

GFWC Woman's Club *of* New Tampa

2023 Yearbook



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Woman's Club

GENERAL FEDERATION  *f* WOMEN'S CLUB
FLORIDA FEDERATION  *of* WOMEN'S CLUB
WOMAN'S 
CLUB *of* NEW TAMPA



**GFWC
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**2023/2024 Theme:
We Are Stronger Together**

**2022/2023 Theme:
You Are Picture Perfect**

Dedication:

This yearbook is dedicated to all our ladies and their GFWC Volunteer Spirit! Thank you for being the best part of GFWC Woman's Club of New Tampa.

Joyce Mathisen -President



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Discover the GFWC Woman's Club of New Tampa, Inc.

Established in 2011, the GFWC Woman's Club of New Tampa, Inc. is a proud 501C3 organization. Jolie Frankfurth, the 2nd Vice President of GFWC Nationally, is one of the founding members and continues to be an active participant.

We invite informative guest speakers to our monthly General Meetings and participate in numerous special events. The Calendar of Events is sent with our Newsletter and is located on our GFWCWomansClubNewTampa.com Website. Currently, we host our General Meetings at the Arbor Greene Community Center and our ESO Book Club at the Fireside Grill at Hunters Green.

Our members are passionate about volunteering and helping others. We have long-term partnerships with several organizations in the Tampa Community, including Penguin Project, Trinity Café, Friends of Joshua House, Keep Tampa Bay Beautiful, and Hope Lodge at Moffitt Cancer Center. We are always seeking new opportunities and have recently established relationships with Voices for Children supporting their virtual collections and the Tampa Bay Police Department. We participated in the Police Department Meet Santa Event and hope to continue this as an annual tradition.

Our current president, Joyce Mathisen, was named Florida Volunteer of the Year for 2022 and serves as a role model for the GFWC Volunteer Spirit. Want to learn more please contact us at:

GFWC Woman's Club of New Tampa PO Box
46043, Tampa, FL 33646

Or email us:

WomansClubNewTampa@gmail.com



**GFWC Woman's Club of New Tampa
Our 2022 to 2023 Executive Board**

**President - Pam Anderson
(2nd from left)**

**VP Membership - Lisa Sklet
(end right)**

**Programing and Treasurer - Joyce Mathisen
(1st left)**

**Secretary - Tammy Griffith
(4rd from left)**

**Parlamentarium - Theresa Bogushefsky
(3rd from left)**



**GFWC Woman's Club of New Tampa
Our 2023 to 2024 Leadership Team**

**President – Joyce Mathisen
(3rd from left)**

**VP Membership - Lisa Sklet
(end right)**

**VP Progaming and Planning- Theresa Bogushefsky
(4th from left)**

**VP Communications and Public Relations-Linda Bocage
(2nd from left)**

**Treasurers – Mary Beth Procuik and Tamali Saha
(4th from left & 1st on left)**



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GFWC Florida
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living the volunteer spirit

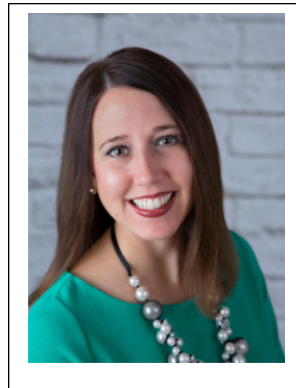
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GFWC Florida Federation:
2022 - 2024 Administration



Linda O'Toole
GFWC Florida President



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From the GFWCFlorida.org

About Us International HQ

The General Federation of Women's Clubs is an international women's organization dedicated to community improvement by enhancing the lives of others through volunteer service.

With nearly 80,000 members in affiliated clubs in every state, the District of Columbia, and more than a dozen countries, GFWC members work in their own communities to support the arts, preserve natural resources, advance education, promote healthy lifestyles, encourage civic involvement, and work toward world peace and understanding.

Founded in 1890, GFWC's roots can be traced back to 1868 when Jane Cunningham Croly, a professional journalist, attempted to attend a dinner at an all-male press club honoring British novelist Charles Dickens. Croly was denied admittance based upon her gender, and in response, formed a woman's club—Soros. In celebration of Soros' 21st anniversary in 1889, Jane Croly invited women's clubs throughout the United States to pursue the cause of federation by attending a convention in New York City. On April 24, 1890, 63 clubs officially formed the General Federation of Women's Clubs by ratifying the GFWC constitution.

Since 1890, [GFWC's impact](#) has been felt throughout communities across the United States and the globe.

The [Executive Committee](#), led by the GFWC International President, represents GFWC members on a national scale.



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GFWC Woman's Club of New Tampa Summary of 2023 Reporting to GFWC Florida

- We participated in 89 projects during 2023.
- We recorded 3,679 hours of volunteer service.
- Dollars donated equaled \$5,298.
- In-Kind donations equaled \$5,771.
- Dollars spent equaled \$3,887.
- Dollars raised equaled \$9,461



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Established 2011

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GFWC Woman's Club of New Tampa Volunteer Spirit in our community.

Organizations We Supported in 2023



Camp Boggy Creek



Hope Lodge



Keep Tampa Bay Beautiful



Trinity Cafe



Miles for Moffitt



Wreath Across America



March of Dimes



Heart Walk



Walk to End Alzheimer's



Feeding Tampa Bay



Friends of Joshua House



Operation HeartFELT



Cystic Fibrosis Foundation



The Penguin Project



Tampa Police - Meet Santa



Voices for Children



Operation Gratitude



Metropolitan Ministries



Colonial Assisted Living



Read Across America



Make Strides Against Breast Cancer



The Spring



**GFWC
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Instagram:

www.instagram.com/newtampagfwc

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Calendar of Events 2023

JANUARY

Tuesday, January 10th 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Trinity Cafe

- 4 volunteers needed
- Each person is assigned a table to prepare for the guests. Once they arrive we act as either servers, table hosts, or bussing. When they leave we wipe down the tables.

Wednesday, January 18th @ 1:00 PM come early @ 12:30 for Hands on Activity

General Meeting - Arbor Greene

New You, New Us, Renewed GFWC Spirit Speaker Kimberly Bragg- Armatrout (New You)
Hillsborough County Extension

- Healthy Eating- Cooking with herbs and a paper bag drying technique demo for herbs
- New Us and Renewed GFWC Spirit Presentation by Joyce Mathisen
- Hands on Activity Event for Colonial Assisted Living Valentines Party -Self Care Bags
- Collections- Voices For Children - Court Kits: - activity bags given to children all ages so they can do something while appearing with their legal guardians at court. They can include coloring books, comic books, crayons, mini art kits, crayons, little toys, and mini puzzles.

Sunday, January 22nd 1:00 PM (Game Play Starts) to 4:00 PM

Tennis Fundraiser - Arbor Greene Community Center

Come play or be a spectator and cheer the players on.

- Cost to play \$25 limited to 36 players.
- \$10 for Spectators including food and drink.
- An assortment of Appetizers, Treats, Sangria and Non-Alcoholic Beverages will be provided at the end of play.
- Prizes for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners.
- Thank you to the Arbor Greene Community Center for donating the court time
- For more information, please contact Geri Burke and Caralyn Paul

Wednesday, January 25th at 6:00 PM

BUNCO Night Fundraiser @ Joyce Mathisen's House

- \$10 Donation at the door - \$5 goes towards prizes / \$5 goes to the GFWC
- Joyce Mathisen will be hosting our SECOND bunco night since the first was such a success! There will be a \$10 entrance fee of which \$5 will go toward the prizes and \$5 will be a donation to GFWC Woman's Club of New Tampa Events. • Guests are welcome to bring an appetizer or dessert
- Please BYOB

FEBRUARY

Friday, February 10th 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Trinity Cafe

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Friday, February 10th Registration @ 9:00 Am - 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM

District 8 Art & Craft Festival

- At GFWC Tampa Woman's Club 2901 Bayshore Blvd, Tampa, FL 33629
- DONATION \$18pp + \$2 registration (breakfast & lunch included)
- See Attached Information

Monday, February 13th @ 3:00 PM

Colonial Assisted Living Valentine's Day Celebration

- We will host a sweet Valentine Day Event for the residents.
- GFWC members will give out the self care bags we made at our January General Meeting.
- Optional: The group will go directly from Colonial to Rock N' Brew for our GALentines Day Celebration.
- For more information please contact Geri Burke

Monday, February 13th @ 5:00 PM

Galentine Day Dinner - Rock & Brew

- A percentage of our dinner tab will be donated back to the club
- This is our founders day event. We will donate \$18.95 of the proceeds to GFWC Florida

Wednesday, February 15th @ 1:00 PM

General Meeting - Is all about caring about others

Speaker executive director Jennifer Starr, Kelsey Grimmer, and their newest facility dog Barley from Voices for Children will come to speak about their work.

- Partnering with Guardian ad Litem to support and advocate for the abused, neglected, and abandoned children in Hillsborough County
- Hands-on Activity - Decorate bookmarks with gems as part of District 8 GEM Theme for Read Across America to add to Court Kits
- Collections- Voices For Children - Art Kits, Books, Coloring Books, Chapsticks, hand sanitizers and other things to put into the Court Kits

Friday, February 24th @ 6 pm

Let The Good Times Roll - A Friendsgiving Event

Jolie Frankfurth House 17529 Edinburgh Drive

- Donations to bring: children's socks (new) for OASIS or children's books (new/gently used) for GFWC Little Library. We will have an opportunity drawing again this year, benefitting LOFT181 - a boutique for girls in foster care.

Saturday, February 25th @ 9 am

Assist Member Linda Jones' Granddaughter's Green Team

- Linda Jones' granddaughter spoke passionately about a clean up by Micheal's Shopping Center at Mayor Castor's Coffee House Meeting
- The Mayor agreed to come and so should we!
- Bring your family and friends to help this young lady and her classmates clean up our community

Saturday, February 25th @ 10 am

Free Parliamentary Workshop

- Ruskin & Tampa Juniors
- Sign-up deadline February 18th

MARCH

Tuesday, March 7th 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Trinity Cafe

- 4 volunteers needed
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Saturday, March 11th

2022-2024 GFWC Florida Leads

- Leadership Education and Development Seminar. Joyce Mathisen will be representing our organization.

Wednesday, March 15th @ 1:00 PM

General Meeting - Think Green for Springs

Speaker: Will Stone Hillsborough County Extension -How to Grow Herbs and show us how to make a theme three-tier herb garden that we will raffle to the group.

- Hands-on Activity -Heart FELT & Friends of Joshua House- Goodie Bags for Easter. Please come early, at 12:30, to work on this project prior to the meeting.
- Nominating committee will be taking submissions for next year's board
- Revised Bylaws will be submitted to our membership for approval
- Collections for military care package -Here are some military care package ideas that service members appreciate: Necessities, such as sunblock, socks, underwear, flip-flops, lip balm, and powder; Snacks including chips, salsa, nuts, cookies, beef jerky, non-melting candy and trail mix in packaging that isn't easily crushed. Drink mixes in single-serving packets are also a good addition. Games, playing cards/poker chips, crosswords, or puzzle books; Stationery-Send paper, envelopes, and pens.
- We are starting a very special Recycle Reuse Collection. Colonial Assisted Living Facility is in need of gently used: clothes, shoes, magazines, books, puzzles, craft & art supplies, and other items for their residents. We hope to make this an ongoing collection that will be dropped off monthly after each meeting.

Monday, March 20th @ 4:00 - 6:30 PM

Pizza Making Party for Joshua House

- Make pizzas with the kids!

APRIL

Saturday, April 8th 10:00 AM to 2:30 PM

District 8 Members Heartbeat Event @ Heritage Park in Land O'Lakes

April 14th at 8 PM, April 15th at 7 PM, and April 16th at 3 PM

Volunteer Opportunity Penguin Project

- This is a great way to give back to the community working as an usher for a theater performance where all the actors have disabilities
- This year's show is Mary Poppins

Tuesday, April 11th @ 10 AM by Armature Works

Trash Free Waters Clean Up Crew-Keep Tampa Bay Beautiful

- This is GFWC Woman's Club of New Tampa event!
- Space is limited sign up will be available as soon as we here back
- Spend the morning on a pontoon boat cleaning up the water in Tampa Bay. Then join us for lunch at Armature Works.

Monday, April 17th 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Trinity Cafe

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Wednesday, April 19th @ 1:00 PM

General Meeting - Honor Flight Mail Call for Flag Day 6/14

Voting on Next Year's Board

- Hands on Activity -Writing cards to people in military service. "Honor Flight Mail Call" for June 14th - Flag Day "Remembering All you do on Flag Day". Cards will be designed by Tamali Saha son. Putting together care packages to go with the cards
- Collections for military care package -Here are some military care package ideas that service members appreciate: Necessities, such as sunblock, socks, underwear, flip-flops, lip balm, and powder; Snacks including chips, salsa, nuts, cookies, beef jerky, non-melting candy and trail mix in packaging that isn't easily crushed. Drink mixes in single-serving packets are also a good addition. Games, - playing cards/poker chips, crosswords, or puzzle books; Stationery-Send paper, envelopes, address labels, and pens.

April 20-23, 2023

GFWC Florida Annual Spring Convention - Orlando, FL

Saturday, April 22nd @ 8:00 AM

Join us for March for Babies

- March for Babies Tampa Bay Saturday, April 22, 2023; George M. Steinbrenner Field 1 Steinbrenner Dr, Tampa, FL 33614-7064
- Registration Time: 8:00 A.M.; Opening Ceremony Time: 8:45 A.M. Walk Start Time: 9:00 A.M

MAY

Saturday, May 6 @ 11:00 AM - 1PM

Kendra Scott Fundraiser

- Kendra Scott will donate 20% of all sales when this code is used at checkout. GFWC-WCNT will also receive 20% of in-store sales from *11:00am - 1:00pm on Saturday May 6th*.
- Promo code: GIVEBACK-DWVYX

Tuesday, May 9th 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Trinity Cafe

- 4 volunteers needed
- Each person is assigned a table to prepare for the guests. Once they arrive we act as either servers, table hosts, or bussing. When they leave we wipe down the tables.

Wednesday, May 17th @ 1:00 PM

End of Year Catered Luncheon with Pot Luck Appetizers and Desserts - Arbor Greene

- Installation of new officers
- There will be three collections:
 - Cereal and Breakfast Items will be collected at the meeting for Feeding Tampa Bay Cereal for Summer. You can also donate money to the cause <https://feedingtampabay.org/how-you-can-help/give-food/cereal-for-summer>.
 - School supplies for Voices for Children QR code (above) or use this link https://www.flowcode.com/page/vfcwishlists?utm_term=ZPeHcfZlt#fid=ZPeHcfZlt&c=a7343f9e-6c75-478c-8587-66d0ba12f92f-SSE:1681754141. If you decide to send the items from Amazon directly to Voice for Children, please bring an invoice copy of what you sent to the meeting or email it to me so we can have a record for our files. If you want to purchase the items from a different vendor, we'll have a collection at the meeting.
 - Finally, our collection of gently used items for the residents of Colonial Assisted Living.

JUNE

Saturday & Sunday June 10-12

2023 GFWC Annual Convention, in Louisville, Kentucky

- Registration is now open please read your GFWC News & Noteworthy Newsletter for more information

Wednesday, June 14th @ 1:00 PM

GFWC Planning Meeting at Arbor Greene

- Be a part of planning the events for the 2023/2024 year!
- If you have suggestions for future events or are interested in being part of the planning committee please contact Joyce Mathisen at jmathisengfwc@gmail.com.

Tuesday, June 20th @ 10 am

Pontoon Boat Clean Up at Armature Works

- Contact Joyce Mathisen

JULY

Wednesday, July 12th 2 pm to 4 pm

GFWC FL District 8 Bingo Fundraiser

- @ Woodmont Country Club

Saturday, July 29th @ 10 am

District 8 Presidents Council hosted by Brandon Service League, NewTampa Juniors, and New Tampa Juniorettes.

- For Club President and Board Members.

AUGUST

Friday and Saturday, August 11-13 or August 18-19

Leadership Summer Camp 2023

- Make a plan to join your GFWC Florida sisters at the 2023 Leadership Summer Camp. Details and registration www.GFWCFLCamp.com.

Wednesday, August 23rd, 12:30 pm to 2:00 pm

2023-2024 Welcome Back Tea

- A “tea”rrific kickoff to the 2023-2024 year -thank you to all that contributed
- Dress in afternoon tea attire
- Have fun at our photo area - we will be taking fun photos and yearbook photos
- Budget, Calendar, Membership, and Logo updates for the 2023-2024 Year
- Recycled, Reused Collection for Colonial Assisted Living

Friday, August 31st 11:00 am to 1:00 pm

Trinity Cafe

- 3 volunteers needed.
- Each person is assigned a table to prepare for the guests. Once they arrive, we act as either servers, table hosts, or bussing. When they leave, we wipe down the tables.

SEPTEMBER

Wednesday, September 6th, 6:00 pm

Book Club

SignUpGenius  [Sign Up for Book Club September 6 2023](#)

- Meet at the Hunters Green Athletic Center
- Planning Meeting for future Book Club meetings and events
- First book the ESO pick “The Girl On The Train” by Paula Hawkins
- Book Club Members will learn how to register books read with ESO at the first meeting

Wednesday, September 13th, 5:00 pm

Wellness Wednesday with Linda Jones

SignUpGenius 🤖 [Wellness Wednesdays with Linda Jones](#)

- Join our very own Linda Jones fitness class at the Hunter's Green Athletic Center
- This is a free event for social members and \$10 for guests.

Monday, September 18th 11:00 am to 1:00 pm

Volunteer at Trinity Cafe

SignUpGenius 🤖 [Sign up for Trinity Cafe September 18 2023](#)

- 4 volunteers needed.
- Each person is assigned a table to prepare for the guests. Once they arrive, we act as either servers, table hosts, or bussing. When they leave, we wipe down the tables.

Wednesday, September 20th 12:30 pm

General Meeting with special guest speaker Mayor Jane Castor

SignUpGenius 🤖 [Sign up for General Meeting September 20 2023](#)

- Business Meeting will be from 12:30 to 1 pm
- Members will be limited to one guest per member.
- Collection for the Feeding Tampa Bay Food Pantry* We will be volunteering there for our GFWC National Day of Service September 30th
- No HOA

Friday - Sunday September 22-24th

GFWC Fall Board Meeting in Orlando

Sign Up on GFWC Florida Website

- Joyce and Theresa are attending if you want to carpool with us

Tuesday, September 26th 10:00 am rain date Thursday September 28th

Keep Tampa Bay Beautiful Pontoon Boat Clean Up

SignUpGenius 🤖 [Sign Up for Pontoon Boat Clean Up](#)

- We won't give up and neither will Captain Al
- Carpooling from the TAC or meet at Armature Works Pier
- Space is limited

Saturday, September 30th 9:00am-12:00pm

GFWC National Day of Service - Feeding Tampa Bay

SignUpGenius 🤖 [Sign Up for GFWC National Day of Service September 30 2023](#)

- We will be volunteering at the Feeding Tampa Bay's warehouse located at:
4702 Transport Drive, Building 6
Tampa, FL 33605
- There is an electronic waiver that must be signed prior to our arrival - the link is in the Sign Up Genius
- For students and their chaperones there's a separate **SignUpGenius** 🤖 [Students & Chaperones - National Day of Service](#)

OCTOBER

Wednesday, October 4th 6:00 -8:00 pm

BUNKO Fundraiser

SignUpGenius 🤖 [BUNKO October 4th](#)

- New location Fireside Cafe formally called Hunters Green Athletic Center
- Half the pot will go to Walks For Causes the other half to prizes. Please DO NOT donate back the prize money.
- We are allowed to bring food as long as we clean up after ourselves. Appetizers and **FYI - if Interested - Contact Joyce Mathisen ASAP**

Tuesday, October 10th 11:00 am to 1:00 pm

Volunteer at Trinity Cafe

SignUpGenius 🤖 [Trinity Cafe October 10](#)

- 4 volunteers needed
- Each person is assigned a table to prepare for the guests. Once they arrive, we act as either servers, table hosts, or bussing. When they leave, we wipe down the tables

Tuesday, October 10th 6:00 PM ** Brand new coming up soon*******

Hands on Activity NICU Felt Costume Blankets

SignUpGenius 🤖

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C084FACA723A0FDC25-44511610-nicu/151972158#/>

- New Tampa Juniors invited us to do a joint project making felt costume blankets for babies in the NICU4 volunteers needed
- It's at Jolie Frankfurth House 17529 Edinburgh Drive

Wednesday, October 11th, 5:00 pm

Wellness Wednesday with Linda Jones

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- Join our very own Linda Jones fitness class at the Hunter's Green Athletic Center
- Free for social members and \$10 for guests

Wednesday, October 18th 12:30 pm for HOA meeting starts at 1:00 pm

General Meeting with special guest speaker Nagi Kumar, Ph.D., GFWC National Health and Wellness Honorary Chairman

SignUpGenius 🤖 [October 18 General Meeting](#)

- Think pink for Breast Cancer - Members are encourage to wear pink or purple for Domestic Violence
- HOA 12:30 to 1 pm Halloween Gift Bags for Heart FELT
- Collection for The Springs in honor of GFWC Domestic Violence Month & Colonial Recycle Reuse Collection

Wednesday, October 25th 5:30 to 8:00 pm

GFWC -WCNT Bingo Fundraiser at Compton Park Recreation Center

SignUpGenius 🤖 [Bingo event October 25](#)

- For more details see the President's letter on page 1
- To Sign Up for committees:
 - **SignUpGenius 🤖 [Bingo Prep - Team Elaine - decor, ticket sales at event & set up / take down](#)**
 - **SignUpGenius 🤖 [Bingo Prep - Team Caralyn - Sponsorships, gift cards, baskets](#)**
 - **SignUpGenius 🤖 [Bingo Prep - Team Geri - Food & Drink](#)**
- Set Up @ 4:30pm
- Clean Up from 8:00 - 9:00 pm

Saturday, October 28th 7:30 -8:00 am check in

Making Strides Against Breast Cancer

SignUpGenius 🧐 [Making Strides Against Breast Cancer October 28](#)

- Team GFWC-Woman's Club of New Tampa
- Location Raymond J Stadium

Social Event - Shrek the Musical at New Tampa Players

- Social Event - If we can get 15 or more there is a discount rate of \$32 including fees

NOVEMBER

Wednesday, November 1st, 6:00 pm

Book Club

SignUpGenius 🧐 [ESO Book Club November 1](#)

- Meet at the Hunters Green Athletic Center
- The book we are reading is Did You Hear About Kitty Karr? By Crystal Smith Paul

Wednesday, November 1st, 7:00 pm

GFWC Communications and Public Relations Webinar: Tech Tips

- How to create a QR Code and how to utilize discounts available from Tech Soap

Saturday, November 4th 9:00am-2:00pm

GFWC Florida Annual District 8 Meeting

- Depending on interest the club may be able to supplement all or part of the cost. ***The information is in the flier attached to the October Newsletter.*** If you are planning to attending ***please email me JMathisenGFWC@gmail.com*** ASAP

Wednesday, November 8th, 4:30 pm

Wellness Wednesday with Linda Jones

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Friday, November 10th, 10:00 AM

GFWC Reporting Meeting Zephyrhills & Wesley Chapel

- Linda Bocage and Joyce Mathisen will be attending

Wednesday, November 15th 12:30 pm for HOA meeting starts at 1:00 pm

**General Meeting with Special Guest Speaker Katie Flaherty from Camp Boggy Creek -
Friendsgiving Event Cookie Exchange**

SignUpGenius 🤖 [November 15 General Meeting](#)

- HOA 12:30 to 1 pm Socks & Candy Canes for Trinity Cafe
- Collection for Joshua House many residents are teens and preteens please look at wish list <https://www.friendsofjoshuahouse.org/how-you-can-help/holiday-gift-drive/>
- Special Collection Boggy Creek is requesting NEW in the package twin size sheets
- Special Friendsgiving Day Event for GFWC I Love to Write Day! GFWC Celebrates Your Love of Writing today.

Saturday, November 18th, 9:30 am

Miles for Moffit

- This year, our team is participating in Miles for Moffitt and moving for what matters - love, hope, and finding the cures to cancer. Please join us or donate to our team.
- We are doing the 1K fun Walk/Run
- Please use this link to sign up for Team GFWC Woman's Club New Tampa
<https://runsignup.com/Race/119632/Donate/PMYPG8mXskU9uQs0>

Friday, November 17th Meet early for dinner at 7:00 PM / Karaoke at 8:00 PM

Karaoke Night Social Event

SignUpGenius 🤖 [Karaoke](#)

- Meet early for dinner 7:00 PM - Fried Dinner Special \$12PP Chicken, Pork or Fish mashed potatoes, green beans and side salad.
- Bayscape Bistro Heritage Isle

DECEMBER

Saturday, December 2, 10:00 am

Walk to End Alzheimer @ Hunters Green Park Highland Oaks Drive

- Register under **GFWC Woman's Club of New Tampa**. *We are registered to walk at **Fort Meyers not Tampa** if you are looking by location because they are walking on the same date https://act.alz.org/site/SPageServer?pagename=walk_homepage
- Search under Team Name

Monday, December 4th -All Day

LAST day to RSVP for the Holiday Party on December 14th @ 6 PM

SignUpGenius 🤖 [Holiday Party at Mary Jones House](#)

- Mary Jones's house: 9346 Wellington Park Circle in Hunters Green
- This is a members only gathering. No guests. PLEASE...RSVP by 12/4.
- Please bring an appetizer or dessert to share.
- Optional Gift Exchange \$15 value- don't miss the fun!
- 50/50 Raffle half the pot goes to pay for room set up at our general meetings

Wednesday, December 6, 6:00 pm

BUNKO Fundraiser

SignUpGenius 🤖 [BUNKO December 6](#)

- Hunter's Green Athletic Center (TAC)
- Half the pot will go to Walks For Causes the other half to prizes. Please DO NOT donate back the prize money.
- We can bring food if we clean up afterwards - appetizers/desserts are optional!

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Thursday, December 14, 7:00 pm

GFWC Communications and Public Relations Webinar: Fundraising

- Learn ways to host a successful Fundraising Event

Friday, December 15 -All Day

LAST Day to notify us if you plan to participate in the January Arts & Crafts Competition - please use the SignUpGenius link:

SignUpGenius 🤖 [Register for January 17 Arts & Crafts Competition](#)

- Please write in the comment section what type(s) of artwork you are submitting
- Entries will be displayed at the January 17 General Meeting
- Last year we won first place ribbons on the District and State Levels!

Saturday, December 16, 11 am - 1 pm

Kendra Scott Fundraiser

SignUpGenius 🤖 [December 16 Kendra Scott Fundraiser](#)

- Dec 16th and 17th- online fundraiser
- Dec 16th in-store fundraiser - need 2 - 3 ambassadors to greet shoppers
- **Promo Code** GIVEBACK-EHDJM.

Sunday, December 17th, 2 pm - 5 pm - Set up beginning at 1 pm

Tampa Police Department - SANTA'S WORKSHOP

SignUpGenius 🤖 [Santa's Workshop](#)

- We've volunteered to help our New Friend Officer Liz DeJesus Ramos work a craft table at their Santa's Workshop Event
- We'll be providing wooden ornaments that can be decorated
- Event is at Middleton High School, 4801 N. 22nd St., Tampa

Monday, December 18, 11:00 am - 1:00 pm

Volunteer at Trinity Cafe

SignUpGenius 🤖 [Trinity Cafe December 18](#)

- 5 persons needed
- Each person is assigned a table to prepare for the guest. When they arrive we act as either servers, table hosts, or bussing. When they leave we wipe down the tables.

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ARTICLE I Name

The name of this club shall be the GFWC Woman's Club of New Tampa, Inc.

ARTICLE II Object

The object of this club shall be civic, charitable, and educational. This club shall promote the community service tradition of the General Federation of Women's Clubs (GFWC) and the GFWC Florida Federation of Women's Clubs (GFWC Florida) to which it belongs.

ARTICLE III Membership

Section 1. Admission

Membership shall be open to all women at least eighteen (18) years of age who reside or want to participate in the New Tampa area of Florida. The application shall be made to the Vice President of Membership. Upon payment of the first year dues and a majority vote of the Executive Board, they shall become members.

Section 2. Dues

- A. Annual dues shall be paid to the Treasurer by May 31st of each year.
- B. The annual dues shall be Seventy-five (\$75) Dollars, including applicable GFWC and GFWC Florida per capita dues.
- C. Non-payment of dues by June 30th shall cause a member to be placed on probation. Follow-up from the Vice President of Membership will occur. If dues are not received by July 15, the member shall be dropped from the membership record.

Section 3. Participation

Each member shall select and be an active participant in club projects. Member/Project Selection Forms shall be used to help prepare for the next administration's budget and project planning.

ARTICLE IV Officers

Section 1. Officers

The officers of this Club shall be the President, Vice President of Membership, Vice President of Programs & Projects, Vice President of Communications & Community



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Relations, and Treasurer. The officers have voting privileges at Executive Board meetings. The Parliamentary Advisor does not vote at Executive Board Meetings.

Section 2. Eligibility

A member must be in good standing with the club to be eligible for office. To hold the office of President, the member should have previously been elected to an officer position.

Section 3. Elections

- A. The Nominating Committee shall consist of an odd number of members elected by the membership. The Chairman is chosen by the committee members or the membership.
- B. The Nominating Committee shall ascertain the willingness of a member to serve for each office and that the candidates are members in good standing.
- C. A member of the Nominating Committee may not be a candidate for office.
- D. A President can never be a member of the nominating committee.
- E. At the time of the presentation of the slate of officers, nominations may be made from the floor with the nominee's consent. If there is more than one (1) candidate for an office, the election shall be held by written ballot. If only one candidate is nominated for each office, the election may be made by voice vote.

Section 4. Term

The elected officers shall serve for a term of one year or until their successors are elected. The term shall begin at the close of the May Installation meeting. No member shall hold the same office for more than two (2) consecutive years.

Section 5. Duties

A. The President. The President shall have the following duties:

- 1. Shall preside at all Club meetings and appoint all chairmen and the Parliamentary Advisor.
- 2. Shall be a member of the Executive Board and ex-officio member of all committees except the nominating committee.
- 3. Serve as Chairman of the Executive Board.
- 4. Serve on the Finance Committee and help prepare the club budgets. Sign checks if necessary.
- 5. Exercise general supervision over all affairs and activities of the Club.
- 6. Prepare agendas for general and board meetings.
- 7. Coordinate with the Treasurer to ensure payment of D & O Liability



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- insurance policy is kept up to date, ensure through SunBiz.com that our Corporate filing is paid before April 1 of each year, file previous year's 990-N (e-Postcard) submitted by September 1 of each year, and file any other legal documents necessary to maintain 501(c)3 status.
8. Coordinate with the Treasurer to ensure payment of all administrative fees.
 9. In a Co-President situation, the acting presidents must mutually agree and submit in writing to the Board what duties each will be responsible for throughout the term.
 10. Coordinate the submittal of GFWC Florida or GFWC Awards, as necessary.
 11. Review the minutes of all club meetings, Executive Board meetings, and any special meetings before being dispersed to the membership.
 12. Responsible for completing the Club's End of Year Statistical Forms and Award Entries to be presented to GFWC Florida by the deadline(s) with assistance from project and program leaders, Reporting Committee, and other Executive Officers.

B. The Vice President of Membership. The Vice President of Membership shall have the following duties:

1. Maintain records of dues-paying members and updates new member contact information in the club directory when appropriate.
2. Assist in retaining and recruiting members by following up with members and/or prospective members who have not paid dues by July 15 before being dropped from the membership record.
3. Create and distribute the Orientation Packet with information that provides a baseline knowledge of what GFWC does and how our club plays a part in the overall GFWC organization.
4. Work with the Vice President of Programs & Projects to coordinate monthly general meetings and/or projects.
5. Coordinate the club's membership retention and recruitment efforts.
6. Responsible for completing the Club's End of Year Statistical Forms and Award Entries to be presented to GFWC Florida by the deadline(s) with assistance from project and program leaders, Reporting Committee, and other Executive Officers.
7. Review the minutes of all club meetings, Executive Board meetings, and any special meetings before being dispersed to the membership.

C. The Vice President of Programs & Projects. The Vice President of Programs & Projects shall have the following Duties:

1. Construct a club calendar of programs and projects with the Executive Board's approval.
2. Submit Volunteer Event Opportunities to the newsletter editor for each monthly newsletter.



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3. Coordinate the Evites to meetings/club events and projects with the VP of Communications and Community Relations.
4. Assist in collecting club reports within two weeks of an event and submit them to the Reporting Chairman as they are collected.
5. Work with other team members to coordinate the Club's community service projects as outlined by the Club members, GFWC Florida, and GFWC.
6. Responsible for completing the Club's End of Year Statistical Forms in Membership to be presented to GFWC Florida by the deadline(s) with assistance from project and program leaders, Reporting Committee, and other Executive Officers.
7. Review the minutes of all club meetings, Executive Board meetings, and any special meetings before being dispersed to the membership.

D. The Vice President of Communications & Community Relations. The Vice President of Communications & Community Relations shall have the following duties:

1. Record and/or assign a member to record the minutes for all Club Meetings, Executive Board Meetings, and any Special Meetings.
2. Prepare for the Officers a copy of the meeting minutes within ten days after said meeting and keep a copy for historical and/or auditing purposes.
3. Take attendance at each Club meeting and submit attendance sheets to reporting chairman each year by November 1.
4. Send the General meeting minutes recap within one week of the general meeting to ensure those not in attendance can sign up for projects and are kept current.
5. Work with the assigned club members to ensure the completion of the monthly newsletter, press releases, club photography, encourage routine articles in GFWC/GFWC Florida newsletters, and ensure updates are made to the club's Facebook, Instagram, and website on time.
6. Submit the contact information of the incoming officers of the club by May 1 of each year to the GFWC Florida Corresponding Secretary and GFWC Florida Headquarters Secretary.
7. Responsible for completing the Club's End of Year Statistical Forms and Award Entries to be presented to GFWC Florida by the deadline(s) with assistance from project and program leaders, Reporting Committee, and other Executive Officers.

E. The Treasurer. The Treasurer shall perform the following duties:

1. Works with other Officers as the Chairman of the Finance Committee to create a club budget to be approved at the August General Meeting.
2. Pay bills by check or electronic means.
3. Submit a summary of monthly club expenditures/income and banking balance



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- to be included in the monthly newsletter.
4. Maintain a spreadsheet of expenses and income by categories that match annual reporting requirements.
 5. Make timely payments of all club expenses, including annual insurance, postal box fee, and website fees.
 6. Submit Treasurer's records for auditing by July 31st of each year to the Audit Committee and submit the report to the membership at the next general meeting.
 7. Coordinate with the President to ensure payment of D & O Liability insurance policy is kept up to date, ensure through SunBiz.com that our Corporate filing is paid before April 1 of each year, file previous year's 990-N (e-Postcard) submitted by September 1 of each year, and file any other legal documents necessary to maintain 501(c)3 status.
 8. Confirm payment of GFWC and GFWC Florida dues per date included in the GFWC Florida Bylaws.
 9. Collect all monies of the Club, keeping an accurate record.
 10. Work with the assigned club members to have successful fundraising event(s) for club administrative funds and projects/programs.
 11. Assist the other officers and Reporting Committee in compiling the club statistical reports by providing, among other items, the club/member contributions, in-kind and club costs for projects and/or programs.
 12. Review the minutes of all club meetings, Executive Board meetings, and any special meetings before being dispersed to the membership.

F. The Parliamentary Advisor. The Parliamentary Advisor shall have the following duties:

1. Advise the Club on questions of parliamentary procedure.
2. Advise the presiding officer, Executive Committee, and the Board on matters concerning the parliamentary procedure and attend meetings of the Executive Board without a vote.
3. Accept all votes by Proxy, mail, or email, transport them to the appropriate general meeting, and communicate the results to the Club.

Section 6. Vacancies

Any vacancy, other than the President, which occurs in any elected office, shall be filled at the next General Meeting by nomination from the floor with a majority vote. All vacancies in appointed positions shall be filled by appointment by the President. The vacancy of the President will be filled by the Vice President of Membership or until a Special election can be called to fill the vacancy.



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ARTICLE V Meetings

Section 1. Regular Meetings

The club shall meet monthly from August through May on the 3rd Wednesday at 1:00 pm, not to exceed two hours inclusive of hands-on project and/or speaker unless otherwise announced by the Executive Board prior to the meeting.

Section 2. Special Meetings

Special Meetings may be called by the President or by written request of three or more active members, provided all members have been notified. These meetings can be by electronic means or conference phone calls.

Section 3. Quorum

A Quorum shall be 25% of the total membership, which must be present at the meeting for a vote to be called.

ARTICLE VI Executive Board

Section 1. Definition

The Executive Board shall consist of all duly elected officers of the club and the parliamentary advisor. The chairmen of Standing Committees and any project or program leaders are encouraged to attend to present calendar/budgetary information when necessary.

Section 2. Duties

The Executive Board shall perform the duties prescribed by the bylaws and by the parliamentary authority adopted by the club. It shall be the duty of the Executive Board to:

1. Hold meetings at least once a month before the regular meetings.
2. Attend business matters between club meetings and approve unbudgeted expenses of not more than \$250.
3. Accept the application of new members presented by the VP of Membership before presenting at regular or special meetings.
4. Prepare recommendations to be considered by the members at the next meeting.

Section 3. Quorum

A quorum for the business transactions shall be a majority of the members of the Executive Board.



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ARTICLE VII Committees

Section 1. In General

The work of the Club shall be carried on through the members of the club. Club projects and programs shall correspond with those of the GFWC Florida and General Federation of Women's Clubs where possible.

Section 2. Standing Committees

A. The Standing Committees shall be as follows:

1. **Bylaws Committee** will review club bylaws and standing rules every three years to propose changes and/or amendments for approval by the membership.
2. **Finance Committee** shall prepare a club budget to be approved by the Membership at the August Regular Meeting.
3. Reporting Chairman/Committee, under the direction of the Executive Board, shall collect necessary material to complete GFWC Florida Statistical Forms and Award Entries due Feb 1 of each year.
4. The President may appoint other standing committees necessary for the organization's work.

B. The appointment of club members to support Officers shall be as follows:

1. Membership support team works with the Vice President of Membership to promote membership growth and retention.
2. Programs and Projects support team works with the Vice President of Programs and Projects to promote our community service work, organize the Club Calendar, and assist with project budgets.
3. Ways & Means support team works with the Treasurer to promote fundraising opportunities for the Club members and community projects.
4. Community and Public Relations support team works with the Vice President of Communications and Public Relations to promote the projects and/or programs for each GFWC Community Service Program area using club communication tools, social media, and local newspapers. The GFWC Community Service Programs are Arts & Culture, Civic Engagement & Outreach, Education & Libraries, Health & Wellness, and Environment.



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Section 3. Special Committees

The President may appoint special committees to carry out the organization's work.

ARTICLE VIII Parliamentary Authority

The current edition of Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised shall govern the club's proceedings in all cases to which they apply and are not inconsistent with the bylaws or standing rules.

ARTICLE IX Amendments

The bylaws may be amended at any regular or special meetings by a two-thirds vote of those present and voting, provided the proposed amendments have been presented at the previous regular meeting or sent to the membership by letter or electronic transmission two weeks before the meeting at which they will be considered.

ARTICLE X Dissolution

The object and purpose of the organization are entirely charitable; no part of its earnings shall be inured for the use or benefit of an individual. In the event this organization should be dissolved for any reason, any remaining assets shall be distributed to GFWC Florida Federation of Women's Clubs, to which this Club belongs, as long as the Federation remains within the scope of IRS Section 501(c)(3), or any amendments thereto.



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STANDING RULES

1. Ninety percent of the funds raised from the Club's major fundraiser must be set aside for use during the next fiscal year's Club budget. If profit is above the necessary administrative expenses, then that amount of the club's major fundraising event may be donated during the current administration. Any use of the funds must be approved by the Board and/or club members depending on amounts. Refer to Article VI, Executive Board, Section 2.B.
2. The procedure for how the proceeds from any other fundraiser benefitting one nonprofit are as follows:
 - A. The chair of the fundraiser which proceeds will be donated in its entirety during the current administration shall present a proposal to the Executive Board. B. The Executive Board shall vote whether to accept or modify the proposal.
 - C. If the Board votes to modify the proposal, a final decision on the allocation of funds will be made by the Board's vote.
3. Some or all of the proceeds from other fundraisers completed by chairmen and/or committees may be utilized during the current fiscal year if approved by the Executive Board.
4. There should be a Emergency Fund with a minimum of \$500 maintained in the budget to meet project start-up costs, emergency expenditures, and to provide capital for fundraisers. Funds needed to operate special projects/fundraisers can be borrowed from the Emergency Fund, but must be returned from project proceeds upon completion of project. This Fund shall be part of the Club's official budget.
5. Any request to take money from the Emergency Fund must be presented in the form of a motion to the Board and club members. Specific amounts should be outlined in the motion. Amounts larger than \$100 should be presented in the form of a motion to the members at the next general meeting.
6. All money from fund-raising events shall be submitted to Treasurer within 30 days of the event unless otherwise specified.
7. This Club shall refuse ads, endorsements and all materials of a political nature.
8. No solicitation of funds shall be made from assembled members without prior approval of the Executive Board.
9. No community events or other advertising will be permitted in the Club Newsletter. Exceptions will apply for fellow Junior and Women's Clubs as well as local non-profit service organizations approved by the Board. Ad, endorsements and all materials of a political nature will be refused.



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10. The Membership Directory is for use only in connection with Women's Club of New Tampa business. Use of the Directory for solicitation is strictly prohibited and may result in non-renewal of membership status. This prohibition includes the solicitation of all non- Club related activities by email, phone, and mail or by verbal communication.
11. Guests of GFWC Woman's Club of New Tampa members may attend **one** General Meeting and/or service project each club year. Dues paying members of the club will receive preference when attending service projects with attendance limitations.
12. Each member shall be given a nametag and membership pin at the time of induction into the Club. If that tag is lost or the member's name needs to be changed, the cost of the new tag and member pin is the responsibility of the member.
13. Any fundraiser involving a member and or the Club must be presented to the board in writing no later than one month prior to the event. It must be approved by a majority vote of the Executive Board before being presented to the Club.
14. The use of the GFWC Woman's Club of New Tampa, Inc. name and/or logo may not be used for fundraising of any kind without the approval of the Executive Board.
15. All donations/contributions approved in the Club's Budgets must be made to the recipient organization in the name of the Club, i.e. "GFWC Woman's Club of New Tampa, Inc.", and shall not be made in the name of an individual member.
16. Dues will be prorated on a mid-year bases, determined and approved by the Executive Committee.



Woman's Club of New Tampa Inc.

Member Application

We are delighted that you are interested in joining our club. If you would like to attend a meeting please see below for dates & time. If you would like more information before joining please contact us at womansclubnewtampa@gmail.com

Date: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Birthday M/D: _____ Spouse/Significant Other's Name: _____ E-mail _____

Address: _____ Phone _____

#'s Cell: _____ Home: _____

How did you hear about our club?

Member/Friend (Name: _____)

Website

Instagram

Facebook

Neighborhood newsletter

Other _____

Please include skills and other important contributions that you can share with GFWC WCNT. Select as many areas that you are interested in. If other, please describe.

Social media/web design & maintenance Fundraising

Marketing & PR

Arts/Craft

Financial Skills

Photography

Other _____

Our club year runs August - May

Meetings are the third Wednesday of the month at 1:00pm, in the Arbor Greene Clubhouse, 18000 Arbor Greene Dr. Membership Dues are \$75/year.

If you are ready to join and start making a difference in your community, please bring this application and check payable to GFWC WCNT to our next meeting or mail to:

GFWC Woman's Club of New Tampa, Inc. PO Box 46043, Tampa, FL. 33646

Att: Treasurer

_____ Please check here if you do not wish to have your information published in our directory.



Congratulations to our President, Joyce Mathisen, for being recognized as the Volunteer of the Year at the 127th Annual Convention for the entire state of Florida. The convention was themed “Puttin’ on the Ritz.”





Joyce Mathisen GFWC Woman's Club of New Tampa Volunteer of the Year

Ahoy from Tampa, home of Gasparilla, where pirates and goddesses roam the streets and pirate boats sail the seas! You are probably curious what relevance this has to our nominee -

it's because our club was literally a sinking ship after COVID. ***There were plans of abandoning ship and dissolving the GFWC Woman's Club of New Tampa chapter.***

Thanks to the incredible leadership and optimism of one person, our goddess, Joyce Mathisen (shown above in her Gasparilla garb) who believes deeply in what GFWC stands for, our ship was re-designed, our sails were filled with renewed spirit, and we set sail looking for new crew. It is with great enthusiasm that I nominate that person, Joyce Mathisen, for GFWC Woman's Club of New Tampa Volunteer of the Year.

Since Joyce joined the GFWC in the Fall of 2021, she showed she was a fast learner and eager to help. At the first general meeting she attended, she agreed to step in and run an event the following week. Always saying yes, Joyce participated in a variety of volunteer events and served on many committees as a general member. When one of our local charity golf tournaments needed volunteers to help run the event, she went by herself in her blue GFWC shirt, representing our organization. The course was set - she was officially an integral member of the New Tampa crew.

Joyce worked tirelessly to increase membership. Even as a general member she created a variety of promotional materials including a GFWC postcard, tab flyer, community newsletter advertisement, and posters for us to display at our various events. She then worked to post the information on local community boards.

The board immediately recognized her talent awarding her Rookie of the Year and making her their Lead Candidate for 2022.

Shiver me timbers! Joyce takes on two board positions! Joyce agreed to be the Treasurer at the end of the year meeting, then she agreed to take on a second position as the VP of Planning

and Programming. She worked the entire summer to prepare for the 2022/2023 year. The first course of action was to gain input from existing members to determine the direction the chapter should take. She created and implemented a questionnaire for members and former members to share their views. With Joyce at the helm a plan of action was crafted on how to move forward. The next step was adding new members. She spent innumerable hours recruiting women over the summer not only to join, but to take on board and leadership positions.

As VP of Planning & Programming, Joyce utilized information gained from member questionnaires and established new relationships with organizations, booked speakers, spearheaded hands on activities and coordinated volunteer opportunities, all while maintaining existing long-term relationships. She created upbeat interactive meeting experiences including a cookie exchange, Tampa Bay Clean Up, and our first ever Bunco fundraising event.

As Treasurer, she maintains all of the club's accounting records, including creating our budget, and filing all government required forms. As our Treasurer/ Reporting Chairman she worked tirelessly, completing our GFWC Florida Remittance Forms with honors, and entered numerous GFWC contests.

She taught herself WordPress so that our website, which hadn't been updated in three years, could showcase the chapter's current achievements, calendar, photographs, and news. She even redesigned the website to include six new blogs with videos

<https://gfwcwomansclubnewtampa.com>.

Joyce's efforts in support of the club are endless. For example, she has coordinated the donations, volunteered at club events, and promoted our collection drives for a local woman's

shelter, a variety of children's programs, assisted living for the elderly, and a cafe for the food insecure. Her fundraising achievements include: leading a Walk For Alzheimer's and a Kendra Scott fundraiser; working on a Holiday Silent Auction and movie night, as well as hosting a Bunco Night.

Joyce Mathisen has truly saved a sinking ship and has the New Tampa Woman's Club chapter back on the right course. We love and appreciate her tireless efforts to cultivate new volunteer opportunities and inspire participation by the membership as she leads by example. With her navigational re-direction, the chapter has grown from **14 to 31** enthusiastic, participating members in just a matter of months. We are optimistic for future growth.

Joyce has filled our "Treasure Chest" with many gems, but she is our brightest gem. Joyce Mathisen is our **DIAMOND** and is richly deserving of this recognition.

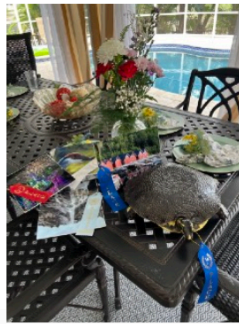


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January Highlights



February Highlights



March Highlights



April Highlights



April Highlights (Continued)



May Highlights



June & July Highlights



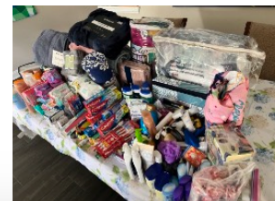
August Highlights



September Highlights



October Highlights



November Highlights



November Highlights Continued



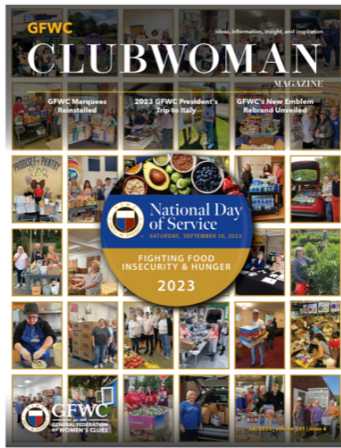
December Highlights



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October 5, 2023

National Day of Service
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

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Thank You!!

Our GFWC Volunteer Spirit is being recognized nationwide!



GFWC Florida Clubwoman
GENERAL FEDERATION of WOMEN'S CLUBS

Monday October 2, 2023



GFWC Woman's Club of New Tampa invited the Honorable Mayor Jane Castor to be our first guest speaker of the 2023-2024 year. She spoke in depth on issues important to our organization as members of the GFWC Florida. Some highlights included Tampa Hillsborough Homeless Initiative, supporting our police department, environmental issues, including Tampa's water treatment plant, water conservation, and recycling efforts.

Monday October 16, 2023

GFWC Florida Clubs National Day of Service



GFWC Woman's Club of New Tampa collected 241 pounds of food at their general meeting. Then eight members and eight guests delivered the food and volunteered in the Feed Tampa Bay Warehouse on the morning of September 30th as their National Day of Service Project.

Monday October 30, 2023



Guest speaker Nagi Kumar Ph.D., GFWC National Health and Wellness Honorary Chairman, spoke to a packed house about intercepting cancer at the GFWC Woman's Club of New Tampa general meeting. October is our pink and purple meeting for Cancer and Domestic Violence Awareness. We also collected toiletries, bedding, and various other items for The Spring of Tampa Bay domestic violence shelter, created special Halloween bags for The Spring and HeartFELT, and stuffed gnome holiday stockings for Camp Boggy Creek.

Monday November 27, 2023

The GFWC Woman's Club of New Tampa wishes you a gobble-tastic Thanksgiving, and we're still buzzing from our Friendsgiving bash! We gobbled a cornucopia of sweets at our second annual cookie exchange, toasted existing and new club members, expressed our thankfulness through I Love to Write Day, and were thrilled to have Katie Flaherty from Boggy Creek as our guest speaker. We even made a few generous donations to the organization, including gnome stockings, cozy twin sheet sets, eight snugly afghans, and a monetary gift to help them out. Cheers to giving back!

