NEW JERSEY FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS OF GFWC Barbara McCloskey, President

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SEEKING "CECILIA"

Now is the time to begin the search for the 80th recipient of the prestigious Cecilia Gaines Holland Award. This award is presented annually to one of our clubwomen in recognition of her outstanding civic activities and accomplishments over and above her Federation involvement. Established in 1944 to honor Mrs. Holland and her exemplary civic work, it is the highest honor that the NJSFWC can bestow on a New Jersey clubwoman. The nominee does not need to be an officer or member of long standing. Clubs are encouraged to participate by gathering information from their members using the attached form.

Once clubs have selected their nominee they should:

- Prepare a 300-word resume in outline form, type in duplicate, double spaced describing the applicant's CIVIC activities and accomplishments.
- Attach a cover letter signed by the Club President and/or Recording Secretary containing the nominee's name, address, telephone number, and email address, as well as Club name and the district
- Forward the resume and properly documented cover letter to this Chairman no later than February 1, 2026.

The resumes will be judged by three Past State Presidents after all identifying information is removed. All non-selected previous nominees are eligible to be resubmitted.

The selected nominee is required to attend the banquet at convention in May in order to receive this award.