

GFWC West Virginia President's Monthly Newsletter August 2024



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Hello GFWC West Virginia!

WOW! I am so overwhelmed with the positive responses we have received about our 51st Annual Summer Conference! Thank you to all who attended! Especially our 25+ First-time attendees! I hope you enjoyed the conference! Thank you to the GFWC WV Northern District for being WONDERFUL Hostesses!! Thank you to Rosemary Thomas and Babs Condon for providing a FANTASTIC LEADS! Thank you to the Community Service Programs Chairmen, Contest Chairmen, and Special Program Chairmen for providing AWESOME information and project ideas during the "Information Speedway" or platform workshops! A BIG thanks to Kathy Sponaule and her team for the state fundraising items, and for SELL, SELL, SELLING! We had an astonishing outcome!! Over \$5,000.00!! Thank you to all who purchased items and 50/50!! Special thanks to Deanna Tilley for arranging our speakers for the weekend! Having them speak on the different areas of the President's Special Project was perfect! Thank you to all who purchased the President's Special Project Safety Basket opportunity tickets! We were able to send \$450 to the Canaan Valley Volunteer Fire Department's Educational Program Fund. See more about the upcoming fundraiser for the PSP on page 3! All proceeds will go to Mission WV and the Frameworks/Bridge Building Programs.

Thank You! Until next month!

Email: 2024gfwcwv@gmail.com

Natalie Hinkle, GFWC West Virginia President

Dates to Remember:

**Pearl S. Buck Birthplace
and Museum's
50th Birthday Party
"Lemonade, Lunch, and Loot"**
on August 10, 2024

Southeastern Region Conference

Hotel Bassist Wilmington
Wilmington, NC
October 27-28, 2024

Fall 2024 District Conventions

Capitol- October 5
Eastern-September 28
North Central- November 9
Northern- October 19
Southern- October 19
Southwestern- October 5
Western- October 12

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PLEASE SEND ALL

PEARL S BUCK
CONTRIBUTIONS TO:
Dana Richardson,
GFWC WV Treasurer.

Do Not Send
Directly to the
Pearl S Buck Birthplace

If you have a club member that is ill, in the hospital, or just needs a "pick me up", please let me know. We would love to send them a little sunshine in a card.

10 days till this Event!

*Pearl S. Buck Birthplace and Museum's
50th Birthday Party
"Lemonade, Lunch, and Loot"*
on August 10, 2024, 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.



To attend call:
Cindy Kolsun,
Chairman,
304-553-1012

You must call and reserve a ticket by Wednesday, August 7 so they will know how much food to prepare.

Tickets are \$50 and bring an auction item.

It will be a great day to celebrate the PSBB & M's 50 years!




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**2024 NATIONAL
DAY OF SERVICE**
FOOD INSECURITY & HUNGER
SEPTEMBER 28, 2024

REGISTER HERE!

HELP US TO END HUNGER IN THE UNITED STATES
BY VOLUNTEERING OR ORGANIZING A COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT.



Continue to Celebrate
GFWC WV's
120th Anniversary
all year long!!!




Superior Point #5

GFWC Leadership Education and Development Seminar (LEADS)

Would you like to attend and represent GFWC WV at the 2025 GFWC LEADS??

The GFWC Leadership Education and Development (LEADS) Seminar program is intended to identify GFWC members at the grassroots level who have the potential and the desire to assume leadership positions in GFWC beyond their club. Participation in LEADS can help these members gain the capabilities, confidence, and commitment necessary to pursue and achieve higher office and serve with distinction.

The LEADS program is held annually the day before the official opening of the GFWC Annual Convention. It is a full day of activities and includes breakfast and lunch. GFWC WV will help you attend this event.

Contact Babs Condon or Rosemary Thomas, GFWC WV Leadership Chairmen for an application.

We would love to support you on your Leadership journey!!

From GFWC to State Federation Attendees:

Transportation and lodging stipend of \$325.00.

Lunch during the LEADS program (no registration fee is required).

Checks will be distributed to candidates upon completion of the seminar.

Application deadline is December 31, 2024

GFWC WV for State Attendee:

\$250.00 stipend

GFWC News & Notes

Submit photos and a short story (4-8 sentences, who, what, where, and when) about the awesome things your club is doing in the community to PR@gfwc.org

**The GFWC WV
West Virginia
State Directory is online
and can be purchased
through Fundraising.**

Check out the GFWC West Virginia website! It is filled with new and updated forms (even fillable forms!!), program and project ideas from the Chairmen, and photos!

You can send your photos from Summer Conference to Marnee, and she will put them on the website!

www.gfwcwestvirginia.com

GFWC West Virginia's President's Special Project

Statewide Fundraiser

"HOME away from home - A Tour of West Virginia"

To promote the GFWC WV State Presidents special project "HOME", the President's Special Project Committee will create an opportunity fundraiser of a suitcase filled with items (products and vouchers/gift cards) that allow the winner to travel in/tour/explore West Virginia. The winner to be announced at the GFWC WV Annual State Convention in March 2025. The winner need not be present to win. Individual items would vary in expiration, thus the winner could in theory travel at their leisure for an entire year.

Donation Request from WV Clubs:

We welcome any type of donation, product or merchandise. We are creating a collection of WV attractions and activities as well as accommodations which will be presented to the winning opportunity ticket winner at our annual state convention. Recognition of all merchants and businesses who graciously donate will be part of our advertisement for this fundraiser.

If you would like to send a monetary donation, the committee will use it to obtain items for the suitcase.

The committee would like any donations by August 30th, 2024 to allow time to create advertisements and promotions for this opportunity.

If a business would like a receipt for their donation to this project, just contact Deanna or your District President's Special Project Chairman for the form.

Tickets will cost \$10 each and could be sold from September 1, 2024, until the Saturday luncheon of the Annual State Convention. Tickets can be sold to family, friends, Co-workers, neighbors, etc. And it would be a good time to share information about the President's Special Project and GFWC WV!

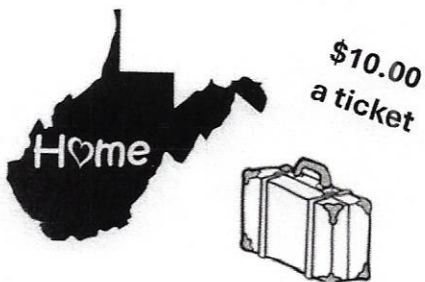
Superior Point #7 - B. and C.

Mail donations to:

GFWC West Virginia, c/o Presidents Special Project Chairman,
707 Harpold Avenue, Ravenswood WV 26164

Contact information:

Deanna Tilley, State Chairman, 304-993-3904, DTilleyGFWC@gmail.com



President's Special Project: HOME

GFWC West Virginia

Focusing on 3 areas:

- 1. Foster Homes**
- 2. Nursing Homes**
- 3. Our Homes**



Summer Conference Highlights



Some of the participants in LEADS Leadership Education and Development Seminar

1 of 8 tables for INFORMATION SPEEDWAY



Pennies For Art & Arts and Crafts Exhibitions



Early morning Water Aerobics with Health & Wellness Chairman, Julie Perry



Chief Bob Metzger & Chief Sandy Green of Canaan Valley VFD

PSP Opportunity Basket raised \$450 for the Canaan Valley VFD Ed Fund



Dean of Chairmen, Julie Bibbee



President Hinkle with Kylee Hassan, Speaker from Mission WV



Joby Chadwell, Speaker Share Your Love: Family Discussion On Estate Planning



120th Celebration with cake! And a Women of GFWC History presentation by the GFWC Woman's Club of Bridgeport



My Hearts!

