

# **CALL**

**GFWC California Federation of Women's  
Clubs**

**122nd Annual Convention**

**May 15-17, 2025**



**Holiday Inn San Jose – Silicon Valley**

# GFWC CALIFORNIA FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS

## OFFICIAL CALL TO CONVENTION 2025

May 15-17, 2025

CFWC Board Members, Club Presidents, Delegates and Members:

This is your official CALL to the 122nd Annual Convention of the GFWC California Federation of Women's Clubs (CFWC). This CALL contains information about Convention Sessions, activities, events, meals, registration and delegates. It also contains the proposed amendments to our GFWC/CFWC Bylaws and proposed Resolutions for your consideration. Please study them and caucus within your clubs/districts before arriving at the Convention. No copies of the proposed Bylaw Amendments and proposed Resolutions will be available at the Convention, so it is important that you bring this CALL with you to the Convention. Members may view and download copies of this CALL, Bylaws and Resolutions from our website: [www.cfwc.org](http://www.cfwc.org). If you have any questions or problems, please contact Mary Sprague ([MLSPRAGUE@sbcglobal.net](mailto:MLSPRAGUE@sbcglobal.net)) or Kathi McGraw ([glenn.mcgraw@ca.rr.com](mailto:glenn.mcgraw@ca.rr.com)) Convention Co-Chairs.

**Club Presidents:** It is your responsibility to make sure your delegates receive or download copies of this CALL and the Registration Form. Non-voting members who plan to attend will need copies as well to insure they are informed and prepared to expedite business. Please adhere to all deadlines.

The convention is open to ALL members! It is a time to meet other clubwomen, gather new inspiration from our speakers and workshops and experience the camaraderie of Federation.



# President's Welcome



**Dear Members and Friends,**

It is my great pleasure to welcome you to the **122<sup>nd</sup> GFWC California Federation of Women's Clubs Convention – 2025!** Serving as your **68<sup>th</sup> CFWC President** has been an incredible honor, and I am thrilled to have this opportunity to thank you for your dedication and the meaningful impact you continue to make in your communities and beyond.

Your reports beautifully reflect the heart of our Federation as we strive to improve our lives both locally and globally. This year's convention theme, **"Salute to the Red, White, and Blue,"** celebrates our unwavering support for the military. From hosting baby showers for young service members and providing gifts to military families to honoring and assisting our veterans, we take pride in our commitment to those who serve.

Convention highlights include:

- **Chairman's Faire** – Meet with the CFWC Chairmen and learn firsthand about their projects.
- **Informative Workshops** – Gain insights from Officers on key initiatives.
- **Area Meetings** – Connect with your Area Vice Presidents, foster friendships, and stay informed on regional activities.
- **Officer and Chairman Reports** – Stay up to date on Federation news and accomplishments.
- **Celebration of Life** – Honor and remember our cherished Sisters-in-Federation.
- **Awards Presentations** – Recognizing your dedication, efforts, and contributions toward achieving our shared goals.

As we gather, we will share ideas, inspire one another, and continue to **"Ignite Our Volunteer Spirit"** to create positive change.

Join us at the **Holiday Inn San Jose – Silicon Valley** from **May 15-18, 2025**, as we proudly **"Salute the Red, White, and Blue"** and let CFWC shine!

Yours in Federation and Love,

Sonya

# REGISTRATION

Advance registration is accepted if received on or before **April 30**. Mail the Registration and Meal Reservation Form with a check to cover both the registration and meals in time for them **TO ARRIVE NO LATER THAN** April 30. The late registration fee is \$30.00.

Mail to:

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ALL checks should be made payable to CFWC CONVENTION FUND.

# REPRESENTATION

CFWC Bylaws: ARTICLE XIII, Section 13 E. A quorum for transaction of business at the convention will be ten percent of the registered delegates and three officers.

Section 13.2 Representation, Voting Body:

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 member when they are officially engaged in fulfilling their duties,
7. Club Presidents or their alternates.
8. Each club having 20 members or fewer will have two (2) delegates or alternates. Each club shall have one (1) additional delegate or alternate for each additional ten (10) member or a major fraction thereof. Each Affiliate club shall have one (1) vote. This will allow our full dues paying Juniorettes to have all the benefits of belonging.

**SPECIAL NOTE:** Attached is a listing of all the clubs and the number of delegates they are entitled to.

**CELEBRATION OF LIFE:** Please submit the names of Members who served on the CFWC Executive Board to Debbie Pietrazsko (debpie74@yahoo.com) so they may be included in the Celebration of Life Ceremony being held at Convention. Include those who would have passed away since May 2024. If you have any questions, please contact Debbie Pietrazsko (debpie74@yahoo.com)

**Send by: April 15**

**LEADS REUNION:** This event is open only to CFWC members who have participated in a CFWC LEADS Seminar as their District's representative; to all former CFWC Leadership Chairs who have conducted CFWC LEADS meetings and to all State Presidents who have included CFWC LEADS meetings in their administration.

**EMERITUS:** This event is open only to those CFWC members who have joined the CFWC Emeritus Club, which is an affiliate club of former CFWC Board members

**CONVENTION PHOTOGRAPHER:**

There will be a specific area assigned for photos of the 122<sup>nd</sup> Convention. Members will report to this area for all Achievement Award Photos with the CFWC Chairs. There will be live action photos inside the rooms during the Convention.

Should you not want to be photographed for any reason, or have your photos shown on our CFWC social media sites, please let the Convention Photographer know. Additionally, prior to the Dinner Banquets and Happy Hour, group photos of clubs, districts and friends may be arranged by just showing up to the station.

**HOTEL INFORMATION:** The official headquarters for the 122<sup>nd</sup> Convention:  
Holiday Inn San Jose-Silicon Valley, 1350 North 1<sup>st</sup> Street, San Jose 95112  
408-453-6200

Booking Code: [CF2](#)

Complimentary shuttle to and from San Jose International Airport

**DEADLINE: April 15<sup>th</sup>**

Room Rates: \$129.00 Double/King ++(currently 14%, \$1.25 HBID,\$0.50 CA Tourism Tax  
\$139.00 Ex King  
\$159.00 Suites

Triple and Quadruple Occupancy an Extra \$10.00 and \$20.00 per night

Overnight self-parking: Free

Complimentary wireless internet in guestrooms

Complimentary meeting room Wi-Fi

## **CONVENTION ATTIRE:**

Thursday Opening Session	Business Casual
Thursday Banquet	Cocktail
Friday Lunch	Federation Attire
Friday Banquet	Cocktail
Saturday Lunch	Business Casual
Saturday Banquet	Red, White, Blue Cocktail attire

## **AREA MEETINGS**

### **Thursday, May 16, 4:00-5:00 pm**

District Candidates will be presented for consideration to serve on committees. Current Bylaws state members are to be elected to the Nominating and Election Committees in non-voting years. Voting Delegates should be in their Area meeting rooms within 10 minutes following recess. Non-voting members may attend on a space available basis after voting delegates have been seated.

# SPEAKERS/ENTERTAINMENT

## Thursday Opening Session – Tunnel to Towers



The **Tunnel to Towers Foundation** is a charitable organization founded in tribute to [New York Fire Department](#) firefighter Stephen Siller, who was killed on September 11, 2001, during the [September 11 attacks](#).<sup>[5]</sup> The foundation operates as a tax-exempt [501\(c\)\(3\)](#) non-profit organization and helps families of September 11, first responders and veterans rebuild in part from funds raised through nationwide charity runs.

The foundation also operates the Let Us Do Good Village, a 100-home area in [Land O'Lakes, Florida](#), explicitly for veterans, first responders and their families.<sup>[10]</sup>

## Thursday Entertainment - CroonerEd



A CroonerEd show is a highly interactive, captivating journey of music, video, and entertainment. The audience is part of the show in his wonderfully entertaining journeys of lively swing music and romantic love songs. As he performs familiar hit songs from Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin, Nat King Cole and others, he wanders off stage and into the audience inviting guests to sing along, trade places, dance, and enjoy fun, memorable moments. It's a terrific night of entertainment which usually includes some hilarious musical

comedy, great story telling, and even moments that tug at your heart. Most all CroonerEd shows are just him – along with his wonderful videos – which is just right!

## Friday ESO Breakfast – Linda Jo Myers



Haunted by the power of the past and how it affects people in later life, Linda Joy Myers, has chosen to write novels about World War II.

Listening to her grandmother's stories of the unfairness of the war and together watching documentaries of the brutality of it all, led to a passion for history. Her first book published was *The Forger of Marseille*, it is a highly rated Historical Fiction novel.

She is the founder and President of the National Association of Memoir Writers and has written several books on memoir writing as well as two memoirs of her own, which are award winning books. Linda is a teacher, blogger, and of course a writer.

Linda loves to travel when not writing. She also cares for about 30 rose bushes and an extensive garden. She cares for two kitties that like to sit on her desk when she is working.

Carrying on with the family tradition she is passing her love of history to her children and grandchildren.



## Friday Banquet – Wendy Carriker, GFWC President Elect



A dedicated clubwoman since 1985. Wendy has been involved in volunteer and leadership opportunities throughout her community, North Carolina, and the Southeastern Region.

Serving as GFWC Treasurer 2016-2018, GFWC Secretary 2018-2020, GFWC Second Vice President 2020-2022, GFWC First Vice President 2022-2024, President-elect 2024-present. Wendy has utilized her leadership and organizational experiences in all that she accomplishes including being a member of the Strategic Planning Committee. Wendy served as GFWC of North Carolina Director of Junior Clubs (2000-2002) and served GFWC of

North Carolina as State President (2012-2014) and is a GFWC of North Carolina Honorary Member since 2000.

## Saturday Lunch – Honor Flight



Honor Flight Central Coast California has a single mission: to take our veterans to Washington, DC to visit the memorials that pay tribute to their military service. We are an all-volunteer, 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that provides veterans from Southern Monterey County through Ventura County with no-cost "Tour of Honor" trips.

Our local chub was founded in 2014 and is part of the National Honor Flight Network. To date, almost 700 local veterans have participated in these three-day trips that include stops at military and war memorials, Arlington National Cemetery and other sites. The trips are powerful, emotional celebrations of military service and friendship, a time of healing and closure and an opportunity for veterans to receive long overdue thanks for their service and sacrifice.

## Saturday Banquet – Elise McFarland (Rosie the Riveter)



Elise has built a career in parks over the last twenty-five years starting with East Bay Regional Park District, then California State Parks, and now National Park Service. She worked in eight different parks and at the management level for the Diablo Range District of State Parks before coming to the four National Parks of the East Bay in March of 2024.

Elise is currently the Chief of Interpretation for Rosie the Riveter, John Muir, Eugene O'Neill, and Port Chicago. In her spare time, she enjoys baking, weaving, and knitting.



# AGENDA 122nd CONVENTION – 2025

May 15-18

**“Salute to the Red, White & Blue”**

Preliminary Agenda/subject to change

## Wednesday, May 14, 2025– Pre-Convention

Executive Committee Meetings – Closed Meetings

1:00-4:00 pm	Finance Meeting	Carmel
6:00-10:00 pm	Executive Committee	Carmel
7:00-8:00 pm	Registration	Mezzanine

## **Thursday, May 15, 2025**

9:00-10:00am	Executive Board Meeting	Salons D&E
10:00-12:30	Registration	Mezzanine

MUST BE REGISTERED BY 12:30 PM TO VOTE IN AREA MEETINGS

11:00-12:30	Emeritus Lunch	Salon K-L
12:00- 5:00	Vendors	Mezzanine
6:00-6:30 pm	Registration	Mezzanine

## 122nd CONVENTION AGENDA

General Session 1-3 pm	Salons D&E
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1pm. Call to Order – Sonya Matthies, CFWC President

Presentation of Colors – Del Mar High Color Guard

Renewal of Pledge of Allegiance – Ann Cochrane

Inspiration –

Song – Led by Deborah Bushnell

Patriotic Message – Civic Engagement & Outreach Chair Anne Cochrane

Welcome – Area A VP – Nancy Jo Banko

Area B VP – Ellen Ansok

Introduction of Officers, Past CFWC Presidents, Guests – CFWC President Sonya Matthies

Welcome of First Timers – 2<sup>nd</sup> VP Cindy Sanders and Area VP's

Preliminary Credentials Report – Kathi McGraw, Credential Chairman

Adoption of Convention Rules – CFWC Parliamentarian Chris Herzog

Adoption of Convention Program – 1<sup>st</sup> VP Wendy Curran

Appoint Committee to read and approve 2025 Convention minutes – Sonya Matthies

Officer's Reports (3 minutes and 2 copies)

Corresponding Secretary – Marcia Willett

Recording Secretary – Marsha Larusso

Director of Finance – Jill Drescher  
Treasurer – Deborah Bushnell  
Financial Secretary – Lynn Confetti-Ledbetter  
Parliamentarian – Chris Herzog  
Program: Tunnel to Towers  
Consideration of Proposed By law Amendments – Chris Herzog  
Consideration of Proposed Resolutions – Katie Squire  
Announcements – Mary Sprague and Kathi McGraw, Convention Co-Chairmen

4-5 p.m. AREA MEETINGS

AREA A	SALON A
AREA B	SALON B
AREA C	SALON C
AREA D	SALON M

Recessed until dinner

**Thursday Evening Banquet –**  
In Honor of Club Presidents and District Presidents

District Presidents line up outside of Ballroom at 6:30 p.m.

6:45 pm. Procession of District Presidents Salons F-J  
Introductions – Diane Waterhouse - CFWC Amenities and Protocol  
Meal Blessing –  
7:15 pm Dinner is served  
Officers' Reports (3 minutes and 2 copies)  
CFWC 1<sup>st</sup> VP Wendy Curran  
CFWC 2<sup>nd</sup> VP Cindy Sanders  
Area A VP Nancy Jo Banko  
Area B VP Ellen Ansok  
Area C VP Sandy Tessier  
Area D VP Martha Pritchard  
Program – Crooner Ed  
Drawings  
Announcements Mary Sprague and Kathi McGraw Convention Co-Chairs  
Enjoy the morning workshops  
Recessed until 1 pm for lunch

### **Friday May 16, 2025**

8:00-9:30 am	ESO Breakfast	Salon K-L
8:00-11:00 am	Registration Open	Mezzanine
MUST BE REGISTERED BY 11:00 ORDER TO VOTE		
9:00-5:00 pm	Vendor Exhibit Open	Mezzanine
10:00-11:00	Workshops	
	GFWC President-Elect – Wendy Carriker	Salon D&E
	Membership – Cindy Sanders & Area VP's	Salon A&B
	Finance Team	Salon C
	Leadership – Vicki Holden	Salon M
5:00-5:30 pm	Registration	Mezzanine

### **Award Luncheon**

In Honor of all CFWC Chairmen, District Chairmen and Club Chairmen

Thank you for all you do for the Federation.

12:00 p.m. Processional for all CFWC Chairmen, Administration and Program  
Chairmen and Committee Chairmen (Please sit in designated area)

Introductions – Diane Waterhouse – Amenities and Protocol

12:30 pm Blessing –

12:45 pm Lunch

Reconvene

Presentation of Awards Wendy Curran

### **COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAMS & ADVANCEMENT AWARDS**

Advocates For Children, GFWC Special Program - Sandra Cabral

Arts And Culture - Kelly Davis

Civic Engagement and Outreach - Anne Cochrane

Communications, Public Relations - Linda Queen

Domestic & Sexual Violence Awareness and Prevention - Cathie Petithomme

Education & Libraries - Kay Masonbrink

ESO, GFWC Advancement Area - Reggie Mattox

Environment - Nancy Jones

Fundraising and Development – Angie Nelson

Health and Wellness - Patsy Wilson

Leadership and Leads - Vicki Holden

Legislation and Public Policy - Kathleen Holm

Women's History and Resource Center - Allison Eccleston

Drawings – Kathi McGraw and Mary Sprague

Announcements – Mary Sprague and Kathi McGraw – Convention Co-Chairs

Recessed until dinner

**Friday Evening Banquet**  
**Honoring Past CFWC Presidents**

6:30 pm Past CFWC Presidents line up for processions  
Introductions – Diane Waterhouse - Amenities and Protocol

6:45 pm Welcome to Dinner – Sonya Matthies CFWC President  
Meal Blessing –

7:15 pm Dinner is served

Reconvene

GFWC President-Elect – Wendy Carriker

President's Address – Sonya Matthies CFWC President

Membership Awards and Past President's Chimes – Cindy Sanders

Drawings – Kathi McGraw and Mary Sprague

Announcements – Mary Sprague and Kathi McGraw

Recessed until 1 p.m. Saturday .

Remember your morning workshops.

Memorial Service Celebrating the lives of CFWC Board members we lost this past year. Those in attendance will leave the room quietly at the end of the service. Thank you to Debbie Petraszko for arranging this ceremony.

**Saturday May 17, 2025**

8:00-9:30 LEADS Reunion

Salon L

8:00-2:00 Vendor Exhibits

Mezzanine

10:00-11:30 Chairman Faire

Salon D&E

10:00-11:00 Workshops

CFWC President & CFWC Dean

Salon A

Communications – Linda Queen

Salon B

Civic Engagement & Outreach – Ann Cochrane

Salon C

GFWC President Elect – Wendy Carriker

Salon M

**Saturday Lunch**  
**Honoring Federation Members, the Foundation of CFWC**

12:00 Reconvene

12:15 Meal Blessing –

12:45 pm Lunch is served

Reconvene

Awards – Wendy Curran

**CFWC CONTESTS**

CFWC Creativity Writing Contest, Youth Creative Writing, Achievement Award - Olma O'Neill

CFWC Photography Contest - Olma O'Neill

CFWC Young Musician's Award - Carol Spiker

Jennie June Contest - Carol Lopez Lucey

Program – Honor Guard

District Presidents Reports (2 minutes)

Drawings

Announcements – Mary Sprague & Kathi McGraw, Convention Co-Chairmen

**Saturday Evening Banquet**  
**Honoring 2025-2027 Executive Committee**

Processional –Executive Committee

Introductions – Diane Waterhouse, Amenities & Protocol

Meal Blessing –

7:15 Dinner

Reconvene

Program: Elise McFarland - Rosie the Riveter

Drawings – Mary Sprague & Kathi McGraw, Convention Co-Chairmen

Collect – all together

"Let there be Peace on Earth" – Deborah Bushnell

Adjournment – Sonya Matthies CFWC President

# Menus

## THURSDAY, MAY 1

**Emeritus Lunch** – Garlic Butter Chicken with Spinach, Rice Pilaf

Vegetarian – Butternut Squash Ravioli, Brown Butter Sage Sauce

Dessert – Cookies & Brownies

**Banquet** – Pan Seared Cod Fillet, Saffron Cream Sauce, Mashed Potato, Asparagus

Vegetarian – Vegan Meat Ball with Garlic Spaghetti in Marinara Sauce

Dessert – Classic Cheesecake

## FRIDAY, MAY 17<sup>th</sup>

**ESO** – All American Breakfast Buffet

**Lunch** – Roasted Chicken Leg Quarters with Congris Rice and Sweet Plantain

Vegetarian – Sweet & Sour Tofu Tempura, Rice, Cucumber Salad

Dessert - Cheese Flan

**Banquet** – Grilled Pork Chops, Mushroom gravy, Sweet Potato Casserole, Asparagus

Vegetarian – Cheese Manicotti with Marinara Sauce

Dessert – Black Forrest Cake

## SATURDAY, MAY 18<sup>th</sup>

**LEADS** – Continental Breakfast

**Lunch** – Rigatoni Pasta with Bolognese Sauce

Vegetarian – Mushroom Ravioli in Vodka Sauce

Dessert – Cherry Pie

Banquet – Chicken Piccata. Mashed potatoes, seasonal vegetable

Vegetarian Grilled Jerk Paneer with Mango Avocado Salsa, Coconut Rice, Black Beans

Dessert – Coconut Cake

**ALL MEALS MUST BE ORDERED BY THE DEADLINE – NO MEALS AVAILABLE AT CONVENTION**

**PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE BYLAWS AND STANDING RULES  
CFWC CONVENTION, 2025**

February 7, 2025, CFWC Executive Board Meeting

Hilton Los Angeles North-Glendale, CA

**NOTICE OF PROPOSED CFWC BYLAWS and STANDING RULES AMENDMENTS  
TO BE APPROVED AT THE CFWC CONVENTION 2025**

(Formatting used in printing the proposed amendments: Underlined print = **insert or add**; Line through words = strike out or remove)

**Proposed Amendment #1:**

**ARTICLE IV MEMBERS**

**NEW: Section 4.2 Termination of Membership**

Current Wording	Proposed Amendment	If adopted, will read
NEW	<b>Members whose activities and purposes have been proven to be incompatible with those of CFWC, <u>OR UNETHICAL</u>, shall be removed from membership by a two-thirds vote of the club.</b>	Members whose activities and purposes have been proven to be incompatible with those of CFWC, or unethical, shall be removed from membership by a two-thirds vote of the club.

**Rationale:** The amendment was presented at CFWC 2024 convention and returned to committee “because the wording is too broad and needs further clarification”. It follows GFWC bylaws (Article III, Section 3.4 Termination of membership pg. 5). For clarification, the committee proposes adding “or unethical” to the amendment, and a new section 4.3 Ethical Standards. Also Refer to CFWC Parliamentary authority Article XVIII: Roberts Rules of Order has remedies to prescribe standards for membership and take steps in a fair disciplinary process. Individual Clubs may determine the extent they wish to detail the process.

**Proposed Amendment #2:**

**ARTICLE IV MEMBERS**

**NEW: Section 4.3 Ethical Standards**

Current Wording	Proposed Amendment	If adopted, will read
NEW	<b><u>CFWC requires its officers, Board of Directors, members, to observe high standards of ethical conduct in the execution of their duties and responsibilities, as required by law and as specified in these Bylaws and Standing Rules.</u></b>	CFWC requires its officers, Board of Directors, members, to observe high standards of ethical conduct in the execution of their duties and responsibilities, as required by law and as specified in these Bylaws and Standing Rules.

**Rationale:** Follows the GFWC Bylaws (Article XVIII, Section 18.1 Ethical Standards, pg. 25).



## Proposed Standing Rules Addition

### FEDERATION POLICIES Add New #11 Members

Current Wording	Proposed Amendment	If adopted, will read
NEW	<p><b><u>11. Members. Eligible members are those whose activities and purpose is Germane to the mission of GFWC/CFWC: Also, Be in good standing (dues paid) Policies are not contrary to Federation policies; Understand the volunteer community service vision for GFWC/CFWC Preserve historical legacy and Federation tradition Make decisions in the best interest of the membership and the organization as a whole and avoid self-promotion Refrain from disturbing the assembly or attacking a member's motives Support decisions once the vote has been taken Practice professional etiquette</u></b></p>	<p>11. Members. Eligible members are those whose activities and purpose is Germane to the mission of GFWC/CFWC: Also, Be in good standing (dues paid) Policies are not contrary to Federation policies. Understand the volunteer community service vision for GFWC/CFWC Preserve historical legacy and Federation tradition Make decisions in the best interest of the membership and the organization as a whole and avoid self-promotion Refrain from disturbing the assembly or attacking a member's motives Support decisions once the vote has been taken Practice professional etiquette</p>

**Rationale:** Follows the GFWC Standing Rules (4 Ethical Standards pg. 5). Further clarify CFWC new Bylaw (Article IV Members, Section 4.3 Ethical Standards.)

In addition to any amendments that are adopted at the 2025 CFWC Convention, the 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 items, the remaining items will be renumbered as necessary. In addition, the document will be proofread for punctuation and spelling errors.

# PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS REVIEW FOR 2025 CFWC CONVENTION

## RESOLUTIONS TO BE PRESENTED AT 2024 CONVENTION

***The following are two committee resolutions which were written to address gaps in policy by the removal of resolutions that have aged out.***

### ARTS & CULTURE

#### Resolution #2025-01 ENCOURAGE AND PROMOTE THE ARTS IN SCHOOLS AND COMMUNITIES

**Whereas**, the arts, in all forms including visual, performing, literary, and digital arts, play a crucial role in fostering creativity, critical thinking, and cultural awareness among individuals of all ages; and

**Whereas**, studies have shown that exposure to the arts in educational and community settings enhances academic performance, improves social-emotional well-being, and strengthens community engagement; and

**Whereas**, many schools and communities face challenges in funding and sustaining arts programs, making it imperative for organizations like the California Federation of Women's Clubs (CFWC) to advocate for and support arts initiatives; therefore, be it

**Resolved**, the CFWC actively encourages and promotes the arts in all forms by supporting school and community arts programs, advocating for increased arts funding, and collaborating with local artists and organizations to ensure the accessibility and sustainability of arts education and engagement for all.

#### Resolution #2025-02 SUPPORT AND MAINTAIN MUSEUMS AND HISTORICAL SOCIETIES

**Whereas**, museums and historical societies play a vital role in preserving and showcasing the cultural and historical heritage of local communities; and

**Whereas**, maintaining and supporting these institutions fosters education, tourism, and community pride while ensuring that future generations have access to their shared history; and

**Whereas**, many museums and historical societies face financial and operational challenges, making it imperative for organizations like the California Federation of Women's Clubs (CFWC) to advocate for and provide support to sustain these important institutions; therefore, be it

**Resolved**, that the CFWC actively engage in maintaining and supporting existing museums and historical societies by promoting community awareness, advocating for funding, and collaborating with local organizations to ensure the preservation and accessibility of historical and cultural resources for all.

***This committee resolution is presented to better address the adopted policy represented in Resolution #2024-02. If this resolution is passed it will replace #2024-02***

#### Resolution #2025-03 Prevention of Forced Marriage

**Whereas**, forced marriage means a marriage with one or more elements of force, fraud, or coercion, and where one or both parties do not or cannot consent to the marriage, and

**Whereas**, forced marriage is a violation of human rights and personal autonomy, often resulting in emotional, physical, and psychological harm to individuals; and

**Whereas**, forced marriage contributes to cycles of poverty, domestic violence, lack of education, and other social and economic disadvantages.

**Whereas**, forced marriage disproportionately affects women and girls, but also impacts men, limiting their ability to make free and informed choices regarding marriage; and

**Whereas**, forced marriage undermines legal protections, personal dignity, and the fundamental principle of free consent in marriage as recognized in international human rights instruments, including the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW); and **Be it Resolved That**:

1. **Legislation & Enforcement:** The California Federation of Women's Clubs (CFWC) shall advocate for governments at all levels to enact and enforce laws that criminalize forced marriage, ensure appropriate penalties for perpetrators, and provide protection and support for victims.
2. **Education & Awareness:** CFWC and its member clubs shall implement comprehensive educational programs in schools, communities, and institutions to raise awareness about the rights to free and informed consent in marriage and the consequences of forced marriage.
3. **Support Services:** CFWC shall collaborate with organizations to provide safe shelters, legal aid, mental health support, and emergency assistance to individuals at risk of or escaping forced marriages.

### **RESOLUTIONS PROPOSED TO BE RETIRED**

Per the CFWC Executive Board decision to automatically retire any resolution that is 20 years old, the following resolutions will be retired.

### **ENVIRONMENT**

**2004-01 COASTAL WATERS** (Convention 2004, reviewed 2009, 2014, Reaffirmed 2021)

**2005-01 RAILROAD TRANSPORTATION OF FREIGHT** (Convention 2005, Amended 2010, Amended 2015)

If members feel strongly about a resolution that is being retired, they are encouraged to rewrite the resolution for current times and submit the resolution through their club for submission to the Resolutions Committee.

# CFWC CALIFORNIA FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS

122<sup>nd</sup> Annual Convention

Credential **AND** Meal Reservation Form

**DEADLINE: April 30**

Please return this form with check payable to CFWC Convention Fund. (Make a copy for your records). Registration and Meal Reservations must be received by: **April 30** Mail check and form to: Kathi McGraw, 4584 Sherington Ct., Cypress 90630 [glenn.mcgraw@ca.rr.com](mailto:glenn.mcgraw@ca.rr.com)

PLEASE TYPE or PRINT CLEARLY

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ AREA \_\_\_\_\_

DISTRICT NAME \_\_\_\_\_ CLUB NAME \_\_\_\_\_

YOUR ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ CITY \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

## 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 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President

R-3a \_\_\_\_\_ Club President

R-3b \_\_\_\_\_ Club Delegate

R-4 \_\_\_\_\_ Member (non-voting)

R-5 \_\_\_\_\_ Juniette

R-6 \_\_\_\_\_ Guest

If you are bringing a guest for meal function, please  
send Registration forms together and note guest name  
\_\_\_\_\_

## REGISTRATION FEES:

CFWC Member \$20.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
Registration fee **AFTER DEADLINE** \$30.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
Guest - 0 - \_\_\_\_\_

## MEALS

Thursday – May 16

M-1 Emeritus (See Page 3 ) \_\_\_\_\_ \$60.00 \_\_\_\_\_

M2 Banquet \_\_\_\_\_ \$70.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Friday – May 17

M-3 ESO \_\_\_\_\_ \$35.00 \_\_\_\_\_

M-4 Lunch \_\_\_\_\_ \$60.00 \_\_\_\_\_

M-5 Banquet \_\_\_\_\_ \$70.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Saturday – May 18

M-6 LEADS(See Page 3 ) \_\_\_\_\_ 35.00 \_\_\_\_\_

M-6 Luncheon \_\_\_\_\_ \$60.00 \_\_\_\_\_

M-7 Banquet \_\_\_\_\_ \$70.00 \_\_\_\_\_

## TOTALS

Registration \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Meals \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE INDICATE IF YOU USE A MOTOR  
POWERED SCOOTER/CHAIR** \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL ENCLOSED \_\_\_\_\_

(Includes Registration & Meals)

**EACH ATTENDEE MUST  
SUBMIT INDIVIDUAL  
REGISTRATION FORM**

Number/Date \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

Check

**\*Mark R for regular meal  
Or  
V for Vegetarian**

**MEDICAL DIETARY REQUESTS ONLY !** \_\_\_\_\_

**2025 CONVENTION DELEGATES**

<b>District</b>	<b>Club</b>	<b>Current Members</b>	<b>Delegates</b>
Alameda	Alta Mira Club	54	5
Alameda	Bayview Women's Club of Alameda	16	2
Alameda	Country Club of Washington Township	24	2
Alameda	Woman's Club of the East Bay	16	2
Alameda	Hill & Valley Club	45	4
Alameda	Montclair Women's Club	38	4
Alameda	Past Presidents' Assembly of Alameda District	Affiliate	1
Loma Prieta	Corralitos Woman's Club	74	7
Loma Prieta	Country Woman's Club of Campbell	54	5
Loma Prieta	Cupertino Federated Women's Club	15	2
Loma Prieta	GFWC South San Francisco Women's Club	70	7
Loma Prieta	GFWC Peninsula Hills Women's Club	36	4
Loma Prieta	Past Presidents' Assembly	Affiliate	1
Loma Prieta	Redwood City Woman's Club	161	16
Loma Prieta	Santa Clara Woman's Club	80	8
Loma Prieta	We and Our Neighbors	23	2
Loma Prieta	West Valley Federated Women's Club	10	2
Loma Prieta	Woman's Club of Palo Alto	240	24
Loma Prieta	Women's Club of Hollister	80	8
Mt. Diablo	Alamo Women's Club	91	9
Mt. Diablo	Anderson Valley Unity Club-Boonville	42	4
Mt. Diablo	GFWC Brentwood Women's Club	30	3
Mt. Diablo	Federated Women of Upper Napa Valley	39	4
Mt. Diablo	GFWC Clayton Valley Woman's Club	41	4
Mt. Diablo	GFWC Danville Women's Club	46	5
Mt. Diablo	GFWC Dublin/San Ramon Women's Club	67	7
Mt. Diablo	GFWC Fountaineers Ladies Club	5	2
Mt. Diablo	GFWC Martinez Woman's Club	14	2
Mt. Diablo	GFWC Past Presidents' Assembly of Mount Diablo	24	2
Mt. Diablo	GFWC Tracy Woman's Club	106	11
Mt. Diablo	GFWC Womans' Club of Antioch	71	7
Mt. Diablo	Lafayette Suburban Junior Women's Club	36	4
Mt. Diablo	Moraga Junior Women's Club	20	2
Mt. Diablo	Napa Women's Club Evening Edition	49	5
Mt. Diablo	Orinda Junior Women's Club	28	3
Mt. Diablo	Orinda Women's Club	72	7
Mt. Diablo	The Woman's Club of Lodi, Inc	157	16
Redwood	Crescent City Women's Club	26	3
Redwood	Eureka Woman's Club	65	6
Redwood	Garberville Civic Club	9	2
Redwood	The Wha-Nika Club	15	2

Redwood	Trinidad Civic Club	31	3
Shasta	Capay Rancho Women's Club	25	2
Shasta	Durham Woman's Club	17	2
Shasta	GFWC Anderson Women's Club Inc.	21	2
Shasta	Orland Women's & Improvement Club	46	5
Shasta	The Past President's Association of Federated Women's Clubs	Affiliate	1
Shasta	The Maywood Woman's Club	24	2
Shasta	The Monday Afternoon Club (Willows)	11	2
Sutter	GFWC Alliance of Federated Women	8	2
Sutter	GFWC Citrus Heights Women's Club	13	2
Sutter	GFWC Monday Alpha Club	8	2
Sutter	GFWC North Sacramento Women's Club	10	2
Sutter	GFWC Orangevale Woman's Club	88	9
Sutter	GFWC Plumas Lake Women's Club, Inc.	17	2
Sutter	GFWC Sutter District Parliamentary Law Club	8	2
Sutter	GFWC Women's Improvement Club of Roseville, Inc	43	4
Sutter	The Park Study Club of Clear Lake	11	2
Foothill District	GFWC Federated East Valley Woman's Club	23	2
Foothill District	GFWC La Verne-San Dimas Woman's Club	46	5
Foothill District	GFWC SoCal Volunteers	15	2
Foothill District	Parliamentary Group	Affiliate	1
San Gabriel Valley	Arcadia Woman's Club aka Woman's Club of Arcadia	59	5
San Gabriel Valley	Azusa Woman's Club	28	3
San Gabriel Valley	Baldwin Park Woman's Club	47	5
San Gabriel Valley	Charter Oak Woman's Club	13	2
San Gabriel Valley	Covina Woman's Club	115	11
San Gabriel Valley	Diamond Bar Woman's Club	34	3
San Gabriel Valley	Duarte Woman's Club	28	3
San Gabriel Valley	El Monte Women's Club	33	3
San Gabriel Valley	GFWC La Puente Valley Woman's Club	31	3
San Gabriel Valley	Hacienda Heights Woman's Club	44	4
San Gabriel Valley	Highland Park Ebell	39	4
San Gabriel Valley	La Crescenta Woman's Club	77	8

San Gabriel Valley	Montebello Woman's Club	36	4
San Gabriel Valley	Monterey Park Woman's Club	77	8
San Gabriel Valley	Pasadena Woman's Club	10	2
San Gabriel Valley	Pio Pico Woman's Club	134	13
San Gabriel Valley	Rowland Heights Woman's Club	29	3
San Gabriel Valley	San Gabriel Valley District Alumnae	Affiliate	1
San Gabriel Valley	San Gabriel Valley District Past Presidents	Affiliate	1
San Gabriel Valley	Santa Fe Springs Women's Club	20	2
San Gabriel Valley	Sierra Madre Woman's Club	83	8
San Gabriel Valley	Sunland Woman's Club	30	3
San Gabriel Valley	Walnut Valley Women's Club	31	3
San Gabriel Valley	Whittier Women's Club	30	3
San Gabriel Valley	Woman's Club of Downey	48	5
San Gabriel Valley	Woman's Club of South Pasadena	108	11
San Gabriel Valley	Women's Twentieth Century Club of Eagle Rock	57	6
San Joaquin Valley	Aronos Research Women's Club	41	4
San Joaquin Valley	Coalinga Woman's Club	27	3
San Joaquin Valley	Dos Palos Women's Improvement Club	13	2
San Joaquin Valley	Fig Garden Woman's Club	198	20
San Joaquin Valley	Fowler Improvement Association	46	4
San Joaquin Valley	Kern River Valley Woman's Club	51	5
San Joaquin Valley	Lamont Women's Club	26	3
San Joaquin Valley	Madera Woman's Improvement Club	11	2
San Joaquin Valley	Riverbank Federated Women's Club	19	2



San Joaquin Valley	Porterville Women's Club	11	2
San Joaquin Valley	Shafter Women's Club	28	3
San Joaquin Valley	South Fork Women's Club	36	4
San Joaquin Valley	Springville Women's Club	45	4
San Joaquin Valley	Wasco Woman's Club	38	4
San Joaquin Valley	Womans' Club of Bakersfield	108	11
San Joaquin Valley	Womans' Club of Bakersfield	Junior	1
Tierra Adorada	Alpha Literary and Improvement Club	33	3
Tierra Adorada	GFWC Estero Bay Women's Club	12	2
Tierra Adorada	Moorpark Women's Fortnightly Club	108	11
Tierra Adorada	Oak View Women's Club	36	4
Tierra Adorada	Ojai Valley Woman's Club	80	8
Tierra Adorada	San Buenaventura Women's Club	99	10
Tierra Adorada	Simi Valley Woman's Club	19	2
Tierra Adorada	Somis Thursday Club	29	3
Tierra Adorada	Woman's Service Club of Goleta	24	2
Los Cerritos	GFWC Long Beach Women's Club	12	2
Los Cerritos	GFWC Women's Club of Huntington Park	29	3
Los Cerritos	Lakewood Women's Club	78	8
Los Cerritos	Norwalk Woman's Club	39	1
Los Cerritos	Paramount Women's Club	33	1
Los Cerritos	South Gate Women's Club	27	3
Los Cerritos	Woman's Club of Artesia-Cerritos	44	4
Los Cerritos	Woman's Club of Bellflower	53	5
Marina District	Beverly Hills Women's Club	89	9
Marina District	Culver City Woman's Club	78	8
Marina District	El Segundo Woman's Club	59	6
Marina District	GFWC Metropolitan Los Angeles	24	2
Marina District	GFWC/CFWC Woman's Club of Redondo Beach	66	7
Marina District	GFWC/South Bay Junior Woman's Club	52	5
Marina District	Santa Monica Bay Woman's Club	92	9
Marina District	The Torrance Woman's Club	85	8
Marina District	Woman's Club of Hermosa Beach	83	8
Marina District	Woman's Club of Playa Del Rey	112	11
Orange	Barber City Women's Club	30	3
Orange	Dana Point Woman's Club	79	8
Orange	Ebell Club of Anaheim	34	3
Orange	Ebell Club of Canyon Hills	60	6
Orange	Ebell Club of Fullerton	32	3

Orange	Fountain Valley Woman's Club	85	8
Orange	GFWC Ebell Club of Irvine	18	2
Orange	Laguna Niguel Woman's Club	91	9
Orange	La Habra Woman's Club	68	7
Orange	Orange District Emeritus	Affiliate	1
Orange	Placentia Round Table Women's Club	125	12
Orange	Rossmoor Woman's Club	93	9
Orange	San Clemente Junior Woman's Club	18	2
Orange	San Clemente Woman's Club	60	3
Orange	Tustin Area Woman's Club	72	7
Orange	Woman's Civic Club of Garden Grove	52	5
Orange	Woman's Club of Cypress	110	11
Orange	Woman's Club of Fullerton	70	7
Orange	Woman's Club of Laguna Beach	192	19
Orange	Woman's Club of Orange	264	26
Orange	Yorba Linda Woman's Club	118	12
Sierra Cahuenga	Canoga Park Women's Club	64	6
Sierra Cahuenga	Chatsworth Women's Club	35	3
Sierra Cahuenga	Granada Hills Woman's Club	113	11
Sierra Cahuenga	Hughes-Elizabeth Lakes Woman's Club	15	2
Sierra Cahuenga	Palmdale Woman's Club	23	2
Sierra Cahuenga	Postscripts Federated Club	Affiliate	1
Sierra Cahuenga	Quartz Hill Woman's Club	18	2
Sierra Cahuenga	Sherman Oaks Woman's Club	22	2
Sierra Cahuenga	Sierra Cahuenga Parliamentary Law Club	Affiliate	1
Sierra Cahuenga	Westlake Women's Club	48	5
Sierra Cahuenga	Woodland Hills Woman's Club	63	6
De Anza	Beaumont Woman's Club	24	2
De Anza	Elsinore Woman's Club	103	10
De Anza	GFWC Menifee/Sun City Woman's Club	8	2
De Anza	GFWC HOPE	Junior	1
De Anza	GFWC The Woman's Club of Indio	134	13
De Anza	Hemet Woman's Club	50	5
De Anza	Perris Valley Woman's Club	8	2
De Anza	Riverside Woman's Club	83	8
De Anza	Temecula Valley Woman's Club	57	6

De Anza	Woman's Club of Holtville	57	6
De Anza	Woman's Improvement Club of Calexico	28	3
De Anza	Woman's Improvement Club of Corona	86	9
Palomar	Bonsall Woman's Club	69	7
Palomar	Fallbrook Woman's Club	75	7
Palomar	GFWC Contemporary Women of North County	39	4
Palomar	GFWC Inland Valley Federated Women's Club	12	2
Palomar	Julian Woman's Club	50	5
Palomar	Poway Woman's Club	16	2
Palomar	Stars of Palomar	Affiliate	1
Palomar	Valley Center Women' Club	3	2
Palomar	Women's Club of Carlsbad	109	11
Palomar	Woman's Club of Oceanside	24	2
Palomar	Woman's Club of Vista	38	4
San Bernardino	Barstow Women's Club	32	3
San Bernardino	Colton Woman's Club	113	11
San Bernardino	Fontana Women's Club	13	2
San Bernardino	The Montclair Women's Club	10	2
San Bernardino	Grand Terrace Woman's Club	58	6
San Bernardino	Hi-Desert Junior Women's Club	17	2
San Bernardino	Junior Woman's Club of San Bernardino	11	2
San Bernardino	Ontario Woman's Club	17	2
San Bernardino	Rancho Cucamonga Woman's Club	22	2
San Bernardino	The Contemporary Club of Redlands	54	5
San Bernardino	Upland Woman's Club	62	6
San Bernardino	Victor Valley Women's Club	33	3
San Bernardino	We Been There Club	Affiliate	1
San Bernardino	Woman's Club of Big Bear Lake	29	3
San Bernardino	Woman's Club of Rialto	57	6
San Bernardino	Women's Club of Needles	34	3
San Bernardino	Women's Club of San Bernardino	42	4
San Bernardino	Yucaipa Woman's Club	55	5
Southern	Chula Vista Woman's Club	78	8
Southern	Clairmont Woman's Club	25	2
Southern	Coronado Junior Women's Club	76	8
Southern	Coronado Woman's Club	44	4
Southern	Friday Club of National City	7	2
Southern	GFWC East County Junior Woman's Club	10	2
Southern	GFWC Past Presidents' Association	8	2
Southern	Imperial Beach Woman's Club	37	4
Southern	La Mesa Woman's Club	40	4
Southern	Las Donas Past Presidents' Club	18	2
Southern	Lemon Grove Forward Club	30	3
Southern	Mira Mesa Women's Club	28	3

Southern	San Diego Women's Club	32	3
Southern	San Ysidro Woman's Club	42	4
Southern	Sweetwater Woman's Club	58	6
Southern	Woman's Club of Lakeside	80	8
	Emeritus Club of California	Affiliate	1

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