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GFWC DSFWC

The General Federation of Women's Clubs (GFWC) is made up of 50 state federations plus many international affiliates who are dedicated to community improvement by enhancing the lives of others through volunteer service. Collectively, we are *Living the Volunteer Spirit*.

The Delaware State Federation of Women's Clubs (DSFWC) includes 19 federated clubs of which eight are located here in Sussex County.

The GFWC DSFWC has many wonderful opportunities to get involved at so many levels...

Local Club
County Officer
State Committees
State Officers
Mid-Atlantic Region (MAR) Officer
GFWC Committees
GFWC Officers

So, whether you only want to get involved a little or if you're looking for something more substantial, please join us! There are many opportunities to become engaged in this international sisterhood focused through volunteerism.

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DID YOU KNOW?

The GFWC started 75% of America's public lending libraries prior to 1933 and pioneered the idea of bookmobiles.

The GFWC was an important force in founding America's first national parks and supported the creation of the National Park Service. Each federation established a park within their state. Many, such as Everglades National Park, were handed over to the National Park Service and now are enjoyed by millions.



GFWC ZWAANENDAEL WOMEN'S CLUB

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Come Join Us!

The GFWC Zwaanendael Women's Club
is a 501(c)3 non-profit public charity.

GFWC ZWAANENDAEL WOMEN'S CLUB

HISTORY

Founded in 1905, the GFWC Zwaanendael Women's Club was organized by public-spirited women for the purpose of promoting community improvements through volunteer service.

For a number of years the Club's meetings were held in the homes of its members, and various other locations in the town of Lewes.

The Club's first meeting in the Clubhouse located at the corner of Savannah Rd & 3rd Street was on October 7, 1930. The decision was made to set up a lending library and offer use of the building to various community organizations.

In 1980 The Zwaanendael Club Building was listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

The GFWC-Zwaanendael Women's Club is a member of the General Federation of Women's Clubs (GFWC) and the GFWC Delaware State Federation of Women's Clubs (GFWC-DSFWC).

In 2015, the Zwaanendael Club Building was sold to the Lewes Historical Society. The Club's emblems remain on the building.

MEETINGS

The GFWC Zwaanendael Women's Club meets the 3rd Tuesday of each month from September to May.

Most meetings are held at the Lewes Library. Visit gfwcZwaanendael.com or the Club's Facebook page for meeting details.

ACTIVITIES

For over 106 years, the GFWC Zwaanendael Women's Club has held true to our mission to support our local community through volunteering our time and resources.

Some of the programs and organizations the Club supports include:

- ~ Cape Henlopen High School: Scholarships, Baskets of Basics for in-need college bound graduates, Clothing Closet, and Food Bank
- ~ Harry K Baby Pantry ~ Little Grace Kids Closet
- ~ Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership (HOBY) Scholarship
- ~ Immanuel Shelter ~ Harbor Healthcare
- ~ Lewes Library ~ Lewes Historical Society ~ Lewes Fire Department
- ~ Margaret H. Rollins School of Nursing Scholarship
- ~ People's Place and Group Home for Girls
- ~ Shields Elementary School Adopt a Classroom
- ~ Stockings for Soldiers ~ Home of the Brave for Men and Women

The Club's most well-known fundraisers are our Fashion Shows and Teas, Spring Geranium Sales, Antique Appraisal Events, and our Holiday Bazaar at the Old Schoolhouse during the Lewes Historical Society Christmas House Tour.

A member of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, the GFWC Zwaanendael Women's Club works to address the diverse culture, historical, educational and social needs of our community.



The GFWC is an international women's organization dedicated to community improvement by enhancing the lives of others through volunteer service.



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