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Board President Gloria Hodges



Gloria Hodges, new President of the Board of The Mary Galloway Home, brings a wealth of experience, talent and expertise to the position.

Born in Minnesota and raised in Montana, the family lived first in a gold mining town on top of an extinct volcano and later moved to Helena. After high school, Gloria went to Missoula for nursing school and then joined the Army Nurse Corps. She met her husband, Dr. John (Mac) Hodges, when she was stationed in Denver, where he was doing an internship. After they married, they went to Fort Campbell, Kentucky. He did a tour of duty in Viet Nam, then came to the University of Tennessee for a residency in ENT. They had not planned to stay in Memphis but have been here ever since.

They have four children, two girls and two boys, and ten grandchildren. In addition to raising her children, Gloria has been involved in a variety of jobs in the nursing profession, and even went to law school for a year. An animal lover, she was active in the Humane Society for many years. She and her husband are both deacons at First Baptist Church.

Gloria and Mac have traveled extensively, and done numerous medical missions to China, Egypt, Viet Nam, the Philippines and India. They continue to go a couple of times a year and also provide an apartment for foreign medical personnel who come to Memphis for training.

A member of the Mary Galloway Board since 2002, Gloria has been active on the admissions and the social committees, as well as serving as vice-president. Mary Galloway is indeed fortunate to have her as our new President.

Mission Statement

Our continued goal is to provide "protection, comfort and support in a harmonious and dignified setting for retirement-aged women with financial needs" - the purpose stated over one hundred years ago.

From Our Archives...

Mary Hall Galloway, for whom the Mary Galloway Home was named, died in 1902 at the age of fifty-seven. She was a woman who, quietly and without ostentation, gave generously to those less fortunate than herself. We, as members of the Mary Galloway Board, strive to perpetuate the legacy of this extraordinary woman. The following excerpt is from *The Shibboleth*, a periodical published by the Masons, of which her husband, Robert Galloway, was a member.



“It is a rare occurrence where fraternity periodicals ever mention the death of a woman unless she be prominently connected with some of the female societies which claim affinity with the order in whose interest the periodical is published. Amid the rush of business and the environment of custom, habit and neglect, the memory of good women is neglected, and an honorable mention of their fair names, their lovable qualities and deeds of benevolence is passed without notice. We propose to act differently, and shall render “honor to whom honor is due.”

Mrs. Robert Galloway (nee Miss Mary Hall) was born in the city of Syracuse, N. Y., on the 6th day of June, 1845. She was educated in the schools of that city. Her parents died when she was quite young, and while yet in her girlhood she came South to live with relatives. She was as Southern as though to the manor born and her sympathies were with its institutions. In 1865, after grim-visaged war had passed away and the white wings of peace had encompassed our land, she married Mr. Robert Galloway, and together they began life without a dollar; but with his energy, business capacity and honesty of purpose, aided by her allegiance and love and always ready hand to do her part, they soon began to be successful. Time rolled on, and with each succeeding year fortune favored them, and her husband points to the fact with pride “that she helped him make every dollar he is worth.” It is a remarkable fact, in the life of this good woman, that as her husband grew in wealth, so did her charities, which were always without ostentation or show, and many tears of sorrow and love will flow from the eyes of God’s poor as the winter winds sigh through their squalid homes and pierce their thinly clad forms as they do battle with the world for sustenance, when they call to mind her untimely death. She fell in the midst of life’s harvest. Within her reach lay all the pleasure and happiness that wealth could give, together with the love, indulgence and devotion of a devoted husband, in whose arms she expired ere his tear drops reach her cheek, and from whose bounty she had illustrated the greatest of God’s virtues----charity.

Mrs. Galloway was our personal friend, made so by a lifelong friendship which we enjoyed with her husband, and we esteemed her greatly for her many lovable traits of character. She was gentle, kind and good. We never saw her out of humor, or appealed to her charities in vain. She became a member of the Christian church in her young life and always lived by faith and in the spirit of the Golden Rule.”

Christmas Party Photos



Resident Profile

Mabel Norton



At 99, Mabel Norton is our oldest Mary Galloway lady. She wears her years well, retaining her sparkling eyes and a mischievous smile.

Born in 1911 in Marvel, Arkansas, where her father was an engineer with Quaker Oats, Mabel had a brother and a sister. The family later moved to Memphis and lived on Southern Avenue. Mabel attended school at Rozelle and later at Tech High. She says she chose to go to Tech “because that’s where all the boys were.”

During World War II, Mabel worked as an elevator operator in the Sterick Building and later at Continental Piston Ring Company. She was “sort of engaged” to a soldier from Memphis. When he showed her picture to his best friend, Jim Norton, Jim declared, “I’m going to marry her.” And he did. Mabel says that Jim, who was from Oklahoma and was part Indian, “looked like John Wayne.” Jim was stationed at Fort Ord and they lived in Monterey, California, which Mabel says is the prettiest place she ever lived. After the war, they lived in Cave City, Arkansas, where they had a little farm. When Mabel’s father suffered a stroke, they returned to Memphis to help her mother. Jim worked at Murray Gin Company. After he died, Mabel lived with her mother and cared for her until she died at age 96.

Mabel lived by herself in Camilla Towers until she had a head injury from a fall. After staying with her niece for a year, she came to Mary Galloway in 2004. She has never had a serious illness and takes no medication. In spite of her age and some difficulty with vision and hearing, she remains a lively and healthy person and a Mary Galloway treasure.

Mary Galloway Welcomes



Opal Williams moved to Mary Galloway in January. A native Memphian, she has also lived in Cleveland, Ohio. She comes from a family of four brothers and one sister and has one daughter and two grandchildren.

She retired from the Memphis Light, Gas and Water Division after working there for twenty-two years. Her interests include church, gospel music, bowling and board games, especially Scrabble.

Mickey Whitmore came to Mary Galloway in February, following the death of her husband of sixty years. A native of Louisiana, she came from a family of four brothers. She has five children, two boys and three girls.

Mickey lived in New Orleans for many years, where her busy life included teaching school, working in a gift shop in the French Quarter, and serving on the school board. She was also active in the Mardi Gras krewe of Shangri La.



Birthdays

January

Ruby Clay (27)

February

Opal Williams (1)
Rose Shaw (20)

March

Helen Miller (13)
Marie Cantrell (16)

April

Bea Maulden (2)



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