

GFWC Texas Members,

*A WORD
FROM
THE PRESIDENT*

Welcome to 2022-2024...It is my great honor and privilege to serve as State President for this administration. And I would like to start with a heartfelt “Thank You” for the support and encouragement you, the members of GFWC Texas, have shown me as I moved up during the preceding years. Teaching, guiding, and molding me along the way with your confidence and conviction that together we can accomplish amazing things.

So, guess what? Amazing things are happening here in Texas, and you are an important part of it all. As a matter of fact, “YOU”, are the greatest thing about GFWC Texas. You, our members, are what drives the bus, keeping the wheels turning and our state federation moving forward. During this administration, our number one goal is to help you get back on track after the disruption of COVID-19 and to help your club achieve bigger, better things and to set new goals for reporting, membership, fundraising, leadership, and fun. So let’s see what all the BUZZ is about.

With training, training, and more training; via summer workshops, at fall boards (both state and district) we hope to help revitalize our clubs and, will be increasing our communication with members by launching a whole new website where you can find everything you need to make your club experience better. From membership and leadership tool kits, to fun activities and worthwhile projects; from all the forms and information you need to make your reporting easy, to news about upcoming events around the state and in your own district; you will be able to find all this and much more on the state website. Plus, you will be kept informed of all the fun things happening within the state and beyond via the GFWC Texas Facebook page, be sure to “LIKE” us and let us know when you have something you would like to share to the page.

The State President’s Special Project for this term is the protection of our pollinators...bees, butterflies, dragonflies, hummingbirds and even bats. Any insect, bird or mammal who assists in the pollination of our food, either directly or otherwise, will be the focus for this term, and anything that your club does to help our pollination populations will be recordable under both the Environment CSP as well as the President’s Special Project. Visit an apiary (bee farm), purchase honeybees through Heifer International, build a bat box (bats really are our0 friends...not only do they pollinate some species of fruit, but they also eat mosquitoes and other harmful insects...Win! Win!) Or, have a “Honey Tasting” event to introduce your members to all the unusual flavors and types of honey and learn just how long honey has been around sweetening up things for humans. Read and then donate books about Bees/Pollinators to the local libraries. As many different pollinators as there are you should not have any trouble finding something to report about..

Yours in Federation

Billie Williams, President

GFWC Texas 2022-2024

Theme:

“Bee the Change You Want to See...Be Sweet

as Honey and Volunteer”