

We are weeks away from the 129th Annual Convention for GFWC Kentucky. It does not seem possible the time is here and this administration is coming to an end. This will be our last newsletter for this administration and I am excited to see where the 2024 -2026 administration will lead us.

Thanks to all the club women who participated at Shop-n-Share. I understand that it was successful across the state. To those who did not participate, I hope you shopped.

By now I hope you have seen the Call to Convention. If you have not received it, please let your Club President know or me. It is full of information about what's coming up during the convention. I look forward to having Dave Coleman with us. He is full of wit and wisdom and I know you will enjoy him.

I also am excited about the Lip Sync Contest. The Executive Committee has our plans for that evening and you will want to be there. In between acts, we will play a game or two of Bingo! Always lots of fun when we get together. This year, we will have our first Quarter Auction as well. We will a number of items for you to bid on.

The most important thing that will take place during the convention is the election of your 2024-2026 Executive Officers. These positions are so very important to our organization and to it's growth. One of my first State Conventions, I was amazed how many women were there and the next day over half were gone. I asked one of my club mentors where everybody had disappeared to. She said, they came to vote and some could not stay but it was important for them to be there to cast their vote. I was amazed at the number who drove into Louisville just for the first day of the convention so they could vote on officers. That says a lot about our organization and the dedication of our club women.

In March we will be celebrating Women's History Month and I hope you have plans to honor a woman in your community, school, local government or even in your club. Oprah Winfrey once said, "Surround yourself only with people who are going to lift you up." I know my club members do that each and every time we are together.

GENERAL FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS KENTUCKY



Don't forget Federation Day on April 24th as well. Watch for information coming on an event happening at headquarters. Always a good time to gather and celebrate GFWC and GFWC Kentucky. Continued on page 2

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As I stated earlier, this is our last newsletter for this administration. It could not be possible without the assistance of Cheryl Harrington of the Okolona Woman's Club for putting it all together for us. She has made my life easier and I hope you an enjoyed and appreciated all she has done for us. Thanks Cheryl for all you do!

Well ladies, I can't wait to see you in Lexington in just a few short weeks. Don't forget the hotel reservation deadline is February 20th and Convention and Meal reservations are due March 10th. I know this is all happening quick.

Keep moving forward!

Susette



GRIFFIN GATE, LEXINGTON

Here's your reservation link your guests can use to make reservations:

You will find the information for your online reservation link below. If you have questions or need help with the link, please do not hesitate to ask. We appreciate your business and look forward to a successful event.

Event Summary:

GFWC Kentucky State Convention 2024 Start Date: Wednesday, March 20, 2024

End Date: Sunday, March 24, 2024

Last Day to Book: Tuesday, February 20, 2024

Hotel(s) offering your special group rate:

Lexington Griffin Gate Marriott Golf Resort & Spa for 159 USD per night

Book your group rate for GFWC Kentucky State Convention 2024



IT'S NOT TO LATE TO BE A VENDOR!

March 22-23, 2024

Griffin Gate Marriott, Lexington

Know someone to be a vendor?

Clubwomen vendor space \$25

Non-Clubwomen vendor space \$50

Contact Peggy Barnes at peggybarnes00@gmail.com



THESE GIRLS, THEY WANNA HAVE FUN!!!!!!

Lip Sync Contest – don't miss the chance to

Sparkle and Shine!



GFWC Kentucky "And, oh Lord God, let us forget not to be kind" T-shirt Sales

Order Yours Today!

COMFORT COLORS:



Name:

Pale Pink - Watermelon-Chambray Blue - Violet Shirts are \$25 each

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TO BE PICKED UP AT CONVENTION – MUST BE RECEIVED BY MARCH 10

Phone Number:		<u>-</u> 9
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Medium (\$25)	3X (\$28)	Checks: GFWC Kentucky
Large (\$25)	6% sales tax	Credit Card:
XL (\$25)	\$6 Shipping	EXP Date: CVG:

SEND TO: Susette Redwine, 446 Forest Hills Drive Morehead, KY 40351

EMAIL TO: susette.redwine@gmail.com

Happy 2024 Fellow Readers!

Below are the links to the digital forms for book reports and magazine reports for 2024. They are set that anyone with the link can open them, so club presidents, feel free to share with your club in case we are missing someone on our contact list. If you have any issues opening them, please let us know.

If you are no longer part of ESO or do not wish to receive emails, please let us know so that we can remove you from our contact list.

Please send any updated contact information to us so that we can update our contact list accordingly.

We need all book reports for 2023 turned in by February 1 so we have time to organize for reporting. Thank you in advance for your promptness!

REPORT FORMS

2024 ESO Book Report link:

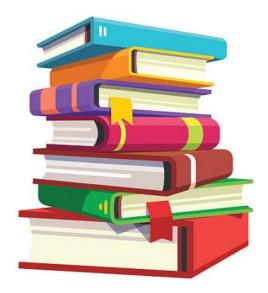
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2024 ESO Magazine Report link:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/ e/1FAIpQLSfB0GD7ykpyi9yhWMHQpElkeupXpxsQ5hDBKGLE5Ox-GlGeUQ/viewform? usp=sharing

Thank you all so much for making 2023 a fabulous year for ESO! Looking forward to 2024!

Happy Reading! Lindsay Bentley & Sarah Gililland



Congratulations Juniors!

Congratulations Juniors! You did an awesome job reporting all of your hard work! You logged 17,201.5 hours and raised over \$167,567 for your projects and programs. I am so excited that all of our current junior clubs reported this year. I believe the work we do is making a difference in our communities.

Let me take a moment to strongly encourage each club woman, general and junior, to make plans to attend our state convention March 21-23, 2024, at the Griffin Gate Marriott in Lexington, Ky. Attending the GFWC KY convention enables us to see the "big picture"...the effect each club and clubwoman can have on their community as well as our collective impact across our great state. And, as always, there will be loads of information and FUN! One fun event you should plan to be a part of is our Lip Sync contest. Grab your club buddies, pick a song, dress the part and enjoy performing your heart out! It's sure to be a hilarious time of good fun! Winner will be determined by who gets the most votes. Votes are \$1.00 a vote. Donations received will go to MADD KY. In between acts there will be games of BINGO!

I am excited to provide everyone with the opportunity to promote reading and help the public library in Letcher County, KY, which was horribly damaged by the flooding in Eastern Kentucky. Please plan on bringing gently used children and/or teen books to convention to donate to this worthy cause. We will do this as part of our Advocates for Children projects. Of course, any and all books are appreciated.

I look forward to seeing each of you at convention.

With Love in Federation,

Sherri Hammons GFWC KY Director of Jr. Clubs



Elkhorn City Area Woman's Club hosted a Christmas parade with Santa and gifts for each child.





PILLOWCASES!!!!



Bring your finished pillowcases to convention.

These are being given to those who are sailing out in August as a Christmas gift.

Need more info on material or sizes:



One Million Pillowcase Challenge | AllPeopleQuilt.com



2022-2024 GFWC CIVIC ENGAGEMENT AND OUTREACH COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM

Gale Vinson, Chair 2022 – 2024 GFWC KY Civic Engagement & Outreach





THREE million dedicated volunteers placed THREE million veterans' wreaths, live balsam at 4,225 participating locations across the country on the 2023 National Wreaths Across America Day on December 16, 2023.

As of 1/11/24, the following GFWC KY Clubs have notified me of their purchases:

Benton Women's Club purchased and placed 100 wreaths.

Morgan County Woman's Club purchased and placed 28 wreaths.

Murray Woman's Club purchased and placed 2 wreaths.

Looking forward to hearing from other clubs.

This year, National Wreaths Across America Day will be held on Saturday, December 14, 2024.

Murray Woman's Club

The Murray Woman's Club recently honored members who had been in the club for 50 years.

Pictured (seated L to R) Mary Shipley, Effie Kemp, and Marlene Beach.

Standing (L to R) Martha Crafton, Kathy Mowery, Rebecca Landolt, and Vicky Holton.

Dee Morgan, President Murray Woman's Club

2024 GFWC Annual Convention

June 29-July 1, 2024 Hilton Chicago





During our Convention, we will have a Saturday morning Hands-on Service Project benefiting Military Mission, INC. We have asked each club attending to bring a minimum of 250 drink packets; these are individual packets i.e. Crystal Lite for water bottles, tea bags, individual instant coffee, hot chocolate mix, cider....

We will hear from one of the people who work for Military Missions and then pack bags to be sent to service personnel deployed.

Bring your drink packets to the convention! Not going to be there, send your donation to GFWC Kentucky by March 10 or have your club collect packets and get with another club woman who is coming. Our plan is go do 1000 packets.





REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Nominating Committee meet on Sunday, November 5, 2023. Chaired by Preshus Howard, they present the slate of officers for the 2024-2026 Administration

Nominations will be taken from the floor during the Friday morning Business Session on Friday, March 22. Candidates will be introduced at that time.

Elections by paper ballot will take place on Friday, March 22, 2024, from 4:00 – 5:00 p.m. in a location to be announced prior to the election. To be elected, the successful candidate must have received the majority vote. (Article VII. GFWC Kentucky Nominations and Elections; Section 3. Election of Officers.)

President-Elect

Bridget Murphy, GFWC Morgan County Woman's Club



Bridget is a 25-year member of her club having served in a variety of chairmanships and holding offices. Bridget represented GFWC Kentucky as the 2009 LEADS candidate. She has served on the GFWC Kentucky Board of Directors for 10 years as the Convention Chairman, District Governor, Arts and Crafts Chairman, Health and Wellness Chairman and currently serving as the 1st Vice President. Bridget is a Shot@Life Champion and has become very

involved with advocating for childhood vaccinations. She also is active in community and volunteers at the local hospital in their gift shop.

Director of Junior Clubs Elect



Ann Banfield, GFWC Barbourville Jr. Woman's Study Club

Ann has been a dedicated member of her club for almost 11 years where she was voted as Rookie of the Year by her club after her first year as a member. Ann is a very active club member and currently serves as club treasurer. She has served as chairman for GFWC Juniors special program, Advocates for Children over the past several years. She has also served as Vice Governor for the 9th District and state Scorecard chairman. Ann works as an office

manager/payroll clerk/bookkeeper at a small accounting firm where she has been for the past 19 years. When not working or volunteering, she enjoys traveling and spending time with her family. Ann has been married to her husband Jeff for 24 years. They have two sons and a grandson.

1st Vice President Sabra Jacobs, GFWC Prestonsburg Woman's Club



Sabra is a 28-year member of her club and cares about this organization and all the good works each club does to enhance everyday life in Kentucky. She has served as President of her club since 2005. She has served on the GFWC Kentucky Board of Directors currently serving on the Bylaws committee. She has also served her District as Vice Governor and Governor along with being State Chairman in Arts and Crafts, Environment, Public Advocacy, Conservation, Education and Libraries, International Outreach and Home Life. Sabra has been selected as Governor of the Year, and Outstanding Clubwoman by GFWC Kentucky. She has attended all

GFWC Kentucky State Conventions since 2000.

2nd Vice President Charlotte Johnson, GFWC Monticello Woman's Club



Charlotte has been a members of her club for 16 years. She has served her club in every office except Treasurer, and is presently Secretary for her club. She has served GFWC KY as chairman of Home Life, and is currently finishing her 2nd term as GFWC Kentucky CIP Chairman. She served the 9th District as Vice Governor and is presently finishing her term as Governor. She was awarded the Outstanding Vice Governor, as well as the Outstanding Governor by GFWC Kentucky. Charlotte has attended several GFWC and SER Conferences and has been a delegate to the GFWC KY conventions for 10 years. An avid photographer, Charlotte had the pleasure of seeing two of her pictures chosen as 1st place in the GFWC Photo

contest. She is a member of her local Historical Society and is actively engaged in all projects involving fundraising with the Mill Springs Gift Shop. She is a former Middle School Band Director and after retiring ran a Bed and Breakfast in her hometown for 9 years.

Secretary Sherri Hammons, GFWC Barbourville Jr. Women's Study Club



Sherri is completing her term as the GFWC Kentucky Director of Junior Clubs. She has worked hard with her own club with the Junior's Special Project, Kentucky MADD. It has a near and dear meaning to her and her club members. She is an 18-year member of her club and has severed in a variety of positions within the club. Sherri is extremely involved with the club's Daniel Boone Pageant and it's festivities. Sherri has served as a CSP Junior representative on the GFWC Kentucky Board of

Directors for many years as well. Sherri served as 2nd Vice President during the 2018-2020 administration. She is a former elementary school librarian and involved in many other community events and organizations.

Treasurer Peggy Barnes, GFWC Suburban Woman's Club



Peggy has currently retired as a certified bookkeeper and insurance agent. She has been in the insurance industry for over 40 years. She is an active member of her club and is a member of the GFWC Benton Woman's Club. She is beginning her 35th year in club work this fall. She has served as President of both Benton and Suburban club. Peggy became a member of the GFWC Kentucky Board of Directors in 2000 serving as Vice Governor for the 6th District. In 2004 she became KFWC's State Treasurer followed by 2nd and 1st Vice President; President-Elect and

President for the 2012-2014 administration. She has served at the Regional Level as well. Serving as the Southeast Regional President in 2020-2022. Peggy has served on the GFWC Board of Directors since 2014. She is serving out her term as the GFWC Kentucky Treasurer and being renominated for a second consecutive term as treasurer. She is involved with her local church and very involved with her family.

Roberts Rules of Order will be followed with the floor being open for nomination for additional candidates. Please make sure you have approval from the person being nominated and ready to introduce the candidate to the convention body.

Candidates will be introduced in the Opening Session of Convention on Friday, March 22 by a member of her club or a person the candidate has selected.

Candidates must receive the majority vote to be elected.

CONVENTION MEALS

The Convention Committee has worked very closely with the Hotel Chef to come up with an affordable menu and meal option. A total meal package may be purchased for **\$225** per person. If you are only attending certain parts of the Convention, you may purchase by the meal.

Meal reservation forms are <u>due (received by)</u> to GFWC Kentucky by March 10 to guarantee meals. Those received after the <u>March 10th will be accessed a \$50 late fee</u>. Those received after <u>March 15th will not be honored and returned</u>.

Due to Post Office Services being slow as of now, you will receive an email confirmation when your registration and meals are received. The email will come from Treasurer, Peggy Barnes.



<u>Dietary Restrictions should be noted on the Meal Registration Form</u>

NOTE THE PRICE CHANGE FROM THE CALL

	CONVENTION MEAL RESERVATION FORM	
NAMI CLUE		
Menu	Plated dinners are three-course meals including dinner rolls, sou dessert. Entrees include Chef's selection of starch & seasonal v	
	Thursday Dinner - Classic BLT Wedge Salad iceberg lettuce, bacon (on the side), cucumber, tomato, blue cheese crumbles & buttermilk ranch dressing Parmesan Crusted Chicken Breast herbed cream sauce No dessert	\$45.00
	Friday Lunch - Gelding Lunch Buffet Soup of the Day – Vegetarian Friendly House-made Chips Roasted Red Potato Salad Kentucky Bibb Salad radish, red onion, goat cheese, balsamic & sorghum dressing Proteins (sliced) ham, turkey, roast beef & tuna salad Cheeses (sliced) cheddar, Swiss & provolone Veggies lettuce, tomato, red onion & pickle chips Extras mayonnaise, yellow mustard & stone-ground mustard No dessert	\$35.00
	Friday Dinner - Buffet Spinach Salad Shaved Onion, Strawberry, Cornbread Cracklings Dressing Choices: ranch or ed wine vinaigrette BBQ Country Style Pork Ribs with bourbon-sorghum Cornmeal Fried Catfish with spicy remoulade Wild Rice Pilaf Roasted Asparagus New York-style cheesecake or Kern's pecan pie	\$55.00
	Saturday Brunch – Buffet Individual bottled orange juice Seasonal whole fruit Selection of cold boxed cereals with whole, skim & 2% milk Individual Greek & fruit yogurts Chef's selection of freshly baked breakfast pastries including assorted muffins, breakfast breads & croissants with sweet cream butter & preserves Hot steel-cut oatmeal with brown sugar & raisins Fluffy scrambled eggs Applewood smoked bacon, country sausage Seasoned breakfast potatoes with caramelized onions	\$40.00

Starbucks® coffee & Tazo® tea

Saturday Dinner- Mixed Greens Salads with cucumbers, tomato and or Dressing Choices Ranch or Lemon Dressing Roasted Pork Loin pan mushroom jus		\$50.00 <u> </u>
Buttered Yukon gold potatoes - honey roasted baby No Dessert	carrots	
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MAIL MEAL RESERVATION FORM TO GFWC KENTUCKY PO BOX 1587 FRANKFORT, KY 40602

FORM MUST BE RECEIVED BY MARCH 10TH TO GUARENTEE MEALS

You will receive an email confirmation when your meal form is received. The email will come from Treasurer, Peggy Barnes.

GFWC KENTUCKY REGISTRATION

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A LATE FEE OF \$10.00 PER PERSON WILL BE ASSESSED IF THE REGISTRATION IS PAST THE REGISTRATION DEADLINE.

Watch for updates to website at GFWCKY.org

Moving Forward

Kentucky Clubwoman
Please submit stories and
photos for the newsletter for
your club, district, and/or state

Email items to:
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or
mail to
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Our Past to Present

Kentucky Federation of Women's Club (KFWC) was founded in July 1894 and was the fourth state to federate with General Federation of Women's Club (GFWC). In Spring of 2012 KFWC voted to change their name to GFWC Kentucky.

Our state headquarters is located at 104 Lakeview Court in Frankfort KY.

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Submit articles and pictures for the Publication to cheryl410@twc.com

Welcome Spring

