



Official Call to 2026 132nd Annual Convention of GFWC of Missouri, Inc.
Drury Plaza Hotel and Convention Center, 3351 Percy Drive,
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701 573-334-7151
April 17, 2026 – April 19, 2026

March 15 Room Reservation Deadline: To receive the negotiated group rate of \$149.00 for either 1 king or 2 queen beds or \$169.00 for a 2-room suite with 2 queen beds and a pullout couch.

Please use group code #10101774 online or by calling 800-325-0720. **After March 15th, our block of rooms will be released to the general public, so please make your reservations ASAP.**

April 2nd Convention Registration Deadline: This registration form can also be found on our website at www.gfwcmo.org.

REGISTRATION FORM

Name _____ Phone _____
 Address _____ Email _____
 Title _____ Club _____ District _____

Under title, please write GFWC of MO Board Member, district officer, club president, club member, booster or guest. **One form per attendee.**

Voting Delegates—Please check one: Voting as a State Board Member _____ Voting delegate for my club _____

Article IV, Sec. 2, a.: **Each club should determine their voting delegates.** Two delegates from each active club of 20 members or less; 1 additional delegate for each additional 10 members or major part thereof.

This is my first GFWC MO Conference/Convention. Yes _____ No _____
 I am a 50+ year member of GFWC. Yes _____ No _____
 I plan to attend the free 6-8 Social on Thursday, April 16th. Yes _____ No _____

Registration Fee for all members (No fee for guests.) \$25 _____ \$ _____
 Registration postmarked after April 2nd, add \$10 late fee ****if late add \$10** _____ \$ _____

Friday, April 17 ESO Luncheon

B.Y.O. Burger and/or Citrus Herb Grill Chicken Club,
 Southern Chicken Gumbo and Fresh Fruit Salad \$20 _____ \$ _____

Friday, April 17 Banquet

Bourbon Braised Beef Tips, Roasted Fingerling Potatoes,
 Roasted Vegetables, Goopy Butter Cake \$30 _____ \$ _____

Saturday, April 18 Luncheon

Sliced Honey Baked Ham, Broccoli/Rice Casserole, Cookie/Brownie Platter \$24 _____ \$ _____

Saturday, April 18 Installation Banquet

Buttermilk Fried Chicken, Caesar Salad, Smashed Potatoes, Buttered Corn \$32 _____ \$ _____

*Convention Sponsor (Optional): _____ \$ _____

Total payment: \$ _____

List dietary restrictions (gluten-free, vegetarian, diabetic): _____

***OPTIONAL CONVENTION SPONSOR:** To help defray convention expenses, you may choose to pay the additional amount marked below to be a convention sponsor. If registration is received by April 15th deadline, your name will be printed in the program. If you wish, please mark one below and add that amount to the total payment above.

Tootsie Lollipop--\$10_____ Lollipop Woods(Candyland)--\$25_____ Lollipop Guild(Wizard of Oz)--\$50_____

April 2nd Deadline: Please make check payable to GFWC of Missouri, Inc. and mail with this registration form to Dr. Susan Gettys, GFWC of MO Treasurer, 3144 E. Topping Circle, Springfield, MO 65804 by Thursday, April 2nd. Susan's email is sgettys@gfwc.com; her phone is 417-257-4693. ***Remember if postmarked after April 2nd, ADD \$10 to your registration fee***

What Should I Bring to Convention? Ideas from which to choose:

- Aluminum pull tabs and old keys for the Ronald McDonald House
- Jewelry - necklaces, rings, bracelets, broken, missing earrings, for Monarch Jewelry
- Books for the ESO Book Sale
- **Items for Silent Auction – Districts, please bring a basket or item. Members can bring items as well.**
- Money for 50/50's, state items, and Gettys Fundraiser items
- Money for Monarch Jewelry, who will be in attendance again this year, selling items.
- Dollar bills with G, I, or F on them
- Pictures for the Photography Contest
- Crafts for the Arts and Crafts Contest in the categories of ceramics, glass art, drawings, mixed media, paintings, and fiber/textiles (any questions, please feel free to contact DeAnna at moonbeamdelites@gmail.com)
- Club yearbooks to show your fellow GFWC Sisters
- Please bring a picture of yourself when you were younger, a picture of yourself older, and 5 facts about yourself (this is for an activity Friday night, you will get your pictures returned)

GFWC: Here is to the Red, White and Blue and everything sweet

Tentative Agenda

DRESS: Business Casual for Daytime Sessions and Sunday Dressy for Banquets

Thursday, April 16:

1:00-6:00 p.m. GFWC of MO Executive Committee Meeting

6:00-8:00 p.m. Social/Human Candyland/Registration

Friday, April 17:

8:30-9:30 a.m. Registration

Enter photos in the Photography Contest **and Crafts in the Arts and Crafts Contest**

Browse Displays & Fundraising Tables

9:30 a.m. GFWC of Missouri Board of Directors Meeting

Introductions, Minutes, Treasurer's Report, Bylaw Changes

10:00 a.m. Opening of the 132nd Annual Convention of GFWC of Missouri

Bylaw Changes – Scholarships

LEADS Moment

Noon Luncheon – Southeast District Officers Lunch

1:30 p.m. General Session Resumes

Awards Presentations

District President Reports

LEADS Moment

Shannon Bailey; GFWC President, Director of Junior Clubs

Membership Awards/Breakout

5:00 p.m. GFWC Show Me State Presidents Club

6:15 p.m. State Officers Line Up for Processional Outside

6:30 p.m. **Building Blocks for GFWC Banquet**

District Officers Installation following dinner

Saturday, April 18:

8:00-9:00 a.m.

Registration Continues
Browse displays & Fundraising Tables

9:00 a.m.

General Session Resumes
Awards Presentations
District President Reports
LEADS Moment
Elections
“Let me introduce you to Eva Perry Moore” – Karen Kleinberg
GFWC International Director of Junior Clubs, Shannon Bailey

Noon

ESO Luncheon– Speaker, Greg Stout, 2022 Shamus Award winner for best PI novel
Awards – ESO – Kelsey Fitzgerald; Writing – Samantha Hentges

1:15 p.m.

General Session Resumes
Photography Awards – DeAnna Fritsche
Arts and Crafts Awards – DeAnna Fritsche
LEADS Moment
Rich White, “Let’s Talk Honey Bees”
Necrology Service

6:15 p.m.

Shannon Bailey/Past State Presidents/Current Executive Committee Line up for Processional

6:30 p.m.

GFWC....Honoring Service, Embracing Leadership Installation Banquet

8:00 p.m.

Installation Backyard Game Party

Sunday, April 19

9:00 am

Introduction of the 2026-2028 Administration

11:00 a.m.

Dismissal of the 132nd GFWC Missouri Annual Convention with Club Collect and Singing of “Let There Be Peace on Earth”