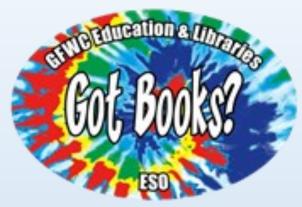


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ESO Award Entry

The ESO Award Entry is important for tracking the reading activities in your state and to be eligible for awards at the GFWC convention. Please review the following items when compiling your state award entries. You may want to send this information to the clubs in your state as they may include their club's ESO activity.

- 1. PLEASE adhere to your State Federation deadline and the GFWC Deadline March 15, 2023.
- 2. Award Entry Form and the State Creativity Award cover sheets are available in the GFWC Member Portal Digital Library on page 11 and 12 of the Entire Club Manual. To set up a Member Portal Account visit https://gfwc.users.membersuite.com/home, click on the 'Profile' icon in the right corner and select 'Join'click. Complete information required.
- 3. **Top Ten Projects** –Include the Top Ten Projects at the club level. Two Page Maximum. Describes the "who, what, when, where, how, and why" of the project as well as other pertinent information for that project. The Top Ten Projects are projects that stand out, no matter the money/members/hours. Only 10 projects will be evaluated so be sure you enhance the description of the projects to fill the two pages.
- 4. **State Federation Chairman Projects** One (1) additional page, single-spaced, describing the activities at the **State Federation** level initiated and organized by the **State Federation/State Chairman**. Describe your activities at the state level and the impact you had in your role as state chairman; for example: newsletters, handouts, fundraisers, etc.
- 5. **Club Creativity Award** The third part of the award entries is the most creative project. This is a project chosen by the state chairman and described on one page. Do your best to fill the page with as many details as possible and include a photo if there is room so the GFWC chairman can visualize the end result and the impact of the project. Select a project that is new and innovative, something not heard of or seen before.
- 6. **ESO Award Entry** Focus your Top Ten Projects on the suggested list below and tell the story of the ESO activities in your state.
 - * Does your state have a charter?
 - * How many clubs participate in ESO?
 - * How many members participate?
 - * What was done to encourage new ESO members?
- * How many new members were gained in 2022?
- * How many books were read in 2022?
- * How many hours of reading? Average 7 hours per book.
- * Tell about Book Clubs.

And more!

Member Author Featured

Mary Ann Trail is an author, traveler, mother, and lover of history. After majoring in History in college, Mary Ann worked as an academic librarian teaching students about the joys and pitfalls of research. Frequent trips to England with her sister fanned her interest in history as they strolled through Bath, followed Roman roads in Wales and wandered prehistoric mounds in Dorset. She finally settled on the early 19th century as her favorite era for its similarities to the push and pull of today's politics. She is a member of the Women's Club of Absecon, New Jersey.

Mary Ann's books include Their Chilling Fall: A Historical Mystery of 1804; Their Winter Burn: A Historical Mystery of Boston 1805; Facing Enemies: A Historical Romance of 1803; Masking Enemies: A Historical Romance of 1801.

Featured book coming in January 2023 - *Their Winter Burn;* A strange new city, a bitter winter, and a dead body. Boston in 1805 is not what they expected.

Learn more about Mary Ann at https://www.maryanntrail.com.

Club Highlight

The GFWC PA Women's Club of Spring Grove in central Pennsylvania gave out 181 FREE children/teen books at the Spring Grove Tree Lighting. It is so nice to give back to the community.

They also sold fresh Georgia Schermer pecans; great for snacking, gifts, and using in your baking projects. Pecan sales help the club give scholarships to high school seniors.



Education & Libraries - Support Public Schools

- ⇒ Support schools, educators, and students with donations: Obtain a supply list from a local school and organize a club or community drive to supply book bags, notebooks, binders, and other recommended items to underserved students.
- ⇒ Provide local teachers with supplies for their classrooms, including "treasure chest" stickers or small items that can be used as incentives for positive behavior.
- ⇒ Consider and provide for the needs of local preschool toddler reading programs and/or Head Start Programs. Replace or add to playground equipment, including a buddy bench.
- ⇒ Provide reading software, other materials, or funds for after-school enrichment programs.
- ⇒ Fund fieldtrips for underserved students.

GFWC ESO BOOK CLUB on Facebook—Welcome to all.

This group of more than 1,500 members belong to this online book club and features Education and Libraries project ideas and ESO.

It is a private group and you must ask to join. See GFWC ESO BOOK CLUB on Facebook.

Literary Calendar January 2023

National Braille Literacy Month

- 2 National Science Fiction Day
- 8-14 Universal Letter Writing Week
- 10 Poetry at Work Day
- 18 Thesaurus Day
- 18 Winnie the Pooh Day (birthday of author A.A. Milne)
- 19 Édgar Allan Poe's birthday
- 23 National Handwriting Day
- 25 Library "Shelfie" Day
- 27 Family Literacy Day in Canada
- 29-February 5 National Storytelling Week

January 2023 New Releases

The Bandit Queens - PARINI SHROFF

Good for a Girl - LAUREN FLESHMAN

Spare - PRINCE HARRY

Exiles - JANE HARPER

The Villa - RACHEL HAWKINS

Check out for more at https://www.booklistqueen.com/january-2023-book-releases



Affiliate Highlight

UNITED NATIONS FOUNDATION, SHOT@LIFE CAMPAIGN

Contact GFWC members who have attended the Shot@Life Summit and invite them to present what they learned about the importance of global vaccines and the impact The Summit had on their lives.

• Register for one of Shot@Life's training sessions or webinars. Make it a club program!

GFWC LIBRARY REPLENISHMENT FUND

In order to assist GFWC communities affected by man-made and natural disasters, GFWC established the GFWC Library Replenishment Fund. GFWC clubs have a long history of founding, maintaining, and promoting libraries. Grants will be provided to GFWC clubs to help replenish affected libraries in their communities.



Check out the 2022-2024 Club Manual in the "C" Resources folder of the Member Portal Digital Library for many *sparkling* ideas.