

Moving Forward

GFWC Kentucky Clubwoman Publication



November 2022



Arrow Talk

It is hard to believe that it is November. Time sure does fly when you're having a good time. AND what a good time we had in Lexington during SER. Ladies, you out did yourselves. I have received a number of text messages, phone calls, emails, and notes from ladies across the Region saying thank you for a great conference.

There is no way possible for me to thank you for coming, working, carryings, selling whatever you did for us during those 48 hours. The Executive Committee, thank you for doing what ever you were asked to do. Special thanks to Teresa Schmidt, Amy Mason, and Peggy Barnes. Ladies, you are the best. Barbourville Juniors and Sherri Hammons, Friday night's game night could not have happened without all of you. It was fun! Chrissi Cuel, your photo backdrop was a hit!

The hats! I wish you could have stood at the podium and looked out at all the hats! It was wonderful and I can't wait to see what it will look like when we gather with 600+ of our closest friends and see all the hats.

We will be calling on you soon, very soon to begin our work on the International Convention and especially State Night. For now, focus on your club and what your community needs during this holiday season. It's amazing that we are days away from Thanksgiving and the beginning of the Christmas season.

Soon it will be time to begin reporting for 2022. Hard to believe. Again, thank you for your help and kind words. Kentucky Rocks!

Keep Moving Forward Kentucky!

Susette



**Enjoy Your Holiday!
From the GFWC
Kentucky Officers!**



CONGRATULATIONS GFWC KENTUCKY!

Winner of the first

SER President's Special Project

"The need is great. The need is now."

Ladies, because of your generosity and willingness to give, GFWC Kentucky received this award on Saturday evening of the 2022 SER Conference because of what YOU did to assist our clubwomen and others in Eastern Kentucky. The project started out as something simple with the announcement given to you during the Summer Workshop; provide school supplies to a program in your community that could use them. Three days later, lives were changed, and the call was for gift cards to those in need along with school supplies. Between the end of July and the middle of September, you collected and donated over \$7700 in cash, gift cards and school supplies. That goes not even account for the number of books donated to reading centers for the elderly, school libraries, those who assisted with feeding people and assisting in the clean-up. You can't put a value on that.

We received a beautiful blue sapphire piece that will be at Headquarters and a check from SER for \$500. "The need is great. The need is now." That check will be donated to one of the programs that continues to feed people in Eastern Kentucky and provides food boxes for those who are still in need.

It was an honor to receive this recognition as your State President. Thank you for all you do each and everyday for those in need in your own community and especially throughout the Commonwealth.





Radcliff Woman's Club, P. O. Box 893,
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CELEBRATING 60 YEARS OF SERVICE

The Radcliff Woman's Club celebrated its 60th Anniversary, Saturday, October 22 at the Colvin Community Center. The event brought together club members to not only celebrate a "sweet 60 years of service to the community" with punch and cake but to also thank the community for their support which led to our success.

With the humble beginnings of a group of ladies playing card, the Radcliff Woman's Club was federated April 10, 1962 with 26 members. A small celebration marking 60 years was held at our April Membership Meeting. However, members expressed a desire celebrate with the community we love and to thank those who have supported and contributed to our success.

RWC has been heavily involved in the success and growth of Radcliff. The success of some of the projects were even more impactful when we collaborated with other civic-minded individuals and organizations.

Some of the larger projects the women have been involved with or completed through the years include the beautification of the City Park North, the purchase of benches and a picnic table at the Colvin Community Center and the Radcliff Resource Center, benches at Saunders Springs Nature Preserve, improvements to the Colvin Community Center, the "Save the Library" campaign, the opening of the Book Nook and all of the many scholarship recipients we have sponsored through the years.

Here's to another 60!

On behalf of the
Radcliff Woman's Club,

Julie Aldridge

Past and present members of the Radcliff Woman's Club get ready to cut the cake at their 60th Anniversary Celebration which include three charter members on the bottom left of the picture, Eula Clark, Alma Logsdon and Mary Agnes Sears.





**Welcome to our new
Education and Libraries State Chairman**

Sabra Jacobs

You can reach Sabra at:

sabra.jacobs@kctcs.edu

or 606-434-3702

Murray Woman's Club

The Garden Department of the Murray Woman's Club has adopted the entrance flower beds at Murray-Calloway County Park.



In the Spring, members plant blooming annuals and spread mulch. Members each take a week to weed and water the beds. Pictured are Carolyn Shown, Dena Phillips, Ellen Contri (Vice Chairman), and Barbara Brittain (Garden Department Chairman) following the Fall clean up prior to the first frost.

Dee Morgan, President
Murray Woman's Club

Barbourville Woman's Study Club

Members of the GFWC Barbourville Woman's Study Club gathered to decorate the Knox County Middle School Gym for the 2022 Daniel Boone Festival Feast dinner held in early October. Members of the club gathered flowers, cuttings of fall greenery and pumpkins to create a beautiful backdrop and table settings for the Feast. The club decorated 18 rows of tables with three additional tables set up at the last minute to accommodate the crowd of more than three hundred attendees this year.



Mary Beth Jewell



Congratulations to the **Pikeville Woman's Club** for a successful summer of FUNDRAISING! Our community will reap the rewards.

CIVIC ENGAGEMENT AND OUTREACH FOR GFWC KENTUCKY

Gale Vinson, Chair

HIGHLIGHTING OUR MILITARY PERSONNEL AND VETERANS

“Our debt to the heroic men and valiant women in the service of our country can never be repaid. They have earned our undying gratitude. America will never forget their sacrifice.” — Harry Truman (from GFWC 2022 – 2024 Manual)

REMEMBER our fallen U.S. Veterans. **HONOR** those who serve. **TEACH** your children the value of freedom.



DEADLINE

To order wreaths and or volunteer

WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA

For National Wreath Laying Day, DECEMBER 17, 2022



For more information, refer to past issues of GFWC KY Newsletters or wreathscrossamerica.org

Civic Engagement and Outreach are highlighted and encouraged, including Citizenship; Crime Prevention, Safety, and Disaster Preparedness; the Needy, Hungry, and Homeless; and Our Military Personnel and Veterans.

For November let's look within our own communities to make a positive impact on the workers for Crime Prevention, Safety, and Disaster Preparedness.

I challenge you to the 2022-2024 GFWC COMMUNITY CONNECTION INITIATIVE:

A LITTLE THANKS GOES A LONG WAY

Support and thank these local essential workers who may be left out at times of recognition: the City/ County street/road workers; sanitation workers; school bus drivers, and school cafeteria staff.



Consider making gift bags that include snacks, beverages, gift certificates, other small treats or necessities, with a handwritten thank you note.

OR make/design your own thank you cards with handwritten notes to distribute to the workers.

(card pictured on the left was made by one of the attendees at the GFWC Kentucky 2022 – 2024 Summer Workshop. KUDOS!)

THANK YOU! for thanking our Essential Workers!



Our SER Sponsors:

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*President Emeriti

Special thanks to our President Emeriti for their support and contributions: financially, by being at SER or by participating in the weekend.

You are all very special. *Susette*

Susan Alexander
 Pat Geveden
 Teresa Schmidt

Anne Aubrey
 Pat Harrington
 Donna Short

Peggy Barnes
 Romanza Johnson

GFWC KY Nominating Committee



Thanks to the Ladies who have agreed to serve on the
GFWC Kentucky Nominating Committee!

One of these ladies will be elected Nominating Committee Chairman
to coordinate the ballot for the 2024-2026 Executive Committee.

Voting will take place at the 2023 State Convention.

They are:

1st District - Gale Vinson, Murray Woman's Club

2nd District - Connie Pittman, Bowling Green Woman's Club

3/4 District - Yvonne High, Radcliff Woman's Club

5/6 District - Sharon Price, Florence Woman's Club

7/8 District - Brenda Rohrer, Pikeville Woman's Club

9th District - Preshus Howard, Barbourville Jr Woman's Study Club

In the event they can not attend, an alternate has been elected for
each District. Thank you to these ladies for agreeing to serve if needed.



In Honor of

Brenda Caldwell Stanley

45 year member

Williamstown Woman's Club

Happy Holidays and a Prosperous New Year from the **Prestonsburg Woman's Club!**



Okolona Woman's Club wishes you Happy Holidays and a Healthy, Happy New Year!

2023 Fall District Meeting Dates and Sites

September 16	District 7/8 Jackson
September 23	District 2 Madisonville
September 30	District 5/6 Bettie Carter Morgan
October 14	District 3/4 TBA
October 21	District 1 Murray
October 28	District 9 Somerset





SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4
BENTON WOMAN'S CLUB
HOLIDAY TOUR OF HOMES

1:00 – 4:30

We have an awesome lineup of homes all located within a short distance of the Benton Golf and Country Club. We will start the day at the clubhouse where desserts will be served beginning at 1:00 pm. We will also be exchanging your tickets for ambands that will grant you access to all the homes on the tour. A tour booklet including a map and information on the homes will be provided.



Desserts at Benton
Golf and Country
Club

Home of
Donnie & Stephanie
Youngblood

Home of
Todd & Ginger Young

Home of
Austin & Morgan
Beck

Home of
Debbie Beck

TICKETS

Advanced Tickets: \$25
On Day of Event: \$35

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Beechmont Woman's Club

Beechmont Woman's Club at 4516 South 6th Street, Louisville, is hosting a Holiday Bazaar and Bake Sale. They will be selling gifts, decorations, crafts and jewelry.

They hope to see you on **November 18** from 9 to 4 and **November 19** from 9 to 2.

Sounds like a fun time!



in Loving Memory

In Memory of Charter Member,
Janice Wilkinson

Hazel Woman's Club

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The Hazel Woman's Club recently hosted its annual Senior Citizen/ Veterans Appreciation Luncheon. Club members prepared and served the meal to approximately 50 guests. After the meal, we had a program of patriotic music and recognized 11 local veterans who were in attendance. We then presented each of them with a Veterans Coin in appreciation for their service. A drawing was held for door prizes donated by local businesses.

Elaine Paschall, President
Hazel Woman's Club





LIVERMORE

The **Livermore Woman's Club** sends congratulations to the city of Livermore for becoming a Certified Kentucky Trail Town!

To Learn more, visit:

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District 5/6 News

On October 1, 2022 District 5/6 enjoyed a fantastic meeting at Broadway Christian Church in Lexington, hosted by the Lexington Woman's Club. The Presidents of 5/6 shared the projects of their clubs from the past year. Governor Sharon Price shared her plan of work with the district entitled, "Moving Forward: One Step at a Time". This idea builds on the plan of GFWC KY President Susette Redwine. The district plan aims to bring the clubs in 5/6 together by encouraging them to make connections, support and help each other (and there will be prizes for participating!). There will also be information sent out on steps that each club President can take to move their clubs forward. Sharon is really looking forward to working with the Presidents and visiting all the clubs in the district.

Sharon Price

Wow!

 What fun we had hosting our annual SER Convention in

Lexington. It was great to see all of my Kentucky friends as well as making new friends from across our region. I discovered some exciting project ideas that I can't wait to share with our KY clubs to better our community.

Everyone was very generous and helpful to make Junior Fun Night a huge success. We charged ten dollars at the door and everyone could play as many games as many times as they wanted to. We had Plinko, Spin the Wheel, Rose Toss, Family Feud and the ever popular Derby Bingo. The state of Tennessee won the Family Feud game, but everyone had a great time with loads of laughs at some of the answers given. Our fun night was very successful as we raised \$585.00 which will be donated to my special project, MADD Kentucky (MADD stands for Mothers Against Drunk Drivers). There will be more information about MADD coming to your clubs in the near future.

I wish everyone a happy and healthy holiday season. Enjoy your families and make every moment count!

Sherri Hammons, Jr. Director

In Memory of

Billy Brown, a miller at the Historic Mill Springs Mill

and

Margie Koontz, member



Monticello Woman's Club

SER Highlights





Thank you notes we received from our SER Friends:



Hi Susette and Peggy,

Many thanks for all the wonderful gifts I received this past weekend. Special thanks for the brick with my name on it that will be display at the GFWC Kentucky Headquarters. Thursday evenings steak dinner and farm experience was wonderful. The Kentucky members were wonderful, and I look forward to working with all of you for our annual Convention in June. You did an amazing job.

Federation Hugs and Love,

Deb Strahanoski, GFWC President

Dear Susette, Sherri and Clubwomen,

I cannot begin to thank you enough for the very successful SER Conference held in Lexington. From beginning to end, the hospitality shown to John and me and the rest of the Region was about generous and heartfelt.

I am sure you are exhausted, and I hope are resting up for the holiday season. Please know how very grateful I am for your friendship, support, and dedication to SER! You are defiantly the jewels of the Federation.

Happy Holidays,

Bev Lassiter, SER President

Susette and Clubwomen,

Thanks, you for all the many hours and work you did to make the SER Conference such a success and so much fun. It is so good to see friends and make new ones. Please let your Kentucky clubwomen know I so appreciate all they did.

In Federation Love,

Katheryn Sowers, Past SER President

Susette, Sherri and GFWC Kentucky Members,

Congratulations on a fun and successful SER Conference. Our time in Lexington was great!

Thank you for the welcome gift and your friendship.

See YOU in Louisville!

Cathy Jo Bryant, West Virginia President

Susette,

What a great SER conference in Kentucky! Fabulous job to you and your Kentucky Ladies!

Take a breath and get ready for another great time in Kentucky in June 2023!

Thank you!

Natalie Hinkle, West Virginia member

Dear Susette and Kentucky Clubwomen,

Thank you for hosting the GFWC Southeastern Region 2022 Conference. It was amazing! You did an amazing job.

Thanks also for the courtesies extended to me. I love the towel and note cards.

However, I most value the friendships made.

Yours,

Sharon Sheridan, SER Secretary

Dear GFWC Kentucky Sisters,

What a terrific job putting the SER Conference together! You made it all look so simple but we know there were hours and hours of preparation to an event like this.

We can't wait to see what you have planned for the GFWC Convention in June.

Fondly,

Judi Stankowich, North Carolina member

Watch for updates to
website at GFWCKY.org

Moving Forward

Kentucky Clubwoman

Please submit stories and
photos for the newsletter for
your club, district, and/or state

Email items to:
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Our Past to Present

Kentucky Federation of Women's
Club (KFWC) was founded in July
1894 and was the fourth state to
federate with General Federation
of Women's Club (GFWC). In
Spring of 2012 KFWC voted to
change their name to GFWC
Kentucky.

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2023

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Make your reservation today!

November 2-5, 2023

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