

Juniorettes – Catch the Spirit!

Sponsoring a Juniette Club is recognized as an outstanding way for AFWC clubs continue their commitment to “assuring the continuity of Federation work and the influence for community good.” Developing youth in every venue, whether politics, church, or club work, has long been recognized as the way to keep an organization’s life blood fresh and perpetual.

Catching the Juniette Spirit can mean the following for your club:

1. Rejuvenation of your club’s membership with enthusiasm and energy.
2. Expansion of your club’s community service outreach by partnering with Juniettes.
3. Growing your club’s membership now! Non-Federated mothers of Juniettes are an organic source of new members in your sponsor club.
4. Growing your FUTURE club membership – Alumnae of Juniette clubs may continue their Federation experience.
5. Opportunity to share the Federation experience as well as your personal talents and knowledge with promising young ladies.
6. Securing the future of our organization.
7. Having fun while making a difference in the lives of young women!

Okay, we’ve **Caught the Spirit!** Now what? Sponsoring clubs have some basic responsibilities to fostering a Juniette organization, as well as some options. Here’s an overview:

1. Determine the type of Juniette club you want to start. Juniettes are comprised of 12-18 year old young ladies, but, to be successful, “A Juniette Club should be organized for EITHER middle/junior high school or high school members, but NOT both.” (Juniette Handbook)
2. Sponsoring clubs must provide active GFWC members (at least 2 is ideal) to serve as club advisors for the Juniette club. The advisor(s) attends all Juniette meetings, is knowledgeable about Federation issues and parliamentary procedure, and serves as a liaison between the sponsor club and the Juniette club.
3. Financial obligations of the sponsor club are optional and can include helping the Juniette club establish an annual budget, assisting the Juniette club in the mechanics of setting up a club bank account and obtaining insurance, and providing “seed money” to help the Juniette club get started on a project or program.



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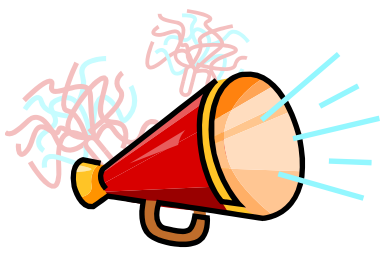
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AFWC Juniorettes are young women, age 12 to 18, working together to meet the needs of their communities through volunteer service projects. For more than 30 years, GFWC Juniorettes have sharpened their leadership skills and put their idealism to work in projects that benefit children, families and communities.

Top 10 Reasons to be an AFWC Juniorett

10. Make new friends locally and across the state.
9. Participate in service projects that contribute positively to your community.
8. Gain self-confidence.
7. Receive recognition, awards, and possibly grants or scholarships.
6. Develop social awareness and global consciousness.
5. Learn and practice leadership skills.
4. Participate in social activities.
3. Explore education and career possibilities.
2. Fulfill community service requirements for scholarships or graduation.
1. HAVE FUN WHILE MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN THE LIVES OF OTHERS!

Catch the Spirit! Keep Juniorettes connected and excited about club events through:

1. Social Media
 - a. **Facebook** (can create Closed Groups accessible only to members). Great for posting pictures, meeting reminders, creating polls and “events” where members may interactively respond.
 - b. **Twitter**. Anyone can follow, or you can set restrictions to approve followers. Great to blast messages out, but not likely to generate responses, although users may “re-tweet” easily to send to friends.
 - c. **Instagram**. Limited to picture postings generally, but followers may comment and tag friends for sharing. Great for generating buzz.
2. Electronic Information Distribution
 - a. **Email**: Nearly all students have email for school purposes even if not involved in social media. This is the most reliable source for distributing details of events and general information. Parents should also be included on distribution for maximum effectiveness.
 - b. **Text messaging**: Set up a group text to reach all members at once. Use this for short messages, or to direct members to check email for longer messages (they don't always check their email daily, but will see texts almost instantly!)



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