



General Federation of Women's Clubs  
Massachusetts Junior Membership  
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## Information Please 2020

**GFWC Advancement Plan: Women's History and Resource Center**  
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I joined GFWC Northboro JWC in 1986. I have served on committees for every program area, have been secretary, Vice President, and president of the club. I was on the Junior Nominating Committee, and served as the GFWC MA chairman of Photography, ESO, Community Improvement, and Conservation. I am active in book groups, in my church, and still work part time.

### **Suggested Activities For the Women's History and Resource Center Advancement Plan:**

Celebrate the passage of the 19th amendment to the US Constitution, establishing the right of women to vote - 100 years August 26, 2020!!

Connect with, support and participate with your local Historical Society. Find out what resources they have which highlight women's history or a woman leader in your locale.

Encourage preservation of historic properties.

Support the Mass. GFWC Headquarters Building in Sudbury. Donate. Hold a meeting there.

Organize a club outing to an historic property. Find out about the role of women in its history.

Work on your own club's history. Who were the founders and why did they start your club?

Start a document preserving your ongoing story. Celebrate your leaders, past and present.

Look through club records and educate current members on the impactful projects of the past.

Observe Women's History Month in March by presenting a "Woman of Distinction" award to a club member or community member who exhibits outstanding service to their community.

Become a "Friend of the WHRC" at International Headquarters. WHRC preserves GFWC collections, acquires new materials for research on women's history, and provides student field study opportunities. See <https://www.gfwc.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/2020-22-WHRC-July-1.-2020.pdf> for forms.

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*GFWC Massachusetts Junior Membership trivia--Prior to 1956, the head of Junior Membership was known as Chairman. In 1954 the position became known as Director of Junior Clubs. An Executive Board of Junior Membership was created.*