

Dear GWG members,

November has always been my favorite month. More so since moving to Greenville: November starts with peak leaf color in the upstate and ends with a family feast. It doesn't get any better than that!

Speaking of family feast ... consider participating in the first **Grateful** **GVL** community potluck on Monday, November 25. Local non-profits, friends and strangers will join together at one (very long) table on Main Street to share a meal. There are no fees, no expectations, and no agenda – just an open invitation to all. Isn't that what Thanksgiving should be?

We began accepting grant applications on October 14; the deadline is midnight November 29. If you are involved with a Greenville County non-profit, or know someone who is, be sure to encourage them to apply. We will once again be making \$50,000 - \$100,000 grants in five areas: Arts & Culture, Education, Environment, Health, and Human Services. And consider joining the Grants Review Committee, where you'll be part of the team selecting the finalists for member voting. To sign up, contact GRC chair [Rene Hutchisson](#).

Speaking of committees ... we're starting a committee to plan Strictly Social events. If you like to plan parties and visit new venues, or just enjoy meeting new people, this could be the committee for you. To learn more, contact me at dperlmutter@aol.com.

By now, you've probably received your annual invoice or renewal notice. Thank you for your continued support as we 'give collectively, grant strategically and grow a greater Greenville'. And be sure to let us know if your employer participates in a matching gift program.

Speaking of supporting GWG ... please consider making an additional donation to the GWG endowment when you make your annual contribution.

On behalf of all the co-chairs, wishing you a Happy Thanksgiving filled with family and friends, good food and winning football!

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