2021 OFMC Virtual State Convention

JULY 24, 2021
9AM-12NOON
HAVE YOUR MOON PIE & FAVORITE MUG READY FOR BREAK!
Opening Session

Welcome & Call to Order

Roll Call-establish Quorum

Approval of Agenda-change

Collect
OFMC Collect

We praise and thank Thee, Father, for the gift of music. Through us, as channels of Thy grace, may this blessed legacy be shared with all mankind.

Grant that we may exemplify in our own lives the harmony of Thy great purpose for us.

Give us magnitude of soul, and such understanding hearts that we who make music may be as players upon rightly tuned instruments responding to Thy leading.

Let us with renewed consecration dedicate ourselves to the purpose of our Federation, to bring the spiritualizing force of music to the inner life of our nation.

Open our minds that divine knowledge and wisdom may teach us how best to execute our pledge.
Federation Hymn

Sung by Moriah Schmidt, Poteau Musical Arts President
Dr. Andre Chiang  
Asst. Professor of Voice, OSU  

2017 NFMC Young Artist Winner  
2021 NFMC Y Men’s Voice Chair  

Performing  
- “Votre Toast” a/k/a Toreador song from Carmen  
- “This Nearly Was Mine” from South Pacific  

Dr. Chiang Performance
National Federation
Honored Guest

Lisa Smith
NFMC Festival Chair:
2015-2021
NFMC Festivals Bulletin
Editor: 2021-2025
Junior Festival Report

Presented by Bonita Blackburn
OFMC Junior/State Festival Chair

• 2021 District Festival Statistics
• 2022 State Festival April 30 Ada
• June 13, 2021 Festival Meeting
• New Festival Secretary, Amanda Welch
Alberta May BlackBurn

(Pictured with Daughter Bonita Blackburn)

Alberta was an “unofficial” member of the Ada Area Senior Club, helping with District Festival since 2008, and at State Festival in 2018 & 2019. She died at age 96 on October 18, 2020. Moving to Ada as a child, she remained there becoming a homemaker, local historian and member of Central Church of Christ. She always came to the door to listen to Bonita’s student Luke Woodward when he played Debussy’s “Clair de Lune.” Still driving a car at 96.
In Memoriam
“Moments of Memory”

Pete Belisle

Wednesday Morning Music Club-Okmulgee

Pete’s life had many different chapters, but music and church became a vital part of his life early on. He sang, directed and performed (vocally and instrumentally) at several churches, the Wednesday Morning Music Club, for a Dixieland Band and TU Civic Shows. Pete wrote hymns and had them orchestrated. He died at age 95, November 3, 2018 only months after his last public performance.
In Memoriam
“Moments of Memory”

Betty Marcha
MacDowell Club of Allied Arts, Altus

Died at age 82 on February 9, 2021. Moving to Altus in 1969, she served Grace United Methodist Church as children’s choir director and adult choir director, continuing as adult choir member. Betty was a longtime Treasurer and member of the MacDowell Club.
In Memoriam

“Moments of Memory”

Shirley Stricklan

Schubert Music Club, Lawton

Died at age 71 on May 29, 2021. She was an active member for many years, singing in the “Messiah” presentation until her health began to fail. Shirley at one point in time attended Cameron University as a music major.
In Memoriam
“Moments of Memory”
Valarie Brown
Poteau Musical Arts, Poteau

Died at age 67 on November 17, 2019. Valarie graduated from Poteau High School. She served her church over 50 years as church pianist, Sunday School teacher, and Women’s Bible Study Groups’ teacher. She was an avid member of both the Cavanal Chorale performing group and her Poteau Club.
In Memoriam
“Moments of Memory”

Verna Sue Ward
Poteau Musical Arts, Poteau

Died at age 72 on December 15, 2019. Verna was a Sunday School teacher, Deaconess and choir member at First Christian Church for over 30 years.
In Memoriam
“Moments of Memory”

Luke Woodward Performing
“Clair De Lune” by Claude Debussy
Senior Ada Home School
Break
Resume at 10:45am

Come back for the second half ready to enjoy your Moon Pie & your favorite mug!

Don’t forget to grab your crazy hat during break. We’ll be sharing later!

Did you know? Iconic Moon Pie treats and OFMC were both “born” in 1917.
Business Session

Lavonna’s Comments

Approve Minutes 2020 State Convention (e-mail) Sept. 26, 2020

Discussion and vote to approve Bylaw Amendments

Discussion and vote to approve Standing Rules Amendments

Election/Allowing nominations from the floor/Installation

OFMC President
Catherine Coke
Lavonna’s Comments

Presented by Lavonna Whitesell
Outgoing NFMC South Central Region Vice President
National Representative and Past OFMC President
Election of Officers

Allowing nominations from the floor

President, Catherine Coke (West District-Altus, MacDowell Club)

Vice President, Susan Gates (East District-Seminole, Wetumka Hyechka Club)*

Treasurer, Melanie Bayles (East District-Bartlesville Musical Research Society)

Recording Secretary, Diann Henson (East District-Poteau Musical Arts)

East District Vice President, Debra Rue (Ponca City-Ponca City Federated Music Club)*

West District Vice President, Carisa Schreiner (Frederick-Individual Membership)

*Revised slate approved by BOD June 16, 2021
Student Performers

Abby Davis
Kate Branstetter

Vocal Duet from Ponca City Federated Music Club
“Brimstone and Treacle” from Mary Poppins
Treasurer’s Report

Presented by Treasurer Melanie Bayles

- Account Balance
- Upcoming expenses
- Important notes
The Crazy Hats Have It

Put on your favorite hat and show your fun flair for the finale!
Business Session

Discussion and vote on new OFMC Logo & merchandising

OFMC Directory

OFMC Website
New Proposed OFMC Logo

Why? Change suggested in 2020 by Senior Club. New start for OFMC.

Designer: Ronda Litsch, Altus Printing Co.

Design Notes: Mixture of Old & New
- Old-Kept original Notes banner state song “Oklahoma”
- New-Oklahoma means “red people” Indian Territory history Oklahoma from sheet music
Fall Board Meeting

August 7th In-Person
First Presbyterian Church, Wewoka
Workshop “How to Grow Your Club”
NFMC Membership Chair, Natlynn Hayes
Mask guidelines TBD

OFMC President
Catherine Coke
The Gift of Song, NFMC Benediction

Sung by Moriah Schmidt, Poteau Musical Arts President
Thank You

Adjourn