

**Lee District General Awards for the 2018 Club Year Presented March 23, 2018**

**Special Awards**

**Alex's Friends - "Helping Children in Crisis" - domestic and international - given by the Metropolitan Richmond Woman's Club.** Presenting the award is President Karen Richardson

**The winner is The Woman's Club of Powhatan County, Inc.** This Club supports Together for Tanzania, which raises money to aid with children's education, and Operation Smile by collecting and delivering items to support children undergoing operations for cleft palates. Both projects support children internationally, are ongoing and very worthwhile.

**The Brandon Education Award is given by the Brandon Woman's Club.** Presenting the award is Pat Jeffress.

**The winner is GFWC Varina Woman's Club.** This club offers two college scholarships in the name of a former member to local high school students. Scholarship winners are sent off with small gifts and return to speak with the club after their first semester. Members support and select a HOBY recipient, including small gifts for her trip; members and spouses supported the GFWC Virginia State Fair; collected school supplies held a book drive for a Middle School and began a book club for members.

**The Edna Holsclaw Memorial Health Award is given by the GFWC Hermitage Woman's Club.** Presenting the award is President, Linda Holsclaw.

**The Winner is:**

**JUNIOR WINNER ~ GFWC LADIES IN PURPOSE JWC:** This club supported members who participated in improving their health by running in several 5K races during the year. The club donated \$345 dollars to help their members.

**GENERAL WINNER ~ GFWC KANAWHA WC:** This club continues to focus on the promotion of a healthy community. The club supports Backpacks of Love each month by packing 1,200 weekend meals for disadvantaged school children in four counties. This club donates re-sellable household items collected at club meetings to Massey Cancer Center Thrift for Life Store; the money the store raises is given to the Center (\$24,624 In-Kind). This club continues to support Richmond Outreach Center for Veterans by providing refreshments monthly for about 900 veterans and their families (\$228 In-Kind). They also supported the Cameron K. Gallagher Foundation, founded in memory of Cameron who collapsed and died while running in a marathon; Feed More by donating 215 empty egg cartons and \$50 cash; and donated food, valued at \$50, to the GFWC Virginia "No More Hunger".

**The Eloise Engledove Membership Memorial Award is given by Lee District.** Presenting this award is Lee District Second Vice President/Membership Chairman, Sally Cary

**The Winner is The Winner is The Woman's Club of Powhatan County.** This club had prospective member activities such as a wine and cheese get together and a luncheon for prospective members. This club has a visitor's book and uses it to make contact with

prospective members. They gained 13 new members.

**The Jeannette T. Ellis Arts Award is given by the Woman's Club of Essex County, GFWC.**  
Presenting

the award is the Arts Committee Chairman Bess Haile

**The winner is GFWC Goochland Woman's Club, Inc.** This Club worked to foster kindness through visual art in their community; members painted "kindness slogans" on rocks, sealed them and distributed them throughout the county. This activity stimulated individual members to continue reaching out after the group activity was completed. One member of this club also reaches out to the GFWC by contributing her watercolor art to the GFWC Virginia Clubwoman.

**The Joan Paris Historical Preservation Award is given by the Woman's Club of Essex County.** Presenting the award is Helen Ware.

**The winner is: GFWC Kanawha Woman's Club.** This Club did an outstanding job through a wide variety of projects including preserving their own history, touring other exhibits and a member donated the gift that was won at GFWC Virginia Conference to benefit the Dogwood Society.

**The GFWC Kanawha Woman's Club Award for the Awareness and Prevention of Domestic Violence is given by GFWC Kanawha Woman's Club.** Presenting the award is President Deloris Apsley.

**The Winner is: GFWC Worthington Woman's Club.** This Club partnered with Chesterfield County's Healthy Families Program to "plant" 500 pinwheels at the County Government Complex; completed five additional projects in support of the Families First Program and donated to GFWC's Success for Survivors Scholarship Fund.

**The Sandi Shamblin Memorial Conservation Award is presented by GFWC Worthington Woman's Club.** Presenting the award is Conservation Chairman Sally Cary.

The winner of the Sandi Shamblin Award is the GFWC Varina. This club had a speaker talk about VCU Rice River Project that sparked members to take a tour of the facility and saw first hand what was being done there and its effects on the Chesapeake Bay.

### Community Service Programs Awards

GFWC Signature Project: Domestic Violence Awareness and Prevention  
Shirley Williams, Chairman

#### **Small Clubs (1-19)**

##### **Best Single Project - GFWC Sycamore Woman's Club**

GFWC Sock Project -This club donated 108 pairs of socks to Safe Harbor, attaching GFWC Sock Project label to each bag.

##### **Best Overall Project- GFWC Regency Woman's Club**

Donated clothes exchange proceeds to Safe Harbor, BS Forensic, and Flagler Home. Made Build-A-Bears for children on domestic violence calls. Donated to Success for Survivors Scholarship. Had Safe Harbor speaker at meeting.

**Medium Clubs (20-35)**

**Best Single Project - GFWC Goochland Woman's Club**

This Club supports Domestic Violence Program at Goochland Cares in numerous areas.

**Best Overall Project- GFWC Ashcake Woman's Club**

Collected school supplies and adopted family for Christmas for Hanover Safe Place; recognized domestic violence prevention month; has member on Hanover Safe Place board. Contributed to Success for Survivors scholarship.

**Large Clubs (36+)**

**Best Single Project - Woman's Club of Powhatan County, Inc.**

This Club supported Madeline's House for abused women and children both monetarily and in kind donations. Had presentation at meeting from their director.

**Best Overall Project- Henry Clay Woman's Club of GFWC**

This club collected items for area shelters and back to school backpacks for Hanover Safe Place. Adopted Hanover Safe Place family for Christmas. Supported Success for Survivors Scholarship.

**GFWC Signature Project Partnership - Prevent Child Abuse America**

**Small Clubs - GFWC Kanawha Woman's Club**

Members participated in Families Forward (formerly PCAV) "packing party" for pinwheel order distribution.

**Medium Club - No winner**

**Large Club - GFWC Worthington Woman's Club (Outside judging used)**

This Club donated diapers to assist families enrolled in Families First Program.

**Junior Special Project - Advocates for Children, Heather Placer, Chairman**

**Small Clubs (1-19)**

**Best Single Project - River City Junior Woman's Club**

This club baked for the Ronald McDonald house for families of those with children in the hospital

**Best Overall Project- GFWC Kanawha Woman's Club**

Collected Backpacks of Love, donated to Rise Against Hunger, donated to St. Joseph's Villa and other projects including donating books and box tops.

**Medium Clubs (20-35)**

**Best Single Project - No Award Given**

**Best Overall Project- GFWC Goochland Woman's Club**

The club sponsored children for local camps as well as supported CASA.

**Large Clubs (36+)**

**Best Single Project - The Woman's Club of Powhatan County, Inc.**

Club member volunteered as a CASA to advocate for children at the court level.

**Best Overall Project - Junior Federated Woman's Club of Chester**

The club brought stuffed animals to local police departments for children in crisis and started a project to help introduce life skills to foster children

**Advocates for Children Partnership - St. Jude Children's Research Hospital**

**Small Club Award - Powhatan Junior Woman's Club**

One member spent over eight months raising donations, making phone calls and speaking on behalf of the organization.

**Medium Club Award - GFWC Ashcake Woman's Club**

Made a donation to the St. Jude's Research Hospital through their annual community walk/run

**Large Club Award - Henry Clay Woman's Club of GFWC**

Two members and their spouses club members participated in the walk to raise funds for St. Judes.

**Arts - Celie Seeber, Chairman**

**Small Clubs (1-19)**

**Best Single Project - GFWC Sycamore Woman's Club**

This club collected art supplies and made bags that were then donated to the children of the Pediatric Oncology Unit at Massey Cancer Center.

**Best Overall Project- Pamunkey Woman's Club**

This club made Christmas ornaments and wreaths; created flower arrangements for a local health care facility; and had themed holiday decorations/refreshments at club meetings.

**Medium Clubs (20-35)**

**Best Single Project - GFWC Ashcake Woman's Club**

This club supported and promoted the arts by attending craft shows, concerts, and museums throughout the year; provided information about art classes, and made ornaments.

**Best Overall Project- GFWC Goochland Woman's Club**

This club painted rocks, sponsored a theatre workshop, sings in the community, educated members about art each month, and was docents for Richmond Designer House.

**Large Clubs (36+)**

**Best Single Project - Woman's Club of Powhatan County, Inc.**

This club cut and sewed 72 hospital gowns made from colorful juvenile cotton fabrics for children going through the Operation Smile program.

**Best Overall Project- Woman's Club of Essex County, GFWC**

This club showcased members' art, supported youth theatre, painted together, preserved a movie theatre, made donations to local art teachers, and decorated their town center

**Conservation - Linda Turner, Chairman**

**Small Clubs (1-19)**

**Best Single Project - GFWC Sycamore Woman's Club, Inc.**

The club collected from its members the plastic bags that come from the daily newspaper. The bags were given to the Richmond Animal Care and Control Center to use for collecting dog waste while the dogs were being walked.

**Best Overall Project- Brandon Woman's Club**

This club participated in the Soles4Souls Project and collected 98 pairs of shoes which helped create jobs in Nicaragua

**Medium Clubs (20-35)**

**Best Single Project - The Woman's Club of Sandston**

This club sponsors a Sandston Community Clean-up Day where Henrico County picks up trash and discarded household items and the woman's club served a meal to feed all the workers.

**Best Overall Project- GFWC Varina Woman's Club**

This club works with Henrico County and Keep Henrico Beautiful and has 4 planned pick-ups per year. The county provides the safety vest, trash bags and grabbers and has erected a permanent sign with the clubs' name on it.

**Large Clubs (36+)**

**Best Single Project - GFWC Worthington Woman's Club**

This club collected 7,500 aluminum cans and products for Buddy Break, a national organization that provides a safe place for kids with special needs.

**Best Overall Project- Henry Clay Woman's Club of GFWC**

This club had every member participating in collecting and weighing record amounts of recycling items. Also, all newspaper collected was shredded and sent to a local animal shelter.

**Conservation Partnership - No Awards**

**Education - Debbie Mitchell, Chairman**

**Small Clubs (1-19)**

**Best Single Project - GFWC Sycamore Woman's Club**

Ninth year of supporting Davis Elementary School by donating school supplies, treasure chest items, teacher supplies, and gently used books.

**Best Overall Project- GFWC Regency Woman's Club**

Supported Reach Out and Read getting books to children, RAIN that gives learning opportunities to autistic students, and collected Dr. Seuss books for the GFWC initiative.

**Medium Clubs (20-35)**

**Best Single Project - Woman's Club of Sandston**

Furnished "Children in Crisis Bags" for elementary students who find themselves dealing with things like death in the family, illness, fire or other crisis situations.

**Best Overall Project- GFWC Varina Woman's Club**

Community book drive collected 89-chapter books for middle school, two \$1,200.00 scholarships given to local high school and school supplies collected for Elem. School.

**Large Clubs (36+)**

**Best Single Project - Henry Clay Woman's Club of GFWC**

Donated a \$350.00 scholarship for Girls State 2018. Invited recipient to speak at a club meeting to talk about her experiences and share insight into the program.

**Best Overall Project- GFWC Worthington Woman's Club**

Continued support of Bensley Elementary with 550 "Welcome back to School" folders, school supply collection, Book Fair help, ROAR Program support and so much more.

**Education Partner Partnership - HOBY**

**Small Club Award - GFWC Kanawha Woman's Club**

Donated \$225.00 to provide a scholarship for a student to attend the HOBY Virginia Seminar and donated a \$25.00 Walmart card to purchase Seminar supplies.

**Medium Club Award - GFWC Goochland Woman's Club**

Sponsored a candidate to HOBY workshop and then hosted a HOBY night for recipient and parents to share their experiences with the club.

**Large Club Award - The Tri Club Woman's Club**

Provided a scholarship (\$225.00) for a student to attend the HOBY Seminar. Collected supplies for the seminar.

**Health - Joy Matkowsky, Chairman**

**Small Clubs (1-19)**

**Best Single Project - GFWC Kanawha Woman's Club**

This club holds monthly healthy lifestyle interactive activities during their meetings such as learning the SING method of self defense, finding life's purpose via the Dharma Code and are embarking on the year-long focus of increasing FAMSS - flexibility, agility, mobility, strength and stability.

**Best Overall Project- GFWC Kanawha Woman's Club, Inc.**

This club supports the local thrift store for Massy Cancer Center, has monthly health advisories in their newsletter, cooked and served lunch for the guests at Doorways and promotes healthy lifestyles during their meetings.

**Medium Clubs (20-35)**

**Best Single Project - GFWC Ashcake Woman's Club**

This club contacted the Ashland Rescue Squad and held a CPR class for their club members and some family members. The class covered CPR for adults, children and infants. The members also purchased protective mouth keychains for giving mouth to mouth safely.

**Best Overall Project- GFWC Ashcake Woman's Club**

This club has two chairmen for healthy living and had 8 newsletter articles on a variety of topics. They had a quiz to "know your numbers" in reference to Diabetes education; members wore red for heart health month and promoted it on social media and also made and served dinner for clinic workers at the local free clinic.

**Large Clubs (36+)**

**Best Single Project - GFWC Worthington Woman's Club**

This club continues to hold a Breast of the month contest, with a drawing of the names of members who have had their mammogram or performed their self breast exam. At the end all the names are gathered and a prize is given to the winner of Breast of the Year.

**Best Overall Project- Woman's Club of Essex County, GFWC**

This club held a blood drive, members work weekly at the local free clinic, and provide books for the children at the clinic. Members attended fundraisers for the free clinic and made a donation to Remote Area Medical. This club also took time to assist a junior club with their "Drink Pink" project for breast cancer awareness.

**Health - No Partnership Awards were given**

**Home Life - Tricia Duvall, Chairman**

**Small Clubs (1-19)**

**Best Single Project - GFWC Regency Woman's Club**

This club sponsored a community Easter Egg Hunt at Sabot Hill Home and Gardens. There were egg hunts, pictures with the bunny, lawn games, food trucks, live music, crafts, face painting and a petting zoo. The proceeds of \$49,889 were donated to Camp Easter Seals.

**Best Overall Project- GFWC Kanawha Woman's Club**

This club supports two families by helping them financially, providing gifts at Christmas, graduations and shopping for career clothing. They have also supported Rosa, a quadriplegic with a daughter, for 17 years and remember her during all holidays and special occasions. They also had a speaker from Henrico County Energy Management and supported the Bucket Brigade for St. Joseph's Villa.

**Medium Clubs (20-35)**

**Best Single Project - Metropolitan Richmond Woman's Club**

This club helped the homeless by supporting CARITAS donating coloring calendars, Connect 4 games and Legos. Members also make casseroles, deliver and serve the lunch to Richmond Friends of the Homeless once a month,

**Best Overall Project- A tie between GFWC Ashcake Woman's Club and GFWC Goochland Woman's club**

**Ashcake WC** worked with Circles Ashland, supported FeedMore, supported a Weekend Fuel program giving food on weekends to students in need, St. Joseph's Villa and Alpha House. They promoted the Vial for Life program. They donated \$14,100 (proceeds of their Ashland Harvest Run) evenly to Arc of Hanover, Wings of Hope Ranch and Circles Ashland, all non-profit organizations helping disabled, challenged children and adults in poverty.

**Goochland WC** - Supports Virginia Correctional Center for Women by conducting clothes drives for Kates Kloset - 319 pieces of clothing, 30 pairs of shoes, purses, jewelry and luggage were donated along with correspondence gift bags with cards for the women to keep in touch with family. They also assisted the Goochland Free Clinic and Family Services program by providing dinners for the staff. They support Goochland Cares food pantry, Goochland Christmas mother and St. Joseph's Villa.

**Large Clubs 36+)**

**Best Single Project - Tri Club Woman's Club**

This club has supported the Henrico Christmas mother program for 11 years. This year they adopted a mother who works at Wendy's with 3 children, and donated clothing for them as well as books, toys, hats, gloves, pajamas, shoes, personal items, stocking stuffers and wrapping paper. The Mom received gifts cards to grocery stores, Target and Walmart.

**Best Overall Project- Henry Clay Woman's Club of GFWC**

This club partners with Alpha House, an assisted living facility, to provide monthly birthday parties and keep a tree decorated for all holidays for the residents to enjoy. This club donated 90 handmade stocking caps, socks, hats, gloves, mittens and scarves to the Hanover Christmas mother and displayed them on a Christmas tree. They supported Habitat for Humanities' Woman's Build week, Feedmore, St. Joseph's Villa, made plastic mats for the homeless and worked with another local club.

**Home Life Partnership - Canine Companions For Independence**

**Small Club - No Award Given**

**Medium Club - GFWC Ashcake Woman's Club**

This club donated proceeds from their Ashland Harvest Run fundraiser to Canine Companions.

**Large Club - GFWC Worthington Woman's Club**

This club donated proceeds from their Philanthropic Fund and collected donations from members to Canine Companions.

**International Outreach - Judy Lee, Chairman**

**Small Clubs (1-19)**

**Best Single Project - GFWC Kanawha Woman's Club**

This Club provided 12 pillows, 38 bottles of shampoo and 2 gift cards at \$10 each (one for Walmart and one for Target) to Safe Harbor, a domestic violence shelter. The 2 donations, valued at \$178, will help those seeking help.



**Best Overall Project- GFWC Kanawha Woman's Club**

This Club worked with IMPACT, advocates to end Human Trafficking through education; the President and Founder of IMPACT provided a program at a club meeting and the club donated \$25. They provided Safe Harbor, a domestic violence shelter, with pillows, shampoo and gift cards valued at \$178 and educated their members through newsletter articles about the GFWC Virginia State project - "Step Up to Stop Human Trafficking" and donated \$100.

**Medium Clubs (20-35)**

**Best Single Project - GFWC Goochland Woman's Club**

This Club educated its' members with newsletter articles and a documentary film entitled "I am Jane Doe". They had a speaker from Safe Harbor, a domestic violence shelter, to speak about Human Trafficking. 9 members participated as Team Leaders in the Safe Harbor "Walk to End It"; they worked 127 hours and realized \$3,800. The entire "Walk" raised \$15,000 for Safe Harbor. This Club also researched offerings from the Richmond Justice Initiative, whose main objective is to eradicate human trafficking through education. They notified area schools about what was available, offering to cover the cost, should the school incorporate the program into their curriculum.

**Best Overall Project- GFWC Ashcake Woman's Club**

This Club donated \$50 to the Heifer International Organization and \$20 to Shot@Life (\$1 per member). Two members took items donated by another club to the Operation Smile headquarters. On World Smile Day - an email was sent to all members to make an extra effort to smile more often; they reported smiling a total of 350 times as a result. The Club also distributed UNICEF Trick or Treat boxes to all members; 100% of the membership participated and a total of \$169 was realized and sent to UNICEF.

**Large Clubs (36+)**

**Best Single Project - Woman's Club of Powhatan County, INC.**

This Club invited 3 representatives from Together for Tanzania to speak to their members about the hardships in their country, especially for women. The Club also donated \$724 worth of warm-weather clothing and \$150 donation. They also introduced the 3 men to other local organizations, who helped raise \$19,000 collectively from all fund-raising.

**Best Overall Project- Henry Clay Woman's Club of GFWC**

The members of this Club worked 67 hours to fill 256 shoeboxes (value \$325) for Operation Christmas Child (Samaritans Purse). A member sewed 15 doll dresses from scrap fabric that were included. They had a speaker from Safe Harbor, a domestic violence shelter, at a club meeting and donated \$25. They sent \$300 to the GFWC Virginia State Project "Step Up to Stop Human Trafficking". One member attended a Richmond Justice Initiative program and one member donated \$30 to this cause.

**International Outreach Partnership - Heifer International - No Awards**

**International Outreach Partnership - Operation Smile**

**Small Club - GFWC Kanawha Woman's Club**

This Club passed around a "Silver for Smiles" bank each month to collect change. They also

sent “Blessing Tax Bills” to all members; members could either pay taxes on the long form or short form and donated money based on their blessings. Between these 2 projects, this club was able to donate \$271 to the organization. A talented seamstress sewed 60 ‘smile bags’ and 3 quilts from scrap material valued at \$333 and were sent to **Operation Smile**.

**Medium Club - GFWC Goochland Woman’s Club**

This Club supported **Operation Smile** by purchasing material and making 100 surgical gowns at a cost of \$135. They collected \$295 worth of items to put in “Smile Bags” given to the children who have surgery. These items included crayons, coloring books, toothbrushes, tooth paste, washcloths and stuffed animals. This club also donated \$25 to **Operation Smile** and purchased \$55 worth of supplies to make knotted blankets later.

**Large Club - Woman’s Club of Powhatan County, Inc.**

This Club contacted **Operation Smile** for a ‘wish’ list of their needs and members collected crayons, coloring books, toys, toothbrushes, toothpaste, soap, office supplies, and blankets valued at \$478 which were delivered to the **Operation Smile** headquarters. The Club also made a donation of \$200.

**International Outreach Partnership - Shot @ Life**

**Small Clubs - No award**

**Medium Club - No Award**

**Large Club - The Tri Club Woman’s Club**

This Club’s International Outreach Chairman announced that Walgreens’ Drug Store would participate in the **Shot@Life** program. 19 members had flu shots thus supplying 19 free shots to those who otherwise might not have received one.

**International Outreach Partnership - UNICEF**

**Small Clubs - No Award**

**Medium Club - GFWC Ashcake Woman’s Club**

This Club distributed UNICEF Trick or Treat boxes to all members and they collected monies within their communities and at their places of employment. 100% of the membership participated and a total \$169 was realized and sent to UNICEF.

**Large Club - No Award**

**Public Issues - Linda Bateman, Chairman**

**Small Clubs (1-19)**

**Best Single Project - Brandon Woman’s Club**

The club supported the troops and families by clipping, sorting and sending 25,123 coupons for needed items purchased at commissaries.

**Best Overall Project- GFWC Kanawha Woman’s Club**

The club has volunteer docents for Governor’s Mansion, supports the active military and vets, USO, and honors the flag, voting and patriotism.

**Medium Clubs (20-35)**

**Best Single Project - GFWC Varina Woman's Club**

Fulfilled GFWC Initiative for Women in the Military, by having meaningful program presentation by Fort Lee female Colonel and a female Color Guard by Naval JROTC.

**Best Overall Project- Woman's Club of Sandston**

The Club is involved with community, supports active military through volunteer service and donations to USO, recognizes service of fire dept. and honors the USA Flag.

**Large Clubs 36+)**

**Best Single Project - GFWC Worthington Woman's Club**

The club connected with Fort Lee Family Advocacy Program and supplied needed items to support active military personnel.

**Best Overall Project- Woman's Club of Essex County, GFWC**

Club participated in Historic Preservation, community involvement, supported military veterans, made donation to Fire Department and presented "Women in History" five times to various groups.

**Newsletter – Joan Kremzir, Lee's Traveller Editor**

**Small Clubs: 1-19 Members**

Second Place – *Pamunkey Pow Wow* – Pamunkey Woman's Club

First Place – *Kanawha Kibitzer* - GFWC Kanawha Woman's Club GFWC

**Medium Clubs - 20-35 Members**

Third Place - *Varina Volunteer* - GFWC Varina Woman's Club

Second Place - *Ashcake Living* - GFWC Ashcake Woman's Club, Inc.

First Place - *Metro Media* - Metropolitan Richmond Woman's Club

**Large Clubs: 36+ Members**

Third Place – *The County Line* – The Woman's Club of Essex County, GFWC

Second Place – *The Orator* - Henry Clay Woman's Club of GFWC

First Place – *Worthy News* - GFWC Worthington Woman's Club

**Web Design – Pat Jeffress, Chairman**

**Small Clubs (1-19): GFWC Sycamore Woman's Club**

This site is easy to view. Strangers to club work, GFWC and Lee District can easily find information that will make them want to delve deeper.

**Medium Clubs (20-35): No Award**

**Large Clubs (36+): Henry Clay Woman's Club of GFWC**

This club opted for a Facebook page instead of a website. It is a public group so anyone can see the community service work these ladies do in their community.

## **Advancement Areas**

### **Communications and Public Relations – Mary Lee Schultz, Chairman**

#### **Small Clubs (1-19)**

##### **Best Single Project – GFWC Sycamore Woman’s Club**

This year this club concentrated on developing their website, to attain a website security certificate and has links to Lee District, GFWC Virginia and GFWC.

##### **Best Overall – No Award**

#### **Medium Clubs (20-35)**

##### **Best Single Project – GFWC Goochland Woman’s Club**

This club expanded their use of on-line ticket sales application utilizing their website and ticket scanning and other tools.

##### **Best Overall– GFWC Goochland Woman’s Club**

This club had the traditional Newsletter and yearbook. But embraced the Web, through Facebook and a dynamic website. Members followed GFWC Virginia and GFWC Lee District through social media.

#### **Large Clubs (36+)**

##### **Best Single Project – Henry Clay Woman’s Club of GFWC**

This club was very active in the Communication and PR. But what wins this award is their article with photos to their local newspaper about Child Abuse during April 2018.

##### **Best Overall – GFWC Worthington Woman’s Club**

Besides a noteworthy newsletter with a calendar with member milestones and community events. They electronically shared news from GFWC, GFWC Virginia and Lee District, printed branded programs and kept their website fresh.

### **Leadership – Liz Sabbatini, Chairman**

#### **Small Clubs (1-19)**

##### **Best Single Project - GFWC Sycamore Woman’s Club**

This Club keeps membership updated with a Club Manual which includes Documents and Forms and an Activity Planner covering dates from GFWC to RAPC.

##### **Best Overall – GFWC Kanawha Woman’s Club**

Kanawha members take their GFWC responsibilities very seriously. Members served in Regional, State and District positions and keep their fellow members informed of developments.

#### **Medium Clubs (20-35)**

##### **Best Single Project - Metropolitan Richmond Woman’s Club**

This Club hosted a local business owner to present a leadership program inspiring members to reach their goals and improve self esteem.

##### **Best Overall – GFWC Ashcake Woman’s Club, Inc.**

Ashcake had “Bee a Leader Boxes”, presented a leadership program and has ten members (out of 21) serving in District and State positions.

**Large Clubs (36+)**

**Best Single Project – Woman’s Club of Powhatan County, Inc. (Outside judging used)**

This Club worked with the local Leadership Institute. Two members made a presentation about their Club and Clothes Closet and another member followed the Leadership course. **Best Overall Project– Henry Clay Woman’s Club of GFWC**

This Club demonstrates their emphasis on leadership with members being in leading positions in both District and RAPC; they also set up and decorated the room for the District Fall meeting.

**Membership - Sally Cary, Chairman**

**Small Clubs (1-19)**

**Best Single Project – Pamunkey Woman’s Club**

Pamunkey WC had a Federation Day Recognition celebration in April. Members were recognized for their years of service. There were 4 members with 50 years, three with 40 and 3 with 30 years of service.

**Best Overall – GFWC Sycamore Woman’s Club**

Sycamore uses a website, closed Facebook group, newsletters, and a club Manual to get out information. Social gatherings outside of meetings to get to know others were held.

**Medium Clubs (20-35)**

**Best Single Project – GFWC Varina Woman’s Club**

This club chose to honor a former member by having a boutique sale of all the beautiful scarves, jewelry and accessories she had to raise money for the Cindy Funk Scholarship program. They raised over \$2000.

**Best Overall Project– GFWC Ashcake Woman’s Club**

Movies are wonderful whether they are in a theater with dinner or a home-Hallmark Movies pajama party. They do secret sisters, member spotlight, meals for those who have had surgery and the list goes on.

**Large Clubs (36+)**

**Best Single Project – Woman’s Club of Essex County, GFWC.**

Ping pong balls in a basket with open-ended questions helps members to know more about its members. A member is chosen at random to choose a ball from the basket; the member has a minute to answer the question.

**Best Overall Project– Woman’s Club of Powhatan County, Inc.**

Their visitor’s book is used to gain members. Making follow up calls to these guests and calling before a meeting helped this club to add 13 new members this year. A wine and cheese social and a luncheon were held, too.

## **Legislation and Public Policy - Lynne Wherry, Chairman**

### **Small Clubs (1-19)**

**Best Single Project - No Award Given**

**Best Overall Project– No Award Given**

### **Medium Clubs (20-35)**

**Best Single Project - GFWC Varina Woman’s Club (Outside Judging)**

This club had nine members participate in the GFWC Virginia Legislative Day and met with their two delegates. After meeting with their delegates, they toured the Governor’s Mansion and participated in the lunch program with a speaker from FeedMore.

**Best Overall Project– GFWC Ashcake Woman’s Club (Outside Judging)**

This club participated in GFWC Take Action at least twice during the year. Five club members attend the GFWC Virginia Legislative Day and met with their delegates and senators. The club members received a newsletter article and talking about it at their club meeting preparing for what was on the November ballot and encourage members to vote.

### **Large Clubs (36+)**

**Best Single Project – The Tri Club Woman’s Club**

This club was active in encouraging their members to email or write about several bills, support Violence Against Women Reauthorization, discuss truck weight on Virginia highways opposing the bills

**Best Overall Project– The Woman’s Club of Powhatan County Inc.**

This club provided sample ballots to club members. Held a drawing for all members who brought “I voted” stickers. A prize was given. A letter and the “I voted” stickers were sent to their delegate to inform him of their club’s voting participation in the 2018 election. Two members attended a Planning Commission meeting regarding cell towers.

## **Women’s History and Resource Center – Bonnie McRae, Chairman**

### **Small Clubs (1-19)**

**Best Single Project –GFWC Kanawha Woman’s Club**

Not only did this club begin planning for their club anniversary, but they are celebrating and learning about their history every step of the way. In their newsletter & at club meetings they learn about Federation, club history, member history, and held history trivia.

**Best Overall – GFWC Kanawha Woman’s Club Inc.**

This club celebrated GFWC Women’s History Month, donated to and toured the History & Resource Center, donated to the Endowment Fund, and focused on the history of their anniversary...among many other things.

### **Medium Clubs (20-35)**

**Best Single Project - Woman’s Club of Sandston**

This club did some reminiscing about their childhood Christmas’s at their December meeting. This helped members learn about each other in a non-club historical nature.

**Best Overall – GFWC Ashcake Woman’s Club, Inc.**

This club has a club historian and a member that serves as Lee District Historian. They include information about Federation and women's history in their newsletter throughout the year, and they keep an up-to-date club yearbook. Members visited GFWC Headquarters.

**Large Clubs (36+)**

**Best Single Project – No award given.**

**Best Overall – Henry Clay Woman's Club of GFWC**

This club maintains a scrapbook of club events from the last 59 years. This scrapbook is displayed at all meetings and club events. This is a great tool to attract potential members, and to help current members explore this club's history.

**Fundraising – Cheryl Goshorn, Chairman**

**Small Clubs (1-19)**

**Best Single Project – Pamunkey Woman's Club**

Club produces a Historic Hanover calendar drawn by local pen and ink artists. Calendar features houses, churches and buildings in the community.

**Best Overall Project– GFWC Capitol Woman's Club**

This Club has a dining club that meets monthly. Club sponsored a Capital Bean Soup project; members bagged the soup and provided the recipe.

**Medium Clubs (20-35)**

**Best Single Project – GFWC Goochland Woman's Club**

The annual fashion show and luncheon included all club members in ticket sales, decorating, modeling and all other aspects of making the day a success.

**Best Overall Project– GFWC Varina Woman's Club**

Sponsored an annual tea and fashion show and a Santa Festival. The Santa Festival included lunch, games, a Reindeer room to shop in and a visit with Santa.

**Large Clubs (36+)**

**Best Single Project – Woman's Club of Powhatan County**

Club sponsors the Clothes Closet. Donated goods are offered at a nominal fee to local residents. Members of the club and volunteers from the community run the closet.

**Best Overall Project– Henry Clay Woman's Club of GFWC**

Sponsored a successful Italian Dinner & Auction night. Members sold tickets, decorated and cooked the dinner for their guests.