



Embracing Leadership

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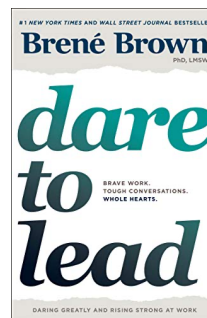
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The next Leadership ESO Book is *Dare to Lead* by Brene Brown. Brown writes, "One of the most important findings of my career is that daring leadership is a collection of four skill sets that are 100 percent teachable, observable, and measurable. It's learning and unlearning that requires brave work, tough conversations, and showing up with your whole heart. Easy? No. Because choosing courage over comfort is not always our default. Worth it? Always. We want to be brave with our lives and our work. It's why we're here." **How do you cultivate braver, more daring leaders, and how do you embed the value of courage in your culture?** We invite you to read this



book and join us on February 12 at 8 pm ET for a Zoom book discussion as we attempt to find the answers to this question. The Zoom link will be posted in the GFWC Advancements and Programs Forum on the day of the discussion.



Demystifying Board Positions

The Carrizozo Woman's Club (NM) restructured their board from five to eight positions to better divide the workload and attract new leaders. To explain the new positions and their roles and responsibilities to both new and veteran members, each board member used "three little words" to describe their duties in a creative skit. The board members also designed their own hat to communicate what "hats" they wore while serving on the board.

Check out the Member Portal for more Top Ten Projects from 2021.

AWARD ENTRIES AND CLUB CREATIVITY AWARDS

Depending on your state deadlines, you may begin receiving club entries throughout the month of



January. Start thinking about how you will organize the entries as they are received. How will you communicate with clubs to let them know you received their entries? Does your state have guidelines for judging the entries and selecting the top ten?

Follow your state guidelines and deadlines as well as GFWC deadlines. The State Award Entries and Club Creativity Awards are due to Susan Gettys, GFWC Leadership Chairman, by March 15. Email documents are preferred (send to susan.gettys@att.net), but you can send them through regular mail if needed (3144 E. Topping Cir, Springfield, MO 65804). A confirmation email will be sent back to you when the entries have been received.

A Zoom meeting will be held on January 22 at 8 pm ET for State Leadership Chairmen and/or State Presidents to provide more information that you will need as your work on your Award Entries. The Zoom session will be recorded, and the link will be sent out afterward for those who cannot attend. The Zoom link will be emailed to State Leadership Chairmen and State Presidents.



We would love to share information on your club's Friendsgiving Events on the GFWC Advancements and Programs Forum. Send your information to CPR Chairman Jen Nowak, Leadership Chairman Susan Gettys, or Membership Chairman Nancy Ames, and we will share your event on the Forum page.



Have you joined the **GFWC Advancements and Programs Forum** on Facebook? Click Join at the top of the page and answer the membership questions. You will have access to a wealth of information posted daily.

Teach It Tuesdays will continue to provide information from the chairmen of the Communication/Public Relations, Leadership, and Membership Committees. Here is the schedule for upcoming sessions:

January 10 – Friendsgiving Events

February 14 – CPR - Canva 201 & Graphic Design

March 14 – Leadership – How to Create a Strategic Plan for Your Club

April 11 – Membership – Using Your Why to Recruit Members

We are working on scheduling the **Thumbs Up Thursdays** for after the first of the year. Keep your eyes on the GFWC Advancements

and Programs Forum for updated schedules and the Zoom links to each program. You can join us through Zoom or on Facebook Live. Some of the programs will be pre-recorded and then posted in the Forum.



The Leadership Committee will be presenting a Leadership Workshop during the Annual Convention in Louisville in June. “Building Leaders through Strategic Planning” will be the topic. We hope you plan to join us to learn how to create your club's strategic plan and develop leaders through this process. The Call to Convention should be released digitally around the first of February. Keep your eyes open for this exciting information.

LEADS Applications Due March 15, 2023 To Susan Gettys

Who will be the LEADS Candidate representing your state in Louisville, KY, on June 9, 2023? The LEADS Application can be found in the Member Portal under L (gfwc.org). LEADS training is one of the benefits of belonging to GFWC. Candidates are your future state leaders.

