GFWC-NC District 4: Community Service Betwixt and Between



Winter 2022-2023 Newsletter



President's Message Vanessa Lowder

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What a great fall for District 4! Thanks to everyone who made our October Fall Meeting a success. Now on to our **important winter season**. Please take note of the following items:

Treasurer's Report — <u>Cindy Baggett</u>

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District 4 and GFWC-NC dues must be submitted by December 31st , 2022.

State Dues:

You were recently emailed by the GFWC-NC headquarters (GFWC-NC Bookkeeper) your club roster and state dues remittance form. If you did not receive this information, please email <u>bookkeeper@gfwcnc.org</u>.

District Dues should be sent to the District Treasurer along with the District *Dues Remittance Form* Remit your payments to: **District 4 Treasurer, Cindy Baggett**

3900 Rockbridge Rd.

Greensboro, NC 27407

by December 31st. District 4 dues are \$5.00 per clubwoman. There is also a copy of this form in your Administration Handbook. For your convenience, these forms may also be found on the district website under forms.

2nd Vice President (Awards) Report Eleanor Oliver EOHome@aol.com

The following **DISTRICT AWARD ENTREES** are due to me by **February 1st:**

- Outstanding Citizenship and Patriotism Award
- General Clubwoman of the Year Award
- Junior Clubwoman of the Year Award
- The District 4 Communications and Information Award this one is a new award

More information is available in the <u>District 4 Admin-</u> <u>istration Handbook</u> or contacting me with questions.

Help with Report and Award Entry Writing

Who does the reporting for your club? Is it the president, a vice president, a committee, or whoever has the time??? GFWC-NC is offering a Zoom session to guide your club in this sometimes less than pleasant task.

Mark your calendars for <u>Thurs. December 29, 7 p.m</u>.

GFWC-NC 1st Vice President Cindy Hewett and GFWC-NC Dean of Jr. CSPs will lead the call. They will cover:

- Completing the GFWC-NC State Statistical Form
- Award Entries covering CSPs, Advancement Areas, Signature Programs, and Special Projects
- Individual Clubwoman Awards (see below)
- Contest Entries
- Questions & Answers (feel free to send any questions ahead of time to Cindy <u>chewett@atmc.net</u>)

Watch for the Zoom link from Headquarters

GFWC-NC Individual Clubwomen Awards — Important Change

In the past **Districts** have submitted their Individual DISTRICT Clubwomen award entries to the State for judging. Beginning this year **each local club** should submit their entries directly. The deadline for them is **March 1st**. These are the award categories:

- <u>Outstanding Citizenship and Patriotism</u> (to GFWC-NC Recording Secretary)
- <u>General Clubwoman of the Year</u> (to GFWC-NC President-Elect)
- Junior Clubwoman of the Year (to GFWC-NC Director-Elect of Junior Clubs)
- <u>Clubwoman with "Heart"</u> (to GFWC-NC 2nd Vice President
- Junior "Magic" Clubwoman (to GFWC-NC Junior Secretary)

Sallie Southall Cotten Scholarship Report— Denane Owen howen2010@gmail.com

The DISTRICT 4 Sallie Southall Cotten Scholarship is awarded to a candidate (male or female) nominated by a local GFWC-NC club in the district. The DISTRICT 4 winner receives a *\$2,500* one-time scholarship payment to the NC university/college they attend. The runner-up receives a *\$1,500* one-time scholarship payment to the NC university/college they attend.

The DISTRICT 4 winner proceeds to compete against candidates from other GFWC-NC districts for the GFWC-NC Sallie Southall Cotten Scholarship which is a **\$12,000** scholarship over four years. The GFWC of North Carolina Sallie Southall Cotten Scholarship (SSCS) is a 4 year scholarship awarded to an outstanding North Carolina high school senior (male or female). **Students must be first sponsored by a GFWC-NC club in their local area that is participating in the scholarship process to apply.** (In the event the recipient graduates in three years, the tenure shall be three years). The scholarship is awarded in memory of our past State President Mrs. Robert R. Cotten (1911-1913).

Participating GFWC District 4 clubs must submit 3 copies of the candidate application by Friday, December 30 to:

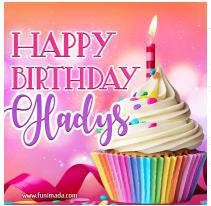
Denane Owen 223 Engleman Avenue Burlington, NC 27215

When mailing the candidate application packet, please send an email to Denane at <u>howen2010@gmail.com</u> indicating date mailed, club woman contact name, telephone number and email address for any questions. Rules can be reviewed on District 4 website at **https://gfwcnc.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/07/ SallieSouthhall.p**df. Please ensure a parent release form is included in the packet: http://www.gfwcnc.org/wp-content/ uploads/2018/10/ReleaseForm.pdf.

GFWC District 4 SSCS candidate interviews will be held on Saturday, January 14, 2023 (snow date Saturday, January 28, 2023) from 9:00 am until. Location of interviews:

Weir-Jordon House 223 N Edgeworth Street Greensboro, NC 27401

"Leadership and learning are indispensable to each other" – John F. Kennedy



District 4 would like to wish **Gladys Boroughs** a happy birthday. Gladys will turn 100 on December 28th. She is a charter member of the Sedgefield Woman's Club and served as its president three different times. She was District President in 1976 and served as GFWC-NC President from 1986-1988. She is known for her many devotionals which she wrote and compiled into booklets which have been widely used by many women's clubs.

GFWC-NC District 4 Arts Festival Birene Doerfler and Mary Jo Abernethy Co-Chairs

Much planning has already gone into the 2023 District 4 Arts Festival. Please mark your calendars:

Saturday, February 11, 2023 at Kernodle Senior Center 1535 S. Mebane St. Burlington, NC 27215

The theme of this festival will be: **District 4 Arts** — **Talent Betwixt and Between.** The <u>Burlington Woman's</u> <u>Club</u> will be our hostess club and we are looking forward to a great day! The tentative schedule is:

8:30 - 9:15	Registration / "Sip and Mix"
8:30 - 9:15	Registration of Student and
	Clubwomen Art
9:30 – until	Art Judging (no late entries allowed)
9:30 - 10:15	Crafting Workshops
9:30 - 10:15	District 4 Board Meeting
10:30 - 11:30	General Meeting
11:45 – 12:15	Clubwomen view of art
12:15 – 1:00	Luncheon, Program and Awards
1:00 - 1:30	Art pickup

Expect the official "Call" in early January. Registration will be \$20 which includes your lunch.

Local Club Arts Competitions

We hope that your club will be conducting arts competitions and plans to send entries to our District festival. The winning entries will then go on to the GFWC-NC Arts Festival in March.

Gail Harwood of the Burlington Woman's Club, will be acting as "registrar" for both student and clubwoman arts entries. She has prepared documents which clubs will need to prepare their entries for the competition. Look for those documents to come directly from Gail by the end of December. If you have questions you can reach her at: <u>bwc@triad.rr.com</u>

Art Supply Collection:

At the Arts Festival art supplies will be collected to benefit students in Alamance County.

List of arts supplies needed – plastic cups (not disposable), poster board (no gloss), large drawing erasers, black sharpies (and various colors), glue sticks, supply caddies, construction paper, detail paint brushes, chalk pastels, charcoal, liquid watercolor paint, Lysol wipes.

District Four Winter Calendar

Thurs. December 29, 7 p.m. — Reporting and Award Entry Writing Zoom session (see pg.1) *By December 30, 2022*

- Sallie Southall Cotten Scholarship Applications due (see page 2)
- By December 31, 2022
- Honor Club donations must be made on or before December 31st (due to GFWC-NC Headquarters
- Local Club Membership dues, Membership/ mailing lists, and Club Update Form, are due to GFWC-NC Headquarters.
- **District dues** are sent to District Treasurer, Cindy Baggett

January 11, 2023

• Receive Call for District Arts Festival

January 14, 2023

• Sallie Southall Cotten Scholarship Interviews (see page 3)

January 31, 2023 — District Arts Festival Registration Deadline

By February 1, 2023

- Club Deadline for CP&S Form (to GFWC-NC State Second Vice President) and GFWC Report Form and (most) State Awards Entries.
- District 4 Award Entries due to Eleanor Oliver for Outstanding Citizenship and Patriotism General Clubwoman of the Year Award Junior Clubwoman of the Year Award The District 4 Communications & Information

February 11, 2023 District Arts Festival (see above) (Feb. 18—inclement weather date)

By March 1, 2023

- District Scholarship entries & individual award winners due to GFWC-NC Chairman
- Individual Clubwomen Awards due to GFWC-NC (see pg. 1—NEW PROCEDURE)

March 11, 2023 — GFWC-NC Arts Festival Mebane

Spotlight on the Clubs of GFWC-NC District Four

Each issue of our District Four newsletter will spotlight at least one of our district clubs. In this issue we highlight **two** clubs who are each making a difference in their community. We would love to feature your club. Please send information to <u>Vanessa Lowder</u>.

Club Spotlight: Greensboro Woman's Club

The fall is always a busy time for the Greensboro Woman's Club, and 2022 was no exception. The club managed to carry out many meaningful projects which hit all the Community Service Programs.

For several years the Greensboro Woman's Club has partnered with <u>Reconsidered Goods</u>, a creative re-use center, where members spent time rolling, sorting, and stocking fabric remnants which have been donated. With the club's help these will find new uses and not be added to the landfill.



For many years the GWC has assisted Greensboro Urban Ministries with their annual



"Feast of Caring" fundraiser. Club members worked in various capacities for both lunch and dinner where hundreds of citizens make a donation and enjoy soup and fellowship.

At the November meeting, the club's Health & Wellness CSP committee sponsored a guest speaker who shared about <u>Kaitlyn's</u>

House, which serves those in the community who struggle with drug addiction. A donation was made to this organization. Club members also collected flu care items for students at Bennett College.

The GWC Education & Libraries CSP has coordinated several projects. This committee sponsored a club-wide collection of board games for their partner school, Murphey Traditional Academy. Over 150 games were collected which the school will use for indoor recess days and as incentives. This committee also put together an exam care package for the club's 2022 scholarship recipient who is a student at Wake Forest University.



The Club's Arts & Culture CSP has also been busy promoting various local cultural offerings.



They coordinated the club's October speaker, artist William Mangum. Mangum shared his personal story as well as his support for Greensboro Urban Ministry for which he has produced an "Honor Card" each year for over 30 years, the sale of which supports the organization's work. The club also held work days in which members sorted and packaged these cards for distribution.

The Greensboro Woman's Club was organized in 1909 and is the oldest service club in Greensboro. Amy Moore is president. You can find more information about the club and its work <u>here.</u>

Club Spotlight: Sedgefield Woman's Club



Another District Four club which has had a buy fall is the Sedgefield Woman's Club. In October the club's Health & Wellness committee delivered an early morning breakfast to the hardworking staff at Sedgefield Elementary School. Donna Church and her group brought breakfast casseroles, quiches, muffins, fresh fruit, poppy seed cake, sausage biscuits and sausage balls. In addition, the group provided an assortment of Keurig pods along with fresh orange juice and bottled waters for the teachers and other staff to enjoy.

One of the committee members invited a massage therapist who came with her massage chair. She provided massages to the teachers as their names were chosen in a drawing. Those re-

ceiving the treatment said it was heaven to get this free massage to help with their very stressful jobs.

In addition, a check was presented to the school principal for \$250.00 designated to be used by the teachers to help buy books for their upcoming book fair.

The largest event by far for the Sedgefield Woman's Club is the annual Christmas Fundraiser, where all members participate in some way. The event is held at Sedgefield Country Club where guests enjoy a plated lunch and are able to take part





in a silent auction, raffles, and a live auction which this year was conducted by old St. Nick himself. The event requires months of planning and the resulting

funds are used for the club's Community Service Programs, its scholarship program and to provide assistance to local, state, and international organizations. Over 226 people attended this year's event and approximately \$27,000 was raised.





Even after the such a busy fall, members of the SWC found time to right the bells for the Salvation Army!





The Sedgefield Woman's Club was organized and federated in 1961. Currently Tara Daniel serves as the club's president. Learn more about the club and their work <u>here</u>.