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Headquarters' News

A monthly newsletter from GSFSA Headquarters especially prepared for:
Executive Board, House of Delegates, Supervisors and State Staff

May 2003



The mission of GSFSA is to advance the availability, quality and acceptance of school nutrition programs as an integral part of education.

Message From the Executive Director

Dear GSFSA Members,

I hope you were able to join us in Savannah for a truly wonderful “Bus Stop” — the last big function of the year, but not the last function. Thanks again to Conference Program Chair Valerie Bowers, Exhibits Chair Patsy Lynch, Hospitality Chair Linda Ervin, Program Cochair Karen Green, and certainly to the GSFSA staff - Naomi, Patrice, and Daphne- for the many hours of hard work needed.

If you weren't in Savannah, you missed some great workshops and fun events. Bertice Berry moved us all to tears with her inspiring story of growing up poor and looking forward to her school lunch every day. Plus, Bertice revealed that she has recently married and will be moving to Tybee Island. Ron Clark had us laughing so hard that some of us were red in the face! Nancy Rice and Whitney Wright showed us how to manage a potentially negative press conference and Dr. Josephine Martin and Gene White (both past ASFSA Presidents) teamed up to share a historical summary of school nutrition. There were excellent sessions on marketing, on summer feeding, on working with handicapped employees, on the USDA web site, and many more. And, yes, we did get a moment to visit River Street Sweets for some pralines!

Here in the office, we have unloaded all the boxes and equipment from the van, and are working at getting all the paperwork organized and put away. Then we will begin paying the bills and of course, starting to work on contracts and arrangements for next year's conference in Jekyll, April 14 - 18.

Congratulations to all of the deserving award winners recognized at conference! There are so many of you doing such wonderful things in school nutrition, and I wish we could give you all an award. Keep up your excellent work next year.

In June, we will be in Unicoi for our annual GSFSA Leadership & Legislative Training. Virginia has planned some new activities that I think you will enjoy and learn from. Virginia is also developing the Plan of Action for next year, so don't miss the Leadership Training to “hear all about it.” In addition, we are continuing to work on the next GSFSA Strategic Plan, and will be calling on members to work in teams to help develop the details of this plan for the years 2004 - 2007.

My 8 year old grandson had a birthday party Sunday night at the bowling alley (yes, the Sunday I returned from Savannah) and for the first time I witnessed “bowling by sitting down in the lane.” We all had such fun though, and it was a delight to me to wind down and laugh with them for a while.

I hope your final weeks of school are good ones. I know they will be busy!

Wishing you cheerful smiles and sunshine,

Susan Cheshire

DATES & DEADLINES

MAY

14 Georgia Child Nutrition Employee Appreciation Day.

31 Deadline for ASFSA Membership & Certification Drives.

JUNE

26 Executive Board Meeting, Unicoi

26-27 GSFSA Leadership Training, Unicoi

JULY

20-23 ASFSA Annual Conference - Reno, NV

31 Deadline to send articles and photos to the GSFSA office for Georgia Gems.

MEMBERSHIP TOTALS (as of 4/30/03)

District 1	572
District 2	572
District 3	619
District 4	1110
District 5	50
District 6	672
District 7	984
District 8	811
District 9	620
District 10	296

Total - 6,301

2003 LEADERSHIP & LEGISLATIVE TRAINING

Registration information for the 2003 Leadership & Legislative Training (June 26th-27th) has been mailed. All affiliated chapters are to send their president and president-elect to this training. Each district is to send their district president, president-elect and legislative chair. If your president or president-elect are not able to attend you can send someone in their place. Each affiliated chapter should send at least two delegates to the training session. There is a link on the GSFSA web site (www.gsfsa.com) under "meetings & events" with more information on registration.

2003-2004 Executive Board members will get a separate mailing for Leadership & Legislative Training registration. If you have any questions please call headquarters at 770-934-8890.



2003 - 2004 EXECUTIVE BOARD

President	Virginia Hart	Colquitt County
President elect	Marion Tharpe	Dougherty County
Secretary	Sharon Alday	Houston County
Treasurer	Jeri Wiseman	Cobb County
System Level Chair	Jimmie Barnett	Muscogee County
School Level Chair	JoAnn Kilby	Cobb County
Chairman of District Presidents	Janet Mitchell	Glynn County
Advisor to the President	Joan Kidd	DeKalb County
State Staff Advisor	Annette Hopgood	Georgia DOE
Honorary Advisor	Josephine Martin	Retired
Affiliations & Goals	Sherill Lahr	Brooks County
Awards	Iris Graham	Whitfield County
Conference Program	Karen Green	Thomas County
Conference Exhibits	Stan McWhorter	Dougherty County
Conference Hospitality	Joan Williams	Carroll County
History/Recorder/Memorial	Gretchen Schulz	Gwinnett County
Industry Seminar	Cheryl Calhoun	Fayette County
Industry Representative	TBA	TBA
Leadership Training	Sheryl Fletcher	White County
Manager's Retreat	JoAnn Kilby	Cobb County
Membership	Paula Spraggins	DeKalb County
Nominating	Gretchen Schulz	Gwinnett County
Nutrition Advisory	Janice Conley	Jeff Davis County
Nutrition Standards & Education	Marion Rabon	Harris County
Nutrition Standards & Education Co-Chair	Tonya Grier	Dougherty County
Parliamentarian	Linda Ervin	Putnam County
Professional Development & Certification	Janice Maddox	Laurens County
Professional Development & Certification Co-Chair	Kathy Ricks	Laurens County
Public Policy & Legislation	Joyce Akins	Lowndes County
Public Policy & Legislation	Peggy Chaney	Ware County
Publications Advisory	John Jacobson	DeKalb County
Public Relations	Sandra Hudson	Meriwether County
Public Relation Co-Chair	Martha Harvey	Thomaston-Upson County
Public Relations Portfolio	Vickie Gay	Colquitt County
Resolutions & Bylaws	Nancy Rice	Griffin-Spalding County
Scholarship	Kathy Sztokiewicz	Bulloch County
Ways & Means	Bobby Sharp	Dalton
Ways & Means Co-chair	Jeri Cochran	Warner Robins
District One President	Brenda Chester	Bulloch County
District Two President	Licia Nicholson	Tift County
District Three President	Erin McLemore	Muscogee County
District Four President	Diana Mazurek	Gwinnett County
District Five President	Ivy Drummond	Atlanta City
District Six President	Becky Wilder	Fayette County
District Seven President	Teresa Young	Rome City
District Eight President	Janet Mitchell	Glynn County
District Nine President	Pat Mays	Barrow County
District Ten President	Betty Williams	Jefferson County
<u>Ad Hoc Committees</u>		
Culinary Arts	Rochelle Stubbs	Lumpkin County
Silent Auction	Lynn Roberts	Worth County
Golf Tournaments	Dean Timmons	Polk County

2003 AWARD WINNERS

MEMBERSHIP AWARDS

Highest Number of Members in a District

District 4

Highest Number of Potential Members in a District

District 8

Highest Percentage Increase in Membership in District

District 7

PUBLIC RELATIONS PORTFOLIOS

Locals:

1st Place - Fannin County of District 9

2nd Place - Floyd County of District 7

3rd Place - Laurens County of District 1

District:

1st Place - District 7

2nd Place - District 6

3rd Place - District 8

WEB PAGE AWARD

Brantley County - Category 1

Clayton County - Category 2

CULINARY COMPETITION

Cornbread Muffins

1 st Place – Ellis Ruth Sloan – Brooks County

2nd Place – Sharon Gore – Carroll County

3rd Place – Wilma Fiddmont- Houston County

Fruit Cobbler

1st Place – Evelyn Hawk- Houston County

2nd Place – Elaine Cameron – Barrow County

3rd Place – Connie Ragsdale – Cherokee County

Peanut Butter Cake

1st Place – Virginia Willeby–Thomas County

2nd Place – Shirley Spivey – Dodge County

3rd Place – Sula Williams, Jeff Davis County

NAC AWARDS

NAC of the Year - Brantley County

NAC Focus Award - Teasley Elemenatry, Cobb County

SCHOLARSHIPS & GRANTS

Fall Scholarship Winners

Joan Williams - Carroll County

Pamela Boyd - Valdosta City

Fall Grant-in-Aid Winners

Janice M. Brown - Telfair County

Debra K. Williams - Gordon County

Frances Coleman Griffin

Joan Williams, Carroll County

Scholarship Children of Members

Kristi Dedrea Duggan, Colquitt County

Renee Dupree, Dodge County

Molly Schulz, Gwinnett County

Spring Scholarship Winners

Pamela Boyd, Valdosta City

Jane Lofton, Clayton County

Spring Grants in Aid Winners

Melissa McMillan, Ware County

Pamela Boyd, Valdosta City

JOSEPHINE MARTIN AWARD OF EXCELLENCE

Joan Williams, Carroll County

PRESIDENT'S AWARDS

District - District 6 and District 7

Local- DeKalb County

HEART OF PROGRAM AWARD

1st Place - Deanne Lewis, Pierce County

2nd Place - Louise Barber, Glynn County

3rd Place - Pat Mays, Barrow County

LOUISE SUBLETTE AWARD

1st Place - Angelia Darlene LeCroy, Floyd County

2nd Place - Hilda Walters, Houston County

2nd Place - Dick Watts, Gwinnett County

ANN C. SMITH AWARD

Annette Evans, Glynn County

Betty Murray, Ware County

Betty Adams, Fayette County

CENTRAL OFFICE SUPPORT AWARD

Patricia Carter - Bulloch County

Teresa Hamrick - Putnam County

PUBLIC RELATIONS & MARKETING AWARD

Carroll County, Doris Earnhart

MARIE MCGLAUN ALIRT AWARDS

State Contacts

District 6

Rockdale County

National Contacts

District 8

Rockdale County

EXHIBIT BOOTH AWARDS

1st Place - Georgia Egg Commission

2nd Place - Cohen Food Brokerage Company

3rd Place - Manning Brothers

**Congratulations to all of the 2003
Award winners!**

**THANKS TO OUR
2003 ANNUAL CONFERENCE SPONSORS**

FIRST GENERAL SESSION

Sponsored by Gilardi Foods

CONFERENCE TOTE BAGS

Schwan's Foodservice

GOLD SPONSORS

Mayfield Dairy Farms, Inc.

SILVER SPONSOR

Meridian Beverage Company
Parmalat Dairy
Rich-SeaPak

BRONZE SPONSORS

J.T.M. Food Group
Kraft Foods
Prolunch by A.T.I.
True Foodservice

SCHOOL & SYSTEM LEVEL WORKSHOPS

Sponsored by Kraft Foods

FIRST TIMER'S WORKSHOP

Cal-Tex Citrus Juice and Super Bakery

NUTRITION ADVISORY COUNCIL FOCUS AWARDS

Chef America
Gilardi Foods
Innovative Concept Group, Inc.
Meridian Beverage Company, Inc.
Pierre Foods

2003 GOLF TOURNAMENT SPONSORS

Full Hole

Carman-Girard & Associates
Chef America
Georgia School Equipment
Goldkist
Mayfield Dairy Farms, Inc.
US Foodservice

Half Hole

Campbell's Foodservice
First Flight Foods
Hobart Corporation/Traulsen
King's Delight
Low Temp Industries/Colorpoint
Medley Hotel & Restaurant Supply
Multifoods Foodservice
Pierre Foods
Poly Plus
Quality Sales & Marketing
Winston Industries

Contributing Sponsor

Food Service Action

**THANKS TO OUR 2002-2003
CORPORATE SPONSORS**

2002 KICKOFF LUNCHEON

Georgia Beef Board
Mayfield Dairy Farms, Inc.

2002 INDUSTRY SEMINAR

Colorpoint Division of Low Temp Industries
Gilardi Foods
Mayfield Dairy Farms, Inc.
Meridian Beverage, Inc.
Portion Pac Chemical Corporation
Schwan's Food Service

INDUSTRY SEMINAR AUCTION DONATIONS

Admiral Craft Equipment, Atlanta Fixture, Cal-Tex Citrus Juice, Carman-Girard, Charles Pace & Associates, Chef America, Clorox Company, Cohen Food Brokerage, Dannon Company, East Side Entrees, Food Service Action, Foster Farms, Georgia Egg Commission, Gilardi Pizza, Glover Foods, Good Harbor Fillet, The Hansen Group, Highliner, Horace Maddox Textiles, Innovative Concepts, King's Delight, Lance Inc., Meridian Beverage, Michael Foods, Milliken Packaging, Milton Foods, Naturally Fresh Products, PFG Milton's Foodservice, Pierre', Pilgrims Pride, Purdue Chicken, Quick to Fix Foods, Readi Bake, Rich SeaPak, SFS Pac, Sara Lee, Schwan's Foodservice, SeaPak, Tabatchnick, Williams Institutional Foods

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Gilardi Foods
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2003 Leadership & Legislative Training
"Healthy Children, Georgia Grown"
Unicoi State Park & Lodge - Helen, GA
June 26-27, 2003

Who:

District Presidents and President-elects
Local Chapter Presidents and President-elects
District Legislative Chairs

When:

Thursday, June 26 and Friday, June 27, 2003

Where:

Unicoi State Park & Lodge - Helen, GA. *Each attendee must make their own hotel room reservations with the form provided.* For online registration go to www.gsfsa.com.

Cost:

\$25.00 online registration fee per person. Regular mailed registration is \$35.00. **Deadline to register is June 13, 2003.**

This registration fee applies to local chapter delegates, district delegates and district legislative chairs. This includes a handbook, materials and two meals. The District and Local delegates may be the President and President-elect, or any other chapter member.

What expenses GSFSA will pay for:

*** Hotel Room:**

GSFSA will reimburse the **shared hotel room rate, including taxes, for one night** for **two delegates from each affiliated local and district chapter, and for the District Legislative chairs.** Chapters must have been affiliated no later than May 1st 2003 to qualify for this Leadership Training. Nonaffiliated chapters may attend at their own expense. If a room is shared with a spouse or other nonaffiliated person, the GSFSA member will be reimbursed one half of the room rate. GSFSA will **not** reimburse any other expenses such as mileage, parking, meals during travel or more than two delegates per chapter. *You must make your own hotel reservations.*

*** Meals:**

Two meals will be provided by GSFSA for the two delegates from each local chapter and district chapter, and the District Legislative chairs. These meals are Thursday dinner and Friday breakfast. No other meal costs will be reimbursed.

*** Additional Attendees:**

You may send more people to this training at the expense of your chapter or district, subject to meeting space availability. Cost for an additional person is \$70.00, not including hotel room.

Leadership & Legislative Training is the kickoff event for 2003-2004. We are looking forward to seeing you there!

**2003 Leadership & Legislative Training
 "Healthy Children, Georgia Grown"
 Unicoi State Park & Lodge - Helen, GA
 June 26-27, 2003**

Please use one form per person.

Name: _____

Please check if you are representing your District or Local Chapter-Check only one please.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> District: _____
please put district number here | Office Held: _____
please put office title here (ex: president, secretary) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Local: _____
please put chapter name here | Office Held: _____
please put office title here (ex: president, secretary) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Additional Person: <input type="checkbox"/> Local or <input type="checkbox"/> District
(Please include payment with registration) | Office Held: _____
please put office title here (ex: president, secretary) |

Mailing Address: _____
 Street / PO Box number City State Zip

Work Phone: (_____) _____ - _____ Fax: (_____) _____ - _____ E-mail: _____

Home Phone: (_____) _____ - _____

To register for the 2003 GSFSA Leadership & Legislative Training, return this form with the appropriate registration fee to:

**Georgia School Food Service Association
 2372 Main St., Tucker, GA 30084**

<p>Registration Fees: Please check or circle fee Regular Rate-RR (postmarked before May 30, 2003) Online Rate-OR (postmarked before May 30, 2003) Late Rate-LR (postmarked after May 30, 2003) Online Late Rate-OLR (postmarked after May 30, 2003) (Registration does not include hotel) <input type="checkbox"/> RR - \$35.00 <input type="checkbox"/> LR - \$50.00 <input type="checkbox"/> OR - \$25.00 <input type="checkbox"/> OLR - \$40.00 <input type="checkbox"/> Additional Person Regular Rate - \$ 70.00 <input type="checkbox"/> Additional Person Late Rate - \$85.00 (Registration does not include hotel) You must be a member of GSFSA to register. <u>DEADLINE TO REGISTER IS JUNE 13, 2003</u></p> <p><i>Registrations received after June 13, 2003 cannot be guaranteed. * Cancellations must be submitted in writing on or before June 13, 2003. A \$10.00 processing fee will be withheld. GSFSA encourages substitutions.</i></p>	<p>Registration Options: Please use mail OR fax, do not do both! 1. Mail registration form and check/money order or Visa/Mastercard information to GSFSA. OR 2. FAX registration form with Visa/Mastercard information to GSFSA at 770-934-8917.</p> <p>A fax will not be processed without credit card information.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Check enclosed, payable to GSFSA <input type="checkbox"/> Mastercard <input type="checkbox"/> Visa Card No. _____</p> <p>Expiration date: _____</p> <p>Cardholder name: _____</p> <p>Cardholder signature: _____</p>
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GSFSA Leadership & Legislative Training 2003

“Healthy Children, Georgia Grown”

Thursday, June 26th

- 12:00-1:00 pm** **Registration**
- 1:00-2:30 pm** **“Breaking the Ground”**
Thought for the Day
Jimmie Barnett, GSFSA System Level Chair
- Pledge of Allegiance**
White County
- Ice Breaker**
Janet Mitchell, GSFSA Chair of District Presidents
- “Healthy Children- Georgia Grown”**
- Meeting Our Farmers: The Executive Board**
- Membership Skit**
Paula Spraggins, GSFSA Membership Chair
- 2:30-3:30 pm** **Planning Our Crop: Reviewing the 2003-2004 Plan of Action**
- 3:45-4:30 pm** **Selecting the Seeds : Rotating Workshops**
- Nutrition Advisory Councils - NAC’s**
Janice Conley, GSFSA NAC Chair
- 5:00 pm** **Dinner**

Friday, June 27th

- 7:15-8:00 am** **Breakfast**
- 8:00-8:45 am** **Selecting the Seeds**
Repeat Workshops
- 8:45-10:45 am** **Legislative Training**
Joyce Akins and Peggy Chaney, GSFSA Legislative Chairs
Mary Frances Williams, GSFSA Legislative Lobbyist
- 11:00-11:45 am** **How Does Your Garden Grow?: District Planning**
- 11:45-12:00 pm** **“You Can’t Keep them Down on the Farm”:** A send off activity
Jeri Wiseman, GSFSA Treasurer
JoAnn Kilby, GSFSA School Level Chair



The Lodge

AT UNICOI

GROUP INDIVIDUAL RESERVATION FORM

POLICIES

Children under 18 stay free when sharing room and existing bedding with parents.

Additional discounts are not valid in conjunction with any special promotion, discount rate or group rate.

5% occupancy tax and 7% sales tax added to all rooms, unless an INDIVIDUAL tax-exempt certificate is furnished in advance. Please note that individuals are not covered by a state tax-exempt certificate for master billing purposes. Payment for guestroom charges must be paid by agency check and a copy of the exemption certificate must be presented in advance or at check in to receive individual tax-exempt status.

A \$2.00 Georgia State Park Pass valid for the duration of your stay will be assessed on all vehicles.

Reservations must be made by May 25, 2003.

Reservations received after cut off date will be subject to prevailing rates and availability. There is a 2-night minimum for groups booked over weekend dates.

Please note that your room(s) and rates are reserved within a negotiated block of rooms. Your credit card will be charged one night stay at the time the reservation is received and **refunds will not be issued if cancellation is received less than 30 days prior to your arrival.**

We love pets, but they are not permitted in guest rooms.

Fax Completed Form to: **706-878-1897**

Email to: sikenberry@georgialodges.com

Mail Checks and Completed Form to

The Lodge at Unicoi

P O Box 849

Helen, GA 30545

Check-in Time: 4 p.m.

Check-out Time: 11 a.m.

Lodge rooms contain two double beds (max occupancy 4), some rooms also have a carpeted sleeping loft with twin mattresses (reached by climbing a ladder, the room with loft accommodates 6).

While at Unicoi, you may be reached at 706-878-2201.

Name of Group **Georgia School Food Service Association**

Group # **102740** (Required when making telephone reservations)

Dates **June 25-27, 2003**

Room Rates Double Occupancy **\$79.00 Per Night**

Additional per Person Charge **\$10.00**

Arrival Date _____

Departure Date _____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Daytime Phone No. _____

Evening Phone No. _____

E-mail Addresses (optional) _____

Accommodation Requirements _____

No. of Adults _____ No. of Children _____

Special Requests

Smoking Nonsmoking ADA Compliant

Every effort will be made to honor special requests; however, due to fluctuating guest counts, they are not guaranteed.

Sharing room with _____
(all share with guests must register at front desk in order to provide proper telephone forwarding and for security purposes).

Please indicate your preferred method of payment.

Credit Card Visa AMEX MasterCard
Diners Discover

Credit Card # _____

Expiration Date: _____

Signature _____

Check Enclosed Check number _____

Make Check Payable to: **Unicoi Lodge**

Visit us at www.unicoilodge.com

CONFIRMATION WILL BE SENT UPON REQUEST AND RECEIPT OF PREPAYMENT.