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GFWC Junioresettes Making Their Mark

Our Junioresettes have started off the club year with some great projects. Last week, the **Naples Junioresettes** (Florida) made fifteen fleece tie blankets for the newborn babies assisted by the Baby Basics program which provides free diapers to low-income families.

Many Junioresette clubs have begun community projects for the holidays. This year, the **Junioresette Club of Chipley** (Florida) developed a project called Little Brown-bag Blessings. The project helps children who don't have sufficient resources at home by providing non-perishable food that can be easily prepared. The food is distributed at the end of the school day before extended breaks when children cannot rely on federal lunch programs.

The **Gulf Shores Junioresettes** (Alabama) participated in the Box of Joy campaign, a charity that sends Christmas gift boxes to children in other countries who might not otherwise receive a gift. The club provided over 80 boxes to deliver to eager

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children around the world! Another club making sure children are smiling this Christmas is the **Greater Hightstown Junioresettes** (New Jersey). Putting up their annual Wish Tree at the local library, the Junioresettes partnered with Rise, a program which helps disadvantaged families. Each ornament on the Wish Tree features a Rise child and his/her Christmas wish so library patrons can purchase presents for the children.

Junioresettes make important contributions to their communities, and we want to share them. Each week we will feature a different Junioresette club and a project they've accomplished on our Instagram account (gfwchq). If you'd like your club to be highlighted, send a photo of a recent project or event with a short caption to pr@gfwc.org. Junioresette Club sponsors, please encourage your members to follow us on Instagram so they can keep up to date on what their sister Junioresettes are doing for their communities.



A New Project to Support St. Jude Children's Research Hospital

Is your club looking for a new way to help the ailing children at St. Jude Children's Research Hospital? Juniors' Special Program Chairman Deb Allen has a wonderful suggestion! Start creating Mask Straps for patients.

Mask straps are used to improve the comfort level for children required to wear facial masks to prevent the spread of infection. These mask straps replace the elastic band that comes standard on the masks. Children tell the hospital's staff that the flannel

Membership Services Manager Kate Garlick at kgarlick@gfwc.org and you're all set!

Cares & Concerns

It is with great sadness that we announce the loss of Past Nevada State President **Alice Eubank** (1988-1990). Alice was an active member of GFWC for over 60 years and held several leadership positions including President of the Junior Woman's Club of Hampton (Virginia) and President of the Mesquite Club (Nevada). A celebration of life memorial will be held in Alice's honor on December 6 in Las Vegas.



You're Invited!

Every year, the historic GFWC Headquarters is transformed into a holiday wonderland, complete with a floor-to-ceiling Christmas tree, traditional décor, and a buffet of delicious treats! This year we invite you to once again join us in celebrating the season at 1734 N Street NW,

and fleece material feels much better against their cheeks and causes far less rubbing than the original elastic band. [Click here](#) to download a tip sheet or visit St. Jude's website for step-by-step instructions. It is also essential that clubs review the hospital's rules for creating fabric items prior to beginning the project.

Mail your completed mask straps to 595 North Parkway, Memphis, TN 38105. By including the completed [Donation Form](#) created by Chairman Allen with your contribution, you will ensure that your club and the clubwomen of GFWC are acknowledged for the in-kind donation.

We thank all of the GFWC members who are diligently working to bring a smile to the faces of seriously ill children by supporting St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.



Take Part in National Wreaths Across America Day

Please consider taking part in [National Wreaths Across America Day](#) on December 16. This annual event, at which wreaths are placed at graves, aims to honor our nation's veterans and ensure they are remembered for their sacrifices. Ceremonies will take place at Arlington National Cemetery and at over 1,200 additional locations in all 50 states, at sea, and abroad.

Wreaths Across America encourages every volunteer who places a wreath on a veteran's grave to say their name aloud and take a moment to thank them for their service. The charity's website

Washington, DC 20036 on Wednesday,
December 6 from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.



Happy 100th Birthday Lola Price Underwood!

Lola Price Underwood was born on November 30, 1917 in Sissonville, West Virginia. Lola has been an active member of the GFWC Sissonville Woman's Club for 23 years and worked at the Kanawha County Board of Education for over 40 years. She attends almost every club meeting and is also a beloved congregant at the Aldersgate United Methodist Church. Sissonville Vice President Patricia Ebert stated, "Lola always has a smile on her face and loves to share stories of her youth."

GFWC International President Sheila E. Shea and members across the country wish this extraordinary clubwoman a Happy 100th Birthday!

GFWC Library History

We recently asked clubs to share their stories of creating community libraries

states, "A person dies twice: once when they take their final breath, and later, the last time their name is spoken." The tradition of reciting our veteran's names is a small act that goes a long way toward preserving the memory of our fallen heroes.

If you would like to participate at the Arlington National Cemetery event, you are welcome to join President Shea, local clubwomen, and the GFWC staff as we volunteer on Saturday, December 16. GFWC's volunteers will meet at 8:30 a.m. in front of the Women in Military Service for America Memorial at the end of Memorial Drive. Wreath placement will begin at 9:15 a.m. A formal Wreath Ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknowns follows at 12 p.m.

Quick Tips on Parliamentary Procedure

By GFWC Parliamentarian Shirley Gomes

SUBSIDIARY MOTIONS BRIEFLY DESCRIBED BY FUNCTIONS

If an embarrassing main motion has been brought before your club, a member can propose to dispose of this question without bringing it to a direct vote, by moving to **Postpone Indefinitely**. See also Robert's Rule of Order, Newly Revised for **Objection to the Consideration of a Question**.

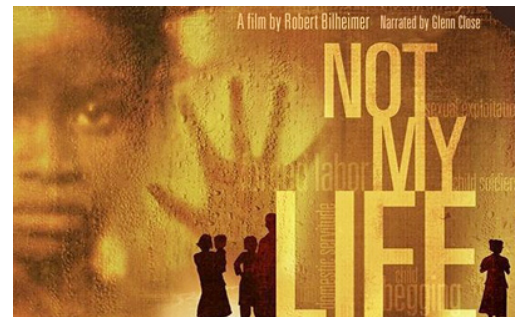
If a main motion might be more suitable or acceptable in an altered form, a proposal to change its wording before the main motion is voted on can be introduced by moving to **Amend**.

It may be that too much time would be required to amend the main motion properly, or that additional information is needed, so that it would be better to turn the motion over to a committee for study or redrafting before the members consider it further. Such action can be proposed by moving to Commit the main question – or **Refer** it to a committee.

If the club members prefer to consider the main motion later in the same meeting or at another meeting, this can be proposed by moving to **Postpone to a Certain Time – also called the motion to Postpone Indefinitely, or simply to postpone**.

If it is desired to continue consideration of a motion but debate is consuming too much time, a member can move to place a

for the *WHRC Newsletter*. The response to our request was overwhelming. We have been inundated with your informative, entertaining, and inspiring articles. To ensure that no one was left out, we have compiled the articles into a single booklet that tells the larger story behind GFWC's role in founding libraries across the United States. [Click here](#) to download the *GFWC Library History* booklet from gfwc.org.



View Not My Life at Your Local Club Meeting

In response to our recent article on the documentary *Not My Life*, many clubwomen have requested access to the film so they may host screenings. If you would like to download *Not My Life*, please contact GFWC's UNICEF Representative Mansi Mehta at mmehta@unicefusa.org. She will be happy to provide a link to the movie and the password to Vimeo for access. *UNICEF's Not My Life Guide* is also available to facilitate discussion about the film.

limit on debate; on the other hand, if special circumstances make it advisable to permit more or longer speeches than under the usual rules, a motion to do so can be made; or, it may sometimes be desirable to combine the elements of limitations and extension, as in limit the length of speech but allowing more speeches per member. All such modifications of the normal limits of debate are proposed by means of the motion to ***Limit or Extend Limits of Debate.***

If it is desired to close debate and amendment of a pending question so that it will come to an immediate vote, this can be proposed by moving the ***Previous Question.***

If there is a reason to lay the main motion aside temporarily, but with the understanding that it can be taken up again whenever a majority so decides, in the same meeting or the next regular meeting, it can be proposed by the motion to ***Lay on the Table.***

A Year in Pictures Photography Contest

The GFWC Executive Committee has made a small change to the award recognition granted to the Year in Pictures Photography Contest winners. The 12 winning photographs will continue to appear in the GFWC A Year in Pictures calendar. However, the calendar will no longer be distributed in the November + December issue of *GFWC Clubwoman Magazine*. Alternatively, the new desk calendar will be made available through GFWC's online Marketplace beginning in September of 2018. Winners will receive two free copies of the calendar and will be presented a certificate at the GFWC Annual Convention.

Vote in the GFWC Shares Polls

When you think of the holiday season, you probably picture Thanksgiving and Christmas. However, the holiday season doesn't end there! Right afterwards comes New Year's and then Valentine's Day, and so there is always something to celebrate. Take a moment to answer our polls about your New Year's Resolution habits and your favorite Valentine's Day presents to be included in the January + February edition of *GFWC Clubwoman Magazine*. [Click here](#) to vote.



Be the Hero

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GFWC International President Sheila E. Shea joined other concerned leaders to urge Congress to approve the Fix NICS Act (S. 2135, H.R. 4434) at a November 29 press conference. The bipartisan legislation would direct funds to ensure that individuals convicted of domestic violence crimes are promptly and accurately added into the National Instant Criminal Background Check System. If enacted, the bill will stop convicted domestic violence offenders from purchasing firearms. Inconsistent implementation of current laws has left unacceptable gaps in the background check system and has led to tragedies such as the recent mass shooting in Sutherland Springs, Texas. The press conference was attended by Senators John Cornyn (R-Texas) and Chris Murphy (D-Connecticut) who introduced the Act, by survivors of domestic violence, and by representatives of the National Network to End Domestic Violence, the National Coalition Against Domestic Violence, Futures Without Violence, and the Texas Council on Family Violence.

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In the News

The **Exeter Area GFWC** (New Hampshire) recently received media attention due to their generous donation to Haven. As the largest violence prevention and support services agency in New Hampshire, Haven provides assistance for individuals impacted by domestic and sexual abuse. Proceeds from the club's Yuletide Fair will support the agency's community education programs. [Click here](#) to learn more and read the full article published on Seacoastonline.com.



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A great folder to have all your essential information about GFWC! The beautifully crafted letter size, two pocket folder features a portrait orientation, GFWC emblem foil stamped on the front cover, rounded corners, standard business card slot in right pocket, and two 4

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