



## General Federation of Women's Clubs Massachusetts Junior Membership

Information Please 2020

### **RECOGNITIONS & AWARDS**

The information below describes the various awards, contests, and scholarships clubs and their individual club members can earn.

Club Divisions by size:

Division I (Large) = 31 and over members

Division II (Small) = 30 and under members

#### **GFWC Community Service Programs**

Two Special Recognition Citations and one Club Creativity Award are given based on the creativity of a project narrative contained in a submitted report.

Arts and Culture

Civic Engagement & Outreach

Education and Libraries

Environment

Health and Wellness

#### **GFWC Special Projects**

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Juniors' Special Program: Advocates for Children

GFWC Signature Program: Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention

#### **GFWC Advancement Areas**

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Communications & Public Relations

Fundraising

Leadership

Membership

Public Policy & Legislation

Women's History and Resource Center

### **Additional Junior Recognitions and Awards**

#### ***Leadership***

***Marilyn Perry Leadership Award*** ~ this award is presented to a Junior clubwoman who demonstrates outstanding leadership qualities and abilities and uses them to benefit both her GFWC club and her community. She is an active leader in community organizations while maintaining positions of leadership within GFWC or in her own GFWC club. One woman is chosen from the club level nominees. The award requires a written submission from a club describing their nominee. Award is a plaque and small gift to commemorate the award.

## Recognitions and Awards continued

***Sheila E. Shea Junior Club President Award*** – this award is for a Junior Club President who exemplifies excellent leadership skills, and continually promotes GFWC within her club. This award requires a written submission from club officer/s or member/s following the contest requirements. One nominee will be chosen by the Director, award is a plaque and flowers.

### ***Membership***

***Martha Michalewich Clubwoman Award*** ~ this award is for a Junior clubwoman who has gone above the call of duty for her club. One woman is chosen from the club level nominees. The award requires a written submission from a club describing their nominee. Award is a plaque and a small gift to commemorate the award.

***Barbara S. Baker Director's Award*** ~ One club chosen by the Director for their volunteer efforts even though they may not have earned Program or Advancement Area awards. Award is an engraved silver tray and Certificate.

***Programs And Activities (P & A)*** ~ this award is based on accumulated points earned by clubs for a variety of program and reporting activities. The P & A Award rewards clubs for their outstanding activities and overall excellence without requiring clubs to write another report to qualify. Small silver bowls are awarded to a club in each size Division and the overall winner receives a large silver bowl.

### ***Community Improvement Contest***

This contest spans the 2 years of an administration. All submissions are sent to the GFWC Massachusetts chairman for judging. One club is chosen to represent the state and is sent on to GFWC.

### ***Scholarships***

***Ricky Gomes Memorial Scholarships*** ~ may be awarded to one clubwoman and one child of a clubwoman. More than one scholarship in a category may be awarded depending on the number of submissions received and the money raised. The monetary award is determined each year by the Junior Board.

### ***GFWC Leadership Recognition and Awards***

***LEADS*** ~ Leadership, Education, and Development Seminar ~ One clubwoman is chosen to represent our state for this program at GFWC Convention. Requires an application form found on the website. Criteria for application are also on the website. Nominee will receive stipend from GFWC and GFWC MA to help offset cost of attending.

***Jenny*** ~ One woman is chosen from Massachusetts. Her application is sent for New England Region judging. The Region winner's application is submitted to GFWC. The award is based on combined service to family, community and club. It is the highest award to an individual clubwoman that GFWC bestows.

### ***Other Contests***

Other contests may be established as determined by a Program or Advancement Area Chairman.