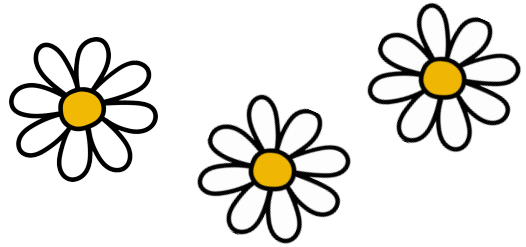


Hello ladies!



Happy [almost] first day of Spring!

Attached is our Call to Spring Convention for 2026! We will be at the Best Western DuPont Liberty Inn, JBLM! Located in DuPont, WA, it is a quick couple of blocks from I-5, exit 118.

Friday morning, we will start at 10am. Feeling frisky? Get up early and drive in on Friday. Or the hotel room rate is available the whole weekend, Thursday night thru Sunday morning.

We will have all the usual Convention agenda items:

- Financial review
- Scholarship awards
- CSP awards
- Bylaws revisions to review
- Resolutions to review
- Clubwoman of the Year honor
- Fundraising – 50/50 Cash!

Plus Installation of our 26-28 Officers with reception and the traditional Sunday morning Post-Board meeting!

The hotel provides a coffee service, with hot water, and iced water. We have access to refrigerator(s) in the meeting room so feel free to bring alternate beverages (soda, juice, etc) if you choose.

Attire for the meeting sessions will be business casual. No requirement to dress for Friday night's dinner and reception but Saturday night should be a dress-up night. Don't forget your GREEN badge if you have one! Or order one with your registration if you need one!

Please bring yourselves, your club members, guests! All are welcome! Also please bring socks, socks, socks for all!

Can't wait to see you!!

A handwritten signature in purple ink that reads 'Kim' followed by a simple smiley face drawing.



GFWC Washington State 2026 Spring Convention April 23 thru 26 ~ DuPont, WA



Conference Registration Deadline: April 14, 2025
(Please use a separate form for each attendee)

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____ 1st time attendee? Yes _____ No _____

Federation Title _____
(GFWC, WSR, STATE, DISTRICT, CLUB, GUEST)

Convention Registration fee	\$35	<u>\$35</u>
Meal Selections: (see attached for descriptions)		
Friday – Lunch		
Baked Potato Bar	\$23	_____
Friday – Dinner		
Boneless Chicken Piccata	\$52	_____
Roasted & Stuffed Butternut Squash	\$52	_____
Saturday – Lunch		
Taco Bar	\$23	_____
Saturday – Dinner		
Marinated Flank Steak	\$55	_____
Baked Salmon	\$55	_____
Stuffed Peppers	\$55	_____
TOTAL all items		_____

Dietary restrictions (not preferences): _____

Make checks payable to: GFWC-Washington
State Mail registration form and check to:
Jeanette Jester | 4211 NE Franklin Street | Camas, WA 98607

Registration Deadline: April 14, 2026
~ No meal refunds after April 16, 2025 ~
Registration fee – non-refundable

Menu Choices

Friday April 24 lunch – Baked Potato bar

RUSSET POTATO with chili, cheese, green onion, butter, crisp bacon, sour cream toppings.
Buttered broccoli.

GREEN SALAD with cucumber, tomato, black olives, and shredded carrots. Dressing: ranch and Italian

Friday April 24 – dinners include:

CLASSIC CAESAR SALAD

homemade croutons, freshly grated parmesan cheese, tossed in a creamy caesar dressing

ASSORTED RUSTIC BREAD rolls with garlic whipped butter

OVEN ROASTED ASPARAGUS AND BABY CARROTS seasoned and cooked to perfection

PENNE PASTA W/SUN DRIED TOMATOES AND ARTICHOKE HEARTS in a light cream sauce

Choose Main: BONELESS CHICKEN PICCATA

boneless chicken covered in a lemon butter sauce topped with capers and parsley

Choose Main: ROASTED AND STUFFED BUTTERNUT SQUASH

filled with lentils, dried fruit, cilantro and topped with a yogurt sauce and tangy pomegranate seeds

Saturday April 25 lunch – Taco bar

TACO BAR with seasoned chicken and/or beef with flour tortillas, seasoned refried beans, lettuce, cheddar cheese, olives, green onions, sour cream, and salsa. Spanish Rice.

SALADS: Street Corn salad, Market Green salad

Saturday April 25 – dinners include:

MIXED GREENS SALAD

mixed greens w/ dried cranberries, candied walnuts, & cherry tomatoes tossed in a pear vinaigrette.

ASSORTED RUSTIC BREAD rolls with garlic whipped butter

ROASTED SEASONAL VEGETABLE MEDLEY

blend of olive oil and marinated seasonal vegetables cooked and roasted to perfection

GARLIC MASHED POTATOES potatoes blended with roasted garlic, fresh cream, & butter

Choose Main: MARINATED FLANK STEAK

grilled with rosemary, garlic and balsamic with balsamic drizzle and microgreens

Choose Main: BAKED SALMON W/ LIGHT CHAMPAGNE CREAM SAUCE

an elegant champagne sauce w/mushrooms and shallots

Choose Main: STUFFED PEPPERS, SPANISH RICE BLEND *vegan*

Sweet Bell Pepper Stuffed with Spanish rice, Smokey Spices, Black Beans, and corn roasted to perfection. Topped with Avocado and Lime Juice



HOTEL information:

Best Western DuPont Liberty Inn, JBLM
1400 Wilmington Drive | Dupont, WA
(253) 912-8777 (call the hotel directly, not the 800 number!)

[Hotel Booking link](#)

\$139.00 +tax for King room -or- \$149 +tax for Dbl Queen room
Block: GFWC Washington
Hot Buffet Breakfast is included in room rate

Rooms not picked up by **April 9th, 2026** will be released from the block and this rate will no longer be available.

All weekend –

Breakfast is on your own, at the hotel! Drip Coffee, Keurig machine, bottled water provided. Refrigerator in meeting room available for cold storage if you would like to bring any other beverages or snacks.



GFWC Washington State 'State' Name Badge Order Form



Name: _____

As you want it to appear on the name badge

Address: _____

City: _____

Phone: _____

Club Name: _____

Cost: \$15.00 Pin Back _____

Magnetic Back _____

Make your check to GFWC-WS for name badge
Send to: Jeanette Jester, GFWC-WS Treasurer
4211 NE Franklin Street
Camas, WA 98607

GFWC-WS Proposed Bylaws Spring 2026

Section 1.3 Districts

1. Minimum Requirement. There shall be a minimum of ~~three~~ per capita dues-paying clubs in each district. A district that does not meet the minimum requirement of ~~three~~ clubs shall be officially notified,

Amend by striking the word “three” after the words “minimum of” and inserting the word “two” and striking the word “three” after the words “minimum requirement of” and inserting the word “two”.

Proposed bylaw to read

Section 1.3 Districts

1. Minimum Requirement. There shall be a minimum of ~~three~~ per capita dues-paying clubs in each district. A district that does not meet the minimum requirement of ~~three~~ clubs shall be officially notified.

Section 4.1 Officers

- A. Elected Officers of GFWC-WS shall be President, President-elect, ~~Vice-President~~, Secretary, and Treasurer.

Amend by striking the word “Vice-President” after the word “President-Elect.”

Proposed bylaw to read:

Section 4.1 Officers

- A. Elected Officers of GFWC-WS shall be President, President-elect, Secretary, and Treasurer.

Section 4.2 Eligibility.

- B. Candidates for the offices of President, President-elect, ~~and Vice-President~~ shall have served as a District President.

Amend by striking the word “Vice-President” after the word “President-elect” and by striking the word “and” before Vice-President and inserting it after the word “President.”

Proposed bylaw to read:

Section 4.2 .Eligibility

- B. Candidates for the offices of President ~~and~~ President-elect shall have served as a District President.

Section 4.4 Vacancy

- ~~B. In case of a vacancy in the office of President-elect, the Vice-President may accede to the office. If she declines the office, it shall be filled by the Executive Committee by appointment of a person meeting the eligibility requirements of Section 4.2 Eligibility.~~

Amend to read by substituting a new B. to read:

- B. In case of a vacancy in the office of President-elect, it shall be filled by the Executive Committee by appointment of a person meeting the eligibility requirements of Section 4.2 Eligibility.

Section 4.6 Duties of Elected and Appointed Officers.

- ~~C. Vice-President. The Vice-President shall assume the duties of the president in the absence of both the President and President-elect, and shall:~~
- ~~1.—Serve as Counselor to the Club Presidents and assume other duties as assigned by the President.~~
 - ~~2.—Be a member of the Strategic Planning Committee and a conference member of the Budget & Finance Committee.~~

Amend by striking C. and re-lettering the remaining letters of that Section.

Section 9.3 Educational Scholarship Fund.

- C. Scholarships shall be given to high school graduates/college students for undergraduate training in all fields of Science and Humanities in an accredited school in ~~Washington State~~.

Amend by striking the words “Washington State” after the word “school” and inserting the words “the United States” after the word “school.”

Proposed bylaw to read:

- C. Scholarships shall be given to high school graduates/college students for undergraduate training in all fields of Science and Humanities in an accredited school in [the United States](#).

This administration the Resolutions Committee reviewed resolutions in the Arts and Culture and the Environment Community Service Programs . **Arts and Culture** – after review by the Resolutions Committee, no changes are recommended to the current Arts and Culture Resolutions.

The following changes are recommended for Environment Resolutions.

402, Areas of Scenic Beauty, combine with 403, Beautification of Washington Beauty Areas and rescind 403.

Rationale: Reduce redundancy and simplify.

402. Areas of Scenic Beauty

(Adopted 1923, Reaffirmed 1993, Revised 2000, Reaffirmed 2007,2012, 2015, 2021)

WHEREAS, The policy of GFWC-Washington State is complete conservation of our national park system and conservation of the most desirable areas of scenic beauty in the State of Washington;

WHEREAS, Conservation is one of the primary activities of GFWC Washington State; therefore

RESOLVED, that each club affiliated with GFWC Washington State be requested to add something to the beautifying of the State of Washington either by planting or by the conserving of beauty spots, therefore

RESOLVED, That GFWC-Washington State uphold the efforts of the Washington State Parks Commission and the National Parks Association in preserving areas of scenic beauty and historical interest for future generations

Be revised to read;

WHEREAS, The policy of GFWC-Washington State is ~~complete~~ conservation of our national park system and ~~conservation of~~ the most desirable areas of scenic beauty in the State of Washington; therefore

~~WHEREAS, Conservation is one of the primary activities of GFWC Washington State; therefore~~

~~RESOLVED, that each club affiliated with GFWC Washington State be requested to add something to the beautifying of the State of Washington either by planting or by the conserving of beauty spots, therefore~~

RESOLVED, That GFWC-Washington State uphold the efforts of the Washington State Parks Commission and the National Parks Association in preserving areas of scenic beauty and historical interest for future generations and further

RESOLVED, That each club affiliated with GFWC-Washington State be requested to support native plant restoration.

The Resolutions Committee recommends the following changes to 405, Clean Up Environment

Rationale: update to meet current practices and simplify.

405. Clean Up Environment

(Adopted 1971, Reaffirmed 1993, Revised 2000, Reaffirmed 2007, 2012, 2015, 2021)

WHEREAS, GFWC-Washington State feels that as a public service organization it is our obligation to make public our stand on the present ecological crisis; and

WHEREAS, GFWC-Washington State solicits the support of other organizations and individuals to improve the environment we have so carelessly used;

RESOLVED, That as members of GFWC-Washington State, we will:

1. Encourage the use of non-polluting products in all areas of use;
2. Make a concerted effort to educate our members in regard to environment abuses and disseminate any useful information we acquire;
3. Use our influence as a group and as individuals to support those industries and manufacturers who are making sincere efforts to comply with new government standards required to eliminate air, land and water pollution;
4. Encourage the use of penalties as a means of compliance for those industries and manufacturers which do not meet government standards
5. Encourage all legislators to be concerned and active in the protection of our environment;
6. Actively support agencies and other groups in our Communities in their efforts to clean the air, water and land;
7. Pursue any and all means of educating ourselves so that we may be a more effective force for the salvaging of our environment.

Be revised to read;

405. Clean Up Environment

(Adopted 1971, Reaffirmed 1993, Revised 2000, Reaffirmed 2007, 2012, 2015, 2021)

WHEREAS, GFWC-Washington State feels that as a public service organization it is our obligation to make public our stand on the present ecological crisis; and

WHEREAS, GFWC-Washington State solicits the support of other organizations and individuals to improve the environment we have so carelessly used;

RESOLVED, That as members of GFWC-Washington State, we will:

- ~~1. Encourage our members to patronize only those businesses which provide the consumers a choice of purchasing returnable as opposed to non-returnable containers~~
- 2.1. Encourage the use of ~~soap powder or non-phosphate detergents and other~~ non-polluting products in all areas of use;

- 3.2. Make a concerted effort to educate our members in regard to environmental abuses and disseminate any useful information we acquire;
- 4.3. Use our influence as a group and as individuals to support those industries and manufacturers who are making sincere efforts to comply with new government standards required to eliminate air, land and water pollution;
- 5.4. Encourage ~~other groups to join us in working to impose the use of~~ penalties as a means of compliance for ~~upon~~ those industries and manufacturers which do not ~~make efforts to comply with meet~~ government standards;
- 6.5. Encourage all legislators to be concerned and active in the protection of our environment;
- 7.6. Actively support agencies and other groups in our Communities in their efforts to clean the air, water and land;
- 8.7. Pursue any and all means of educating ourselves so that we may be a more effective force for the salvaging of our environment.

406. Energy Consumption to replace the current 406, Energy Shortage.

Rationale: changes in energy production in the U.S have led to the United States being an exporter of energy and have reduced imports accordingly. New resolution addresses over-consumption of energy and the need to switch to renewable energy sources. *206. Energy Consumption*

406. Energy Shortage

(Adopted 1975, Reaffirmed 1993, Revised 2000, Reaffirmed 2007, 2015, 2021)

WHEREAS, Energy is the commodity which gives us the capability to do work or to produce temperature changes that are vital to our industrial society, and

WHEREAS, The energy we need is in short supply and is becoming increasingly expensive; and

WHEREAS, Energy is a vital factor in our continuing existence as a major nation in the world and our national security has been placed in jeopardy because of our energy shortage, and

WHEREAS, The United States of America is the most energy extravagant nation in the world — each person in the United States requiring six times as much energy as the average for the rest of the world; and

WHEREAS, Energy producing sources are rapidly being depleted; and

WHEREAS, Half of our coal brings pollution at levels we cannot tolerate and half of the rest cannot be mined; and

WHEREAS, Nuclear energy in abundance is still years away and serious opposition exists to its development; therefore

RESOLVED, That GFWC-Washington State calls upon its member clubs to immediately initiate programs to study the acuteness of the energy situation; and further

RESOLVED, That GFWC-Washington State urges it members to act boldly to carry out a program to economize in the use of energy producing commodities.

Be revised to read:

406. Energy Consumption

WHEREAS, Energy is the commodity which gives us the capability to do work vital to our industrial society, and

WHEREAS, Energy is a vital factor in the world and

WHEREAS, The United States of America is one of the most energy extravagant nations in the world, therefore

RESOLVED, That GFWC-Washington State calls upon its member clubs to immediately initiate programs to study the acuteness of the energy situation; as well as the cost and benefits of alternative energy sources; and further

RESOLVED, That GFWC-Washington State urges it members to act boldly to carry out a program to reduce energy consumption and support the use of alternative energy sources.

The Resolutions Committee recommends changes to 410, Recycling.

Rationale: to bring up-to-date and add information regarding plastic pollution.

410. Recycling

(Adopted 1979, Substituted 1986, Reaffirmed 1993, 2000, Amended 2007, 2012, 2016, 2021)

WHEREAS, GFWC-Washington State is deeply concerned about the preservation of natural beauty; and

WHEREAS, Millions of tons of solid waste is generated in Washington State each year and ends up in land fills, and

WHEREAS, Discarded non-returnable beverage containers and other materials that may be recycled are a contributing factor to

1. The defacing and unsightly litter of public and private areas,
2. The increased cost of government due to the collection of litter in public areas, and

WHEREAS, The recycling of used materials conserves natural resources and energy and reduces litter; therefore

RESOLVED, That GFWC-Washington State urges its membership to participate actively in local recycling programs and discourage the purchase of non-recyclable packaging materials.

Be revised to read:

410. Recycling

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WHEREAS, Millions of tons of solid waste is generated in Washington State each year and ends up in landfills, and

WHEREAS, Discarded non-returnable beverage containers and other materials that may be recycled are a contributing factor to

1. The defacing and unsightly litter of public and private areas,
2. The increased cost of government due to the collection of litter in public areas, and

WHEREAS, product packaging creates unnecessary waste

WHEREAS, plastic waste is difficult to recycle and leads to the proliferation of microplastics in food and water; and

WHEREAS, The recycling of used materials conserves natural resources and energy and reduces litter; therefore

RESOLVED, That GFWC-Washington State urges its membership to participate actively in local recycling programs and ~~disc~~ourage the purchase of ~~non~~-recyclable packaging materials.

Rationale: Not applicable to Washington state.

No changes are recommended to:

- 401. Air Pollution
- 404. Birds
- 407. Federation Forest
- 408. National Resources
- 409. Oil Drilling and Ocean Beds
- 411. Roadside Litter and Beautification
- 412. Water Pollution.

GFWC-WS Spring Convention April 23 thru 26, 2026

Start (ish)	Agenda item	Responsible	Comments
THURSDAY 4/23			
330pm	Budget & Finance committee mtg	Nancy Larsen, Jeanette	Hotel
330pm	CSP / Emphasis Programs Certificates	Nancy Burdick	chairman sign certificates
5pm	Past Presidents meeting	Carlene Garner	McNamara's
6pm	Past Presidents, EC, & GFWC guest dinner	invited only	McNamara's
FRIDAY 4/24			
7am - 930am	Breakfast on your own	Hotel Buffet	
930am	CSP / Emphasis Programs Chairs meeting	Nancy Burdick	chairman sign certificates
930am	Photography drop-off, set-up	Vicki Connor	
10am	Meeting called to order	Kim Skagen	
	Administration		
	Bylaw revisions	Kathie Jorgensen	
1230pm	Lunch: Baked Potato Bar		
115pm	Chairman & Awards	Nancy Burdick	
4pm	Meeting in recess		
545pm	Processional Line up		
615pm	Dinner, Clubwoman of the Year	Galucci's Catering	
	Dr. Susan Gettys, GFWC Secretary		
SATURDAY 4/25			
7am - 930am	Breakfast on your own	Hotel Buffet	
930am	President Emeritus meeting	Julie Thompson	
930am	Photography voting open (closes at 1130)	Vicki Connor	
10:15am	Meeting returned from recess	Kim Skagen	
	Resolutions	Susan Tyler	
	Reports: Elected Officers, Club Presidents		
1230pm	Lunch: Taco Bar		
1pm	GFWC-WS PacCan walk	GFWC Sokico	walk around DuPont "circle"
	Nominations & election	Martha Curwen	
	Chairman & Awards continue	Nancy Burdick	
330pm	Meeting in recess		
330pm	2026-2028 Executive Committee meeting	Cindy Bassage	to approve 2026-2028 BOD
345pm	Installation Rehearsal		
545pm	Processional Line up		
615pm	Dinner	Galucci's Catering	
	Installation		
	Reception		
SUNDAY 4/26			
7am - 930am	Breakfast on your own	Hotel Buffet	
	2026-2028 Post Board meeting		