

Emelia's Email



It was wonderful to see so many of you at our Fall Kickoff. We loved hearing about Greenville's legacy of parks and greenspace from Mayor Knox White, and appreciate him being our Kickoff speaker. We surprised the mayor with a gift for his newborn grandchild, a stuffed animal wearing a GWG onesie. So cute! Click [here](#) for a photo.

Please make note of our upcoming events and *be sure to make your reservations.*

* Three membership classes are up for **renewal** this year. To celebrate the women of the **Classes of 2008, 2011, and 2014** we are having a party on **Thursday, October 10** at the home of Karen Mathers. Class members should have received their invitation. To accept, click [here](#).

* Don't miss our next Education session ***Building Resilience from Adversity*** on **Tuesday, October 15** from 11:30 am – 1:00 pm at the Kroc Center. We will hear a presentation on Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACES) and the work of local agencies to reduce and ameliorate the negative effects on children. Lunch will be served, so reservations are necessary and can be made by clicking [here](#).

* Our next **Strictly Social** is on **Wednesday, October 16** from 5:30 – 7 pm at the Poinsett Club. Award-winning author (and GWG member) **Jo Hackl** will tell us about her book for middle-grade readers ***Smack Dab in the Middle of Maybe*** and discuss "*From Writing a Novel to Creating Community Change - Big Audacious Goals and Some Tips for Taking Them On.*" Tickets are available through Eventbrite (it's easy, even I could manage it). Your reservation includes a copy of Jo's book for your collection or to share with your favorite young reader. If you prefer to donate your copy we will make arrangements with a local public middle school and handle it for you. Wine and appetizers will be served. Guests are welcome. Click [here](#) to make your reservation. \$40 includes a paperback book. \$50 includes a hardback. Jo will sign your copy at the end of her presentation.

* **Tuesday, November 5** we will have an Education session ***Assessing the SC Public Schools' Education Standards*** from 5:30 – 7 pm at Furman University's Younits Conference Center. A panel of education experts will discuss education standards reform and what can be done to prepare our children for a 21st century workforce.

Well, that should keep us busy! Many thanks to our hard-working committees who organized this exciting schedule, and to all of you for being a part of Greenville Women Giving.

Best,
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