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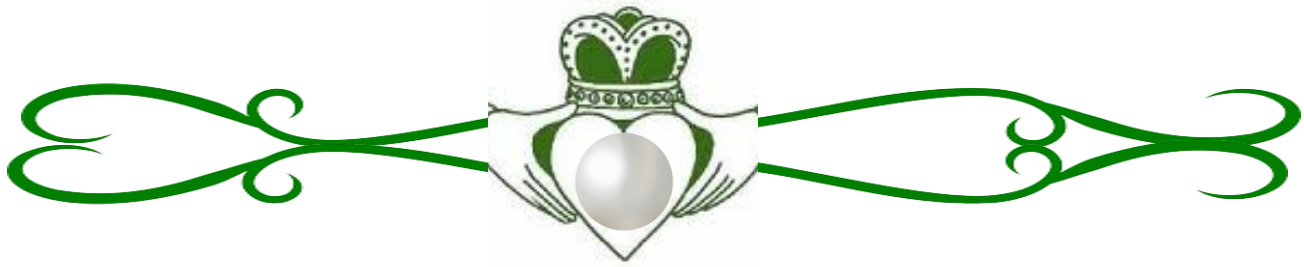
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TO the Point

This has been a busy two months! I think it has been for everyone and with all of the exciting things that the Texas Federation has going, it will continue to be busy for the next few months! We have the 122nd Spring Convention in April, and work is on going for the International Convention to be held in Texas in June. Plan to attend both of these worth while events. Thanks and keep sending your club news. - Tina



Pearls of Wisdom

Dear Texas Club Woman,

We are heading into a busy season for GFWC Texas. The Districts will start their spring conventions soon, and I plan to attend as many as possible.

The 122nd GFWC Texas Annual Convention is set for April 24-27. The Call to Convention is in this issue of the *Texas Clubwoman* magazine. It has a new look this year as we included a lot of good to know information to help you with your planning. Please note two deadlines: hotel reservations are due by April 3; early convention registration and credentials application are due by April 5 (postmark date). For more details, see the section Call to Convention.

As a thank you for all the wonderful work our Texas women did last year, I made a donation to GFWC Texas to be sent on to the GFWC Success for Survivors Scholarship. The intent is for Texas to receive recognition for its outstanding work in the GFWC Domestic Violence and Awareness Prevention Program.

Membership continues to be a primary area of emphasis. After all, we would not exist without our members. I encourage each member to invite at least one of your friends to your club meeting. If we all did that, we would double our membership in a very short time.

As you know, the 2019 GFWC Annual Convention will be in Austin June 29-July 1 at the JW Marriott. Pre-convention events kick off Friday night, June 28 with Texas State Night. Patti Poe is the convention chairman for Texas. The state office on site at the hotel will be run by Cindy Simmons. Billie Williams is in charge of volunteers. She will be beating the drums to gather her team of intrepid volunteers for this once in a lifetime event. It has been around 25 years since the last GFWC convention was held in Texas. Carolyn McLeod is chairman of Texas State Night. If you thought the decorations at the South Central Region were great, wait until you see what Fran Mask and her committee have planned.

This is our opportunity to showcase Texas, but we can't do it alone. We will need the great Texas club women to help us put on the greatest show on earth.

And now for the special news (Drum roll, please): For any Texas club women attending a GFWC Annual Convention for the first time, there will be a drawing. The winner will receive the GFWC registration and meals paid by Texas. The information and form to submit are in this issue of the *Texas Clubwoman*. Please note that this is for the GFWC Annual Convention at the JW Marriott; it is not for the GFWC Texas 122nd Annual Convention at the Crowne Plaza Austin in April. The drawing will be conducted at our state convention, however.

In Federation Friendship and Sisterhood,

Carol

GFWC Texas President, 2018-2020

Carol Habgood



Save The Date!



Lone Star Ladies



Texas Federation Needs Your Help.

Texas has been selected for

The GFWC International Convention

June 28 thru July 1, 2019



Austin, Texas.



We will be needing your help and Lots of it!

Help at the Hospitality Booth

Help with the Information Booth



Excursion Escorts



Table Hostesses & Door Keepers

Come Help Make Texas Shine!!!

Mark your calendars and make plans to join 1000 +

Club women from around the world.



How would you like to go to the GFWC Annual Convention?

Join 1000+ Club Women from across the Nation

Not to mention the Whole Wide World!

Well, you will never get a better opportunity than this:

For the first time in over 30 years,

The GFWC National Convention is being held in



Austin, Texas

June 28 thru July 1, 2019

The GFWC Texas Executive Board is offering to

pay the **Registration and Meals** for one

Lucky Texas Club Member

who has never been to a

GFWC National Convention.

Here's all you have to do! Fill out form on next page.

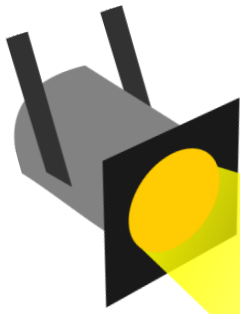
Rules



1. *Be a member in good standing of a per capita club in GFWC Texas.*
2. *Have never attended a GFWC National Convention.*
3. *Be willing to attend all the meetings and meals, and make a report to the State Fall Board meeting in Austin, **September 11-14, 2019**.*
4. *You must pay for your own room and transportation, so find a roommate/travel buddy and share the cost. Hotel Address: JW Marriot 110 E. 2nd Street Austin, Texas 78701*
5. *And finally, fill out the form at the bottom of this page and return to Melisa Hayes at GFWC Texas Headquarter in Austin, either by mail or electronically before the **April 23, 2019 deadline**.*
6. *Your signature indicates you have met all the above qualifications.*

We will be announcing the winner at the Spring Convention so be sure and enter as soon as possible, and Good Luck.

Name:	Phone:
Address:	Club:
City:	District:
Signature:	
Send to: GFWC Texas Headquarters Attention: GF Convention Contest 2312 San Gabriel Austin, Texas 78705-5014	Or scan and e-mail to: tfwcoffice@gmail.com



Spotlight Club

The Liberty Woman's Club

An Evolving Club

About three years ago the members of Liberty Woman's Club voted to redesign their clubs' format and it has been evolving ever since. The first big change implemented was going from meeting in homes to meeting in restaurants and meeting for lunch instead of during dinner time. This took a great deal of pressure off of monthly hostesses. While the idea was sound, the club encountered a problem very early on. In the small town there is almost no restaurants with private spaces and the noise level was not conducive to holding a meeting.

The club changed directions again. Monthly meetings were moved to a church assembly room. This worked exceptionally well in that there was a kitchen directly adjacent to the meeting area. During the planning phase of this change, the club also decided, since they were no longer meeting in restaurants, to provide lunch for members attending meetings. A \$5 charge for each regular meeting was collected at the same time dues and scholarships contributions were made to provide lunch. Members RSVP if they can't make a meeting so the social secretary, the member in charge of securing the meal, would have a count.

Moving to this format allowed this group to focus more on their projects rather than planning meeting programs. It also increased their impact on the community. Today instead of hearing a program on conservation, the club organizes litter pickups, get their hands dirty at a local ECO Farm planting trees with the Master Gardeners and Master Naturalists. They use their club scholarship to send local students to Panther Navigation, a summer program for middle school age children and do much more. Now, instead of spending a great deal of time in meetings discussing the things that they want to do for their community, the club members are active project initiators and participants.

In addition to the projects mentioned above, the Liberty Woman's club members are involved in teaching music, acting, directing and supporting the local theater group, supporting the local schools, collecting and filling totes and purses with personal items for the Family Time Crisis Center for victims of domestic abuse, advocating for Bridgehaven Children's Advocacy, CASA, and other projects in areas of Conservation, Education, Art. We like it, A LOT!





Around the State

In memorial

State Loses District President

Sitting District President, Kathy McBride passed away on December 27th of 2018. Not only is she deeply missed by her District, the Magnolia District, she will be missed statewide. Not seeing her welcoming and cheerful smile will leave a void in the Texas Federation of Women's Clubs.

As reported to the Clubwoman, Federation lost three additional members in 2018. Greatly missed are members; Gayle Banner, Sandy Chisholm, and Sue Ann Harrison



Kathy Tucker McBride
January 22, 1947 - December 27, 2018

GFWC Woman's Club of Cotulla - Conservation: Adopt-a-Highway

On Saturday, February 2, 2019, Woman's Club of Cotulla members met to clean up the two mile section of highway the Club adopted as the 2018-2020 conservation project. Members were joined by spouses and children. Club 1st VP Liz Martinez remarked, "We participate as a family!" Members and the adult sponsors from the LaSalle County 4H group also joined the Club in the trash pick-up. The project took four hours to pick up a two mile stretch of highway on the northeast side of Cotulla, resulting in 60 large bags of trash. Cotulla residents responded very positively via Facebook comments about how great the area looked after the clean-up. It is the sincere hope of the Woman's Club of Cotulla that our efforts will inspire other groups to follow suit. Go the extra two miles and adopt a section of highway in an effort to keep Texas beautiful!



Around the State continued :

January was a busy month for members of the San Gabriel Women's Club. The first program was on growing beautiful Amaryllis blossoms and was presented by Tina Knobles. On Martin Luther King Jr. day, the clubwomen joined members of the NEST Empowerment Center for a service project, and on January 29th, they prepared a meal for students at the NEST. This center is a safe place after school for students who are homeless, at risk, or living in transition.

Left to right: Tina Knoble, Bonnie Haynes, Mary Jean Holden

San Gabriel Women's Club



TFWC History Club of Whitesboro



TFWC History Club of Whitesboro met in December for their program, "Christmas From the Heart." Whitesboro Health & Rehabilitation Center was the location of the meeting that included five girls and their leader, Jennifer Beasley, from Whitesboro Girl Scout Troop #5223, and six club members. The scouts brought creative handmade Christmas door ornaments that were displayed on the door of each patient's room. Club members also donated Christmas gift items to the residents. Sharing Christmas from the heart brought joy to all who received and especially those who gave with a heart of love. (Pictured front row: Members of Girl Scout Troop #5223; Back row left to right: Mary Nan Story, Beverly Scarborough, President Betty Capehart, Scout Leader Jennifer Beasley, and Donna Parkinson.)

Aransas Pass Club Membered Honored

Sandra Garcia, a member of the Woman's Club of Aransas pass was honored by being named Employee of the Year at the Chamber of Commerce banquet. Garcia, the Financial Director, is credited with helping to ensure that the city of Aransas Pass was in compliance with audits saving the city money and was instrumental in helping the city maintain a strong S&P credit following Hurricane Harvey. She worked with FEMA on recovery projects and was a major factor in establishing a new budget.



Sandra Garcia and City Manager, Gary Edwards

MLK Jr. Project – San Gabriel Woman’s Club

Four members of the San Gabriel Woman’s Club volunteered to help with the Martin Luther King Jr. Day Project in Georgetown. Approximately 80 teens came to participate in several projects to benefit the community. This was their day off from classes; yet they came to help. All of the organizations that participated are after school places for students to get help and stay out of trouble.

The Georgetown Project is a community-based nonprofit organization that builds and sustains a healthier culture and capacity for all children, youth and families in the Georgetown area. Their craft was making giant felt parts for Mr. Potato Head to be used with young children to create nurturing early environments important to the social, emotional and cognitive development. Another craft was making Valentine cards to be distributed to the elderly in their Meals on Wheels package. The NEST is associated with The Georgetown Project.

The NEST is associated with The Georgetown Project. NEST stands for Nurturing, Empowering, Supporting for Tomorrow and is a safe haven after the bell rings that offers basic needs, counseling, academic and enrichment support for high school students who are homeless, at-risk or living in transition. The teens made “welcome bags” for new students who come to The NEST. The bags were decorated with kind words and stuffed with hand-made stress balls, welcome notes, and personal care items.

Upward Bound program was the third project and is designed for high school students who have the potential to succeed in college and could benefit from: tutoring, academic enrichment, precollege skills development, career counseling, college visits, cultural enrichments and year-round academic and social support. UB provides opportunities for its scholars to succeed in high school and ultimately in college. Their craft was “Snowman Soup” – a cup with hot cocoa mix, marshmallows and a candy cane. These will be donated to The Williamson County Child Advocacy Center.

The fourth project we helped with was the Georgetown Y. The craft was weaving bracelets which will go the “Gold Star Kids” – those children who have lost a military parent.

The students then broke into several groups. Each table was given a jumbled quote by Martin Luther King, Jr. They had to put the quote together, decide what it meant, then give an example of how they could apply the saying to their lives. Very insightful answers were the result. The members of the San Gabriel club who helped with this project came away with hope for future generations.



The Comanche Heritage Club Article shared by Newspaper January 15th, 2019

The Comanche Heritage Club met on Tuesday, January 15th, 2019 in First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall. Hostesses Beth Fairbrother, Ruth Adele Waggoner, and Missy Jones had decorated for the meeting in 'picnic style' with a long table and red/white checked cloth and refreshments of the same vintage to set the stage for the speaker.

Beth Fairbrother introduced the guest speaker, Janice Williams. Janice is from Austin and is the Historian for the Captain James & Susannah Cunningham reunion held annually in Comanche at the Cunningham Reunion Grounds every August. The reunion is currently in its 130th year. The first reunion was held in 1889.

Janice told about her love for genealogy and the keeping of genealogy records. She initially became interested as a teenager pouring over family archives. At that time, her family lived in the Texas Panhandle and did not get to come to the reunion every year. Janice was particularly interested in the family tree structure given that James and Susannah had twelve children and 101 grandchildren. The early documents were prepared by Alma Meadows Cox in 1929. There were all prepared by hand, certificates of birth, marriage and death had to be obtained by writing letters and searching documents in archives. Many of the early courthouses in this area of Texas were destroyed by fire (common in those days); therefore, it was a time consuming process.

In 1889, the reunion held its 100th anniversary under the oak trees at the grounds. Approximately, 450 to 400 people attended and at that time, an updated genealogy record book was prepared by F. Lee and Bill Lawrence of Tyler, Texas. That book was presented to family members and included many of the stories about Captain James and Susannah. This book was prepared with the aid of computers, but was privately published for the event and a digital copy was not available.

In 1914, the reunion held its 125th anniversary. For that event Janice undertook the updating of the genealogy (by this time a very huge task as there are over 2000 descendants to keep track of). She was thankful for digital records, the ability to search on line, and self-publishing companies of the Internet. She did not use an official genealogy program but used many advanced features of Word such as outlining formats to distinguish generations, embedded pictures and stories, and indexing. It was a huge task.



Janice Williams holds the book over the Cunningham family while club members stand behind the cardboard cutouts of the twelve children of James and Susannah Cunningham.

Around the State continued:



GFC Texas Club Celebrates its 100th Anniversary!



The GFWC Maids and Matrons Club of Bowie Texas celebrated their 100th anniversary in February. The club was organized in 1918 and started with twenty members. The first president was Clara Donald, and the current President is Debbie Dunlap. The Amity Club, also of Bowie, participated in helping the Maids and Matrons celebrate their very special occasion. Amity club members decorated the meeting room with memorabilia from the time period that the club was first began. Antiques of all types including period hats, old buttons, jewelry, cooking items, and pictures of club members from the 1920 were displayed. Lace tablecloths and white carnations were used on the sign in table as well as eight individual tables. State officials of GFWC Texas were present to honor this club. President- Elect Cindy Simmons. First Vice-President Billie Williams, Second-Vice president Carolyn McLeod, TFWC secretary Fran mask were at the anniversary celebration as well as past state Presidents Barbara Winingham, Patricia Seigfried-Giles, and Patti Poe. The mayor of Bowie, Gaylynn Burris, was in attendance and read a proclamation congratulating the club on their many accomplishments in Bowie. It was a very special occasion!



Above -Debbie Dunlap with Cindy Simmons Right—the Executive Board with Maids and Matrons Club members



The GFWC Texas Past District Presidents Club

Welcomes ALL Past District Presidents To Our Annual Spring Meeting

If you have been a District President and your club has 'defederated', or if your District has dissolved, or even if you missed a few meetings and want to maintain your membership in Federation, then our meeting is for you! We meet twice a year at the GFWC Texas Board of Directors Meeting in the fall and at the Convention in the spring. Check out the CALL to the upcoming GFWC Texas Convention for date, time and location

Cindy Simmons - President Elect



GFWC Texas President-Elect,

Leadership

As your 2018—2019 President-Elect, my duties are to assist President Habgood in any way possible and to educate and give ideas regarding “Leadership”.

What is Leadership?

“Leadership is defined as the act of motivating a group of people to act toward achieving a common goal”

If you are a club officer...you are a leader

If you are a committee member...you are a leader

If you are a club member...you are a leader

So congratulations...you are all leaders!

You are members of the General Federation of Women’s Clubs, an international women’s organization dedicated to community improvement by enhancing the lives of others through volunteer service. GFWC clubs and clubwomen are the fabric that binds not only the Federation, but the communities in which they live and work. With over 80,000 members in affiliated clubs nationwide and more than a dozen countries, GFWC members work in their own communities to support the arts, preserve natural resources, advance education, promote healthy lifestyles, encourage civic involvement, and work toward world peace and understanding.

So how do you express your Leadership

Be an active member in your club! Participate in your club’s service projects! Participate in your club’s fundraisers! Take part in membership drives! Educate your community about GFWC Texas and your club! Get involved with your district! Learn what activities are being accomplished in other clubs! Nominate that special member to “LEADS”! Participate in GFWC Texas Fall Boards and Spring Conventions! **AND You have a wonderful opportunity to attend the GFWC National Convention in Austin, June 28—July 1, 2019.** Come join the fun, network with women across the country, listen to great speakers and as President Habgood has said, “It promises to be a great event!”

I stand ready to assist you, your clubs and districts any way possible. Contact me at 361 442-0071 or email your question to cascws@cablone.net

Wishing you all a great 2019! In federation and friendship

Cindy Simmons



LEGACY CLUB-BE A PART OF IT



The idea of leaving a “Legacy” is the need or desire to be remembered for what you have contributed to the world. A legacy is something one can leave to the people who come after them to enrich and better their lives. A legacy does not necessarily mean material possessions. A legacy can be something a person achieves during their life and passes it on. This might be a reputation for honor, community service, togetherness, and shared interests. When a person belongs to an organization that a mother or other relative belonged to, they are said to be a “Legacy”.

If you have a mother, aunt, daughter, or any relative that is or was a member of the General Federation of Women’s Clubs, then you are a Legacy and as such, you are invited and urged to join the “GFWC Texas Legacy Club”. Those of us in GFWC Texas who have or had daughters, mothers, sisters, aunts, or any family member in this organization realize the joy we receive or received by having our loved ones be members with us. It is with this in mind that the “GFWC Texas Legacy Club” will have it’s first meeting at the Annual Spring Convention in Austin, Texas. Please join members for breakfast on Saturday morning, April 27, 2019. Breakfast is included in our room package, so get your breakfast and come to the business meeting room, Salon DE at 8:00 a.m.



“My sweet daughters say they never remember a time when I wasn’t doing a project for club and one is a member now and the other one is joining my club in May. My heart is happy ! To build a legacy we should start with those close to us,” Fran Mask said.

Mother & Daughter Legacies!

Left—Beth Hemby & Fran Mask Bottom left—Angela Short & Patti Poe
Bottom Right—Maridell Fryer and Delanna Thomas



CALL TO CONVENTION

GFWC TEXAS

122nd ANNUAL CONVENTION

AUSTIN

APRIL 24-27, 2019



The Heart of a Volunteer in Action

Call to Convention
2019 GFWC Texas Annual Convention

Austin – April 24-27, 2019

Dear Texas Federation members,

This is an exciting time for GFWC Texas. We hope you can join us in Austin from April 24-27 for our 122nd annual state convention.

We will kick off the fun on Wednesday evening, April 24, with a special event, *Sam Houston's Soap Opera*. Former Texas state historian Bill O'Neal will regale us with the story of General Sam's third wife and greatest love, Margaret. She was the only woman to be First Lady of both the Republic of Texas and the state of Texas. The evening will start with a welcome reception hosted by the Crowne Plaza, followed by a no-host dinner and an evening with Sam Houston.

Thursday will be lots of business and awards. Our GFWC guest is Suellen Brazil, second vice president. That evening, we'll have a special awards dinner featuring the "Outstanding" programs awards. Entertainment features vocalists D'Anne Willis and Alicia Straley, members of the Pierian Club of Lampasas. The evening will be capped with a champagne and dessert reception.

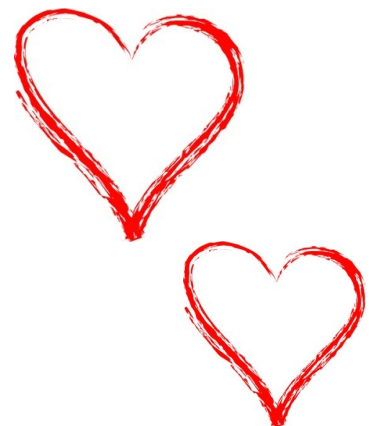
Friday will feature more awards and more business. The evening will showcase "Carol's Pearls" with their reports.

Saturday morning will offer a unique opportunity to form a new club: a Legacy Club. If your family has a history of Federation membership, please join us to see how we can make a difference.

So sit back and fasten your seat belt; we're in for a rollicking good time. We look forward to seeing you in Austin where we will see "The Heart of a Volunteer in Action."

Carol A. Habgood,
President

Fran Mask,
Secretary



What to Know Before You Go

HOTEL:

Location: Crowne Plaza Austin, 6121 North IH-35, Austin, 78752

Reservations: Deadline: April 3, 2019

Attendees are responsible for making their own hotel reservations. To receive the TFWC rate of \$119 (single)/double, mention the Texas Federation of Women's Clubs. The rate includes daily complimentary full breakfast buffet. Reservations may be made by calling the hotel directly at 512-323-5466 or by calling the Crowne Plaza Toll-Free Reservations at 800-227-6963.

CREDENTIALS AND VOTING: Deadline to submit credentials form is April 5, 2019.

All GFWC Texas members are invited to attend the 122nd Annual Convention. However, like most Convention bodies, only certain members are designated as delegates, as specified in the bylaws, Article VII. Voting delegates attend Convention as voting delegates. Although entitled to vote in several capacities, a voting member shall have but one vote. Members who do not receive a vote attend as a non-voting member and may take part in discussion, but not make a motion

All eligible voting members shall be certified by the Credentials Chairman. Credentials cards will be issued at the Registration desk. The form to be submitted to obtain credentials is included in this Call to Convention.

Club level:

One delegate for each fifteen (15) members or major portions thereof, elected from per capita club membership whose names are on the roster of GFWC Texas as least two months prior to the Convention. This does not include the club president as she is a member of the Board of Directors and is eligible to vote by virtue of that position.

One delegate from each accredited Juniorette Club.

One accredited delegate from each ten (10) clubs, or major portion thereof in a City/County Federation

Board Level: All members of the GFWC Texas Board of Directors are eligible to vote. Members of the Board are:

Elected and appointed members:

State elected and appointed officers; District elected and appointed officers; Trustees;

Scholarship Representatives; Past State Presidents; State Life Members and Honorary members; and Club Presidents

Other Appointed members:

Chairmen of State Community Service Programs, Departments and Special Projects; Chairmen and members of the following state Standing Committees: Legislation, Bylaws, Resolutions, Finance, Projects and Contests Committee chairmen, Convention chairmen, and Life Membership Committee.

CONVENTION REGISTRATION:

The Convention Registration Form is included in this Call to Convention. Early registration deadline is April 5.

Please be sure to note any dietary restrictions.

WHAT TO WEAR:

Business Casual:

- *Suit or dressy pants outfit*
- *A step up from business casual, a bit dressier*
- *Business-style dress*
- *Skirt, khakis or dress pants*
- *Open-collared shirt, knit shirt, sweater, or blouse*
- *No jeans or shorts*

Sunday Attire:

- *Dressy pants outfit or separates*
- *A step up from business casual, a bit dressier*

SPECIAL GUESTS:



Suellen Brazil: GFWC Second Vice President

With a rich background and 43 years' experience, GFWC Second Vice President Suellen Brazil is a dynamic leader whose dedication and passion are unwavering.

From 1980-84, Suellen served first as GFWC Alabama Director of Junior Clubs and later as GFWC Junior Education Chairman. In 1985 Suellen became HOBY International Leadership Seminar National Volunteer Chairman and then Region Director. These roles led to 12 years of national service to—accompanied by extensive growth within—the Hugh O'Brian Youth Foundation.

During 40 years on the GFWC Alabama Board, Suellen has served in all appointed/elected offices including GFWC Alabama State President (1998–2000) where policy improvements she championed continue to impact Alabama today. She has organized exceptional training opportunities as State Leadership Chairman, including seminars at the State Capitol

After serving as state president, Suellen successfully led the GFWC Safety program, Credentials Committee, and GFWC Southern Region as treasurer, secretary, vice president, and president. As president, she visited the Woman's Club of Aruba to welcome them to Southern Region. As chair of the GFWC Leadership Committee in 2012-14, she oversaw a 73% increase in GFWC State LEADS programs.

A native Alabamian, she and husband Billy have two sons. In 2014 Suellen retired from Baldwin County Schools after 44 years—her final position being Executive Elementary Administrator supervising 28 elementary schools and 18,000 students. Working with domestic violence prevention, Honor Flight Alabama, and GFWC local keeps her closely connected to grassroots service.

Special Guests Continued:

Bill O’Neal: Sam Houston’s Soap Opera

Former Texas State Historian, Bill O’Neal is also an award-winning author. You are invited to celebrate our Texas Heritage at dinner on Wednesday, April 24. Known for his knack for telling a good story, O’Neal promises a lively and illuminating look into the life of General Sam’s third wife and greatest love, Margaret. The only woman to temper the indomitable hero of San Jacinto, Margaret was also the only woman to be First Lady of both the Republic of Texas and the state of Texas.

D’Anne Willis and Alicia Straley: Vocalists

D’Anne Willis and Alicia Straley, both members of the Pierian Club of Lampasas, will sing for their supper and entertain their fellow Federation club women after dinner on Thursday, April 25. Perhaps Lampasas’ (and Capitol District’s) best kept secret, they have become enormously popular not only for their extraordinary talents, but also for the remarkable and vibrant chemistry between them. Their friendship exudes a spirit that is contagious and adds its own unique sparkle to their performances.

PRELIMINARY AGENDA

Pre-Convention: Wednesday, April 24, 2019

3:30 – 5:00 p.m.	Registration	Pre Function ABC
3:30 – 6:00 p.m.	TFWC HF Trustees	Salon F
	TFWC Scholarship Committee	Salon G
	Long Range Planning Committee	Lone Star 1
	Nominating Committee	Lone Star 2
6:00-7:00 p.m.	Reception hosted by Crowne Plaza Austin	The Lounge
7:00 – 9:00 p.m.	Dinner	Salon AB
9:45 p.m.	Executive Committee Meeting	President’s Suite

Thursday, April 25, 2019

8:00 a.m. – Noon	Registration	Pre Function ABC
8:00 – 9:00 a.m.	Past District Presidents Meeting	Salon AB

Formal Opening – 122nd Annual Convention
GFWC Texas President Carol Habgood, Presiding

Dress – Business Casual

Salon DE

Business Meeting

9:30 a.m.	Call to Order	Carol Habgood
	Opening Ceremonies	
	Posting of the Colors	
	National Anthem	
	Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America	
	Texas Our Texas	
	Pledge to the Texas Flag	
	Thought for the Day	
	Welcome to Austin	Harrison Eppright
		Manager of Visitor Services/Tour Ambassador
		Austin Visitors' Center
	Response (Capitol District)	
	Greetings from GFWC	Suellen Brazil
		GFWC Second Vice President
	Introductions	Carol Habgood
	<i>Those seated at Head Table; Past State Presidents; State Life Members;</i>	
	<i>Texas Jennie Award Winners; LEADS Graduates; SCR Board of Directors Members from Texas; GFWC</i>	
	<i>Board of Directors Members from Texas; First Time Attendee</i>	
	Appointment of Minutes Approval Committee	
	Preliminary Credentials Report	Nan Park
	Presentation of Rules & Procedures	Patsy Troell
	Presentation of Program	Tina O'Connor
	Preliminary Registration Report	Barbara Menking
	Appointment of Pages, Tellers and Timekeepers	

President Carol Habgood
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Second Vice President Carolyn McLeod
Recording Secretary Fran Mask
HF Trustees Chairman Barbara Harvey
Scholarship Chairman Maridell Fryar
Finance Chairman Patricia Stevens
Parliamentarian Patsy Troell

Recommendations from the Executive Committee Fran Mask
Presentation of 2019-2020 Budget: Patricia Stevens
Proposed Amendments to bylaws: Patsy Troell
State Life Membership Recommendations Ernestine Shugart

Awards

Arts CSP	ESO
Conservation CSP	Home Life CSP
Education CSP	The Heart truth

12:00 p.m.

Lunch
Expression of Thanks

1:30 p.m.

Reconvene
Awards
International Outreach CSP
Public Issues CSP
GFWC Signature Program: Domestic Violence and Awareness Prevention
GFWC Juniors Special Program: Advocates for Children

2:30 p.m.

Recess
Workshop: Planning 2019 GFWC Annual Convention

4:30 p.m.

Counterparts Meetings TBD

Dinner

Dress – Sunday Attire

6:30 p.m. Expression of Thanks
Dinner
Entertainment

Outstanding Awards Presentation:

Outstanding Program
Outstanding Federation Day Program
Outstanding Americanism Program
Outstanding Juniorette
Club Woman Volunteer of the Year
LEADS Representative for 2019

Announcements

Recess until 9:30 a.m., Friday, April 26, 2019

9:00 p.m. Champagne/Dessert Reception Salon AB
Reception honoring GFWC Texas President Carol Habgood and GFWC Second Vice President Suellen Brazil

Friday, April 26, 2019

8:00- 9:00 a.m. ESO Meeting Lone Star Room

9:30 a.m. Reconvene Meeting Carol Habgood
Thought for the Day
In Memoriam
Presentation of New Life Members
Awards
 Texas Heritage
 Dollars for Delegates
 UT MD Anderson
Advancement Areas

Communications and Public Relations

Fundraising

Leadership

Legislation/Public Policy

Women's History and Resource Center

- 12:00 p.m. Expression of Thanks
Lunch
- 1:00 p.m. Guest SpeakerSuellen Brazil
GFWC Second Vice President
- 2:00 p.m. Awards
Photography Contests
Writing Contests
Yearbook Cover and Contents
- 5:30 p.m. Social Gathering
- 6:00 Processional formation
- 6:30 p.m. Dinner (Dress – After Five)
Expression of Thanks

Carol's Pearls

Dispensing their Pearls of Wisdom

Under the Direction of Kathy Horak Smith

Reports from the District Presidents (5 minutes each)

Alamo District —Louisa Franklin (Secretary to the District Presidents)

Capitol District—Sue Zane Faulkner

Caprock District— Fredda Schooler

Magnolia District —

Mesquite District — Kathryn Schonerstedt

Pioneer District—Kathy Horak Smith (President of the District Presidents)

Trinity District —Beth Hemby
Western District—ancy Williams

Announcements
Recess until 8:00 a.m. Saturday

Saturday, April 27, 2019

8:00 a.m. Legacy Club formation meeting.....Salon DE
9:00 a.m. Reconvene
Awards (if necessary)
Final Registration Report
Fundraising Report
Invitation to 123rd Spring Convention.....South Texas District
Closing CommentsSuellen Brazil
Closing Remarks President Carol Habgood
Club CollectIn Unison
“Let there be Peace”
Adjournment



GFWC Texas Members, join your federation sisters as hostesses to welcome our United States and International club friends for a true Austin, Texas evening on Friday, June 28, for GFWC Texas Lone Star State Night. You will be proud to see your state pictures, enjoy a steak dinner, and listen to some Western Swing. There will be a waltz or two, a bit of two-stepping, and some *Cotton Eyed Joe*. I can already hear the vocals of the band leader as he strikes a chord on the upright bass to kick off old favorites and original songs. The evening will certainly include a bit of “Stars at Night” as well as the American Trilogy to round out a night of Western Swing. See you there!



Ya'll Come!



Proposed amendments to TFWC bylaws:

The members of the TFWC Bylaws Committee are: Patsy Troell, chairman; Cindy Jackson; Mary Melton; Bobbie Brownlee; and Beth Lewellen.

Amendment 1: Establishing Cyber Clubs.

Amend **ARTICLE III-MEMBERSHIP, Section 1-Classification** by inserting a new paragraph B: TFWC Cyber Club: The TFWC Cyber Club shall be a General Club whose members pay per capita dues to TFWC and GFWC and whose purpose is germane to the objectives of TFWC but whose interaction is primarily done electronically. If adopted, subsequent paragraphs shall be relettered.

Current Wording:

SECTION I – Classification

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[If adopted, Junior Clubs becomes paragraph C and subsequent paragraphs are relettered.]

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Rationale: To provide a definition of the TFWC Cyber Club along with the other defined TFWC Classifications.

Conforming Amendment 1A: Insert a new Article XIV, defining procedures for a Cyber Club. If amendment 1 is not adopted, this amendment will not be considered. If amendment 1 and this conforming amendment are adopted, subsequent Articles will be renumbered.

Current Wording

Article XIV—Junior Clubs

SECTION 1: A club/department whose membership is composed of young women may be classified as a junior club.

SECTION 2: Junior clubs shall hold active membership in TFWC and shall participate in regular programs of TFWC and GFWC.

Proposed Amendment

Article XIV – GFWC Texas Cyber Club

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SECTION 4 – Programs and Projects

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Amendment 2: ARTICLE IX – EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, SECTION 1 - Membership

Add at the end of the paragraph: No TFWC Past President shall be eligible to serve on the executive committee in any capacity.

Current Wording

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Rationale: Clarifiers the current policy. The bylaws currently state that no TFWC Past President serving as a District Trustee (Article XII, Section 3, B4) or Scholarship Representative (Article XIII, Section 3, B4) shall be eligible to serve as Chairman of those entities. Therefore, they were not eligible to serve on the Executive Committee. When the remaining officers were elected, a TFWC Past President was not eligible to be elected to one of those positions. This amendment clarifies the policy since the Secretary became an appointed position and the Finance Chairman (an appointed position) was included as a member of the Executive Committee.

Amendment 3: Redesignating Articles XII and XIII to conform to language in the TFWC HF Trust Document:

Amend Article XII TFWC Historical Foundation and Article XIII TFWC Scholarship Committee by designating Article XII as TFWC Scholarship Committee and Article XIII as TFWC Historical Foundation. Content remains the same.

Rationale: To comply with the TFWC Historical Foundation Trust that stipulates that the TFWC Bylaws Article XIII will establish the procedures for the HF Trustees.

Proposed Budget 2019—2020

INCOME:

Dues:

TFWC	\$38,000.00	
GFWC	38,000.00	
City Federations	650.00	
Juniorette	84.00	
Members At Large	60.00	\$76,794.00

Income Other:

HF Lease	\$ 18,000.00	
Fall Board Meeting	9,000.00	
Spring Convention	10,000.00	
GFWC Convention	3,000.00	
Fundraisers	3,000.00	
Clubwoman Subscriptions	500.00	43,500.00

TOTAL INCOME \$ 120,294.00

EXPENDITURES:

GFWC Dues	\$ 38,000.00	
SCR Dues	50.00	
Speaker Gifts	500.00	
Miscellaneous Exp.	1,025.00	
District Presidents	1,350.00	
President	6,000.00	
President-elect	1,000.00*	
1 st Vice President	250.00	
2 nd Vice President	250.00	\$48,425.00

Board and Convention:

Fall Board	9,000.00	
Spring Convention	10,000.00	
GFWC Convention	3,000.00	22,000.00

Other Expenses:

Jennie Award	50.00	
LEADS	250.00	
Outstanding Clubwoman	100.00	
Fundraising Merchandise	1,500.00	
Special Proj./Charitable	1,500.00	3,400.00

Clubwoman Magazine:

Editor	3,575.00	\$ 3,575.00
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Payroll Expenses:

Salary	\$31,200.00	
Medicare	460.00	
Social Security	1,960.00	
Payroll Direct Deposit	150.00	\$ 33,770.00

Professional Fees:

CPA	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
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Office Expenses:

Copier Rental	2,560.00	
Quarterly Meter Read	100.00	
Office Supplies	900.00	
Postage	300.00	
TFWC Web/Domain	844.00	
Telephone	1,170.00	
Safety Deposit Box	80.00	
Printing	500.00	
Constant Contact	600.00	
Pay Pal	70.00	\$ 7,124.00

TOTAL EXPENDITURES \$ 120,294.00

Restricted Income (not part of Operations Budget)

Club Grant Fund Balance.....	4,142.00
Donations to General fund.....	110.00
Tx DVAP Balance.....	5,360.00
Donations Relief Fund Bal.....	880.00

Estimated Restricted Interest Income

UBS Scholarship Funds.....	3,700.00
UBS General Funds.....	1,200.00

*Paid in odd year.



GFWC Texas 122nd Spring Convention

Crowne Plaza Austin, 6121 North IH-35 Austin, Texas 78752



April 24-27, 2019 –Registration Form

Early Registration Deadline: April 5, 2019

Please use one form per person.

Name: _____ Position _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

District: _____ Club: _____

_____ Board Member/Delegate _____ Non-voting club member

_____ Guest (non-GFWC Texas member) _____ First Time Attendee

Registration & Meals

_____ \$15.00 Early Registration (by April 5). Late Registration: \$20.00

_____ \$35.00 **Wednesday Evening: *Sam Houston's Soap Opera***

Dinner and an evening with Bill O'Neal, former Texas Sate Historian

Pepper-crusteD pork loin with seasonal salad; Florentine rice; honey mint carrots; strawberry shortcake for dessert; iced tea/water/coffee.

_____ \$31.00 **Thursday Lunch: Soup, Salad, Baked Potato Bar** with sliced fruit; berries for dessert; iced tea/water/coffee.

_____ \$33.00 **Thursday Dinner: Chicken Cordon Bleu** with seasonal salad; mashed potatoes; Southern style green beans; iced tea/water/coffee.

Special entertainment by the Pierian Club of Lampasas

_____ n/c Followed by complimentary Champagne Dessert Reception (assorted cheesecake)

_____ \$24.00 **Friday Lunch: Cranberry Chicken Salad Sandwich** with home-made potato chips; key lime pie for dessert; iced tea/water/coffee.

_____ \$42.00 **Friday Dinner: Texas Roundup Buffet (Barbequed chicken and smoked brisket)**

with sliced fresh fruit and domestic cheese displays; country greens; Yukon Gold potato salad; pecan pie and chocolate cake for dessert; iced tea/water/coffee.

_____ Total: **\$180.00 with all meals and early registration**

\$185.00 with all meals and late registration.

Indicate special dietary needs: _____

Mail the completed registration form with your check payable to:

GFWC Texas

2312 San Gabriel, Austin, Texas 78705-5014

CREDENTIALS CARD

GFWC Texas 122nd Spring Convention

Deadline: Must be postmarked by April 5, 2019

OFFICIAL USE

Verified by Nan Park
Credentials Chairman

Name _____

Address _____

Date
Postmarked

Date
Received

Email _____ Phone _____

Mail to:

Nan Park
PO Box 84
Bowie, TX 76230

CHECK ONE:

Member of the Board of Directors:

- _____ State Officer (Elected or Appointed)
- _____ District Officer (Elected or Appointed)
- _____ Past State President
- _____ Trustee Rep. (1 per district)
- _____ Scholarship Rep. (1 per district)
- _____ State Life Member
- _____ State Honorary Member
- _____ Clubwoman Editor
- _____ Club President

- _____ State Appointed Chairman of Programs/Projects
- _____ State Standing Committee Member
(Bylaws, Resolutions, Finance)
- _____ State Project/Contest Chairman
- _____ State Convention Chairman
- _____ State Life Membership Committee Member

Delegates:

- _____ Club Delegate (One delegate per 15 members of your club; other than club president)
- _____ Juniorette Club (One delegate per club)

Name of Club _____

of members in Club _____ District _____