



GENERAL FEDERATION  
of WOMEN'S CLUBS

# LIVING THE VOLUNTEER SPIRIT

## WELCOME TEXAS

GFWC is excited to welcome you to the 2023 GFWC Texas State Convention.  
We are thrilled to be sharing the successes of the last year with you!

### From your President

Dear GFWC Sisters,

With spring right around the corner, Headquarters' staff are gearing up for the **2023 GFWC Annual Convention**, June 10-12, in Louisville, Kentucky. Registration for this year's convention ends on **May 15**.



In addition, the **GFWC Learning Gateway Series** are scheduled for March 22, April 18, and April 25. To register, visit the GFWC Member Portal and click on the "Helpful Links" to select date(s) you would like to attend.

Last, mark your calendar for the Inaugural **GFWC National Day of Service** to collect food for those in your communities suffering from hunger on Saturday, September 30. I enlist all of you to make this event successful. This also is an opportunity to recruit new members to your club. I challenge each of you to invite one guest to participate in this event to experience GFWC at its best.

Thank you for *Living the Volunteer Spirit!*

Best Wishes,

*Debra A. Strahanoski*

Debra Strahanoski, GFWC International President



Please join GFWC as we  
"Celebrate - Collaborate - Communicate"  
at the Louisville Marriott Downtown in  
Louisville, Kentucky.

June 9-12, 2023

### FEATURED EVENTS

Call to the Post  
Kentucky State Night Banquet

Go Baby Go Race Tour  
Tour World Famous Churchill Downs

Collaboration Can Change the World  
lunch & learn with affiliate organizations

GFWC Service Project  
No Sew Fleece Beds for Canine Companions

"The Gift of Communicating" Gala  
Featuring Jennie Award winners & State of the Federation Address

To learn more, visit the Annual Convention page at  
<https://www.eventsquid.com/event.cfm?id=19390>

# BENEFITS OF BELONGING

- Leadership Training
- Advocate for women, children & families
- Support Your Community
- Opportunity to make a difference

## GFWC Awards | 2023 CROLY AWARD

Encourage all journalists you know who have helped advance the rights of women to apply by April 30, 2023. An application form is available on the GFWC Member Portal ([www.GFWC.org](http://www.GFWC.org)), and consider sharing on Facebook. All journalists who contribute to newspapers, broadcast news programs (radio, television, and digital), magazines, or online publications, either on staff or in a freelance capacity, are welcome to apply.



The GFWC Legislative Action Center is a powerful tool for our members. The LAC can be used to keep up with relevant bills, contact your local representatives and take action on the issues relevant to GFWC Resolutions.

Find more information at [www.gfwc.org](http://www.gfwc.org) under “What We Do”



### THE GFWC LEARNING GATEWAY SERIES

FOR THE ENCOURAGEMENT AND ADVANCEMENT OF WOMEN: GFWC MEMBERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE *GFWC LEARNING GATEWAY* WEBINAR SERIES TO LEARN DIRECTLY FROM THE 2022-2024 GFWC HONORARY CHAIRMEN.

**MARCH 22 @ 7 P.M. – *Advocacy Challenges: Overcoming Roadblocks and Building Coalition Support*** by Stephenie Foster, Founding Partner of Smash Strategies, Honorary Chairman for GFWC Juniors' Special Program

**APRIL 18 @ 7 P.M. – *Chocolate, Chardonnay, and Chanel - The Power of Personal Behaviors in Health and Wellness*** by Nagi Kumar, Ph.D., Cancer Chemoprevention and Initiatives Moffitt Cancer Center, Honorary Chairman for Health & Wellness Community Service Program

**APRIL 25 @ 7 P.M. – *Drawing Connections: Prevention Demands Equity*** by Monika Johnson Hostler, President of the National Alliance to End Sexual Violence, Honorary Chairman for GFWC Signature Program

Enter the My Name in Print Opportunity Drawing for the chance to have your name in a published book.

All proceeds from the fundraiser go to the **GFWC Access to Education Fund Scholarship** for low-income and at-risk students who have demonstrated a determination to succeed in their educational goals.



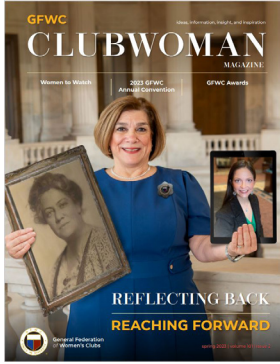
Author Robin Yocum

Buy Tickets when you register for Convention or Call Nishu Raina (202-628-2478)

Tickets \$20 each

# GFWC COMMUNICATIONS

## GFWC CLUBWOMAN MAGAZINE



*GFWC Clubwoman Magazine* is the premier publication of the General Federation of Women's Clubs (GFWC). It serves as a valuable communications tool to inform and educate our Federation about community service opportunities, project ideas, and ways to enhance club operations. Published quarterly (Winter, Spring, Summer, and Fall), the magazine is a source for insightful and informative content

that keeps members up-to-date about GFWC. Members can access previous issues via the GFWC Resource Library, through the GFWC Member Portal, select folder "C," and open the "Clubwoman" folder.



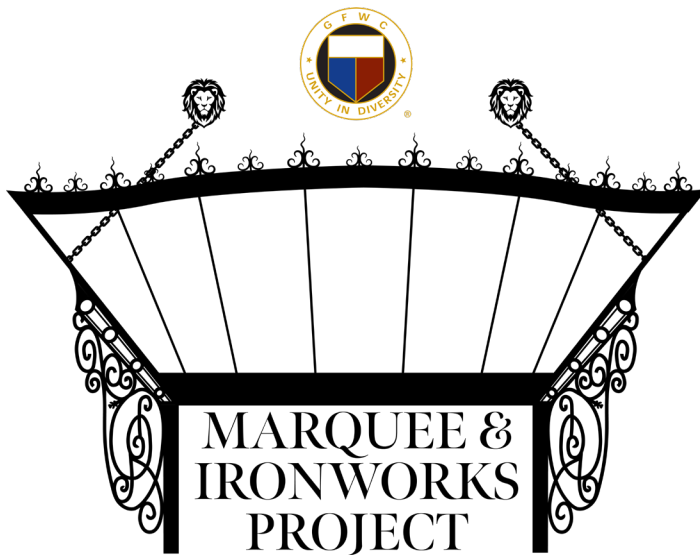
## NEWS & NOTES

YOUR WEEKLY UPDATE ON GFWC NEWS

GFWC's weekly email newsletter keeps clubwomen, partners, and friends up-to-date on all the latest GFWC programs, projects, and issues.

## VOLUNTEERS IN ACTION

The weekly GFWC blog features Volunteers in Action from clubs around the Federation. Submit your club's volunteer projects to [PR@gfwc.org](mailto:PR@gfwc.org) for a chance to be featured.



The GFWC Marquees have welcomed clubwomen to headquarters for over 100 years. Preserving this iconic piece of our GFWC history is the focus of our 2023 Annual Giving campaign.

Plans are underway to remove, repair, recondition and reinstall the original structures.

Contribute to our Fundraising Goal of **\$75,000**

Donate to our GoFundMe at  
[www.gofundme.com/f/kpbhnx-marquee-restoration](http://www.gofundme.com/f/kpbhnx-marquee-restoration)

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR  
THE INAUGURAL



## National Day of Service

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

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Help Us to End Hunger in the  
United States By Volunteering,  
Donating, or Organizing a  
Community Service Project

