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President's Message



Hello from your President!

The Garden Clubs of Mississippi, Inc. (GCM) 97th Annual Convention in Natchez was indeed "Mahvalous on the Mississippi." A big shout out to Natchez Garden Club for hosting this event and making it so memorable. Pictures and a recap are included herein. If you could not attend this year, please mark your calendars for the 2027 convention in Bay St. Louis April 13–15. Bay Waveland Garden Club is planning an exciting beach themed event for GCM. Our NGC president, Donna Donnely, will be joining us as well as our Deep South Director, Denise Thorne.

The Spring Workshop District meetings hosted in the six districts of GCM were all excellent with unique décor and inspiring programs and speakers. Thank you to each of the host clubs for a Mahvalous job!!! These meetings offer

members an opportunity to stay connected to GCM and to meet new friends, share ideas with other clubs and get program ideas for your club. Invitations to the Fall Awards District meetings are posted on our website: gardenclubsofmississippi.com Please make every effort to attend as clubs will be recognized for their achievements.

IMPORTANT NEWS FLASH! Award and Grant applications will now be submitted to one email: gcmawards@gmail.com. A confirmation email will be sent automatically to confirm receipt. These applications will then be sent to the appropriate chairman by our awards and grants committees. After much research and consideration, GCM feels that this will eliminate the problem of applications being lost or sent to spam and easier for the awards committee to account for every application.

GCM offers many opportunities to its members. These include four NGC schools: Landscape Design, Environmental, Gardening and Flower Show Schools. Flower shows and fundraisers will be announced in our weekly Monday Moments. Please read these emails!

And remember ...

"Garden Clubs Make Mississippi MAHVALOUS – Sow, Grow, EDUCATE, Show"

Sincerely,

Sassy Mauldin

GCM President 2025–2027

Important Dates and Deadlines

NOTE: For more information on any event, refer to the GCM Website.

Event	Dates	Location
River Road District Fall Meeting	September 22	Hosted by Canton Garden Club
Hills & Delta District Fall Meeting	September 23	Hosted by Winona Garden Club
Tombigbee Valley District Fall Meeting	September 24	Hosted by Oxford Garden Club
Natchez Trace District Fall Meeting	September 29	Hosted by Spring Lake Garden Club of Pearl
Southern Pines District Fall Meeting	September 30	Hosted by Taylorsville Garden Club
Spanish Trail Fall District Meeting	October 1	Hosted by Long Beach Garden Club
Youth Garden Club Register Deadline	October 1	
Yearbook Deadline	October 1	
GCM Awards Deadline	December 1	
GCM Grants Deadline	February 1	

97th Annual GCM Convention: "MAHVALOUS on the Mississippi"

The 97th Annual GCM Convention, "MAHVALOUS on the Mississippi" was held in the beautiful city of Natchez, perched on the bluffs overlooking the mighty Mississippi River. Hosted by the Natchez Garden Club, the convention was chaired by Donna Sessions and Jennifer Smith, with Carla Stringer serving as the GCM Convention Liaison. Garden club members from across Mississippi gathered in Natchez, with 204 attendees enjoying a wonderful time of fellowship, education, and celebration.

Early arrivals were welcomed with a delicious barbecue buffet in the Louisiana Room, where they enjoyed spectacular views of the Mississippi River while being entertained by Drew Davis and Bubba McCabe.

The Special Awards Luncheon recognized newly organized garden clubs and their sponsoring clubs, along with numerous other special honors. Sassy Mauldin presented the prestigious GCM Silver Award to Sandra McCaulla and the GCM Gold Award to Jim DelPrince, both very deserving recipients. Platinum Anniversary Certificates were presented to Dogwood Garden Club of Ocean Springs and Taylorsville Garden Club in recognition of 75 years of federation. The Gold Anniversary Certificate, commemorating 50 years of federation, was presented to Forget-Me-Not Garden Club of Meridian. Congratulations to these outstanding clubs on their milestone anniversaries!

The National Garden Clubs, Inc. (NGC) Petite Design Specialty Flower Show, "Rolling on the River," was held at the Natchez Grand Hotel. Chaired by Hillary Freeman and co-chaired by Allison Viator of McComb Garden Club, the show featured 48 petite designs and three educational exhibits. Attendees enjoyed the artistry, creativity, and educational displays presented throughout the exhibition. The Top Awards given were: Award of Design Excellence and Award of Distinction, Mallory Robinson; Tri Color Award, Debby Cooper; Designer's Choice Award, Nan Davis; Table Artistry Award, Hillary Freeman; and Educational Top Exhibitor Award, Darlene Underwood.

On Tuesday afternoon, attendees toured Linden, a beautifully restored historic bed-and-breakfast that is featured on Natchez's renowned Spring and Fall Pilgrimage Tours. The home's rich history and timeless elegance made it a memorable experience.

The Design Banquet featured Brenda Zerby of Moreton's Flowerland. Five beautifully designed tables, each showcasing a unique theme, surrounded the perimeter of the great room at the Natchez Convention Center. Creative floral arrangements, distinctive design elements, and imaginative tablescapes delighted attendees. This special event was sponsored in part by the Mississippi Flower Show Judges Council.

Wednesday morning workshops were presented by John Grady Burns, proprietor of Nest, and Jason Dean of the Mississippi Gulf Coast Camellia Society. Both presenters shared valuable knowledge and inspiration, and attendees thoroughly enjoyed their informative programs.

The Awards Luncheon was well attended as GCM awards were presented to deserving clubs and individuals in recognition of their outstanding accomplishments and service throughout the year. The McComb Garden Club was honored as the Garden Clubs of Mississippi Garden Club of the Year, a well-deserved recognition of the club's outstanding achievements, dedication, and service to the community and the organization.

As the convention came to a close and thunderstorms began rolling in from the river, garden club friends exchanged hugs, wished one another safe travels, and looked forward to gathering again at the Spring District Workshops. By all accounts, the 97th Annual GCM Convention was truly **"MAHVALOUS!"**

See the GCM website for convention photos: <https://www.gardenclubsofmississippi.com/photo-gallery> .

Save the Date for future GCM State Conventions:

April 13-14, 2027

Bay St. Louis, MS

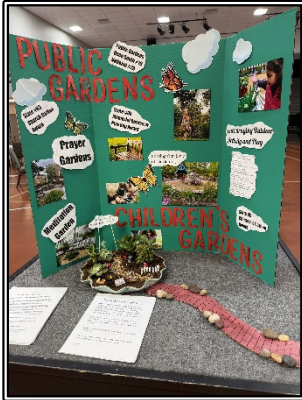
Hosted by: Bay Waveland Garden Club

April 4-5, 2028 (tentative)

Leland, MS

Hosted by: Leland Deer Creek Garden Club

Hills & Delta District



Kim Rustom, Chairperson

The Hills and Delta Spring District Meeting was held on June 9th and was co-hosted by the DeSoto Civic Garden Club and the Design Masters Garden Club. The theme was "Come Picnic with Us." The event was facilitated by DeSoto Garden Club President Jane Borgognoni and provided attendees with an enjoyable day of education, creativity, and fellowship.

Members of the Design Masters Garden Club welcomed guests with beautiful and original table centerpieces. The arrangements showcased a variety of styles and highlighted important principles of floral design, creating an inspiring display for everyone in attendance.

Participants enjoyed two informative workshops. Debby Cooper presented a program on the basics of floral design while Dawn Weiss demonstrated how to use fabric grow bags to plant herbs, vegetables, and flowers. Dawn's themed container gardens illustrated how simple plantings can become attractive and thoughtful gifts. Both presentations provided practical ideas that attendees could easily take home and try for themselves.



Debby Cooper Workshop

During the business session, GCM President Sassy Maulden shared an update on the organization and introduced the new President's Kit table of contents. Angelia Wade and Sandra McCaulla also presented information regarding the new awards process.



Dawn Weiss Workshop

The day concluded with a wonderful picnic lunch and an opportunity for members to visit and enjoy one another's company. The meeting was a successful blend of education, inspiration, and friendship, reflecting the spirit of the Hills and Delta District and its member clubs.

Natchez Trace District



Angelyn Cannada, Emily Grohovsky-speaker, Susie Puckett-The GCJ President

The Garden Club of Jackson (GCJ) hosted the Natchez Trace Spring District Workshop at the Mississippi Museum of Art. The event was organized under the direction of Susie Pucket, President of the Garden Club of Jackson and Nan Harris, Natchez Trace District Director. Sassy Mauldin, GCM State President, provided attendees with an update on the Deep South Cruise and NGC convention, along with activities and initiatives across the state.

Ten clubs were represented, and a total of 128 members and guests attended the workshop. The floral arrangements highlighted the horticultural variety maintained by the museum and provided a garden-like setting for the day's presentations.

A heartfelt moment was shared by Joy Cannada in remembrance of Eloise Cumbaa, whose contributions and bright spirit were fondly recalled by members of the Garden Clubs of Mississippi.

Emily Grohovasky of Cedar Hill Gardens delivered an informative program on gardening with native plants. She emphasized the benefits of incorporating native species into home landscapes and encouraged gardeners to include native plants alongside vegetables in kitchen and ornamental gardens to support biodiversity and promote resilient plantings.



Nan Harris, NTD Director, and Sassy Mauldin, GCM President



GCM Executive Board Members: Carla Stringer, GCM 2nd VP, Sassy Mauldin, GCM President; Hollidae Morrison of The GCJ and MMA; Dixie Thornton, 3rd VP; and Angelia Wade, Executive Secretary

Hollidae Morrison, Garden Coordinator at the Mississippi Museum of Art and a member of the GCJ, expressed appreciation for the GCM's donation to the museum gardens. The contribution funded interpretive signage for the gardens. The new signage includes QR codes that allow visitors to access detailed information about each plant variety, enhancing the educational experience for local and international visitors to the museum.

The workshop was a successful and enjoyable gathering that combined education, remembrance, and community support for public gardens.

River Road District



GCM President Sassy Mauldin with outgoing Belzoni Garden Club President Jill Smith.



GCM President Sassy Mauldin with incoming Rolling Fork Garden Club President Meg Cooper.

The River Road District of GCM held its 2026 Spring Meeting in Belzoni, where more than 60 members from across the Mississippi Delta gathered for a day of fellowship, education, and celebration of community service. Hosted by the Belzoni and Isola Garden Clubs, the meeting featured patriotic décor, beautiful floral arrangements, and a virtual presentation by Debbie Stockstill from Garden Clubs of America who toured us around some of America's premier flower festivals and botanical gardens. It really inspired us to travel our beautiful country and see some of these amazing destinations.

A highlight of the meeting came when GCM President Sassy Mauldin announced that the River Road District earned the highest number of NGC awards in the state. The Belzoni Garden Club, Leland-Deer Creek Garden Club, and Rolling Fork Garden Club also received additional NGC Certificates of Appreciation recognizing their outstanding service during 2025. Members enjoyed warm hospitality, delicious refreshments, and the opportunity to celebrate the accomplishments of clubs throughout the district while strengthening friendships and their shared commitment to beautification, conservation, and community engagement.



GCM President Sassy Mauldin with outgoing Leland Deer Creek Garden Club President Patti Livingston

Southern Pines District



Sassy Mauldin presents Magnolia Garden Club Certificate of Charter to District Director Lynne Wood.

Southern Pines District Meeting was held Jun 2, 2026 and was hosted by the Forest Garden Club in the beautiful B. Gatewood Studio and Gallery in historic downtown Forest. The meeting was called to order by the Southern Pines District Director Lynne Wood. GCM President Sassy Mauldin held a question and answer on the President's Kit. Angelia Wade, GCM Executive Secretary went over changes to the state awards



Sassy Mauldin with Angie Gainey, President of Magnolia Garden Club and club members.

applications and Monday Moments. Carla Stringer, GCM 2nd Vice President reported on the GCM State Convention in Natchez.



Sassy Mauldin, Lynne Wood, Dana Nowell of Twelve 2 Farm, and Karen Ingle, Forest Garden Club President.

The guest speaker was Dana Nowell, owner of Twelve2 Farms. Her program was very inspirational. Twelve2 Farm is a family-owned u-pick flower farm. They sponsor many events throughout the year, and garden clubs are welcome. The enthusiasm was contagious.

All in all, it was a beautiful day with wonderful food, lots of information, and beautiful gardeners. The total attendance included 53 members with 11 clubs represented and 16 board of directors.

Spanish Trail District



Sassy Mauldin, GCM President greeted by Reuben McDowell.

More than 100 members of the Spanish Trail District gathered at the Magnolia Grille in Columbia, MS on June 3, 2026, for a **Red, White and Bloom Picnic** hosted by the Pine Needle Garden Club. Attendees were welcomed by Columbia's famous White Squirrel statue and a patriotic greeting from Rueban McDowell, who arrived dressed as Uncle Sam, setting the perfect tone for a fun-filled day.

Under the leadership of Jutta White, Spanish Trail District Director; Jane Davis, Club President; and Cindy Willingham, District Meeting Chairperson; members enjoyed an informative and engaging meeting. Sassy Mauldin, GCM President, led an excellent question-and-answer session highlighting the President's Kit available on the GCM website.

With four large television screens throughout the room, every attendee had a great view of the demonstrations. Executive Secretary Angelia Wade introduced the new awards process, and Carla Stringer, 2nd Vice President, shared highlights from the recent convention. Each presentation provided valuable information for club leaders and members alike. All of the presentations were informative.



A watermelon-filled flower arrangement.



A southern porch decorated for America 250

Jutta introduced Jane Davis as mistress of ceremonies for a delightful skit presented by the Pine Needle Club members. The program showcased creative ways to decorate front porches while celebrating America 250, encouraging gardeners to display their patriotic spirit with red, white, and blue flowers, festive wreaths, flags and other welcoming touches. The day concluded with a picnic-style

luncheon, wonderful fellowship, and plants of patriotic inspiration. It was truly a MAHVALOUS day celebrating GCM, education, friendship and our nation's 250th birthday.

Tombigbee Valley District



*Sassy Mauldin, GCM
President and Cindy Kirk,
Tombigbee Valley District
Director*

The Tombigbee Valley Spring District meeting was a patriotic affair. Members of Columbus Garden Club and Galaxy Garden Club coordinated to create a fun and festive atmosphere decorating St. Paul's Episcopal Church with red roses and carnations, white hydrangeas and lilies, and blue hydrangeas and delphiniums. The America 250 theme was carried through with guest speaker Nancy Carpenter, Director of Columbus Cultural Heritage Foundation and Director of "America 250-Mississippi," who enlightened the assembly with fun facts about Columbus and how the Magnolia State would be celebrating our nation's semiquincentennial.

GCM President Sassy Mauldin announced that all award applications will now be sent to one email address which should greatly simplify the awards process. The group also heard about the reopened Memorial Brick fundraiser and were formally invited to attend the 2027 GCM State Convention hosted by Bay Waveland Garden Club next April. After the business portion of the meeting was completed, guests viewed some amazing artwork by Virginia Branch and Ethel

Wright Mohamed, relatives of host garden club members. In addition, Eulalie Davis conducted a tour of the historic sanctuary's stained-glass windows. 69% of the district clubs were represented at the meeting.



*Dottie Gozan, President of
Dogwood Hills Garden Club
and Nancy Carpenter, Director*

Meet Your GCM Executive Officers

GCM Historian, Paula Grayson



Paula has been married to Larry for 56 years and they have one son and one grandson. They are active in their church where Paula currently serves as Sunday School Director.

Paula has been an active member of a garden club since 1971 when she joined her grandmother's club. Paula later joined the Forget-Me-Not Garden Club when her grandmother's club "aged out." She is currently the president of the Dalewood Garden Club, which she joined in 1988 after moving to Lauderdale. Paula helped this club become federated with GCM in 1992 and has served in all offices, as chairman in both clubs, and on the

Meridian Council of Garden Clubs.

Paula served her first term on the GCM Board of Directors as Southern Pines Director 1995–1997 and again as Director 2011–2013. In the 31 years she has been on the GCM board, Paula has held various chairmanships including State Life membership, National Life membership, National Gardener, Church Gardens, Nature Grants, and Habitat for Humanity. She currently serves as Grants Chairman and Historian.

Paula attended her first flower show school in 1976 and has been a Master Flower Show Judge since 1990. She was President of the Mississippi Flower Show Judges Council 2021–2023.

Of all her garden club accomplishments, Paula is most proud of mentoring her two younger sisters, May Hall and Melinda Causey, in their garden club work.

Coordinator of Districts, Jayne Cooper



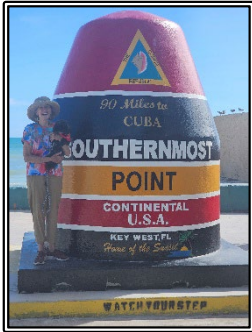
Jayne Cooper is a captured Yankee born in Gloucester, Massachusetts. She traveled the country with her United States Marine Corps family settling in Jacksonville, North Carolina. She graduated from Camp Lejeune High School and attended NC State.

Jayne has been married to her husband Daryl for 52 years and resides in Laurel. They have a son Ryan, daughter Allison, and 4 fabulous grandsons.

Jayne, now retired, was a media advertising executive for 20 years where she developed and nurtured a talent for writing award winning commercials and political and pageant speeches. Jayne has been very active in her community as a member of the board of directors of the Laurel Little Theater, Cancer Society, the Laurel Ballet Guild, Past President of the Laurel Tennis Association and is a life member of the Junior Auxiliary. She is currently a volunteer and a Docent-in-training at the Lauren Rogers Museum of Art. Jayne is a competitive league tennis player and is very proud that she "finally" understands the Mahjong game.

Jayne's garden club introduction began 12 years ago with Park Place Garden Club where she still holds many committee chairmanships. She has been part of the GCM umbrella as past Conservation Chairman and presently Adopt-A-Park Chairman, awards committee member, two terms as Southern Pines District Director, and currently as Coordinator of Districts.

Hills & Delta District Director, Debbie Enis



Debbie was born at Camp Atterbury in Franklin, Indiana, while her 19-year-old father served in the U.S. Army. She and her mother moved to her father's hometown of Carthage, Missouri, when he deployed to Korea. Upon his return, the family grew, making her the eldest of five children. When Debbie was 12 years old, her father's career change led to the family relocating to Jackson, Mississippi, where she later graduated from Callaway High School.

Following a lifelong dream to pursue nursing, she enrolled at St. Dominic's School of Nursing. During her second year, she was recruited by the United States Navy and was officially sworn in as a Navy Nurse upon graduation. Debbie went on to earn a Bachelor of Science in Nursing from Northeastern University in Boston, Massachusetts, followed by Master of Science in Nursing from the University of Mississippi in Jackson. While working at the veterans hospital in Jackson, she met her husband, gained a wonderful stepson, and later welcomed three grandchildren.

Debbie continued serving her country in the Naval Reserves while working in her civilian healthcare career, eventually retiring after a distinguished 45-year nursing career that included 21 years of military service.

Her passion for gardening began in her youth while working alongside her grandmother and helping her father with yard work. Debbie's grandmother passed down a wealth of knowledge on growing flowers and vegetables, canning, and sand composting—skills and traditions she continues to practice today.

Demonstrating her commitment to the community, Debbie has served the Winona Garden Club as President, Vice-President, and Chair of various committees. Beyond the garden she enjoys traveling, camping, crocheting, machine embroidery, and spending time with her beloved dog, Leo.

Natchez Trace District Director, Nan Harris



Nan graduated from Mississippi College with a degree in accounting and a master's degree in teaching and is serving her second year as a District Director while celebrating 16 years as a member of Chautauqua Garden Club in Crystal Springs. Joining the garden club was all because of her mother's encouragement. At 98 years old, Nan's mother still comes to some of the meetings and enjoys working in her own yard.

Nan's husband is always willing to help with her gardening projects, and together they enjoy growing roses, hostas, and tomatoes—her favorites. They are also blessed with two wonderful daughters, four grandchildren, and one precious great-granddaughter. Over the past year, Nan has learned so much about GCM and has really enjoyed attending the conventions and board meetings. It's been a wonderful experience, and she looks forward to continuing to learn and serve!

River Road District Director, Stephanie Patton



Stephanie Patton is currently the Executive Director of Health System Development for Delta Health System. In her role as Executive Director, she researches and applies for grant funding to support hospital operations. Additionally, she manages the programmatic execution and reporting of the federal and state funds received through awarded grants. Before moving to the Mississippi Delta in 2011, she enjoyed a career in the national magazine publishing field for over 20 years with Time Warner. Her tenure included lifestyle titles such as *Southern Living* and *Progressive Farmer*. Her last role at Time Warner was as Vice President of the Custom Publishing division based in Birmingham, AL. She was awarded the Time Warner President's Award for revenue generation in 1999.

After moving to the Mississippi Delta in 2010, Stephanie acquired *The Leland Progress* newspaper and served as its Editor/Publisher for 13 years. She used her newspaper platform to promote and support local and regional economic and civic efforts, which in turn, afforded her the opportunity to become connected with many community-service organizations and to serve in leadership roles.

In 2013, she initiated a local partnership that led to the opening of The Thompson House Bed & Breakfast in Leland. Stephanie is currently an active member of the following:

- The Mississippi Delta National Heritage Area Board of Directors (Governor's Appointee and Board Chairman)
- The Kings Daughters and Sons Circle No. 2 Board of Directors (Past President)
- The Leland-Deer Creek Garden Club (Past President)
- Garden Clubs of Mississippi (District Director)
- Leland Presbyterian Church - Elder

- Boots To Beyond, Inc. Board of Directors (Veterans Assistance Organization)
- The Mississippi Economic Council Board of Directors

Southern Pines District Director, Lynne Wood



Lynne grew up in Pearl and Rankin County. She and her husband, John have been married 45 years. They have 3 perfect grand children and 2 beautiful great granddaughters.

Lynne loves her pets. She has three dogs, a flock of chickens and a bevy of white doves. And yes, they all have names.

Her community involvement includes leadership with a faith-based recovery center for women. Her heart is in teaching these ladies every week for the past 5 years. She's also very active in kid's ministry at her church.

Lynne joined her first garden club in 1991, the Nocturnal Garden Club, which later merged with the Canton Garden Club. She and her husband later moved to the Tuscola community of Leake County and joined the Forest Garden Club.

She served as President of the Canton Garden Club and the local convention chairman of the GCM State Convention held in Canton that year.

Her roles with GCM began in 1995. She served as *Miss Gardener* editor several years. She served as the River Road District Director. And president of the Mississippi Flower Show Judges Council in 2013.

Her love for gardening began with her great grandmother's flowers. Much of her gardening success she credits to what grandmother taught her as a child. And most days you will still find her in the garden.

Spanish Trail District Director, Jutta White



Jutta White likes to believe that her leadership reflects a lifelong commitment to education, service, and community. A Canton, Ohio, native, Jutta earned a BS in Home Economics from The Ohio State University and a MAT from Webster University in St. Louis. Before retiring and moving to Hattiesburg in 2001, she taught Family and Consumer Science for 24 years at Ladue Middle School in St. Louis; she later taught in the Child and Family Studies Department at Southern Miss. Jutta and her husband, Joe, have been married for fifty-nine years and have known each other since first grade. They have two children and six grandchildren, and they moved to

Hattiesburg to help their son Tom open 206 Front restaurant and Bianchi's Pizzeria. Jutta has served as president of OLLI at the University of Southern Mississippi, where she also taught cooking classes for several years. A member of Twentieth Star DAR since 2011, she has served

as Regent, Coastal Plains District Director, and MSSDAR Parliamentarian. After the restaurants were sold, she joined Hub City Garden Club in 2019 and served as Secretary and President. Jutta enjoys duplicate bridge, sewing, reading, and gardening. As Spanish Trail District Director, she values the opportunity to serve the community, connect with club members, and continue learning about gardening in the South.

Tombigbee Valley District Director, Cindy Kirk



Cindy was born in Memphis, attended high school in Russellville, Arkansas, and earned a BA in Communications from Southern Methodist University in Dallas, Texas. After college, she moved to Frederick, Maryland to work as a fundraiser for The Humane Society, fulfilling her lifelong goal of working with animals without attending veterinary school. At 24, she became the youngest person ever to serve on the board of The Humane Society of the United States. She continued working in animal care for many years, living and working in Ohio, Kentucky, and Arizona.

After returning to Memphis in 2002, Cindy met local chef Johnny Kirk—a meeting that led to both marriage and a career change. In 2003, Cindy and Johnny opened Stella restaurant. Five years later, Cindy left the restaurant—but not the chef—to launch Bee Inspired, a home staging company, with her best friend. In 2015, the Kirks fulfilled Johnny’s dream of living in Oxford full time.

Gardening and flower arranging had long interested Cindy, but they became a passion after she joined The Oxford Garden Club in 2020. She has enjoyed not only making new friends with similar interests but also all the educational opportunities afforded by GCM and NGC. Cindy recently completed Mississippi State University’s Master Floral Designer program, and hopes to earn full certification this year. She has served as flower show chairman, treasurer, and president of The Oxford Garden Club, recently joined Master Floral Design group, and currently serves as the Tombigbee Valley District Director. Cindy looks forward to many more years of learning and making new friends in the garden club.

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South with Flowers and Trees, for the
Birds and Bees”