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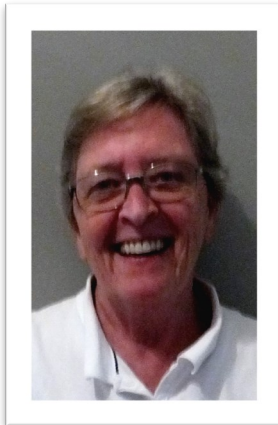
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KANSAS CLUBWOMAN NEWS

OFFICIAL PUBLICATION OF THE GENERAL FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS OF KANSAS

From Jan's Chair...



Jan Moore
GFWC of Kansas President
2020-2022

Yesterday (2/21), it was over 60 degrees outside and truly balmy! Our little snowdrops are sweetly blooming. I see early, tiny hyacinths poking up bloom stalks and daffodils have three inches in preparation of blooms rising in

March. It's the time of year that my Mom's sayings come to my mind: "Spring has sprung, the grass is riz; I wonder where the birdies is?" and for March "In like a lion, out like a lamb" (NOT the other way around, hopefully!) In a month, it'll be "April showers bring May flowers". Today, I woke up to 15 degrees outdoors with icy roads, a fierce wind and it's snowing! In February, the weather is ALWAYS unpredictable - I won't put away my winter clothes yet. I understand the need for cold weather - it preps the trees/bushes/flowers and grass to green up in the spring.

Our State's GFWC reporting is on schedule for 2022. I am amazed at the volunteer work our Clubs accomplished in 2021. Seventeen of our

Clubs sent in reports with hours and donations in nearly every category. All this during the continuous pandemic! My hat's off to every Club member who participated in 2021 in your community. Without our volunteers, there would be gaps in the care that our communities are accustomed to having. I am applauding each and every one of you!

We will have our 126th GFWC of Kansas State Convention on April 26 & 27 (NOTE: a Tuesday & Wednesday) in beautiful Manhattan, Kansas. We encourage you to visit the Flint Hills Discovery Center (purchase your tickets at the door) which is a wonderful exhibit of the beauty of Kansas (it is across the street from the Hotel). Please bring items for the Ronald McDonald Houses - the need is ever present and much appreciated by those parents who have children in the hospitals. We will be installing our upcoming 2022-2024 officers on the 27th of April. This is an excellent continuation of our GFWC of Kansas Club business. We encourage all of you to attend our Convention!

Jan Moore





“The spring wakes us, nurtures us and revitalizes us. How often does your spring come? If you are a prisoner of the calendar, it comes once a year. If you are creating authentic power, it comes frequently, or very frequently.” – Gary Zukav

President-Elect

Dear GFWC of Kansas Clubwomen,
Hello to all. I would like to extend a thank you to all clubs who submitted year end reports. Your support of GFWC of Kansas is sincerely appreciated.

As we draw closer to ending our club year for 2021~2022 and therefore starting the process of submitting state dues for the next club year 2022~2023 I challenge each club to consider making a goal of adding 1 new member. New membership in your club brings new ideas, new passion for your community and obviously more hands to get things accomplished. The club in your community doesn't need to be big, you don't have to do projects every month of the year, you just need it to work for you. There are clubs that work on the same project all year round and other clubs that only work on "Done in a Day" projects. I highly suggest that you discuss what works for your club membership at the beginning of the club year. If your club membership only wants to travel to points of interest locally then make that work for you. If your club chooses to support your local library or residential aged care facility for the year then that sounds like an awesome way to support your community. The most important goal is to discuss as a club what your clubwomen are interested in and continue being a part of GFWC of Kansas. We need your support.

Remember one of the benefits of being part of GFWC of Kansas allows your club to be able to have students enter our state competitions of art, music, citizenship essay and creative writing. There is prize money in those competi-

tions which allow students to pay for higher education, and attendance at camps and/or workshops. A benefit of being part of GFWC International is the opportunity for a clubwoman or a local woman to apply for the "Success for Survivors" scholarship. This scholarship aims to provide survivors of intimate partner violence a means to achieve both financial and personal independence with funds to pursue higher education. This scholarship can change a life.

I would love to see two or more representatives from each club at the upcoming state convention. It is a great way to meet a representative from GFWC International Exec Committee, learn more about GFWC of Kansas, network with clubwomen from different clubs, vote on by-law changes, and an opportunity to voice your opinion during the Board of Directors meeting. We need your input on the future direction of some programs of GFWC of Kansas.

Please continue to stay safe and healthy in your community.

We must GROW to SURVIVE and THRIVE

*Janine Eilert
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and Membership Chairman
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Secretary

Happy Spring ~ I hope! By the time you read the MARCH Clubwoman Newsletter I sincerely hope there are *some* signs of Spring! March, though, can be an unpredictable month for weather in Kansas!

In the Secretary's article in the December *KANSAS CLUBWOMAN NEWS*, I accidentally omitted Fran Zerby's name in my mention of the State Convention Market Place. **Fran Zerby** of the GFWC Manhattan Flint Hills Club worked with Gini Harold overseeing the Market Place and the Silent Auction sales. Ladies, you both did an awesome job, and we thank you for your work! Fran, it was solely my mistake and I apologize for my omission.

As discussed at the Board of Directors meeting at our State Convention in October 2021, members will be able to receive the *Kansas Clubwoman News* by email, rather than by U.S. Mail. In April when I print out each club's Membership Roster, I will have a column that can be marked (X) to indicate how each member would prefer to receive the Newsletter. **Please remember to look for this important choice for EACH member**

Treasurer

What a crazy winter this has been! Temperatures in the 50's and 60's one day, and then school closures because of snow and ice the next day! As I write this, the TV weather forecasters are telling us to prepare for another winter storm but then the temperatures should be in the 60's three days after that. Ah, Kansas! Gotta love it!

It will soon be time to award scholarships for the Citizenship Essay Contest, the Music Auditions, and the Art Contest. I am happy to report that there are sufficient funds to award meaningful scholarships in each of those areas: \$3,042.19 in the Art Fund, \$2,930.32 in the Citizenship Fund, and \$5,210.78 in the Music Fund. The Music Fund has received additional funds via a club member's \$500.00 donation plus the return of \$650.00 that was being held for unclaimed scholarships. I'm looking forward to sending money to colleges, trade schools or music camps on behalf of our talented and deserving Kansas high school students!

Carol Hanson
GFWC of KS Treasurer

when you are updating your club's Membership Roster.

If any of your members have a change in address, phone number, or email address, please send those to me as soon as possible. Linda Loyd and I do our best to keep member contact info correct to be sure that everyone receives our quarterly *Kansas Clubwoman News*.

Looking ahead, I hope to see many of you at State Convention this year! It is always a lot of fun to get together and see what other clubs have done. Our Kansas GFWC clubs are impressive and have so many great ideas for projects and events! What a fun, learning experience State Convention is! See you there!

Linda Krebs
GFWC of Kansas Secretary



*"The beautiful spring
came, and when nature
resumes her loveliness,
the human soul is apt to
revive also."*

Harriet Anne Jacobs



“Spring is painted in daffodil yellows, robin egg blues, new grass green and the brightness of hope for a better life.” — Toni Sorenson

Needed: Future LEADS Candidates for 2022, 2023, and 2024

WE NEED YOU.

LEADS stands for Leadership, Education, and Development Seminar which is generally held on the day prior to the official opening of the GFWC Annual convention. This is a daylong incredibly fun event where you meet the next generation of inspiring leadership. It also includes breakfast, lunch, and the following:

- Overview on public speaking, time management, vision casting, conflict resolution
- Explanation of GFWC resources, materials, and assistance
- Outline of GFWC policies, parliamentary procedures, and protocol
- Discussion of pursuing personal growth and developing leadership opportunities.

We (GFWC of Kansas) need candidates for 2022, 2023 and 2024 who are interested in learning about leadership and GFWC. Candidates do receive a \$325 stipend after completing the daylong

Arts and Creative Crafts

Our spring state convention will be here before we know it. It's time to make plans with our schools for student art and photography competition entries. Don't forget your own club woman arts, crafts, and photography.

Remember that graduating seniors can submit entries for a \$500 scholarship. Students also have the opportunity to win the \$50 Best of Show award as well as a new \$50 Viewer's Choice award.

seminar from GFWC Headquarters. In addition, candidates also receive a small stipend from GFWC of Kansas. If you are interested please contact our GFWC of Kansas Leadership Chairman Lee Humphrey (316) 650-7005 (Leehum58@yahoo.com) or President-Elect Janine Eilert (316) 250-0432 (kiwieilert@sbcglobal.net) who would be excited to answer questions and potentially help you complete the application process, due March 1st for our state candidate for 2022.

Upcoming Tentative Locations for the Annual Convention

June 2022 New Orleans, Louisiana

June 2023 Louisville, Kentucky

June 2024 Chicago, Illinois

Student and clubwoman art rules and forms can be found in the state handbook and on the Resources page of our website: gfwcofkansas.org.

Art entries will be accepted from 2 to 4 pm on April 26. Judging will start by 5 pm that evening.

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns:

lindaloyd05@gmail.com

*Linda Loyd and Char Grelk,
Co-Chairs Art and Creative*

Scholarship Committee

I want to share a letter of appreciation to members of GFWC of Kansas from Ashley Dyer, recipient of the 2021-2022 GFWC of Kansas Scholarship. I am pleased to report Ashley completed the Fall 2021 semester successfully, maintaining eligibility requirements for the scholarship to be renewed for Spring Semester 2022. She plans to graduate from Hutchinson Community College in May. Following is her letter.

Ila Stone
Scholarship Committee

General Federation of Women's Club of KS

Members
623 W 21st
Hutchinson, KS 67502

Dear Members,

I would like to sincerely thank you for your consideration, generosity, and support with my educational journey. I am a nursing student currently in the full-time Practical Nursing Program in McPherson I have always enjoyed caring for others and will greatly appreciate the chance to make a great career out of it.

I was born in Wichita Kansas and raised in Catoosa Oklahoma, I then relocated back to Hutchinson Kansas in 2009. I am a mother of two young children aged 6 and 8. in my spare time, I enjoy spending time with my children riding our horses, spending time at the lake and being outdoors. I chose Hutchinson Community College after working alongside nurses that previously graduated from their programs.

I graduated from Hutchinson High School in 2013 and became a certified nurse aide. I have spent several years working as a hospice aide and anticipate becoming a hospice nurse to help patients during some of their most difficult days. I plan to graduate from the McPherson Practical Nursing Program in May of 2022 to fulfill my dreams of caring for patients full-time as a Licensed Practical Nurse.

Thank you again for *your donation to my education. You have allowed me to now focus on the most important part of school which is learning.*

Sincerely,
-
Ashley Dyer



*“Spring drew on...
and a greenness grew
over those brown beds,
which, freshening
daily, suggested the
thought that Hope
traversed them at
night, and left each
morning brighter traces
of her steps.”
– Charlotte Brontë*



*"She turned to the
sunlight
And shook her yellow
head,
And whispered to her
neighbor:
"Winter is dead."*

*~ A.A.
Milne, When We
Were Very Young*

GFWC of Kansas Library Report

The close of 2021 brought with it the end of the tenure of State Librarian Eric Norris. While everyone on the board wished him luck in his new venture we all secretly hoped he would change his mind, call early April Fools, or something and continue in his role for many years to come.

When he moved to his new position as the Director of the Manhattan Public Library and the North Central Kansas Library System, Eric left behind big shoes to fill at the capitol. Though we bade him a sad farewell, we also began to look forward to meeting and working with his replacement as well as with staff member Cindy Roupe who has taken the helm at least temporarily as the Acting State Librarian in addition to her duties as the head of the library's reference department.

The state librarian position is actually an appointment that is made through the governor's office. He or she serves as the head of the agency with duties that include administration of its three divisions as well as management of state and federal funding, the state publications depository program, and the Kansas Center for the Book. Oversight of the library's twenty-five full time employees and management of its \$5.7 million dollar budget is also part of the job.

The state librarian keeps the advisory board up to date on the happenings

of the agency as well as library events and issues across the state and the country. He also interacts with the governor's office on the appointment of board members including the GFWC seat I currently hold.

The first person to hold the chair of the state librarian was Rev. David Dickinson M.D., who served for four years and received an annual salary of \$500. Annie Diggs was the fifth person to take the job, serving from 1898 to 1902. The Traveling Libraries Commission and the Kansas Library Association were established during her tenure, and she also helped to design the library's offices where they are still located today on the capitol's third floor north wing.

Beginning in 2018, Mr. Norris became the seventeenth state librarian. The board looks forward to the appointment of his successor and his/her continuation of the efforts to lead the library's team and to assist the needs of Kansans and Kansas public libraries throughout the state.

Susan Moyer

Sleep Stress???

If you're having sleep problems, you're not alone. The COVID-19 pandemic has caused an exhaustion emergency. One recent study found about 40% of the population having troubled sleeping. 7 to 8 hours of good sleep helps you focus, make smarter decisions and keeps your immune system stronger.

Here's a short quiz to test some of your sleep awareness.

1. A sleep disorder called sleep apnea can prevent a person from getting the rest they need. Sleep apnea also has been linked to which of these serious health risks?

- A. Hypertension
- B. Heart attack
- C. Obesity
- D. All of the above

2. Which of the following can help prevent snoring?

- A. Losing weight
- B. Not smoking
- C. Sleeping on your side
- D. All of the above

3. Which of these lifestyle factors can affect the quality of your sleep?

- A. Smoking
- B. Exercise
- C. Drinking
- D. All of the above

4. Which of these will help promote better sleep?

- A. Exercising 2 hours before bedtime
- B. Reading or listening to music
- C. Changing bedtimes
- D. Having a late dinner

Answers

1. The correct answer is D. All of the above.

Sleep apnea also is linked to heart failure, irregular heartbeat, stroke, and mood disorders such as irritability and

depression. Sleep apnea leaves the person without oxygen for up to a minute many times a night. It can also lead to headaches in the morning.

2. The correct answer is D. All of the above.

Many snorers are overweight. In some people, losing weight can reduce or eliminate snoring. Snoring can be caused by a variety of illnesses. These range from the common cold to sleep apnea. Although snoring is a sign of sleep apnea, most people who snore do not have it. People who drink alcohol in the evening also may snore.

3. The correct answer is D. All of the above.

Exposure to smoke has been linked to a variety of sleeping problems, such as difficulty falling asleep and fragmented sleep. Although many people think that alcohol can help them get to sleep, it keeps them in a light sleep, instead of allowing them to move into REM and deeper sleep. Exercising within a few hours of bedtime can be stimulating and interfere with the body's ability to fall asleep. Being around bright light, such as a computer monitor, late at night also can affect the quality and quantity of sleep.

4. The correct answer is B. Reading or listening to music. Other tips for getting a good night's sleep include:

- Go to bed and get up at the same time every day.
 - Make your bedroom sleep friendly by keeping it cool, quiet, and dark.
 - If you want to take a nap during the day, limit it to no more than 20 to 30 minutes.
- Information from Johns Hopkins University.

*Kathy Baker
Health & Wellness Chair*



"Is the spring coming?" he said.
"What is it like?" ... "It is the sun shining on the rain and the rain falling on the sunshine..."

- Frances Hodgson Burnett, *The Secret Garden*



"Everything is blooming most recklessly; if it were voices instead of colors, there would be an unbelievable shrieking into the heart of the night."

Rainer Maria Rilke

Conservation

It is a very cold, blizzard- snowy day as I write these simple ways that you can reduce your heating costs and save money on your utility bill while still staying toasty warm in winter.

Here are 13 Winter Saving Tips

1. Let the Sun in during the day: You can take advantage of the greenhouse effect and allow the sun to naturally warm your home; especially south windows.
2. Close curtains at night: Consider purchasing insulated curtains or drapes to maximize the energy efficiency of your windows.
3. Eliminate air leaks and drafts: Air Sealing your home is simple, effective and relatively inexpensive. Caulk and weather strip doors and windows. Caulk for cracks and openings between stationary objects like door and window frames. Weatherstripping around anything that moves. You can make a door draft stopper from old tube socks, of left-over material sewn together and stuffed with batting.
4. Close doors and vents in any unused rooms: Whatever the reason, if you have a room in your home that people rarely enter each day then you are wasting heat to keep it warm in the winter. Close the vents and shut the door to it.
5. Stay warm with clothes, throws, and blankets: Set the thermostat lower a degree or two and compensate by wearing a sweater, warm socks and use a lap throw. Add an extra blanket to your bed.
6. Reset water heater Thermostat: Did you know that the water heater is the second highest source of energy in a home? You can Lower the thermostat a couple of degrees, and will save more than a couple of bucks on the energy bill.
7. Keep Air Circulating: We need to use those ceiling fans in the winter too. You can reverse the direction of the fan to turn clockwise to produce an updraft that will move the warm air near the ceiling down into the rest of the room. There is a little switch on

the fan that can be set up or down to do this. You can experiment with your fan to figure it out, and then have fan blades on low.

8. Use a space heater: Electric space heaters are a very energy efficient way to stay warm. **Do not place items on top or too close to them and only use when you are in that room!**

9. Use LED lights: These lights use 75% less energy and will last 25 times longer than the old light bulbs. They are wonderful to use for Christmas decorating both indoors and out, and you can plug several strands together without "overload" issues!

10. BAKE: You can have your cake or cornbread and have a little extra heat! Leave the oven door ajar when you are done and have turned the oven off, because it allows the heat inside to warm up your kitchen.

11. Lower the temperature in you home. Simply lowering it a couple of degrees will result in long-term savings; just like on the water heater! Feel too cold? Go back to #5.

12. Turn thermostat down at night. According to the U.S. Department of Energy, you can save 10% on your energy bill just by doing this each night. Lower it by 10 degrees for 8 hours, and don't forget that extra blanket on the bed.

13. Use a Smart Thermostat: A smart thermostat is a Wi-Fi enabled device that automatically adjusts the temperature setting for peak energy efficiency. You can check with your local energy provider for special offers and incentives. K.C. Power and Light even offered free installation! Many others have rebates available. So be sure to check locally for what is available in your area!

Time for me to go start digging out, because the snow has stopped. I hope that you find some of these tips helpful.

Juanita Rothaus

Kansas Conservation Chairwoman

GFWC Resolutions Committee Update

GFWC OF KANSAS EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED BY-LAWS CHANGES TO BE VOTED ON AT STATE CONVENTION 2022

These By-Laws were sent to By-Laws Chair by January 1, 2022 deadline. To be published in Kansas Clubwoman March, 2022 edition.

Refer to State Directory: Page 38 ARTICLE IV-OFFICERS Section 1A #2 Delete Rational: Candidates may have leadership qualities within the GFWC organization. Such as an officer, past LEADS candidate, member of another states Leadership program and now lives in Kansas.

Page 39 Section 1B Change word TOWN to CLUB. Delete Residence at the time of original election to state office shall be the controlling factor. INSERT: Only one member from any club may serve as a state elected officer per administration. Rational: State has 2 or more clubs in Wamego and Wichita. This would align us with representation of clubs and keep the balance of power.

Page 41 Section E-NEW 10. Resident Agent will be the sitting GFWC of Kansas President during term of office. Rational: This allows direct communication between State of Kansas and our organization.

Page 42 ARTICLE VII-BOARD OF DIRECTORS Section 4. Delete Rational: Resident Agent will be placed under Article IV-Officers

Page 43 Article IX-

PROGRAMS, DIVISIONS AND COMMITTEES Section 4 In odd number year a Budget committee consisting of the State Treasurer, President-elect, and President will prepare budget consistent with membership. This will be submitted with Treasurer's Books at close of the administration.

Page 44 ARTICLE XI-PUBLICATIONS Section 1 ADD GFWC OF KANSAS EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED BY-LAWS CHANGES TO BE VOTED ON AT STATE CONVENTION 2022 A digital copy of the State Directory will be posted on the GFWC of Kansas website, which will be password protected. Rational: In order to save printing and postage costs, a digital copy will be available on website for all members.

Page 44 Section 2 ADD A digital copy of The Kansas Clubwoman will be posted on the GFWC of Kansas website. Rational: In order to save printing and postage costs, a digital copy will be available on website for all clubwomen.

Submitted by :

Delva Power

*GFWC of KANSAS BY-LAWS
and RESOLUTIONS 2022*



"If people did not love one another, I really don't see what use there would be in having any spring. "
Victor Hugo



"Flowers don't worry about how they're going to bloom. They just open up and turn toward the light and that makes them beautiful."
Jim Carrey

GFWC Wamego Study Club News

WAMEGO STUDY CLUB officers decided to cancel our January 2022 meeting due to the upsurge in Covid-19 cases in the county. We had planned a tour at the COMMUNITY CARE INDUSTRIES (CCM) home office in Wamego. Just because we could not meet there, this did not stop our members from still saving and donating the items that were needed by CCM. Members donated 40 egg cartons, 121 cleaned prescription bottles, bags of plastic shopping bags, and cash donations.



Study Club members collect pull tabs from aluminum cans all year round. We delivered 7 ¾ pounds of pull tabs to the Topeka Ronald McDonald House Charities in January. (An interesting side fact: one pound of pull tabs is approximately 1,552 tabs!)

TROOPONS (*coupons for our Troops!*) is an ongoing annual project that WSC participates in. Manufacturing coupons are collected, cut out, and sorted into four different categories: non-food, food, baby, and pet items. The coupons are then mailed to a disbursing headquarters in Florida; from there the coupons are sent to military posts all over the world for American military families

to use when shopping on post. The American military shoppers report that it saves them money, often \$40 or more, every time they shop! In January Wamego Study Club submitted coupons with a total value of \$6,237 with the TROOPONS program! (Good job, members! That is a lot of coupon clipping.)

February is our Public Library month. We will meet at the Wamego Library. Our club makes an annual donation from our members in February to benefit the Library's Summer Reading Program for children.

Best of luck to all of our hard-working GFWC clubs in this new year of 2022! Let's make this a great club year!

Linda Krebs, President
GFWC Wamego Study



GFWC Classics Lawrence

This year brought about exciting changes for 2 very important social service agencies that care for our vulnerable children in Lawrence, Douglas County and the State of Kansas. The Children's Shelter and The O'Connell Youth Ranch merged their services on November 1, 2021. Services include transitional and emergency housing and services to local children in the state foster system or by court direction. GFWC Classics-Lawrence has proudly supported both of these agencies for many years with multiple projects that include, but are not limited to: Festival of Trees, new book bags at the start of each school year, holiday popcorn, and apparel/socks/underwear.

For the past 30 years, The Children's Shelter has been the recipient of the auction proceeds where about 50 trees and 25 wreaths are auctioned to the highest bidder. <https://www.theshelterinc.org/festival-of-trees>.

The Classics are proud to have designed, procured supplies, decorated and set-up a tree for the 7th year in a row this past December. This Club activity and event gives our members and Boosters a chance to showcase their talents and finish decorating a tree and tree skirt. Throughout 2021, our members met re-

motely until early fall thus limiting all club involvement. At our first in-person meeting and soup supper in October, members made hexagon shaped ornaments in the likeness of honeycombs. Our Boosters and several tree team members met most Wednesdays throughout the past year to design and create our tree, "WhoZZZZ Naughty? WhoZZZZ Nice?" Honey bees are trying to protect their hive from 2 baby black bears while mama bear sits at the base of the tree trunk.

Past tree themes have been: "Children are the Keys to Our Future", "Tis the Sesame Street Season", "Amber Waves", "Cute as A Button" and "Bluebird Shelters", and "Yule Tied." To date, GFWC Classics Lawrence has contributed trees that have yielded ~\$4500 in sales.

Susan Andersen
GFWC Classics-Lawrence



"Spring won't let me stay in this house any longer! I must get out and breathe the air deeply again. "

Gustav Mahler

Next Issue

News items for the **June, 2022** issue of the Kansas Clubwoman are due **May 20, 2022**. Please feel free to forward your articles to me whenever you have them ready. No need to wait for the due date. I maintain a working copy of the next issue and will insert your article when I receive it. I will always send a reply to confirm that I have received your article. If you don't receive a confirmation, please check with me.

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GFWC of KANSAS 126TH ANNUAL CONVENTION

APRIL 26 & 27, 2022 (**NOTE: THIS IS TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY**)

MANHATTAN CONVENTION CENTER/HILTON GARDEN INN

410 South 3rd Street

Manhattan, Kansas 66502

“SAVE OUR PLANET”

The town of Manhattan, Kansas and the host Clubs welcomes GFWC of Kansas members and guests to celebrate at their convention. The Hilton Garden Inn will be the site of the GFWC of Kansas 126th annual convention. Please call to reserve your room. Reservations can be made until **April 1st** under the **GFWC of Kansas/General Federation of Women’s Clubs** room block per contract – call (785) 532-9116. The room rate is \$109.00 (lower rate was negotiated). Meetings will be in the Convention Center, Konza Prairie Room. For easy access to the meeting room, student art and other items may be unloaded at the west side of the hotel. The parking lot is adjacent to the northwest door; there is also parking in the covered garage with entrances from the east and west sides of the hotel.

Driving Directions: The hotel is conveniently located at 410 South 3rd Street in Manhattan. What to bring:

1. Snack foods/breakfast bars for Ronald McDonald Houses – please place your items in the center of the tables as decorations (the need is ever present)!
2. Pop tabs for Ronald McDonald Houses
3. Items for sale at the back of the room in the “Kansas Marketplace”. If you have items for sale for the benefit of the General Fund, please list your prices.

*****Please meet in the lobby of the hotel at 1:45p.m. on Tuesday to walk across the street to the Flint Hills Discovery Center located in the Blue Earth Plaza. Please return to the hotel before 6:00pm (supper will be served then). We have a very busy schedule Friday evening and Saturday – we wish everyone a great time at our 126th State Convention!**

1st Time Attendee _____

1st Time Club has Attended _____

_____ Previous Attendee

**GFWC of Kansas 126th Annual Convention Registration
April 26 & 27, 2022 (Tuesday & Wednesday)**

Manhattan Convention Center at Hilton Garden Inn
410 South 3rd Street
Manhattan, Kansas 66502

Accommodations: **Rooms** are available in double at the rate of \$109.00 per room. **Hotel/room reservations must be made by April 1, 2022** per contract. The rooms are under the **GFWC of Kansas (or General Federation of Women’s Clubs)** block of rooms - You can book your room by calling (785) 532- 9116. Please mention the group for the reduced rate. The conference room is in the Convention Center (Konza Prairie Room). Parking is near the convention center. If you have dietary restrictions, please call Jan Moore at (785)597-2177. **Convention registration must be made by April 1, 2022.**

Club: _____

Name _____

Address: _____

City: _____

Phone: _____

Special Dietary Needs: Call Jan Moore at (785)597-2177

to identify needs

Mark ONE to indicate highest office currently held:

International _____ Position _____

State Officer _____ Position _____

State Chairman _____ Position _____

Club Officer _____ Position _____

Club Member _____ Booster _____ Guest _____

Delegate:

Voting _____ Non-Voting _____

**ROSEMARY HOUR: Please send to Linda Loyd,
381 Birch Street, Gardner, KS 66030-1724 or
at lindaloyd05@gmail.com**

FEES:

Registration Fee: \$20.00 _____

Friday Dinner: \$30.00 _____

Breakfast On Own (Hotel offers food for sale)

Saturday Lunch: \$20.00 _____

Tour Flint Hills Discovery Center in the Blue
Earth Plaza across the street from the hotel.

Tickets available at the door at your cost.

Total Package: **\$70.00**

Total Paid: _____

Check #: _____

Payable to: **GFWC of Kansas**

Send to:

Brenda Rezac
1208 Long Creek Ct
Baldwin City, KS 66006-0214

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Official Call to the 126th Annual State Convention

General Federation of Women's Clubs of Kansas
April 26 & 27, 2022 (**Note: this is Tuesday & Wednesday**)
Manhattan Convention Center – Hilton Garden Inn
410 South 3rd Street
Manhattan, Kansas 66502

Article VI – Conventions

Section 2: Representation....The voting body shall be:

The President or her appointee and one delegate for each ten (10) members or major fraction thereof for each Club holding active membership.

Members of the Board of Directors.

Past State Presidents and General Federation of Women's Clubs of Kansas Director of Junior Clubs.

The quorum for the annual convention shall be twenty-five (25) voting members.

The quorum for the board of director's meeting shall be fifteen (15) voting members.

Tentative Schedule:

Tuesday, April 26, 2022

12:30 p.m. Executive Committee Meeting (President's Suite)

1:00 p.m. Registration Begins (outside of meeting room)

1:45 p.m. Meet to travel to Flint Hills Discovery Center/Blue Earth Plaza across from Hilton

(tickets purchased at the door- this is a wonderful tour of our beautiful State of Kansas!!

2:00 p.m. Tour Flint Hills Discovery Center (tickets obtained at door)

2:00 – 4:00pm Student Arts accepted – judging to take place Tuesday evening @4:00pm

6:00 p.m. Dinner – Konza Prairie Room

7:00 p.m. Board of Directors Meeting begins – Konza Prairie Room

7:10 p.m. Proposed By-Laws changes read, discussed & voted on

7:30 p.m. Nominated officers for 2022-2024 voted on and approved for installation on Wednesday

8:00 p.m. Reporting Forum featuring CSP Categories – V.P. Margaret Thomas to speak on reporting

7:30 a.m. Rainbow Club Meeting (TBD)

7:30 a.m. Past District Presidents Meeting (Lobby area) if applicable

7:30 a.m. Registration outside of Konza Prairie Room

9:00 a.m. Opening of Convention – Konza Prairie Room

9:10 a.m. Girl Scout Troup (TBA if available)/Flag Ceremony – Club Collect recited by Janine Eilert

9:20 a.m. Introduction to 126th Annual GFWC Convention

10:00 a.m. Chairmen Awards begins (5 to 10 minute max/chairman)

11:15 a.m. Rosemary Hour – Gardner Athena Club (please send per Registration information form)

12:15 p.m. Luncheon

1:00 p.m. Speaker TBA

1:30 p.m. Reports from International Convention and from MVR Convention

1:30 p.m. Chairmen Awards continue

2:00 p.m. Break – All money due for purchases from Marketplace

2:30 p.m. Installation of 2022-2024 GFWC of Kansas State Officers

3:15 p.m. Announcements concerning upcoming International Convention & MVR & Cleanup of Convention meeting room

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