**GFWC ILLINOIS FEDERATION OF WOMEN’S CLUBS**

**OFFICIAL CALL**

**SPRING 2020**

**Board of Directors’ Meeting**

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Friday & Saturday, February 21-22, 2020

DoubleTree by Hilton Bloomington

10 Brickyard Drive • Bloomington, IL 61701

(309) 664-6446

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**Schedule of Events**

Friday, Feb. 21st 9:00am—12:00pm Executive Committee Meeting (Fox Creek)

Friday, Feb. 21st 12:00pm—1:00pm Lunch at TGI Friday’s on your own

Friday, Feb. 21st 1:00pm—2:30pm Strategic Planning Committee Meeting (Fox Creek)

Friday, Feb. 21st 2:30pm—4:00pm Convention Committee Meeting/Tour (Fox Creek)

Friday, Feb. 21st 4:15pm—5:15pm CSP/Advancements/Special Projects Chairmen Meeting (Fox Creek)

Friday, Feb. 21st 5:30pm—6:30pm Dinner (Brickyard 1)

Friday, Feb. 21st 6:30pm—7:15pm District Presidents and JDs meeting (Fox Creek)

Friday, Feb. 21st 7:45pm—9:30pm Evening of Desserts at Gina Fritz’s house

Saturday, Feb. 22nd 9:00am—11:30am Joint Board of Directors’ Meeting (Brickyard 1)

Saturday, Feb. 22nd 12:00pm—1:00pm Lunch (Pre-Function)

Saturday, Feb. 22nd 12:50pm—3:00pm Junior Business Meeting (Ironwood)

Saturday, Feb. 22nd 1:00pm-3:00pm Board of Directors’ Meeting (Brickyard 1)

Hello Board and Junior Board of Directors!

This is the official Call to the Spring Board of Directors’ Meeting, the last full meeting of this administration! Please read this entire Call to see if your name is on it. There are also some surprises listed so see if you can spot them!

Enclosed are all the instructions and procedures for this meeting. Please note the deadlines and make room and meal arrangements accordingly. There will be a $15.00 late fee assessed to reservations sent in after the deadline.

**ATTENDANCE—**All Board members are expected to attend. But, if circumstances prevent you, please submit a written notification to GFWC IL HQ and the President or Director of Junior Clubs via email, fax or USPS.

**HOTEL ROOM RESERVATIONS**—Contact the hotel immediately to make your reservations. If you are in need of a roommate, contact HQ. Renee will send out an email to the entire Board with your request.

Rooms are $105.00 plus tax for Thursday and Friday night. **Deadline is JANUARY 22ND.**

**MEAL RESERVATIONS—**Complete the enclosed Meal Reservation Form and mail it to GFWC Illinois Headquarters with your check OR you may register online at gfwcillinois.org. **Deadline is FEBRUARY 9TH.**

**EVENING OF DESSERTS**—International Outreach Committee member Gina Fritz has graciously opened her house to all board members for dessert Friday night. Details will be shared later but plan on ingesting sweets courtesy of Gina and the Bloomington-Normal Junior Woman’s Club.

**DRESS—**Suggested dress for Board meetings is GFWC emblematic wear or red.

**DISTRICT PRESIDENTS AND DIRECTORS—**It is customary to invite the incoming president or director to this meeting. Please share this Call and encourage them to attend. This is a great opportunity for them to learn a bit on how the Board operates and what their responsibilities will be. Remember to include them on room / meal reservation when you make arrangements. If for some reason you cannot attend, it is VERY important that you send a district representative in your place to vote. Your district deserves representation.

**CHAIRMEN/COMMITTEES—BOARD PACKET MATERIALS—**All committee information should be sent to HQ for the Board Packet, except brochures, which can be distributed at the meeting (85 needed). The Packet will be placed on the website in the Member’s Center. If you prefer a printed copy, notify HQ and we’ll prepare one for you. **DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS IS FEBRUARY 14th.**

**VERBAL REPORTS—District Presidents—**You will be giving a 5-minute report at this meeting (**strictly timed**!) in addition to any change in status you may need to present. Items you may want to report on are:

Club activities / new club leads / District Convention info / Issues your district is encountering

Print 3 copies of your report—one for the Secretary, one for the President, and one for your procedure file. **As these reports are a part of the permanent record, please do not submit a handwritten report.**

**VERBAL REPORTS—Chairmen and Committees—**You will not be reporting at this meeting, unless I’ve been previously informed to put you on the agenda. Any information members need should be put into the Board Packet. If you are presenting a verbal report, please **do not report statistics** gleaned from judging club reports. Use your time to present information valuable to pass on to clubs. Please prepare 3 typed copies, one for the Secretary, one for the President, and one for your procedure file. **ALL REPORTS WILL BE STRICTLY TIMED!**

**COMMITTEE REQUESTS—**If your committee would like to do a new activity, especially one that involves money, submit your request in writing to President Elect Teresa Sanford-Shipplett. **deadline is FEBRUARY 19th**

**SERVICE PROJECT—**We will be collecting items for the *Crisis Nursery*. Items needed include: gift cards, diapers, wipes, clothing, pj’s, toys for birth—7. A collection bin will be at the registration table.

**MEETING PROTOCOL**

* Both General and Junior board members sign in at the Credentials table upon arrival
* Check your folder for materials (Juniors, your folders may be in the Junior Board meeting instead)
* Unless you notify us that you prefer hard copies, all materials for the Board meetings will be sent via email or available on the website prior to the meeting. If you want to refer to them during the meeting (treasurer’s report, minutes, etc.), you may want to print them off before the meeting or refer to them during the meeting on your tablet, phone, or laptop.

**MOTIONS—**All motions must be submitted in writing. Motion forms are available at the registration table or from the Secretaries, Karen Meyer and Sue Bielenda.

**AV PRESENTATIONS—**If you have need of AV for a PowerPoint presentation or want to show a video, please inform Carol Jablonski and send it to her by February 14th.

**GENERALS ONLY—TRANSPORTATION REMUNERATION—**Mileage will be paid to the Board Member driving ONE WAY from their home at a rate of 25₵ per mile. Members who meet up with others to carpool will be paid one way from their home to the carpool car. Minimum amount is $10.00 (40 miles). Forms are available at Credentials table or from the Treasurer, Annette Andretich-Gross**. Please complete Saturday morning**. Checks will be distributed Saturday afternoon.

**JUNIORS ONLY—JUNIOR BOARD MEETING—**Director of Junior Clubs Cherie Sieger will send a separate Agenda for the Junior Board of Directors meeting, which will take place Saturday afternoon.

I’m looking forward to seeing you February 21st and 22nd. Let’s keep Connecting!

Reaching Out,

*Shelli R. Fehr*

GFWC Illinois President

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Reservations may be made directly with the hotel by calling:  **(309) 664-6446**

Identify yourself as group code **GWC** to get the group rate.

Group Rate: $105.00 plus taxes for Thursday, February 21 and Friday, February 22 (2 Double)

Breakfast and WiFi are included.

**Accommodations Deadline Date (to guarantee group rate and availability) – January 22, 2020**

**MEETING REGISTRATION AND MEAL RESERVATIONS**

**FOR GENERAL & JUNIOR BOARD MEMBERS AND GUESTS**

*Register and pay for meals online with a small service charge at gfwcillinois.org.*

NAME POSITION

Registration (check one) Attending, no meals

Attending, meals

Friday, February 21, 2020 Dinner $37.00 per person

(Spring Salad, Chicken Medallions with Lemon Caper Bery Glaze, Mixed Vegetables, Oven Roasted Red Skin Potatoes)

Saturday, February 22, 2020 Lunch $29.00 per person

(Soup, Salad, and Potato Bar, Dessert Station)

Late Registration Fee $15.00 per person

(assessed after February 9)

Total Enclosed $ (no refunds after Feb. 13)

Please make checks payable to: GFWC ILLINOIS

**Mail this Reservation Form and your check no later than February 9th to:**

GFWC Illinois

5 E. Van Buren Street, Suite 208

Joliet IL 60432

Price for meals includes tax and gratuity. Please indicate any dietary restrictions:

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**Spring Board Meeting**

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9:00am—3:00pm

**AGENDA**

Call to Order 9:00am Shelli R. Fehr, President

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the

United States of America Gerri Eck, Public Issues Chairman

Thought for the Day Mary Lee Howard, 12th District President

Welcome Ruth Sloot, 17th District President

Introductions Shelli R. Fehr, President

Report of the Director of Junior Clubs (5) Cherie Sieger, Director of Jr. Clubs

Chairmen Reports (5 minutes each) Teresa Sanford-Shipplett, Dean of Chairman

Elena Lipinski, Dean of Junior Chairmen

Arts Darla Gardner / Betty Koran / Maria Uribe

Communications & Public Relations Carol Jablonski / Jodi Hanson / Sherena Smith

Leadership Dee Lenzi / Deb Strahanoski

Membership Karyn Charvat / Barbara Potter / Helen Crause / Karen Hill-Davis

Advocates for Children Allison Meyer Hale, Chairman

Domestic Violence Awareness Karel Volpert, Chairman

Our Promise Mary Jo Murphy, Chairman

Blue Ribbon Fashion Show Gerri Eck / Betty Koran, Chairmen

GFWC News (5 each) Deb Strahanoski, GFWC 1st Vice President

Trisha Schafer, GFWC Director of Junior Clubs

Comfort Break / Stretch / Retail Therapy at Fundraising (15 Minutes)

Heifer International Mission Trip (10) Sandy Christofanelli, International Outreach Chairman

Strategic Planning (20) LeeAnn Conlon, Chairman

Meetings and Conventions (10) Carol Rich, Chairman

Marge Nelson, Vice Chairman / Secretary

Michelle Schultz, Treasurer

Margie Nilson, Vendors

2020—2022 Candidates for Office Jan Bates, Elections Committee Chairman

2020—2022 Administration (10) Teresa Sanford-Shipplett, President Elect

Crisis Nursery Bethany McCormick, Grants Coordinator

Fundraising Opportunities (5) Regina Orawiec / Jessica Evans / Beth Magoon

Luncheon Grace Fran Oehman, 3rd District President

Lunch (Noon – 1:00 p.m.)

**12:50—3:00pm Junior Board of Directors meeting—Fox Creek (agenda sent separately)**

1:00pm Reconvene

Credentials Deb Hazlett, Credentials Chairman

Secretary’s Report Karen Meyer, Secretary

Correspondence

Resume of Action, November 9, 2019

Recommendations from the Executive Committee

Treasurer’s Report Annette Andretich-Gross, Treasurer

Dues Update

Financial Report

Investments

Report of the President Shelli R. Fehr, President

District Presidents – (5 minutes each) Region Vice Presidents

Barb Potter, Central Region

Helen Crause, Southern Region

Karyn Charvat, Northern Region

Fundraising Results Regina Orawiec / Jessica Evans

Questions / Comments / Feedback

Announcements

Club Collect Lois Farber, Bylaws Chairman

Adjournment 3:00pm

Agenda Subject to Change