CALL FOR THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH ANNUAL CONVENTION
General Federation of Women’s Clubs of Virginia
(GFWC Virginia)

April 25 - 28, 2013

Marriott Chesapeake
725 Woodlake Drive, Chesapeake, Virginia

CONVENTION THEME: "Unearth the Possibilities’..."

2012-2014 GFWC Virginia Theme: "Observing . . . to take notice . . . to take action!"

Club Presidents are requested to read the Call to the members and elected delegates according to the bylaws of the Federation, Article IX, Section 1.B. "Each individual club shall be represented by its president or her alternate (ordinarily the First Vice President), and one or more additional delegates or alternates according to the following schedule:

- Fewer than 50 members - President and 1 additional delegate;
- 51-100 members - President and 2 additional delegates;
- 101-150 members - President and 3 additional delegates;
- 151-200 members - President and 4 additional delegates;
- 201-250 members - President and 5 additional delegates;
- 251-300 members - President and 6 additional delegates.

Junior clubs shall follow the same schedule." The Registration Form must be signed by the Club President and one other officer. A delegate should be prepared to show identification.

Advance registration for meals and attendance shall be made by mail on forms included in this publication. Properly signed Registration Forms are to be mailed to the GFWC Virginia Credentials Chairman or Junior Chairman. Advance registration fee is $35 for delegate or visitor and must be postmarked no later than Thursday, April 12, 2013. Late registration fee is $45 for delegate or visitor. Visitors attending Convention for one day shall pay $30. Only members attending the full Convention may be registered as delegates, however, "any member of any club belonging to GFWC Virginia may be present at Convention and may take part in the discussions upon all measures brought forward, but shall neither introduce motions nor vote." GFWC Virginia Bylaws, Article IX, Section 1.6. Please indicate on the registration form which members are attending their first state meeting. They will receive special recognition.

Hotel reservations may be made by individual call-in no later than Monday, March 25, 2013. After that date, any additional reservation requests will be honored on a rate and space available basis only. Please call the hotel toll free at 888.245.2617 or at 757.523.1500 and ask for GFWC Virginia Convention room block. Guest room rates are $109 per day plus 13% tax.

Directions to the hotel are: I-64 (East or West); exit 289A-B, take ramp right and follow signs for Greenbrier Pkwy North; turn right onto Woodlake Drive.

ADMISSION TO ALL SESSIONS WILL BE BY BADGE ONLY
GFWC VIRGINIA – CONVENTION 2013
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Theme: “Nourishing Our Roots”

PRE-CONVENTION MEETINGS

Thursday, April 25, 2013
10:00 - 12:00 p.m. Budget and Finance and Endowment Committee Meetings - President’s Suite
1:00 - 5:00 p.m. Joint Executive Board Meeting
6:00 - 8:30 p.m. Joint Executive Board Dinner
9:00 p.m. - ? Junior Executive Board Meeting

Friday, April 26, 2013
8:00 – 9:30 a.m. Junior Executive Board Meeting
9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Joint Executive Board Meeting & Brunch

CONVENTION PROGRAM

Friday, April 26, 2013
11:30 a.m.- 2:45 p.m. Convention Registration Open
11:00 a.m. - 2:45 p.m. Registration of Arts and Crafts

1:45 p.m. Musical Prelude – Emma Jean Wise, Music Chairman

2:00 – 4:30 p.m. OPENING SESSION
Call to Order – Teresa Craig, GFWC Virginia President
Thought of the Day – Linda Beatty, Chaplain
Opening Ceremonies
Presentation of Colors
National Anthem
Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America
Welcome and Remarks – Mayor, Dr. Alan P. Krasnoff
Preliminary Credentials Report – Lois Creasy, Credentials Chairman
Appointment of Committee to Approve Minutes
Presentation of Convention Rules - Marlene Wine, GFWC Virginia Parliamentarian
Presentation of Convention Program – Kathryn Sowers, Meetings Chairman
Introductions - President Craig
Reports of GFWC Virginia Officers
Report of Executive Secretary - Heather Craven
Reports of Standing Committees
Budget & Finance – Marolyn Cash, Chairman
Headquarters - Virginia Darnell, Chairman
Scholarships – Susan Allen, Chairman
State Fair - Sandra Sizemore, Chairman
Reports/Awards of Special Appointments/Committees
CIP – Ginger Robertson, Chairman
*Legislation/Public Policy - Lynne Wherry, Chairman
Reporting - Pat Reinders, Chairman
The Virginia Clubwoman *Newsletter Awards – Deborah McClintock, Editor
*Website - Janice Sadler, Web Designer (presented by Deborah McClintock)
*GFWC Women’s History and Resource Center - Joan Kremzir, Chairman
*Communications & Public Relations – Barb Kiker, Chairman
*Fundraising – Tania Stephens, Chairman
Community Service Program Awards, Facilitated by Betty Shields and Kristi Barber
*International Outreach – Pat Bickel, Chairman
*Public Issues – Sheila Ridout, Chairman
Announcements/Door Prizes – Kathryn Sowers, Meetings Chairman
4:30 - 5:45 p.m.  Convention Registration Open - Foyer
6:00 - 6:45 p.m.  Reception Honoring GFWC Virginia Past Presidents and GFWC Virginia Past Directors of Junior Clubs

ALL CLUBWOMEN INVITED ~~~ Cash Bar

6:45 p.m.  Musical Prelude - Emma Jean Wise
7:00 - 9:30 p.m.  "Faces of a Bouquet..." Recognition Banquet - Semi-formal Attire

Processional of State Past Presidents, Past Directors of Junior Clubs and 2012-2014 Executive Boards, Announced by Heather Craven, Executive Secretary
Memorial Resolution in honor of Ann Dobie Peebles, GFWC Virginia Past President
Presented by Linda Beatty, GFWC Virginia Past President
Grace – Linda Beatty, Chaplain
Dinner / Strolling Silver Strings
Tributes to State Past Presidents and Directors of Junior Clubs
Presentation of Junior Special Awards honoring State Past Presidents
  *Corinne Murray Award
  *Margaret Allen Thomas Award
  *Phyllis V. Roberts Award
  *Shelby Paisley Hamlett Award
*Leadership Awards – Betty Shields, Chairman, Kristi Barber, Junior Chairman
Introduction of 2013 GFWC LEADS Participant – Kristi Barber
Presentation of Anniversary Certificates and Membership Pin Recipients,
  Fran Edwards, Chairman, Deitra Hart, Junior Chairman
Announcements - Kathryn Sowers, Meetings Chairman

9:00 - 10:00 p.m.  View Arts and Crafts Exhibits
10:00 p.m. - ?  Districts' Caucus

Saturday, April 27, 2013
7:15 - 7:45 a.m.  Convention Registration Open - Foyer
9:30 - 9:45 a.m.  Convention Registration Open - Foyer
7:30 - 10:00 a.m.  "Girls Just Want to Have Fun!..." Awards Breakfast – 80s attire

Call to Order-Angela Paez, GFWC Virginia 3rd Vice President/Director of Junior Clubs
Introductions
Grace
Breakfast
Junior Credentials Report – Lori Chevalier, Credentials Junior Chairman
Reports of GFWC Virginia Junior Officers and District Directors
Report of Junior Executive Board Action – Cheryl Wilson, Junior Secretary/Treasurer
Reports of Junior Standing and Special Committees
Junior New Business
Reports of District – Facilitated by Betty Shields and Kristi Barber
Junior Honor Society Awards - Kristi Barber
Junior Pledge – Cathy Parker, Director of Junior Clubs; Tidewater District
Announcements – Kathryn Sowers, Meetings Chairman

10:15 a.m. - Noon  BUSINESS SESSION
Call to Order - President Craig
Thought for the Day
Credentials Report Update – Lois Creasy, Chairman
Report of Executive Board Action – Linda Holsclaw, Secretary
Report of Strategic Planning Committee – Diana Pettyjohn, Chairman
Presentation of Camp Easter Seals UCP Virginia Staff Recognition Gift-Angela Paez
Presentation to Camp Easter Seals UCP Virginia – Angela Paez
Community Service Program Awards, Facilitated by Betty Shields and Kristi Barber
  *Conservation – Sue Trussell, Chairman
  *Education – Arlene Vinion-Dubiel, Chairman
Announcements/Door Prizes - Kathryn Sowers, Meetings Chairman
12:15 - 12:45 p.m.  Convention Registration Open
12:15 - 12:45 p.m.  View Arts and Crafts Exhibits
12:45 p.m.  Musical Prelude – Emma Jean Wise, Chairman

All Dogwood Society members gather for photo at 12:30 p.m.
(Advance lunch seating for Dogwood Society members who have purchased a luncheon ticket)

1:00 - 3:30 p.m.  "Planting seeds not feet!" Luncheon
Report of Endowment Committee – Betsy Doxey, Chairman
Grace, Linda Beatty
Lunch
Special Guest – Babs Condon, GFWC President-elect
Membership Recruitment Recognition - Fran Edwards and Deitra Hart
*Membership Awards - Fran Edwards and Deitra Hart
50/50 Drawing - Martha Matthews
Announcements/Door Prizes - Kathryn Sowers, Meetings Chairman

3:30 – 4:30 p.m.  "Float'n With Friends"  Ice Cream Float Social - Patio/Lounge area
3:30 – 5:30 p.m.  Club Market – Patio/Lounge area
4:30 p.m.  Raffle Drawing for State Project– Patio/Lounge area
4:30 - 5:00 p.m.  Pick-up Arts and Crafts Exhibits
6:00 - 6:45 p.m.  RECEPTION, ALL CLUBWOMEN INVITED~~~Cash Bar
6:45 - 7:00 p.m.  Musical Prelude - Emma Jean Wise
7:00 - 9:30 p.m.  “Sweet Dreams are Made of These … ” Banquet – Cocktail Attire
Processional of 2012-2014 Joint Executive Boards Announced by Amanda Paez,
Strategic Planning Junior Committee Member
Grace
Dinner
Speaker
*GFWC Junior Project Award, Advocates for Children - Lori Rocker, Chairman
Junior Special Awards - Introduced by Kristi Barber
  *Shenandoah Award - Shenandoah District Juniors
  *Marjorie Branch Award - Tidewater District Juniors
  *Thomas Jefferson Health Award - Thomas Jefferson Junior Woman’s Club
  *Southside District Award in Legislation – Southside District Juniors
Junior Directors' Award for Outstanding Achievement
and GFWC Virginia Junior Club of the Year - Lori Chevalier
Community Service Program Awards, Facilitated by Betty Shields and Kristi Barber
  *Health – Del Williams, Chairman
  *Home Life – Dale Fisher, Chairman
50/50 Drawing – Cheryl Wilson, Junior Secretary/Treasurer
Announcements - Kathryn Sowers, Meetings Chairman
10:15 p.m.- ? Junior Fun Night ~ BINGO - $15 per person (All Clubwomen Invited)

Sunday, April 28, 2013
9:45 a.m.  Musical Prelude – Emma Jean Wise
10:00 a.m. - Noon  "Let’s Go Grow . .." Brunch/Closing Business Session
Call to Order - President Craig
Grace – Linda Beatty
Brunch
Final Credentials Report – Lois Creasy, Chairman
Remaining Business
Recognition of Arts Contests' Winners – Phyllis Ayers, Contests Chairman
Community Service Program Awards, Facilitated by Betty Shields and Kristi Barber
  *Arts - Phyllis Ayers, Chairmen
  *GFWC Signature Project Awards – Lynn Osborne, Chairman
Announcements/Door Prizes - Kathryn Sowers, Meetings Chairman
Collect For Clubwomen
Adjournment
**MENUS**

**Friday Banquet**
Grilled pork porterhouse with roasted pearl onions, cider glazed granny smith green apples
Salad, chef’s selection of vegetables, starch, dessert, rolls and butter
Starbucks® regular and decaffeinated coffee, a selection of hot herbal teas and iced tea

**Saturday Breakfast**
Sliced seasonal fruit and berries
assortment of biscuits, croissants and bagels with flavored cream cheese, butter and jams
Scrambled eggs, link sausage and crispy bacon
Homestyle potatoes
Southern grits
Two chilled juices, Starbucks® regular and decaffeinated coffee, and a selection of hot herbal teas

**Saturday Lunch**
Tossed mixed greens with ranch and vinaigrette dressings
Granny’s potato salad, homestyle cole slaw
Hamburgers with American cheese
Pulled pork barbecue
Condiments and relish tray
Bread basket, corn on the cob
Baked beans
Ice Cream Floats/During Social
Starbucks® regular and decaffeinated coffee, and a selection of hot herbal teas

**Saturday Dinner**
Marinated and grilled breast of chicken served over Asian broccoli stir fry topped with slivered almonds
Caesar salad
Whole grain bread with margarine
Shortcake with a variety of fruits mixed with a light topping

**Sunday Brunch**
Sliced seasonal fruits and berries
Egg battered Texas toast served with warm maple syrup and blueberry syrup
Corn beef hash
Ham and cheddar scrambled eggs
Scrambled eggs, biscuits and gravy
Two chilled juices, Starbucks® regular and decaffeinated coffee, and a selection of hot herbal teas

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**Babs Condon – GFWC President-elect**
Babs Condon is a third-generation GFWC clubwoman, who has been an active member of the Federation for more than 29 years. Babs’ Federation work started in 1983, when she joined the GFWC Junior Woman’s Club of Westminster. She joined the GFWC Woman’s Club of Westminster in 2000, and has served her clubs, district, state, and GFWC with distinction, holding numerous offices, and program and special project chairmanships.


While serving as the 2002-2004 GFWC Maryland State President, Babs placed special emphasis on membership and volunteering and continues this passion in her 18th year as the advisor for a GFWC Juniorette club, which she started in 1994.

Babs is a graduate of West Virginia Wesleyan College, with graduate work at the University of Kentucky and Western Maryland College. She married Jerry (the boy next door) in 1978, taught for several years before having two wonderful sons, and starting on the path of a professional volunteer.

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**Dr. Alan P. Krasnoff**
Mayor, Chesapeake, VA
Dr. Krasnoff was elected Mayor in May 2008. Prior to that he was first elected to City Council in May 1990 and then re-elected in May 1994, 1998, 2002, and 2006. He is a graduate of Queens College & National College of Chiropractic and holds a Master's Degree from Norfolk State University in Urban Education and Counseling, K-12. Dr. Krasnoff is self-employed as a chiropractor. He has previously served as director of Chesapeake Juvenile Advisory Board.