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A MESSAGE FROM GFWC-MFWC President McCoy

Dear Juniorettes,

What a wonderful volunteer year that you all have enjoyed. The General Club Ladies and I have continued to see your enthusiasm for club work. IF only, we general club members could have just a little of your energy. Your work is amazing!!!!!

Remember that it is time to begin your plan for reporting. Reporting is a way to give your club credit for all of your hard work. Please consider reporting your 2011 year activities. We do want your "voices" heard.

I enjoyed visiting with the juniorettes who were in attendance at our 2011 Juniorette Retreat. We certainly celebrated the entire day. I was even able to join in the team building games and YES, I was able to paint an ornament – all by myself. I Know that Lisa has included pictures in this newsletter for everyone to see.

I have also enjoyed visiting with several juniorettes throughout the fall. The Bruce Fine Arts Juniorettes were a big part of the Bruce Tour of Homes. It was areat to see the Juniorettes "front and center" welcoming attendees to all homes throughout the route. Likewise, the Pontotoc Juniorettes assisted with the 2nd Annual Rudolph Run. IT was so COLD but there was lots of warm friendly cheer.

Please let me know if I can be of service to any of you.

Your work does count and you are truly a part of TEAM MFWC - ONE Strong Voice for Volunteerism.

Love in Volunteer Service, Tammie



GFWC-MFWC President Tammie McCoy



Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

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All submissions are welcome. Photographs are encouraged . E-mail or mail articles and photos to Lisa A. Harris 822 SCR 115 S Raleigh, MS 39153 laharris@hughes.net (601) 940-1519





Support the President's Special Project -Feeding Fellow Mississippians

MFWC Juniorettes

A MESSAGE FROM GFWC-MFWC JUNIORETTE DIRECTOR

I just wanted to let you know that our Juniorette Day at MFWC Headquarters was so much fun! We had 3 Juniorette clubs represented with a total of 7 Juniorettes in attendance. We also had 5 adult volunteers and 1 visiting guest from Louisiana (the Louisiana State Director of Junior Clubs, Lucinda Martinez).

The day was filled with fun games, great snacks and food, craft time, and some very good lessons about GFWC-MFWC. I hate that more of you couldn't make it and I hope to see you at future events. I know this was probably an inconvenient weekend for everyone, so please let me know any suggestions you have to make our statewide get-togethers bigger and better!

We are proud topaintroduce a brand newa laward for Juniorettes thathtwill be presented at thepanext state convention....JuJuniorette of the Year! This5.award is very similar to theMFWC clubwoman of the

year except it will be awarded to a Juniorette. Each club may submit one entry by February 10th, 2012. I would love to see an entry from every Juniorette club in Mississippi so please go ahead and start considering how you might choose the Juniorette of the Year for your club.

As always, please send pictures and stories about what your clubs have been doing! Are any of you doing the cookie jar project? The GFWC Sock Project? Any special Christmas projects?

I finally received some pictures from the Fulton Juniorettes from the town Trick-or-Treat day! Look for those pictures on Facebook. Speaking of Facebook..... be sure to go to the MFWC Juniorette page and "like" it! Here is a link:

http://www.facebook.com/ pages/GFWC-MFWC-Juniorettes/13257891677919

One more thing... it's almost time for



REPORTING! We normally have two or three Juniorette clubs to send in reports. I would love to see reports from everyone! It's not as complicated as it might seem, I promise. If you have no idea what I'm talking about and want more information just let me know. If you know how to do reports backwards and forwards and still want more information just let me know too!

I look forward to hearing from you,

Mandy Laiche GFWC-MFWC Juniorette Director <u>marandabrooke@gmail.com</u> 601-384-0470





GFWC MEMBERSHIP ADVANCEMENT AREA: CLUB ANNIVERARIES

Juniorette Club Presidents and/or Club Advisors,

We need you help in updating the GFWC files. Please review the

list below and let me know your clubs correct federation date. Please note, this is not your organized date.

District	Official Club Name	Federated*
I	Picayune Service Club	NA
I	Sub-Debs of Waynesboro	NA
I	Pascagoula Juniorette Club	NA
П	Ackerman Juniorettes	NA
П	Futura Juniorettes of Philadelphia	NA
III	Bruce Fine Arts Juniorettes	2000
III	Fulton Juniorettes	1988
III	New Century Juniorettes	NA
III	Booneville High School Juniorettes	NA
III	Pontotoc Juniorette Club	2010
IV	Delta Belles Juniorettes	NA
V	GFWC-MFWC Dixie Daisy Juniorettes	NA
V	GFWC-MFWC Florence Juniorettes	NA
V	GFWC-MFWC Les Amies Juniorettes of Purvis	NA
V	Star Juniorettes	NA

* as shown in GFWC records.



GFWC JUNIORETTES

JUST FOR JUNIORETTES

In the November/ December of Just for Juniorettes, the GFWC Mississippi is listed first under Juniorette Ideas from GFWC State Federation. See below.

Juniorette Ideas from GFWC State Federations: GFWC Mississippi has a State Juniorette newsletter. This newsletter is full of activities and photos. It is posted on the State Federation website www.gfwc-mfwc.org as well as on the State Facebook page.

Be sure to check out each month:

> Tammie's Tidbit and Suz's Snippets.

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INFORMATION NEEDED

It is time to update our GFWC-MFWC Directory. Please send advisor(s) and club president's contact information to laharris@hughes.net.

MFWC NEWS

PHOTOGRAPHS ARE NEEDED!!

GFWC-MFWC pictures are needed. The pictures you submit will be used for the following projects, the website, the newsletters (General and Juniorette), the Mississippi Clubwoman, Power-Point presentations, dvd movies and the President's scrapbook.

When submitting your pictures, please include the following information with each picture: name of activity, people in picture, name of club(s), location, who took the picture and date taken. Please submit all

pictures to Lisa Harris at laharris@hughes.net.

GIVE YOUR TIME TO A GREAT PROJECT

The American Mural Project, a GFWC Arts Community Service Program Partner, invites GFWC members to be a part of a celebration of American ingenuity, productivity, and commitment to work with the largest collaborative piece of indoor artwork in the world. In honor of the countless hours of volunteer time that clubwomen donate, GFWC will be honored in the mural with watches.

Send watches, along with a \$1 donation for each watch, to P.O. Box 538, 100 Whiting Street, Winsted, CT 06098. For more information, go to <u>www.WallOfAmerica.org</u>.



DONATION LABELS

GFWC Donation Book Insert Labels promote book donations to your local libraries. Be a part of this unique way to generate recognition for your generous contributions to literacy. Go to www.GFWC.org/ Marketplace to order.

WE'RE ON THE WEB! WWW.GFWC-MFWC.ORG

DONATE A MAMMOGRAM.

ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS CLICK. It takes less than 10 seconds to do this. Please help. The Breast Cancer site is having trouble getting enough people to click on their site daily to meet their quota of donating at least one free mammogram a day to an underprivileged woman. It takes less than a

YOUR CLICKS SAVE LIVES

minute to go to their site and click on 'donating a mammogram' for free (pink window in the middle). This doesn't cost you a thing. Their corporate sponsors /advertisers use the number of daily visits to donate mammogram in exchange for advertising. Here's the web site! Pass it along to people you know. http://www.thebreastcancersite.com/







COMMUNICATIONS

Email Address Needed

If you would like to receive GFWC-MFWC updates, notes, news and other items by email, please email Lisa Harris at <u>laharris@hughes.net</u> and ask to be placed on the mass communication listing.



Club Events

If your club has a club event that you wish to share with everyone or wish to invite everyone to, send the information to Lisa Harris at laharris@hughes.net.



Megaphone Clubs

Check out our new membership page at http://www.gfwcmfwc.org/ GFWC_MFWC_Megaph one Clubs.html.



Does you club have an anniversary that you would like to share with everyone? If so, please let me know. Be sure to include the following in your email: name of club, Federation year, name of club president and date of the anniversary celebration (if applicable). Send club anniversary notices to Lisa Harris.

FACEBOOK NOTIFICATION

If you would like to know when I have posted an update or note to the GFWC-MFWC facebook page, please go to our facebook page at : <u>http://</u> www.facebook.com/ pages/Mississippi-Federation-of-Womens-Club-Inc/155818214452373? y=wall and click on the like tab.







JUNIORETTE OF THE YEAR AWARD

See page 8 for more details.

MISSISSIPPI FOOD NETWORK FACE-BOOK CHALLENGE

Remember this posting on the MFWC facebook page:

Facebook friends, please vote and help the Mississippi Food Network win this food for our fellow Mississippians. Ask you other facebook friends to vote for the Mississippi Food Network. Let win this food for Mississippi.

Well it worked. See below.

Officials from Tyson Foods, Inc. distributed 30,000 pounds of chicken to the Mississippi Food Network. Dozens of boxes of various types of chicken were unloaded off of an eighteen wheeler, and into freezers at the Mississippi Food Network. 30,000 pounds of chicken will provide 120,000 servings of food. Bud Odom from Tyson Foods, says, "we need to be as good stewards of large companies, we need to give back to the people who buy our products, who

Important Dates

December 2011

1	World AIDS Day (International Outreach), National Freedom Day
10	Human Rights Day (International Outreach)
22	December Solstice
25	Christmas Day
25	Jesus Christ's Birthday

January 2012

	National Poverty in America Awareness Month (Public Issues), Birth Defect Month, National Renewable Energy Month
1	New Year's Day
16	Martin Luther King Jr. Day/Day of Service (Public Issues), Civil Rights Day and Robert E. Lee Birthday

February 2012

	Library Lovers Month (Arts & Education), American Heart Month, America Saves Week,
1	National Freedom Day
2	Groundhog Day
3	National Read Wear Day (Home Life)
5-10	Women's Heart Week
5-11	National Burn Awareness Week
14	Valentines Day
21	President's Day

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Important Dates

March 2012

	Youth Art Month (Arts), Read Across America Month (Education), Ameri- can Red Cross Month, National Consumer Protection Week (Home Life)
2	Read Across America Day -Dr. Seuss's Birthday (Education),
8	United National for Women's Rights and International Peace (International Outreach), Mardi Gras
13	Daylight Saving Time Starts
17	St. Patrick's Day
20	Vernal Equinox (Spring begins)
21	International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (International Outreach)
22	World Day for Water (Conservation & International Outreach)
24	World TB Day (Home Life & International Outreach)
27	Education and Sharing Day (Education)



MFWC Conventions

Feb 25	GFWC-MFWC District V Convention (Florence, MS)
Mar 3	GFWC-MFWC District I Convention (Picayune, MS)
Mar 10	GFWC-MFWC District II Convention (Meridian, MS)
Mar 17	GFWC-MFWC District III Convention (Bruce, MS)
Mar 24	GFWC-MFWC District IV Convention (Indianola, MS)
Apr 26-28	GFWC-MFWC State Convention hosted by District V (Eagle Ridge Conference Center, Raymond, MS)

LET'S HELP

in the fight against breast cancer. Here is how it works: Look for pink lids on your favorite Yoplait products this fall and redeem your lids online, by mail or both! Yoplait will donate \$.10 to Susan G. Komen for the Cure® for each pink lid redeemed by December 31, 2011.

For more information, check out this link: http:// www.yoplait.com/ save-lids-save-lives/ about-save-lids-savelives/.



(Continued from page 6) support us, but we also need to recognize those people who are very needy."

The Mississippi Food Network received the distribution after winning a Facebook challenge back in September. GFWC MEMBERSHIP

WHAT IS GFWC AND WHO ARE GFWC MEMBERS

GFWC...What?

The General Federation of Women's Club is one of the world's oldest and largest women's organization dedicated to community improvement through volunteer service. Since its founding GFWC's different club membership in 1890, members of local GFWC clubs have addressed the diverse needs of their communities, building Woman's Clubs an impressive record of accomplishments. In thousands of clubs throughout the United States, and in 20 counties, GFWC members support the arts, preserve natural resources, promote literacy, encourage healthy lifestyles, stress civic involvement and work toward world peace and understanding.

Who are GFWC Members?

GFWC members, from ages 12 to 102, live in cities, suburbs, and rural communities around the globe. They Community Service Programs and are working women, stay-at-home moms, retirees, and students, united Awareness and Prevention and the by a shared commitment to volunteer community service.

Members of GFWC are encouraged to focus their efforts on Community Service Programs and Special Projects in Domestic Violence Awareness and Prevention and Advocates for Children that meet local needs and take advantage of our national network of organizations and programs that

have provided a framework for over GFWC Director of Junior Clubs, a 100 years of accomplishment.

GFWC Clubs

Members belong to one of categories.

Woman's Clubs, sometimes referred to as general clubs, are clubs that are not otherwise designated as Juniorette, Junior, International, or National clubs. This group constitutes the largest portion of Active membership.

Junior Woman's Clubs

Junior Woman's Clubs, also known as Junior clubs with members called Juniors, hold Active membership status and participate in GFWC special projects in Domestic Violence Juniors' Special Project: Advocates for Children. Junior Woman's Clubs vary in age ranges, and not all states have Junior Woman's Clubs membership categories. Some State Federations place an age cap on Junior membership. Other State Federations support Junior membership at any age. On the national level, GFWC Junior Woman's Clubs are represented by a voting privileges at the GFWC

nationally elected officer who serves as a member of the GFWC Executive Committee and who presides over all Junior functions at GFWC meetings.

Juniorette Clubs

The GFWC Juniorette membership category was introduced during the 1966-1968 administration of GFWC President Carolyn Pearce. She stated: "I can think of no better means of assuring the continuity of federation work and the influence for community good that we represent than by encouraging the formation of GFWC clubs for Juniorettes." Mrs. Pearce stated that the purpose of a Juniorette club would be:

- 1. To contribute to a meaningful community life
- 2. To become aware of community problems and how they could be met
- 3. To learn the pleasures and rewards of working with a group.

Juniorette Clubs, whose members might be called Juniorettes, are composed of young women in junior or senior high school with an age range from 12 to 18 years. Juniorettes may have



Annual International Convention, are eligible for awards, and have reporting responsibilities, just like Woman's Clubs and Junior Woman's Clubs.

Juniorette clubs are sponsored by a Woman's Club, Junior Woman's Club, or their districts or State Federations.

National Clubs

National clubs are clubs that have a nationwide membership composed of State Presidents or State Directors of Junior Clubs from one administration.

International Clubs

International Clubs are clubs whose membership is based outside the United States of America. Such clubs pay per capita dues directly to GFWC.

GFWC JUNIORETTE

TEN REASONS TO BE A GFWC JUNIORETTE

- 10. Make new friends locally and across the country.
- 9. Work with others to make a positive contribution in your community.
- 8. Get involved in group projects.
- 7. Sharpen leadership skills.
- 6. Develop social awareness and global consciousness.
- 5. Participate in diversified social activities.
- 4. Clarify education and career goals.
- 3. Fulfill community service requirements for school.
- 2. Receive national recognition and awards.

1. Have Fun???



Team MFWC - One Strong Voice For Volunteerism!



GFWC REPORTING

Why Report?

- Reports are a "diary" of the your club's activities during the year, providing a pictures of the achievements of the group and the accomplishments of individual members.
- 2. Reports are the heart and soul of your club's history, reflecting the concerns and interests of club members at a particular point in time and over time.
- 3. Reports are the basis of a publicity campaign, illustrating what your club has contributed to the community over the years as well as what your club is currently doing.
- 4. Reports are helpful for future club members to plan activities, knowing what was or wasn't successful.
- 5. Reports are useful for a membership recruitment efforts, allowing potential members to gain a realistic picture of the club's purpose.
- 6. Reports are necessary to compete for recognition and awards on the district, state and international levels of GFWC.
- Reports are important when applying for monetary grants, providing evidence of responsibility and ability to initiate and carry out projects.
- 8. Reports provide critical statistical information to help GFWC procure financial support from foundations and corporations.
- 9. It's the right thing to do!

GUIDELINES FOR GFWC-MFWC JUNIORETTE OF THE YEAR

The "Juniorette of the Year" Award is the highest honor presented annually at the State level to an outstanding GFWC-MFWC Juniorette member. The award is given to the Juniorette who, in the opinion of the judges, has given of herself and truly exemplifies the Mississippi Federation Clubwoman.

RULES:

- 1. The nominee should be a presently active club member who has served her club and her community.
- 2. There can be only one entry from a club.
- 3. Previous state winners are ineligible for this award.

JUDGING:

Judging will be done by GFWC members from another state.

APPLICATION:

Each application must be typed using one side of the paper only. Pages should be letter size $(8\frac{1}{2} \times 11)$ and type should be double-spaced. Entire application can only be 8 pages long.

The application must include the following:

First Section: Page 1

- * Name, address and photograph of the nominee
- * Name of Club
- * Town
- * District Number
- * Signature of Juniorette Advisor
- * Past club work and accomplishments should be listed to help judges evaluate a sincere and continuing interest MFWC and volunteerism.

Next Section

* The written portion could include information about the nominee's family, interests, hobbies, college plans, school activities, community and church work. The entry must tell about work done by the nominee for one year, January 1 through December 31 of the current year. This section may be up to 5 pages in length.

Remaining pages

* Supportive materials such as newspaper clippings, snapshots, and letters from community leaders may be included.

DEADLINE:

Entry must be postmarked by February 10 of each year.

MAIL TO:

Tammie McCoy, GFWC-MFWC President, 177 West Oxford Street, Pontotoc, MS 38863

PLEASE NOTE: Nomination materials will not be returned.







It's a Celebration!

Juniorette Day at MFWC Headquarters

On the corner of Woodrow Wilson and State Street in Jackson

Date: 11/26/11

9:30 AM to 3:30 PM



RSVP to Mandy Laiche by Friday Nov. 18th 601-384-0470 marandabrooke@gmail.com Join us for a day of fun to celebrate Mississippi Juniorettes! This is an excellent way to meet other Juniorettes and advisors and to share ideas. Lunch and much more is provided.





Saturday, November 26 at GFWC-MFWC Headquarters







What does three orange bean bags going in every direction and two rocks going around the circle in opposite directions equal... mass confusion.













Pictures 1, 2 & 3: Suzanne Poynor share a little GFWC and GFWC-MFWC with everyone.

Picture 4: The "old folks" performing a MFWC skit.

Picture 5: President Tammie McCoy talks with the Juniorettes.







Pictures 1, 2 & 3: What are they doing? Don't ask me.

Pictures 4 & 5: Making Christmas Ornaments.













Pictures 1, 2, 3 & 4: Playing another game.

Picture 5: Group Picture. Not pictured: Lisa Harris (taking photo) and Lucinda Martinez.







Juniorettes In Pictures





Sally Smith, Florence High School HOBY Student and Florence Juniorette, with Florence Juniorette Sponsor, Belinda Peacher



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Dixie Daisy Juniorettes

The Dixie Daisy Juniorettes have been super busy so far this school year!

Starting in August we began work on our biggest fund raiser of the whole year....the Community Birthday Calendar. We contact families in our community to find out if they want to order and we deliver the calendars in December.

In September, our local county fair comes to town. The exhibit hall is available for organizations to use a booth space so we chose to decorate a booth to tell about "Feeding Fellow Mississippians". The booth is on display all week and many people in our county were able to learn about the efforts of MFWC clubwomen to help our food pantries. (Page 17, Picture #1)

During the month of October we had a "Pink it Up" meeting to promote breast cancer awareness and to also celebrate breast cancer survivors. We have pink decorations, pink snacks, and wear pink! (Page 18, Pictures #3 and #4). During October we also work to collect money for UNICEF in our little orange boxes. We collect money individually and place collection boxes around town at businesses. We take the money to a Coinstar machine and it is automatically sent to the UNICEF

organization to be used for things like vaccinations and necessities for children in other countries. October also happens to be Domestic Violence awareness month and we collected 17 pair of socks to donate to our local domestic violence shelter. We are continuing to collect President Tammie McCoy and socks during the next few months so we will have lots more to donate.

members attend the MFWC Juniorette Day at the MFWC headquarters building in Jackson. We had lots of fun with games, crafts, skits, and meeting Juniorettes from other clubs. We enjoyed hanging out with MFWC MFWC President-Elect Susanne Poyner.



In November, we had our annual Thanksgiving Bake Sale. Members donate cakes and other goodies to be sold and the proceeds benefit various community service projects. The Saturday before Thanksgiving is a great time to do a bake sale. Many people have family coming or dinner at church the next day so they want dessert without having to cook it! And also, it's the first day of deer season and those hunters show up to the store around lunch time looking for some stuff to take back to the deer camp with them. (Page 18, Pictures #7 & #8). On November 26th, we had five

Our project for December was to make Chocolate Chip Cookie Gift Jars. We met one Saturday and assembled 96 jars. \$5 from each jar will be donated to our local food pantry in honor of "Feeding Fellow Mississippians". (Page 17, Pictures #5 & #6). We attended the Homochitto Heritage Club's annual charity Christmas Auction and sold most of the jars there. (Page 17, Picture #2). A couple of our

members go to help out by showcasing the items during the auction. Profits from the auction go to needy families in our community to help during the holiday season.

We have had a really great 2011 and we look forward to continuing our efforts in 2012!



Dixie Daisies working on the booth that was displayed in the exhibit hall at the county fair. They chose "Feeding Fellow Mississippians" as their theme.



Dixie Daisy Juniorettes

A Good Way to Meet People

Volunteering allows you to meet people who have similar interests. You may make new friends of the same age or of different ages. Or you may make contacts that lead to internships and future jobs.





















On Halloween our entire town of Fulton trick or treats around the town square. They set up a hot dog and coke food truck and even show a movie at dark in the downtown city park. Fulton businesses set up to distribute candy and the best part is that it's all free. The Fulton Juniorettes helped by donating over \$600.00 worth of candy and set up a table to hand out the candy as well as a face painting booth. The children loved the event and parents appreciated how safe the children were. We logged over 114 volunteer hours.















Debra Tierce spoken with Juniorettes at their monthly meeting.



From left to right: Abby Clayton, President; Kaitlin Oswalt, Vice President; McKenzie Chaney, Treasurer; Bethany Wilemon, Secretary; Chelsea Canup, Reporter

Fulton Juniorettes had their annual Snacks with Santa on Saturday Dec 3rd at the Itawamba County Library. It was a big success with 69 children and several adults attending. Of course, Santa was the main attraction. We had great participation from our juniorettes, so much so that we had several boxes of snacks and drinks left over. We donated those items to the local school for children that are unable to afford to bring a snack to school. The \$73.00 raised selling hot chocolate and coffee at the Christmas parade and the \$503.00 raised with Snacks with Santa will be used to help purchase toys for needy children this year.







Pontotoc Juniorettes



Painting canvases at their Christmas meeting.









Bruce Juniorettes



Juniorette Kathryn Hathorne (kneeling) helps decorate Christmas trees on display at Bruce Forestry Museum during the holiday season.



Sponsor of the Bruce Fall Festival in October and assisted with games.

Assisted with serving at Pancakes for Santa held at the Bruce Forestry Museum.





Juniorettes assisted as hostesses at the GFWC-MFWC Bruce Fine Arts Club Tour of Homes in December.

Right - Juniorettes Officers and Chairmen were recognized at the November club meeting.

Below - Juniorettes joined the GFWC-MFWC Bruce Fine Arts Club and GFWC-MFWC 20th Century Club at their annual joint meeting in November.



