

GFWC-Mississippi Federation of Women's Clubs, Inc.



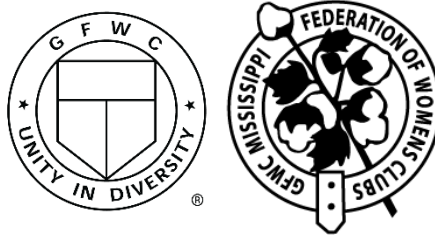
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GFWC-MFWC PRESIDENT
2024-2026**

**ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL
CONVENTION**

**APRIL 24-26, 2025
GULFPORT, MISSISSIPPI**

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

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1898 – 2025

**OFFICIAL PROGRAM
ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL
CONVENTION
APRIL 24-26, 2025
GULFPORT, MISSISSIPPI**

**CONVENTION THEME:
“BIG HEARTS...LITTLE FEET”**

**HOST CLUBS:
THE GFWC-MFWC CLUBS OF THE SOUTHERN
DISTRICT
SHIRLEY WILTSHIRE, PRESIDENT**

CLUBWOMAN COLLECT

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

Mary Stewart, April 1904

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

Greetings as you arrive for the 127th GFWC-Mississippi Federation of Women's Clubs Convention at the Courtyard by Marriott Gulfport Beachfront. I am excited to welcome you to the Gulf coast of Mississippi. I am honored and appreciate the opportunity you have entrusted in me to serve as your State President. I look forward to the next three days as we celebrate and recognize you for your service to others throughout Mississippi.



Our convention is hosted by the Southern District with Shirley Wiltshire, Southern District President, serving as General Chairman. Shirley Wiltshire along with Jana Jarrell Owen, City Chairman, and numerous other ladies from the Southern District have worked tirelessly to ensure that this convention is fun and successful.

In addition to the Southern District members, I would like to thank Diane Rouse, GFWC-Mississippi and Convention Treasurer, for her leadership and guidance through this process. Thank you, Lisa Harris for sharing your expertise by designing and printing the 2025 Official Convention Program. I would also like to thank each of you, my friends, in the Southern District, for opening your hearts and welcoming us with your bright smiles and helping hands. Having our own Dr. Tammie M McCoy, GFWC Southern Region Officer with us at our State Convention is an honor.

We will have the opportunity to hear from Lindsay Cranford, one of the Deputy Attorneys General for the State of Mississippi at our Friday luncheon. Lindsay oversees the Children's Justice Division and Cyber Crime in Mississippi. She will share with us updated information regarding how Mississippi is working to advocate for children, women and men to be protected from the issues of Domestic Violence, Human Trafficking and Cyber Crime. Janie Walters, an award-winning professional speaker, communications specialist and a master teacher with 29 years of experience, will join us for the Friday night celebration and the Saturday morning Prayer Breakfast. Janie is an entertaining, informative, motivational, and inspirational speaker. She challenges you to make the best of life through laughter.

I am looking forward to the service project that Susan Shurden, GFWC Signature Program: Domestic and Sexual Violence Awareness and Prevention Chairman has planned for us immediately following the dinner on Friday night. Rene' Davis from the Gulf Coast Center for Nonviolence will join us to receive the donations of pajamas that we collected.

Throughout the convention, we will celebrate and recognize the volunteer service of our clubwomen. In addition, awards, grants, and scholarships will be awarded throughout the convention.

On behalf of the Executive Officers of the GFWC -Mississippi Federation of Women's Clubs, it is my honor to welcome you, thank you for being here and for opening your "Big Hearts to carry Little Feet."

Carolyn

Dr. Carolyn S. Tedford
2024-2026 GFWC-MFWC President



March 5, 2025

Welcome to your State Convention! This is a moment to honor our collective achievements as we continue to reimagine volunteer service. Each of you has gone beyond the ordinary to create meaningful change, and now, we gather to reflect on our progress and embrace new possibilities.

For almost 135 years, service and personal growth have been at the core of GFWC. Central to our mission is our circle of influence — a powerful force that drives transformation, strengthens communities, and inspires action. Represented in our emblem, this symbol reflects the far-reaching impact of our efforts, demonstrating that each of us can shape a brighter future.



As we look ahead, I encourage you to champion progress—breaking barriers, sparking innovation, and harnessing our collective strength. Under the banner of Educate, Engage, Empower, we are committed to expanding knowledge, forging deeper connections, and amplifying our ability to make a difference. Education unlocks opportunity, engagement strengthens connections, and empowerment fuels meaningful action.

Together, we have upheld the values of collaboration, service, and camaraderie. Over the past year, GFWC members have enriched the arts, preserved natural resources, promoted education, supported good health, and strengthened civic engagement. You have raised awareness for domestic and sexual violence prevention and advocated for children through countless initiatives. Your dedication to both local and global communities is truly inspiring.

I am delighted to invite you to an unforgettable experience at the 2025 GFWC Annual Convention in Atlanta, Georgia, on June 6-9, 2025. Our time together will reinforce our unity and propel the General Federation of Women's Clubs into its next chapter, equipped and ready for the journey ahead. We eagerly await your arrival in Atlanta, where GFWC members will be Spinning Vision into Reality!

I extend my heartfelt congratulations on your extraordinary achievements. Your passion and perseverance embody the very spirit of GFWC. Our future holds boundless opportunities.

Yours in *Living the Volunteer Spirit!*

Suellen B. Brazil
GFWC International President

GFWC-Mississippi Federation of Women's Clubs, Inc.
127th Annual Convention

Courtyard By Marriott Gulfport Beachfront
Gulfport, Mississippi
April 24-26, 2025

Convention Theme
"Big Hearts...Little Feet."

Thursday, April 24, 2025, Pre-Convention Activities

2:30 p.m......Audit Committee Meeting President's Suite
Finance and Executive Committee Meeting President's Suite
3:00 - 6:30 p.m.Registration..... Pre-function area near Coastal Ballroom

7:00 - 9:00 p.m. Executive Board Dinner and Meeting.....Coastal Ballroom

Executive Board Dinner and Meeting
Coastal Ballroom

"You can always give something, even if its kindness." Anonymous

Hosted By:
Gulfport Women's Club and Poplarville Woman's Club

Executive Board Dinner

Welcome and RecognitionsDr. Carolyn S. Tedford, President
 Grace Renee Keith, Junior Club Advisor

Dinner

(Buffet – Please allow Head Table, Gavel Club, and Reserved Seating to go first.)

AnnouncementsShirley Wiltshire, Convention Chairman
 Door Prizes..... Jana Owen, Door Prize Chairman
 Recess.....Dr. Carolyn S. Tedford, President

Executive Board Meeting

Call to Order.....Dr. Carolyn S. Tedford, President
 Roll Call, Minutes and Correspondence Phyllis Whittington, Recording Secretary

Report of Officers

Treasurer..... Diane Rouse
 Vice PresidentMichelle Sutton
 President-elect/Membership Chairman..... Frances H. Brown

Standing Committee Reports

Finance Committee Diane Rouse, Treasurer
 Executive Committee Phyllis Whittington, Recording Secretary
 President's Special Project Diane Rouse, Chairman
 Ways and Means..... Amy Jacobs and Abby May, Co-Chairmen

New Business

Convention Survey	Dr. Carolyn S. Tedford, President
Southern Region Nomination.....	Dr. Carolyn S. Tedford, President
Announcements	Shirley Wiltshire, Convention Chairman
Collect	Tinker Forrester, GFWC-MFWC Past President 2016-2018
Adjournment.....	Dr. Carolyn S. Tedford, President

Friday, April 25, 2025

8:00 - 9:00 a.m.	Gavel Club Breakfast.....	Gulfview Boardroom
8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	Registration.....	Pre-function area near Coastal Ballroom
8:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.	Visit Ways and Means and Vendors, Shop PSP and New to You	Pre-function area near Coastal Ballroom
11:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	View Exhibits	Pre-function area near Coastal Ballroom

ALL Youth Art, Photography, Scrapbooks and Yearbooks MUST be signed out and picked up by 5:00 p.m.

Official Opening Ceremonies of The 127th Annual Convention GFWC-Mississippi Federation of Women's Clubs, Inc.

9:00 – 11:30 a.m..... Opening Ceremonies and Business Session

Coastal Ballroom

Call to Order.....	Dr. Carolyn S. Tedford, President
Invocation	Darlene C. Adams, Chaplain
Presentation of Colors.....	Gulfport High School Marine Corps JROTC
Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America....	Sheila Worley, Cosmopolitan Club
National Anthem.....	Meri F. Newell, WHRC Chairman
MFWC Welcome	Shirley Wiltshire, Convention Chairman
Introduction of Mayor Billy Hewes of Gulfport, MS	Jana Owen, City Chairman
Official Welcome	Billy Hewes, Gulfport Mayor
Response	Janae Winter, Northern District President
Recognitions	Dr. Carolyn S. Tedford, President
GFWC Greetings	Judy T. Martin, GFWC Fundraising Chairman
Southern Region Greeting	Dr. Tammie M. McCoy, GFWC Southern Region Vice President
Appointment of Tellers	Dr. Carolyn S. Tedford, President
Preliminary Credentials Report.....	Diane Rouse, Credentials Chairman
Presentation of Convention Standing Rules.....	Dr. Tammie M. McCoy, Protocol Chairman
Presentation of Convention Program	Frances H. Brown, President-elect
Presentation of Convention Committees.....	Shirley Wiltshire, Convention Chairman
Appointment of Reading Committee.....	Dr. Carolyn S. Tedford, President
Report of the Executive Board.....	Phyllis Whittington, Recording Secretary
Report of the Audit Committee	Diane Rouse, Treasurer
Report of Officers (2 minutes each).....	Dr. Carolyn S. Tedford, President
	Frances H. Brown, President-elect
	Michelle Sutton, Vice President
	Phyllis Whittington, Recording Secretary
	Diane Rouse, Treasurer
Nomination of Southern Region Officer Candidate	Michelle Sutton, Vice President
GFWC Special Programs and WHRC Awards:	
GFWC Domestic and Sexual Violence Awareness and Prevention	Susan Shurden, Chairman
GFWC Juniors' Special Program: Advocates for Children	Tina Hall, Co-Chairman

GFWC Women's History and Resource Center Award.....	Meri F. Newell, Chairman
GFWC Community Service Programs Awards:	
Arts and Culture.....	Terrie Whitehurst, Co-Chairman
Civic Engagement and Outreach	Janis Sita, Chairman
Education and Libraries	Lisa McGee, Chairman
Epsilon Sigma Omicron (ESO)	Lisa McGee, Education and Libraries Chairman
Environment.....	Michelle Sutton, Dean of Chairmen
Health and Wellness.....	Becky C. Wright, Chairman
GFWC-MFWC Special Emphasis Programs Awards:	
President's Special Project.....	Diane Rouse, Chairman
State Institutions	Michelle Sutton, Dean of Chairmen
Mississippi Public Broadcasting.....	Sue S. Freeman, Chairman
Announcements.....	Shirley Wiltshire, Convention Chairman
Recess.....	Dr. Carolyn S. Tedford, President

Visit Ways and Means, Vendors and PSP and View Exhibits

Photography and Youth Art Exhibits.....	Pre Function area near Coastal Ballroom
Scrapbooks and Yearbooks	Pre Function area near Coastal Ballroom

12:00 – 2:15 p.m.LuncheonCoastal Ballroom

Luncheon

“Every child deserves a champion; an adult who will never give up on them.” ~ Rita Pierson

Hosted By:

GFWC-MFWC Purvis Woman's Club and Fine Arts Club of Waynesboro

Presiding	Dr. Carolyn S. Tedford, President
Recognitions	Dr. Carolyn S. Tedford, President
Grace	Suzanne Byrd Poynor, GFWC-MFWC Past President 2012-2014

Lunch

(Buffet – Please allow Head Table, Gavel Club, and Reserved Seating to go first.)

Introduction of Guest Speaker.....	Stephenie Sullivan, President, Homochitto Heritage Club, Inc.
Address	Lindsay Cranford, Deputy Attorney General
Announcements	Shirley Wiltshire, Convention Chairman
Recess.....	Dr. Carolyn S. Tedford, President

2:45 – 3:30 p.m.**Business Session Continues**Coastal Ballroom

Presiding	Dr. Carolyn S. Tedford, President
GFWC Advancement Plans Awards:	
Leadership	Theresa Buntyn, Chairman
Communications and Public Relations.....	Shirley Wiltshire, Chairman
Legislation and Public Policy.....	Katie Huffman, Chairman
Fundraising and Development	Michelle Sutton, Dean of Chairmen
GFWC and GFWC-MFWC Contests Awards:	
MFWC Youth Art Contests	Deborah Warren, Chairman
MFWC Scrapbook and Yearbook.....	Dawn Vosbein, Chairman
GFWC Photography Contest.....	Gail Mitchell, Chairman

GFWC Writing Contest Eleanor J. Bayless, Chairman
 Announcements Shirley Wiltshire, Convention Chairman
 Recess..... Dr. Carolyn S. Tedford, President
 State Nominating Committee Meeting Dr. Tammie M. McCoy, Parliamentarian

Visit Ways and Means, Vendors and PSP and View Exhibits

4:30 – 5:00 p.m. .. Pick Up all Exhibits (*Youth Art, Photography and Books*)
 Pre-function area near Coastal Ballroom
6:30 – 7:15 p.m...... Photo Opportunities TBA
7:15 p.m...... Processional Assembles Coastal Ballroom
**MFWC LEADS Candidates * Jennie Award Nominees * District Clubwomen of the Year **
*Presidents of District Clubs of the Year * District Presidents * Past State Presidents*
**GFWC-MFWC Elected and Appointed Officers *Southern Region Vice President * State President*

7:30 p.m. **Banquet** **Coastal Ballroom**

Banquet

“Children are the world’s most valuable resource and its best hope for the future.” ~John F. Kennedy

Hosted By:

***Ellisville Fidelia Club and
 GFWC-MFWC Civic Woman’s Club of Picayune***

Processional Susan Shurden,
 Domestic & Sexual Violence Awareness & Prevention Chairman
 Presiding Dr. Carolyn S. Tedford, President
 Recognition and Introduction of Guests Dr. Carolyn S. Tedford, President
 Grace Darlene C. Adams, Chaplain

Dinner

(Buffet – Please allow Head Table, Gavel Club, and Reserved Seating to go first.)

Introduction of Keynote Speaker..... Dr. Carolyn S. Tedford, President
 Keynote Address Janie Walters
 Recognition of MS LEADS Delegate to GFWC Theresa Buntyn, MS LEADS Chairman
 Recognition of MFWC Jennie Award Nominees Dr. Carolyn S. Tedford, President
 GFWC-MFWC Challenge Grant Scholarship..... Cherry Moon, Chairman
 GFWC-MFWC Hebron Memorial Scholarship..... Lorri Stockstill, Chairman
 GFWC-MFWC Sarah Peugh Butterfly Scholarship Belinda Peacher, Chairman
 Clubwoman of the Year..... Dr. Carolyn S. Tedford, President
 Juniorette of the Year (JOY Award) Darlene C. Adams, Juniorette Director
 Door Prizes..... Jana Owen, Door Prize Chairman
 Announcements Shirley Wiltshire, Convention Chairman
 Recess..... Dr. Carolyn S. Tedford, President

**Following The Banquet, You Are Invited to Pajama Bingo Party Night in the
 Coastal Ballroom. Bring pajamas to donate to the Gulf Coast Center for
 Non-Violence.**

Saturday, April 25, 2025

8:00 – 10:00 a.m.Registration..... Pre-function area near Coastal Ballroom
8:00 – 9:30 a.m.Prayer Breakfast and Memorial ServiceCoastal Ballroom
9:45 – 11:45 a.m.Business SessionCoastal Ballroom

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Prayer Breakfast and Memorial Service

“Our fingerprints don’t fade from the lives we touch.” ~Judy Blume

Hosted By:
Cosmopolitan Club and
GFWC-MFWC Homochitto Heritage Club, Inc.

Presiding Frances H. Brown, President-elect
 Recognitions Frances H. Brown, President-elect
 Memorial Service Darlene C. Adams, Chaplain
 Grace Carolyn C. Huey, GFWC-MFWC Past President 2008-2010

Breakfast

(Buffet – Please allow Head Table, Gavel Club, and Reserved Seating to go first.)

Introduction of Speaker Dr. Carolyn S. Tedford, President
 Inspirational Speaker..... Janie Walters
 AnnouncementsShirley Wiltshire, Convention Chairman
 Door Prizes..... Jana Owen, Door Prize Chairman
 Recess..... Frances H. Brown, President-elect

9:45 a.m.**Business Session Continues**Coastal Ballroom

Presiding Dr. Carolyn S. Tedford, President
 Report of District Presidents Frances H. Brown, District President’s Advisor
 Juniorette Club of the Year Darlene C. Adams, Juniorette Director
 Club of the Year..... Dr. Carolyn S. Tedford, President
 Final Credentials Report..... Diane Rouse, Credentials Chairman
 Invitation to 2025 GFWC Convention..... Theresa Buntyn, GFWC-MFWC Past President 2020-2024
 Invitation to 2025 Southern Region Conference..... Dr. Tammie M. McCoy, SRC Vice President
 Invitation to 2026 State Convention Janae Winter, Northern District President
 Recognition of Host District and Clubs Dr. Carolyn S. Tedford, President
 Door Prizes..... Jana Owen, Door Prize Chairman
 Announcements Dr. Carolyn S. Tedford, President
 Collect Cherry Moon, GFWC-MFWC Challenge Grant Chairman
 Adjournment..... Dr. Carolyn S. Tedford, President

Official Closing of the 127th Annual Convention
GFWC-Mississippi Federation of Women’s Clubs, Inc.
Gulfport, MS



CREDENTIALS REPORT

	Preliminary 8:00 a.m. 4/25/25	Final Report 9:00 a.m. 4/26/25
GFWC Officers/Southern Region Officer	0/1	0/1
State Officers and Board Members	7	7
District Officers and Board Members	17	27
Past State Presidents	8	8
Club Presidents and Other Voting Delegates	5	10
Club Members/Non-voting Delegates	4	18
Visitors and Guests	0	10
Total Number of Voting Delegates	38	52
Total Number in Attendance	42	80

Hosting Clubs of GFWC-MFWC Southern District

Cosmopolitan Club	GFWC-MFWC Juniorette Diamonds
Ellisville Fidelia Club	GFWC-MFWC Les Amies Juniores
Fidelia Juniores	GFWC-MFWC Purvis Woman's Club
Fine Arts Club of Waynesboro	Lucedale Fine Arts Club
GFWC-MFWC Civic Woman's Club of Picayune	Poplarville Juniores
GFWC-MFWC Dixie Daisy Juniores	Poplarville Woman's Club
GFWC-MFWC Homochitto Heritage Club, Inc.	Women's Club of Gulfport

SPEAKERS AND ENTERTAINMENT

LINDSAY CRANFORD – *Mississippi Attorney General Office.*

Lindsay is one of the Deputy Attorneys General for the State of Mississippi. She oversees Public Integrity, Cyber Crime, Criminal Investigations, Criminal Appeals, Medicaid Fraud Control Unit and Children's Justice Divisions. In addition to her position as Deputy Attorney General, Lindsay is currently a member of the Board on Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Training (BLEOST) as well as a member of the Criminal Justice Oversight Task Force. She is a regular instructor for the Mississippi Law Enforcement Officer Training Academy (MLEOTA), the Mississippi Judicial College and the Mississippi Prosecutors Association, teaching on the topics of cybercrime, Fourth Amendment law, digital evidence and human trafficking.



Lindsay previously served as the Director of the Public Integrity Division and as a Special Assistant Attorney General in the Cyber Crime Division. During her law career, Lindsay has served in the capacity of both prosecutor and public defender, including as Chief Public Defender of the Pearl River County Public Defender's Office, one of the few full-time public defense offices in the State of Mississippi, and as an Assistant District Attorney in the Fifteenth Circuit Court District.

Lindsay received her B.A. in English from the University of Southern Mississippi and her J.D. from the University of Mississippi School of Law. Lindsay's husband, Clay, is also a career prosecutor. She has two daughters.

JANIE WALTERS – *Motivation Speaker.* Janie Walters is an award-winning professional speaker and human communications specialist. She is a master teacher with 29 years experience teaching at the high school and college levels.

Janie has spoken in 43 different states for more than 1,000 national, state, and local conferences, including the Federally Employed Women's National Training Program, the National Kidney Foundation, and the Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America National Conference. She is a member of the National Speakers' Association, Past-president of the Mississippi Theater Association, and author of three books: *The Garbage Truck Comes On Tuesdays And Fridays*, *Blow A Bubble Not A Gasket*, and a devotional titled *Develop The Habit Of Joy*.



Janie is the founder and CEO of Champion Communications, a full-service speaker and training business based in Madison, Mississippi. She may be contacted for speaking engagements by email at joyfullyjanie@aol.com or by phone at 601-613-8849.

STANDING RULES OF THE CONVENTION

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

2025 CONVENTION CHAIRMEN AND COMMITTEES

General Chairman	Shirley Wiltshire
City Chairman.....	Jana Owen
Convention Treasurer	Diane Rouse
Ad Chairman	Lisa A. Harris
Convention Kit Committee.....	Jamie Elston and Darla Goodfellow
Publicity Chairman.....	Jana Owen
Door Prize Committee.....	Jana Owen, Lisa Vella-Gatt, Lorri Stockstill and Stephenie Sullivan
Southern District Ways and Means Chairman	Pollyana Robelen
Exhibits Committee.....	Gail Mitchell, Deborah Warren and Dawn Vosbein
Hostess Committee	Sandra and Deborah Warren
Page Committee	Betina Dodd and Tina Hall
Meal Ticket and Name Tag Chairman	Diane Rouse
Platform Committee.....	Darlene C. Adams and Lisa A. Harris
Protocol Chairman	Dr. Tammie M. McCoy
Registration and Credentials Chairman	Diane Rouse
Timekeepers	Nancy Griffin
.....	Cherry Moon
Program Committee	Dr. Carolyn S. Tedford
.....	Frances H. Brown
.....	Lisa A. Harris
.....	Dr. Tammie McCoy
Tellers	Janae Winter
.....	Cindy Thompson
.....	Shirley Wiltshire



Patrons of the GFWC-MFWC 127th Annual State Convention

Gerald and Judy T. Martin

Dr. Tammie M. McCoy

Lisa McGee

Frances H. Brown

Diane Rouse

Janet Berch

GFWC-MFWC Raleigh Woman's Club

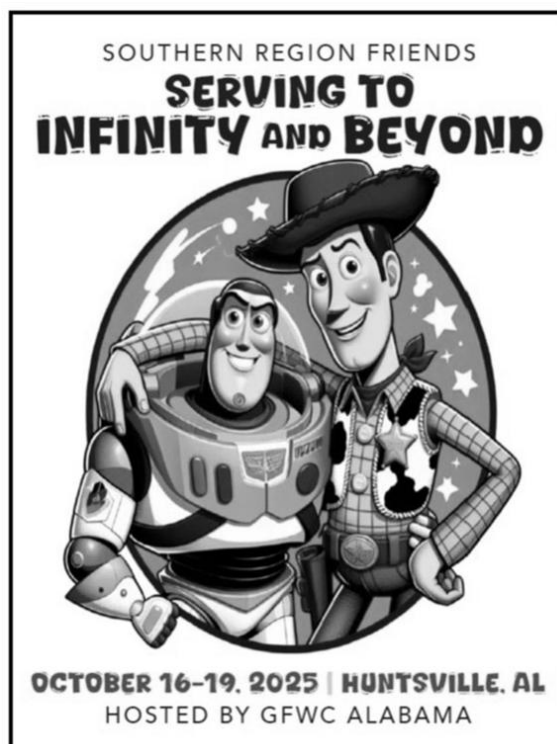
Lisa A. Harris

Amy Jacobs

Abby May

Jana Owen

Dr. Carolyn S. Tedford





GFWC–Mississippi Federation of Women's Clubs, Inc. Gavel Club

"A Legacy of Leadership"

Martha Fisher
1994–1996

Jo Anne Reid
1998–2000

Celia C. Fisher
2002–2004

Judy Thomas Martin
2006–2008

Carolyn C. Huey
2008–2010

Dr. Tammie M. McCoy
2010–2012

Suzanne Byrd Poynor
2012–2014

Darlene C. Adams
2014–2016

Tinker Forrester
2016–2018

Becky C. Wright
2018–2020

Sherri E. Reid
2020–2022

Theresa Buntyn
2022–2024





***From the first tap of the gavel as State
President to Southern Region Vice
President.***

***We are so proud of you, Dr. Tammie M.
McCoy***

***Mississippi Federation of Women's
Club, Inc.***

Congratulations



Raleigh Woman's Club 2025 Central District Classification A – Club of the Year



**Pontotoc Woman's Club
is proud of GFWC-MFWC
Vice President**



Michelle Sutton

*When traveling through
Northeast Mississippi, be
sure to visit luka and shop
at Rooster Tail Gallery &
Studio*



*119 Front Street, luka, MS
38852*

Congratulations to Nancy Griffin for
being selected as our Jennie Award
nominee!
We love you!



Civic Woman's Club of Picayune

CONGRATULATIONS MS LEADS CANDIDATES



Allyson Penton
Civic Woman's
Club of
Picayune



Beth
Reeves
Decatur Woman's
Progressive Club



Sheila
Worley
Cosmopolitan



Tracy
Williams
Fine Arts Club of
Bruce

THANK YOU FOR LIVING THE VOLUNTEER SPIRIT!
THERESA BUNTYN, MS LEADS CHAIRMAN

In
Loving Memory



Cassie
Ferguson
Bryant
1966-2024

Bruce Civic Club

*GFWC-MFWC Decatur Woman's
Progressive Club
would like to recognize these ladies.
Congratulations*



*Jeanette Thrash
"Living the Volunteer Spirit
for 60 years"*

*Beth Reeves
2025
LEADS Nominee*



*Cindy Thompson
2025
Club Woman of the Year*

Congratulations



Debbi Harrelson
President



Tracey Williams
MS LEADS
Candidate



Bridget Smith
Northern District
Clubwoman of
the Year



Fine Arts Club of Bruce
Northern District Classification
B Club of the Year

Northern District Salutes



Janae Winter,
Northern District
President.

Thank you for a year
of hard work. We
appreciate you.



Bridget Smith
Northern District
Clubwoman of the Year

Congratulations!

Northern District Clubs of the Year
Classification A – GFWC Ackerman Civic
League

Classification B – GFWC-MFWC Fine
Arts Club of Bruce

Congratulations

to

**Cosmopolitan Club
2025 Southern District
Classification B
Club of the Year!**



Cosmopolitan Club is
Proud to recognize
Miranda Short, 2025
Clubwoman of the Year
and Shelia Hawkins
Worley, our 2025 LEADS
Candidate



Cosmopolitan Club is proud to
recognize Valerie Dicharry
Wilson, recipient of the 2025
Pinnacle Evelyn Gandy
Women's Leadership Award.
Ms. Wilson also served as Petal
Area Chamber of Commerce
Director until her retirement in
2024.



**Cosmopolitan Club is proud of their
members serving on the MFWC 2024-2026
Executive Board: Jodie Brickson, Arts and
Culture Chairman, Sherri Reid, Leadership
Chairman, Libby Everett, Historian, and
Meri F. Newell, WHRC Chairman.**



**HAIR BY BYRLE
WISHES SHIRLEY
WILTSHIRE AND LINDA
HAWKINS A GREAT
CONVENTION.**





"I want to congratulate my wife, Janis Sita, on being MFWC 2024 Clubwoman of the Year"

"You're my Woman of the Year for life. God custom made you for me."

I love you,
John

Congratulations

Cherry Moon
2025 Southern
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the Year.

Purvis Woman's Club



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MFWC State Treasurer**



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Secretary*

*Poplarville Woman's
Club is proud of
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GFWC-MFWC
2024-2026
Southern District
President*





Frances H. Brown
GFWC-MFWC President-elect

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MFWC-GFWC

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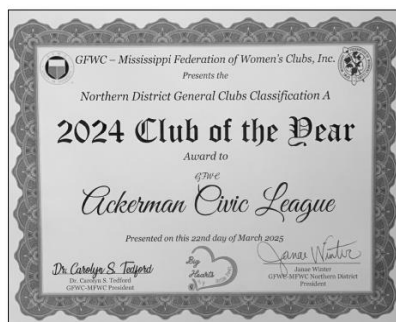
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Vice President	Michelle Sutton
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Treasurer	Diane Rouse

GFWC-MFWC DISTRICT PRESIDENTS

Northern District	Janae Winter
Central District	Diane Rouse
Southern District	Shirley Wiltshire

GFWC-MFWC APPOINTED OFFICERS

Immediate Past President	Theresa Buntyn
Parliamentarian	Dr. Tammie M. McCoy
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Juniorette Director	Darlene C. Adams
<i>Mississippi Clubwoman</i> Editor	Lisa A. Harris
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Junior Club Advisor	Renee Keith

GFWC-MFWC SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS

President's Special Assistants	Betina Dodd, Linda Hawkins and Aimeliea Dulaney
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Mississippi Public Broadcasting Chairman	Sue S. Freeman
HOBY Board Member	Dr. Carolyn S. Tedford
Mississippi Library Commission Board Member	Theresa Buntyn

PRESIDENT'S SPECIAL PROJECT

GFWC-MFWC President's Special Project, Northern	Janae Winter
Central	Diane Rouse
Southern	Shirley Wiltshire

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.....	Meri F. Newell
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.....	Judy T. Martin
.....	Frances H. Brown
.....	Dr. Carolyn S. Tedford
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.....	Diane Rouse
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.....	Deborah Dickens
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.....	Tiffany Terrell

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.....	Tina Hall
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 (1996 – 1998) Ivous Sisk
 (2006 – 2008) Rowena Drinkwater
 (2016-2018) Jo Anne Reid

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GFWC-MFWC PAST STATE PRESIDENTS 1898 - 2025

President	City	Term
* Elizabeth Hebron	Vicksburg	1898-1900
* Daisy Weems	Meridian	1900-1902
* Josie Frazee Cappleman	Okolona	1902-1904
* Mattie Lott	Meridian	1904-1906
* Elizabeth Jones	Crystal Springs	1906-1908
* Etta Mills	McComb	1908-1910
* Daisy Lampkin	Friars Point	1910-1912
* Anne Wright	Jackson	1912-1914
* Emily Price	Magnolia	1914-1916
* Marjorie McGehee	Como	1916-1918
* Janie Saunders	Swan Lake	1918-1920
* Katherine Covington	Summit	1920-1922
* Mrs. J. C. Hardy	Gulfport	1922-1924
* Blanche Ralston	Coahoma	1924-1926
* Susie V. Powell	Jackson	1926-1928
* Catherine Haley	Okolona	1928-1930
* Rosabel Foreman	Meridian	1930-1932
* Mrs. O. B. Taylor	Jackson	1932-1934
* Lillian Coulter	Columbia	1934-1936
* Mamie Wilson	Hazlehurst	1936-1938
* Gladys Nash	West Point	1938-1940
* Birdie Ellis	Meridian	1940-1942
* Willie Beckett Howorth	West Point	1942-1944
* Orell Pitard	Jackson	1944-1946
* Corrine Mitts	Enterprise	1946-1948
* Hattie Gautier	Pascagoula	1948-1950
* Effie Neal	Jackson	1950-1952
* Zou Eddie Pierce	Greenwood	1952-1954
* Doris Patterson	Pontotoc	1954-1956
* Anna Mary Davis	Hattiesburg	1956-1958
* Evelyn Davis	Union	1958-1960
* Fannie Lois Kilpatrick	Fulton	1960-1962
* Evelyn Burson	Long Beach	1962-1964
* Mary Lou McKie	Pickens	1964-1966
* Effie Perry	Philadelphia	1966-1968
* Miriam Simmons	Columbia	1968-1970
* Kitty Grafton	Picayune	1970-1972
* Jonnie Riley	New Hebron	1972-1974
* Elizabeth Powers	Greenwood	1974-1976
* Peggie Herrington	Natchez	1976-1978
* Jean Brett	Laurel	1978-1980
* Rachel Malone Jackson	Cleveland	1980-1982
* Betty Jo Dulaney	Tunica	1982-1984

GFWC-MFWC PAST STATE PRESIDENTS 1898 - 2025

President	City	Term
* Gladys Jackson	Jackson	1984-1986
* Ivous Sisk	Fulton	1986-1988
* Julia Algood	Jackson	1988-1990
* Mary Arndt	Ocean Springs	1990-1992
* Rowena Drinkwater	Clinton	1992-1994
Martha Fisher	Blue Mountain	1994-1996
* Sue Thompson	Meridian	1996-1998
Jo Anne Reid	Ackerman	1998-2000
* Tommye Rosenbaum	Walnut Grove	2000-2002
Celia Fisher	Okolona	2002-2004
Deborah Dickens	Prentiss	2004-2006
Judy Thomas Martin	Raleigh	2006-2008
Carolyn C. Huey	Picayune	2008-2010
Tammie M. McCoy	Pontotoc	2010-2012
Suzanne Byrd Poynor	Florence	2012-2014
Darlene C. Adams	Picayune	2014-2016
Tinker Forrester	Ackerman	2016-2018
Becky C. Wright	Banner	2018-2020
Sherri E. Reid	Petal	2020-2022
Theresa Buntyn	Decatur	2022-2024

*Deceased