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2010-2012 GFWC-MFWC Elected Officers, (left to right) Shirley Hilburn, Treasurer; Libby Everett, Vice President; Tammie McCoy, President; Suzanne Poynor, President-elect; and Sue Addy, Recording Secretary

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•	be judged)					
February 1	Deadline to postmark reports					
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	Scholarship Application					
	Deadline for LEADS Application					
	Deadline for Challenge Grant					
February 10	Deadline to submit Clubwoman of the Year					
	Nominations					
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February 15	Scrapbooks and Yearbooks due to District					
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March 19	District I Convention, Moss Point or					
_	Pascagoula, MS					
March 26	District II Convention, Decatur, MS					
April 15 – 16	GFWC-MFWC Convention					
	Eagle Ridge Conference Center					
_	Raymond, MS					
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	Milwaukee. WI					

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Message from 2010-2012 GFWC International President Carlene Garner

GFWC Mission Statement

"The General Federation of Women's Clubs is an international organization dedicated to community improvement through volunteer service and to providing opportunities that strengthen the role of women."

My Fellow GFWC Members:

It is with warmest thoughts that I greet you as we begin the 2010 – 2012 Administration. I also want to extend my sincerest gratitude for all you have done to make life better for your neighbors. During the past two years GFWC members contributed over \$40,000,000 to local, national, and international concerns, and together, we spent over 4,000,000 hours volunteering to make life better for



others. That is an impressive record; one that we should each take great pride in sharing.

As you have no doubt heard, there are many changes as we go into the 2010 – 2012 Administration. The first and most significant is the way in which we will manage our community service endeavors. After 75 years, we are going to drop the word "department" when we refer to the six areas of service that GFWC specializes in performing. They will now be known as "Community Service Programs." This is, after all, what they are...In addition, two of the Community Service Programs have new titles: International Outreach and Public Issues.

There will also be changes in the way these programs are managed and reported. But rest assured, the essence of GFWC and its community service efforts have not changed.

You will soon be able to read all of the details of the new Community Service Programs, the new Signature Project, the Junior Special Project and of the club advancement areas of Communication, Fund Raising, Leadership, Membership and Women's History and Resources in the soon to be released GFWC Club Manual.

As the new International President, I had hoped that the Club Manual would be in your hands in late spring. I am so sorry that that did not happen. With all of the changes, I underestimated the time it would take to complete this task. But be assured, we are nearing the completion of this valuable document. You should have it within the next few weeks.

And when it does arrive, please be sure to read it. Then read it again. It will give you answers to your questions, guide you to project ideas, link you to GFWC Partners, and lead you to expanding your volunteer horizons.

If, after you have read the new Manual, you still have questions; please remember that help is yours for the asking. Call GFWC Headquarters and speak with the Program Department. Call any of the GFWC Community Service Program Chairmen. Call any of the GFWC Special Chairmen. Or, call me...I would be thrilled to talk to you about these exciting changes.

At best change is a challenge. But these changes, if embraced, will lead GFWC to the forefront of volunteerism, to a new realm of respect and to a new era of enthusiasm.

I wish each of you the best as you continue to share your passion for service to others.

Yours in Federation Service, Carlene A. Garner

Message from 2010-2012 GFWC-MFWC President Tammie McCoy

MFWC Mission Statement

"The Mississippi Federation of Women's Clubs, Inc. is an organization of women whose goal is personal enrichment leading to volunteer service that benefits the community, state, nation, and world."

Dear Fellow Clubwomen:

I cannot thank you enough for the privilege and honor of serving as your GFWC-Mississippi Federation of Women's Club President for 2010-2012. A special thanks to Carolyn who has served as a wonderful role model. Carolyn is very giving of her time and talents and was "always kind". My thanks also go to the clubwomen of District III and President Jo Uptain for a wonderful convention in



Tupelo. And, of course, to the ladies of the Pontotoc Woman's Club, words cannot express the heart felt thanks for all of your encouragement, support, and kindness during my journey to this office and for the wonderful reception after the installation.

Our theme for the next two years is TEAM MFWC: One Strong Voice for Volunteerism. We will be working to assist clubs in name recognition with GFWC and MFWC and we will also be working to build our team with new members and new clubs. As GFWC-MFWC members, you are vital to the success of our volunteer organization. One voice can make a difference, but imagine the voices of 1600 plus members of MFWC and the value of encouraging others to become community volunteers. I firmly believe that together everyone can do more and that collectively we add great value to our community service activities. Carlene Garner was installed as GFWC President in Part of her message is "And how are the clubs." Federation work is often viewed as a secret; for the next two years I would like for us to focus on getting the word out. Show your community what you do and hopefully this will then, in turn, help grow members. Many Mississippians want and need to help others; this is YOUR opportunity to be a part of finding those individuals and encouraging them to help in your endeavors.

The President's Special Project is Feeding Fellow Mississippians. This project is timely because so many Mississippians are in need of basic necessities, like food, given the current economic climate. Feeding Fellow Mississippians is important across the lifespan from the youngest baby to the oldest adult. Food is a basic right of all. MFWC members can work at food pantries and soup kitchens, can collect food items at club meetings, can get the boy and girl scouts, the churches, and other civic groups to join your endeavors, can even start backpack weekend programs for children who do not have enough food, can visit senior citizen complexes and provide food, and can complete any other project that will assist in meeting the needs of your community. We want you to be seen helping those in need in your town. Phyllis Whittington and the other PSP team members will assist in guiding you in your support of this worthy project.

Likewise, we will focus on building Membership. Suzanne Poynor will serve as our Membership Chairman, and I am very pleased that this very important matter is in her capable hands. Increasing Membership is the single most important thing we can do to better serve the citizens of our beloved State. Over the last few years, membership is dwindling from a contest high of 2,000 members; we currently have 1,637. We need federation friends to help us. I have asked the district

presidents to assist me in appointing a membership task force in addition to our membership committee (District presidentelects). The task force will help the committee and will look for ways to grow MFWC. The more team members that we have, the louder our voice will be.

Special emphasis will continue to be given to our State Institutions, Mississippi Public Broadcasting, HOBY, and the Mississippi Library Commission. As GFWC clubwomen we will continue to support the GFWC Signature Project: Domestic Violence Awareness and Prevention. You will find additional information about these projects within the MFWC Handbook and the GFWC program guides. If you need a copy of the MFWC Handbook, please contact Diane Rouse at crouse99@yahoo.com.

I encourage each of you to review the important dates noted herein. I encourage you to attend as many events as you possibly can. Your district presidents will plan a special spring meeting for you. Additionally, the MFWC State convention will be held Jackson at a central location to allow more clubwomen to attend. I also issue you a special invitation to attend our 2010 Southern Region Conference. Two of our Mississippi clubwomen, Jo Anne Reid and Judy Martin, are serving in official roles. Jo Anne is serving as Treasurer and Judy is serving as Parliamentarian. (The 2010 SRC will be in Huntsville, Alabama, a driving distance.)

I know that this club year will be interesting since we have not received all of the information from GFWC as of yet. Please bear with us and know that I will pass along any and all information as I receive it. The biggest changes are related to names of the programs and special projects. The word "departments" has been replaced with **Community Service Programs**; International Affairs will now be referred to as **International Outreach** and Public Affairs will now be **Public Issues**. You will hear more about this when the GFWC Manual is distributed. I encourage each of you to continue with the needed work in your community, and the other aspects will come together over time.

Again, thank you so much for allowing me to serve as the GFWC-MFWC 57th President. Thank you for the high honor you have bestowed upon me. I will do my very best to be the leader that leaders like you deserve. Likewise, thank you for all that you do to help your communities. If I can assist you, please feel free to call. Your suggestions are always welcome. It is my hope that each of you as an MFWC clubwoman will attempt to work together and to use your voice to promote volunteer work in Mississippi and in your town. Let your accomplishment be known. Remember we are all part of one team: TEAM MFWC: ONE Strong Voice for Volunteerism. Please join me in building our team in your community.

Love in Volunteer Service, Tammie

GFWC-MFWC President-elect Suzanne Poynor

Serving as your GFWC-MFWC President-elect is quite a significant duty! I am looking forward to visiting clubs all over Mississippi while I spend time with Clubwomen that I already know and meet others to build lifelong friendships!

One of my duties is to be the Advisor to the District Presidents. As I met with your District Presidents at Summer Board, I was impressed with their enthusiasm and volunteer spirits. Lynda Essary of District II will serve as President and Mary Edmond of District V as Secretary. Sandra Wright of District I, Jo Uptain of District III, and Misty Wright of District IV complete the group of District Presidents of MFWC.

As President-elect, I, also, have the responsibility to serve as Membership Chair. Of course, our MEMBERS are at the center of all we do. By sharing our MFWC HERITAGE, we will

continue our legacy of service.

There are two groups that will be working diligently with MEMBERSHIP over the next two years. First, our District President-elects: District I - Jana Jarrell, District II - Anne B. McKee, District III - Sandra Pope, District IV - Mary Ellen Holloway , and District V - Cindy Holcomb serve on the Membership Committee. Also, we have a Membership Task Force: District I - Sherri Reid, District II - Jeanith Burdine, District III - Emily Gibbs, District IV - Kackie Kornfeld, and District V - Perrie Paul, and Member-at-Large - Carolyn Huey. These two groups are already busy making plans to PROMOTE MEMBERSHIP.

A MEMBERSHIP CONTEST for each District is in the works...so get busy recruiting and retaining! Also, our goal is to establish at least one new General Club, as well as one new Juniorette Club in each District of the MFWC. As both groups support MEMBERSHIP, we want to answer the question: "What's the SCOOP on MEMBERSHIP?" while we enlist new members in the process. Please notify me or any other member to plan membership projects or to bring membership information to your club meeting. Membership must be a priority to continue our legacy of VOLUNTEERS.

Information was shared with Tammie and me at the Membership Luncheon at the GFWC International Convention in Omaha on "How to GET members and KEEP them." This information is being shared with you below. I hope you find it useful. In addition to this, you can learn about the GFWC Membership Program in the Club Manual program guide.

Certainly the 4 R's of Membership: RECRUIT, RETAIN, RENEW, and REBUILD are the cornerstones to continue our Heritage of VOLUNTEERISM of the Mississippi Federation of Women's Clubs' CLUBWOMEN!

What is YOUR "SCOOP" on MEMBERSHIP? Please let ME know!

HOW TO <u>GET</u> MEMBERS AND <u>KEEP</u> THEM

WAYS TO RECRUIT NEW MEMBERS Publicize how they would benefit from joining your organization

- Be specific about the programs your organization sponsors.
- Share the goals and missions of your group.
- Ask current members why they joined, and share this information with perspective members.

How to Publicize

- ♦ Word of mouth is EXTREMELY effective.
- Create a reward system for those members who bring friends to meetings.
- ◆ Share meeting dates/times at your place of employment.
- Email all the people who might be interested in joining your organization (OR send in the mail).
- Place announcements in neighborhood newsletters, flyers, etc.
- Sponsor an information table at a local community event.
- Contact interested individuals IMMEDIATELY after they show interest in your club.

WAYS TO RETAIN MEMBERS

Motivation (Recognition, Satisfaction, Feeling PART of a TEAM, Food)

- Recognition is an on-going activity through which people express their appreciation for each other's contributions.
- Acknowledgement can be obtained through a glance, an introduction or a handshake; this reaffirms an individual's self-worth and

- acknowledges that she truly contributes to the group.
- Attention is giving both time and energy to focus on the members as individuals.
- Positive feedback should be constantly used.
- Praise must not only be sincere but specific. It is more effective when given immediately after an event.

Members NEED to...

- Have a sense of belonging Leaders need to provide opportunities for members to give input and feel welcome.
- Assist in planning events and goals Members should be included in the decision-making process.
- Be informed Leaders need to develop a communication network among their members.
- Be supported when taking risks as this fosters creativity.

IDEAS for your club: Awards - comical or serious; Door decorations recognizing members; Banners/signs recognizing members; Slide show at the end of the year; T shirts for members; Greet members by name; Take time to talk; Hold Rap Sessions; Send thank you cards; Provide opportunities to attend conferences; Say, "We missed you"; Celebrate outstanding achievements; Give reward stickers; Gag gifts; End of the year banquet; Flowers or balloons; Plan a social event; Invite participation in planning.

GFWC-MFWC Vice President Libby Everett

A key benefit of belonging to GFWC is access to our comprehensive resources, developed through strong relationships and creative leadership, and compiled for members into one, easy-to-use reference: the GFWC Club Manual. By the time you receive this magazine, I hope the printed version of the 2010-2012 GFWC Club Manual has been sent to all GFWC club presidents and chairmen and is available for download and purchase at www.gfwc.org.

Some clubs may be in transition with the close of the previous club year; however, it is the responsibility of the individual who receives the 2010-2012 GFWC manual to forward the entire bundle to her successor.

All projects and programs, previously found within each of the former departments, have been included in Community Service Programs (CSP), which outline collaboration projects for clubs and GFWC Partners and resources. Reporting for 2010-2012 will be in these GFWC Community Service Programs and Special Projects.

- GFWC Signature Project: Domestic Violence Awareness
- GFWC Juniors' Special Project: Advocates for Children
- Arts
- Conservation
- Education
- Home Life
- International Outreach
- Public Issues

The areas new to the reporting process this year are Collaboration and Partnership. These clearly defined topics should make it easier to determine where to report your club's programs and projects.

Collaboration specifies programs and projects that clubs initiate independent of any GFWC relationship, while meeting the needs in your own community.

Partnerships are programs and projects that a club carries out on behalf of the national or international organizations with whom GFWC has a formal relationship, or partnership. These partners have developed programs specially designed for GFWC clubs.

The deadline for submitting reports is February 1, 2011. Attach one MFWC Cover Sheet to each report and send copies to the MFWC President and Vice President. Reports and all supporting material should be mailed to MFWC Vice President Libby Everett, 113 Temple Road, Petal, MS 39465. A copy of the reports only should be mailed to MFWC President Tammie McCoy, 177 West Oxford Street, Pontotoc, MS 38863.

I hope this information is helpful to you as you plan your programs and projects for the coming club year. If I can be of assistance to you, please do not hesitate to contact me.

GFWC-MFWC Recording Secretary Sue Addy

Due to an unexpected phenomena, I regret that I was unable to attend the 2010 GFWC-MFWC Convention in Tupelo. Now, I have been duly installed as MFWC Recording Secretary and I am ready to assume the duties at hand.

As Recording Secretary, I will record the information of our organization impartially, accurately, and in a timely manner. As keeper of the records, our history will be preserved by the compiling of the reports, minutes, and documents of MFWC.

Serving as your GFWC-MFWC Recording Secretary is an honor and a great responsibility that I will strive to uphold to the best of my ability. Thank you for allowing me this opportunity to serve.

Under the leadership of our GFWC-MFWC President, Tammie McCoy, our organization has a wonderful opportunity to work together as Team MFWC and be One Strong Voice for Volunteerism.

GFWC-MFWC Treasurer Shirley Hilburn

I am honored to serve as your new treasurer and look forward to working with you. The **DUES FORM** is included in this **Plans Issue**. Please attach two copies of your club roster with names and addresses of club members in alphabetical order.

Remember that dues must be paid by November 1st to be an Honor Club and receive a Certificate at State Convention. If dues are not paid by January 1, 2011, the club will not have reports judged or awards given at District and State Conventions.

District Dues (\$1.00 per member) should be sent directly to your GFWC-MFWC District Treasurer and should be paid by November 1st as well.

Donations are much appreciated! Do not forget to include your donations to the programs listed on the Dues Form. You may include "other" donations also. Send one check made payable to Mississippi Federation of Women's Clubs (MFWC).

Send Memorials and Honorariums – An appropriate card will be mailed to you, your club, the recipient and/or family. Please include the family name and address with your check.

If new members are added during the club year, please send the name, address, and dues of \$25 (\$20 for Juniorettes) to: Shirley Hilburn, 1100 South Fifth Avenue, Cleveland, MS 38732. I will send additions and deletions to Lisa Harris, Circulation Editor for the Mississippi Clubwoman magazine. If you lose members or have address changes during the club year, please send the deletion and/or change list directly to Lisa Harris, 822 SCR 115 South, Raleigh, MS 39153 or e-mail her at *lharris@hughes.net*.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if I can be helpful. HAVE A GREAT CLUB YEAR!

GFWC-MFWC Parliamentarian Judy Martin



Seth Alexander Martin

Thanks to everyone for the prayers and well wishes. We are so proud of our precious Seth Alexander Martin, born July 1. He weighed 4 pounds and 3 ounces and is doing well in the NICU, where he is expected to remain until approximately the last week of July.

I'm very grateful to have all my clubwomen friends to share in this wonderful news.

GFWC-MFWC Historian Celia Fisher



Please help our organization preserve its heritage by submitting your club's history each year. The histories are combined and bound in book form and placed at State Headquarters so that they will be preserved. This is a valuable tool for anyone wishing to research an individual club or MFWC in the future. It is important that every club send in its history. Certificates will be given at State

Convention to those clubs that do send in a history. It is so simple. Just fill in the one page form provided in the MFWC handbook. It will mean much to clubwomen of the future. In addition to the form, a concise narrative (no more than one page) may be added describing outstanding programs and/or projects of your club year. Do not include photographs. Please do not staple or punch holes, as your actual report will be bound into the state's history book for the year.

Histories are due **March 1, 2011.** They are to be mailed <u>directly</u> to me at: 109 West Monroe Avenue, Okolona, MS 38860.

Mississippi Clubwoman June Vaughn, Editor Becky Wright, Assistant



It is exciting, yet challenging, to embark on this new journey of editing MFWC's official publication while working to continue to provide members with the top quality magazines our



organization is accustomed to. Thanks to Immediate Past Editor Tinker Forrester for 40 outstanding issues encompassing her 12 years of dedicated service. She is indeed a hard act to follow! This Plans Issue is filled with valuable information for planning club programs and projects for this administration. Keep it close at hand for quick reference.

Please feel free to contact us with your questions and comments. This is your magazine and we want to use this as an effective communication tool that strengthens the work in your clubs that benefits your communities.

Mississippi Clubwoman Circulation Editor, Website Chair and Handbook Editor Lisa A. Harris

I have been busy working with President McCoy on the 2010 - 2012 Handbook, which has delayed the updating of our website. In the coming weeks, I hope to have our website up and running. Again, I will be working with President McCoy on the design and layout of our website. Some of the things that you will be able to find on our website are all GFWC-MFWC forms, calendar of events, Call to Meetings, GFWC-MFWC President notes, GFWC-MFWC Directory Protocol, Parliamentary Procedures and more. All of our forms will be auto-fill print using Adobe pdf. If you have any suggestion for our website, feel free to email me at lharris@hughes.net.

2010-2012 GFWC-MFWC Handbooks are still available. If you would like a printed copy, contact *Diane Rouse, Ways & Means Chair* at 601-845-3059 – h, 601-454-5350 – c, or email *crouse99@yahoo.com*. The cost is *\$15.00* (including shipping). The Handbook contains the GFWC-MFWC Directory, District & Club Information, Constitution & Bylaws, Important Forms, Contest, Grant & Scholarship Guidelines, and a Calendar of Events.

GFWC-MFWC Juniorettes Mandy Laiche, Director



It is my pleasure to serve on the MFWC State Board as the Juniorette Director for 2010-2012. I'm so excited about everything that is happening with MFWC Juniorettes! I truly believe that Juniorettes are the future of the GFWC organization. Being a Juniorette member helps to instill a sense of volunteerism in each girl. It gives them a

sense of pride because they are making a difference in their community, state, and even nation. Even if they do not grow up and join a woman's club, I do believe that the spirit of volunteerism will remain with them throughout their lives! Isn't that neat?

Now, because this it the "plans" issue of the *Clubwoman* magazine I will share with you that one of my main plans is to maintain frequent communication with all Juniorette advisors in the state. I believe that we can accomplish so much by communicating our ideas and methods with each other. I encourage all Juniorette advisors to communicate with me and other Juniorette advisors so that you can be plugged in to the activities of the girls all over the state. As a Juniorette Advisor, you are absolutely the driving force behind your Juniorette club. You are the glue between your Juniorettes and your Woman's Club. Your role is SUPER important to both clubs, so keep up the excellent work you have been doing!

Mississippi is currently blessed with 14 Juniorette clubs, and we will be adding more soon! The girls have already hit the ground running this summer with a Rhinestone Cowgirl Campout in July. Thanks so much to MFWC Immediate Past President, Carolyn Huey, who graciously let us camp out in her gorgeous barn. The Juniorettes had a blast and each one traveled back to her corner of Mississippi with a renewed

excitement for Federation work. Stay tuned for a special statewide Juniorette project closer to Christmas. I'll just tell you that it includes the best chocolate chip cookies that you have ever put in your mouth!

I can't wait to see what these next two years have in store for me and for Mississippi Juniorettes!

District Presidents' Reports

District I - Sandra Wright



Darlene Adams, our past District I president, is going to be a hard act to follow. After all, she was our president for three years! She did an outstanding job. Thank you, Darlene.

I missed the state convention in Tupelo due to illness, but Sherri Reid, District I Vice President and Cosmopolitan Club of Petal

President, was nice enough to take notes for me and bring back information from the convention. Thank you, Sherri.

Summer board meeting was held Saturday, June 26 at the state headquarters. Lots of information was discussed with the District Presidents - info that will help all of us with our district conventions. By the time you get this, summer institute in July will have taken place. We should have info from GFWC by then

I will keep in contact with each club president via email during my two year term with any information or updates that need to be passed along. I would also like to visit many of the clubs in my district during these next two years.

Please call or email me if you have questions and/or suggestions for me. I look forward to working for District I these next two years.

District II – Lynda Essary



As we begin a new administration, it is my pleasure to serve as your District II President for 2010-2012. I want all District II clubs to know that I am just a phone call away. If you need me, please feel free to contact me and I will be happy to help you and to come to your club events.

We had a great 2010 District Convention held in Philadelphia. Congratulations to Quitman Woman's Club, District II Club of the Year and to Jo Anne Reid, District II Clubwoman of the Year. I would like to encourage all clubs to select a Clubwoman of the Year from your club as well as a LEADS Candidate during this administration.

We will be having our 2011 District Convention in Decatur at East Central Community College on March 26, 2011. Please begin now encouraging your members to make plans to attend. This is where you can get a better knowledge of the happenings on the district, state, and GFWC Levels.

I want to thank the GFWC-MFWC Enterprise Woman's Club and GFWC-MFWC Walnut Grove Thursday Club for giving me the honor of installing their 2010-2012 officers. I enjoyed your meetings. I know that we are in a new term and have new guidelines to work with, but please do not hesitate in calling me if you have any questions. I am eager to help you as we start work on many exciting service projects.

District III – Jo Uptain



For all you wonderful ladies who helped make State Convention a great one, I thank you from the bottom of my heart. Each of you more than did your part and everyone had a super time. Of course the best part was when Elvis came and sang for us. More flirting went on that night than anyone cares to admit. I am not sure this entertainment cannot be topped.

The District III convention in Eupora was excellent and my deep appreciation to the host clubs, Eupora Twentieth Century Club and Calhoun City New Century Club. It has also been my privilege to visit with the Iuka Twentieth Century Club, the Woman's Club of Booneville and the Pontotoc Woman's Club. I look forward to being asked to come to each club during the next two years.

President Tammie McCoy held her first board meeting, conducted business, answered questions, and managed to have a bit of fun. She and President-elect Suzanne Poynor have been working hard to stay ahead of our questions about the revamped GFWC and they have some great new ideas for making MFWC an even stronger organization.

Carolyn Huey was on hand looking fit and relaxed after her marathon State Convention and trip to GFWC convention in Omaha. The theme surrounding that convention seems to have been "What happened in Omaha stays in Omaha." Made some of us wonder just how much fun they really did have.

Jo Anne Reid encouraged us to attend the upcoming SRC in Huntsville, Alabama and I think I will plan to go—can't let others have all the fun. I am hoping for a "What happens in Huntsville stays in Huntsville" event. Perhaps you will decide to find out too.

I hope all of you District III Club members came to Summer Institute to get the latest information, ask questions, find solutions for club problems, get some new program suggestions, be prepared to bid on silent auction items, and saw *Tammie's Team in Action*. I too hope that "what happened at Summer Institute did in fact go home with you."

District IV – Misty Wright



I would like to first thank all the ladies of District IV for their encouragement and help as I enter into my term as president. I would love to come to any and all events that I can, so just give me a call. If there is anything that I can do for you please contact me.

I am very proud of all the awards that the clubs of District IV brought home from state

convention. Keep up all the good work ladies. Speaking of state convention, it is our year to host state convention. I am going to need everyone's help to make it great, so be looking forward to getting some emails from me.

Our district meeting will be in Greenwood this year, and you will be getting your call to convention after the first of the year. Let's have a great year ladies, and please let me know if there is anything that I can do to help any of you.

District V - Mary Edmond



District V had a wonderful convention at the Purvis United Methodist Church in March. The Purvis Woman's Club hosted the event. Congratulations to the Raleigh Woman's Club who earned District V "Club of the Year" award.

It was my honor to be installed as District V President by MFWC President-

elect Tammie McCoy. I look forward to serving in District V and hope that you will be eager to begin your service in this new administration. Thank you to all who have agreed to serve as a District V officer or as chair for another position.

GFWC-MFWC Convention followed soon after district convention and was in Tupelo. The last day was a stormy one and it was good that everyone returned home safely. It was a wonderful convention and was packed with good speakers. Carolyn Huey has had two very successful years as GFWC-MFWC President and now we look forward to Tammie McCoy's years as President. Please give your support in every way possible.

Since assuming this new position, it has been such a pleasure to meet many of you in the district. I enjoyed installing the new officers for Star Woman's Club, Homochitto Heritage Club, Twentieth Century Club of Prentiss, Raleigh Woman's Club and the Florentine Club of Florence. (Each club is preceded by: GFWC-MFWC!)

It was a privilege to attend a very special celebration of the GFWC-MFWC Florentine Club's 80th Anniversary in May. A second special event was a "Tea" sponsored by the GFWC-MFWC Star Woman's Club.

If I have not visited your club, please invite me! I would like to make a trip to each club in the district. Also, if you ever need me, please don't hesitate to contact me. I sincerely believe that each of us can make a difference in someone's life. Let's start TODAY making a difference!

GFWC-MFWC Special Appointments

BOOKS Jo Russell, Scrapbook Chair Ruth Ellen Cox, Yearbook Chair



The purpose of the scrapbook is to give a creative account of the club activities from January 1st through December 31st using photographs, newspaper articles, and other materials. I encourage



all clubs to take this opportunity to brag about a year's worth of outstanding work.

The purpose of the yearbook is to give members as much information as possible concerning club, MFWC, and GFWC activities. Also use this to show a potential member what GFWC, MFWC, and the local club are all about.

DISTRICT CONTEST

Scrapbooks and Yearbooks must be post-marked to the **District Books Chairman** by **February 15th.** The chairman should see that the books are judged according to the guidelines found in the Handbook and on the Website www.gfwc-mfwc.org. The same criteria will be used for state judging. General and Juniorette clubs are judged separately.

All scrapbooks and yearbooks judged **First Place** shall be taken by the **MFWC President** to the **State books Chairmen.** The **District Books Chairman** is responsible for placing them in the President's car. She should make two lists of the books going forward, giving one to the President and keeping one for herself. All other books must be picked up at the close of the District Convention by the club.

STATE CONTEST

All entries in the State competition must be picked up at the designated time at the State Convention by the sponsoring club. If no one from the club(s) is present, the **District President** should pick up the book(s) and see that it is returned to the club(s).

Public Relations Books Richelle Putnam, Chair



Publicity Books denote the clubs whose public relations outreach is a strong and creative effort. Materials in the books should have been prepared between January 1, 2010 and December 31, 2010. Details concerning the rules and awards for this contest can be found on the GFWC website, the MFWC website, and in the MFWC Handbook.

Youth Art Deanna Prewitt, Chair

I am excited to serve as Youth Art Chair for this administration. The guidelines, rules, classes and divisions have not changed. Details may be found in the MFWC Handbook and on the MFWC website www.gfwc-mfwc.org. All clubs are encouraged to hold local contests and/or submit entries appropriately from students in your areas. If you have any questions, you can contact me at dpprewett@yahoo.com.

MFWC President's Special Project: Feeding Fellow Mississippians Phyllis Whittington, Chair Eleanor Bayless, Cassie Bryant, Shannon Cliburn



It is with great honor and pride that I work along with our GFWC-MFWC State President Tammie McCoy to achieve the goal of *Feeding Fellow Mississippians*. Knowing that we, as clubwomen, can make a difference in so many that are struggling to feed themselves and/or their family or children will be a great accomplishment.

I am asking that each club support their local food pantry, either in monetary donations, food donations, or in collaboration with other organizations to assist in feeding or serving food to those less fortunate.

The report form for the MFWC President's Special Project, Feeding Fellow Mississippians, is in your Handbook and will also be available on the MFWC website. The number of pounds of food, hours and dollars will be part of the reporting form. If your club partners with another club or organization, please report that also. Maybe some of your club members work at the local food pantry, help with the local soup kitchen, or assist those local families that are struggling. Just keep a total of how many you are serving, how many pounds of food that you gave, how many hours it took the club members to accomplish their goal, and the monetary donations or cost of food prepared.

Our outstanding MFWC club members will provide the service and leadership qualities to make this project, *Feeding Fellow Mississippians*, a success. The opportunity is waiting for each club and club member to help with this worthy cause.

If I can ever assist you or your club in any way in your endeavors, please do not hesitate to call on me.

Mississippi Public Broadcasting Elizabeth Powers, Chair Jennifer Griffin, Vice Chair



"Time's fun when you're having flies." Kermit T. Frog

In 1970, Mississippi Public Broadcasting ushered in a new era of television programming with a talking green frog and a gentleman named Mr. Rogers who brought Mississippians into his neighborhood. As Kermit suggests, time flies. Now, Mississippi Public Broadcasting

(MPB) is celebrating four decades of broadcasting excellence, including bringing to television a family of lions that are teaching children across the country how to read!

As you know, the Mississippi Federation of Women's Clubs (MFWC) was very instrumental in the creation of this state agency and we are asking you to join us in helping to celebrate their 40th Anniversary. We encourage clubs to consider making a 40th Anniversary financial gift to MPB in the amount of \$40 for every 4 clubwomen in your local club. These funds are used by MPB to help produce local programming that focuses on Mississippi, as well as provide educational materials to teachers, students, schools and childcare centers throughout our state.

And speaking of childcare centers, there is another way you can show support for MPB and make a big difference in your own hometowns. MPB has embarked on a very successful early childhood literacy program featuring the PBS Emmy® award winning children's series Between the Lions. MPB, along with central and southern district Rotary clubs have partnered to bring the scientifically proven literacy curriculum of this show into childcare center classrooms and the 3, 4 and 5-year old children are learning how to read before they ever enter first grade. The test results prove this curriculum works! One of the successful components of this literacy program is having Rotary members read books to the children in their adopted childcare facility. MFWC clubwomen are encouraged to read to these children, too. MFWC Club Presidents will be sent a list of local Rotary Clubs that are participating in this early childhood literacy initiative and we encourage you to contact them and have MFWC clubwomen become a "designated reader" along with Rotary club members.

Want to learn more? Contact Jennifer Griffin at (601) 432-6777 or by email at jennifer.griffin@mpbonline.org. Join us in celebrating MPB's 40th Anniversary and help enhance the reading skills of our earliest learners statewide!

Hebron Memorial Scholarship Tinker Forrester, Chair



The Hebron Memorial Scholarship Committee is appealing for your support. We are beginning a new year for clubs to support our annual scholarship established many years ago in honor of our first MFWC president, Elizabeth It benefits Hebron. a female undergraduate or graduate attending a Mississippi Institution Higher

Learning. The annual scholarship is a grant of up to \$1,000 and is supported by voluntary contributions. The only way we can ensure the scholarship continues is through clubs giving each year. We ask each club to donate a minimum of \$10. If you wish to give more, please feel free to do so!

There is a line on the 2010-2012 GFWC-MFWC DUES FORM for you to list your contribution. Remember the deadline for ladies wishing to send in an application is

<u>February 1, 2011.</u> Guidelines can be found in the MFWC Handbook and on the MFWC Website at www.gfwc-mfwc.org.

GFWC-MFWC Headquarters Teenie Boone, Chair



THANKS to ALL of the Headquarters' Committee who provided a "great" morning snack at the Headquarters on June 26, 2010, for the Summer Board Meeting! Committee members are: District I-"New"- Jane McArthur, District II- "New"- Coreen Van Devender, District III- "New" Etty Brown, District IV- "Re-newed" Marie Boswell, District V- Dee Payne, Assistant

Belinda Peacher of District V, and Member-at-Large Sue Thompson. Thanks again!

One of my duties is to report our volunteer hours to the Real Property Management toward the lease on the State Property on which your Headquarters sits. On Judging Day there were 235,302.95 volunteer hours (vh) reported from 48 clubs! Thanks to 18 clubs who totaled their numbers (#s) which helps a lot!

District I- 64,895 vh from 10 clubs with 4 totaled #s
District II- 50,627.95 vh from 10 clubs with 5 totaled #s
District III- 45,260.25 vh from 11 clubs with 3 totaled #s
District IV- 15,395 vh from 7 clubs with 2 totaled #s
District V- 59,124.75 vh from 10 clubs with 4 totaled #s.
This gives a Grand Total of 235,302.95 volunteer hours for 2009 from 48 clubs, up from 169,758 vh reported for 2008 from 39 clubs. THANKS to several clubs who sent their vh even though they did not do narratives for judging! The more clubs that report their hours the more accurate the Mississippi Report will be. No matter how small the vh, small numbers add up to big numbers. Please, send in your hours using the Report Form for Judging Day or to me.

THANKS to President-elect Suzanne Poynor for giving me copies of the Report Forms turned in on Judging Day. THANKS TO THE CLUBS THAT TOOK THE TIME TO TOTAL THEIR HOURS AND PUT IT ON THE REPORT FORM! Aren't you curious to know how many hours your club volunteers?

As far as the physical condition of the building, we had a small roof leak and there are some cracks in some walls.

Hope your club will come for a visit, meeting, and/or tour of your beautiful Headquarters! Call me at 601-845-7239 and set up a date.

State Institutions Jeannie Pittman, Chair



I am so proud of you. You always show your true volunteerism by making sure State Hospital has wonderful Christmas Parties. Keep sending all your clothes and magazines; the hospital is glad to get them.

Thanks to all of you that help at the vendor sales at the hospital; this is how they raise money. A portion of all the sales is given to Friends of the MS State Hospital, Inc. Dee

Payne and I are on the board of the Friends of the MS State Hospital.

Everyone is so good to support the MS School for the Blind and the Deaf. We appreciate the school allowing us to have SUMMER INSTITUTE at their wonderful facility. I hope all of you attend and see the beautiful building and grounds.

Keep up the good work and have a great club year!

Challenge Grant Jana Jarrell, Chair



The GFWC-Mississippi Federation of Women's Clubs has established Challenge Grants to be awarded to teachers in the State of Mississippi to benefit students with Learning Disabilities. These grants will range from \$50-\$300.00 and will be given at the discretion of the Committee formed to administer the grants. These grants must be

used in the classroom, i.e., additional supplies, implementation of new programs, advanced technology, etc. The primary criterion for these grants is need. These grants are not available to be used for continuing education for teachers; all money must be used to benefit students. The grant recipient(s) will be invited to attend the State Convention in April, if possible, to receive recognition.

The grant criteria and application can be found in the MFWC Handbook and on the MFWC Website. The applications must be completed and returned to me by February 1, 2011. The completed applications should be sent to me at the address listed at the bottom of the form. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Changes, Changes...

The 2010-2012 GFWC Community Service Programs (previously known as the departments) have changed slightly. There will be no more "affairs!" International Outreach and Public Issues are the new terms to remember. The programs themselves have not changed, just the titles. The other four "Community Service" program titles remain the same.

We will now be reporting Partnership Projects – "those projects that were developed on the national level with national partners and implemented in the local club's community" and Collaboration Projects that "had no involvement from or with any partner organization." The bottom line will be that any project that is not a GFWC-designated national partner, as identified in the 2010-12 Club Manual, should be reported as a Collaboration. (This information was stated in a Guide to GFWC Community Service Programs received by your State President.)

Additionally Special Projects are now identified as Advancement areas and include:

- Communications
- Fundraising
- Leadership
- Legislation and Public Policy
- Membership
- Women's History and Resource Center

Contests

- GFWC Club Newsletter Contest
- GFWC Website Contest
- Community Improvement Contest
- Jennie Award
- Photography Contest
- Writing Contest

Community Service Programs

ARTS

Dorothy Thomas, Partnership Chair Terrie Whitehurst, Collaboration Chair



Partnerships and collaborations are being emphasized by the General Federation of Women's Clubs (GFWC) and the GFWC Mississippi Federation of Women's Clubs, Inc. (MFWC) for the 2010-2012 administration. There are elements of both in the traditional competitions and the Call to Action.

GFWC and MFWC continue to sponsor three Clubwoman photography competitions: The World in Pictures, the GFWC Volunteers in Action, and A Year in Pictures (the calendar contest) and the short story and poetry writing competitions. Remember that photographs entered in the A Year in Pictures competition do NOT compete at the MFWC levels. Details about these contests are being included in the 2010-2012 MFWC Handbook and on the MFWC Website.

MFWC is continuing its Youth Art and Clubwoman Crafts competitions. See the MFWC Handbook and MFWC Website for the guidelines and rules.

Goals and Objectives

Two goals with identified objectives are listed below as stated by GFWC. State federations, clubs, and individual club members are encouraged to adopt them.

GOAL 1. Create and contribute to arts education activities in their communities. Objective 1. Engage our communities through the arts by raising awareness of the unlimited benefits created through arts programs. Objective 2. Educate others on and promote the achievements of women in the arts. Objective 3. Develop art opportunities for people with disabilities and foster youth community art.

GOAL 2. Engage Clubwomen in developing and enjoying creative arts as a method of self-expression. Objective 1. Recognize unique art programs in individual clubs which highlight their successes and are an inspiration to members. Objective 2. Recognize the unique artistic talents of clubwomen via awards and contests.

Call to Action - Collaborations



Under a Call to Action project titled "Educate Yourself", club members are encouraged to contact local colleges and take arts courses, join or start dance or choral groups and perform for senior citizens or in other venues and identify, and attend arts events including performances and visiting art galleries and

museums.

In the "Inform Others" section, club and club members are encouraged to promote arts festivals, sponsor ads in local theater playbills and programs and school theater playbills, and donate tickets for young people, senior citizens, veterans, or victims of domestic violence to attend arts activities.

Call to Action's "Create Change" section recommendations include establishing scholarships in specific arts areas, supporting local theater groups by donating to them and volunteering with their productions, establishing mini-grants programs with a local art club, sponsoring craft workshops for target groups such as senior citizens, youth at risk, incarcerated youth, latch-key youth, and establishing and supporting an

artist-in-resident program.

Clubs are urged to keep records and report on their collaborations with other organizations.

Call to Action - Partnerships

GFWC has entered a relationship with national and international organizations to help keep track of what club members and clubs do in their areas. Club members and clubs are specifically requested to write on their checks to such organizations that they are GFWC members, to submit the check to the GFWC partner organization listed in the GFWC Club Manual and to notify GFWC of the contribution by calling or e-mailing the GFWC Program Director at 202 3473168 or GFWC@GFWC.org.

Partnerships especially recommended are **American Mural Project** at www.*AmericanMuralProject.org* and **VSA Arts** at www.vsarts.org. The GFWC Club Manual provides additional organizational names and information in its other resources section.

CONSERVATION

Partnership Carolyn Long, Chair



The goals for this program are: 1) Enhance our environment for healthier living. 2) Bring GFWC to the forefront by way of unique projects.

We can attain these goals by focusing on the conservation problems in our communities. To make this plan work we must follow three steps: 1) educate your self-

check with school and community leaders as well as local citizens to establish the needs 2) <u>inform</u> others- discuss plans to meet the needs with leaders from the community 3) <u>create</u> change- make things happen.

Yes, things have changed with GFWC, but the basic ideas are the same. There are still ideas for special projects, informational kits, speakers, pamphlets, etc. to promote our cause.

There are two conservation partners:

The Humane Society of the United States

• Keep America Beautiful, Inc.

These big partners have ideas designed for GFWC clubs and their communities. Their ideas are very adaptable to each situation. There is a great resource list of government agencies and non-governmental organizations to help with research for specific projects.

Let's make our environment a healthier place to live by increasing our number of conservation projects.

Collaboration Melba Watkins, Chair



It is my privilege to serve in this capacity on the MFWC Board for the 2010-2012 term. GFWC-Mississippi along with all other chapters will continue to strive to make ALL members aware of the importance of conservation in our environment. Our world's resources, both natural and man-made, must be preserved for future generations. It is important for

all of us to learn and practice good stewardship of the earth.

Working with local, state, and national policy makers is essential in helping us to preserve, protect, and in many cases, to restore our natural environment. Traditionally our clubs have sound and proven projects to help foster care of the earth to both youth and adults in communities around the world.

Over the years special dates have been set aside to heighten awareness of our resources and the conservation thereof. I am going to share these dates with you, and they can also be found in the GFWC Club Manual along with wonderful ideas and plans for keeping our earth and its resources strong for coming generations. Take time to read the program guidelines and I trust that this enlightening and creative information will get you "moving and shaking" toward <u>CONSERVATION</u>. "Living Green" must be our new motto.

Please share your plans and "off the bun" ideas with me so that I can pass on to other clubs. Remember to plan, execute and document all those wonderful programs that you and your club practice. REPORT, REPORT, REPORT!

IMPORTANT DATES

March 22 World Day for Water

April 22 Earth Day April 29, 2011 Arbor Day April 27, 2012 Arbor Day

June Keep America Beautiful Day
June 5 World Environment Day
July 5 Recreation and Parks Month
November 15 America Recycles Day

EDUCATION

Partnership Deana Pittman, Chair



First of all, I would like to say that I am honored and thrilled that Tammie has asked me to be a chair for the education program. I look forward to getting to know the women of our MFWC clubs. The GFWC-MFWC Education program's goal is to improve literacy and create education awareness in our homes, communities, and around the world. This is a call to action for us as

GFWC women to educate ourselves, inform others, and create a change in the world around us.

I am very excited to introduce you to our GFWC partnerships for the 2010-2012 administrative term. We have the **American Library Association** (www.ALA.org)--the voice of America's libraries, **GFWC-Epsilon Sigma Omicron** (www.GFWC.org/ESO)-- an organization that promotes self-improvement through reading, **Mentoring USA** (www.mentoringUSA.org)-- celebrate and encourage mentors in your community, and **Reading Rockets** (www.readingrockets.org)-- promotes early literacy and more!

Remember when you donate to partnership programs, be sure to note on your contribution that you are a GFWC member, use the GFWC partner contacts listed in the GFWC club manual, and REPORT, REPORT, REPORT those contributions! You can check your new club manual (coming in August) for more resources.

As always, if I can be of any service to you or your clubs or answer any questions, please feel free to email me at dtpittman@hotmail.com or call me at 662-560-3847.

Collaboration Ella D. Cronin, Chair



The MFWC Education Collaboration Program intends to improve literacy and education awareness. Literacy is more than an individual's ability to read or sound words; it is a skill set consisting of an individual's capability to read, write, speak, compute, and comprehend. The literate person can solve problems at levels of proficiency necessary to function on the job, in the family, and in their community.

As MFWC clubwomen, we have the obligation to improve our own reading habits, work with those in the community who need assistance, and join forces with existing literacy organizations. In addition, we will contribute to elevating literacy rates among women acknowledging that when women in households are literate their children will understand and value the process. Our call to action has three generic components:

- Educate yourself: Examine factors in the community that
 may affect literacy levels, such as existence of learning
 disabilities, English not a native language, formal
 education terminated early, and visual difficulties or
 mental conditions that inhibit learning. Also, become
 familiar with low literacy statistics on the local and
 national levels and educate the club and community.
- Inform Others: Create opportunities to use libraries for students, teach "How to Use the Library, invite and sponsor speakers, hold craft sessions, and encourage greater use of library resources.
- Create change: Celebrate library accomplishments, identify and recruit qualified, capable adults, and recruit tutors and other literacy workers.

In the MFWC Education Community Service Program-Collaboration, clubs will improve literacy through a process of exploration and commitment to serve. Clubs have a strong record of supporting successful programs such as book donations, volunteering at schools and centers, homework helpers, reading buddies, supporting libraries, and providing school supplies and scholarships. This success lies in an established, basic process of service that has two sequential parts:

- Research, plan, and implement projects, programs, and advocacy based on its interests and the needs that club members see and feel are important. This is the members' opportunity to think out of the box and do it their way.
- Report on the projects that are developed so that as a state
 and national organization we can highlight and share each
 club's creativity and interests of members. This can
 inform and inspire other clubs to plan and implement a
 similar project. Reporting also provides important
 statistics for working with and recruiting new partners,
 grants, and advocacy opportunities.

Literacy is essential if we are to eradicate poverty at home and abroad. Literacy is linked to improved infant mortality, addresses gender inequality, and creates sustainable development. Throughout history, MFWC clubs have recognized the importance of educating their members and their communities as well as people around the world. Collectively, members understand that it is vital to connect their schools, senior centers, public libraries, and so on. There are many examples of success, and it is important to perpetuate this important contribution in each community, state, our nation, and internationally through GFWC.

HOME LIFE

Partnership Theresa Buntyn, Chair



Our Home Life Service Program appears to have an "Extreme Makeover" for our 2010-2012 club year. However, our main objective remains the same: serving our families and communities. One of the GFWC program principles for Home Life Community Service is as follows: "GFWC members have a rich history of solving

problems related to home and communities with a "hands-on" approach. In the spirit of this tradition, the GFWC Home Life Community Service Program continues to provide resources to identify and address needs, particularly those related to wellness of women, children, the disabled, and the elderly; hunger; housing and homelessness; personal finances; and identity theft."

A new goal for our Home life Community Service Program this year is to introduce members and communities to partner organizations that improve the lives of those in need. There are two objectives. The first objective is to promote informative and creative Home Life projects through partnerships which benefit recruitment of new members and new clubs as well. A second objective is to help clubs meet the needs of communities with partnerships that promote contests, highlight beneficial projects, and educate members to use those resources available as well as serving as go-betweens with other groups and community members.

Many times there are available resources in communities that are never used due to lack of knowledge. There are also individuals who are willing to help if they are identified and asked to serve. GFWC partners are organizations that operate at the national or international level and offer unique and organized materials such as kits, project materials, service projects, and a wide variety of information. These partners are aware of our clubs' specific needs and our club structure and can enhance the effectiveness of clubs touching lives within our communities. Partners include Alzheimer's Association, National Osteoporosis Foundation, Easter Seals, Habitat for Humanity, Canine Companions for Independence, March of Dimes Birth Foundation, National Heart Lung and Blood Institute and Women's Institute for a Secure Retirement. encourage club members to refer to the GFWC manual and learn about the many resources these organizations have to

These GFWC Partners will assist in monitoring the donations generated by GFWC members. To ensure that your donation, whether at the individual, club, district or state level, is included in the GFWC total, please make sure to:

- Write on your check that you are a GFWC member or club.
- Submit your check to the GFWC Partner contact listed in the GFWC Club Manual, even if it has a local or state representative.
- Notify GFWC of your donation by calling or e-mailing GFWC Programs Director at 202-347-3168 or GFWC@GFWC.org.

I look forward as we get acquainted by participation in the Home Life Service Program for partnership. If I can be of any assistance please contact me at tbuntyn81@yahoo.com. We can share ideas and learn together.

Collaboration Frances Brown, Chair Lisa Barefield, Assistant



Collaboration allows club members a wonderful opportunity to initiate programs or projects to meet the needs of your community in addition to those listed under partnership. In the words of Elvis, it is a chance



to say "I did it my way". You may contact other community leaders to identify needs specific to your community. The local health department, department of human services, churches, and police may also be resourceful in helping to identify needs.

Be innovative in meeting the needs you believe are important. Always be alert for opportunities to serve. For more information, you may contact GFWC@GFWC.org . If I can be of assistance to you or your club, please do not hesitate to call. Together let's make Mississippi a healthier state one project at a time.

INTERNATIONAL OUTREACH

The International Outreach Program is designed to allow members to become better world citizens, through advocacy, education, and action. Our club members cannot accomplish this without information. If you have access to a computer, visit all of the websites listed below under Partners, and sign up for newsletters and updates from each partner. As information is sent to you, print or make copies of the information, or forward it to each club member. Then report the information shared with your club. Each time you share with club members you have provided reportable information and also have enabled members to become better world citizens! Keep a record of each article and how many members received the information and report this in January. It will be so easy for each club to report on International Outreach this year!

Partnership Sherri Reid, Chair



I am so excited to be working with the International Outreach Program (formerly International Affairs) again this year. I hope I can use the knowledge from the past two years to really grow in the Program the next two years. I would like to communicate with someone from each club that is responsible for the International Outreach Programs. This way I can help

each club implement distinct programs for their club members. Please have someone call or email me from each club.

During the last two years I traveled to several clubs and spoke regarding different GFWC Partners. This year with the changes from GFWC we have a few different partnerships. I will learn as much as I can so that Mississippi clubs can implement these new partners' programs successfully. GFWC Partners include:

- **CARE** www.care.org
- Heifer Project International www.Heifer.org
- INMED Partnerships for Children www.INMED.org (INMED is a new Partner)
- Operation Smile www.OperationSmile.org
- Plan USA www.planusa.org; email Gail.Savoie@PlanUSA.org
- UNICEF www.UNICEFUSA.org; email KWeber@UNICEFUSA.org
- United Nations Association of the United States contact www.UNAUSA.org

Collaboration Kate Thomas, Chair



One of the changes made by GFWC this year is the Collaboration area. This area was developed because clubs have projects that are very important to their community or membership. Many hours and lots of money and energy are invested but the project does not really fit into any program listed. The solution is the Collaboration area within each GFWC program. In the

International Outreach Program area an example would be Samaritan's Purse's Operation Christmas Child. Samaritan's

Purse is not a GFWC Partner. However, each year during reporting, 85% of clubs report a project involving Samaritan's Purse. This year Samaritan's Purse will be able to be reported under Collaboration. And the energy, time and money invested from each club will be properly reported.

The collaboration area will allow each club to mold and make projects that benefit the world and each club can use their own creativity to develop this program into a reportable project which will benefit our Federation. I'm sure you will have questions as this is a new concept for all of us. Please feel free to call or email.

PUBLIC ISSUES Partnership Darlene Adams, Chair



First let me say, Public Issues is what previously was called Public Affairs. So "seasoned" members, you are already familiar with this. Public Issues, however, has set forth three goals for this administration. They are:

Goal 1: Provide comfort and resources to members of the armed forces and their

families in recognition of their sacrifices to protect our country. **Goal 2.** Utilize our GFWC Resolutions to increase members' patriotism, pride in heritage, and to become more involved in community leadership roles.

Goal 3. Create safer communities and overall well-being of all citizens.

As your <u>Partnership</u> Chairman, I want to encourage you to partner with the six organizations that have come on board with GFWC. The six organizations are:

- Coalition against Bigger Trucks, LLC www.CABT.org
- National Disaster Search Dog Foundation www.SearchDogFoundation.org
- National Safety Council | www.NSC.org
- Safe Kids USA—National Safe Kids Campaign www.SafeKids.org
- **Sew Much Comfort** | www.SewMuchComfort.org
- Women in Military Service for America Memorial Foundation, Inc. | www.WomensMemorial.org

You can find additional information on these organizations as well as other resources and additional information on the GFWC website and also in the GFWC Club Manual.

Remember to send any monetary donations through our MFWC State Treasurer, Shirley Hilburn, who will forward to the organization. Write your check to MFWC and send a note to Shirley which organization it needs to go to.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me. Or just let me know the great things you are doing so I can brag about you in my next article!

Collaboration Annajeral Knight, Chair



Greetings to all of you! I hope this note finds you full of energy as we look forward to our next two years of MFWC club work. I wanted to take this time to pledge to all of you that I will help your club with all of your planning for GFWC Public Issues Community Service Program. I will work hard to help each of you/your clubs

investigate, develop, and initiate all projects that relate to Veterans, Citizenship, and Safety. We as clubs are already working hard through our community involvement to implement these things, so we should get busy reporting them too. I have some important dates that may help you with your club plans and give you a start for thinking of projects to do throughout the year. These include:

8/3 National Night Out
8/4 Coast Guard Day
8/6 Hiroshima Day
8/9 Victory Day
9/6 Labor Day
9/19 Army day

9/20-26 Child Passenger Safety Week 10 (all month) Crime Prevention Month 10/3-9) Fire Prevention Week

11 (all month) Child Safety and protection Month

11/2 Election Day 11/11 Veteran's Day

Thanks, and I look forward to seeing all that you do!

GFWC Signature Project: Domestic Violence Awareness and Prevention Lori Cospelich, Chair

The object of this special project is to increase member awareness about and involvement in programs to decrease domestic violence in communities and across the nation.

Investigate resources available in your community regarding domestic violence. Raise awareness of the crime by wearing the GFWC Domestic Violence Pin or a purple ribbon when hosting a club project or program. Lobby state legislatures to issue a proclamation commemorating October as National Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Plan a community event or program in October, National Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Wear purple, the color designated for domestic violence awareness, and encourage local businesses to display purple lights and ribbons in storefront windows. Provide local and national domestic violence hotline numbers.

Support local shelters:

- Volunteer your time, become a tutor for residents, read to children, donate school supplies, educational games and videos
- Raise funds for the shelter
- Donate food, toiletries, clothing and other needed items
- Provide services for repairs and improvements of the property
- Hold a holiday party, summer picnic for residents
- Adopt a family for the holidays
- Donate prepaid phone cards, used cell phones
- Provide childcare service while victims are in court or job interviews
- Donate professional attire to battered women seeking employment
- Assist with or institute job training, career skills, or internet safety programs
- Assemble First Night Kits, Birthday Bags, Anger Kits or Bedtime Snacks Sacks

Report your club's accomplishment for your community. SAVE LIVES & STOP THE ABUSE.

GFWC Juniors' Special Project: Advocates for Children Debbie Hamilton, Chair

GFWC Junior members have designed a special project, Advocates for Children, which encourages GFWC members to become active advocates for children by working to:

- Protect children from harmful situations
- Encourage healthy lifestyles
- Support and provide best practices for emergency care
- Prevent substance abuse and youth suicide

Clubs can creatively initiate programs and projects independent of any GFWC relationship to meeting needs in your own community. Other programs and projects can be club carried out on behalf of the national or international organizations with whom GFWC has a formal relationship, or partnership. These partnerships are:

- Emergency Medical Services for Children www.ChildrensNational.org/EMSC
- Girls on the Run International www.GirlsOnTheRun.org
- National Foster Parent Association -
- www.NFPAOnline.org
- The Skin Cancer Foundation www.SkinCancer.org
- Special Olympics www.SpecialOlympics.org

Please refer to the Advocates for Children Program manual at www.GFWC.org for additional information including important dates related to this project area.

GFWC ADVANCEMENT

Communications Cindy Holcomb, Chair



The objective of the Communications area continues to be assisting members with outreach activities by providing tools that help create a positive image of women's clubs and familiarize members with the Federation's history, mission, and current initiatives. Review the 2010-2012 GFWC Club Manual for updated action plan.

GFWC Clubwoman Magazine Mary Moody, Chair



Please see the MFWC Handbook or go online at www.gfwc.org for information and a subscription form for the GFWC Clubwoman Magazine. Remember to report your subscriptions and use of the magazine under the Communications Advancement area.

Fundraising Jennifer Griffin, Chair



The General Federation of Women's Clubs (GFWC) is working hard on finalizing ways in which clubs can partner with organizations in using their products as local club fundraisers, as well as ways clubs can be a part of supporting national GFWC projects. GFWC Executive Director Natasha Kalteis advised that GFWC is expected to announce in October a new, national

scholarship program for survivors of domestic violence, which is a part of the GFWC Signature Project: Domestic Violence. The goal is to help survivors of domestic violence pursue an education that will provide for financial and personal independence and improved self-esteem. Following the announcement, GFWC will begin raising scholarship funds through direct donations from members, clubs, and state federations, as well as through special programs, projects, the sale of domestic violence awareness merchandise from the GFWC Marketplace, and through financial gifts from GFWC

Partner organizations and other funders. The initial goal is for GFWC to announce inaugural recipients of eight scholarships of \$1,000 each in June 2012, with the expectation the GFWC will be able to increase the number and/or amount of scholarships awarded in subsequent years. More information will be forthcoming from GFWC on the scholarship program, as well as other fundraising opportunities endorsed by GFWC for club participation. We will provide this information to MFWC Club Presidents as soon as it is received. Please feel free to call or write me with any questions you may have at (601) 988-3068, or by email at ladycrafter22@yahoo.com.

Leadership Abby May, Chair



As we embark on the new administration of 2010-2012, leadership is one of the most important components of club work. Leadership involves taking risks, being innovative, and promoting new directions. While some may talk about being born leaders, most of us have to learn it. Anyone can become a leader by developing a clear and compelling vision; establishing

attainable goals; providing, and being provided, with encouragement and appreciation; behaving with an entrepreneurial spirit; and pursuing training and education. GFWC provides guidelines and ideas. As MFWC, we need to put them into action.

Please refer to the GFWC website for ideas for programs and projects. If you do not have access to the web, let me know and I will get you the information.

If I can help in anyway, just let me know. I look forward to reading everything you have done to promote leadership in your club and community this club year in your report.

MS LEADS Susan Shurden, Chair



SP-IR-IT! Got Spirit? Want Spirit? Attention all coaches!!! Currently holding MS LEADS TRYOUTS! Candidates must hold the following qualifications:

- Demonstrate leadership capabilities at the club level as an active club president, club officer, or club project/committee chairman
- Exhibit a commitment to the Federation
- Exhibit an understanding of the GFWC mission of community service, illustrated by programs/projects in which she is/has been involved
- Demonstrate leadership skills, including but not limited to organization, responsibility, trustworthiness, enthusiasm, flexibility
- Exhibit an interest and willingness to pursue higher leadership positions in the Federation
- Understand and accept potential expenses involved in participation
- Not have held an elected position at or beyond the state level

Your club's candidate will receive:

- Presentations on conflict resolution, mediation, public speaking, time management, parliamentary procedure
- Explanation of GFWC resources, materials, and assistance
- Discussions on GFWC policies, procedures, and parliamentary law
- Tips and techniques for pursuing leadership opportunities

I challenge EVERY club to send a candidate to MS LEADS this year. It will strengthen your team, help with challenges, and infuse spirit into your club as well as MFWC. Further details and application form are available in the MFWC Handbook and on the MFWC website www.gfwc-mfwc.org.

Legislation and Public Policy Sandra Pope, Chair Elizabeth Massey, Assistant



We look forward to working with our MFWC club members as we make an impact on public policy through civic participation. Members are encouraged to research GFWC Resolutions to become



informed and involved, invite elected officials to present programs on constituent involvement and functions of all levels of government, as well as distribute or develop a directory identifying public officials and their contact information.

Successful civic participation requires knowledge and understanding of issues, processes, and policies. Members are encouraged to participate in issue-awareness programs and nonpartisan issue panels, forums, and meetings in your communities.

Useful guides and tools expected to be useful as in the past include state and GFWC Resolutions, the *GFWC Guide to Public Policy and Advocacy*, the GFWC Legislative Network, in addition to the "Watching Washington" and "Program Updates" columns in *GFWC Clubwoman* magazine. Review the new GFWC Club Manual and visit GFWC online (www.GFWC.org) for availability of these guides and tools and learn more about priority issues and how members can be effective advocates. Please feel free to contact us when we can be of assistance.

Women's History and Resource Center Polly Gordon, Chair



The objective of the Woman's History and Resource Center is to collect, preserve, interpret, and promote the history of GFWC and women volunteers. Clubs should continue to work to establish club archives, write club histories, and gather oral histories.

Make plans now to celebrate Women's History Month in March. Introduce women's history in your local school's curriculum, sponsor educational speakers at your club, and recognize local women of significance. Become a member of the Friends of WHRC by making a \$25.00 donation through the GFWC website (www.GFWC.org).

Clubs can use GFWC's annual Federation Day Celebration on April 24th to promote club and state federation history projects. Make it a priority in your club to identify and preserve sites relating to women's history in your community.

Support your GFWC Headquarters by making a donation to the 1734 Society and by visiting the Headquarters in Washington D.C. Refer to the 2010-2012 GFWC Club Manual for updated guidelines.

GFWC Contests

Jennie Award Carolyn C. Huey, Chair



Do you know someone who is committed to her club? Her community? Her family? If so, please continue reading this article, as there is an opportunity of a lifetime waiting for someone.

During the 2004-2006 administration, the Federation awarded the first GFWC Jennie Award to one clubwoman from each of GFWC's eight regions. The

objective of the Jennie Award is to spotlight one clubwoman from each region who has been judged on club, state, region, and national level for her outstanding performance as a volunteer within her club, community, and family.

The GFWC Jennie Award is the highest honor bestowed by GFWC and is named in honor of Jane Cunningham Croly, founder of GFWC. A winner will be selected from our state. Her application will be sent to our Southern Region President, where one winner will be selected from the five states representing our region. This winner will receive round-trip transportation to attend the 2012 annual International Convention in Charlotte, NC, a medal of honor, and a special certificate presented by the International President and GFWC Jennie Award Chairman. All nominees will be recognized at MFWC State Convention in 2012.

The Contest Rules, Public Relations Guidelines, Judging Criteria, as well as the Nomination Form can be found in the GFWC Club Manual. The Nomination Form, Supporting Materials – including photographs – will not be returned.

Club nominations shall be submitted to GFWC-MFWC President, Tammie McCoy, postmarked by June 15, 2011, for state-level judging. PLEASE ADHERE CAREFULLY TO ALL GUIDELINES WHEN FILLING OUT APPLICATIONS.

Photography Angie Whitlock, Chair



Please refer to the MFWC website and Handbook as well as the new GFWC club manual for guidelines for the photography contests. Begin now making plans for your winning entry of that precious child or grandchild or that beautiful vacation scene. Remember that photographs that are sent

to GFWC must have the consent/release form attached in order to be considered at the GFWC level.

Writing Contest Ann McKee, Chair



As Mississippians, we are natural storytellers. It comes with the territory -- our heritage and our legacy. There is not another state that has the number and the caliber of talented authors as we have in Mississippi. To keep that tradition ongoing, please take the time to put your thoughts on paper and submit to our writing

competitions. There are categories for short stories and poetry. These opportunities are open for Clubwomen as well as the youth of our state. In 1995, I was a "wanna-be-writer." If it had not been for the GFWC-MFWC Writing Contest, I would have not had the courage to submit my written work for competition to any other venue. It was because of the encouragement I

received from my Friends in Federation that I first introduced all of you to Miss Ippee Rainwater. Fifteen years later, Miss Ippee is a household name for thousands of Mississippians. It took that first GFWC-MFWC Writing Contest, First Place, Short Story Winner to initiate for me those first baby steps into the writing world. I will always be grateful. Complete guidelines for the writing contest may be found in the current MFWC Handbook and at our website www.gfwc-mfwc.org.

Club Newsletter Contest Pam Helms, Chair



Club newsletters are one of the most effective and efficient methods of informing members about current, ongoing, and new initiatives. A newsletter that is issued on a regular basis and provides key information will be an asset to clubwomen as they implement projects, make decisions about club management, and collaborate with one

another for greater impact. Newsletters need not be fancy, custom-designed, or lengthy; a newsletter that is both informative and interactive conveys knowledge, breeds enthusiasm, and contributes to your club's public relations and outreach, membership recruiting and retention, program development and reporting, and operational planning goals.

- Appoint a newsletter chairman
- Design newsletter simple typed document, photocopies or a custom e-newsletter
- Create an editorial calendar for topics to be reported: meetings, materials, programs and news items
- Distribute newsletters to all club members. Send copies of each newsletter to GFWC headquarters, c/o GFWC Communications and Public Relations Director
- Include contribution from club leaders or project organizers.
- Reprint GFWC information updates.

CONTEST GUIDELINES will be printed in GFWC Special Project, Club Newsletter Contest and will be available at summer institute.

Website Contest Rannie Gillentine, Chair



This is an exciting time for both GFWC and MFWC with adjustments being made in many areas including the website contest! I am happy to serve as website contest chairman, here in Mississippi for the 2010-2012 administration, and I would like to share with you some of the guidelines for the contest. Since these are

not the final OFFICIAL guidelines of GFWC, please use the following as a starting point for creating or making adjustments to your club's website, and feel free to contact me at anytime.

All Mississippi clubs are encouraged to have a webpage as a way of effectively reaching out publicly to potential members, current members, and their communities. This year there will NOT be two separate website contests as there have been in previous years. Both new websites and existing websites will be judged together. Judges will look for the following: quality of content, timeliness, clarity, and writing style. Also, they will be looking at presentation, design, and ease of use. Finally, (and this is very important!) the judges will be looking for ALL of the required elements as outlined by GFWC. If the required criteria are not included, the website will not be eligible to win. The contest criteria include: websites must have GFWC in the URL, the homepage must state "Member of the General

Federation of Women's Clubs", must link to www.GFWC.org, must use the <u>proper</u> "GFWC" emblem (the fadeout emblem or adapted emblem will NOT be acceptable), and must have club contact information included.

Entries must be made by e-mail to PR@GFWC.org and time stamped no later than 11:59 (in our time zone) on March 15th in the year in which the website will be judged. All clubs submitting entries are asked to also email a copy to myself. Certificates will be awarded to all participating Mississippi clubs as a way of encouraging each and everyone to get active, get involved, and get ONLINE!

Please remember to visit the GFWC website for complete rules and guidelines, and contact me with any questions.

Community Improvement Contest Nancy Griffin, Chair Donna Hutchings



The Community
Improvement Contest is
a GFWC special project
designed to encourage
and to reward clubs for
completing improvement projects in their
own communities that
meet the unique needs of



their respective communities, at the same time helping to make their cities and towns better places to live.

In 1949, the CIC was called Build a Better Community Contest. Jessie Ash Arndt reported, "This is a contest which no one can lose. Every participating community will have substantial benefits of some kind to show for it...including a growth in friendliness and cooperation among its citizens. If this contest does nothing more than arouse the women of the community to a 'do-it-now' determination, it will have accomplished much." Nothing has changed in 61 years --- it remains the same and is as true today as it was in '49.

To assist you with your CIC project GFWC Marketplace offers How to Develop and Implement a Successful GFWC Project. This tool can help you in all phases of your project from planning to implementing to reporting.

Monetary awards are available each year to the top three reports in each state (\$50, \$35, and \$25). National monetary award presentations are granted to the top five states (\$5,000, \$3,500, \$2,500, \$1,500, \$500), as well as International Affiliate (\$500), and Juniorette (\$250).

The contest is a two-year contest beginning March 1, 2010, and ending April 30, 2012. The deadline for submitting your CIC report is March 1, 2012.

~SRC INFO~

Southern Region Conference October 29-31 Huntsville, AL

Make plans now to attend SRC in October at the Huntsville Marriott on the grounds of the U.S. Space & Rocket Center Museum and Space Camp located at 5 Tranquility Base, Huntsville, AL 35805. To obtain room rates and make reservations, you may call 256-830-2222. This is certain to be a fun-filled and informative conference. Mississippi's own Jo Anne Reid is serving as 2010-2012 SRC Treasurer and Judy Martin is serving this administration as Parliamentarian.

GFWC-MFWC Budget Information Fiscal Year 2010-2011

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State Federation Fund	1600 x 3.188 =	\$5,100
Headquarters Fund	1600 x 3.563 =	5,700
Magazine	1600 x 3.25=	5,200
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President-elect	GFWC Travel	1,500
	Instate Travel	250
	Desk Allowance	100
Vice President	SRC/GFWC Travel	350
	Desk Allowance	250
Treasurer	SRC/GFWC Travel	350
	Desk Allowance	250
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*Items paid through the 1935 Society pursuant to Standing Rule 25

GFWC-MFWC 2009 Awards

presented at the 112th Annual Convention held in Tupelo, Mississippi April 22 – 24, 2010

2009 Outstanding Awards

Club of the Year

Civic Woman's Club of Picayune

Clubwoman of the Year

Frances Brown, Twentieth Century Club of Bruce

Jennie Award

Shirley McGaugh, Twentieth Century Club of Ackerman

Juniorette Club of the Year

Dixie Daisy Juniorettes of Meadville

Scholarship Recipients

Challenge Grant

Eleanor Bayless of Meadville

Hebron Memorial Scholarship

Abby Lee of Enterprise

Sarah Peugh Butterfly Scholarship

Rachel Cox of Dixie Daisy Juniorettes of Meadville

<u>Leadership Education and Development</u> <u>Seminar (LEADS) Participants</u>

(MFWC seminar sponsored by the Malone-Sisk Education/Leadership Endowment) Cassie Bryant, Twentieth Century Club of Bruce Brandy Fairley, Cosmopolitan Woman's Club of Petal Jane Gregory, Fine Arts Club of Bruce

Jacqueline Meek, Eupora Twentieth Century Club

MFWC LEADS Delegate to the 2010 GFWC International Convention

Jeanith Burdine, Twentieth Century Club of Ackerman

<u>Departmental Awards – General Clubs</u>

ARTS

Arts in the Community

1st - Batesville Woman's Club

2nd - Civic Woman's Club of Picayune

 $3\mathrm{rd}-\mathrm{GFWC}\text{-}\mathrm{MFWC}$ Florentine Evening Club of Florence

Creative Arts

1st - Decatur Woman's Progressive Club

2nd - Woman's Club of Booneville

3rd - Poplarville Woman's Club

CONSERVATION

Beautification

 ${\tt 1st-Fine\ Arts\ Club\ of\ Bruce}$

2nd – Twentieth Century Club of Bruce

3rd - Decatur Woman's Progressive Club

Resource Conservation

1st - GFWC-MFWC Futura Club of Philadelphia

2nd - GFWC-MFWC Raleigh Woman's Club

3rd - EPHFIC Woman's Club of Cleveland

EDUCATION

Focus on Literacy

1st - Civic Woman's Club of Picayune

2nd - Quitman Woman's Club

3rd – GFWC-MFWC Raleigh Woman's Club

Education in the Community

1st - GFWC-MFWC Raleigh Woman's Club

2nd – Decatur Woman's Progressive Club

3rd - Poplarville Woman's Club

HOME LIFE

Helping Hands

1st – Civic Woman's Club of Picayune

2nd – Twentieth Century Club of Bruce

3rd – GFWC-MFWC Philadelphia Woman's Club

Focus on Health

1st - Cosmopolitan Woman's Club of Petal

2nd - Poplarville Woman's Club

3rd – Present Day Club of Union

Focus on Financial Issues

1st - GFWC-MFWC Homochitto Heritage Club of Meadville

2nd - GFWC-MFWC Raleigh Woman's Club

3rd- Civic Woman's Club of Picayune

INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT

Reaching Out Internationally

1st - GFWC-MFWC Homochitto Heritage Club of Meadville

2nd - Cosmopolitan Woman's Club of Petal

3rd - Fine Arts Club of Bruce

United Nations

1st - GFWC -MFWC Homochitto Heritage Club of Meadville

2nd – Eupora Twentieth Century Club

3rd – Fine Arts Club of Bruce

PUBLIC AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT

Citizens in Action

1st - Twentieth Century Club of Bruce

2nd - Decatur Woman's Progressive Club

3rd - GFWC-MFWC Raleigh Woman's Club

Safety

1st – GFWC-MFWC Raleigh Woman's Club

2nd - Quitman Woman's Club

3rd - Civic Woman's Club of Picayune

Departmental Awards – Juniorettes

ARTS

Arts in the Community

1st - Fine Arts Juniorettes of Bruce

2nd - Dixie Daisy Juniorettes of Meadville

Creative Arts

1st – Dixie Daisy Juniorettes of Meadville

2nd - Fine Arts Juniorettes of Bruce

CONSERVATION

Beautification

1st - Dixie Daisy Juniorettes of Meadville

2nd – Fine Arts Juniorettes of Bruce

Resource Conservation

1st - Fine Arts Juniorettes of Bruce

2nd - Dixie Daisy Juniorettes of Meadville

EDUCATION

Focus on Literacy

1st – Dixie Daisy Juniorettes of Meadville

2nd – Fine Arts Juniorettes of Bruce

Education in the Community

1st - Dixie Daisy Juniorettes of Meadville

2nd - Fine Arts Juniorettes of Bruce

HOME LIFE

Helping Hands

1st - Fine Arts Juniorettes of Bruce

2nd - Dixie Daisy Juniorettes of Meadville

Focus on Health

1st- Dixie Daisy Juniorettes of Meadville

2nd - Fine Arts Juniorettes of Bruce

Focus on Financial Issues

1st - Fine Arts Juniorettes of Bruce

2nd - Dixie Daisy Juniorettes of Meadville

INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS **Reaching Out Internationally**

1st - Dixie Daisy Juniorettes of Meadville 2nd – Fine Arts Juniorettes of Bruce

United Nations

1st - Dixie Daisy Juniorettes of Meadville 2nd - Fine Arts Juniorettes of Bruce

PUBLIC AFFAIRS Citizens in Action

1st - Fine Arts Juniorettes of Bruce 2nd - Dixie Daisy Juniorettes of Meadville Safety

1st - Fine Arts Juniorettes of Bruce 2nd - Dixie Daisy Juniorettes of Meadville

Special Projects - General Clubs

MFWC PSP - Pediatric Cardiology Family Emergency Needs Fund - Blair E. Batson Hospital for Children

1st - Thursday Club of Walnut Grove 2nd - GFWC-MFWC Florentine Club of Florence

3rd - Civic Woman's Club of Picayune

Domestic Violence Awareness

1st - GFWC-MFWC Woman's Club of Star

2nd - Fine Arts Club of Bruce

3rd - Twentieth Century Club of Bruce

Juniors' Special Project -Advocates for Children

1st - Quitman Woman's Club

2nd - Fine Arts Club of Bruce

3rd - GFWC-MFWC Woman's Club of Star

Community Improvement Contest

1st - Twentieth Century Club of Ackerman

2nd - Quitman Woman's Club

3rd - Woman's Club of Booneville

Fundraising

1st - Twentieth Century Club of Ackerman

and - GFWC-MFWC Homochitto Heritage Club of Meadville

3rd - Fidelia Club of Ellisville

Leadership

1st – Civic Woman's Club of Picayune

2nd - Poplarville Woman's Club

3rd - Twentieth Century Club of Ackerman

Membership

1st – Civic Woman's Club of Picayune

2nd – Eupora Twentieth Century Club

3rd - Twentieth Century Club of Ackerman

Legislation and Public Policy

1st – Pontotoc Woman's Club

2nd - Poplarville Woman's Club

3rd - GFWC-MFWC Woman's Club of Star

Communications and Public Relations

1st - Civic Woman's Club of Picayune

2nd – GFWC-MFWC Futura Club of Philadelphia

3rd - Lanier Club of Okolona

WHRC - Preserving Our Heritage

1st - Twentieth Century Club of Ackerman

2nd - Civic Woman's Club of Picayune

3rd - Fine Arts Club of Bruce

Mississippi Public Broadcasting

1st - Decatur Woman's Progressive Club

2nd – Quitman Woman's Club

3rd - GFWC-MFWC Raleigh Woman's Club

State Institutions

1st - GFWC-MFWC Florentine Club of Florence

2nd - Decatur Woman's Progressive Club

3rd – GFWC-MFWC Florentine Evening Club of Florence

Special Projects - Juniorettes

MFWC PSP – Pediatric Cardiology Family Emergency Needs Fund – Blair E. Batson Hospital for Children

1st - Dixie Daisy Juniorettes of Meadville

2nd - Fine Arts Juniorettes of Bruce

Domestic Violence Awareness

1st - Dixie Daisy Juniorettes of Meadville 2nd - Fine Arts Juniorettes of Bruce

Junior's Special Project -

Advocates for Children

1st - Fine Arts Juniorettes of Bruce

2nd - Dixie Daisy Juniorettes of Meadville

Fundraising

1st - Dixie Daisy Juniorettes of Meadville

2nd - Fine Arts Juniorettes of Bruce

Leadership

1st - Fine Arts Juniorettes of Bruce

2nd - Dixie Daisy Juniorettes of Meadville

Membership

1st - Dixie Daisy Juniorettes of Meadville

2nd - Fine Arts Juniorettes of Bruce

Legislation and Public Policy

1st - Dixie Daisy Juniorettes of Meadville

2nd - Fine Arts Juniorettes of Bruce

Communications and Public Relations

1st - Dixie Daisy Juniorettes of Meadville

2nd - Fine Arts Juniorettes of Bruce

WHRC - Preserving Our Heritage

1st - Dixie Daisy Juniorettes of Meadville

2nd - Fine Arts Juniorettes of Bruce

Mississippi Public Broadcasting

1st - Dixie Daisy Juniorettes of Meadville

2nd - Fine Arts Juniorettes of Bruce

State Institutions

1st - Dixie Daisy Juniorettes of Meadville

2nd - Fine Arts Juniorettes of Bruce

Writing Contest Winners YOUTH - Short Story

Category 1 - Grades 1-3

1st - Kaleb Mitchell, Cosmopolitan Club of Petal

2nd - Kaitlyn Kincade, Fine Arts Club of Bruce

Category 2 - Grades 4-6

1st - Margaux Huff, Cosmopolitan Club of Petal

2nd - Katelyn Burney, 20th Century Club of Ackerman

3rd - Devan Russell, Cosmopolitan Club of Petal

Category 3 - Grades 7-9

1st - Madison Hall, Cosmopolitan Club of Petal

2nd - Rachel Byars, Fine Arts Club of Bruce

Category 4 – Grades 10-12

1st - Lauren Ladnier, Cosmopolitan Club of Petal

2nd - Dustin Vance, Fine Arts Club of Bruce

YOUTH - Poetry

Category 1 - Grades 1-3

1st - Landon Draughn, Cosmopolitan Club of Petal

Category 2 - Grades 4-6

1st - Emily Clark, Cosmopolitan Club of Petal

2nd - Baily Davis, Cosmopolitan Club of Petal

3rd - Deah Lemmon, Twentieth Century Club of Ackerman

Category 3 – Grades 7-9

1st - Johanna Masterson, Cosmopolitan Club of Petal

2nd - Laken Shankle, Fine Arts Club of Bruce

3rd – Sloan Garner, Batesville Junior Woman's League

Category 4 - Grades 10-12

1st – Lydia Moore, Cosmopolitan Club of Petal

2nd – Lisa Wells, Fine Arts Club of Bruce

3rd - Sydney Claire Sullivant, Batesville Junior Woman's

League

Honorable Mention - Candace Lafferty, Quitman Woman's Club

MEMBER – Short Story

1st - Diane Moore Elliott, Cleveland Woman's Club

MEMBER - Poetry

1st - June Vaughn, Fine Arts Club of Bruce 2nd - Chanda Campbell Lantern, Batesville Junior Woman's League

YOUTH - ART

Class A – *Students receiving private lessons*

Division 1 - K-5 years old

1st - Rebekah Bailey, Batesville Woman's Club 2nd – Asher Eubanks, Futura Club, Philadelphia

Division 2 – Grades 1-3

1st - Bronwyne Bain, Batesville Woman's Club

2nd - Katherine Marsh, Decatur Woman's Progressive Club

3rd - Madelyne Angle, Pontotoc Woman's Club

Division 3 – Grades 4-6

1st - Adrian Stafford, Pontotoc Woman's Club 2nd - Liz Roark, Batesville Woman's Club

3rd - Logan Jones, Florentine Evening Club

Division 4 – Grades 7-9

1st - Addison Bunten, Batesville Woman's Club 2nd - Molly Chamblee, Pontotoc Woman's Club

3rd - Corey Pierce, Futura Club, Philadelphia

Division 5 – Grades 10-12 1st – Ellen Taylor, Pontotoc Woman's Club

2nd - Sarah Knight, Batesville Woman's Club

3rd - Ashley Rentz, Futura Club, Philadelphia

Class B – Students receiving in-school instruction

Division 1 - K-5 years old

1st - Ryan Sorrelles, Cosmopolitan Club of Petal

2nd – Claire Caldwell, Pontotoc Woman's Club

3rd - Mia Starns, Enterprise Woman's Club

Division 2 – Grades 1-3

1st - Millie Gonzales, Woman's Club of Gulfport

2nd – Bailey Jones, Pontotoc Woman's Club

3rd - Matthew Woods, Batesville Woman's Club

Division 3 - Grades 4-6

1st – Abby Climer, Batesville Woman's Club

2nd - Lyndsey Anderson, Pontotoc Woman's Club

3rd - Richard Milne, Florentine Evening Club, Florence

Division 4 - Grades 7-9

1st – Emma Everett, Pontotoc Woman's Club

2nd - Sheree Chandler, Maids and Matrons of Clinton

3rd – Loucious Artis, Batesville Woman's Club

Division 5 - Grades 10-12

1st - Anusha Chinthaparti, Maids and Matrons of Clinton

2nd – Haley Hubbard, Batesville Woman's Club

3rd - Josh Hefner, Pontotoc Woman's Club

Class C - Students receiving no art instruction

Division 1 - K-5 years old

1st - Dylan Hubbard, Civic Woman's Club of Picayune

2nd - Kayleigh Bolt, Homochitto Heritage Club of Meadville

3rd – Tyler Turner, Twentieth Century Club of Bruce

Division 2 - Grades 1-3

1st - Anna McKnight, Pontotoc Woman's Club

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1st – Anna-Morgan Aultman, Florentine Evening Club,

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Division 5 – Grades 10-12

1st – Jessica Risher, Enterprise Woman's Club 2nd - LeMargaret Collins, Homochitto Heritage Club of Meadville

BOOK AWARDS <u>Scrapbooks – General Clubs</u>

Classification 1 – *Under 20 members*

1st - Twentieth Century Club, Iuka

2nd - Thursday Club of Walnut Grove

3rd - Homochitto Heritage Club of Meadville

Classification 2 – 21-35 members

1st – Batesville Junior Woman's League

2nd - Twentieth Century Club of Bruce

3rd - Quitman Woman's Club

Classification 3 – 35-50 members 1st – Civic Woman's Club, Picayune

2nd - Decatur Woman's Progressive Club

3rd - Greenwood Woman's Club

Classification 4 – *50*+ *members*

1st - Cleveland Woman's Club

<u>Scrapbooks - Juniorette Clubs</u>

Classification 1 – Under 20 members

1st – Dixie Daisy Juniorettes, Meadville

Classification 2 – 21–35 members

1st - Fulton Juniorettes

<u>Scrapbooks - Best of Show</u> Civic Woman's Club, Picayune

<u>Yearbooks – General Clubs</u>

Classification A-1 – *Under 20 members – printed*

1st - Enterprise Woman's Club

2nd - Twentieth Century Club, Iuka

Classification A-2 - Under 20 members - looseleaf

1st - Present Day Club, Union

2nd - Home and Garden Club, Waynesboro

Classification B-1 - 21-35 members - printed

1st - Philadelphia Woman's Club

2nd - Twentieth Century Club, Bruce

3rd - Batesville Woman's Club

Classification B-2 – 21-35 members – looseleaf

1st - GFWC-MFWC Raleigh Woman's Club

2nd - Fine Arts Club of Bruce

Classification C-1 – 35-50 members – printed

1st - The Woman's Club, Booneville

2nd - EPHFIC Woman's Club, Cleveland

Classification C-2 – 35-50 members – looseleaf

1st – Decatur Woman's Progressive Club

2nd - Twentieth Century Club, Eupora

3rd - Civic Woman's Club of Picayune

<u>Yearbooks – Juniorette Clubs</u>

Classification B-2 - 21-35 members - looseleaf 1st - Bruce Fine Arts Juniorettes

Yearbooks-Best of Show GFWC-MFWC Raleigh Woman's Club, Raleigh

PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST The World in Pictures

Natural History

1st - Donna Hutchings, Woman's Club of Gulfport

2nd - Mandy Laiche, Homochitto Heritage Club of Meadville

3rd - Carol Shoemaker, Fine Arts Club of Bruce

Scenic

1st - Cindy Holcomb, Purvis Woman's Club

2nd -Donna Hutchings, Woman's Club of Gulfport

3rd - Cassie F. Bryant, Twentieth Century Club of Bruce

Feature

1st – Mary Seale, Batesville Junior Woman's League 2nd – Donna Hutchings, Woman's Club of Gulfport 3rd – Diane Smith, Decatur Woman's Progressive Club

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1st – Cassie F. Bryant, Twentieth Century Club of Bruce 2nd – Lisa A. Harris, GFWC-MFWC Raleigh Woman's Club 3rd – Mary Seale, Batesville Junior Woman's League

Great States Update

1st – Libby Everett, Cosmopolitan Club of Petal 2nd – Mary Ford, Quitman Woman's Club 3rd – Frankie Germany, Futura Club of Philadelphia

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~CONGRATULATIONS~ First Place Winners Announced at GFWC International Convention Omaha, Nebraska June 11-15, 2010

- * Arts in the Community Shirley Stough, Chair
- Creative Arts Libby Everett, Chair
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- Youth Short Story Kaleb Mitchell Cosmopolitan Club, Petal – "A Ghost in Grandmother's House"
- ❖ Member Short Story Diane Moore Elliott Cleveland Woman's Club – "Besting the Vote"
- Education in the Community Program: ESO Vera Beech, Education in the Community Chair
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President Carolyn Huey (second from right) and Vice President Suzanne Poynor (far right) presented certificates to the GFWC award winning Chairs, Department representative, or Club representative at Summer Board in Jackson on June 26, 2010. Pictured are (left to right) Nancy Griffin, Sherri Reid, Theresa Buntyn, Abby May, Mary Edmond, Ella Cronin, and Darlene Adams.



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2009 GFWC- MFWC Clubwoman of the Year Frances Brown Twentieth Century Club of Bruce, District III



2009 GFWC-MFWC
Club of the Year
Presented by
MFWC President
Carolyn Huey (left)
to Civic Woman's Club
of Picayune,
Donna Cooper (right),
2009-2010 President



Elvis was in the building! Lynda Essary, 2008-2010 District II President-elect, had his attention!



2009 GFWC-MFWC Juniorette Club of the Year Dixie Daisy Juniorettes, Meadville Susan Shurden (far left) – 2008-2010 GFWC-MFWC Juniorette Director Carolyn Huey (third from right) – 2008-2010 GFWC-MFWC President

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Seated (left to right) – Missi McCoy, GFWC Director of Junior Clubs, Rose Ditto, GFWC International President, with Mississippi Delegation: Standing First Row (left to right) - Suzanne Poynor, Tammie McCoy, Carolyn Huey; Second Row (left to right) – Rowena Drinkwater, Ivous Sisk; Third Row – Jo Anne Reid, Jeanith Burdine



Tammie McCoy, left, GFWC-MFWC 2010-2012 President, and Carolyn Huey, 2008-2010 President with Mississippi Flag before processional at GFWC Convention



Jo Anne Reid (left) was installed as GFWC Southern Region Treasurer at GFWC International Convention



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Note of Thanks from Carolyn Huey 2008-2010 MFWC President

To the 2008-2010 Executive Committee and Board:

Thank you for serving as Board members during my administration. Your commitment and efficiency in fulfilling your responsibility were

greatly appreciated. I also would like to thank you for the generous cash gift presented me at our State Convention in Tupelo. I am including a picture of my past President's State pin, which your gift helped make possible.



Volunteerism is a part of my life because it is part of my Heart! I believe this is true of you as well.

Special Recognition, Awards, Scholarships and Contests

Remember to honor deserving members of your club or others in your community where appropriate by nominating them or encouraging them to apply for special recognition, awards, and scholarships.

- Clubwoman of the Year Award
- > Challenge Grant
- ➤ Hebron Memorial Scholarship
- > LEADS Participant
- Sarah Peugh Butterfly Scholarship (Juniorette)

Encourage participation in all GFWC and MFWC Contests as appropriate.

- GFWC Club Newsletter Contest
- GFWC Website Contest
- Community Improvement Contest
- > Jennie Award
- Photography Contest
- Writing Contest
- > Youth Art Contest
- ➤ MFWC Crafts Contest (District Only)

Details and applications are available in the MFWC Handbook and on the MFWC website.

GFWC-MFWC "Clubwoman of the Year" Guidelines

The "Clubwoman of the Year" Award is the highest honor presented annually at the District and State levels to an outstanding GFWC-MFWC member. The award is given on the District and State levels to the Clubwoman who, in the opinion of the judges, has given of herself and truly exemplifies the Mississippi Federation Clubwoman. The nominee should be a club member who has served her club and her community through her club. Her club and her community must be better because she is an active volunteer.

Nomination materials will not be returned. Judging will be done by GFWC members from another state. The State winner will be chosen from among the District winners. Please make every effort to send in a nomination from your club!

- 1. Entries will be judged on the following criteria
 - a. The entry must cover work done by the nominee for one year, January 1 through December 31 of the current year.
 - b. The nominee must have been selected "Clubwoman of the Year" by her club, and must presently be an active member of her club. There can be only one entry from a club. Previous state winners and members of the Executive Committee are ineligible for this award.
 - c. Entry must be in a bound, typed form using one side of the paper only. Pages should be letter size (8½ x 11) and type should be double-spaced.
- 2. The entry must include the following
 - a. On page 1:
 - i. Name, address and photograph of the nominee
 - i. Name of Club
 - iii. Town
 - iv. District Number
 - v. Signature of Club President
 - vi. Past club work and accomplishments should be listed to help judges evaluate a sincere and continuing interest in Federation.
 - b. The written portion telling about the nominee's family, children, interest, hobbies, civic and church work may be up to 5 pages in length.
 - Supportive materials such as newspaper clippings, snapshots, and letters from civic leaders may be included, not to exceed 8 pages.
 - d. Entry must be postmarked by February 10 of each year
- 3. Mail entries to

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2010-2012 MFWC Elected Officers, President Tammie McCoy, President-elect Suzanne Poynor, Vice President Libby Everett, Treasurer Shirley Hilburn, and Parliamentarian Judy Martin (appointed) enter meeting room cheered by TAMMIE'S TEAM (Pontotoc Woman's Club Members).

Not pictured – Sue Addy, Recording Secretary