GFWC/CT Annual Convention Minutes Friday, May 20, 2022

The 125th Annual Convention meeting was called to order by President Deborah Fiore at 9:32AM at the Hartford/Windsor Marriott. Debbie introduced the GFWC International President, Marian St. Clair.

Opening ceremonies with the Presentation of Colors was presented by the Windsor High School JR ROTC.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of American was given by Donna Farrell and Jeanne Kehoe led us in the Club Collect. The Inspiration was given by Pat Mahoney. Preliminary credentials and presentation of the program was given by Sandra Berry, Convention Chairman. The Rules of Convention was read by JoAnn Calnen GFWC/CT Parliamentarian.

President Debby introduced the GFWC/CT executive committee. Debbie then asked International President Marian St. Clair to share her opening remarks greeting us. She spoke about now being able to get the Club Woman Magazine electronically at GFWC.org.

The Officers each gave their last reports of this administration to the board members including President Debbie. Debbie spoke about her first year with meetings on Zoom due to COVID. Green Ribbons were handed out at the registration table prepared by Linda Melillo, our State Program chairman with a written explanation of the green ribbon. Membership has increased in the past two years. Debbie thanked the clubs and stated, "We Rise by Lifting Others".

Elections of the 2022 – 2024 administration took place. Jeanne Waseleski, Nominating Chairman presented her report. After each position/name was read and with no nominations from the floor, all were voted in,

President	Kathry	n "Kathy" DeBurra	Votes						
1st VP	Kathy	Barnes	43						
2 nd VP	Heath	er Spencer	40						
3 rd VP	3 rd VP Wendy Cleary								
Recording Sec	cretary	Kathy Matusiak	43						
Correspondin	g Sec'y	Ashley Waseleski	43						
Treasurer		Stephanie Capasso	43						
Ass't Treasure	43								
Member at Large is Anne Edwards									

President, Debbie Fiore, congratulated all new officers.

Kathy Barnes started presenting Service Program Awards. She is giving the recording secretary a complete booklet of all awards given.

With some time remaining in the morning session, International President, Marion St. Clair was able to share with us her visit to the White House two days in a row. With a bit of encouragement from our Legislative Counsel, Debbie Bryant and two key White House counsel members, Marian made her way through a crowd, placed her hand on President Biden's shoulder and was finally able to get her picture taken with President Biden. We then took a break for Friendship & Fundraising.

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Sandee Nuccio stepped in for Rita Hartley (illness) with the Expression of Thanks. Lunch was then served.

Our Friday Convention meeting reconvened at 1PM with guest speakers Leah Moon and Jackie Prochy, Co-founders of *Autism Families Connecticut*. A mother and daughter team whose son/grandson "Jack" now 18 lives with autism diagnosed at the age of two. Spoke of how they decided to start their business offering brochures/pamphlets to the members with information.

Kathy Barnes gave the floor to Maureen Fernandes and Sheila McCauley to award the Advancement Area Awards.

Next Debbie gave the floor to Wendy Cleary speaking about March of Dimes, March for Babies, Personal Care Kit Project, collected by GFWC/CT members. She asked all members present to join in putting together bags of goodies as collected.

Nancy Kaylan, Raffle Chairman called out the Friday's winners of today's raffle and the 50/50 prize of \$115 was won by Sheila McCauley. Friday's Door Prizes were also handed out to members.

President Debbie Fiore declared Recess of the Convention meeting at 2:40pm. Meeting will resume Saturday at 9:30am.

In the absence of Recording Secretary, Linda Melillo, the minutes of today's meeting were recorded by Member-at-Large, Maddy Marzullo.

Respectfully submitted, Linda Melillo, GFWC/CT Recording Secretary

Friday Evening Banquet

After our dinner, the 2022 – 2024 Administration was installed by Donna Farrell of the Madison W/C, home club to incoming President Kathy DeBurra. Her theme is "Individually we are one wave ~ together we are an OCEAN". Each new officer received an emblem pin of the ocean for their positions as officers.

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Good Morning Maddam President, Maddam International President, Pellai board members, and friends. Thank you are for your attendance today. Boy has the last two years have taugint me alor about my orgination OKIL 1 thought 1 was organized but being are abbiotant transporer has teeted my orgationing while and enaged me vois ways to be-Thank you all all for your rand work and sonding in your raquest for extendence to conven gearly soptember will be here before you know it, wow can you Imagine. 1 on corrage all clubs to Start your and update your memberon prooters now. Your timely Reporting is apprecited Also dues will be due in Paburary, please have those returned before the deadline to allow us to report to NEB and International.

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What I'm about to share with you is some of Elizabeth Smart's story. In an email that was sent out prior to Veterans Day, I suggested a book so worth reading: "The Girls Who Stepped Out of Line" by Mari K. Eder. The following excerpt was taken from that book which is all about women who made it in the world.

Elizabeth Smart was abducted from her home in Salt Lake City at the age of fourteen. She was held captive by a religious fanatic and his wife for nearly nine months. Drugged, force to drink alcohol, and raped multiple times. Elizabeth survived through sheer force of will and her faith. Following her escape, she went on to become an author and an advocate for children who survived trauma. In her book, "My Story", she said, "I wanted to share my story. I wanted others to know what had happened to me ... I wanted them to know how I got through it and that they can get through it too ... I want to help them realize that life is still worth living. I want them to realize that there is always hope! We should never give up". Elizabeth Smart had the drive to create and embrace her future happiness, and the will to leave the past behind. Her story stands as a sterling example to thousands struggling to recover from past abuse. She tells audiences what she learned of resilience: "Never be afraid to speak out. Never be afraid to live your life. Never let your past dictate your future."

Book: The Elizabeth Smart Story with Chris Stewart

GFWC/CT 2nd Vice President May Convention 2022

Good morning Madame President, Madame International President and Sisters in Federation

This administration has shown our Clubwomen that persistence pays off. In a time when nothing was the same, the Clubs of GFWC/CT adapted and succeeded.

How much you ask?

In 2021

Projects: 677 a 7 % increase

Hours of service: 54,267 38% increase

Dollars donated: \$174,839 27% increase

In Kind Donations: \$169,100 111% increase

Funds Raised: \$130,094 68% increase

Sounds like a lot but listen to ths:

For this administration:

Projects reported 1311

Hours of service: 95503

Dollars donated: \$312,367

In Kind Donations: \$248,947

Funds Raised: \$207598

While "Not this year" was the motto of 2020, the rally chant of 2021 was "we will get back to normal." For this administration, we DID rise by lifting others.

and ZOZZ Mo been a celebration of being by frequency.

Every club in this state does amazing work, adapts to change and continues to support its communities - no matter what it takes. I have been entertained, encouraged and inspired by the work reported by every club in the state.

Recently I saw a woman wearing a shirt with the slogan: Warm heart, brave mind, fierce spirit."

I should have asked what club she belonged to. That is the story of GFWC CT.

Thank you for all you have shared with me.

It has been my pleasure to serve as your Second Vice President.

May Convention -May 2022!

Madame President, Madame International President, Executive Board and Federation Sisters!

Welcome to May Convention!

I stand before you and thank you for all you do in your Clubs for GFWC Leadership! Thank you for making a difference and your commitment to our passions! Every day we make the world more beautiful than we found it!

I will proudly award the Leadership awards in the program later.

Congratulations on your achievements this weekend and beyond and I wish you a wonderful Convention!

Respectfully Submitted; Katherine DeBurra President Elect-GFWC/CT GFWC/CT President, Debbie Fiore Report Highlights for May 2022 Convention

"We Rise by Lifting Others"

We will have green ribbons handed out for the convention. These ribbons represent the color for the Mental Health Awareness Month of May. Please pin on your green ribbon to support Mental Awareness.

Election: Jeanne Waseleski, Chairperson of the Nominating Committee read each office nomination. Jeanne then asked for nominations from the floor. With no nominations from the floor, the nominations were closed and voting took place. Jean Keating, Maureen Fernandes, and Phyllis Jezyk were the vote counters. The slate of officers were duly elected.

Recess

GFWC CT NOMINEES FOR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE 2022-2024

BALLOT RESULTS

President Katherine DeBurra- According to the GFWC CT bylaws, Article V, Section C, President-elect assumes the duties of the President at the close of the next annual State Convention.

43	First Vice President Kathleen Barn	es	
		_ Write-in ballot	
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<u>40</u>	Third Vice President Wendy Clery	_ Write-in ballot	(3 Abstans)
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<u>43</u>	Corresponding Secretary Ashley V		
43	Treasurer Stephanie Capasso	_Write-in ballot	
43	Assistant Treasurer Pam Lerner	Write-in ballot	

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President, Debbie Fiore, called the convention to order at 9:35. The interim credentials, given by Sandra Barry, were as follows: Past State Presidents 4; Club Presidents 7; Co-Presidents 2; District Presidents 4; Assistant District Presidents 0; State Board Members 36; other voting delegates 14; Total Voting Delegates 50; Total Non-voting Attendees 1; Registered Guests 0; Total in Attendance 51; Districts Represented 4; District w/Largest Attendance, North Central; Club with Largest Attendance, Enfield. Sandra moved to adopt the interim credentials. With no objections presented, President Fiore accepted the credentials report as presented.

Memorial Service

Maddy Marzullo, GFWC/CT Member-at-Large and Veterans Chairperson, conducted this service honoring members who have passed away from May 2021 to May 2022.

Guest Speaker

Marian St. Clair, GFWC International President spoke about being a "joiner" from the time she joined Girl Scouts in elementary school all the way to the time she joined the General Federation of Women's Club/St. Andrews Woman's Club in 1989. It was there she learned about civic engagement and community service...and the rest is history. Marian was an engaging speaker and enjoyed by all.

Advancement Awards/CSP Awards

Kathy Barnes, 2nd Vice President, resumed the presentation of awards. See attached list of awards presented at this convention.

Membership Gavels

Kathy Matusiak, 3rd Vice President/Membership presented these awards: The Pettis Gavel for outstanding membership program was awarded to Somers Woman's Club; The Plummer Gavel for outstanding continuous membership activities was awarded to the Women's Club of Madison; The Sutton Gavel for a club showing the largest net increase was awarded to Killingworth Woman's Organization. The Ursula Kolb Casioppo Federation Awareness Award for better communication and public relations was awarded to Bethel Woman's Club.

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Each year this award will be given out to a GFWC/CT member showing outstanding dedication, leadership, loyalty and mentoring others to continue the legacy of the GFWC/CT and positive spirit. The recipient this year is Wendy Clery. Lastly, The VIP Award/Lafontaine Volunteers in Progress showing dedication above and beyond is awarded to Sara Newell.

"Who Knew" Bingo - Kathy DeBurra presented the bingo cards and instructions for members to play this game. Results will be presented after lunch.

Recess and Lunch Sheila Macauley gave a lovely expression of thanks before lunch.

Afternoon Session

Final Credentials were presented by Sandra Barry and, with no change to the report; the credentials were adopted for this convention.

Canine Companion — Kathy Barnes, who is a Canine Companion Puppy Trainer, introduced us to Risley. Kathy spoke about the program that she has been a part of and shared its' rewards.

By-Laws Committee Report — Chairperson, Eileen Driscoll gave her report (see attached). Sandee Nuccio made the motion to adopt the by-law changes and it was passed by majority vote.

Memorial Scholarship Report - Chairperson, Bev Regan, presented her report (see attached).

New England Region President, JoAnn Calnen gave an update of the NER convention coming up in September in Providence, Rhode Island.

Walking Contest — Chairperson of Health & Wellness, Sheila Macauley announced the winners (report is attached)

March of Dimes Project - Personal Care kits have been put together to be donated to parents of babies in the Neonatal

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Intensive Care Unit in the hospital. These parents often do not have time to gather their personal items and perhaps are spending many hours with their baby in the NICU.

Fundraising and Door Prize Winners were announced by Nancy Kalyan.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Melillo, GFWC/CT Recording Secretary

Expression of Thanks- Sheila Macauley WCDNF

A Friendship Blessing

By John O'Donohue

May you be blessed with good friends.

May you learn to be a good friend to yourself.

May you be able to journey to that place in your soul where there is great love, warmth, feeling and forgiveness.

May this change you.

May it transfigure that which is negative, distant, or cold in you.

May you be brought in to the real passion, kinship and affinity of belonging.

May you treasure your friends.

May you be good to them and may you be there for them; may they bring you all the blessings, challenges, truth and light that you need for your journey.

May you never be isolated.

May you always be in the gentle nest of belonging with your *anam ċara*.

"Anam cara" is the Celtic concept of the "soul friend". Originating in Irish monasticism, "soul friends" are considered an essential and integral part of spiritual and emotional development. A soul friend is a "compassionate presence", a friend with the ability to read the other person's heart.

By Sheila Macauley, WCDNF

GFWC/CT Walking and Exercising Contest Winners

Conducted April 4-10, 2022 Final Results, May 21, 2022

Talking Points

It is my pleasure to announce the winners of our third walking contest, which was held from April 4 to 10 of this year.

But before that I want to emphasize that all 106 participants and 8 participating clubs are winners.

First, I will announce the top three individual performances.

Then I will announce the top clubs in the small, medium and large categories.

Individual Winners

(Top Three Performances Out of 106 Participants)

THIRD Place: Donna Recknagel, Newington/Wethersfield - 66.9 equivalent miles

SECOND Place: Beverly Fraley, Enfield - 67.2 equivalent miles

FIRST Place: Sandee Nuccio, Enfield - 75 equivalent miles

Club Winners

(Out of 8 participating clubs)

First Place - Small Clubs - MILFORD - 10.2 equivalent miles per member First Place - Medium Clubs - BETHEL - 11.1 miles per member First Place - Large Clubs - WCDNF - 5.1 equivalent miles per member

Thanks again to all those who participated. I look forward to this event next year.

The By-Laws Committee consisting of Eileen Driscoll, Chairman and members Kathy Tobin, Janet Stockalis, Florence Bouchard and Sandee Nuccio was asked by President Debbie Fiore to bring two changes before the delegates at GFWC/CT's Annual Convention. The requested changes were reviewed by the By-Laws Committee and were made part of the Call package.

The first requested change was to ARTICLE V, Section E.2.

That Section read as follows:

"No more than one (1) member from a club shall serve as District President or Assistant District President."

This can be found on page 50 of the 2020-2922 Club Manual. It was requested that we delete that sentence entirely. The Rationale was that we limit our options by saying that a district cannot have more than one member from a club serve in these important positions.

The Second item is on page 55 of the 2020-2022 Club Manual and is under STANDING RULES: 6. FINANCES H.

"Expenses paid by Districts!. Cost of lunch or dinner for no more than four Executive Committee members invited to speak on the program."

The request was that this sentence by deleted for the sake of clarity.

Each of these changes was reviewed by 2020-2022 President Debbie Fiore, incoming 2022-2024 President Kathy Mannix DeBurra, as well as our committee and the 2020-2022 Parliamentarian JoAnn Calnen.

Announcement of Winners of Memorial Scholarships Phipps and Schoelzel May 2022 GFWC/CT Beverly Regan

The Memorial Scholarship Committee has met and selected three winners for this year's Phipps and Schoelzel scholarships. The Dorothy E. Schoelzel scholarship was created to honor her and to perpetuate her interest in the education and welfare of women. Donations from family and friends of this outstanding woman and past president of GFWC/CT were placed in a special fund in 1987 and the income from the investment is used to award the scholarship. The Mary William Phipps Scholarship is named to honor her distinguished service to the state, New England Region and national level. In 1926, friends of Mrs. Phipps began the memorial fund to aid deserving students.

We want to thank the clubs that participated this year. All of the candidates were highly qualified with outstanding academic records and dedicated future plans in support of helping others.

The first of this year's winners is Ashley Hammel. She is sponsored by the Harwinton W.C. Ashley will be entering her senior year at Springfield College in Springfield, MA. She is majoring in Communication Sciences and Disorders with a goal to earn a doctorate in the field of audiology. Ashley has been awarded a \$2,000 Phipps scholarship and \$2,000 Schoelzel scholarship totaling \$4,000.

Our second winner is Kylie Prunneau sponsored by the Woman's Club of Danbury/New Fairfield. Kylie is a junior at Western CT State University in Danbury,CT. She is majoring in psychology with the goal of working in the field of social services to aid those in need. Kylie has been awarded a \$4,000 Phipps Scholarship.

Our third recipient is Sierrah Rich sponsored by the Northford–North Branford W.C. Sierrah is graduating from Sacred Heart University in Fairfield,CT where she has been majoring in neuroscience. She has been accepted to Columbia University, NYC for graduate work in the field of neural engineering studying technical advances in the field of prosthetics.

Our congratulations to our scholarship winners and to their sponsoring clubs. We hope you will join us next year in sponsoring young women as they strive to fulfill their goals in the service of their community.

GFWC Connecticut 2020-2022 Administration

Deborah Fiore President

Katherine DeBurra President Elect

Kathy Barnes 2nd Vice President

Kathy Matusiak 3rd Vice President

Linda Melillo
Recording Secretary

Sandee Nuccio
Corresponding Secretary

Stephanie Capasso

Treasurer

Heather Spencer Assistant Treasurer

Maddy Marzullo Member at Large



We Rise by Lifting Others

GFWC/CT Special Awards

Plummer Gavel

The Women's Club of Madison

Pettis Gavel

Somers Woman's Club

Sutton Gavel

Killingworth women's Organization

Ursula Kolb Casioppo Federation Awareness

Award

For Communications and Public Relations Bethel Woman's Club

Lafontaine Volunteers in Progress Award

Sara Newell

Community Impact Program

 	
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GFWC Special Projects

Domestic and Sexual Violence Awareness and Prevention

1st
Small North Haven Woman's Club
1st Killingworth Women's Organization
Medium

2nd Bethel Woman's Club

Medium

1st East Hartford Woman's Club

Large

2nd Woman's Club of Danbury/New

Large Fairfield

Advocates for Children

1st Small North Haven Woman's Club

2nd Small Terryville Woman's Club of

1st Medium Greater New Britain

2nd Medium Women's Club of Madison

Woman's Club of Danbury
1st Large New Fairfield

2nd Large East Hartford Woman's Club

GFWC Community Service Programs

Arts and Culture

1st Small Terryville Woman's Club

2nd Small The Waterbury Women's Club Inc.

1st Medium Woman's Club of Woodbury

2nd Medium Somers Women's Club Inc

1st Large Windsor Woman's Club
Woman's Club of Danbury/New

2nd Large Fairfield

Civic Engagement and Outreach

GFWC Woman's Club of North

1st Small Haven

2nd Small Terryville Woman's Club

1st Medium GFWC Manchester CT Women's Club

2nd Medium Windsor Woman's Club of CT

1st Large East Hartford Woman's Club

The Woman's Club of Danbury/New Fairfield

2nd Large

Environment

1st Small **GFWC Women's Club of North Haven**

GFWC Northeastern CT Woman's

2nd Small Club

1st Medium **GFWC Harwinton Woman's Club**

2nd Medium Women's Club of Madison

1st Large Newtown Woman's Club

The Woman's Club of Danbury/New

2nd Large Fairfield

Education and Libraries

1st Small Waterbury Women's Club

GFWC Women's Club of North

2nd Small Haven

1st Medium Windsor Locks Women's Club

2nd Medium Harwinton Woman's Club

The Woman's Club of Danbury/New

1st Large Fairfield

2nd Large Mystic Woman's Club

Health and Wellness

1st Small North Haven Women's Club

2nd Small Terryville Woman's Club

Medium Killingworth Women's Organization

Medium **New Britain** 2nd

Suburban woman's Club of Greater

The Woman's Club of Danbury/New

1st Large Fairfield

2nd Large The Mystic Woman's Club

Veterans

1st Small GFWC Northeastern CT Woman's Club

2nd Small GFWC Women's Club of North Haven

Medium **GFWC Harwinton Woman's Club**

2nd

Medium Hamden Woman's Club ヾ

1st Large The Mystic Woman's Club

2nd Large Fairfield Woman's Club of Danbury/New

GFWC Advancement Plans

Communications and Public Relations

North Haven Women's Club 1st Small

Ellington Woman's Club 2nd Small

Bethel Woman's Club Medium

Harwinton Woman's Club Medium The Woman's Club of Danbury/New

Fairfield 1st Large Mystic Woman's Club 2nd Large

Leadership

North Haven Women's Club 1st Small

Milford Woman's Club 2nd Small

Harwinton Woman's Club. Medium

Women's Club of Madison Medium

Woman's Club of Danbury/New

Fairfield 1st Large Windsor Woman's Club 2nd Large

Membership

GFWC Women's Club of North Haven Small

2nd

Milford Woman's Club Small

Manchester Women's Club Medium

2nd Medium

Somers Woman's Club

The Woman's Club of Enfield

Large

2nd

Mystic Woman's Club Large

Legislative Action/Public Policy

GFWC Northeastern CT Woman's Club Small

2nd

Terryville Woman's Club Small GFWC/CT Women's Club of Madison

Medium

Women's History & Resource Center

Medium Hamden Woman's Club

Women's Club of Madison Medium

Windsor Woman's Club 1st Large

Mystic Woman's Club 2nd Large

Fundraising

1st Small

2nd Small

Woman's Club of Greater New Milford Veterans Leadership **GFWC Woodbury Woman's Club** Suburban Woman's Club of Greater **New Britain**

Arts and Culture

Harwinton Woman's Club

Awards

Northwest District

Terryville Woman's Club Woman's Club of Woodbury Environment **Fundraising** Waterbury Woman's Club **New Britain** Suburban Woman's Club of Greater

Woman's Club of Danbury/New Civic Engagement Education and Libraries Suburban Woman's Club of Greater **New Britain** Suburban Woman's Club of Greater

2nd

Medium

Harwinton Woman's Club

Medium

2nd large

Fairfield

1st Large

Mystic Woman's Club

Health and Wellness and Outreach **New Britain**

GFWC The Harwinton Woman's Club

Children Advocates for Milford The Woman's Club of Greater New

Public Relations Membership Communication and Suburban Woman's Club of Greater **New Britain** Terryville Woman's Club

and Prevention Violence Awareness **Domestic and Sexual New Britain** Suburban Woman's Club of Greater

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Southwest
District Awards

				Membership		Public Relations	Communication and		Advocates for		Health and Wellness		and Outreach	Civic Engagement		Libraries	Education and	Environment		Fundraising	Leadersnip		Veterans		Arts and Culture		North Central District Awards
				Windsor Woman's Club		Manchester Women's Club		Manchester Women's Club			Woman's Club	Newington Wethersfield	Northeastern CT Woman's Club			Woman's Club	Newington Wethersfield	Woman's Club	Newington Wethersfield	East Hartford Woman's Club	Manchester women's clab		GFWC of Windsor Locks		GFWC of Windsor Locks		wards
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Membership

Danbury/New Fairfield

Southeast District Awards

Arts and Culture Women's Club of Madison

Veterans Women's Club of Madison

Leadership Women's Club of Mystic

Fundraising Killingworth Women's Organization

Environment Mystic Woman's Club

Education and
Libraries Hamden Woman's Club

Civic Engagement
and Outreach
Killingworth Women's Organization

Health and Wellness Hamden Woman's Club

Advocates for
Children Hamden Women's Club
Communication and

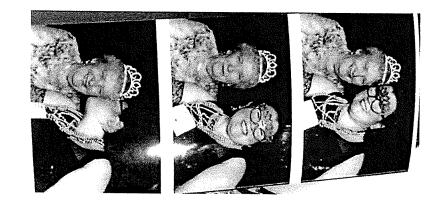
Public Relations Killingworth Women's Organization

Membership Women's Club of Madison
Domestic and Sexual

Violence Awareness and Prevention Mystic Woman's Club

Eileen Russell Memorial Spirit Award

presented at May Convention in recognition of a GFWC/CT Member who demonstrates outstanding dedication, loyalty, leadership and mentoring others to continue the legacy of GFWC in a positive spirit.



2022 Recipient
Wendy Clery
(Shown with Eileen Russell at NER Conference 2015