



GFWC Arizona Clubwoman

President's Message:

Greetings,

The holidays are here and all of us are getting ready to celebrate in our own family's way with the traditions and customs we were raised with or developed with our loved ones over the years.

Why not consider a new tradition this year; be the voice of an animal. By this I mean help an animal in some way and in doing so, you become 'a voice of an animal'. Some ways you can become 'this voice' is by making a monetary donation to a No Kill animal shelter or sanctuary, volunteer at a

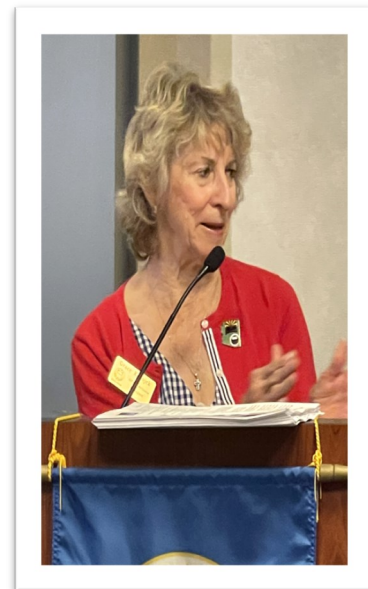


shelter, donate old towels, blankets, or sheets to help keep animals warm, find a wish list of a shelter/animal sanctuary and donate some items, or even adopt an older animal and give it a FOREVER HOME. Animals cannot tell us what they need, but we can be their voice. Many 'voices' together can make a HUGE difference for these needy animals.

On behalf of the Executive Committee, you are wished a wonderful holiday season. May you and your loved ones stay healthy and safe and enjoy a happy New Year; 2023!

Grace

'The Value of One,
the Power of Many,
Creates a WE CAN DO IT!
Attitude.'



Grace Kobjek
GFWC-AZ President

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Please excuse the tardiness of the winter 2023 GFWC—AZ Clubwoman Newsletter.

Shelley

GFWC and GFWC-AZ Dues Review

GFWC and GFWC-AZ Dues were due by December 1st, 2022. If you haven't yet, please remit \$20 per capita to the GFWC-AZ Treasurer. Dues are delinquent after January 15th, 2023. New members who have joined clubs between January 15th and March 15th should have their dues sent to the state treasurer by March 31, 2023.



Debbie Grieder
Treasurer

Make checks payable to: GFWC-AZ Treasurer. Send dues to: Debbie Grieder, GFWC-AZ Treasurer, 3014 E. Topeka Drive, Phoenix, AZ 85050.

District dues of \$2 per capital are also due by December 1, 2022. Remit the to your respective district treasurers.

Make checks payable to: GFWC-AZ (District) Treasurer:

Central District Treasurer: Luanne Davis, 651 W. Strahan Drive, Tempe, AZ 85283

Southern District Treasurer: Joy Mims, 4464 Big Bend Street, Sierra Vista, AZ 85650

Southwestern District Treasurer: Beverly Owens, P.O. Box 939, Salome, AZ 85348

Use the dues form on page 19 to remit dues if you have not done so.

“How well we communicate is determined not by how well we say things, but how we are understood” Andrew Grove

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Is Anybody Listening?

Effective leaders are effective listeners. A strong leader knows that we learn more from listening than from speaking. One useful tool to improve our listening skills is to practice the art of Active Listening. Active Listening is a way of listening and responding with the goal of improving mutual understanding. It can help move our goals forward, solve problems and defuse tense situations. Active Listening ensures that people feel heard and valued.

As leaders, we can sharpen our Active Listening skills by practicing the following techniques:

- ♥ Strive to remain calm and patient.
- ♥ Don't assume that you know what the speaker thinks or feels.
- ♥ Give your full attention to understanding, as opposed to thinking about what you want to say next.
- ♥ Use non-verbal cues to demonstrate that you are listening. Make eye contact, nod your head, lean into the speaker.
- ♥ Use brief verbal affirmations such as, "I see, Sure, I think I understand, I hear you, Thank you."
- ♥ Ask clarifying questions. Examples might include; "Are you saying...? Do you think...? How do you feel about...?"
- ♥ Summarize or paraphrase what you think you heard. Examples are: "I hear you saying..., It sounds like your opinion is...., Based on your experience you believe...".
- ♥ Then wait for affirmation that you have interpreted their remarks correctly. If not, be open to asking clarifying, open ended questions until you do understand what they are saying.
- ♥ Delay expressing your opinion until you have fully heard the speaker's perspective.



Suzanne Blomme
Leadership Chairman

"Listening is such a simple act. It requires us to be present, and that takes practice. We don't have to advise, or coach, or sound wise. We just have to be willing to listen."
Margaret Wheatley

Active Listening goes beyond simply hearing what the other person has to say. It seeks to understand both the meaning and the intent behind their words. The use of Active Listening techniques will enrich your communication skills. It will help you build meaningful relationships, benefiting you personally and your club as a whole.

"The biggest communication problem is we do not listen to understand. We listen to reply"
Stephen Covey

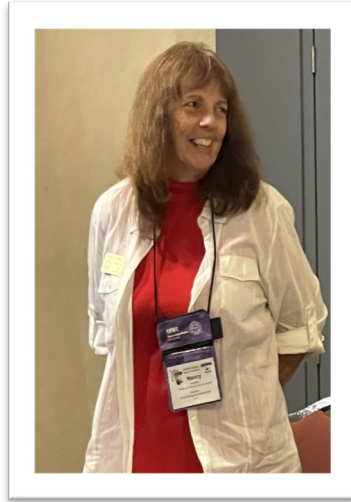
Membership

The GFWC Member Portal has a comprehensive digital library of members-only resources and documents to help clubs and individuals make a difference in their communities through volunteer service. MemberSuite, the system hosting the members-only digital library, allows documents to be downloaded much faster than was previously possible here on this page. The digital library in the Portal also has a more advanced filing system, making it easier to find files.

After logging in to the Portal, click on “My Digital Library” under the profile icon in the upper right corner and select the GFWC Resources folder. The top folder contains an Index listing where all of the documents are filed in the A–Z Resources folders. Among the many resources exclusively available in the Portal, the members-only “My Digital Library” includes:

- ♥ The 2022–2024 Club Manual
- ♥ GFWC emblem and logo files
- ♥ Icons for the Special Programs and Community Service Programs
 - Resolutions
 - Resources for recruiting and building your club membership
- ♥ And many more resources and documents!

If you do not see your question covered in the FAQs, please don't hesitate to email GFWC@GFWC.org.



Nancy Holihan
Membership Chair

LEADS

Mary Smalling
2023 LEADS Chair

Does your club have a member who has leadership qualities that can be developed into better use in your club?

Now is the time to take advantage to develop those skills in her. LEADS (Leadership, Education and Development Seminar) is held at each International Convention. Each state is allowed one candidate to attend this fantastic and fun seminar.

As LEADS chairman, I am looking for that candidate for the state of Arizona. I am asking each club to submit a member whose leadership skills can be developed for greater use for club, district and state leadership.

In your club resource manual you will find more information and the application to be filled out and sent to me. The deadline is February 1, 2023, for the June 2023 International Convention in Kentucky. Included with the application, you will need to send two (2) letters of recommendation and a picture. Send this information to me, Mary Smalling at 205 S Higley Rd., #170, Mesa, AZ 85206. If you have questions please call me at 719-339-0169 or email me at mcesbs@cox.net.

On a personal note, I was the 2019 candidate for Arizona. Attending this seminar was a highlight for me. I had been trained in leadership since I was 10 years old in 4H in Iowa. I thought I had a pretty good handle on leadership. After being at this seminar, I realized how much more I had learned about being a leader and how to better implement my leadership skills. I personally urge you to select a person and submit an application for her to be the candidate from Arizona.

I look forward to reading the applications and working the candidate to prepare for the convention.

Communications/Public Relations

Question & Answer

QUESTION:



Dear Shelley,

As the new communications chair for my club, I inherited an old Facebook page. It hasn't been updated for a year or so. I want to use Facebook to our club's advantage, but I'm not sure where to start.

Signed, *Newbie*

ANSWER:

Dear Newbie,

Thank you for the great question! I'm sure many clubs are experiencing the same thing as they transition from one chair to the next. Here are a few tips to refresh your club's Facebook page:

On the main page, clearly post:

1. **GFWC Logo** (identify your brand)
2. **Name and mailing address** of your club
3. **Meeting time(s) and place**
4. Club **contact information** including phone, email and website if applicable
5. **Current pictures** of club member Activity

Remember, your club's Facebook page represents your club and GFWC. Avoid political posts, meaningless jokes and memes, and/or personal information. Post regularly, but not too frequently. An informative post Once a week keeps followers informed but not annoyed.

Have a communications question? Please contact Shelley at ironranger8@msn.com. Your inquiry might be featured in the next newsletter!



Shelley Robinson

Communications Chair

GFWC-AZ Communication "Just for Laughs"



<http://TheFunnyPlace.org>

GFWC Affiliate Partners

By Celene Post, Affiliate Chair



Canine Companions, established in 1975, is the largest non-profit provider of service dogs in the United States. Their goal is to place service dogs to all eligible applicants and reduce wait times for individuals who would benefit from a service dog.

As the leader of the service dog industry, Canine Companions helps to provide independence for children, adults, and veterans with disabilities through expertly trained service dogs. The service dogs assist people with multiple sclerosis, cerebral palsy, spinal cord injury, stroke, and veterans with post-traumatic stress disorder and more.

After the puppies are born, they spend about 8 weeks with a volunteer caretaker, before being placed with puppy raisers for the next 18 months. They receive lots of socialization, love, attention, and activities to prepare for their future. Next, the dogs receive their professional training for 6 months. Finally, the dogs enter team training, a two-week intensive training where recipients are matched with their new service dogs and learn to work together as a team.

Canine Companions does charge for service dogs, as a result the organization depends on private funding through donations from individuals, corporations, and community organizations. Canine Companions is committed to the highest standards in the training, placement, utilization, and education around the service dogs.

Arts & Culture

Kathy Chesser, Chair

Now that clubs are in full swing, tell your stories. What wonderful projects are you working on for Arts and Culture?

Please make sure your \$5 donations from every member in your club reaches the Francis Willard Munds fund. We are making our mark for the future generations of Arizona women and our voting rights.

PVJWC has attended 2 Women's Orchestra of Arizona concerts, the October 23rd concert: "Drama Queen & Kings," and the November 20th concert: "Messiah Sing-Along." We also attended a session at Ben's Bells and were rewarded with a Ben's Bell to place in the community promoting the "Be Kind" effort.

Be sure you're filling out the Arts and Culture report forms and turn them in to your Reports Chairwomen of your club. Reports are due February 1, 2023.



I have found that among its other benefits, giving liberates the soul of the giver.

Maya Angelou

GFWC Women's History and Resource

PRESERVE the PAST, PROMOTE the PRESENT,
and INSPIRE the FUTURE



Have you or your Club signed up to become a Friend of the Women's History and Resource Center? It is well worth the investment.

There is a wonderful article about WHRC in the Winter 2023 Club-woman Magazine that is fresh off the press. In getting to know the new librarian, Joanna Church,

you can get caught up in why she is so excited to be working with our archives. This is a wonderful introduction to some of the many interesting things we can find in the resource center.

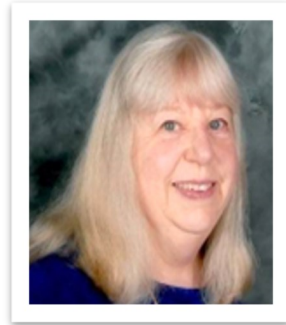
Have you started to plan your Club activities for Women's History Month?

What about the stories of the women that are gracing our quarters these days.

- ♥ Maya Angelou – celebrated writer, performer, and social activist
- ♥ Dr. Sally Ride – physicist, astronaut, educator, and first American woman in space
- ♥ Wilma Mankiller – first woman elected principal chief of the Cherokee Nation
- ♥ Nina Otero-Warren – a leader in New Mexico's suffrage movement and the first woman superintendent of Santa Fe public schools
- ♥ Anna May Wong – first Chinese American film star in Hollywood

The American Women Quarters Program is a four-year program featuring contributions in a variety of fields, including, but not limited to, abolition, art, civil rights, government, humanities, science, space, and suffrage. How will you present these outstanding women to your Club members?

Don't forget report writing season is right around the corner. Take a moment and think of the ways you engaged with the WHRC. Did you circulate the fall newsletter? What else did you do? Looking forward to reading all your reports.



Dianne Maki-Sethi,
WHRC Chair



**Get a Shot.
Give a Shot. ®**

By Dianne Maki-Sethi,

If you get an immunization – a flu, COVID-19, or other vaccine– at Walgreens during our **Get a Shot. Give a Shot. ®** partnership, you can help provide a lifesaving vaccine to a child in need.

Go a step further to protect kids around the world. Take a photo of yourself getting your shot and send it to dianne@makisethi.com and we will post it on the GFWC-AZ group Facebook site to encourage others to do the same!

Here is a message to go along with your photo:

“I got my flu/COVID-19 shot at @Walgreens during their #GetaShotGiveaShot promotion not only to protect my own health, but to help protect children around the world so they have a healthy @shotatlife. Join me: [walgreens.com/giveashot](https://www.walgreens.com/giveashot) #VaccinesforAll”

GFWC Legislative/Public Policy

Terry Odhner, Legislative/Public Policy Chair

GATHERING FACTS AND WORKING FOR CHANGE

The desire of GFWC clubwomen to improve our communities is our fundamental call to service. This requires that we impact the laws and regulations that apply at every level of government. “Embracing Legislative Involvement” is how it happens. The goal of legislative involvement is to achieve practical solutions to existing problems. How does a GFWC club or GFWC clubwoman get started? Most of us are not politicians or lobbyists. It is not hard to “Embrace Legislative Involvement” but we have to be willing to make a little effort and go outside our normal comfort box.

Legislative Involvement is a multi-step process at each level of government. Each step naturally leads to the next step. Some are more time consuming. Some are more uncomfortable if you are reserved in character. However, every GFWC Clubwoman can “Embrace Legislative Involvement” even if we are not comfortable doing every step alone. Working as the great team members we are, each step gets done and we accomplish the goal – fixing a problem! If you break down the process of “Embracing Legislative Involvement”, it does not look like the daunting task we assume it to be.

Here are the GFWC seven (7) suggested steps:

- Step 1:** Identify the issue that concerns you
- Step 2:** Identify the applicable GFWC Resolution
- Step 3:** Educate yourself about the issue(s)
- Step 4:** Determine who the decision-makers are for your issue
- Step 5:** Get to know the decision-makers
- Step 6:** Educate the decision-makers regarding your issue(s)
- Step 7:** Follow Up! Follow Up! Follow Up!



Sign up for the Legislative Action Center (on the GFWC website). It is a powerful tool to alert you to GFWC’s public issues and advocacy efforts. Track bills, contact your local representative and take action on issues germane to GFWC Resolutions.

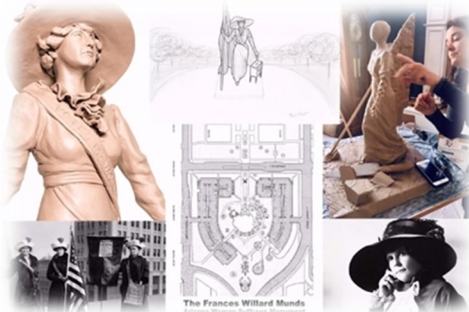
Partnership Honors “Silent Sentinels” to Promote Voting

*Tucson
Silent Sentinels*



The purpose of **Silent Sentinel** event was to help create an awareness and remind the community to vote on 11/8/22. GFWC-AZ thanks all GFWC-AZ clubs that participated in the “Silent Sentinel” event on Saturday, November 5th from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm.

WHO WAS FRANCES WILLARD MUNDS?



Frances Munds was an American suffragist and a leader of the suffrage movement within Arizona, who fought tirelessly to obtain the vote for women. After achieving her goal of statewide women’s suffrage, she went on to become a member of the Arizona Senate more than five years before ratification of the 19th amendment to the United States. She lived in Prescott, and passed away there at the age of 82.

One of the President’s ACTIONS for 2022-2024 is (#5) FIVE FOR FRANCES. This ACTION is all about helping fund the Frances W. Munds bronze statue which will be erected in Wesley Bolin Plaza near the state capitol grounds. Each club member is asked to donate \$5 which will help with the cost of finishing the statue. This will be the only statue in Arizona of a single women honored for her work in Arizona.

Send your Five For Frances donations to our GFWC-AZ Treasurer: Debbie Grieder 3014 E. Topoka Phoenix, AZ 85050. On the memo line, please designate the check for the FIVE FOR FRANCES FUND. Thank you to the *GFWC Woman’s Club of Safford* for sending in their \$5 per member donation for the FIVE FOR FRANCES FUND!

<https://azwomenshistoryalliance.org/local-artist-chosen-as-the-sculptor-for-the-francis-willard-munds-statue/>

GFWC-AZ Club Highlights



GFWC Peoria-West Valley Woman's Club News

The Peoria-West Valley Woman's Club members wanted to help an Affiliate Organization. Club P resident, Mickey Dunlap found the perfect workday project; No, No Armbands for Operation Smile. Operation Smile is a GFWC Affiliate, whose mission is to help provide free cleft surgery for children, was a very worthwhile workday project for the members. This surgery takes as little as 45 minutes.

A No-No Armband is a cute tie-on armband which is tied to both arms at the elbow which doesn't allow a child, whose surgery is finished, to touch the surgical area until enough healing time occurs. The armbands are made of fun, child-friendly material which has narrow pockets that holds wooden tongue depressors. The armband is 'stiff' and doesn't allow the child to touch the area. All members thought this was a fun and worth-while project. (Pictured from left: Mickey Dunlap, Sharon Alves, Joan Couch, Rose Utter)

GFWC Paradise Valley Jr. Woman's Club

Ten lovely and dedicated members of PVJWC went to Ben's Bells on Wednesday, November 16, Laurie Carter, Kathy Chesser, Danny Chesser, Maya Coffee, Betts Fillhouer, Barb Guerrero, Joan McDonald, Jane Miller, Andrea Orose, and Jody Taylor. We painted medallions that will be given to people for being kind. We painted each medallion 4 times so the colors would be very bright when the ceramic pieces are fired. We painted from 10:00 am to 11:30 am.

We heard the story about Ben, who was only 3 when he passed away. His one wish was for everyone to be kind to each other. His mother started the nonprofit in Tucson, and it has grown so there is a studio in Phoenix as well. Robin made sure each of us got a Ben's Bell to hang in a public place so that someone walking by the bell can read the card and take the bell home. After cleaning up we went to lunch at Matt's Big Breakfast, that was quite a treat after working so hard.



**Ben's
Bells**



GFWC-AZ Club Highlights

Mount Lemmon Women's Club (MLWC)

For several year the Mount Lemmon Women's Club (MLWC) has provided support to Catalina Village Assisted Living Center a residential facility for seniors and people needing an assisted living environment. Catalina Village provided for the physical and emotional needs of the residents in a safe community. MLWC members donated items for the residents throughout the year and organized and in December put on a Holiday Market for the residents using items donated and purchased items that have been collected. This year Catalina Village was converted to low-income housing only so that the services of the MLWC were no longer needed. After learning of the transition of Catalina Village the club met and decided to increase the level of our support for another important community resource for a different underserved population, More Than a Bed.

The goal of More Than a Bed is to ensure that every child in the foster care system has a safe place to call home. To achieve this goal More Than a Bed focuses its activities to help inspire the community to get involved in the life of a foster child, support the families providing care, encourage new families to become licensed and help existing foster families to maintain their license.

Services provided by More Than a Bed in 2021 reached

- 2091 children (798 new children)
- 727 families (319 new families)
- 6 AZ counties, including Pima County

Provided

- 412 beds from cribs to bunk beds
- 1768 total packs
- 801 items of baby gear (including car seats and strollers)
- 2252 bags of clothes
- 3086 pairs of shoes
- 10,122 toys

Throughout 2022 MLWC members have made several in-kind donations of clothing and household supplies to families including shoes, toys, clothes, towels, binders, mirror, calendars, new toothbrushes, new travel containers, bedding, backpacks, men's and women's clothing, toys, puzzles, and games. In addition, MLWC members have made cash donations to More Than a Bed to demonstrate our support for the work that they do so that every child in the child welfare and foster care system may have a safe place to call home.

At the MLWC Holiday Brunch on December 2, we collected new, unwrapped toys for More Than a Bed.

GFWC-AZ Club Highlights

GFWC Buckeye Woman’s Club

On November, 10, 2022, GFWC Buckeye Woman’s Club hosted a Shopping Boutique at their clubhouse. It was a huge success. About 20 vendors donated to the club for space to sell their wares. Items included jewelry of various types, pottery, organic hand-made soap, candles, knitted and crocheted items, paintings and many decorative pieces. There was also a food truck selling nachos and fry bread. Everyone had a great time. Lots of buying and selling going on all evening. The vendors wanted to know when we’ll do it again. Maybe in the spring.



Morristown & Hassayampa Women’s Clubs

Club members from the Morristown and Hassayampa women’s clubs teamed up for an innovative fundraiser during the four corner state bluegrass festival in November.

Amid the lyrical sound of fiddle, mandolin, flat top guitar and banjo. The members sold 50-50 tickets and made six presentations of cash to winning attendees throughout the weekend!

The annual event is hosted by the Wickenburg Chamber of Commerce, and it’s one of the oldest Bluegrass festivals in the Southwest.



GFWC-AZ Club Highlights

Tempe Woman's Club News: City of Tempe Recognizes Advocates for Children Week

Tempe Mayor Corey Woods proclaimed the week of October 23-29, 2022 Advocates for Children Week. He issued a formal proclamation that was read into the City Council meeting minutes of October 20, 2022 recognizing the work of the GFWC Tempe Woman's Club and its commitment to improving the physical and emotional well-being of children in Tempe and throughout Arizona.

Tempe Woman's Club Advocates for Children committee chair, Michele Brown, initially contacted the Mayor's office to educate the staff on the importance of Advocates for Children Week. Following guidelines she researched on the GFWC website, she outlined the Club's work and cited projects the Club has done to benefit children. Some of the Club's projects include pajama bags for foster kids, cozy blankets and pillows and story books for kids whose moms are in rehab, and a toy drive for underserved kids at Christmas time. Michele followed up with phone calls and emails to make the Advocates for Children Week proclamation official.

GFWC Huachuca Jrs

Hello AZ-GFWC Members,

My name is Cathleen. I am the GFWC Huachuca Jrs Secretary/Media(Southern AZ-Sierra Vista/Huachuca City area). I have enjoyed being a GFWC Huachuca Jrs member for 8-years.

Our meetings are more like "Dinner with Friends", we meet on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at a restaurant chosen previously at our last meeting. One of our yearly projects is Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child, this year we prepared 25 boxes for delivery.

We have monthly projects, collecting for our food banks and schools in our community, making and delivering crocheted lap blankets for nursing home residents, donating homemade holiday gift baskets to shelters so they know that they are thought of in their time of need.

The ladies in our club are so generous with time, donations, craft-making and ideas to contribute to our growing society.

I'm so proud to be a part of something that really does make a difference in our community.

~Cathleen,
GFWC Huachuca Jrs-Secretary/Media



GFWC-AZ Club Highlights

VISAWEN Women's Club

Saturday, November 19, the VISAWEN Women's Club held the big Holiday Bazaar in Salome, AZ, and more than \$2300 was raised to enhance the community grants program. Members worked hard, making quilts, as well as many other handmade goods. In addition they made pies, cakes, bread, cookies and candies for the huge bake sale.

Kathy Cantrell



“Things that matter most must never be at the mercy of things that matter least.”

Johann Wolfgang von Goethe

QUESTIONS ABOUT REPORT WRITING?



Don't stress about report writing. If you have questions, we will get the answers to you. There will be a question-and-answer session in early January to address any questions you may have regarding all aspects of report writing. Look for the date in a E-NEWS Alert communique.

Reminder: A copy of all reports are due

February 1, 2023

to 1st Vice President Sue Shipley AND to your District Program Chairman.

GFWC-AZ STATE CONVENTION Hotel Information

Dear GFWC-AZ Sisters,

Wishing you a safe and very happy 2023.

Your GFWC-AZ Convention Chairman, along with a few other state officers, and I have been working diligently to find an acceptable venue for the

May 5-7

GFWC-AZ Convention.

When researching, we always have many different items to keep in mind, among them, location, price of room, price of meals, accessibility, service charges, and taxes to name a few.

The Executive Committee wants our meetings to be affordable in today's world. We all know prices have increased in every area. Venues for our meetings have increased too. Along with the room charge, there is an up to 25% service charge too, and as always tax to be paid.

We have put together a great package for everyone....more news on that later. Here is the most essential information needed to reserve a room:



Copy and paste into your browser:

<https://www.holidayinn.com/redirect?path=rates&brandCode=HI&localeCode=en®ionCode=1&hotelCode=PHXME&checkInDate=05&checkInMonthYear=042023&checkOutDate=07&checkOutMonthYear=042023&PMID=99801505&GPC=GFW&cn=no&viewfullsite=true>

Room Reservation Details:

Holiday Inn Suites

Mesa/ Chandler

1600 South Country Club Drive.

Mesa, AZ 85210

→ **CODE: GWC**

480- 964-7000

A King Bed or 2 Queen Beds are both \$129 per night. The reservation includes 2 breakfasts per room. Up to 4 may stay in the same room, but more than 2 per room will pay \$10 for breakfast if breakfast is wanted. A full, hot buffet breakfast is served.

Amenities: Rooms come with a mini- fridge and microwave. Laundry service and room service available. A nice restaurant with bar service is available. There is a huge pool, lots of parking, and our meeting rooms are generous in size. Accessible rooms are available, if needed. Sign up early to reserve one of these. There is also plenty of room for all clubs to have a 6 foot table.

You can reserve a room on-line or via direct with the hotel direct at 480-964-7000.

CODE: GWC

MAY 5- 7 2023.

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Grace Kobjek,
GFWC-AZ President
2022-2024

Who's Who in GFWC AZ 2022—2024

GFWC-AZ Executive Committee

President , Grace Kobjek
 1st VP (Programs), Sue Shipley
 2nd VP (Membership), Nancy Holihan
 Recording Secretary, Virginia Chang
 Treasurer, Debbie Grieder
 Corresponding Secretary, Virginia Chang
 Parliamentarian, Penny Peterson
 Central District President, Grace Kobjek
 Southern District President, Lee Swearengin
 Southwestern District President, Jeni O'Callaghan

GFWC-AZ Community Service Program Chairs

Arts & Culture, Kathy Chesser
 Photo Contest, Nancy Holihan
 Environment, Bernadine McCollum
 Education/Libraries, Randy Rummage
 Writing Contest, Leslie Brown
 ESO, Sharon Brunk
 HOBY, Terri Huber
 Civic Engagement, Rosalie Dialessi
 Canine Companions, Judy Isaacson
 Health & Wellness, Joan Stempski
 Affiliates Chairman, Celene Post
 We Can Do It! Actions Chair, Grace Kobjek

“ It's a mistake to think we listen only with our ears. It's much more important to listen with the mind, the eyes, the body, and the heart. Unless you truly want to understand the other person, you'll never be able to listen.”
 Mark Herndon

GFWC-AZ Advancement Program Chairs

Communications/Public Relations/Website
 & Newsletter, Shelley Robinson
 Facebook (Group), Jeni O'Callaghan
 Facebook (Page) Co-chairs, Jeni
 O-Callaghan & Shelley Robinson
 Fundraising Co-chairs, Heather Brott &
 Sue Webb-Taylor
 Opportunity Drawing, Lois Taylor
 Leadership, Suzzanne Bloome
 LEADS, Mary Smalling
 Legislation/Public Policy, Terry Odhner
 Membership, Nancy Holihan
 Women's History and Resource Center,
 Dianne Maki-Sethi

“ None of us is as smart as all of us.” Peter B. Grazier

GFWC-AZ Special Program Chairs

Domestic Violence Awareness and
 Prevention, Linda Kenrich
 Junior Special Program: Advocates for
 Children, Kirsten Smith

Need Contact information?

Go to the GFWC-State website!

Please create an account to have access
 to GFWC-AZ private pages on the
 GFWC-AZ website. Private pages list
 contact information for all officers
 and Program Chairs.



The World In Pictures Contest

These photographs showcase the people, places, and things at home and around the world that impact our lives in a meaningful way, as expressed in these three categories:

- **Our World Up Close**—Create a visual that offers a novel viewpoint or a macro image that takes the viewer into a whole new, tiny world. Macro photography creates photos of small items that are larger than life. Some common examples are bugs or parts of flowers.
- **Natural Wonders**—Use wide angles and panoramas, or changeable landscape images, to showcase mountains, meadows, sandhills, rivers, waterfalls, oceans, deserts, or any other magnificent vista.
- **Reflections**—Feature a setting, situation, or landmark that brings back poignant memories, or capture a fleeting image reflected in glass, water, or another mirrored surface.

GFWC LIVING THE VOLUNTEER SPIRIT CONTEST

These photographs capture the special moments in the lives of GFWC clubwomen as they meet, plan, advocate, volunteer, or celebrate, in groups or one-on-one

RULES FOR PHOTOGRAPHY CONTESTS

- Photographs must be the original work of the member submitting the photograph.
- All contest photographers must be dues paying members of an active GFWC club.
- Photographs for the first year of the Administration must be taken between January 1, 2022, and December 31, 2022.
- Photographs for the second year of the Administration must be taken between January 1, 2023, and December 31, 2023.
- Contestants must be considered an amateur photographer.

PHOTOGRAPHS FOR STATE JUDGING

Printed Photography Submissions:

- Photographs may be vertical/portrait or horizontal/landscape.
- Photographs must be the original work of the member submitting the photograph.
- Each photograph must be an 8 X 10-inch print.
- All photographs must be mounted on a rigid 8 X 10-inch board and overall thickness may not exceed 3/8 inch. No mattes, frames, or hangers are to be included.
- Photographs may be taken using film or with digital cameras and may be color or black and white.
- Printed photographs will not be returned.

Each photograph must have a label affixed to its back with the following information: Contest name: *World in Pictures* with category or GFWC Living the Volunteer Spirit

Photographer's Name, Email Address, Mailing Address, and Phone Number

Name and State of the sponsoring club

Title and a brief caption giving location, date, and other pertinent information about the photograph

- o Arrow indicating the top of the photograph



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CONTEST

GFWC Writing Contests: GFWC Members & Youth K-12

Leslie Brown, GFWC-AZ Writing Contest Chairman

TO WRITE means more than putting pretty words on a page;

THE ACT OF WRITING is to share a part of your soul with the World.

Dear GFWC Arizona Members,

Are you a closet writer but don't let others know it? Do you only show your writing creations to certain people? Your GFWC sisters would love to read your creative work. Tell a story, share your thoughts and feelings, let your voice be heard!

Submit your original writing, either a short story or poetry, to Leslie Brown, GFWC-AZ Writing Contest Chairman by February 8, 2023.

There is also a Youth Writing Contest. You might collaborate with a local school, perhaps a certain grade level or just a classroom. There are 4 Categories: Grades K, 1-2; 3-5; 6-8 and 9-12.

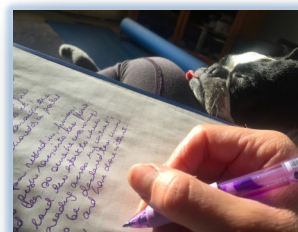
Living the Volunteer Spirit,

Leslie

Frequently Asked Questions:

- Manuscripts will not be returned. Authors should keep a copy.
- By submitting your short story or poem to GFWC, you are providing GFWC with a royalty-free perpetual license to use, reproduce, post, display, create derivative works, sell, license the work in any media known or later invented without limitation, for commercial or noncommercial purposes.
- A completed and signed GFWC Creative Arts Waiver must be submitted with each entry.

For more information,
please refer to page 29 of the
GFWC-AZ Resource
Handbook 2022-2024
Under GFWC Writing
Contests
www.gfwcarizona.org
OR Contact Leslie Brown,
lesliepvjr@cox.net





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GFWC Arizona Membership Dues Form

GFWC-AZ Dues - General/Junior Clubs

- ▶ Remit dues of \$20 per capita by December 1st to the GFWC-AZ Treasurer. Dues are delinquent after January 15th.
- ▶ New members joining between January 15th and March 15th remit dues of \$20 per capita by March 31.
- ▶ Check made payable to: GFWC AZ Treasurer
- ▶ Mail to: Debbie Grieder, GFWC-AZ Treasurer, 3014 E. Topeka Drive, Phoenix, AZ 85050
- ▶ Mail form below with dues.

GFWC-AZ District Dues - General/Junior Clubs

- ▶ Remit dues of \$2 per capita by December 1st to the GFWC-AZ District Treasurer. Dues are delinquent after January 15th.
- ▶ Make check payable to: GFWC-AZ (District) Treasurer
- ▶ Mail to respective District Treasurer listed below.

GFWC-AZ Central District Treasurer Luanne Davis 651 W. Strahan Drive Tempe, AZ 85283 602-460-7512	GFWC-AZ Southern District Treasurer Joy Mims 4464 Big Bend Street Sierra Vista, AZ 85650 520-803-9637	GFWC-AZ SW District Treasurer Beverly Owens P.O. Box 939 Salome, AZ 85348 925-550-1362
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Detach and Mail with Dues Payment

Club Name _____

District _____ **Number of Members Paid** _____

Club President's Name _____

Address _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Number of New Members _____

Club Name _____

District _____ **Number of Members Paid** _____

Club President's Name _____

Address _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Number of New Members _____

NEWSLETTER FEEDBACK REQUESTED

Thank you for reading the Winter 2023 edition of the GFWC-AZ Clubwoman. As the editor, I value your review and feedback of this edition. Would you please take a few minutes to email me your constructive feedback? I appreciate your efforts to help make the GFWC-AZ Newsletter meet the needs of all GFWC-AZ clubs.

Please email your feedback to: **ironranger8@msn.com**

“ Feedback is the breakfast of champions” Ken Blanchard and Spencer Johnson, The One Minute Manager

Submit your article for the March 2023

(Winter Edition of the GFWC-AZ Clubwoman)

The goal of the GFWC-AZ newsletter is to provide timely, accurate and representative information to all GFWC-AZ clubs in Arizona. As editor, I am seeking articles from every club in the state. The article may be a brief mention of an activity with a picture or a longer human interest story.

When you submit your article, please:

1. Email it to me: Shelley Robinson at ironranger8@msn.com.
2. Attach pictures to the same email as your article.
3. Call, text or email me if you have questions or would like assistance in writing an article.

Date of email request for articles (sent to all club presidents/CPR chairs)	Deadline for article submission	Newsletter composition period	Newsletter distribution date
September 15, 2022	October 1, 2022	October 2-14, 2022	October 15, 2022
November 15, 2022	December 1, 2022	December 2-14, 2022	December 15, 2022
February 15, 2022	March 1, 2023	March 2-14, 2023	March 15, 2023
May 15, 2023	June 1, 2023	June 2-14, 2023	June 15, 2023
August 15, 2023	September 1, 2023	September 2-14, 2023	September 15, 2023
November 15, 2023	December 1, 2023	December 2-14, 2023	December 15, 2023
January 15, 2024	February 1, 2024	February 2-14, 2024	February 15, 2024
March 15, 2024	April 1, 2024	April 2-14, 2024	April 15, 2024