



GFWC-OKLAHOMA

QUARTERLY NEWS

UPDATED EMBLEM



GFWC-OKLAHOMA CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April 5 & 6, 2024

125th GFWC-Oklahoma Convention
University of Science & Arts of OK
17th Street & Grand Avenue
Chickasha, Oklahoma

June 29-July 1, 2024

134th GFWC Annual Convention
Hilton Chicago
Chicago, Illinois

October 11 & 12, 2024

South-Central Region Conferences
Sheraton Hotel Downtown
1-800-325-3535
Group: **CG8 GFWC South Central**



STYLE GUIDE

The **Style Guide** Charlene sent to club presidents consists of standards for writing, formatting, and Emblem use to assist GFWC members in maintaining brand consistency in look, feel, and sound. This reference tool ensures the GFWC brand is presented the same when used by everyone in the Federation. This guide was sent to all club presidents. Start using today! The following topics are included:

What is a Brand?

GFWC Key Core Messages

Writing Tips

Word Usage

GFWC Trademark Use Policy

Platform Specific Guidelines

GFWC Communications Department

GFWC Publications Overview

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GFWC-OKLAHOMA STATE OFFICERS, 2022-2024

Theme: Believe the Possibilities

Motto: Be a Reflector of the Light

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WHAT ARE YOUR THOUGHTS ON REBRANDING OUR STATE? OUR STATE EMBLEM NO LONGER REFLECTS OUR STATE AS IT ONCE DID.

ALL CLUBWOMEN WHO ARE INTERESTED IN CREATING AND SUBMITTING A NEW EMBLEM DESIGN DRAFT WITH DESCRIPTION, PLEASE SUBMIT TO CHARLENE BY APRIL 1. OF COURSE, WE WOULD NEED TO DISCUSS AND VOTE ON REBRANDING AT OUR APRIL 2024 STATE CONVENTION, BUT HAVING SUBMITTED IDEAS WOULD BE NICE TO SEE.

IN MEMORY

Rita Sanders
Past State President

Brenda Cavins
Sorosis Club President
Past SC District President



INAUGURAL GENERAL FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS (GFWC)

NATIONAL DAY OF SERVICE HELPS RELIEVE FOOD INSECURITY & HUNGER ACROSS THE 50 STATES

Washington, DC, January 24, 2024 — The inaugural General Federation of Women’s Clubs (GFWC) National Day of Service (NDS) proved impactful in raising food resources for communities across the country. The 2023 campaign spotlighted the food insecurity and hunger crisis. The results received from the “NDS Impact Report” submitted by approximately 700 of the 980 GFWC Regions, State Federations, Districts, and clubs indicate GFWC clubwomen collected 145,506 pounds of nonperishable food, recorded more than 20,000 volunteer hours, collected \$138,415 in monetary donations, and contributed to the preparation of 121,386 meals.

“The GFWC National Day of Service’s purpose is to spotlight a community problem and mobilize our volunteers across the 50 states and the District of Columbia to aid relief efforts,” said Debra Strahanoski, GFWC International President. “This year’s campaign focused on food insecurity and hunger. According to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, 34 million people in the United States suffer from food insecurity, 100 percent of U.S. counties are impacted, and 9 million children do not know when they’ll eat next. I am proud of GFWC club members for their dedication to helping others in need. We exist to make a positive contribution to our local communities.”

The GFWC NDS is an annual public awareness campaign for members to create Community Service Projects in their communities to help others. Please mark your calendar for the 2024 GFWC NDS on Saturday, September 28, 2024. This year’s campaign will once again spotlight food insecurity and hunger. For more information, contact Melanie Gisler, Membership Director, at MGisler@GFWC.org. Be sure to email to let her know your club in your state will be participating and send your service report to your state president!

GFWC Leadership Education and Development Seminar (LEADS)

Represent Oklahoma!

GFWC Oklahoma is taking LEADS applications for the International GFWC LEADS Program to be held during the Annual Convention in Chicago June 29-July 1. LEADS meets Friday, June 28. LEADS can help you gain the capabilities, confidence, and commitment necessary to pursue and achieve office or chairman and serve with distinction. Meet and make new friends from all states. For more information, go to www.gfwc.org

Who in your club would gain from Leadership Development experience? It is a wonderful experience to learn and make new friends across our nation. LEADS participants receive a free lunch, 2024 graduation certificate with LEADS pin, and a \$350 travel/lodge stipend from GFWC Headquarters. Oklahoma provides a \$300 stipend to help with expenses.

A LEADS Application form is located on the international and state website or ask a state officer for an application.

Please submit your application to:
Kandi Simmons
LEADS Chairman
kandinpaul@hotmail.com

Send one copy to President Patty Noel Burkhead.

Please check out our GFWC-Oklahoma
Website!

Ctrl + Click Link: www.gfwc-ok.org

Special thanks to GFWC-OK Vice President
Monica Bartling for maintaining our state
website.

THIS CAPITAL CAMPAIGN PROJECT IS FINISHED!



2024 GFWC SOUTH CENTRAL REGION CONFERENCE OKLAHOMA CITY – OCTOBER 11-12, 2024

SCR Conference General Chairman Monica Bartling is busy planning the October 2024 GFWC South Central Region Conference hosted by Oklahoma. This conference is where you get to meet your International President, International Vice President, and Region officers. Our Region States: Arkansas, Arizona, Louisiana, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas. We have 18 Clubs. Let's step up and do our part to help Monica and Oklahoma Shine! **It will be Fun!** (More Later)

2024 GFWC SOUTH CENTRAL REGION CONFERENCE — OCTOBER 11-12, 2024



OKLAHOMA CITY




Sheraton Hotel Downtown/Bricktown
 1-800-325-3535 and give the operator the group code: CG8 GFWC South Central
 Board of Directors Meeting & Dinner — October 10
 Tour the NEW First American's Museum (FAM), Lunch and Activity October 11
 Opening Ceremony & Dinner — October 11
 Meeting, Dinner & Closing Ceremony — October 12 starting
 Meet your International & Regional Officers and Learn what's new with GFWC

WELCOME TO OKLAHOMA
Discover the Excellence.

*2024 GFWC-OKLAHOMA STATE CONVENTION
 CHICKASHA -- APRIL 5-6, 2024*

And we know we belong to the land... and the land we belong to is Grand!

Look for the **Call to Convention** early March for Details. Club Presidents, please invite club members to register to attend our annual state convention in Chickasaw, Oklahoma.

Oklahoma Map Table Toppers: These will be featured at the South-Central Region Conference in OKC, October 2024. Bring completed maps to State Convention. If your club did not sign-up to provide a map and you wish to participate, please email, text, or call Monica Bartling. Step by step Instructions were sent by email on January 25. Look for the email, "Annual Reports and SCR Information." Monica 918-688-2063

Done-in-a-Day Project: We are going to make some other items for SCR Conference so please plan to attend. Invite members to attend!

State Fundraiser: Each club to bring an auction basket.

Memorial Service: Send picture and obituary of any members who died (May2023 since last convention through April 1, 2024. Send to Miriam Costilow and Patty Burkhead. Miriam Costilow is presenting the memorial service.

**PLAN YOUR TRIP TO CHICAGO! ALL GFWC WOMEN
ARE INVITED TO ATTEND! REGISTER TODAY!**



STEPS TO REGISTER:

- 1) Go online to www.gfwc.org
- 2) On main page, there is a Calendar of Events. Click on the following:

Jun 29- Jul 1 2024	2024 GFWC Annual Convention CHICAGO, ILLINOIS
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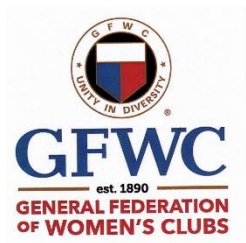
- 3) Click the [here](#) link as you see below:

[2024 GFWC Annual Convention](#)

June 29-July 1, 2024

More information about the 2024 GFWC Annual Convention is available [here](#).

This takes you to the www.eventsquid.com registration site.



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