

MFWDC Convention Report 2018  
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2018 Recruitment and Future Recruitment Plans

This year, without a great deal of success, I spoke with various members of the Women's Caucus and members of progressive groups in SWMO, Mid Missouri, and Southeast Missouri about joining or starting MFWDC Chapters in their respective areas. There is some interest in Mid MO and in the Branson area, but it has not yet resulted in an increase in clubs in 2018.

I am not giving up hope that our younger women can be persuaded that MFWCD is an organization where they can help recruit, support, and work toward having more women serve in our State Legislature, Statewide offices, and at local and county levels as elected officials.

My plan for the following year is to continue to try to recruit younger Democrats to the MFWDC ranks by focusing on areas where they have Women Democratic Candidates on the ballot for State Legislature and for County Offices. These candidates and campaigns can use all the help they can get... to win in 2018. We can also persuade local women that Women candidates need a thriving local MFWDC chapter to support their candidacy, in a variety of ways.

As the centennial of women's suffrage approaches I plan to use MDP Lists of Women Candidates, this centennial milestone, social media outreach, and networking with grass roots organizations across the state, to bolster our number of clubs and the numbers enrolled in our existing clubs.

To work on this program in the upcoming year I want to make sure to obtain the links to all existing club Facebook, Twitter, and Websites. With these I will contact local grass roots orgs and promote attendance for existing club. If you run your CD Women's Club social media or website or an individual Club social media or website please meet up with me so I can like all your pages before we depart this weekend.

Democratically Yours,

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## Report of the 2019 MFWDC Annual Meeting Committee and the 7<sup>th</sup> District WDC

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We are planning for the 2019 MFWDC Annual meeting. We are working with President Cindy Jenks and Convention Advisor Dorothy Adams on getting a contract with the Capital Plaza Hotel for May 31, June 1-2, 2019 to hold the convention. You will be seeing our members "shadowing" the 8<sup>th</sup> District ladies as they host the 2018 MFWDC Annual Meeting. We are sure we will learn a great deal from these experienced ladies. Many of our members are "newbies" and are scared and excited about taking on the responsibility. We promise to make 2019 one of the best annual meetings ever. Nanda Nunnally-Sparks and I will be chairing the event. One of my jobs today is to take pictures of the facility to help in our planning.

We are working with the theme of "Suffragists" to celebrate the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the passage of Women's Suffrage in Missouri. We will have flyers for the attendees of this 2018 Annual Meeting. We have a theatrical production for a major part of the entertainment for the banquet. I have seen it and it is great and very "professional." Be scouting for your "outfit"; there will be a costume contest at the banquet for the best dressed suffragist.

We are working to make sure the attendees have a great time, learn some new information, become energized to get out and work for Democratic candidates and ideals, and MAKE MONEY FOR THE MFWDC!

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