

**GFWC Virginia Northern District Awards for the 2022 Calendar Year:
Covering January 1, 2022-December 31, 2022:**

Special Programs & Community Service Programs Awards:

GFWC SIGNATURE PROGRAM: DOMESTIC & SEXUAL VIOLENCE AWARENESS & PREVENTION

A. Large Clubs:

1. Best Single Project: **GFWC Dominion Woman's Club**: Awarded for their long-standing "Purple Posy Project" which raises awareness of Domestic Violence
2. Honorable Mention: NONE

B. Small Clubs:

1. Best Single Project: **GFWC Woman's Club of Manassas**: Awarded for their Domestic Violence Awareness Banner which provides important contacts for domestic violence victims and raises awareness.
2. Honorable Mention: NONE

C. Best Overall Project: NONE

JUNIORS' SPECIAL PROGRAM: ADVOCATES FOR CHILDREN

None

ARTS & CULTURE COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM

A. Large Clubs:

1. Best Single Project: **Woman's Club of Fairfax, GFWC**: Awarded for their work with the City of Fairfax Band Association and their ongoing association with the Band since 1969.
2. Honorable Mention: **Woman's Club of Springfield**: Awarded for their service with the Woodlawn Plantation Needlework Exhibition and acting as docents for the exhibition.

B. Small Clubs:

1. Best Single Project: **GFWC Dominion Juniette Club**: Awarded for their partnership and work with Art4Elders to create hand-colored Christmas cards for elders within their community.

Leadership:

A. Large Clubs:

1. Best Single Project: **Herndon Woman's Club**: Awarded for the Club's project establishing an Operating Procedures Manual for the Club.
2. Honorable Mention: **Junior Woman's Club of Loudoun**: Awarded for ongoing commitment and dedication in service to GFWC.

B. Small Clubs:

1. Best Single Project: **GFWC Dominion Juniette Club**: Awarded for demonstrating admirable leadership skills in organizing a membership event and in assisting at other events.
2. Honorable Mention: **GFWC Mary Ball Woman's Club**: Awarded for the Club's leadership in restructuring the Club's framework, delegating leadership duties and establishing a Club level Yearbook.
3. Best Overall Project: **GFWC Dominion Juniette Club**: Awarded for their admirable leadership skills in organizing a membership event.

Legislation & Public Policy:

None

Membership:

A. Large Clubs:

1. Best Single Project: **GFWC Western Fairfax County Woman's Club**: Awarded for outstanding club member outreach.
2. Honorable Mention: **GFWC Mary Ball Woman's Club**: Awarded for member outreach and other activities in this advancement area.

B. Small Clubs:

1. Best Single Project: **Woman's Club of Loudoun**: Awarded for their recruitment project, "Each One to Reach One", resulting in monthly meetings having at least one prospective member at each meeting and increasing the club membership by 10 members in 2022.
2. Honorable Mention: **GFWC Dominion Juniette Club**: Awarded for their Ice Cream social membership recruitment event.

CIVIC ENGAGEMENT & OUTREACH COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM

- A. Large Clubs:
 - 1. Best Single Project: **The Herndon Fortnightly Club**: Awarded for their Food for Neighbors Red Bag Program working with local non-profits to ensure teens in local middle and high schools have adequate food supplies during the school year.
 - 2. Honorable Mention: **Herndon Woman's Club**: Awarded for their participation and promotion of recognizing veterans on local Honor Flights.
- B. Small Clubs:
 - 1. Best Single Project: **GFWC Star Woman's Club**: Awarded for their program called "By the Women for the Women Vote" created for an Equality Day virtual event with the League of Women Voters of Roanoke Valley. The virtual program was attended by people from across the state and beyond.
 - 2. Honorable Mention: **Bel Air Woman's Club**: Awarded for their Native American Month celebration and presentation exploring the cultural processes native girls navigate in becoming young women.
 - 3. Honorable Mention: **Woman's Club of Arlington**: Awarded for their Black History Month Program. The Club held an in person and virtual presentation and provided a historical character actor to speak about "The African American Experience at Mount Vernon" to students in grades 5 and 8.
- C. Best Overall: **GFWC Dominion Juniorette Club**: Awarded for their Prince William County Foster Children Christmas Program seeking "to make a difference in the lives of children not as fortunate as they are."

EDUCATION & LIBRARIES COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM

- A. Large Clubs:
 - 1. Best Single Project: **GFWC Western Fairfax County Woman's Club**: Awarded for their work with and dedication to the Friends of the Chantilly Library Regional Library. Forty-six club members devoted 1,355 volunteer hours to the library.
 - 2. Honorable Mention: **Clifton Woman's Club**: Awarded for their C.A.R.E.S. virtual competition with categories Creative, Arts, Recording, Education and Service which raised almost \$8,300 for their Charitable Trust. The Club also supports local graduating students with scholarships.
 - 3. Honorable Mention: **The Herndon Fortnightly Club**: Awarded for its ongoing support of higher learning, providing over \$200,000 in scholarships since 1972.
- B. Small Clubs:
 - 1. Best Single Project: **Bel Air Woman's Club**: Awarded for its 44th Annual Spelling Bee in partnership with INSIDE NOVA and Sentara Hospital Systems.
 - 2. Honorable Mention: NONE
- C. Best Overall Program: **GFWC Dominion Woman's Club**: The club promoted Education & Libraries this year through 12 projects! The club clocked 897 volunteer hours, donated \$7465, and members contributed \$7804 from their own pocketbooks as "in-kind" donations. For the sixth year, the Club bought a new book for each child at the Ellis Elementary School Book Fair. Club members provided incentives for children at PACE West School who earn rewards from the PROWL Pantry. They supplied classroom libraries with specific needs and sponsored 2 HOBY students. A \$2000 scholarship was awarded to a local high school graduate.

Advancement Area Awards:

Communications & Public Relations:

- A. Large Clubs:
 - 1. Best Single Project: **GFWC Dominion Woman's Club**: Awarded for their efforts to keep their Club and the GFWC message front and center within their community.
 - 2. Honorable Mention: **Herndon Woman's Club**: Awarded for their participation and work with their local community.
- B. Small Clubs:
 - 1. Best Single Project: **GFWC Woman's Club of Manassas**: Awarded for their Branded T shirts project, shirts with "Ask Me About GFWC Woman's Club of Manassas" on the shirts, with a free shirt given to all new members and shirts worn to all club and public events.
 - 2. Honorable Mention: **GFWC Woman's Club of Manassas**: Awarded for their project offering free promotions and advertising through NextDoor and utilizing Facebook for advertising Club events.
- C. Best Overall Project: **GFWC Woman's Club of Manassas**: Awarded for their Branded T shirt Project.

Fundraising/Ways & Means:

- A. Large Clubs:
 - 1. Best Single Project: **GFWC Dominion Woman's Club**: Awarded for their Spring Author's Luncheon featuring Carla Vergot. Funds raised by the event went to literary outreach projects and the Club involved local businesses that provided sponsorships for the event.

ENVIRONMENT

Best Single Project – Large Club – GFWC Dominion Woman's Club – Northern District

In this large club 23 of its 53 members volunteered more than 71 hours by continuing their partnership with Bull Run Mountain Conservancy (BRMC) and Leopold's Preserve (LP), both local non-profit organizations that focuses on caring for and protecting the Bull Run Mountains and Virginia Piedmont. This year club members planted 15 native trees at Leopold's Preserve in honor of their 15th anniversary, members had to either hand carry gallons of water to the site or use buckets filled from the pond to water the trees. Members worked very hard during that time and only lost one tree due to the extreme heat.

GFWC VIRGINIA 2022 – TOP RECRUITERS

During the first year of our administration, our club members have truly **"ENLIGHTEN"** Our Cornerstones of Membership.

- Northern District – Martha Feeney, GFWC Dominion Woman's Club, 7 members

GFWC VIRGINIA 2022

ART CONTEST-MEMBER ENTRIES

WRITING CONTEST:

3rd Place – tie – “Her Lucky Day – Deborah Jewell – GFWC Dominion Woman’s Club – Northern

GFWC awards and contests - 2022

Website Contest

Club

First Place: **GFWC Brown Deer Junior Women’s Club** (Wisconsin)

Second Place: **Bradenton Women’s Club** (Florida)

Third Place: **GFWC Dominion Women’s Club** (Virginia)