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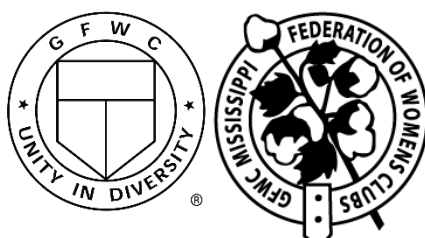
One Hundred Eighteenth Annual Convention

*April 28-30, 2016
Cleveland, Mississippi*

"Bringing Hope - Changing Lives"

**GFWC-MISSISSIPPI FEDERATION OF
WOMEN'S CLUBS, INC.**

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**OFFICIAL PROGRAM
ONE HUNDRED EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION
APRIL 28 - 30, 2016
CLEVELAND, MISSISSIPPI**

**CONVENTION THEME:
"BRINGING HOPE - CHANGING LIVES"**

**HOST CLUBS:
THE GFWC-MFWC CLUBS OF DISTRICT IV
ELLA CRONIN, PRESIDENT**

CLUBWOMAN COLLECT

Keep us, oh God, from pettiness;
Let us be large in thought, in word, in deed.
Let us be done with fault-finding
And leave off self-seeking.
May we put away all pretense
And meet each other face to face,
Without self-pity and without prejudice.
May we never be hasty in judgment
And always generous.
Let us take time for all things;
Make us to grow calm, serene, gentle.
Teach us to put into action our better impulses,
Straightforward and unafraid.
Grant that we may realize it is
The little things that create differences,
That in the big things of life we are at one.
And may we strive to touch and to know
The great, common human heart of us all.
And, oh Lord God, let us forget not
To be kind.

Mary Stewart, April 1904

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Let's get
WILD
to finish the fight!

It has been said, "Use adversity to influence lives. Show them what it is like to be resilient during adversity. That will be remembered for a long time. "

In the spirit of our President's Special Project campaign, "**Let's get WILD to finish the fight!**" for that loved one in your family or club member struggling with cancer, or in memory of the one that lost his or her life to this disease.

We will bring **HOPE**, and God willing, we will see **CHANGE**.

In federation service,
Darlene C. Adams
GFWC-MFWC President, 2014 – 2016
and GIST Survivor



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Bringing Hope – Changing Lives

Welcome Message From Darlene C. Adams, President

Dear GFWC- Mississippi Federation of Women's Club Members and Guests,

I am delighted to welcome you to Delta State University for our 118th GFWC-Mississippi Federation of Women's Clubs State Convention. District IV is hosting our convention with Ella Cronin, District IV President, as General Convention Chairman. Ella has done a fabulous job along with the assistance of her City Chairman, Norma Cooper putting together a wonderful three days of federation fun and fellowship. There are many "behind-the-scenes" Chairmen and Committee members and our "boosters" within the host district who have given of their time and talents to ensure your visit is an enjoyable one. District IV Clubs have provided the beautiful decorations throughout the convention. Many other members have also stepped up to help this officer and the host district in areas that have attributed to make this convention a success. Rather than regrettably leave someone out, you know who you are and this officer appreciates all you have done, right up to the end.



While in the delta, enjoy the wonderful downtown shopping, dining, famous pottery and live Blues at most local venues. Pre-convention activities include the opportunity for you to visit the newly opened Grammy Museum Mississippi on Thursday.

I am sure to be filled with much emotion as I rap the gavel one last time for this 118th Convention. Your State President is overflowing with joy and satisfaction for the accomplishments this administration has fulfilled. Our convention is a time to celebrate all the volunteer service you, the members, contributed to make a difference in someone's life. The hours, dollars and in-kind donations have been tallied and will be announced for each area of service. However, the real winners are those we serve.

Thank you for supporting my President's Special Project (PSP) – the American Cancer Society, special emphasis, the Hope Lodge. It's the first to be built in Mississippi. All the monies you have raised or contributed to the PSP have been for this wonderful cause; many lives will be encouraged by your generosity. We are excited to be able to present our final check to this organization at this convention and hear an important announcement.

We have a great line-up of speakers and entertainers for your pleasure during the convention. We have not one, but two GFWC representatives! First, we are very honored to have the esteemed GFWC Director of Junior Clubs, Cathy Jo Bryant. Cathy Jo is our keynote speaker for Friday evening's banquet with an inspiring message for all members. Our banquet is always a special treat when we honor our elected officers, past presidents, district presidents, LEADS candidates, Club and Club Woman of the Year district winners along with our GFWC guests in a processional. We'll close the event with the installation of the next administration.

Second, we have GFWC Chief Operating Officer, Rosemary Thomas. She was such a hit at our convention last year, I invited her back just for you! Rosemary will present an interactive workshop you will not want to miss on Friday afternoon during the business session.

On Saturday, Jennifer Walker will be our inspirational speaker for our Prayer Breakfast along with two of our own, Carolyn Huey and Ada McGrevey who will lift our spirits through beautiful worship. State Chaplain, Shirley Stough will present our MFWC Memorial Service, honoring our federation friends who have passed on. Then, we will wrap up our convention honoring our Juniorettes and the long awaited announcement of our Clubwoman of the Year, Juniorette of the Year and Club of the Year for both.

I am overwhelmed by all of your kind courtesies bestowed on me as your president during this administration. You have blessed me beyond words for your love and support. Now, please extend that same love and support to Tinker Forrester, your next MFWC President and her incoming officers. I have enjoyed these last two years with Tinker by my side. We have laughed in the goods times, cried through the loss of some, and prayed much throughout this administration. Taking from her district installation theme, I know she will "color" MFWC with a bright and beautiful future.

Thank you for joining me at this 118th Convention as we celebrate "Bringing Hope – Changing Lives." Your presence has made this celebration all the more better!

In federation love,

Darlene



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**GFWC-MFWC President
Darlene C. Adams
representing Mississippi at
the GFWC White House
Briefing.**

GENERAL FEDERATION
of WOMEN'S CLUBS



Hello GFWC Mississippi!

Thank you for Living the Volunteer Spirit with such enthusiasm this last year. I wish I was joining you all this year but know you are looking forward to a visit from our excellent GFWC Director of Junior Clubs, Cathy Jo Bryant and our wonderful Chief Operating Officer, Dr. Rosemary Thomas who will be attending your spring convention. I know they will each remind you to take time to celebrate the amazing work of your state federation and all of your clubs. GFWC Mississippi continues to be effective in your communities because of YOUR gifts of time, talents and treasures. You inspire me, each day and every day that your volunteer service changes lives for the better. Be proud of that. You are a constant source of pride for GFWC and I applaud you for your work in so many areas.



It is a privilege to serve as your 50th GFWC President and I am fortunate to be surrounded and supported by a dedicated, capable and visionary Board of Directors. Your own state president, Darlene Adams, is one of these leaders and I applaud her efforts and commend her for leading your state so successfully these past two years. I'd also like to thank each of you for being such a positive force in your communities and for being such strong advocates for the work of GFWC.

Please make plans right now to join us in Baltimore at the Waterfront Marriott for our incredible GFWC Convention June 25-29. You won't want to miss a moment of the FUN and the excitement as we gather to celebrate our Federation.

Every day, I find myself reflecting on the wonderful accomplishments of our Federation. Enjoy your club work! Celebrate your accomplishments! Smile! DANCE! Laugh! Live Out Loud in your GFWC work!

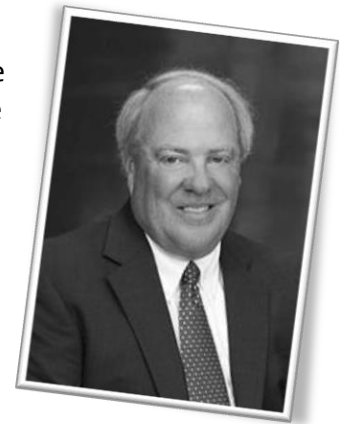
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BILL NOWELL, Mayor of Cleveland, MS. Thank you for visiting the City of Cleveland. Whether you are a life-long resident or a visitor, we are proud to display Cleveland's energetic, enthusiastic, and genuine southern personality. We are continuing our efforts in community improvements and economic development in order to solidify Cleveland as one of the best towns in Mississippi to work, live and visit.

You may be here for a lifetime, or if only for a season, nevertheless, we appreciate your interest and support of our town. Please stop by and see us again.



DELTA STATE UNIVERSITY

WILLIAM N. LAFORGE,
President Delta State University.

William LaForge grew up in Cleveland, Mississippi, where he attended public schools and graduated with honors from Delta State University with a Bachelor of Arts degree. He earned his law degree from the University of Mississippi School of Law, received an LL.M in international law from Georgetown University, and studied international law at Cambridge University.

On Capitol Hill, Mr. LaForge served as senior legislative counsel to Republican and Democratic lawmakers in both houses of Congress. He was chief counsel of the U.S. Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Agriculture, and culminated his government career as Chief Legislative Counsel and Chief of Staff to United States Senator Thad Cochran of Mississippi. Previously, he served as Congressional Liaison for the Peace Corps and as a legislative assistant to Mississippi Congressman David Bowen. He has also advised and organized political campaigns for major office holders in both political parties. Mr. LaForge is the author of the award-winning book, *Testifying Before Congress*, a comprehensive treatise on preparing and delivering congressional testimony, published by TheCapitol.Net in 2010.



In April, 2013, Mr. LaForge was appointed President of Delta State University, following a thirty-six-year career in both the public and private sectors in Washington, DC, that spanned the fields of government, law, business, higher education, and public policy.

Mr. LaForge and his wife, Nancy, have two adult children, Caroline and Clayton, who are both attorneys.

SPEAKERS AND ENTERTAINMENT

CATHY JO BRYANT – Director of Junior Clubs of the General Federation of Women's Club. Cathy Jo Bryant began her career in Federation as a member of the GFWC Fayetteville Junior Woman's Club in West Virginia. Joining the Juniors in 1997 sparked her love of volunteerism and community service. She has served as Club President twice and Treasurer as well as several committee leadership roles and is a past advisor of the GFWC Fayetteville Juniores. Despite a busy schedule, Cathy Jo continues to support her local club activities and remains an active member in her community.



GFWC West Virginia Junior Department flourished under her leadership as Director of Junior Clubs leading the efforts of West Virginia clubwomen in advocating for the passage of state legislation to protect the elderly and incapacitated adults. She was fundamental in the donation and positioning of a GFWC West Virginia billboard during a Public Relations Campaign. During her tenure GFWC West Virginia Junior Department was eight clubs strong with 171 members. She was a member of the GFWC West Virginia Junior Board from 2004 until 2010. Although she is a Junior, Cathy Jo is a role model for clubwomen of all ages.

Beginning in 2008 as GFWC West Virginia Director of Junior Clubs, Cathy Jo has continually served on the GFWC Board of Directors. She was on the GFWC Constitution and Bylaws Committee (2010-2012) and served as the GFWC Director-elect of Juniors Clubs (2012-2014).

In March, 2016, Cathy Jo was elected to serve as the 2016-2018 GFWC West Virginia Second Vice President.

Many of you know her as Cathy Jo Canterbury, but on November 28, 2015, she married her long-time sweetheart Charlie Bryant. She and Charlie reside in Fayetteville, West Virginia. She attended Concord University and after many years decided to further her education. In May, 2014, she graduated from New River Community and Technical College. She is a valued member of the team in the Fayette County Prosecuting Attorney's Office as a legal assistant. She attends Gum Spring Baptist Church at Chimney Corner, West Virginia where her father is the pastor.

Cathy Jo is an outstanding clubwoman who greets each day "Living the Volunteer Spirit".

ROSEMARY THOMAS - Chief Operating Officer of the General Federation of Women's Club. Rosemary was born and raised in West Virginia. She is a graduate of Clemson University and holds a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science and Communications. She received her Masters of Public Administration from the University of South Carolina and Doctorate in Educational Leadership from West Virginia University.



Rosemary grew up in a family that taught her public service was not an option but a responsibility. She has always been active with community, state and national organizations. She is a fourth generation

clubwoman with strong roots in GFWC. She served as State Director of Junior Clubs in West Virginia 2000-2002 and was on the 2002-2004 Board of Directors as part of the Education Committee. Some other affiliations include the American Cancer Society, United Way, Quota International, The American Legion Auxiliary Girls State and Girls Nation programs, Destination Imagination and Odyssey of the Mind, Kiwanis and Toastmasters. She is currently serving as a member of the Nationwide Leadership Training Team for The American Cancer Society Relay For Life.

Professionally, Dr. Thomas began her career in higher education and institutional advancement while a student at Clemson University. She worked on the school's centennial capital campaign and celebration activities and later served as a presidential intern and special events coordinator in the President's Home and for the Office of Institutional Advancement.

She was named Alumni Director at Fairmont State College in 1992 and progressed through the ranks as director of development and associate vice president. She served as Vice President for Advancement at Glenville State College from 2001-2003. She was named Vice President and Executive Director of the Foundation at Salisbury University in the fall of 2003. She rounded out her quarter century career in higher education with vice presidencies at both Florida Gulf Coast University and Frostburg State University with keenly successful fund raising, marketing, enrollment management and government relations activities.

Dr. Thomas was named one of Maryland's Top 100 Women by The Daily Record. She and her team at Salisbury University received the 2008 CASE-Wealth Engine Award for Overall Improvement in Fund Raising. She has led the charge to secure major and principal gifts, totaling well over \$100M for capital projects, scholarships and program development. She served as a founding member of Salisbury's Town Gown Council and served on the Salisbury Area Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors. She worked closely with the Women's Fund of South West Florida in the development of their fund raising and marketing strategy and continues to provide counsel to them as a volunteer.

She is a nationally recognized speaker and workshop leader on board relations, volunteer management, fund raising and marketing strategies. Her work with leadership development remains a key aspect of her life's work with leaders of all ages and from all walks of life.

JENNIFER CRAWFORD WALKER - Jennifer Crawford Walker was born August 18, 1968, in Batesville, MS. She earned a BSEd from Mississippi College and presently lives in Cleveland, MS. Jennifer is married to James Walker, Minister of Education and Administration at the First Baptist Church of Cleveland. They have two children, Nathan and Abigail.

Mrs. Walker is teacher of the Ladies' Sunday School Class and Women's Bible study groups. She is coordinator of the FBCC Women's Ministry Team and a Mentor Mom for MOPS.

Jennifer is a speaker for retreats, conferences, and events involving women, ministers' wives, young ladies, mothers and daughters. She is a "Specialized Worker" for MS WMU/Women's Ministry. Jennifer served three years as Teaching



Director at Old Hickory Lake TN Community Bible Study and five years as Coordinator of Lakeview Elementary" Praying Parents" of Mt. Juliet, TN.

"Smelling Coffee TV", a local weekly Christian talk show, is hosted by Jennifer. She has published in "Minister's Family Magazine", "MORE Magazine", MS WMU material and on Smelling Coffee.com. She also self-published Walking Hand in Hand with Jesus, a women's Bible study. E-books published are: Keeping Christ As Christmas and Abiding in Advent, a women's Bible study.

AMANDA RASBERRY CRAWFORD – American Cancer Society. Amanda Rasberry Crawford is a graduate of Mississippi State University with a Bachelor of Science in Secondary Education and Master of Science in Health Education and Health Promotion. Prior to joining the American Cancer Society in 2006, she served as a Program Director for the Partnership for a Healthy Mississippi, specializing in the work of tobacco education, prevention, and cessation programs. She served as the Director of Community and Resource Development for the Oprah Winfrey Boys & Girls Club of Kosciusko and Attala County, providing leadership to both program development and community relations including income development, grant-writing and grants administration.



While at the American Cancer Society, she served as a Community Representative for Central Mississippi, Executive Director for the Jackson-Metro market, and Account Manager for Corporate and Distinguished Partners. She currently serves as Health Systems Manager, for the state of Mississippi and is the Capital Campaign Director for the Mississippi Hope Lodge Capital Campaign, a \$10.9 Million campaign to secure funding to support the construction and operations of the American Cancer Society's Gertrude C. Ford Hope Lodge.

She was recently named one of the Top 50 Business Women in Mississippi by the Mississippi Business Journal. Volunteer involvement includes serving as an Administrator for Veterans Outreach of Mississippi, Mississippi State Equine Association, the American Cancer Society's Relay For Life, Junior Auxiliary of Kosciusko, the Kosciusko-Attala Development Corporation, Leadership Attala, Kosciusko School District PTA, and the American Legion Auxiliary, Post # 44.

Amanda and her husband, Terry, currently reside in Kosciusko, MS, and they have four children, Tennesen, Tate, Reed and Riley

TRICIA WALKER – Singer & songwriter. Tricia Walker is a singer and songwriter whose songs are steeped in the passion, pain and grace of the American South. Born and raised in Mississippi, Tricia has become one of the clearest voices of her own time and place. Her music has been recorded by Faith Hill, Patty Loveless and Alison Krauss, whose performance of Tricia's *Looking in the Eyes of Love* earned a GRAMMY award. A recording artist herself, Tricia's CD, *The Heart of Dixie*, thoughtfully captures the songwriter's view of the South with well-placed lyrics and music reflecting her folk, R & B and storytelling influences.



“Culture is a precious, living thing,” Tricia says. “It has to be nurtured if it’s going to survive. Any artist or creative thinker has a responsibility to help chronicle his or her own time, place and people. That’s the surest way to keep a culture from disappearing.”

Before moving to Nashville in the 1980s, Tricia earned a degree in Music Education from Delta State University. While working on her Master’s Degree, she performed at clubs and festivals in Mississippi and Louisiana. She won American Song Festival and Mississippi Song Festival awards and moved to Music City to sign with giant gospel music publisher Word, Inc. As her songs were recorded on Grammy-nominated discs by Kathy Troccoli, Debby Boone, and The Imperials, her reputation as a songwriter spread. Well-respected producer Jerry Kennedy signed Tricia to his Polygram Group stable of writers, further solidifying her credibility.

Tricia’s instrumental skills earned her a spot backing Grand Ole Opry star Connie Smith, with whom she played for six years. She also toured extensively with Shania Twain and Paul Overstreet as a keyboard player and vocalist. Along with Pam Tillis, Karen Staley and Ashley Cleveland, Tricia was a founding member of “Women in the Round,” one of the most celebrated foursomes at Nashville’s prestigious Bluebird Café.

She has performed at the Country Music Hall of Fame and the Tin Pan South Songwriting Festival in Nashville, was a New Folk Winner at the Kerrville Folk Festival in Texas and featured at Austin’s South by Southwest Music Festival. Additional musical highlights included singing at Robert Redford’s Christmas Cantata at his Sundance Resort as well as a choreographed work for the Nashville Ballet entitled “All the Way Home,” co-written by Tricia and Kate Campbell.

Tricia returned to her native Mississippi in 2006 to become director of the Delta Music Institute, an entertainment industry studies program at her alma mater, Delta State University.

Tricia Walker offers an entertaining slice of her places and times, delivered with a beautiful voice, strong musicianship and the ease of a veteran entertainer. Southern style never had it so good.

CAROLYN HUEY & ADA MCGREVEY – GFWC-MFWC Clubwomen/Singers/Musicians.

Carolyn Huey and Ada McGrevey both love to sing and they have even more in common. Both grew up in the same town, graduated from the same high school, were students at East Central Community College and the University of Southern Mississippi although their age difference spans more than a decade. They both married and moved away to enjoy successful careers with their husbands and raise their families before returning to their roots.

Carolyn has always enjoyed singing in ensembles, church choirs, and community choirs and as a soloist wherever she called home. Her favorite instruments include the trombone and piano. Hobbies include cooking, entertaining, traveling, volunteering, and spending time with her seven grandchildren.

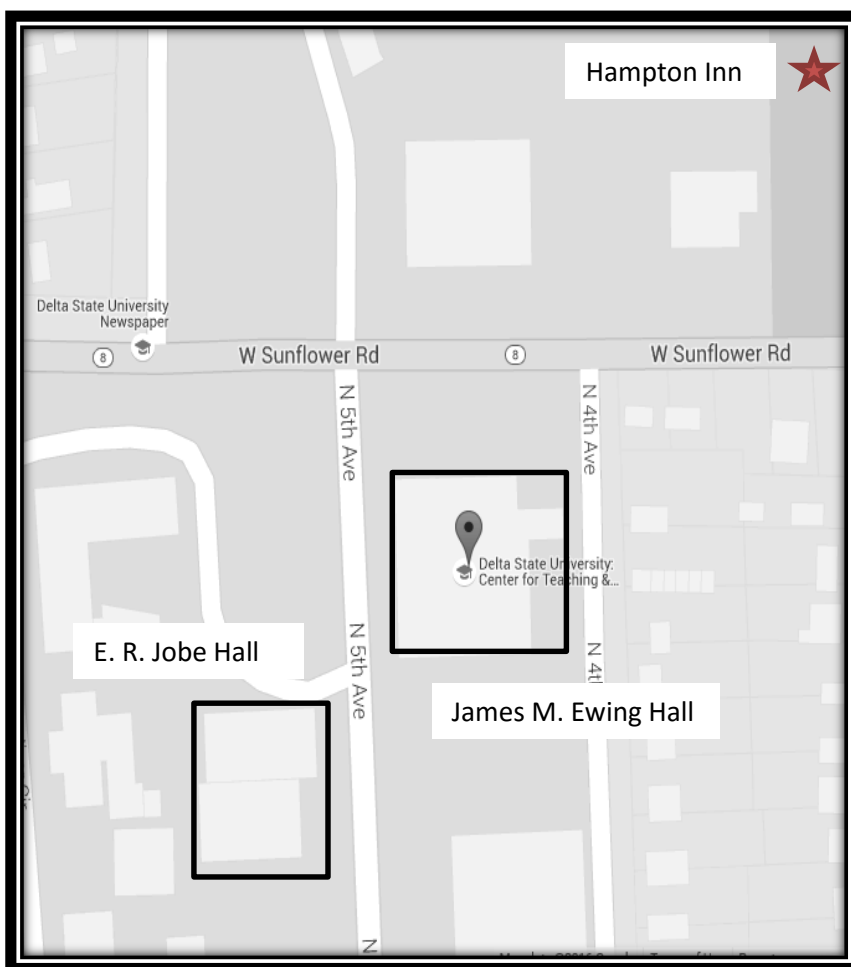


As a military wife, Ada moved every two years, but always found a Church Choir to join and sing with. Along with the guitar, Ada also plays hand bells, mandolin and piano. Not long ago, she was a singer with a rock and roll band, her church choir and community chorus all during the same time.

The need for music during a Juniorette's Retreat a few years ago brought the duo together and they've been singing together ever since. This past fall, the ladies added a pianist to form the "Christmas Belles", a trio who presented six Christmas music programs over the holidays to different organizations around the county.

Their love of music, a willingness to help others, and a strong faith have led these two ladies throughout their lives. They are both grateful and thankful for the opportunity to keep making music.

**118TH ANNUAL STATE CONVENTION WILL BE HELD IN THE
E. R. JOBE HALL AND JAMES M. EWING HALL.**



Direction from Hampton Inn, Cleveland, MS. To E. R. Jobe Hall.

Head south on US-61N for 1.2 miles, turn right onto E. Sunflower Rd. In 1.0 miles turn left on to 5th Ave. In 0.2 miles arrive at destination. Destination will be on the left.

Direction from Hampton Inn, Cleveland, MS. To James M. Ewing Hall.

Head south on US-61N for 1.2 miles, turn right onto E. Sunflower Rd. In less than 1.0 miles turn left on to 4th Ave. In 700 feet arrive at destination. Destination will be on the left.

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118TH ANNUAL CONVENTION**

**DELTA STATE UNIVERSITY CAMPUS
CLEVELAND, MISSISSIPPI
APRIL 28-30, 2016**

CONVENTION THEME:

"Bringing Hope – Changing Lives"

Thursday, April 28, 2016, Pre-Convention Activities

2:00 p.m......Audit Committee Meeting The Gallery, Merigold, MS
Followed ByFinance/Executive Committee Meetings..... The Gallery, Merigold, MS
2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. ...Registration Hampton Inn Lobby
3:15 p.m......Shuttle leaves for Grammy Museum Mississippi Tour Hampton Inn Lobby
3:30 p.m......Grammy Museum Mississippi Tour Delta State University
6:15 p.m......Shuttle leaves for Board Dinner/Meeting..... Hampton Inn Lobby
6:30 p.m......GFWC-MFWC Reception (Cash Bar)..... Cleveland County Club
7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. ...GFWC-MFWC Executive Board Dinner and Meeting... Cleveland County Club

EXECUTIVE BOARD DINNER & MEETING

"Changing Lives through Federation Leadership"

CLEVELAND COUNTRY CLUB

HOSTED BY:

GFWC-MFWC EPHIC CLUB

Thought: "If we don't change, we don't grow.
If we don't grow, we aren't really living." – Gail Sheehy

Executive Board Dinner

Welcome & Recognitions..... Darlene C. Adams, President
GFWC Greetings..... Cathy Jo Bryant, GFWC Director of Junior Clubs
Rosemary Thomas, GFWC Chief Operating Officer
GFWC Southern Region GreetingJo Anne Reid, SR Vice President
Devotion and Grace Shirley Stough, Chaplain
GFWC-MFWC Ways & Means Annajeral Knight, Chairman
Announcements..... Darlene C. Adams, President
Door Prizes Door Prize Committee
Recess..... Darlene C. Adams, President

Executive Board Meeting

Call to Order Darlene C. Adams, President, Presiding
Roll Call, Minutes and Correspondence Nancy Griffin, Recording Secretary

Reports

MFWC Officers

- President-elect Tinker Forrester
- Vice President..... Becky Wright
- Treasurer Diane Rouse
- Mississippi Clubwoman Editor..... June Vaughn

Standing Committees

- Finance Committee Tammie M. McCoy, Chairman
- Executive Committee Nancy Griffin, Recording Secretary
- Headquarters Committee..... Pam Smith, Chairman

Special Committees

- GFWC Signature Project: Domestic Violence AwarenessAmy Jacob, Chairman
- GFWC-MFWC President’s Special ProjectAbby May, Chairman
- GFWC-MFWC Fund Development Committee..... Jo Anne Reid, Chairman

New Business..... Darlene C. Adams, President

AnnouncementsTinker Forrester, President-elect

Collect.....June Vaughn, Corresponding Secretary

Adjournment..... Darlene C. Adams, President

Friday, April 29, 2016

7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.Gavel Club BreakfastRoom 415, Hampton Inn

8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.Complimentary Coffee, hosted by District IV E. R. Jobe Hall Lobby

8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.Registration E. R. Jobe Hall Lobby

8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.Shop Ways & Means, PSP’s “New To You & Silent Auction”
E. R. Jobe Hall Lobby

8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.View Youth Art, Photography, Scrapbooks & Yearbooks
E. R. Jobe Hall Lobby

5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.RegistrationJames M. Ewing Hall Lobby

9:00 a.m.Convention ConvenesE. R. Jobe Hall Auditorium

I am sure to be filled with much emotion as I rap the gavel one last time for this 118th Convention. Your State President is overflowing with joy and satisfaction for the accomplishments this administration has fulfilled.

Darlene C. Adams, President

**OFFICIAL OPENING CEREMONIES OF THE
118TH ANNUAL CONVENTION
GFWC-MISSISSIPPI FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS, INC.
DELTA STATE UNIVERSITY, CLEVELAND, MS**

9:00 – 11:30 a.m.Opening Ceremonies and BusinessE. R. Jobe Hall Auditorium

Call to Order Darlene C. Adams, President, Presiding

Invocation Shirley Stough, Chaplain

Presentation of ColorsBoy Scouts of America Troop 23, Scout Master Chris Hayes
First United Methodist Church of Cleveland

Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America Misty Wright,
GFWC-MFWC 2015 LEADS Representative/Fund Development Committee

National Anthem Elizabeth McWhorter Guillory, Student, Delta State University

MFWC Welcome Ella Cronin, Convention General Chairman

Introduction of Distinguished Guests Darlene C. Adams, President

Official Welcome William N. LaForge, President, Delta State University

Official Welcome Billy Nowell, Mayor of Cleveland

Response Celia Fisher, Gavel Club President

Recognitions Darlene C. Adams, President

GFWC Greetings Cathy Jo Bryant, GFWC Director of Junior Clubs
..... Rosemary Thomas, GFWC Chief Operating Officer

Southern Region GreetingsJo Anne Reid, GFWC Southern Region Vice President

Appointment of Tellers Darlene C. Adams, President

Preliminary Credentials Report Jeanette Thrash, Credentials Chairman

Presentation of Convention Standing Rules Judy T. Martin, Parliamentarian

Presentation of Convention Program Tinker Forrester, President-elect

Presentation of Convention Committees Ella Cronin, Convention General Chairman

Report of the Executive Board Nancy Griffin, Recording Secretary

Report of the Audit Committee Diane Rouse, Treasurer

Report of the Headquarters Committee Pam Smith, Headquarters Chairman

Report of the Historian Susan Shurden, Historian

Report of Constitution & Bylaws Committee, Part I Carolyn Huey, Chairman

Report of the 1935 Society Tommye Rosenbaum, Committee Member

Report of the *Mississippi Clubwoman* Editor June Vaughn, Editor

Report of the Media/Communications & Technology Coordinator Lisa A. Harris, Coordinator

GFWC-MFWC Special Emphasis Awards Becky Wright, Vice President

 State Institutions Jeannie Pittman, Chairman

 Mississippi Public Broadcasting Becky Wright, Vice President

Announcements Norma Cooper, City Chairman

Recess Darlene C. Adams, President

**Shop PSP “New To You & Silent Auction” and Ways & Means
View Exhibits**

12:00 – 1:15 p.m. ...LuncheonE. R. Jobe Hall Auditorium

LUNCHEON

“GFWC: 125 Years of Changing Lives for a Better Tomorrow”

HOSTED BY:

GFWC-MFWC BATESVILLE JUNIOR WOMAN’S LEAGUE

Thought: “The world as we have created it is a process of our thinking. It cannot be changed without changing our thinking.” – Albert Einstein

Presiding..... Darlene C. Adams, President
 Grace Sherri Reid, District I President
 Special GFWC Welcome Babs Condon, GFWC International President
(pre-taped via GFWC Headquarters)
 GFWC 125th Anniversary Part II - “Clubwomen through the Decades” Glenda Bailey, Chairman
 Lynda Love, Committee Member and featuring the GFWC-MFWC Gavel Club
 GFWC-MFWC Awards Becky Wright, Vice President
 GFWC Signature Project..... Amy Jacobs, Chairman
 GFWC Juniors Project: “Advocates for Children” Frances Brown, Chairman
 GFWC WHRC Becky Wright, Vice President
 GFWC Legislation & Public Policy Becky Wright, Vice President
 Door Prizes Door Prize Committee
 Announcements..... Norma Cooper, City Chairman
 Recess..... Darlene C. Adams, President

1:30 – 4:30 p.m.Business Session.....E. R. Jobe Hall Auditorium

Presiding..... Darlene C. Adams, President
 GFWC-MFWC Advancement Area Awards Becky Wright, Vice President
 Membership Tinker Forrester, Chairman
 Leadership Sandra Pope, Chairman
 Fundraising & Development..... Nelda Mills, Chairman
 Communications & Public Relations Becky Wright, Vice President
 Election of 2016-2018 GFWC-MFWC Officers
 Report of the Nominating Committee..... Annajeral Knight, Chairman
 Introduction of Tinker Forrester, Incoming President..... Susan Shurden
 GFWC-Ackerman Twentieth Century Club
 Introduction of Nominees for Office:
 Becky Wright, Nominee for President-elect Sandra Pope
 GFWC-MFWC Fine Arts Club of Bruce
 Sherri Reid, Nominee for Vice President Libby Everett
 GFWC-MFWC Cosmopolitan Club of Petal
 Theresa Buntyn, Nominee for Recording Secretary Jeanette Thrash
 GFWC-MFWC Decatur Woman’s Progressive Club

Diane Rouse, Nominee for Treasurer	Pam Smith
	GFWC-MFWC Florentine Evening Club
Election of Officers.....	Darlene C. Adams, President
GFWC-MFWC Awards	Becky Wright, Vice President
GFWC Community Service Program – Arts.....	Meri Newell, Chairman
GFWC Community Service Program – Education	Penny Barr, Chairman
GFWC-MFWC Hebron Memorial Scholarship	Mary Ellen Holloway, Chairman
Mississippi HOBY	Belinda Peacher, HOBY Consultant
GFWC Community Service Program – ESO	Becky Wright, Vice President
GFWC-MFWC Youth Art.....	Libby Everett, Chairman
GFWC Contest – Photography	Carolyn Long, Chairman
GFWC Contest – Writing	Becky Wright, Vice President
Introduction of Speaker	Abby May, PSP Chairman and District III President
Speaker	Amanda Crawford, American Cancer Society
Report of GFWC-MFWC Elected State Officers	Darlene C. Adams, President
	Tinker Forrester, President-elect
	Becky Wright, Vice President
	Nancy Griffin, Recording Secretary
	Diane Rouse, Treasurer
GFWC-MFWC Awards	Becky Wright, Vice President
MFWC Scrapbook	Becky Wright, Vice President
MFWC Yearbook Awards.....	Lisa McGee, Chairman
Door Prizes	Door Prize Committee
Announcements.....	Norma Cooper, City Chairman
Recess.....	Darlene C. Adams, President
Workshop – “Bring your “A” Game!”	Rosemary Thomas, GFWC Chief Operating Officer

**Shop PSP “New To You & Silent Auction” and Ways & Means
And View Exhibits**

4:30 - 6:30 p.m......Pick Up all Exhibits (Youth Art, Photography & Books) E. R. Jobe Hall Lobby

All exhibits must be removed from the Exhibit Room by 6:30 p.m.

6:00 p.m.	GFWC-MFWC Official Convention Photos	James M. Ewing Hall
6:00 p.m.	Elected and Appointed Officers	
6:05 p.m.	District Presidents	
6:10 p.m.	District IV	
6:15 p.m.	District I	
6:20 p.m.	District II	
6:25 p.m.	District III	
6:30 p.m.	District V & Gavel Club	
6:35 p.m.	Juniorette Clubs	

6:45 p.m...... Processional Assembles James M. Ewing Hall Foyer
 2016 MS LEADS Participants
 District Clubwomen of the Year
 Presidents of District Clubs of the Year
 District Presidents
 Past State Presidents
 GFWC-MFWC Elected Officers
 GFWC Southern Region Officer
 GFWC Guests

7:00 p.m...... Banquet..... Jacobs Conference Center, James M. Ewing Hall

BANQUET

“MFWC: Changing Lives through Federation Service”

**HOSTED BY:
 GFWC-MFWC BATESVILLE WOMAN’S CLUB**

Thought: “Be the change that you wish to see in the world.” -Mahatma Gandhi

Processional Judy T. Martin, Parliamentarian
 Presiding..... Darlene C. Adams, President
 Recognition and Introduction of Guests..... Darlene C. Adams, President
 Recognition of GFWC MS LEADS Participants..... Debbie Benoit, Chairman
(Sponsored by the Malone-Sisk Education/Leadership Endowment Fund)
 GraceKaran Hardin-Nestor, President
 GFWC-MFWC Twentieth Century Club of Bruce
 Introduction of Special EntertainmentDiane Rouse, GFWC-MFWC Treasurer
 Special Entertainment.....Trisha Walker and DMI Friends
 Dinner
“Bringing Hope – Changing Lives” PowerPoint Presentation.....Lisa A. Harris,
 Media/Communications & Technology Coordinator
 Introduction Darlene C. Adams, President
 Keynote Address Cathy Jo Bryant, GFWC Director of Junior Clubs
 GFWC-MFWC Challenge Grant Scholarship..... Phyllis Whittington, Chairman
 GFWC-MFWC Sarah Peugh Butterfly Scholarship Shirley Hilburn, Chairman
 GFWC-MFWC President’s Special Project Awards.....Abby May, Chairman
 American Cancer Society Remarks Amanda Crawford
 Special PresentationPSP and Ways & Means Committees
 President’s Remarks..... Darlene C. Adams, President
 Door Prizes Door Prize Committee
 Installation of the 2016-2018 Officers Cathy Jo Bryant, GFWC Director of Junior Clubs
 Announcements..... Ella Cronin, Convention General Chairman
 Recess..... Darlene C. Adams, President

*Following the banquet, you are invited to a reception
 in honor of
 Tinker Forrester, 2016-2018 GFWC-MFWC President
 and
 Cathy Jo Bryant, GFWC Director of Junior Clubs*

**HOSTED BY
 GFWC-TWENTIETH CENTURY CLUB OF ACKERMAN**

Saturday, April 30, 2016

7:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.RegistrationE. R. Jobe Hall Auditorium
8:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.Prayer Breakfast & Memorial Service.....E. R. Jobe Hall Auditorium
8:00 a.m. – NoonComplimentary Coffee hosted by District IV
8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m......Shop Ways & Means and PSP's "New To You & Silent Auction"

PRAYER BREAKFAST & MEMORIAL SERVICE

"Changing Lives through Inspirational Encouragement"

**HOSTED BY:
 GFWC-MFWC CLEVELAND WOMAN'S CLUB**

*Thought: "I alone cannot change the world, but I can cast a stone across the waters
 to create many ripples." -Mother Teresa*

Presiding.....Tinker Forrester, President-elect
 Recognitions.....Tinker Forrester, President-elect
 GraceNancy Griffin, GFWC-MFWC Recording Secretary
 Breakfast (*Buffet – Please allow Head Table, followed by Reserved Seating to go first.*)
 Inspirational Music..... Ada McGrevey and Carolyn Huey
 GFWC-MFWC Decatur Woman's Progressive Club
 Introduction Darlene C. Adams, President
 Inspiration Address Jennifer Walker
 Memorial Service Shirley Stough, Chaplain
 Announcements..... Norma Cooper, City Chairman
 Door Prizes Door Prize Committee
 Recess.....Tinker Forrester, President-elect

9:45 a.m...... Business SessionE. R. Jobe Hall Auditorium

Presiding..... Darlene C. Adams, President

Report of District Presidents..... Tinker Forrester, Advisor
 Sherri Reid, District I President
 Theresa Buntyn, District II President
 Abby May, District III President
 Ella Cronin, District IV President
 Melba Watkins, District V President

Report of Constitution and Bylaws Committee, Part 2 Carolyn Huey, Chairman

Juniorette PowerPoint PresentationLisa A. Harris
 Media/Communications & Technology Coordinator

Announcement of Juniorette of the Year Darlene C. Adams, President

Announcement of Juniorette Club of the Year Darlene C. Adams, President

GFWC-MFWC AwardsBecky Wright, Vice President

 GFWC Community Service Program – ConservationBecky Wright, Vice President

 GFWC Community Service Program – Home Life Sue Addy/Glenda Tarver, Chairman

 GFWC Community Service Program – Public IssuesBecky Wright, Vice President

 GFWC Community Service Program – International Outreach Theresa Buntyn, Chairman

Announcement of Clubwoman of the Year Darlene C. Adams, President

Announcements of President’s Cup AwardsBecky Wright, Vice President
 Darlene C. Adams, President

Announcement of Club of the Year Darlene C. Adams, President

Final Credentials Report.....Jeanette Thrash, Credentials Chairman

GFWC Invitation to 2016 GFWC Convention Cathy Jo Bryant, GFWC Director of Junior Clubs

Invitation to 2016 Southern Region ConferenceJo Ann Reid, Southern Region Vice President

Invitation to 2017 State Convention..... Melba Watkins, District V President
 Lisa Harris, District V President-elect

Presentation of Awards PacketsBecky Wright, Vice President

Recognition of 2014-2016 GFWC-MFWC Officers..... Darlene C. Adams, President

Address of 2014-2016 GFWC-MFWC President Darlene C. Adams, President

Address of 2016-2018 GFWC-MFWC President Tinker Forrester, President

Pin and Gavel Ceremony.....Darlene C. Adams and Tinker Forrester

Recognition of Host District and Clubs Darlene C. Adams, President

Door Prizes Door Prize Committee

Announcements..... Ella Cronin, Convention General Chairman

CollectGFWC-MFWC Civic Woman’s Club of Picayune

Adjournment..... Darlene C. Adams & Tinker Forrester

Official Closing of The 118th Annual Convention
 GFWC-Mississippi Federation of Women’s Clubs, Inc.
 Delta State University, Cleveland, MS

Saturday, April 30, 2016 Post-Convention Activities

2016-2018 POST-CONVENTION BOARD MEETING AND LUNCHEON

“Changing Lives through Creative Service”

**HOSTED BY:
GFWC-ACKERMAN TWENTIETH CENTURY CLUB
AND FRIENDS**

Thought: “Change is the law of life. And those who look only to the past or present are certain to miss the future.” – John F. Kennedy

12:45 p.m. ...LuncheonE. R. Jobe Hall Auditorium



A big THANK YOU to all those in the State Legislature that supported us in regards to our Headquarters Lease. Special thanks to my home town State Senator and friend, Angela Burks Hill, Picayune, who stayed with me throughout this ordeal - even texting to the wee hours! Be sure to thank your local Senator or Representative for their support this past year, as well as our Lt. Governor, Tate Reeves.

Also, THANK YOU to Judy Martin, Celia Fisher, Pam & Rob Smith Always a phone call or text away, you guided this president well. Hmm, lots of texts, too!



CREDENTIALS REPORT

	Preliminary	Final Report
GFWC Officers	_____	_____
State Officers & Board Members	_____	_____
Past State Presidents	_____	_____
Club Presidents & Other Voting Delegates	_____	_____
Club Members/Non-voting Delegates	_____	_____
Visitors & Guests	_____	_____
Total Number of Voting Delegates	_____	_____
Total Number in Attendance	_____	_____

**HOSTING CLUBS OF GFWC-MFWC DISTRICT IV
ELLA CRONIN, PRESIDENT**

- GFWC-MFWC BATESVILLE WOMAN'S CLUB**
- GFWC-MFWC BATESVILLE JUNIOR WOMAN'S LEAGUE**
- GFWC-MFWC CLEVELAND WOMAN'S CLUB**
- GFWC-MFWC EPHIC WOMAN'S CLUB**
- GFWC-MFWC GREENWOOD WOMAN'S CLUB**

STANDING RULES OF THE CONVENTION

1. Delegates will please turn off cell phones or place them in silent mode during all functions.
2. Delegates will please be prompt, being in your seats at the hour for beginning the meeting.
3. Pages will be available for sending messages to the platform or other delegates.
4. Delegates will please wear their badges to all meetings.
5. A delegate wishing to speak, shall rise, address the chair and give her name and the name and the location of her club.
6. No delegate shall speak more than twice to a question; the second opportunity being granted only after every other delegate desiring the floor for the first time has spoken.
7. Debate shall be limited to two minutes per person. Extension of time may be granted by a two-thirds vote of the voting delegates present and voting.
8. The timekeeper shall give a warning signal to each speaker. Speakers shall adhere to the time limits.
9. All motions from the floor shall be presented to the Recording Secretary in writing when so required by the chair.
10. Resolutions and recommendations shall be in the hands of the respective committees at the opening of the morning meetings.
11. A resolution or recommendation cannot be debated until it has been referred to the proper committee and reported by that committee. No resolution can be voted upon until it has been read twice. A resolution with a minority report can be passed only by a majority of the convention.
12. A motion shall be carried by the majority vote of the voting delegates present and voting, except that a motion requiring a two-thirds vote shall be carried by a two-thirds affirmative vote of those present and voting.
13. The right to the floor may be granted to non-voting delegate members by the chair.
14. All questions concerning those entitled to vote shall be referred to the Credentials Committee.
15. The Convention shall be one meeting, recessing from session to session within the meeting.
16. Reports shall be filed with the Recording Secretary.
17. No one shall enter the Convention meeting room during a musical number or while a speaker is addressing the meeting.
18. The President shall appoint a Reading Committee to approve minutes of the entire Convention.
19. These rules shall be adopted or suspended by a majority vote, rescinded by a two-thirds vote of those present and voting, a quorum being necessary.

GFWC-MFWC DIRECTORY

GFWC-MFWC ELECTED OFFICERS

GFWC-MFWC President.....Darlene C. Adams
 President-elect..... Tinker Forrester
 Vice President Becky Wright
 Recording Secretary..... Nancy Griffin
 Treasurer..... Diane Rouse

GFWC-MFWC DISTRICT PRESIDENTS

District I..... Sherri Reid
 District II..... Theresa Buntyn
 District III..... Abby May
 District IV..... Ella Cronin
 District V..... Melba Watkins

GFWC-MFWC APPOINTED OFFICERS

Immediate Past President..... Suzanne Byrd Poynor
 Corresponding Secretary June Vaughn
Mississippi Clubwoman Editor June Vaughn
 Parliamentarian..... Judy T. Martin
 Historian..... Susan Shurden

GFWC-MFWC SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS

Chaplain Shirley Stough
 President's Special Assistant..... Carolyn C. Huey
 Media/Communications & Technology Coordinator Lisa A. Harris
 Meetings Coordinator..... Dee Payne
 Headquarters Receptionist Kathleen Penton
 Juniette Director..... Brook McCarty
Mississippi Clubwoman Circulation Editor..... Lisa A. Harris
 HOBY Board Member..... Darlene C. Adams
 Mississippi Library Commission Board Member..... Suzanne Byrd Poynor
 Mississippi Public Broadcasting Chairman..... Donna Hutchings
 MS LEADS Chairman..... Debbie Benoit

PRESIDENT'S SPECIAL PROJECT – LET'S GET WILD TO FINISH THE FIGHT!

GFWC-MFWC President's Special Project, Chairman Abby May
 Committee Members..... Frances Brown, North
 Tommye Rosenbaum, Central
 Tami Harris, South

GFWC-MFWC STANDING COMMITTEES

Constitution and Bylaws, Chairman..... Carolyn C. Huey
 Committee Members..... Jo Anne Reid
 Etty Brown

Finance, Chairman	Tammie M. McCoy
Committee Members.....	Carolyn C. Huey
.....	Suzanne Byrd Poynor
.....	Darlene C. Adams
.....	Tinker Forrester
.....	Becky Wright
.....	Nancy Griffin
.....	Diane Rouse
Hebron Memorial Scholarship, Chairman	Mary Ellen Holloway
Committee Members.....	Penny Barr
.....	Lori Stockstill
Long Range Planning, Chairman	Suzanne Byrd Poynor
Committee Members.....	Sherri Reid
.....	Theresa Buntyn
.....	Abby May
.....	Ella Cronin
.....	Melba Watkins
M. Collie Covington Trustees	Darlene C. Adams
.....	Tinker Forrester
.....	Becky Wright
.....	Nancy Griffin
.....	Diane Rouse
Membership, Chairman	Tinker Forrester
Committee Members.....	Jana Jarrell
.....	Susan Shurden
.....	Deana Pittman
.....	Lisa A. Harris
.....	Brook McCarty
Resolutions and Recommendations, Chairman.....	Rowena Drinkwater
Committee Members.....	Deana Pittman
.....	Stacy Cook
State Headquarters, Chairman	Pam Smith
Committee Members.....	Kate Thomas
.....	Sandra Hales-Boyd
.....	Coreen VanDevender
.....	Libby Everett
.....	Cathy Higgins
.....	Dee Payne
.....	Sharon Hudson
State Institutions, Chairman	Jeannie Pittman
Committee Members.....	Theresa Berryhill
.....	Sherri Reid
Ways and Means, Chairman	Annajeral Knight
Committee Members.....	Karan Hardin-Nestor, North
.....	Melba Watkins, Central

..... Jana Jarrell, South

GFWC-MFWC SPECIAL COMMITTEES

1935 Society

Committee Members..... Sue Thompson
 Celia C. Fisher
 Jo Anne Reid
 Tommye Rosenbaum

Fund Development, Chairman..... Jo Anne Reid, District II
 Committee Members..... Carolyn Tedford, District I
 Chris Pasquale, District III
 Misty Wright, District IV
 Renay Zumbro, District V

Malone Sisk Education/Leadership Endowment Fund Trustee, Chairman..... Ivous Sisk
 Trustee Tammie M. McCoy
 Diane Rouse

Challenge Grant, Chairman..... Phyllis Whittington
 Committee Members..... Dana Carol Bridges
 Merita Cherry

Juniorette, Director..... Brook McCarty
 Co-Advisor..... Melanee Slade

Sara Peugh Butterfly Scholarship, Chairman..... Shirley Hilburn
 Committee Members..... Vera Beech
 Penny Barr
 Ella Cronin
 Belinda Peacher

GFWC 125th Anniversary Celebration Committee, Chairman..... Glenda Bailey
 Committee, Co-Chairman..... Lynda Love
 Committee Members..... Lisa A. Harris
 Darlene C. Adams

GFWC-MFWC COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM CHAIRMEN

Arts..... Meri Newell
 Arts – Partnership..... Lynda Love
 Conservation..... Mary Ethridge
 Conservation – Partnership..... Elizabeth Frohse
 Education & Education - Partnership..... Penny Barr
 Home Life..... Sue Addy
 Home Life – Partnership..... Glenda Tarver
 International Outreach..... Sue McMurtry Lucas
 International Outreach – Partnership..... Theresa Buntyn
 Public Issues..... Patricia B. Lee
 Public Issues – Partnership..... Rebecca Jarrell
 GFWC Junior’s Special Project: Advocates for Children, Chairman..... Frances Brown
 GFWC Signature Project: Domestic Violence Awareness, Chairman..... Amy Jacobs

GFWC-MFWC ADVANCEMENT AREA CHAIRMEN

- Communications and Public Relations Cindy Holcomb
- Fundraising and Development..... Nelda Mills
- Leadership..... Sandra Pope
- Membership..... Tinker Forrester
- Advocacy In Action: Legislation and Public Policy Dorothy Thomas
- Women’s History and Resource Center..... Becky Rhinehart

GFWC-MFWC CONTEST CHAIRMEN

- Jennie Award..... Tammie M. McCoy
- Writing Contest..... Anne McKee
- Photography Contest Carolyn Long
- Website Contest..... Heather Normand
- Community Improvement Contest Mary H. Edmond
- Scrapbook Sandy Houston
- Yearbook Lisa McGee
- Youth Art..... Libby Everett

GFWC-SOUTHERN REGION OFFICER/BOARD/COMMITTEE MEMBERS

- Southern Region Vice PresidentJo Anne Reid
- Southern Region Board Member Darlene C. Adams, MS State President
- Southern Region Health Minutes Tammie M. McCoy, Chairman
- Southern Region Hostess Committee..... Abby May and Amy Jacobs,
Committee Members
- Southern Region Past President(1982 – 1984) Peggie Herrington
..... (1988 – 1989) Gladys Jackson
.....(1996 – 1998) Ivous Sisk
..... (2006 – 2008) Rowena Drinkwater

GFWC BOARD/COMMITTEE MEMBERS

- Board Member Darlene C. Adams, MS State President
- Communication and Public Relations Committee..... Tammie McCoy, Committee Member
- GFWC Fundraising and Development.....Jo Anne Reid, Committee Member
- GFWC 125th Anniversary Celebration CommitteeIvous Sisk, Committee Member

2016 CONVENTION CHAIRMEN AND COMMITTEES

General Chairman	Ella Cronin
City Chairman.....	Norma Cooper
City Co-Chairman	Mary Helen Waller
Convention Treasurer	Shirley Hilburn
Convention Co-Treasurer.....	Kay Daves
Ad Chairman.....	Lisa Harris
Ad Co-Chairmen	Carolyn Johnson and Stacie Harris
Ads Committee Members.....	Pam Maxwell, Zofia Lindsey, Peggy Chicorelli
Convention Kit Chairman	Gwen Washington
Convention Kit Committee Member	Carolyn Ballard
Credentials Chairman.....	Jeanette Thrash
Credentials Committee	Tami Harris, Shirley Hilburn, Diane Rouse
Door Prize Chairman	Jeanette Tarsi
Door Prize Committee Members.....	Stacie Harris, Jackie Sergi Greenwood Woman's Club
District IV Ways and Means Chairman	Mary Ellen Waller
Exhibits Chairman	Libby Everett
Exhibits Co-Chairman.....	Glenda Bailey
Exhibits Committee Members	Jade Melton, Julianne Bailey, Stephanie Farris Leah Ferretti, Shannon Taylor
Hospitality Chairman.....	Arleene Robinson
Hospitality Committee Member.....	Charlene Wolfe
Hostess Chairman	Mary Ellen Holloway
Hostess Committee Members	Mary Weeks, Gladys Barnes, Jeanette Tarsi
Meal Tickets and Name Tag Chairman	Rachel Tate
Pages Chairman.....	Nancy Thomason
Pages Committee Members	Sydney Hodnett, Jennie Giachelli Tasha Huerta, Kathleen Lott
Platform Chairman.....	Joyce Kennedy
Platform Committee Members.....	Marie Boswell, Josephine Brown
Program Committee	Darlene C. Adams, Tinker Forrester, Lisa Harris, Judy T. Martin
Protocol Chairman	Judy T. Martin
Publicity Chairman	Jordan Thomas
Publicity Committee Member.....	Haley Huerta Kelly
Registration Chairman	Rachel Tate
Registration Committee Members	Glenda Tarver, June Griffith, Valerie Ouzts Mary Elizabeth Evans, Gwen Washington
Timekeeper Chairman.....	Donna Kirkbride
Timekeeper Committee Member	Carolyn Johnson
Tellers.....	Abby May, Deana Pittman, Melba Watkins

**GFWC-MFWC PAST STATE PRESIDENTS
1898 - 2014**

President	City	Term
* Elizabeth Hebron	Vicksburg	1898-1900
* Daisy Weems	Meridian	1900-1902
* Josie Frazee Cappleman	Okolona	1902-1904
* Mattie Lott	Meridian	1904-1906
* Elizabeth Jones	Crystal Springs	1906-1908
* Etta Mills	McComb	1908-1910
* Daisy Lampkin	Friars Point	1910-1912
* Anne Wright	Jackson	1912-1914
* Emily Price	Magnolia	1914-1916
* Marjorie McGehee	Como	1916-1918
* Janie Saunders	Swan Lake	1918-1920
* Katherine Covington	Summit	1920-1922
* Mrs. J. C. Hardy	Gulfport	1922-1924
* Blanche Ralston	Coahoma	1924-1926
* Susie V. Powell	Jackson	1926-1928
* Catherine Haley	Okolona	1928-1930
* Rosabel Foreman	Meridian	1930-1932
* Mrs. O. B. Taylor	Jackson	1932-1934
* Lillian Coulter	Columbia	1934-1936
* Mamie Wilson	Hazlehurst	1936-1938
* Gladys Nash	West Point	1938-1940
* Birdie Ellis	Meridian	1940-1942
* Willie Beckett Howorth	West Point	1942-1944
* Orell Pitard	Jackson	1944-1946
* Corrine Mitts	Enterprise	1946-1948
* Hattie Gautier	Pascagoula	1948-1950
* Effie Neal	Jackson	1950-1952
* Zou Eddie Pierce	Greenwood	1952-1954
* Doris Patterson	Pontotoc	1954-1956
* Anna Mary Davis	Hattiesburg	1956-1958
* Evelyn Davis	Union	1958-1960
* Fannie Lois Kilpatrick	Fulton	1960-1962
* Evelyn Burson	Long Beach	1962-1964
* Mary Lou McKie	Pickens	1964-1966
* Effie Perry	Philadelphia	1966-1968
* Miriam Simmons	Columbia	1968-1970
Kitty Grafton	Picayune	1970-1972
* Jonnie Riley	New Hebron	1972-1974
* Elizabeth Powers	Greenwood	1974-1976
Peggie Herrington	Natchez	1976-1978
* Jean Brett	Laurel	1978-1980

**GFWC-MFWC PAST STATE PRESIDENTS
1898 - 2014**

President	City	Term
* Rachel Malone Jackson	Cleveland	1980-1982
Betty Jo Dulaney	Tunica	1982-1984
* Gladys Jackson	Jackson	1984-1986
Ivous Sisk	Fulton	1986-1988
* Julia Algood	Jackson	1988-1990
* Mary Arndt	Ocean Springs	1990-1992
Rowena Drinkwater	Clinton	1992-1994
Martha Fisher	Blue Mountain	1994-1996
Sue Thompson	Meridian	1996-1998
Jo Anne Reid	Ackerman	1998-2000
Tommye Rosenbaum	Walnut Grove	2000-2002
Celia Fisher	Okolona	2002-2004
Deborah Dickens	Prentiss	2004-2006
Judy Thomas Martin	Raleigh	2006-2008
Carolyn C. Huey	Picayune	2008-2010
Tammie M. McCoy	Pontotoc	2010-2012
Suzanne Byrd Poynor	Florence	2012-2014

*deceased

To My Marvelous Magnificent Members of MFWC:

You took this President's vision
 and off you ran with a mission;
 you brought HOPE to your
 community and beyond.
 CHANGING lives through volunteerism,
 in programs and projects of heroism;
 truly notable service
 they can lean on.

You got a little WILD
 to give cancer a fight;
 gave HOPE to its victims
 and their caregivers' life.
 CHANGED lives in the process,
 all you served were blessed;
 raising dollars for Hope Lodge,
 and St. Jude's was our quest.

And how can we forget
 what felt like political war;
 but through your tenacity,
 we've retained our Headquarters
 for 30 YEARS MORE!

In federation love,

Darlene

Let's get
WILD
to finish the fight!



GFWC-MFVC State President

Darlene C. Adams

2014-2016 Administration

"Bringing Hope – Changing Lives"

WILD (2) **b:** passionately eager or
 enthusiastic **c:** going beyond normal
 or conventional bounds: **fantastic**
 <wild ideas>; also: **sensational**
d: indicative of strong passion, desire,
 or emotion <a wild gleam of delight in
 his eyes — *Irish Digest*>

The members of
Civic Woman's Club of Picayune salute
Darlene C. Adams



State President
2014-2016

Congratulations on an outstanding term of office.
We are so proud of you!

Congratulations to our very own
Darlene C. Adams
GFWC-MFWC State President 2014-2016



She is a:

Mom to three – plus three

Nana to seven and one in heaven

Wife to one, always & forever

Still she leads by example

By serving to many

But we're looking to enjoy

Some vacation-time 'a la plenty.'

You continue to amaze us!

Love,
Your Proud Family

"For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me."

Then the righteous will answer him, saying, "Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? And when did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? And when did we see you sick or in prison and visit you?"

And the King will answer them, "Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me."

(Matthew 25:35-40)



I universe
9 planets
204 countries
809 islands
7 seas
But I got the
privilege
of being your
best friend

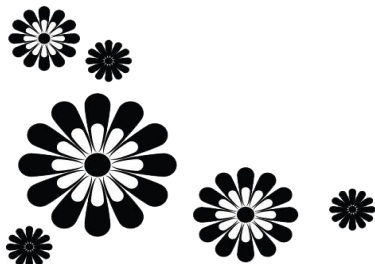
"How can we expect our children to know and experience the joy of giving unless we teach them that the greater pleasure in life lies in the art of giving rather than receiving." James Cash Penney.



Thank you, mom, for inspiring me to serve others - just like you.

I love you!

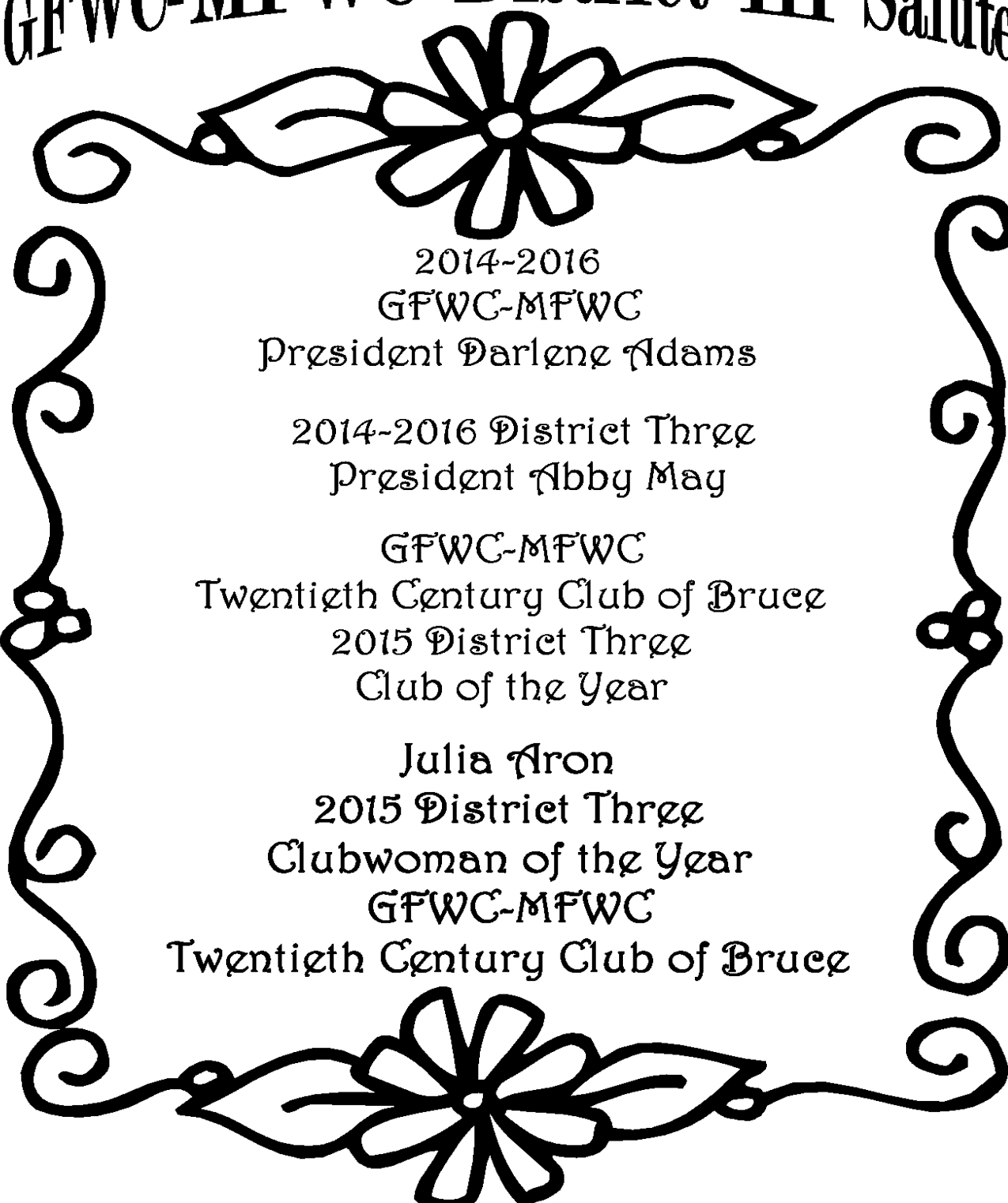
Ginny





***I'm sure proud of my Tinkerbell
XOXO
Larry***

GFWC-MFWC District III Salutes



2014-2016
GFWC-MFWC
President Darlene Adams

2014-2016 District Three
President Abby May

GFWC-MFWC
Twentieth Century Club of Bruce
2015 District Three
Club of the Year

Julia Aron
2015 District Three
Clubwoman of the Year
GFWC-MFWC
Twentieth Century Club of Bruce

Thanks for blooming where you are planted!

**GFWC-MFWC District IV
would like to congratulate...**



**Batesville Junior Woman's League
2015 Club of the Year**



**Marguerite Williams
of Batesville Woman's Club
District IV 2015 Clubwoman
of the Year**

We are District V

Crystal Spring Floral Club
GFWC-MFWC Dixie Daisy Juniores
GFWC-MFWC Florentine Club
GFWC-MFWC Florentine Juniores
GFWC-MFWC Florentine Evening Club
GFWC-MFWC Gavel Club
GFWC-MFWC Homochitto Heritage Club
GFWC-MFWC Les Aimes Juniores
GFWC-MFWC Purvis Woman's Club
GFWC-MFWC Raleigh Woman's Club
GFWC-MFWC Star Woman's Club
LeBonte Women's Club
Twentieth Century Club of Prentiss

and we are **WILL** *while*
to finish the fight!



GFWC Ackerman Twentieth Century Club



Proudly Shares Our Greatest Treasures

**2016-2018
GFWC-MFWC President – Tinker Forrester
&
Southern Region President – Jo Anne Reid**



GFWC-MFWC Decatur Woman's
Progressive Club
Extends
Congratulations to



Theresa Buntyn
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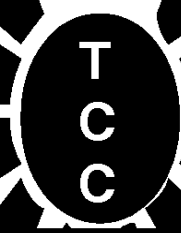
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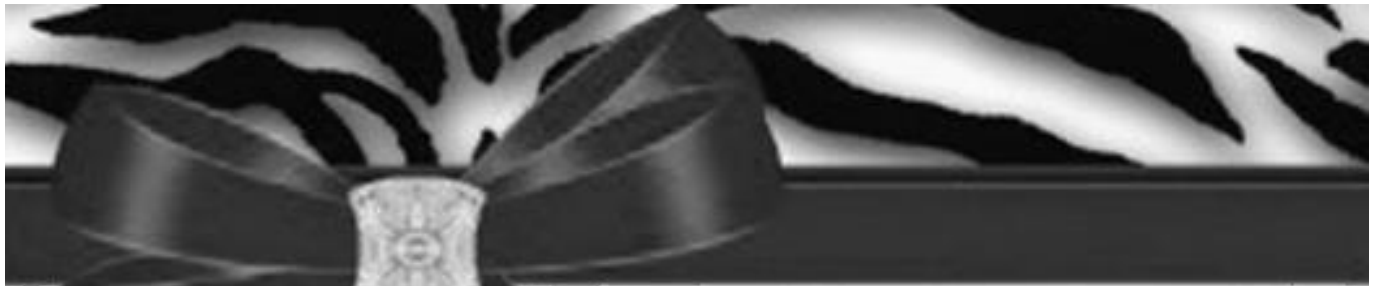
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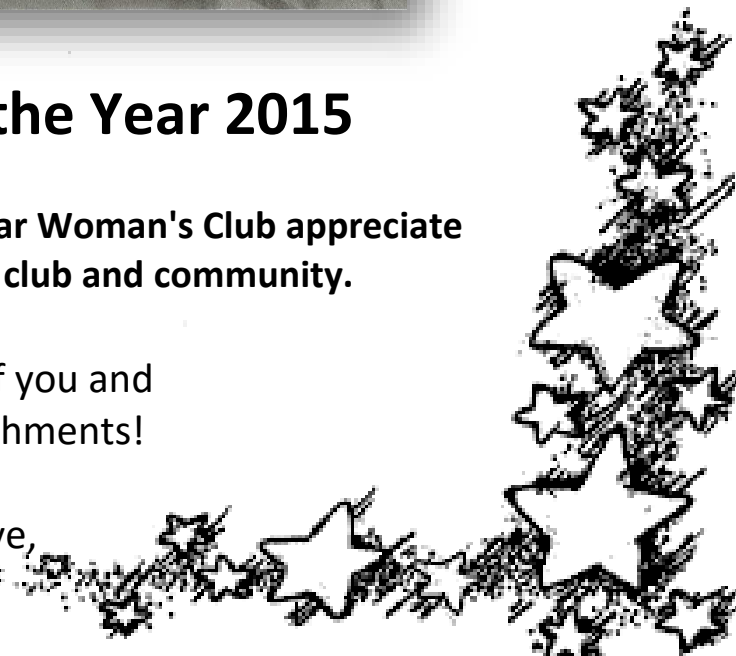


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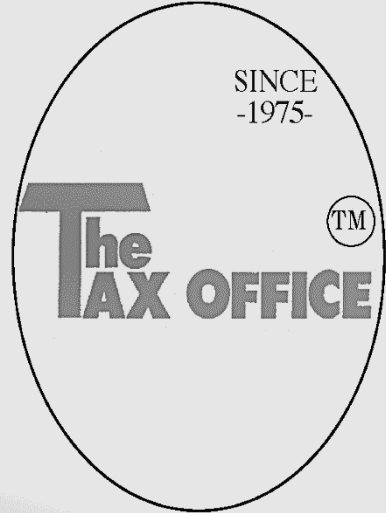
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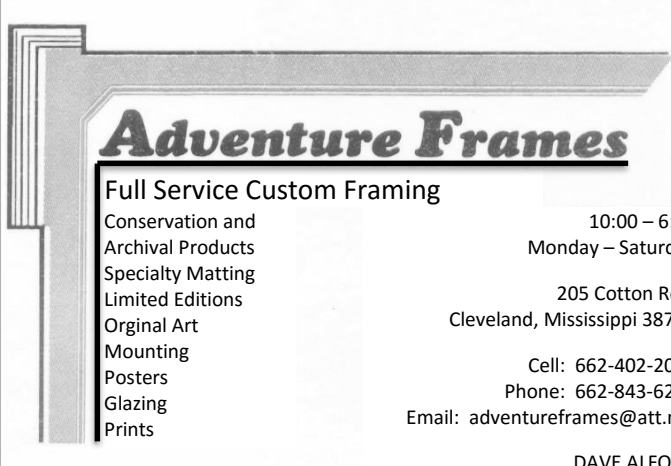
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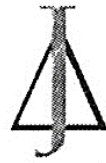
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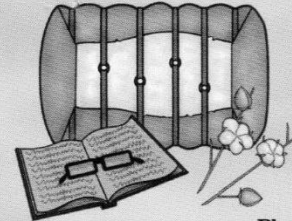
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