



GFWC Southern Region
2024-2026 GFWC Southern Region President
Circle of Service
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Dear GFWC Southern Region Members:

I am excited to issue the Call to the 2024 GFWC Southern Region Conference, to be held in Greenville, South Carolina, October 3-6. The ladies in SC have been busy planning a wonderful weekend in the upstate of SC, where The Hills are Alive. Please share this call with your members and encourage them to attend.

Our very special guests will be our 2024-2026 GFWC International President, Suellen Brazil, and GFWC President-elect, Wendy Carriker, and they will update us on the GFWC programs. We will also hear greetings from the GFWC officers from our Region.

The conference agenda is filled with presentations led by our GFWC chairmen and committee members. Topics to be covered include Community Service Programs Circle of Service, Leadership, recognition of the 2024 LEADS graduates, Membership, Signature Program, Fundraising, Communications, Junior Special Program, Legislation/Public Policy, Annual Giving, and the Region Special Project. State Presidents and Directors of Junior Clubs will also spotlight their focus for the 2024-2026 administration.

The Board of Directors will meet and dine together on Thursday evening. Friday will include a tour of the Greenville County Museum of Art, a cooking demonstration at The Cook's Station, and free time to stroll and shop Main Street. The Official Opening will be Friday evening at the South Carolina State Night Dinner that includes author Susan Boyer, who lives in the Upstate of SC. The Juniors have planned a fun Bingo and Pajama Contest for Friday night for Junior Fun Night. Proceeds will be donated to Camp Greenville's scholarship fund to support the GFWC-SC's Junior Director's special program "Be the Spark." This program advocates for children by encouraging them to get off screens and enjoy the outdoors. The business session begins Saturday morning, and the conference will conclude Sunday morning with a brunch and the invitation to the 2025 GFWC Southern Region Conference in Alabama.

September 12 is the deadline to reserve a room in the Southern Region block and to register without a penalty. I know you don't want to miss a fun weekend with your Southern Sisters, so make plans today to attend.

Living the Volunteer Spirit!

Laurie