

# WHAT IS A LEADER?



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# GROWING LEADERSHIP WITHIN OUR CLUBS & ORGANIZATION

- We can help current and aspiring leaders move organizations and communities forward through a focus on acting for the good of others.
- As Franklin D. Roosevelt said,  
**“It’s a terrible thing to look over your shoulder when you are trying to lead – and find no one there.”**

# HOW DO WE TEACH SOMEONE TO BE A LEADER?

## THINGS TO DO

- Give them an opportunity to show what they can do through being a chairman, or organizing an event
- Be a role model
- Include them on workshops
- Be supportive and willing to hear their ideas
- Teach them the history of the club and organization

## THINGS YOU SHOULD NOT DO

- Suggest to someone that the position isn't a "good fit" for them...**no one knows what they are good at until they try**
- Tell someone that they aren't leadership material
- Exclude someone from opportunities to grow
- Shut out new ideas or thoughts that they may have

A Great **LEADER'S** Courage  
to Fulfill his vision  
Comes from Passion,  
not Position.



# SOURCES for Leadership

**The first order of business in Leadership is to identify a project, then find out the how, why, where, and what do I do next.**

- Club Manual.
  - \*“Where to Report It” - The GFWC Club Manual will help you to know under which Reporting Area this project would be placed.
- Chairmen/Officers who would be involved in this “project” would make the best first team.
- Depending on your project, Robert’s Rules of Order (latest edition), is one of the best resources for Leadership.
  - Confused on Robert’s Rules of Order section.....your next resource is non-other than our very own Teddy Hulse.

- Websites are also a good source of information starting with GFWC.org and GFWCFlorida.org.
- Next is your very own District Director and State Officers.
- Whether you're a Junior or General, feel free to ask each other about ideas. We are sisters, ready to help each other.
- You can always "Google" an agenda to use.
- Have a Facebook account? Join GFWC Florida Facebook page (Currently at 420+ members)

**On [www.gfwcflorida.org](http://www.gfwcflorida.org) there is a link on the first page called Junior/Programs to several pages of leadership "big ideas", activities, handouts, and Youtube video resources.  
These were custom made from us for you!**

"Leaders don't create followers,  
they create more leaders."

-- Tom Peters



[sourcesofinsight.com](http://sourcesofinsight.com)

# Reporting Tips



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**Don't let "Reporting" intimidate you. Get creative, think out of the box!**

**2 important items to include in your reporting is Leadership INSIDE my club and Leadership IN MY COMMUNITY. We want to hear something unusual, exciting, different, cute...**

- How do you recognize your members who do a good job? **Maybe a monthly MVP award.**
- Do you need to engage your board? On the average there are 10 meetings a year (excluding Christmas, July and maybe August).

- At your annual meeting, recognize your members, chairmen and those who are always ready to accomplish something...not merely to exist.
- When was the last time you looked at your by-laws? Get the club involved, engage your parliamentarian.

- Skits are a lost art form, bring them back to help your club address its problems.
- Does your club know what the chairmen do?
- In the community, Pick an organization, could be health, fire/police, school, teachers - Recognize them. Make a plaque, have a presentation. Pick someone from several organizations and come up with a catchy theme regarding their leadership in the community

- **What about a club website, they are so easy to do.** Your younger members need to be engaged, and boy - are they clever in this department!
- How about a presentation from your Parliamentarian?
- Biggest failure in reporting: Narrative and no stat sheet.

**Make it interesting, fun, tell us about your failures, as well as, your successes.**