
GFWC LAWRENCEVILLE WOMAN’S CLUB FEBRUARY 2020 NEWSLETTER

Officer Reports

President

By Shelia Jones

I look forward to serving as your president this year –“Helping others in 2020”. We would like our focus this year to be more hands on projects in our community. If you have suggestions please let the CSP chairs know.

We will extend the time for the speakers at meetings to 20 - 30 minutes; this will allow us to focus on the organization and what our club can do to make a difference. If the CSP hosting the meeting; doesn’t have a speaker and would like to do a hands-on workshop that would be great!!! CSP’s will be still be responsible for giving the inspiration at the meeting.

We are a service organization and each member needs to serve on at least one of the six CSP’s. CSP chairs remember to give “Kudos” to your helper “bees” when you do a project. See you at the meeting!!!

First Vice President -

Membership

By Paula Carroll

Welcome to our newest member Darlene Dunn. Darlene searched us out on the internet. You may have met her at our Christmas party and the banquet. Let’s give her a warm LWC welcome. We are so glad you are joining us.

February LTO possible choices:

Craft night at the Gwinnett Courthouse 2/28 /20 6-8 pm making birdhouses cost is \$18.00

Or

Self Defense for Women with the GCPD on 2/20/20 no cost. We will vote and make a decision at our meeting.

Future ladies time out events are open for organization. In fact, that would help us branch out to a variety of events if others bring in their interests. Contact me at any time 404-558-3079.

We have 3 sustainers paid for the year and letters have been mailed to last year’s sustainers.

Updates for your binders will be passed out at the Feb meeting and new binders to our newest members. These binders will have all the dates for meetings and important contact information for members.

March LTO: We will be going to see Central High Schools production of Grease, March 26th, cost is \$5.00. Thank you to Mary Sanders for organizing. Sign-up sheets will be at the meeting.

Thank you!

Second Vice President - Dean of Programs

By Beverly Williams

Let's Get This Party Started, Ladies! 2020 is the beginning of a new decade that holds plenty of promise for us. Thank you to the six Community Service Programs Chairs who have agreed to lead our community activities. But they cannot do it without you. Select a CSP that is near and dear to your heart and let me know at the February 5th meeting what it is. The chair of each CSP is listed below. For a description of each CSP's purpose and project ideas visit <https://www.gfwc.org/news-publications/club-manual/>.

Each member should select one CSP to be associated with, but members are encouraged to work on any and all projects as their time permits.

If you don't have a method of tracking your volunteer time, an Individual Tracking Sheet is attached. Remember to track all volunteer time – for example volunteering at the Aurora or at a grandchild's school. Also track monetary and in-kind donations to LWC and other organizations such as Goodwill or Red Cross. The sheets can be turned in at each meeting.

February's meeting will be presented by the Board. Each CSP is responsible for meeting. As indicated below, only Conservation has selected a month.

CSP Committee Chairs:

- ARTS–Marylouise Awana
- Conservation–CherylShaw
- Education–Josie Wind
- Home Life–BrendaPerdue
- International Outreach – Phyllis Prunty
- Public Issues–Mary Sanders

- Signature Project Chair (PADV)– Sandra Strickland

Monthly General Meeting Schedule

Note: Unless otherwise noted, socializing is from 6:30pm - 7:00pm; meeting begins promptly at 7:00 pm.

- Wednesday, February 5th - Board
- Wednesday, March 4th - Open
- Wednesday, April 1st - Conservation
- Wednesday, May 6th - Open
- No meetings in June or July!
- Wednesday, August 5th - Open
- Wednesday, September 2nd - Open
- Wednesday, October 7th - Open
- Wednesday, November 4th - Open
- Wednesday, December 2nd - Christmas Party
- Wednesday, January 6th, 2021 – Annual Banquet and Installation of Officers

Third Vice President - Fundraising

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Treasurer

By Deborah Jeffries

Welcome to a new year. We ended 2019 with \$17,101.07 in the bank. I am looking forward to serving you as your new treasurer. The 2020 budget has been approved by the board, and copies will be at the general meeting.

Remember to pay your dues, of \$60.00 if you have not. We have had three active members become sustainers.

Hope to see all of you February 5.

Parliamentarian

By Janet Hecht

Revised standing rules for the club were approved at the January Board meeting. Printed copies will be available for member binders at the February meeting. An electronic copy will also be sent to all club members.

Standing Rules concern the administration of the organization and are more flexible than Bylaws as they may be adopted or amended through a majority vote at a club board meeting. This allows the membership to adopt Standing Rules as a need arises. Standing Rules deal only with administrative matters and function under the umbrella of the Bylaws. They may never conflict with the Bylaws, and the Bylaws always take precedence. The Standing Rules usually contain more detailed procedural rules or guidelines than the Bylaws.

The adopted standing rules cover the main areas of club funds/expenditures, internal communications, external communications and meeting protocol.

Sunshine News

By Allan Fowler

No February Birthdays

Please send any prayers, praises or concerns to Allan. allanfowler@bellsouth.net

Chair Reports

Arts

By Marylouise Awana and Janet Hecht

Arts CSP – 2019 Wrap-Up

At the end of 2019, the Arts CSP donated \$70 to Creative Enterprises and \$500 to Hudgens Center for the Arts to fund scholarships for their Children's Summer Art Camp. The Hudgen's Center sent a lovely thank you note and also included that they would love us to come visit and that they would be interested in having us visit them and them visiting up.

2020 Nancy Gullickson Fine Arts Awards Competition

MARK THE DATE: Monday, April 20, 2020 (in the evening) – Nancy Gullickson Fine Arts Awards Competition Reception at Central Gwinnett High School

We are so thrilled that the club decided that the Nancy Gullickson Fine Arts Awards Competition would be a signature project this year and allocated \$750 toward the event. The posters and announcements have been put up forms are available this week in the classrooms. There are three categories: Visual Arts, Creative Writing and Photography with 1st, 2nd and 3rd place prizes in each category. On Wednesday, January 29th, the competition was announced at all the lunches and club members were present to hand out forms and answer questions. The deadline for submissions is March 20th

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The Awards Reception will be on Monday, April 20th – it was amazing last year. We would like to have a small committee of members work together for planning the reception and other aspects of the contest. If you are interested, contact Janet Hecht at hechtjanet@gmail.com. Any help large or small will be wonderful. Many hands make great work!

We are planning to host a fundraiser to raise additional funds for the event. The proceeds would be used to fund the cost of putting on the reception (paying performers, food) as well as potentially funding a couple of the 2nd place prizes.

Conservation

By Cheryl Shaw

In 2020, Gwinnett Clean & Beautiful will celebrate 40 years of “connecting people and resources for a sustainable Gwinnett.” Over the years, GCB has established strategic partnerships with County government, Gwinnett Public Schools, and the Gwinnett Chamber to implement programs such as the live Christmas tree recycling program, a model litter ordinance, Adopt a Stream program in Georgia, Adopt a Road program, curbside recycling, and Storm Drain Stenciling. A community event is planned for October. Visit www.gwinnettcb.org to find out how you can get involved and answers to questions about where and how to recycle household items.

Over the next two months, Trees Atlanta is bringing in climate experts, researchers, and educators to have a series of conversations on how climate change is affecting Atlanta currently, how it will impact us in the future, and how you can help make a difference now with urban forests. For more information, visit www.treesatlanta.org.

Work is under way for the Lawrenceville Community Garden at Rhodes Jordan Park. Plots are being marked, utility and water connections determined, and fence/concrete work will take place in the next few weeks. Plans are being made for community workdays in February and March, which will lead into planting opportunities in April.

Bring to the meeting: aluminum pull-tabs, rinsed aluminum drink cans, used printer ink cartridges, used mascara wands, and used eyeglasses. Thanks for your help!

Education

By Josie Wind

Update provided at meeting.

Home Life

By Brenda Perdue

Welcome to February - the month to celebrate LOVE.

- February 4 - is World Cancer Day - honor those who lost battles and celebrate the survivors of all cancers.
- February 14 - Valentine's Day - spend time with someone special
- February 20 - Love Your Pet Day - that's a day we can all celebrate

Looking forward to Home Life, 2020 projects for our club and a year of new opportunities. Join me in Home Life as we plan for a great year of volunteering in our community.

Public Issues

By Mary Sanders

The Nation Goes Red in February

National Wear Red Day®- Friday, February 7, 2020



On the first Friday of every February, which is designated as American Heart Month, the nation comes together, igniting a wave of red from coast to coast. From landmarks to news anchors and neighborhoods to online communities; this annual groundswell unites millions of people for a common goal: the eradication of heart disease and stroke.

American Heart Month, a federally designated event, is an ideal time to remind Americans to focus on their hearts and encourage them to get their families, friends and communities involved.

The Go Red for Women Proclamation will take place on Tuesday, February 18th at 2pm: Gwinnett Justice Building.

Transportation Review Committee Meeting Cancelled For January 27th.

The Transit Review Committee completed the review and report this past Thursday, Jan 23rd. The 27th was reserved as a date in case it was needed to complete the report before the Jan 31st deadline.

International Outreach

By Phyllis Prunty

Looking forward to 2020. More information will be provided at meeting. Below are the distributions/in kind donations made for 2019.

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| • \$170 for In-kind for Pillowcases for Haiti | • \$50 for Strike out Hunger |
| • \$150 and \$180 In-kind for Love and Hope for Haiti | • \$190 for Heifer International |
| • \$72 and \$250 In-kind for Operation Christmas Child | • \$75 for Operation Smile |
| | • \$70 for Shot@Life Donations |
| | • \$75 for Doctors without Borders |

Special Project - Domestic Violence Awareness & Prevention

By Sandra Strickland

I look forward to working with everyone this year! I have six tickets available for the Women in Action Forum – February 14th at 8:30 am. Let me know if you are interested in attending. I will be putting together a garden opportunity Basket which will be donated by LWC – so if you would like to participate – please bring an item to the February meeting. The PADV Gala will be in May this year more information will be forthcoming. See you at the meeting.

Around the State and Beyond

Central East District

For our February meeting we are doing a Trash to Treasure auction to raise funds to cover expenses for the Central East District meeting. Please bring at least one new or gently used purse (more will be welcomed) that you no longer want to the meeting. Silent auction sheets will be available for you to complete. You will be able to bid on all the purses. Remember someone else's Trash is your Treasure!!

GFWC Georgia

- Past Presidents' Garden at Tallulah Falls School: Upcoming workdays: Feb 21, 2020; May 2, 2020
- April 17 – 19 GFWC GA Convention at Unicoi State Park and Lodge.
- August 14-15, 2020 Institute Marriott in Marietta.

GFWC Southern Region

Mark your calendars for the 2020 GFWC Southern Region Conference in Huntsville, AL on October 29- Nov 1. This conference is a great way to meet members from other states in our region and learn about their successful projects.

GFWC

2020 GFWC Convention; Sheraton Hotel; Atlanta, Georgia; June 26-30, 2020

- Our District is responsible for collecting Cracker packs, Paper Pads and Pens. They will accept pens and paper pads from business in the metro Atlanta area. If you know of a company that would be willing to donate these items, please let Debbie know.
- Please consider being a host for State Night, Friday June 26th. You do not have to pay for registration but if you want to eat you will have to pay for the dinner.
- Assistance is also needed at the Welcome Table, Door Pages for business meetings and meals, Tour Hostess and Bus Captains.
- Go to website: WWW.GFWCGEORGIA.ORG to sign up to assist.

2021 GFWC Convention will be in Toronto, Canada

Upcoming Dates

February

2/5 General Meeting @ Female Seminary 6:30pm Social/7:00pm Meeting Begins

1/10 CSP/Club Reports due to 2nd VP

1/25 Club Reports due to State

March

3/18 Central District Spring Meeting Hosted by Lawrenceville/Winder Woman's Clubs

April

4/17-19 GFWC GA Convention at Unicoi State Park Lodge

June

6/26-30 GFWC Convention @ Sheraton Hotel Atlanta GA