

Call to Convention



GFWC CALIFORNIA FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS

114TH ANNUAL CONVENTION
Hilton Orange County/Costa Mesa
MAY 18-20, 2017

Theme: ***INTO THE WOOD***



GFWC CALIFORNIA FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS OFFICIAL CALL TO CONVENTION 2017

May 18 - 20, 2017

CFWC Board Members, Club Presidents, Delegates and Members:

This is your official CALL to the 114th Annual Convention of the GFWC California Federation of Women's Clubs (CFWC). This call contains information about Convention sessions, activities and events. It also contains the proposed Amendments to our CFWC Bylaws, Standing Rules, and Resolutions for your consideration. Please study them and caucus within your Clubs/Districts before arriving at Convention. Members may also view and download copies of this Call, Bylaws, and Resolutions from our website: www.cfwc.org.

CLUB PRESIDENTS: Please make copies of this CALL and the Registration Form as needed for all delegates from your club (including any non-voting members that plan to attend) and be sure to adhere to all deadlines. This will insure that all are informed and prepared to expedite the business sessions.

Our home for this year's Convention is the beautiful HILTON ORANGE COUNTY/COSTA MESA located near the famous South Coast Plaza. The Hilton provides a complimentary Shuttle to and from the Plaza. If you come a few days earlier, you can take advantage of all the attractions located in the area. Our hotel is a Shuttle Stop for transportation to Disneyland for a nominal fee of \$5 and you can purchase your Disneyland tickets at the Hotel. For more information use this link:

<http://www.hiltonorangecounty.com/hotels-near-disneyland.aspx>

Reservation: **Arrival Date:** 17-May-2017 **Departure Date:** 21-May-2017

By phone: **1-800-Hilton (Mention the Group: CALI FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUB)**

Members can make Hotel Reservations online using this link:

<http://group.hilton.com/californiafederationofwomenmay>

Members can register and pay online using this link:

<http://events.constantcontact.com/register/event?llr=99lrdvwab&oeidk=a07edvgvt511c288d40>

NOTE: Simply copy and paste the URL above into your browser to access exclusive rates.

Convention is for ALL members! You will have the opportunity to meet other clubwomen, gather new inspiration from our speakers and workshops, and experience the camaraderie of Federation. Delegates will be voting on Bylaw and Standing Rules Amendments and Resolutions in this CALL. Please have your CALL handy at all Business Sessions.

Toby Kahan
CFWC President

Kay Winnert
CFWC Corresponding Secretary

NOTE: If you have any problems with registration, hotel, deadlines, etc., please call:

Marsha LaRusso Co-Convention Chairman
949-297-8580 or 949-349-0605 or Email: rmlarusso@msn.com



GENERAL FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS

March 7, 2017



Dear Members of the GFWC California Federation,

I am honored to have this opportunity to welcome you to the 114th GFWC California Federation of Women's Clubs Annual Convention to be held May 18-21, 2017 at the Hilton Costa Mesa. I encourage all of you to attend this excellent meeting that is planned for you, the CFWC members, to come together to network and also celebrate the many programs and projects undertaken and completed by all your members and clubs. Part of the benefits to belonging to a state and international organization such as CFWC and GFWC is the opportunity to have these wonderful meetings to come together to learn about other clubs and share ideas and activities. We are all more similar than different and we deserve this opportunity to come together for our own benefit and the benefit our clubs and communities. So, to you all I say, Congratulations on a Job Well Done! during calendar year 2016 and I wish you all continued success and happiness in 2017. I look forward to seeing many of you at the J.W. Marriot Desert Springs Resort and Spa in Palm Desert, California June 23-26, 2017 as GFWC California Federation of Women's Clubs hosts our 2017 GFWC Annual Convention. I know it will certainly be an awesome time as ***It's Our Time to Shine***, especially in the southern California sun!

Forever *Living the Volunteer Spirit* Through GFWC,

Sheila E. Shea

International President

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CREDENTIALS AND REGISTRATION

Advance Registration accepted if received on or before **April 19, 2017**. To avoid mistakes,

1. Mail Registration Fee and the Registration Form with a check to cover the Registration and Meals **NO LATER THAN APRIL 19, 2017** to:

Corinne Moore, Registration Chairman
P.O. Box 4354, West Hills CA 91308-4354
818-298-1870 Email: corinnemm004@gmail.com

2. All checks should be made payable to **CFWC CONVENTION FUND**.
3. All delegates and other members, regardless of the amount of time spent at Convention, are required to pay the twenty-dollar (\$20.00) registration fee.
Attention Voting Delegates: On or before April 19th you must send an e-mail to Karen Brown, Credential Chairman, that includes your Delegates names, Club, Area, District and Position to vote at the Convention. Please contact Karen Brown at kerby2900@gmail.com or Cell: 818-516-9882.
4. **VOTING DELEGATES** will receive their credential card when they register at Convention.
5. Husbands and guests at banquets are not required to pay the registration fee.
6. Late registration for this Convention is thirty dollars (\$30.00) after April 19, 2017.

REPRESENTATION

CFWC BYLAWS: ARTICLE XII,

Section 12.1 E. A quorum for transaction of business at the convention will be ten percent of the registered delegates and three officers.

SECTION 12.2 Representation, Voting Body:

A. CFWC Membership.

1. CFWC Officers, elected and appointed.
2. District Presidents or President's alternate.
3. District First Vice Presidents/Presidents-elect or alternate.
4. Past State Presidents.
5. Chairmen of Community Service Programs, Special Appointments and Administration.
6. Chairmen and members of Standing and Special Committees, including Committee Members when they are officially engaged in fulfilling their duties.
7. Club Presidents or their alternates.
8. Club Delegate or alternate for each twenty (20) or less members; one additional Delegate or Alternate, for each additional ten (10) members or major fraction thereof.
9. Juniorette Clubs – one delegate.
10. Affiliate Clubs – one delegate.

HOTEL INFORMATION

The official headquarters of the California Federation of Women's Clubs 114th Annual Convention held May 18-20, 2017, will be at:

HILTON ORANGE COUNTY/COSTA MESA

3050 Bristol Street, Costa Mesa, CA 92626

Reservation: **Arrival Date:** 17-May-2017 **Departure Date:** 21-May-2017

By phone: **1-800-Hilton (Mention the Group name below)**

GROUP RATE CODE: CALI FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUB

Members can register and pay online using this link:

<http://group.hilton.com/californiafederationofwomenmay>

(Simply copy and paste the URL above into your browser to access exclusive rates)

HOTEL RESERVATIONS: Room Rates are \$129.00 Single, Double, Triple, Quad, plus taxes. The block of rooms reserved for the Federation is limited. When the block of rooms are filled, all other reservations will be handled subject to space availability.
DEADLINE DATE: April 19, 2017 Room availability is limited and on a first-come basis - please book early.

HOTEL CHECK IN TIME IS 3:00 p.m. Check out is 12:00 noon. Guests arriving before 3:00 pm will be accommodated as rooms become available. Guests arriving prior to check in will be offered luggage storage.

TRANSPORTATION: The hotel offers complimentary airport transportation to/from Orange County John Wayne Airport. Call from phone in baggage area and go outside to designated hotel shuttle stop.

GUEST PARKING: Self-Parking for the day or overnight is \$10.00 per day with In/Out Privileges

VALET PARKING: All Attendees will be charge \$33 a day for Valet Parking.

DRIVING DIRECTIONS:

From 405 Freeway, Southbound: Take 405 South to Bristol Street exit (just past Harbor Blvd and Hwy 73 interchange). The hotel is located directly across from the exit on the left.

From 405 Freeway, Northbound: Take 405 North to Bristol South Street exit. Exit left onto Bristol. Drive over the freeway and turn left on Hotel Way.

From the 57 Freeway: Take the 57 South to I-5 South to Hwy 55 South. Exit Baker and turn right. Turn right again at Bristol Street and the hotel will be on the right-hand side.

From the 91 Freeway: Take 91 West to Hwy 55 South to 405 North. Exit at Bristol, turning left. Drive over the freeway and turn left on Hotel Way.

From the 73 Freeway: take 73 North, exit Bear Street, and turn right, right on Paularino and left on Bristol.

COMPLIMENTARY SHUTTLE SERVICE TO/FROM JOHN WAYNE AIRPORT.

MEAL RESERVATIONS: MEAL TICKETS MUST be purchased in **ADVANCE**. The DEALINE for Meal Tickets is **April 19, 2017**. Meal tickets will not be mailed. All meal tickets will be available for pickup at the Registration Table. **No cancellation refunds after May 1, 2017.**

AREA MEETINGS

THURSDAY, MAY 18TH immediately following the opening session:

Area A – Led by Deborah Bushnell – Balboa Bay 2

Area B – Led by Doris Duquette – Laguna Beach 3

Area C – Led by Barbara Briley Beard – Balboa Bay 1

Area D – Led by Stephanie Stark – Laguna Beach 1, 2

District Candidates will be presented for consideration to the CFWC Nominating Committee and Election Board. Voting Delegates should be in their seats in the designated Area Meeting Rooms within 10 minutes following recess. *After that time, the doors will be closed.*

Non-voting Members may attend their respective Area Meetings on a space available basis after all voting delegates have been seated.

Bylaws, ARTICLE IX AREAS AND DISTRICTS

SECTION 9.1. Areas

A. For the purpose of electing Federation representatives to certain committees and assuring equality of representation in CFWC, the membership shall be divided into approximately equal membership groups to be known as Areas A, B, C and D.

Bylaws, ARTICLE XIII NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

SECTION 13.3 Area Elections

D. Nominating and Election Committee Members: At the Area meetings in convention in the non-election year of each administration, delegates shall elect from each Area one member and two alternates to the Nominating Committee and one member and two alternates to the Election Committee to serve a one year term. Candidates for the Nominating Committee shall have served one or more terms on the Executive Board.

CFWC EMERITUS CLUB - This club shall reunite at each State Convention, the past and present Board members, for relaxation and social enjoyment to renew and perpetuate their interest in Federation. The 114th Annual Convention will host this gathering at a luncheon on Thursday, May 18, 2017. Dues to this club are \$25.00 and may be made payable to Emeritus Club and sent to Julie Lehnbauer, Treasurer – 41 W53rd St., Long Beach CA 90805 Your reservation for this lunch is to be made on the convention registration form included in this Call.

CELEBRATION OF LIFE - Please submit the names of Members who served on the CFWC Executive Board before May 6th to Debbie Pietraszko at the address below so they may be included in the Celebration of Life Ceremony being held at Convention on Saturday, May 20. If you have any questions, please contact Debbie Pietraszko at: 17736 Lahey Street, Granada Hills CA 91324. Tel: 818-366-8401 or Cell 818-681-8593. Her e-mail is Debbie74@yahoo.com.

CELEBRATION IN FEDERATION 100 YEARS – This year's Convention will honor the Clubs which joined Federation 100 Years Ago, We have in our Federation 81 Clubs which joined in 1917 and prior to that year. Please join us for this special presentation. An Invitation to attend and be recognized has been sent to each of these clubs. Please **RSVP to Kay Winnert**, CFWC Corresponding Secretary, 818-884-9441 the Corresponding Secretary or email Kay at lazydzy@pacbell.net.

FEDERATION SPIRIT DAY – Come dressed in your Federation Attire to the Friday Luncheon and show your spirit. Themes, Costumes, quiet Noise makers, and Favors are encouraged. This session will be fun and all Clubs and Districts are encouraged to participate.

REGISTRATION TABLE

Huntington Beach 1

Table will be closed during Convention Sessions

WEDNESDAY, MAY 17TH
5:30 pm – 8:00 pm

THURSDAY, MAY 18TH
9:00 am – 12:00 pm
3:00 pm – 4:00 pm
6:00 pm – 6:30 pm

FRIDAY, MAY 19TH
9:00 am – 11:00 am
5:00 pm – 6:00 pm

SATURDAY, MAY 20TH
9:00 am – 11:00 am
5:00 pm – 5:30 pm

ART DEPARTMENT EXHIBITS

Emerald Bay 1, 2, 3

EXHIBITS CHECK IN:

Thursday, May 18th

Area D – 9:00– 9:45 am
Area C – 9:45–10:30 am
Area B –10:30–11:15 am
Area A –11:15–12:00 pm

EXHIBITS VIEWED:

Thursday, May 18th 5:00–6:30 pm

Friday, May 19th 9:00–11:00 am & 3:00–5:00 pm

EXHIBITS CHECKED OUT:

Saturday, May 20th

Area A – 8:30 – 9:00 am
Area B – 9:00 – 9:30 am
Area C – 9:30 –10:00 am
Area D – 10:00 –10:30 am

Thank you in advance for following the posted schedule above.

CFWC MATERIALS & PROMOTIONAL SALES

Huntington Beach 2

Thursday, May 18th 10:00 am – 6:00 pm

Friday, May 19th 8:00 am – 6:00 pm

Saturday, May 20th 8:00 am – 6:00 pm

PHOTOS

*Our appreciation and thanks to our Convention Photographers:
Stephanie Zichichi, Linda Daniels-Lima, & Sonja Hults*

Individual or group photos should be arranged with Stephanie & Linda



RECEPTION HONORING CFWC EXECUTIVE BOARD

*On Saturday Evening you are invited to attend a Reception hosted by Marina & Los Cerritos Districts.
It will be held in the Presidential Suite immediately after Adjournment.*

VENDOR EXHIBITS

Banquet Level 2

THURSDAY, MAY 18TH

8:00 AM – 4:00 PM

FRIDAY, MAY 19TH

8:00 AM – 4:00 PM

SATURDAY, MAY 20TH

8:00 AM – 4:00 PM



CONVENTION ATTIRE

Thursday Opening Session

Business Attire

Thursday Banquet

Cocktail

Friday Luncheon

Federation Wear

Friday Banquet

Western Wear Denim

Saturday Luncheon

Business Attire

Saturday Banquet

Cocktail

Please be sure to bring a sweater/wrap to avoid issues with air conditioning!

WORKSHOPS

Thursday May 18, 2017

11:00-12:30 pm	<i>Bylaws & Leadership</i> Joyce Opjorden, Parliamentarian & Carol Lopez-Lucey, Chairman	Newport Beach 1, 2
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Friday, May 19, 2017

8:00-8:45 am	<i>Play the Hand You're Dealt...A Leadership Workshop</i> Rosemary Thomas, GFWC Chief Operating Officer <i>Home Life Program & President's Project City of Hope</i> Priscilla Neufeld, Chairman <i>Writing A Fundraising Report 101</i> Darrelyn Kunding, Chairman <i>Visit with the Arts Chairmen</i>	Newport Beach 1, 2, 3 Laguna Beach 1, 2, 3 Balboa Bay 1, 2
9:00-9:45 am	<i>Membership</i> – Membership Team <i>Social Media - Facebook, Twitter</i> Communications & PR Team, Kristy Hernandez Presenter <i>Help your Legislation & Public Policy Programs Soar</i> Jennifer Nickel, Chairman	Newport Beach 1, 2, 3 Laguna Beach 1, 2 Balboa Bay 1, 2
10:00-10:45 am	<i>Membership</i> continues... <i>Status of Women</i> , Anne Wolf Chairman <i>International Outreach</i> , Carol Spiker Chairman	Newport 1, 2, 3 Laguna Beach 1, 2, 3 Balboa Bay 1, 2

Saturday, May 20, 2017

8:00-8:45 am	<i>Domestic Violence Awareness & Prevention</i> Alice Slaughter Chairman Shot @ Life GFWC Partner	Laguna Beach 1, 2
9:00-9:45 am	<i>Play the Hand You're Dealt...A Leadership Workshop</i> Rosemary Thomas, GFWC Chief Operating Officer <i>Save Our Environment & Bring Public Issues Into The Limelight Through Legislation & Involvement</i> Chris Rios & Sonya Matthies Chairmen <i>Everything a Club Treasurer Should Know</i> CFWC Finance Officers	Newport Beach 1, 2, 3 Laguna Beach 1, 2 Balboa Bay 1, 2
10:00-10:45 am	<i>How to Motivate</i> Dori Kelsey, CFWC 1 st VP <i>Inez Milholland, Forward Into The Light</i> <i>A Suffragist Martyr</i> , Kim Plater WHRC Chairman <i>Oh No! You Want Me To Do Minutes & Correspondence!</i> CFWC Secretaries Ann Skowbo & Kay Winnert	Newport Beach 1, 2 Laguna Beach 1, 2 Balboa Bay 1, 2

SPEAKERS & ENTERTAINMENT

THURSDAY, MAY 18, 2017

Emeritus Luncheon

Speaker: Louise Mathews, Author of *Jail House Cuisine From the Right Side of the Bars*

Opening Session

Greetings from Rosemary, GFWC Chief Operating Officer

Thursday Banquet

CFWC Special Emphasis Status of Women - Emerald Archer, Mt. Saint Mary University

FRIDAY, MAY 19, 2017

ESO Breakfast

Author TBA in Quick Bytes

Federation Luncheon...

President's Special Project City of Hope

Tricia Kassab, Vice President of Enterprise Quality & Patient Safety

Western Banquet ...

Keynote Address by GFWC Chief Operating Officer, Rosemary Thomas

Line Dancing with Marie Del Giorgio, Professional Dancer for over 25 Years

SATURDAY, MAY 20, 2017

Awards Luncheon...

Performance by the Music Scholarship Winner

Celebration of Life Ceremony

Saturday Banquet ...

Entertainment presented by Saddleback Jazztet

Celebration in Federation: Honoring Clubs 100 Year or more in Federation

SUPPORT FOSTER CHILDREN

Bring Toiletries & Clothing (all sizes)

Toothbrush
Dental Floss
Deodorant
Shampoo
Wipes
Chap Stick
Razors
Socks

Toothpaste
Bath Soap/Gel
Lotion
Crème Rinse
Brush/Comb
Shave Cream
After Shave
Underwear



Bring your contributions on the Table in the Registration Area



TENTATIVE CONVENTION AGENDA

WEDNESDAY, MAY 17TH

CFWC Executive Committee Meetings

1:00 – 3:00 pm	CFWC 2 nd Vice President with Area Vice-Presidents	Newport Beach 1
1:00 – 3:00 pm	Finance Committee	Laguna Beach 1
3:00 – 10:00 pm	Executive Committee Officers	Costa Mesa Boardroom
5:30 – 8:00 pm	Registration & Meal Tickets	Huntington Beach 1

THURSDAY, MAY 18TH

8:00 – 4:00 pm	Vendor set up	Banquet Level 2
9:00 – 12:00 pm	Registration & Meal Tickets	Huntington Beach 1
9:00 – 10:00 am	CFWC Chairmen's Meeting	Balboa Bay 2
9:00 – 12:00 pm	Arts Check-in: By Areas (see Page 7)	Emerald Bay 1, 2, 3
10:00 – 11:00 am	CFWC Executive Board Meeting	Pacific 3, 4
11:00 – 12:30 pm	Emeritus Luncheon, Author Louise Mathews	Bristol 3
11:00 – 12:30 pm	Workshops (see Page 9)	
1:00 – 3:45 pm	Opening Session - Call to Order	Pacific 3, 4
	Opening Ceremony & Business Session, Greetings from Rosemary Thomas, GFWC COO	
	Awards: Leadership, WHRC & Fundraising	
	Bylaws & Resolutions	
3:00 – 4:00 pm	Registration & Meal Tickets	Huntington Beach 1
4:00 – 5:30 pm	Area Meetings (See Page 6)	
5:00 – 6:30 pm	Art Exhibits	Emerald Bay 1, 2, 3
6:00 – 6:30 pm	Registration & Meal Tickets	Huntington Beach 1
6:45 – 6:55 pm	Processional Line Up District Presidents	
7:00 – 10:00 pm	Banquet Business Session - Honoring District Presidents	Pacific 3, 4
	Speaker: CFWC Special Emphasis - Status of Women	
	Emerald Archer, Mt. Saint Mary University	
	Awards: Domestic Violence Prevention, Advocates for Children, Legislation & Public Policy, Communication & Public Relations, Status of Women	

FRIDAY, MAY 19TH

8:00 – 4:00 pm	Vendor Exhibits Open	Banquet Level 2
8:00 – 11:00 am	Registration & Meal Tickets	Huntington Beach 1
8:00 – 9:30 am	ESO Breakfast	Bristol 3
8:00 – 11:00 am	Workshops (see Page 9)	
9:00 – 11:00 am	Art Exhibit Viewing	Emerald Bay 1, 2, 3
11:45 – 11:55 am	CFWC Chairmen Processional Line Up	
12:00 – 4:00 pm	Luncheon Session Honoring CFWC Chairmen President's Special Project – City of Hope Tricia Kassab, Vice President - Enterprise Quality & Safety Awards: Art, Conservation, Education, Home Life, International Outreach & Public Issues Bylaws & Resolutions	Pacific 3, 4
4:00 – 6:00 pm	Art Exhibit Viewing – last call	Emerald Bay 1, 2, 3
5:00 – 6:00 pm	Registration & Meal Tickets	Huntington Beach 1
6:45 – 6:55 pm	Processional Line Up: Past State Presidents & CFWC Officers	
7:00 – 10:00 pm	Banquet Business Session – Western Wear Honoring Past State Presidents & CFWC Officers Keynote Speaker: Rosemary Thomas, GFWC COO Entertainment: Line dancing	Pacific 3, 4

SATURDAY, MAY 20TH

8:00 – 4:00 pm	Vendor Exhibits – LAST CALL	Banquet Level 2
8:00 – 11:00 am	Workshops (see Page 9)	
9:00 – 11:30 am	Art Checkout (See Page 7)	Emerald Bay 1, 2, 3
9:00 – 11:00 pm	Registration & Meal Tickets	Huntington Beach 1
12:00 – 3:00 pm	Luncheon Business Session - Celebration of Life Awards: Music, Photography, Writing & Arts & Crafts Show Entertainment: Music Competition Winner	Catalina Ballroom
5:00 – 5:30 pm	Registration & Meal Tickets	Huntington Beach 1
5:40 – 5:55 pm	Processional Line Up: Clubs in Federation 100 Years	
6:00 – 10:00 pm	Banquet - Honoring Clubs in Federation 100 Years Entertainment: Jazz Band Awards: Membership Celebration in Federation	Catalina Ballroom

Adjournment



All Attendees are invited to the Reception Honoring Executive Board & Past Presidents

Hosted by Los Cerritos & Marina Districts

President's Suite



Meal Reservations are made on the REGISTRATION/MEAL FORM see attached.

THURSDAY, MAY 18

EMERITUS LUNCHEON \$30.00

Chopped Iceberg Lettuce, Cucumber, Tomatoes, Radicchio served with Ranch Dressing. Lemon Pepper Baked Chicken with Rice Pilaf & Seasonal Mixed Vegetables.

Vegetarian Choice: Grilled Portobello Mushrooms with Polenta Cake, Roasted Pepper Cream Sauce.

Dessert: Chocolate Cake with strawberries or Bowl of Fruit

CFWC State Board Members, Past and Present, are encouraged to attend.

BANQUET BUSINESS SESSION \$45.00

Beef Bourguignon, with Yukon Gold Creamer Potatoes, Cherry Tomatoes, Mushrooms, Baby carrots, Asparagus, Bacon, Red Wine Herb Sauce

Vegetarian Choice: Grilled marinated tofu served on steamed rice and stir fired Asian vegetables with ginger soy reduction

Dessert: Chocolate Cake or Fruit Plate

FRIDAY, May 19

ESO BREAKFAST \$30.00 All Members Are Welcome To Attend The ESO Breakfast

Basket of Croissant, Freshly Squeezed Orange Juice, Country Fresh Scrambled Eggs with Tomato Garnish, Breakfast Potatoes, Two Bacon Strips, Freshly Brewed Coffee and Fine & Herbal Teas

FEDERATION LUNCHEON \$30.00

Cobb Salad with Cured Ham, Smoked Turkey, Bacon, Eggs, Roasted Corn, Tomatoes, Crumbled Blue Cheese and Avocado. Served with Buttermilk Dressing.

Vegetarian Choice: Cobb Salad, no protein

Dessert: Red Velvet Cake or Fruit Plate

WESTERN BANQUET \$45.00

BBQ Chicken with Cheesy Herb Polenta, Green Beans, Slivered Onions, Grain Mustard Lemon Sauce

Vegetarian Choice: Stuffed Bell Pepper with wild rice pilaf and creamy dill cheese sauce

Dessert: Scoop of Ice Cream with Strawberry Puree or Fruit Plate

SATURDAY, May 20

CELEBRATION OF LIFE LUNCHEON \$30.00

Classic Caesar Salad with crotons, Grilled Chicken Breast served on Mushroom Risotto, Fennel Bure Blanc & Seasonal Vegetables

Vegetarian: Bowtie Pasta with Vegetables and Pesto Sauce.

Dessert: Chocolate Marquis Cake or Fruit Plate

CELEBRATION IN FEDERATION BANQUET \$45.00

Sautéed Local Halibut with Broccoli and Quinoa Served with Chardonnay Sauce

Vegetarian Choice: Penne Pasta with Ratatouille

Dessert: Carrot Cake or Fruit Plate

PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE BYLAWS AND STANDING RULES

CFWC CONVENTION, 2017

In addition to any amendments that are adopted at the 2017 convention, the 2017 Bylaws, when published may contain several editorial changes. Editorial changes are changes that do not affect either the meaning or the application of the Bylaws, and therefore do not require a vote by the membership. Usually, these are changes that are necessitated by an amendment to the Bylaws or a change in terminology. For example, following the insertion of new sections or item, the remaining items will be renumbered as necessary. In addition, the document will be proofread for punctuation and spelling errors before publication.

ARTICLE II OBJECT

CURRENT WORDING	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED, WILL READ
The specific and primary purposes for which this corporation is formed are: To carry out exclusively charitable, educational, and service programs within the meaning of section 501(c)3 of the Internal Revenue code, with special emphasis on carrying out an educational program for women.	Amend by inserting: <i>The EIN number of this organization is 95-200924</i> following women.	The specific and primary purposes for which this corporation is formed are: To carry out exclusively charitable, educational, and service programs within the meaning of section 501(c)3 of the Internal Revenue code, with special emphasis on carrying out an educational program for women. The EIN number of this organization is 95-200924.

Rationale: This information is needed by our clubs for their fundraising projects.

ARTICLE III.3.6.B.2 MEMBERSHIP

CURRENT WORDING	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED, WILL READ
Section 3.6.b.2 Delinquency, Withdrawal and Reinstatement Proposed Withdrawal 2. Send a copy of the notice to the CFWC President, Second Vice President, Area Vice President, and the District President, and the District Vice Second President extending an invitation at least sixty (60) days before the vote is taken, to attend one or more meetings of the club.	Amend by Inserting: following club: <i>The invited officer will address the assembly for a minimum of twenty (20) minutes</i> following club.	Section 3.6.b.2 Delinquency, Withdrawal, and Reinstatement 2. Send a copy of the notice to the CFWC President, Second Vice President, Area Vice President, District President, and the District Vice Second President extending an invitation at least sixty (60) days before the vote is taken, to attend one or more meetings of the club. The invited officer will address the assembly for a minimum of twenty (20) minutes.

Rationale: The CFWC office will address policies regarding the advantages of remaining in Federation.

ARTICLE III.3.6.D.2 MEMBERSHIP

CURRENT WORDING	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED, WILL READ
Section 3.6.D.2. Resignation Procedures. Resignation in	Amend by inserting: <i>and witnessed by a member of the</i>	Section 3.6.D.2. Resignation Procedures. Resignation in

writing, from a club, signed by the President and Recording Secretary must specify that: 2. The vote was by ballot, giving the number of votes in favor of withdrawing, and the number of votes against withdrawing (must be ten (10) votes, to sustain the club).	<i>CFWC Executive Committee</i> following ballot and before giving.	writing, from a club, signed by the President and Recording Secretary must specify that: 2. The vote was by ballot and witnessed by a member of the CFWC Executive Committee, giving the number of votes in favor of withdrawing, and the number of votes against withdrawing (must be ten (10) votes, to sustain the club).
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Rationale: To insure the accuracy of the vote.

ARTICLE V, Section 5.B OFFICERS & DUTIES

CURRENT WORDING	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED, WILL READ
Section 5.B. VACANCIES. Vacancies in the CFWC elective offices, except for that of President, shall be filled by ballot by the Executive Board for the unexpired term. In Emergencies, the Executive Committee shall have the power to fill such vacancies.	Amend by inserting: <i>First Vice President</i> following President and before shall.	Vacancies. Vacancies in the CFWC elected offices, except for that of President and First Vice President, shall be filled by ballot by the Executive Board for the unexpired term. In emergencies, the Executive Committee shall have the power to fill such vacancies.

Rationale: Rationale: Bring into compliance with VI.2.1

ARTICLE V.4.A.1 DUTIES OF THE PRESIDENT

CURRENT WORDING	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED, TO READ
She shall appoint the Corresponding Secretary and Parliamentarian	Amend by inserting: <i>To be ratified by the newly elected Executive Committee prior to installation</i> following Parliamentarian	She shall appoint the Corresponding Secretary and Parliamentarian to be ratified by the newly elected Executive Committee prior to installation.

Rationale: To conform with current practice

ARTICLE V.4.A.B DUTIES OF THE PRESIDENT

CURRENT WORDING	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED, TO READ
NEW	Amend by inserting: <i>She or her representative shall represent the CFWC at Western States Regional Conference</i>	She or her representative shall represent the CFWC at Western States Regional Conference

Rationale: To comply with Standing Rule #30

ARTICLE V.5.4.B.5 FIRST VICE PRESIDENT

CURRENT WORDING	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED, TO READ
NEW	Amend by inserting: <i>She shall assume such other duties as are assigned by the president.</i>	She shall assume such other duties as are assigned by the president.

Rationale: To conform with duties assigned to the Second Vice President (V.5.4.C.3)

ARTICLE V.4.B.6 NEW FIRST VICE PRESIDENT

CURRENT WORDING	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED, TO READ
NEW	Amend by inserting: <i>She shall be responsible for planning and conducting the awards ceremony held at each CFWC convention. She shall include Program and Administrative chairmen in the ceremonies.</i>	She shall be responsible for planning and conducting the awards ceremony held at each CFWC convention. She shall include Program and Administrative chairmen in the ceremonies.

Rationale: Clarification of responsibilities.

ARTICLE V.4.B.7 NEW FIRST VICE PRESIDENT

CURRENT WORDING	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED, TO READ
NEW	Amend by inserting: <i>She shall be responsible for meeting with District First Vice Presidents/Deans at CFWC Executive Board Meetings. She shall assist them with their District duties as requested.</i>	She shall be responsible for meeting with District First Vice Presidents/Deans at CFWC Executive Board Meetings. She shall assist them with their District duties as requested

Rationale: Clarification of duties.

ARTICLE VIII.2.A GROUP IRS EXEMPTION

CURRENT WORDING	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED, TO READ
NEW	Amend by inserting a new Item f <i>Include a copy of the club bylaws which state that it is a charitable organization and in the event of dissolution all assets shall be disseminated to a Tax Exempt 501(c)3 organization.</i>	Include a copy of the club bylaws which state that it is a charitable organization and in the event of dissolution all its assets will be disseminated to a Tax Exempt 501(c)3 organization.

Rationale: Clarification

ARTICLE VIII.3.C ANNUAL DUES

CURRENT WORDING	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED, TO READ
8.3.C. CFWC District Treasurers shall forward GFWC and CFWC dues to the CFWC Financial Secretary by the 15 th of each month.	Amend by inserting: <i>from May through December</i> following month.	CFWC District Treasurers shall forward GFWC and CFWC dues to the CFWC Financial Secretary by the 15 th of each month from May through December.

Rationale: Current practice

ARTICLE VIII.3.F ANNUAL DUES

CURRENT WORDING	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED, TO READ
8.3.F. Members of clubs admitted after February 1 may be granted all membership rights in their clubs and may be present at the following conventions of CFWC and District.	Amend by inserting: <i>but shall not propose motions or vote</i> following District.	Members of clubs admitted after February 1 may be granted all membership rights in their clubs and may be present at the following conventions of CFWC and District but shall not propose motions or vote.

Rationale: Clarification and to conform with ARTICLE XII.2.E

ARTICLE IX 9.2.D Districts

CURRENT WORDING	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED, TO READ
9.2.D. Clubs Outside of a District. A district wishing to organize a club within the geographical boundaries of another district, may do so, provided at a regular meeting of each district, such action was approved by a two-thirds vote of the members present and voting at a regular District Executive Board meeting. The CFWC President and Second Vice President must receive copies of the certification of both districts, a copy of the Membership Application, and other documentation for review. If the action is approved, the club shall follow the procedures in ARTICLE III Membership.	Amend by striking Provided at a regular meeting of each district, such action was approved by a two-thirds vote of the members present and voting at a regular District Executive Board meeting. following may do so. Further amend by striking: Copies of the certification of both districts following receive	D. Clubs Outside of a District. A district wishing to organize a club within the geographical boundaries of another district may do so. The CFWC President and Second Vice President must receive a copy of the Membership Application and other documentation for review. If the action is approved, the club shall follow the procedures in ARTICLE III Membership.

Rationale: The need for clubs to be geographically confined to the area where they are located is no long necessary.

ARTICLE IX.9.2.G Districts

CURRENT WORDING	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED, TO READ
9.2.G. District Consistency. A District once organized would not lose its status due to loss of clubs and/or members. Districts shall conform to GFWC and CFWC Community Service Programs and to District Objectives as far as possible, the needs of each District to be considered. District Chairmen of Community Service Programs shall make reports to CFWC as set by the CFWC Executive Committee.	Amend by Striking: Community Service after CFWC and before Programs. Amend by striking: Community Service after of and before Programs. Further amend by inserting: <i>shall be responsible for judging and submitting Club reports and</i> after Programs and before shall.	G. District Consistency. A District once organized would not lose its status due to loss of clubs and/or members. Districts shall conform to GFWC and CFWC Programs and to District Objectives as far as possible, the needs of each District to be considered. District Chairmen of Programs shall be responsible for judging and submitting Club reports and shall make reports to CFWC as set by the CFWC Executive Committee.

Current correct wording.

ARTICLE X. COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAMS

CURRENT WORDING	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED, TO READ
COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAMS	Amend by striking: COMMUNITY SERVICE	PROGRAMS

Rationale: Current correct title.

ARTICLE X.1.A COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAMS

CURRENT WORDING	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED, TO READ
10.1.A. Defined. Community Service Programs shall be those established by the General Federation of Women's Clubs.	Amend by striking: COMMUNITY SERVICE	Programs shall be those established by the General Federation of Women's Clubs.

Rationale: Current correct wording.

ARTICLE X.1.C COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAMS

CURRENT WORDING	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED, TO READ
10.1.C. Community Service Programs may be combined or permitted to remain vacant as the President deems the needs of CFWC require, subject to the approval of the Executive Board.	Amend by Striking: Community Service	Programs may be combined or permitted to remain vacant as the President deems the needs of CFWC require, subject to the approval of the Executive Board.

Rationale: Current correct title.

ARTICLE X.1.E COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAMS

CURRENT WORDING	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED, TO READ
10.1.E. Executive Board Status The chairmen of Community Service Programs, Special Appointments, and Administrative Chairmen shall be members of the Executive Board.	Amend by Striking: Community Service	E. Executive Board Status The chairmen of Programs, Special Appointments, and Administrative Chairmen shall be members of the Executive Board.

Rationale: Current correct wording.

ARTICLE X.1.F COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAMS

CURRENT WORDING	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED, TO READ
<p>10.1.F. Endorsements for CFWC Community Service Programs, Special Appointment, or Administrative Chairmen. During the second year of each administration, promptly after January 1 of the election year, Clubs, and District Executive Boards may send the endorsements for appointment to CFWC Chairman to the First Vice President (President-elect)</p> <p>1. All endorsements shall be accompanied by a list of qualifications for specific chairmanships.</p> <p>2. Endorsed members and other qualified members shall be considered, and those best qualified to serve the Federation</p>	<p>Amend by striking:</p> <p>Article X.1.F. Endorsements</p> <p>F. Endorsements for CFWC Community Service Programs, Special Appointment, or Administrative Chairmen. During the second year of each administration, promptly after January 1 of the election year, Clubs, and District Executive Boards may send the endorsements for appointment to CFWC Chairman to the First Vice President (President-elect)</p> <p>1. All endorsements shall be accompanied by a list of qualifications for specific chairmanships.</p> <p>2. Endorsed members and other</p>	<p>Following items will be renumbered.</p>

shall be appointed by the President and ratified by the Executive Committee for each administration.	qualified members shall be considered, and those best qualified to serve the Federation shall be appointed by the President and ratified by the Executive Committee for each administration.	
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Rationale: Clarification. Endorsements are no longer current practice.

ARTICLE X.1.H COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAMS

CURRENT WORDING	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED, TO READ
10. 1.H.1. Term The chairmen of Community Service Programs, Special Appointments, or Administration shall be appointed or elected for a term of two years. No member may serve as a chairman for more than a total of six consecutive years.	Amend by Striking: Community Service	10.1.H.1. Term The chairmen of Programs, Special Appointments, or Administration shall be appointed or elected for a term of two years. No member may serve as a chairman for more than a total of six consecutive years.

Rationale: Current correct wording

Article X.2. COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAMS

CURRENT WORDING	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED, TO READ
10.2 The chairmen of Community Service Programs, Special Appointments, and Administration Chairmen shall conduct the appropriate work in accordance with plans that have the approval of the president.	Amend by Striking: Community Service	The chairmen of Programs, Special Appointments, and Administration Chairmen shall conduct the appropriate work in accordance with plans that have the approval of the president.

Rationale: Current correct wording

ARTICLE XII.1.C CONVENTION

CURRENT WORDING	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED, TO READ
Sixty days prior to convention, two copies of the Call shall be mailed to each club president, one copy to CFWC Executive Board members with convention information and the registration form. Convention information shall be included in the <i>California Clubwoman</i> magazine. The Convention Call and information shall be placed on the website.	Amend by striking two following convention Further amend by inserting <i>one</i> following convention	Sixty days prior to the convention, one copy of the call shall be mailed to each club president, one copy to CFWC Executive Board members with convention information and the registration form. Convention information shall be included in the <i>California Clubwoman</i> magazine. The Convention Call and information shall be placed on the website.

Rationale: Cost saving measure

ARTICLE XII CONVENTION 12.3 Fees

CURRENT WORDING	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED, TO READ
12.3.1. A reserve account from the Convention net profit shall be established to be used for Convention speakers and entertainment; balance in the account is not to exceed four thousand dollars (\$4,000)	Amend by striking: balance in the account is not to exceed four thousand dollars. Further amend by inserting: <i>in the CFWC General Account.</i> following established	12.3.1. A reserve account from the Convention net profit shall be established in the CFWC General Account to be used for Convention speakers and entertainment.

Rational: Clarification.

ARTICLE XIII NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

CURRENT WORDING	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED, TO READ
Section 13.1. Elections. The election of officers shall be in even numbered calendar years. The election shall be by ballot. A plurality vote shall elect.	Amend by inserting following ballot and before A. In any election where there <i>is but one (1) candidate for an office, the ballot may be dispensed with by general consent, and the candidates elected by voice vote.</i>	The election of officers shall be in even numbered calendar years. The election shall be by ballot. In <i>any election where there is but one (1) candidate for an office, the ballot may be dispensed with by general consent, and the candidates elected by voice vote.</i> <i>A plurality vote shall elect.</i>

Rationale: Time and cost saving measure.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE STANDING RULES CFWC CONVENTION, 2017

Standing Rule 12 (Finance Section)

CURRENTLY READS	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED, TO READ
Reports of remittances for CFWC dues shall be made in duplicate on regular blank forms furnished by CFWC. The original copy is to be sent to the CFWC Financial Secretary and a duplicate sent to the Director of Finance.	Amend by striking: in duplicate Further amend by striking: The original copy is to be sent and a duplicate sent to the Director of Finance Further amend by inserting: <i>And after be and before to</i>	Reports of remittances for CFWC dues shall be made on regular blank forms furnished by CFWC and sent to the CFWC Financial Secretary.

Rationale: Increased efficiency

Standing Rule 13 (Finance Section)

CURRENTLY READS	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED, TO READ
All bills except itinerary and convention expenses shall be sent directly to the CFWC Director of Finance who shall write warrants and forward them to the CFWC Treasurer for payment. These officers shall affix the date of their signature.	Amend by: Striking itinerary and	All bills except convention expenses shall be sent directly to the CFWC Director of Finance who shall write warrants and forward them to the CFWC Treasurer for payment. These officers shall affix the date of their signature.

Rationale: Increased efficiency

Standing Rule 25 (Finance Section)

CURRENTLY READS	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED, TO READ
NEW	Amend by inserting: <i>A fund shall be established to assist districts in financial need to send their president and/or first vice president to CFWC board meetings in the amount of \$200 per district per year.</i>	Amend by inserting: A fund shall be established to assist districts in financial need to send their president and/or first vice president to CFWC board meetings in the amount of \$200 per district per year.

Rationale: Motion passed at the February, 2017 CFWC Executive Board Meeting. The following items to be renumbered.

Standing Rule 43A (Itinerary Section)

CURRENTLY READS	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED, TO READ
Chairmen or officers shall present Itinerary Forms to the President of the District or Club for signature. The signed forms and bills shall be sent to the CFWC Itinerary Chairman.	Amend by inserting: <i>Request</i> following Itinerary and before Forms Amend by striking: Itinerary Chairman following CFWC Further amend by inserting: <i>Director of Finance</i> following CFWC	Chairmen or officers shall present Itinerary Request Forms to the President of the District or Club for signature. The signed Forms and bills shall be sent to the CFWC Director of Finance.

Rationale: Increased efficiency

Standing Rule 43B (Itinerary section)

CURRENTLY READS	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED, TO READ
After approval, the Itinerary Chairman shall send one copy of the bill to the CFWC Director of Finance and shall retain the other copy for her files.	Amend by striking: the Itinerary Chairman shall send one copy of the bill to the CFWC Director of Finance and shall retain the other copy for her files. Further amend by inserting: <i>the Director of Finance will write a warrant and forward to the Treasurer for payment following approval.</i>	After approval, the Director of Finance will write a warrant and forward to the Treasurer for payment.

Rationale: Conform with Standing Rule 13. Bills will go directly to the Financial Officers to facilitate payment in a timely manner.

Our thanks to the CFWC Bylaw Committee for their time to review the Bylaws and Standing Rules in order to present these proposed changes at the 2017 Annual Convention.

Chairman Joyce Opjorden, CFWC Parliamentarian

AREA A Priscilla Bolinder

AREA B Judy Connors

AREA C Lynn Hutton

AREA D Virginia Mayer Oaks

PROPOSED CHANGES BY THE RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

CFWC CONVENTION, 2017

The 2016-18 Resolutions Committee moves that the following two resolutions be retired as accomplished. Rationale: legislation has been enacted

012-107

FUNDING OF K-12 SCHOOLS (Convention 2000, Amended/Reaffirmed 2006, Reaffirmed 2011)

Whereas, The members of the GFWC California Federation of Women's Clubs are vitally interested in and intensely supportive of the education of K-12 students in California; and

Whereas, The school districts of California are having financial shortfalls directly related to the lack of complete funding for mandated programs such as special education, testing and busing; and

Whereas, The individual California school board's local control of spending has been critically limited by an excessive amount of funds being designated for specific budget categories by the governor and legislators; therefore

RESOLVED, THAT THE GFWC CALIFORNIA FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS SUPPORTS LEGISLATION THAT PROVIDES COMPLETE FUNDING FOR MANDATED PROGRAMS AND GIVES MORE LOCAL SCHOOL BOARD CONTROL OVER BUDGETING OF EDUCATION FUNDS BY MAKING THOSE FUNDS DISCRETIONARY.

015-263

FIREARM POSSESSION (Convention 1997, Reaffirmed 2001, Reaffirmed 2006, Amended 2011)

Whereas, Legislation exists prohibiting anyone convicted of felony domestic violence from owning a gun; and
Whereas, All members of society should be required to abide by the law, including any law enforcement officer who has been convicted; therefore

RESOLVED, THAT THE CALIFORNIA FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS GO ON RECORD OPPOSING ATTEMPTS TO EXEMPT LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS FROM THIS LAW; and further
RESOLVED, THAT MEMBERS BE ENCOURAGED TO CONTACT THEIR U.S. AND STATE REPRESENTATIVES TO EXPRESS OPPOSITION TO ANY EXEMPTIONS FROM THIS LAW.

The 2016-18 Resolutions Committee moves that the following four resolutions be reaffirmed as written. Rationale: the issues remain relevant.

012-108

ENGLISH ADOPTED AS OFFICIAL LANGUAGE (Convention 2002, Reviewed 2007, Amended 2012)

Whereas, The GFWC California Federation of Women's Clubs has gone on record in support of English as the official language of the United States; therefore

RESOLVED, THAT THE GFWC CALIFORNIA FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS STRONGLY SUPPORTS THE ADOPTION OF ENGLISH AS THE OFFICIAL UNITED STATES LANGUAGE.

015-285

JURY TRIAL REFORM (Convention 1996, Amend/Reaffirm 2001, Reaffirmed 2006, Reaffirmed 2011)

Whereas, A significant number of criminal trials annually prosecuted in California result in hung juries; and
Whereas, The United States Supreme Court has expressly approved the constitutionality of non-unanimous jury verdicts; therefore

RESOLVED, THAT THE GFWC CALIFORNIA FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS SUPPORTS NON-UNANIMOUS JURY VERDICTS FOR CRIMINAL TRIALS.

015-362

ABUSIVE HEAD TRAUMA (SHAKEN BABY SYNDROME) (Convention 1997, Reaffirmed 2001, Accomplished 2006, Re-activated and Amended 2012)

Whereas, Abusive Head Trauma (Shaken Baby Syndrome) occurs when a person shakes an infant violently, 22

tosses infants in play, or acts without awareness; and

Whereas, many parents and other caregivers are unaware that shaking babies is dangerous; Whereas, Infants' neck muscles are weak; shaking an infant can cause head trauma damage to the brain; and

Whereas, In a 2009 article, the National Crime Center on Shaken Baby Syndrome estimated that 1200-1400 U.S. children are injured or killed by shaking each year. The number may be higher as many cases are not detected; therefore and

RESOLVED, THAT THE CALIFORNIA FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS URGE ITS MEMBER CLUBS TO WORK ON A STATEWIDE PUBLIC EDUCATION CAMPAIGN TO RAISE AWARENESS OF THE ABUSIVE HEAD TRAUMA CONSEQUENCES OF SHAKING A BABY; and further

RESOLVED, THAT COPIES OF THIS RESOLUTION BE MADE AVAILABLE TO:

1. THE CFWC HOME LIFE COMMUNITY SERVICES CHAIRMAN
2. THE CFWC PUBLIC ISSUES COMMUNITY SERVICES CHAIRMAN
3. THE CFWC ADVOCATES FOR CHILDREN CHAIRMAN
4. ALL DISTRICT CLUBS; and further

RESOLVED, THAT GFWC CALIFORNIA FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS URGES ALL MEMBERS TO DISTRIBUTE COPIES OF THIS RESOLUTION TO PARENTING GROUPS, GROUPS AND ENTITIES CONDUCTING BABY SITTING CLASSES, DAY CARE CENTERS AND HEALTH PROVIDERS.

015-403

STEM CELL RESEARCH (Convention 2002, Amended 2007, Amended 2012)

Whereas, Human stem cell research is demonstrating results that will assist victims of diabetes, leukemia, sickle cell anemia, Parkinson's, Alzheimer's, Huntington's, and other diseases or conditions including nerve damage; therefore

RESOLVED, THAT THE CALIFORNIA FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS SUPPORT THE CONTINUATION AND EXPANSION OF ADULT STEM CELL RESEARCH BY UTILIZING ONLY BYPRODUCTS (i.e., UMBILICAL CORD AND PLACENTA) OF LIVE AND STILL BIRTHS THAT HAVE BEEN RELEASED AS A RESULT OF INFORMED PARENTAL OR LEGAL GUARDIAN'S CONSENT; and further

RESOLVED, THAT THE CALIFORNIA FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS SEEKS TO EDUCATE ITS MEMBERS AT STATE, DISTRICT, AND CLUB LEVELS ABOUT HUMAN STEM CELL RESEARCH.

The 2016-18 Resolutions Committee moves that the following seven resolutions be amended as noted and reaffirmed. Rationale: all are still relevant topics, but some statistics and information needed to be updated to keep them current.

Language to be removed is struck through. Any replacement language, or added language, is noted in italics and is located in the body of each resolution where it is recommended to be placed.

011-038

GREENHOUSE EFFECT (Convention 1989, Substitute Resolution 1994, Reviewed 1999, Amended 2004, Amended 2007, Amended 2012)

Whereas, Sunlight reaching the earth's surface becomes heat that is radiated back to space; and

Whereas, The gases in our atmosphere that allow the sun's energy to reach the earth's surface also re-reflect part of the outgoing heat back to the earth, resulting in a natural "greenhouse effect"; and

Whereas, Man's consumption of fossil fuels and man's production of methane, chlorofluorocarbons (CFC), and ground-level ozone are changing the chemistry of the atmosphere such that more heat may be reflected and global temperatures may rise significantly; and

Whereas, The United States produces many of the global greenhouse gas emissions, and the transportation sector in the US relies upon petroleum for most of its energy needs, the majority of the petroleum consumed in the US is imported from other countries, and the use of alternative fueled vehicles can significantly

reduce the emissions of greenhouse gases; and

Whereas, Although there is still some uncertainty as to what extent the earth's temperature may rise, the potential environmental threat and risks associated with global warming are potentially very significant to Americans; and

Whereas, The rise in global temperatures may cause changes in rainfall patterns and crop growth, a rise in sea level, beach erosion, decline of fisheries, loss of coastal wetlands, salt water contamination of drinking water, increased power demand for air conditioning, and extinction of species that are incapable of adapting to climate change; therefore

RESOLVED, THAT THE GFWC CALIFORNIA FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS URGES GFWC AND THE U.S. GOVERNMENT TO ADOPT POLICIES THAT REQUIRE:

1.) IMPLEMENTING ENERGY CONSERVATION MEASURES THROUGH REDUCED ENERGY COSTS; and

~~2.) ADOPTION OF A DATE WHEN THE U.S. WOULD BE CARBON NEUTRAL; and-~~

2.) *SUPPORTING THE GOAL THAT THE U.S. WOULD BE CARBON NEUTRAL AT 80% BELOW 1990 EMISSION LEVELS BY THE YEAR 2050; and*

3.) SUPPORTING ANY STATE'S EFFORTS TO SWITCH TO ~~NAUTRAL~~ *natural* GAS, ALTERNATIVE ENERGY, AND ELECTRIC VEHICLES WHERE THESE CHANGES WILL RESULT IN DECREASED GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS.

015-229

CHILD ABUSE AND/OR NEGLECT PREVENTION (Convention 1978, Reaffirmed 1988, 1993, Amended/Reaffirmed 1998, Amended 2003, Amended 2007, Amended 2012)

Whereas, Child abuse includes physical abuse, sexual abuse, psychological abuse, abusive head trauma (Shaken Baby Syndrome); mental/emotional abandonment; and general, medical and educational neglect; and

Whereas, Studies show that the abused/neglected child could become a perpetrator on children and/or spouse and that most themselves were abused/neglected children; and

Whereas, This cycle of abuse/neglect must end; therefore

RESOLVED, THAT THE GFWC CALIFORNIA FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS URGES THE ATTORNEY GENERAL AND LEGISLATORS OF CALIFORNIA TO ~~INITIATE AND~~ STRENGTHEN CHILD ABUSE/NEGLECT PREVENTION, REPORTING, COUNSELING AND INTERVENTION PROGRAMS; and further

RESOLVED, THAT PROGRAMS SHOULD:

1) PROVIDE PROTECTIVE SERVICES ON A 24-HOUR BASIS;

2) COUNSEL BOTH VICTIM AND ABUSER;

3) CREATE PUBLIC AWARENESS IN SCHOOLS AND IN COMMUNITIES BY EDUCATION ON HOW TO IDENTIFY AND PREVENT THE PROBLEM;

4) ENCOURAGE COMPLETE REPORTING AND ACCURATE DATA COLLECTION;

5) PROVIDE FOR PROMPT, SENSITIVE ATTENTION BY POLICE, MEDICAL SERVICES, COURTS, AND SOCIAL SERVICES.

015-251

EQUAL RIGHTS AMENDMENT (Convention 1969, Reaffirmed 1976, 1987, 1993, Historic 1998, Re-activated and Amended 2012)

Whereas, The General Federation of Women's Clubs has an ongoing interest in as well as an existing resolution supporting continuing action in this area; and

Whereas, ~~The required number of states has not yet ratified the existing proposed Equal Rights Amendment; therefore—~~*A minimum of three states out of the 15 yet to ratify the Equal Rights Amendment must do so in order for it to pass; and*

Whereas, Those states are: Alabama, Arizona, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, Nevada, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Utah and Virginia; therefore

RESOLVED, THAT THE GFWC CALIFORNIA FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS STRONGLY URGES GFWC TO ACTIVELY WORK WITH MEMBER CLUBS IN THOSE 15 STATES TO INCREASE PRESSURE ON THOSE STATE LEGISLATURES TO RATIFY THE EQUAL RIGHTS AMENDMENT; and further
RESOLVED, THAT THE GFWC CALIFORNIA FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS URGES THAT EFFORTS CONTINUE BY BOTH GFWC AND CONGRESS TO PASS AN EQUAL RIGHTS AMENDMENT THAT WOULD READ IN PART "EQUALITY OF RIGHTS SHALL NOT BE DENIED OR ABRIDGED BY THE UNITED STATES OR BY ANY STATE, ON ACCOUNT OF GENDER."

015-345

RELATIONSHIP VIOLENCE AND ABUSED PERSONS (Convention 1996, Amended/Reaffirmed 2001, Amended/Reaffirmed 2006, Amended 2011)

Whereas, Physical, emotional, verbal, psychological, and sexual abuse continues to increase within our society cutting across age, ethnic, racial, educational and socio-economic lines and can cause emotional and behavioral disturbance, physical injury and death to children and adults; and

Whereas, Children who grow up in violent homes are more likely to become batterers or victims themselves than are children from non-violent homes; and

Whereas, The majority of domestic elder abuse perpetrators are family members of the victim, typically serving in a care-giving role, and

Whereas, It is estimated that the incidents of elder abuse are grossly underestimated. For instance, the U.S. Administration on Aging Elder Abuse suggests that only 1 in 14 cases of elder abuse is ever reported; and

Whereas, There continues to be a need for emergency shelters and counseling services for all victims of abuse; therefore

RESOLVED, THAT THE CALIFORNIA FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS SUPPORT LEGISLATION AND ACTIVELY PROMOTE PROGRAMS WHICH WILL:

1. IDENTIFY AT-RISK FAMILIES AND SUSPECTED CASES OF CHILD, SPOUSAL OR ELDER ABUSE
2. PROVIDE EMERGENCY AID AND SHELTER FOR THOSE WHO ARE FORCED TO LEAVE VIOLENT FAMILY SETTINGS
3. PROVIDE TREATMENT FOR VICTIMS AND REHABILITATION FOR PERPETRATORS OF ABUSE
4. PROVIDE PUBLIC AWARENESS EDUCATION PROGRAMS CONCERNING PREVENTION OF ABUSE; and further

RESOLVED, THAT MEMBER CLUBS BE URGED TO ENLIST THE HELP OF ~~HOSPITALS, DOCTORS, HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS~~, LAWYERS, POLICE, SCHOOL PERSONNEL, CHURCHES, COUNSELING SERVICES, *SENIOR CITIZEN ASSOCIATIONS*, SOCIAL SERVICE AGENCIES AND CLINICS, SHELTERS AND THEIR PROGRAMS IN A UNITED EFFORT FOR PREVENTION AND TREATMENT OF ABUSED PERSONS.

015-384

UNITED STATES FLAG AND NATIONAL ANTHEM ETIQUETTE (Convention 1990, Amended/Reaffirmed 1995, Reaffirmed 2000, Reaffirmed 2006, Amended 2011)

~~Whereas, The Supreme Court of the United States by a 5 to 4 vote, has decided to allow the indiscriminate burning of the flag of the United States of America under the guise of First Amendment rights of free expression; and~~

~~Whereas, The decline in values of many Americans has led to a decline in patriotism and appreciation for traditional American beliefs as evidenced by the renditions of the National Anthem and lack of respect during the renewal of the Pledge of Allegiance; and~~

Whereas, ~~These symbols~~ *The U.S. flag and the Star Spangled Banner* are recognized worldwide as representative of the United States of America and are loved, respected and revered by the American people who have defended them in war and peace; and

Whereas, The United States Flag Code, Title 36, Chapter 10, United States Code paragraphs 170-178 describe²⁵

proper etiquette for both the flag and the anthem; ~~and therefore~~

~~Whereas, The members of the California Federation of Women's Clubs are distressed to see this decline in respect for our country's symbols; therefore~~

RESOLVED, THAT THE GFWC CALIFORNIA FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS URGES:

1. THAT THE CALIFORNIA SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION DIRECT STAFF TO CREATE A TEACHING SYLLABUS TO BE ~~INSTITUTED ANNUALLY IN~~ *DISTRIBUTED TO* EVERY PUBLIC SCHOOL IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA INSTRUCTING ALL STUDENTS IN PROPER NATIONAL ANTHEM AND FLAG ETIQUETTE.
2. THAT ~~EVERY MEMBER CLUB CLUBS~~ DELIVER A COPY OF ~~THIS RESOLUTION TO THEIR LOCAL SUPERINTENDENTS OF SCHOOLS, COLLEGE PRESIDENTS AND PROFESSIONAL ATHLETIC TEAM OWNERS AND PRESIDENTS STATING THE OPPOSITION OF THE MEMBERS TO THE ABUSES OF THE NATIONAL ANTHEM AND UNITED STATES FLAG, URGING THAT PROPER ETIQUETTE BE OBSERVED.~~ *TITLE 36, CHAPTER 10, UNITED STATES CODE PARAGRAPHS 170-178 TO SOCIAL, CIVIC AND ORGANIZED SPORTS ORGANIZATIONS WITHIN THEIR COMMUNITIES TO ENCOURAGE PROPER ETIQUETTE.*

015-402

METHAMPHETAMINES (Convention 2002, Amended 2007, Amended 2012)

Whereas, More methamphetamines, powerful stimulants which affect the central nervous system, are produced in California than anywhere in the U.S.A.; and

Whereas, The general population is unaware of the potential threat to their health and safety posed by clandestine laboratories, *which can be located almost anywhere*, such as motel rooms or the trunks of cars where the drug can be “cooked” *using either hot or cold processing methods* by criminals who are often armed and dangerous; therefore

RESOLVED, THAT THE GFWC CALIFORNIA FEDERATION OF WOMEN’S CLUBS URGES ITS MEMBER CLUBS TO WORK TO RAISE MEMBER AND COMMUNITY AWARENESS, ~~ESPECIALLY THE YOUNG AND MIDDLE AGED PEOPLE,~~ ABOUT THE ADVERSE EFFECTS OF USING METHAMPHETAMINES ~~ON THEIR BODIES~~, AND THE SIGNS OF POSSIBLE METHAMPHETAMINE LABORATORIES:

1. STRONG OR UNUSUAL CHEMICAL ODORS,
2. ~~LABORATORY EQUIPMENT (GLASS TUBES, BEAKERS, BUNSEN BURNERS, FUNNELS),~~
2. CAMP STOVES, HEAT PLATES OR PROPANE TANKS, ~~OR COFFEE FILTERS WITH A POWDERY SUBSTANCE;~~
3. EVIDENCE OF LARGE QUANTITIES OF *HOUSEHOLD AND AUTOMOTIVE CHEMICALS*, COLD MEDICATION OR NONPRESCRIPTION WEIGHT-LOSS PRODUCTS,
4. *PANS, BOTTLES, JARS, THERMOSES AND PAPER OR PAPER FILTERS SHOWING POWDERY CHEMICAL RESIDUE OR HAVING CHEMICAL STAINS, ESPECIALLY THOSE BROWN, WHITE, RED OR PURPLE IN COLOR;* further

RESOLVED, THAT CLUBS EDUCATE THEIR MEMBERS AND COMMUNITIES ~~OF~~ *ABOUT* STEPS TO PROTECT THEMSELVES AND OTHERS IF A METHAMPHETAMINE LABORATORY IS SUSPECTED:

1. LEAVE THE AREA AT ONCE,
2. REFRAIN FROM INTERFERENCE,
3. CONTACT LAW ENFORCEMENT IMMEDIATELY,
4. NOTIFY OTHERS WHO MAY BE IN DANGER.

015-407

RESPONDING TO THE NEEDS OF VETERANS (Convention 2006, Amended 2011)

~~Whereas, Over 11% of our population over the age of 18 are civilian veterans; and~~

~~Whereas, In the global war on terrorism, non-mortal wounding as of March 10, 2010 total 36,906; and~~

~~Whereas, As of the end of fiscal year 2010, 437,310 veterans are receiving compensation for Post-Traumatic Stress Syndrome; and~~

~~Whereas, Over 600,000 homeless people are on the streets of America on any given night and 10% to 15% are veterans; and~~

~~Whereas, As of 2009, it was estimated that 26,618 veterans were homeless in California; and~~

~~Whereas, Statistics from 2015 show there are 1,693,602 U.S. Military veterans living in California; and~~

~~Whereas, That Veterans report also showed 2 million out of 21.7 million U.S. veterans are women; and~~

~~Whereas, It also reported that 28% of veterans are disabled with a variety of physical, mental and emotional disorders, such as amputations and Post Traumatic Stress Syndrome; and~~

~~Whereas, In 2014 (most recent statistic) it was estimated that 49,933 veterans living in California were homeless; and~~

Whereas, The impact on family and community members is not a part of the statistical data that results from returning veterans who are physically, mentally or psychologically impaired, but it is real; therefore

RESOLVED, THAT THE GFWC CALIFORNIA FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS REQUESTS THAT URGES THEIR MEMBERS TO CONTACT THEIR LOCAL VETERANS ADMINISTRATION AFFAIRS OFFICE AND THEIR LEGISLATORS AT ALL LEVELS OF GOVERNMENT TO URGE PROGRAMS AND LAWS THAT WILL MEET THE CONTINUING NEEDS OF ALL UNITED STATES VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES.

The 2016-18 Resolutions Committee moves the following NEW RESOLUTION be passed.

Rationale: the topic is of current concern in the state for the reasons outlined in the text.

015-421 REVIEW OF PROPOSITION 47 (Convention 2017)

Whereas, Proposition 47 was placed on the ballot in November 2014 with the intention of reducing prison and jail populations by reclassifying several nonviolent felonies as misdemeanors and by not incarcerating drug users who committed non-violent crimes; and

Whereas, The voters approved Proposition 47 and it became effective on November 4, 2014; and

Whereas, Some areas of the state are now seeing an increase in theft crimes amid concerns that too many former felonies are now being prosecuted as misdemeanors, thereby earning offenders little or no jail time; and

Whereas, Savings realized from not incarcerating drug addicts, many of whom pay for their habit through stealing and selling stolen property, were to be directed to rehabilitation programs; and

Whereas, 2016 information from the State of California shows that there has been an almost two-year delay in delivering those rehabilitation program funds to the intended providers; and

Whereas, Many California counties in 2016 reported crime statistics showing offenders are returning to the streets to continue to commit crimes and abuse drugs; therefore

RESOLVED, THAT THE GFWC CALIFORNIA FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS SEEK TO INFLUENCE STATE LEGISLATORS TO IDENTIFY AND STUDY DATA REGARDING THE RECLASSIFIED CRIMES TO EITHER DETERMINE THE STATUTE CHANGES WERE EFFECTIVE OR THAT THERE IS A NEED TO RETURN CERTAIN OFFENSES TO THE ORIGINAL CLASSIFICATION; and further

RESOLVED, CFWC REQUESTS STATE LEGISLATORS ACCOUNT FOR ALL OF THE FUNDS SAVED FROM PRISON AND JAIL BUDGETS; REPORT TO THE TAXPAYERS THE TRUE DOLLAR AMOUNT; AND SEE TO IT THAT THE FUNDS ARE SPENT IN A TIMELY MANNER ON THE INTENDED PURPOSE OF REHABILITATION PROGRAMS.

Our thanks to the CFWC Resolutions Committee for their time served in reviewing Resolutions for consideration and submitting these proposed changes.

Chairman Karen Smart

AREA A: Priscilla Bolinder;

AREA B: Judy Connors;

AREA C: Lynn Hutton;

AREA D: Virginia Mayer Oaks

GFWC CALIFORNIA FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS
114th Annual Convention Registration & Meal Reservation Form

DEADLINE: April 19, 2017

Please return this form with check payable to CFWC. (Make a copy for your records). Registration and Meal Reservations must be received by **April 19, 2017 DEADLINE**.

Mail check & form to: Corinne Moore, Registration Chairman, P.O. Box 4354, West Hills CA 91308-4354
818-298-1870 Email: corinnemm004@gmail.com

To Register Online Use this link below (cut and paste into URL):

<http://events.constantcontact.com/register/event?llr=99lrdivwab&oeidk=a07edvgvt511c288d40>

PLEASE TYPE or PRINT CLEARLY YOUR PERSONAL INFORMATION BELOW:

NAME _____ AREA _____

DISTRICT NAME _____ CLUB NAME _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ ZIP _____

E-MAIL: _____ VOTING POSITION _____

PHONE _____ IS THIS YOUR FIRST CONVENTION? _____

CREDENTIAL

Position – Indicate which you represent

R-1 _____ CFWC Officer
R-1A _____ CFWC Chairman
R-1B _____ CFWC Committee Member
R-1C _____ Past CFWC President

R-2A _____ District President
R-2B _____ District 1st Vice President
R-3A _____ Club President
R-3B _____ Club Delegate

R-4 _____ Member (non-voting)

R-5 _____ Juniorette

R-6 _____ Guest

If you are bringing a guest for meal function, please
send Registration Forms together and note Guest's Name

**WILL YOU USE A MOTOR
POWEREDSCOOTER/CHAIR** _____

REGISTRATION FEES:

CFWC Member	\$20.00	_____
Late Registration	\$30.00	_____
Guest	- 0 -	_____

MEALS:

Thursday-May 18th

M-1 Emeritus Luncheon		
Lemon Baked Chicken	\$30.00	_____
Vegetarian: Portobello Mushroom	\$30.00	_____
M-2 Banquet		
Roasted Beef Bourguignon	\$45.00	_____
Vegetarian: Grilled Tofu	\$45.00	_____

Friday-May 19th

M-3 ESO Breakfast	\$30.00	_____
M-4 Luncheon		
Cobb Salad	\$30.00	_____
Vegetarian: Cobb Salad, no protein	\$30.00	_____
M-5 Banquet		
BBQ Chicken	\$45.00	_____
Vegetarian: Stuffed Bell Pepper	\$45.00	_____

Saturday – May 20th

M-6 Luncheon		
Grilled Chicken	\$30.00	_____
Vegetarian: Bowtie Pasta	\$30.00	_____
M-7 Banquet		
Halibut	\$45.00	_____
Vegetarian: Penne Pasta	\$45.00	_____

SPECIAL DIETARY REQUESTS MUST BE NOTED!

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____

Check Number/Date _____

****Each Attendee Must Submit An Individual Registration Form***

