWC

South Central District, Cumberland County, GFWC Mechanicsburg

North Central District, Centre County, GFWC State College Woman's Club – Creativity Entry

Community Improvement Program

1st Place - Northeastern District, Luzerne County, The GFWC West Side Woman's Club

2nd Place - South Central District, Blair County, GFWC Hollidaysburg Area Women's Club

ESO: Kathy Long – 29th & 30th Century; Marilyn Reymolds – 7th Century; Dawn Himler – 7th Century;

Myrtle Council – 5th & 6th Century; Norma McClay – 1st Century

Jennie Award: Heide Cebrick, Northeastern District

LEADS Candidate: Heide Cebrick, Northeastern District

Woman of the Year: Christine Drexler; nominated by The Federated Women's Club of Hershey

CENTRAL PA HOBY – Carol Foley, Chairman

Abington Heights Civic League Inc.

GFWC Pocono Mountain Women's Club - 2 donations

Upper Allen Woman's Club Foundation

GFWC East Petersburg

GFWC Women's Community Club of Littlestown

GFWC Warrior Run Woman's Club – 2 donations

GFWC Strasburg Area Woman's Club

GFWC PA Women's Club of Spring Grove

Federated Women's Club of Hershey

GFWC Mechanicsburg

GFWC Plymouth

GFWC Woman's Club of Milton

GFWC Lebanon Junior Woman's Club

GFWC State College Woman's Club

EASTERN PA HOBY – Pat Cummings

GFWC Woman's Club of Spring Township

The New Century Club of West Chester

GFWC The Woman's Club of Newtown Square

GFWC Overlook Hills Women's Club

The Woman's Club of Whitpain

Community Club of Collegeville

GFWC PA Women's Civic Club of Schwenksville - 2 donations

GFWC Pennsylvania – Bangor

GFWC: Bethlehem Women's Club

GFWC Woman's Club of Pen Argyl

WESTERN PA HOBY - Carol Foley, Chairman

GFWC Saxonburg District Woman's Club

GFWC Meadville Woman's Club - 2 donations

Debbie Smith

Melissa Somerville

Pennies for Art

Clubs that donated \$60 or more before April 30, 2018

South Central District

Northeastern District

Southwestern District

GFWC PA Saucon Vellay Woman's Club

GFWC: Bethlehem Women's Club

GFWC Pennsylvania - Bangor

GFWC Northampton County Federation of Women's Clubs

GFWC Pocono Mountain Women's Club

GFWC Plymouth

GFWC Harvey's Lake

GFWC Luzerne County

GFWC Woman's Club of Spring Township

GFWC PA Women's Civic Club of Schwenksville

GFWC The Woman's Club of Newtown Square

GFWC Woman's Club of Springfield

GFWC Warrior Run Woman's Club

GFWC Woman's Club of Milton

GFWC PA Women's Club of Spring Grove

Federated Women's Club of Hershey

Upper Allen Woman's Club GFWC

GFWC Mechanicsburg

GFWC Hollidaysburg Area Woman's Club

GFWC Meadville Woman's Club

GFWC Saxonburg District Woman's Club

GFWC Intermediate League of Butler

GFWC Town & Country Woman's Club

GFWC Women's Club of Duquesne

THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATIONS!

To view photos of the 121st Convention:

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Password — [gfwcphotos](#)

**GFWC PENNSYLVANIA FESTIVAL OF THE ARTS
CONGRATULATIONS AWARD WINNERS**

Student Photography:

Division 1 (Grades 3-5 Living Things):

- 1st Place - Teajanae Johnson, Presque Isle Woman's Club, NW
- 2nd Place - Olivia Vecchio, GFWC Woman's Club of Spring Township, SE
- 3rd Place - Will Grimes, Upper Allen Woman's Club GFWC, SC

Division 2 (Grades 3-5 Still Life):

- 1st Place - Emma Bates, GFWC Women's Civic Club of Carmichaels Area, SW
- 2nd Place - Kayla Brown, GFWC Woman's Club of Spring Township, SE
- 3rd Place - John Waldner, GFWC Camp Hill Junior Civic Club, SC

Division 3 (Grades 6-8 Living Things):

- 1st Place - Leslie Krebs, GFWC Junior Woman's Club of Milton, NC
- 2nd Place - Lindsey Rogowicz, Upper Allen Woman's Club GFWC, SC
- 3rd Place - Lauren Dobish, GFWC Women's Civic Club of Carmichaels Area, SW

Division 4 (Grades 6-8 Still Life):

- 1st Place - Riley Yinger, Upper Allen Woman's Club GFWC, SC
- 2nd Place - Hanna Morrow, GFWC Woman's Club of Baden, SW
- 3rd Place - Leslie Krebs, GFWC Woman's Club of Milton, NC

High School (Grades 9-12 Living Things Color):

- 1st Place - Ryan Krueger, Upper Allen Woman's Club GFWC, SC
- 2nd Place - Megan Benfer, GFWC Woman's Club of Milton, NC
- 3rd Place - Amaya Shah, GFWC Woman's Club of Spring Township, SE

High School (Grades 9-12 Living Things Black and White):

- 1st Place - Mckenna Hurd, GFWC Hollidaysburg Area Woman's Club, SC
- 2nd Place - Jadan Aldi, GFWC Woman's Club of Mohnton, SE
- 3rd Place - David Myers, GFWC Warrior Run Woman's Club, NC

High School (Grades 9-12 Scenic Color):

- 1st Place - Anderson Deutschman, GFWC Woman's Club of Spring Township, SE
- 2nd Place - David Myers, GFWC Warrior Run Woman's Club, NC
- 3rd Place - Jacob Heck, GFWC The Woman's Club of Erie, Inc., NW

High School (Grades 9-12 Scenic Black and White):

- 1st Place - Macie Nelson, GFWC Hollidaysburg Area Woman's Club, SC
- 2nd Place - Zoe Bagenstose, GFWC Woman's Club of Mohnton, SE
- 3rd Place - Jacob Heck, GFWC The Woman's Club of Erie, Inc, NW

High School (Grades 9-12 Still Life Color):

- 1st Place - Ivana Kossey, Community Club of Colledgeville, SE
- 2nd Place - Ella Dyer, GFWC Junior Woman's Club of Milton, NC
- 3rd Place - Ryan Krueger, Upper Allen Woman's Club GFWC, SC

High School (Grades 9-12 Still Life Black and White):

- 1st Place - Macie Nelson, GFWC Hollidaysburg Area Woman's Club, SC
- 2nd Place - Anderson Deutschman, GFWC Woman's Club of Spring Township, SE
- 3rd Place - David Myers, GFWC Warrior Run Woman's Club, NC

Member Photography:

Member Photography (Living Things):

- 1st Place - Karen Dunn, GFWC Junior Women's Club of Butler, SW
- 2nd Place - Tina Daley, Woman's Club of Mountain Top, NE
- 3rd Place - Emily Schwartz, Upper Allen Woman's Club GFWC, SC

Member Photography (Scenic):

- 1st Place - Nancy Page, Middleburg Women's Club, NC
- 2nd Place - Carol Witman, GFWC Woman's Club of Spring Township, SE
- 3rd Place - Cheryl Gauvey, New Brighton Civic Woman's Club, SW

Member Photography (Still Life):

- 1st Place - Andrea Semenoff, GFWC Women's Civic Club of Carmichaels Area, SW
- 2nd Place - Diane Lake, GFWC Pocono Mountain Women's Club, NE
- 3rd Place - Nancy Page, GFWC Middleburg Woman's Club, NC

Member Photography (Volunteers in Action):

- 1st Place - Andrea Semenoff, GFWC Women's Civic Club of Carmichaels Area, SW
- 2nd Place - Joanne Dietz, GFWC Woman's Club of Mohnton, SE
- 3rd Place - JoAnn Propcheck, GFWC Hollidaysburg Area Woman's Club, SC

Judges:

- Tony Bendele - <https://www.tonybendelephotography.com/>
- Crystal Thomas Balliet - <https://www.facebook.com/crystalballietphotography/>



**GFWC PENNSYLVANIA
FESTIVAL OF THE ARTS—AWARD WINNERS (continued)**

MEMBER CRAFTS:

Hand-made Bracelet:

- 1st Place - Karen Boltz, GFWC Saxonburg District Women's Club, SW
- 2nd Place - Colleen Hoch, GFWC New Century Club of Berks, SE
- 3rd Place - Gail Frank, GFWC West side Women's Club, NE

Decorated Wine Bottle:

- 1st Place - Geny Barthelmes, GFWC Hollidaysburg Women's Club, SC
- 2nd Place - Patricia Motyka, GFWC West Side Women's Club, NE
- 3rd Place - Pat Benner, GFWC Women's Club of Perkasio, SE

Decorated Wooden Tray:

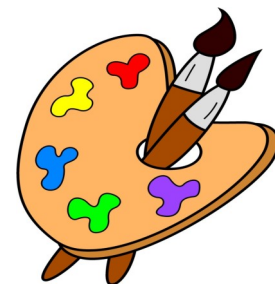
- 1st Place - Carolyn Smith, GFWC Bangor Women's Club, NE
- 2nd Place - Heidi Priest, GFWC Junior Women's Club of Butler, SW
- 3rd Place - Barbara Weakland, GFWC Hollidaysburg Women's Club, SC

Cosmetic Bag:

- 1st Place - Yolanda Cypher, GFWC Butler Intermediate League, SW
- 2nd Place - Marian Smith, GFWC PA Nazareth Women's Club, NE
- 3rd Place - Marie Disaroad, GFWC Women's Club of Perkasio, SE

Quilted Wall Hanging:

- 1st Place - Linda Miller, GFWC Upper Allen Women's Club, SC
- 2nd Place - Donna Fagley, GFWC Women's Civic Club of Schwenkwille, SE
- 3rd Place - Cheryl O'Hora, GFWC Abington Heights Civic League, NE



Judges:

Linley Conroy; Robin Wiegand; Sujana Denzic; Paige Deiuiliis – Tie Breaker Judge

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Congratulations to Heide Cebreck—our Middle Atlantic Region Jennie Award Winner!



Conservation Fashion Show! Sandy Hauenstien's creative design will be judged at the International competition at the GFWC Convention in St. Louis, Missouri! All of the lovely outfits were constructed with recycled, reusable bags. Good Luck, Sandy!



2018 CONVENTION EVALUATIONS

Thank you for the evaluation if you did one. Overall, comments were positive, but there were a few negatives regarding the food. We want you to know that the prices you paid were exactly what we were charged by the hotel, including a 21% service fee and sales tax. No extra added. In addition, the meals had been customized from the hotel's standard menus to bring the prices down. Consistent portion size was an issue. Keep in mind that once the menus are chosen, the convention committee has no control over portion sizes, etc. To the best of my knowledge, when the portion sizes weren't consistent and it was called to a wait staff's attention, it was taken care of. We also did our best to make it affordable, but things today are expensive.

I complained to the hotel on your behalf regarding the breakfast. NOTE: We did get what we ordered, a complimentary breakfast. (The items were listed in the Official Call). However, I agree the breakfast spread was rather small. I suspect it's because only 30 people bought breakfast, but also realize it didn't seem to be replenished often.

Overall, it was a great convention, but apologies if you had any problems with your food. --Lois

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Lois Richards announced at the 121st GFWC Pennsylvania Convention that our GFWC Pennsylvania clubwomen donated a total of **562 handmade blankets** to **Project Linus**. The blankets will be distributed to children in hospitals and other care facilities. Thanks to all who participated!

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