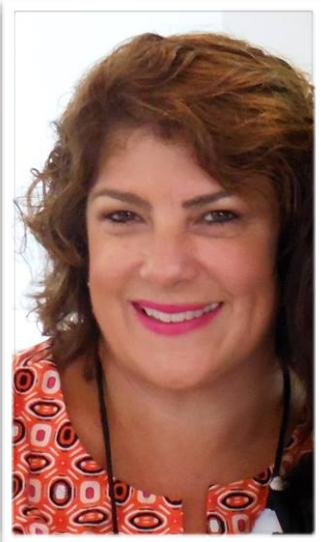




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Kelly Lane  
2018-2020  
GFWC VA President

## State Officers Nominated

### *Human Trafficking Proposed as State Project*

Nominees for the 2018-2020 term were announced last month in the March edition of the Virginia Clubwoman.

Next month at the GFWC Virginia Conference in Portsmouth, the following officers will be inducted: President Kelly Lane, First Vice President/President-Elect Dale Fisher, Second Vice President Lori Rocker, Third Vice President/Director of Junior Clubs Trina Behbahani, Treasurer Susie Mowry, Secretary Bonnie Rosemond, Assistant Director of Junior Clubs Jenny Hinegardner, Junior Secretary/Treasurer Dawn Kriigel, Parliamentarian Hope Royer, Junior Parliamentarian Denise Price, and Junior Membership Chairman Amanda Paez.



Dale Fisher  
2018-2020  
GFWC VA First Vice  
President/President-Elect

The proposed 2018-2020 GFWC Virginia State Project – Human Trafficking Awareness & Prevention – was also announced in the state magazine.

Last year, Virginia ranked 15th in the U.S. with 156 reported cases of human trafficking. California was the highest with 1,305, followed by Texas with 792 and Florida with 604. While Virginia



does not have the same volume of reported cases, helping to identify or prevent even one case of human trafficking would be a colossal victory in the eyes of a potential victim. The proposed project seeks to spread awareness of this growing problem, in which some 300,000 people are trafficked annually in the U.S. alone and 1 out of 3 are children.

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## Newsmakers

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Newsletter Editor - JoBeth Wampler (540-904-0314 / jobeth.wampler@gmail.com)

Clubwomen are encouraged to send in articles, pictures and suggestions. Deadlines are the 20th of each month; however, late submissions will be considered for publication.

## Club Calendar

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April 2 - Club Meeting (Grundy Baptist Church)

April 7 - Southwestern District Meeting (First United Methodist, Richlands)

April 14 - Special Needs Health Fair & Expo (ACP)

April 21 - Autism 5K (Bull Creek Trail)

April 24 - Federation Day

May 4-6 - GFWC VA Convention (Portsmouth)

May 5 - Club Meeting & College Shower (GBC)

May 12 - Cupcake Wars (ACP)

June 23-26 - GFWC Convention (St. Louis, MO)

## President's Message

I would like to take this last President's Message as an opportunity to say thank you for the privilege to have served as your President these past two years. Thank you for your support and all of your hard work during my tenure. I have learned so much from you ladies and will carry this knowledge with me. I have had the pleasure of getting to know some of you better and work with you in a new way. I have made new friends, both in GFWC Grundy Woman's Club and across the state in other clubs. I will treasure these friendships and the time we spent together. I can say that it has certainly been an enlightening and interesting two years!! As the new leadership is sworn in at the April 2nd meeting, let's continue to work hard and make GFWC Grundy Woman's Club shine in our community!



Remember that April is Child Abuse Awareness and Autism Awareness month. The Club has many activities planned to recognize these two causes. Also, in May we will be hosting the College Shower for two high school students - both boys this year. If you have not signed up to bring something for them, please contact Mary Belcher or me.

*Glenna*

## First Vice Pres./Leadership

**JoBeth Wampler**

This month, our club will install new officers and I honestly don't believe I'm ready to fill Glenna's shoes. Or those of her predecessors either! I'm looking forward to learning from several outstanding past presidents (or PPs, as Betty Shields likes to say). We have a great group of women, who are all striving to benefit the community. Yet, as each one approaches that task in her own way, "in the big things of life, we are at one." Thanks for sharing the big picture with me and for allowing me to serve and grow with you.

Reporting Tip: Remember to include travel time and mileage in your hours when keeping track throughout the year. While these should not to be counted for regular club meetings, travel time and mileage are included for all projects, as well as district meetings and state conferences/conventions.

### *Club Invited to Support HOBY through In-Kind Donations*

Don't forget to donate items for the Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership Seminar. Longtime clubwomen will remember that we annually collect items to take to the GFWC Virginia Convention in support of this exceptional program.

This year, items suggested for donation include: Multi-colored pony beads, Wal-Mart gift cards, bottled water, colored paper, postage stamps, stickers, un-ruled colored index cards, and HP 95 (Tri-Color) and HP 98 (Black) print cartridges. Monetary donations are also accepted.

## Club Members' Birthdays

Apr. 19 - Catherine Rasnake

Apr. 23 - Shonna Powers

Apr. 24 - Pam Wolford

May 6 - Glenna Owens

May 8 - Peggy Lowe

May 14 - Tania Stephens

May 22 - Vonda Slone

## Anniversaries

Apr. 25 - Donita Estep  
(Shotty)

May 14 - Becky Bartley  
(Sam)

## Want Included?

If you're a member of the Grundy Woman's Club and you want included on our Members' Birthdays & Anniversaries list, please contact JoBeth Wampler (540-250-6294 or [jobeth.wampler@gmail.com](mailto:jobeth.wampler@gmail.com)).

## Not a Member?

Meetings of the Grundy Woman's Club are held on the first Monday of each month at 6 p.m. at Grundy Baptist Church. For more information, go online ([www.GFWCGrundyWomensClub.com](http://www.GFWCGrundyWomensClub.com)), visit any of our social media pages, or ask a clubwoman today. Dues are \$30 a year and automatically entitle you to all the benefits of GFWC.

## Treasurer

**Ginger Robertson**

Thank you to all the members who contributed funds to purchase Mac & Cheese to be taken to GFWC VA Convention as we end the 2016-2018 GFWC Virginia State Project: "Dare To Dream of No Hunger." The mac & cheese represent the end of the rainbow – A Pot of Gold.

After our last meeting, with funds and additional boxes of mac & cheese, I decided to stop our collection and to contribute extra funds to the purchase of bird seed/ feeders.

I am happy to report that I will be taking 100 boxes of mac & cheese to Convention from the Grundy Woman's Club.

Thank you members, you are the BEST.

## Conservation

**Anna Ruth Coleman**

Don't forget to bring bird seed and/or suet for the feeders at Heritage Hall! Please bring these items to our club meeting or, if you prefer to make a donation to purchase these items, you may give to me or Pam Wolford. We will then make the purchases and deliver to the nursing home. Thank you all for your generosity and helping with this Conservation project.

## Education

**Mary Belcher**

The Woman's Club will be hosting a College Shower for two (2) deserving High School Seniors during the May meeting. This year our Seniors are both boys... Putting a new twist on the GWC College Shower ...

A signup sheet of things to bring for each student will be available at the April meeting. If you cannot attend the April meeting, but you would like to help these students get ready for college, please contact Mary Belcher (276)935-4147 or (276)791-1896 or email me at [mmbelcher@verizon.net](mailto:mmbelcher@verizon.net) or [bcchamber@bvu.net](mailto:bcchamber@bvu.net).

## Flower Power Fundraiser Approved

During the March meeting of our Grundy Woman's Club, we approved an online Flower Power fundraiser.

The Club will earn 50% profit. Bulbs are delivered directly to our supporters. They are 100% guaranteed, with no minimum order and no upfront cost required. An extra 5% from every sale goes directly to GFWC to support national projects.

If any member is interested in sales supplies, like a catalog and order form, to start a physical selling campaign, just let JoBeth (540-904-0314) know! If you'd rather 'share' our online campaign on your social media page instead, just check our Facebook page. A post regarding the fundraiser is already online!



## Local Calendar

April 5 - Putting Prayers to Action (Vansant Baptist)

April 6-8 - TGBC's Beauty & the Beast (GHS Auditorium)

April 10 - Buchanan County Robotics Competition (Vocational School)

April 10 - Public Hearing on JM Bevins Consolidation (School Board Office)

April 12 - Local Author Festival (BCPL)

April 12-13 & 20-22 - SWCC Festival of the Arts

April 18 - Career Fair & Opportunity Showcase (SWCC)

April 19 - Buchanan County Chamber of Commerce's Spring Membership Meeting

April 20 - Household Hazardous Waste, Clean Your Files, Electronics and Tire Recycling Day

April 21 - Dragon Dash 5K (Downtown Grundy)

April 24 - Estate Planning for Families with Disabilities Free Event with CPA Melanie Gooch (Event Center)

April 28 - Buchanan County Autism Picnic (Keen Mountain Park)

May 5 - ACP & ASL Graduations

May 12 - Riverside Story Walk Adventure (Riverside Drive, Grundy)

## Upcoming April Projects

Over the past month, JoBeth Wampler has been working on various projects to benefit some very special children. She will soon reach out to the Buchanan County Board of Supervisors in regards to recognition of Autism Awareness Month and Child Abuse Awareness & Prevention Month, which are both observed in April. During the March meeting, she'll update members on these projects. For those who cannot attend, they include:

### Buchanan County Autism Awareness 5K Walk/Run

Currently, we need the following donations: water, granola bars and/or bananas. JoBeth will order additional medals needed, consult Kiwanian Jon Rife in regards to the borrowing of their time recorder, and will collaborate with Kayla Cantrell of Buchanan County Robotics on volunteers, runner numbers, shirts, and tents. The event will be held Saturday, April 21 at Bull Creek Trail.

### Au-some Summer Swim Program

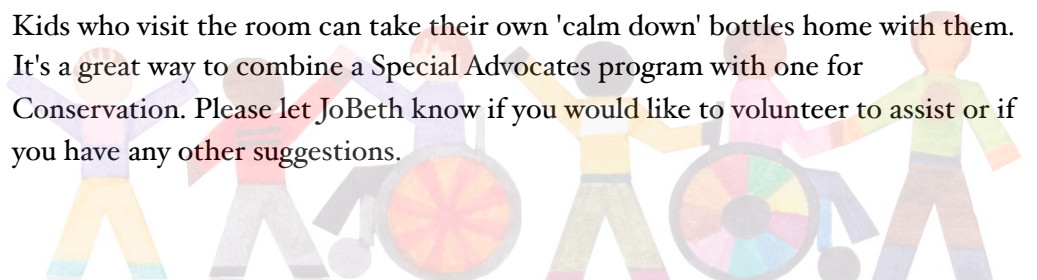
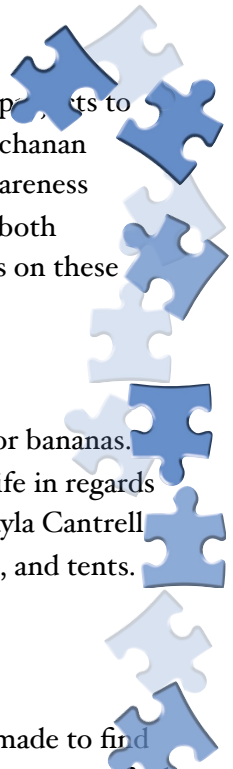
Contact with the Buchanan County Public School System has been made to find out how many children with autism are currently enrolled. We will attempt to find out if any obstacles prevent parents from allowing their children to participate, such as transportation needs, and may award gas cards to those in financial need.

### Special Needs Health Fair & Expo

The following service providers have committed to this event, held Saturday, April 14 (10 a.m. - 2 p.m.) at the Appalachian College of Pharmacy: Melanie Gooch, CPA; Waiting to Hear's mobile hearing unit; speech therapist Rachel Davis; Virginia Eyecare; the Buchanan County Sheriff's Office; the YMCA of Buchanan County; hair stylists Peggy Lowe and Loretta Tester; Cumberland Mountain Community Services; Clinch Independent Living Services; Camp Easter Seals; Buchanan General Hospital; and the Grundy Autism Support Group. This event will be held in conjunction with ACP's Annual Health Expo.

This event is to serve not only as a resource for parents regarding their child's healthcare, but also regarding other needs. A quiet room will be reserved for kids who need a dark, peaceful place during the event. If you are interested in making and/or teaching parents how to make their own 'calm down' bottles, please let JoBeth know. She'll be bringing the bottles and water pitchers. So if members can donate beads, glitter, buttons, small toys or whatever they have on hand to put inside the bottles, it would be appreciated.

Kids who visit the room can take their own 'calm down' bottles home with them. It's a great way to combine a Special Advocates program with one for Conservation. Please let JoBeth know if you would like to volunteer to assist or if you have any other suggestions.



**GFWC Grundy Woman's Club  
Treasurer's Report  
01-31-2018 – 03-31-2018**

**Balance on Hand – 01-31-2018** **\$7,587.06**

**Receipts**

02-06-18	Dinner	\$ 200.00
03-06-18	Dinner	190.00
	Apron	15.00
	District Meeting	140.00

Total Receipts \$ 545.00

**AVAILABLE FUNDS** **\$ 8,132.06**

**Disbursements**

02-05-18	#5363 – Grundy Baptist Church – dinner	\$ 200.00
03-05-18	#5364 - Grundy Baptist Church - dinner	190.00
03-06-18	#5365 - W.H.R.C. –donation 70 <sup>th</sup> year	100.00
03-06-18	#5366 - Theatre Guild – donation	200.00
03-16-18	Debit - Walmart – clothes rack for Cinderella's closet	41.98
03-21-18	#5367 - Southwestern District – District Meeting (12)	240.00

Total Disbursements \$ 971.98

**BALANCE ON HAND 03-31-2018** **\$ 7,160.08**

# **GFWC Grundy Woman's Club**

## **March 5, 2018 – Minutes**

The regular meeting of the GFWC Grundy Woman's Club was called to order March 5, 2018, 6:05 pm by President Glenna Owens at the Grundy Baptist Church. Owens welcomed the 16 members and Diane Lynch, guest of Sandy Stiltner, to the meeting.

Kim Anderson-Long led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Betty Shields brought the Thought for the Day, "Develop Your Abilities," and led the prayer of Grace before dinner.

Minutes of February 2018 meeting were approved on motion from Ginger Robertson. Treasurer's report showed an unchanged balance 2-28-18 of \$7,587.06 and, without objection, was placed on file.

### **REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND PROJECTS**

1. President Owens reported on Cinderella's Closet held February 24 from 9 am-5 pm at Grundy Baptist Church. More than 100 dresses were given away in this project held with the Christian Legal Society at the ASL. Jessica Robinson will post the final information.
2. Home Life Chairman Sandy Stiltner reported on the Valentine's Party at Heritage Hall. Four loads of stuffed animals, candy and cards were needed to get everything inside; however, the party was not held at that time due to the flu epidemic.
3. Ginger Robertson presented a program for Women's History and Resource Month, mentioning that the Grundy Woman's Club will celebrate its 70th year, and moved that a donation of \$100 be made to WHRC commemorating the anniversary. Motion approved. At the suggestion of Judy Holland, the club agreed to wait until the fall to celebrate the anniversary and present a resolution to the Buchanan County Board of Supervisors.
4. Education Chairman Mary Belcher reminded everyone of the College Shower to be held at the May meeting and supplied sign up sheets and reminder index cards for members. Recipients of the GWC Scholarships to ASL and ACP will be in attendance at the May meeting along with College Shower recipients.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Southwestern District Meeting will be held April 7 at 1st United Methodist Church, Richlands, Va. Attendees urged to sign up ASAP.
2. Leadership Chairman JoBeth Wampler led a discussion of plans for Child Abuse Awareness/Autism in April. JoBeth will post Autism information on social media; Sandy Stiltner and Betty Shields will post Child Abuse Awareness information on social media during April. Time set to decorate Gazebo for April, March 27, 2pm.
3. President Owens requested that members collect Coke Rewards Lids and Coke labels for a project with Mountain Mission School in which they redeem the labels to assist with school programs. Motion to participate in this project made by Sandy Stiltner and approved.
4. A Flower Power fundraising program was presented and upon motion by Betty Shields was approved. JoBeth will set up the necessary arrangements for online participation.
5. Nominating Committee Chairman Sandy Stiltner reported on the slate of officers for the 2018-2020 administration. Bertha Street read the following: President JoBeth Wampler (accepted); 1st VP Leigh Ann Hackney (declined); 2nd VP Tammy Ratliff (pending confirmation); Secretary Betty Shields; Treasurer Ginger

Robertson. Stiltner reported that in the absence of a 1st VP there could be a Leadership Chairman, according to state information. Stiltner volunteered to accept position of Leadership Chairman. Parliamentarian Judy Holland moved that, without objection, this slate of officers be elected by acclamation. Motion approved. Officers will be installed at April 2018 meeting.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Leigh Ann Hackney announced the dates for the Theater Guild of Buchanan County presentation of Beauty and Beast are April 6, 7pm, April 7, 7pm and April 8, 2pm. She reported on a request from Jessica Savage seeking donations for TGBC. Kim Anderson-Long moved that the club make a donation of \$100 to TGBC. Following discussion, Donna Looney recommended that the amount be increased to \$200. Original motion amended to read "the club make a donation of \$200 to TGBC." Motion approved.
2. Conservation Chairman Anna Ruth Coleman reminded members to bring birdseed for the feeders at Heritage Hall to the April meeting.

Next meeting April 2, 2018 at Grundy Baptist Church, 6 pm.

Club Collect led Donna Looney.

Adjournment.

Betty Shields, Secretary