



NEWS & NOTES

YOUR WEEKLY UPDATE ON GFWC NEWS

October 19, 2023

2023 NDS Impact Reporting Form

If your club participated in the 2023 GFWC National Day or Service, please complete and submit the 2023 NDS Impact Reporting Form by October 31, 2023. The form can be found in the Digital Library under "N" in the NDS folder.

Clubs must submit the NDS Impact Reporting Form to be recognized.

[View the 2023 NDS Photo Album](#)

See photos of all the creative projects clubs completed. New photos are being uploaded every day as reporting forms are processed.

Register for the GFWC Holiday Open House

Tis the Season to Sparkle & Shine! Please join us December 6 at GFWC Headquarters for a festive open house event with the International President, Officers, and Staff.

*Tis the season to
Sparkle & Shine*

HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE

Wednesday, December 6, 2023
11:00 AM–1:00 PM & 1:30 PM–3:30 PM

GFWC Headquarters
1734 N ST NW, Washington, DC 20036

RSVP to Events@GFWC.org by November 20
Register at www.eventsguic.com/event/20992



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Cares & Concerns

GFWC is saddened to share the passing of four former GFWC State Presidents. Our thoughts are with all those who knew and loved them.

Katy Hauser Grubbs, GFWC North Carolina State President (1988-1990) passed on October 9, 2023 at the age of 96. Her obituary is available here: <https://www.hayworth-miller.com/obituaries/katy-grubbs>

Florence McConnell, GFWC Colorado State President (2000-2002) passed away on September 6, 2023. Her obituary is available here: <https://www.lovefuneralhomes.com/obituaries/florence-mcconnell>

Virginia (Gini) Laut, GFWC Pennsylvania State President (1974-1976) and MAR President, passed on October 5, 2023 at the age of 97. Her obituary is available here: <https://www.timesonline.com/obituaries/psom0597941>

Carol Pralle, GFWC Wyoming State President (1998-2000) passed away on October 15, 2023. Her obituary is available here: <https://www.schradercares.com/obituaries/carol-pralle>



Welcome Daleth

We are excited to welcome Daleth Holley as GFWC's new Executive and Finance Coordinator!



Florida Director of Junior Clubs Project:

Breathe

By: Christa Nuckols, GFWC Florida Director of Junior Clubs

My project for the 2022-2024 administration is Breathe, raising Cystic Fibrosis Awareness and Funds for a Cure.

What is Cystic Fibrosis? Cystic Fibrosis (CF) is a life-threatening, progressive, genetic disease that affects the lungs and other organs and limits the ability to breathe over time. It is the leading genetic killer in the United States.

Why CF? More than 30,000 children and adults in the United States are affected by Cystic Fibrosis. In November 2009, my nephew Caden Ours became 1 of 30,000 when he was diagnosed with Cystic Fibrosis at birth. Real progress has been made in improving the length and quality of life for people with CF, but there is still no cure, and we need your help. Together, we will build hope and add tomorrows.

Caden, like many other CF kids, spends 3 hours a day doing breathing treatments and wearing his vibrating therapy vest.

How can you help? Here are a few ways to get involved:

- Form a Great Strides team and participate in the largest Cystic Fibrosis Foundation fundraising event with over 400 walks nationwide.
- Celebrate CF Awareness month in May by wearing purple at a club meeting and sharing CF facts on social media.
- Partner with a CF Accredited Care Center to fill their treasure chests or wish lists.
- Be creative in your projects as you find ways to learn and share about Cystic Fibrosis in your clubs while helping those in your local community with CF.

Additional information can be found [here](#).

Thank you to all the clubs who have already contributed to my project and worked with their local communities to help those fighting to breathe easier and raise CF awareness and funds!



Online Storage Options

by: Jill Passaretti, GFWC Communications and Public Relations Committee Member

You can store your computer files on a physical hard drive, disk drive, USB drive, or cloud storage service. It is vital to back up your files regularly, allowing them to be available should your systems ever crash.

Cloud storage is convenient for backing up data, sharing, and collaborating. Since your data is in a remote location, you can access it from your computer and mobile devices with internet access.

The main reasons to keep your files in the cloud include:

- Secure transmission of data.
- Data is secured in a remote location.
- Free space and affordable upgrades.
- The ability to collaborate simultaneously on documents and files.
- You can access it anywhere you can reach the internet.
- Most cloud storage has an “auto-upload” function, so you can upload photos to the cloud shortly after they are taken automatically.

Which known cloud storage is right for you?

- **Dropbox:** Dropbox founder Drew Houston conceived the Dropbox concept after repeatedly forgetting his [USB flash](#)

drive while he was a student at **MIT**. It's been around since 2008 and offers personal and business subscriptions. The personal account includes 2GB of free data.

- **Google Drive:** Google's service has been around since 2012 and is easy to access on any smart device or computer. It even integrates free alternatives to the Microsoft Office suite. The service includes 15GB of free storage.
- **iCloud:** Apple's cloud solution since 2011 offers users 5GB of free storage. It is automatically offered to anyone with an Apple ID and is available to access for any device online.
- **OneDrive:** Created by Microsoft, OneDrive can automatically save your document progress while you work. Best suited for work with Microsoft Office Suite products such as Excel, Word, and PowerPoint. OneDrive includes 5GB of free storage space.

Whichever you choose, cloud storage makes it easy to share, collaborate, and back up Word, Excel, PDF files, photos, and email with multiple people simultaneously.

Volunteers in Action: GFWC Middle Atlantic Region



The GFWC Middle Atlantic Region had the honor of celebrating GFWC's first National Day of Service during their Region Conference. Attendees donated bags of food to benefit the Emmanuel Cancer Foundation Food Pantry. Mayor Marty Small Sr. of Atlantic City, New Jersey was in attendance to thank the clubwomen for their service to their communities. Madam President was proud to participate and celebrate this occasion when clubwomen throughout the country and beyond came together for good.

Submit photos and a short story about the awesome things YOUR club is doing in the community to PR@gfwc.org.



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