

"Volunteering...from the "Heart"



"Thank you all"

February
2019

GFWC Lawrenceville Woman's Club

President's Message – Shelia Jones

I am looking forward to serving as your president this year.

Look forward to new faces and ideas for the club. If you have ideas to help improve our community --- I would love to hear it. Just remember we are all here for a reason – we want to make a difference in our community – whether it be big or small everything and everybody counts. Do what you love!

LWC is a service organization and it only works when members share the responsibility. Kudo's (replacing ATTA girls) to all the ladies that have volunteered for positions.

A reminder that annual dues of \$60 are due no later than our February 6th general meeting.

A reminder that each club member must serve on at least **one** of the six CSPS (Arts, Conservation, Education, Home Life, International Outreach, and Public Issues).



LWC 2019 Officers

President
Shelia Jones

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Membership
Paula Carroll

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Bonnie Hagen

3rd Vice-President
Rosane Sandberg

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Cheryl Shaw

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Federation Dates To Remember:

- February 15 – Georgia Arbor Day – Tree Planting Project
- March 2 – Read Across America Day
- March 2 – Central East District Board Meeting, Covington, Georgia
- March 20 – Central East Spring District Meeting, Augusta, GA
- April 5-7 – GFWC Georgia Convention 2019 hosted by South West District - Lake Blackshear Resort in Cordele, GA
- April 17th (Saturday) – Day of Service (Host A House)
- June 29 – July 1 - GFWC Annual Convention at the JW Marriot in Austin, Texas
- August 16 – 18 - GFWC GA Institute, Athens, GA Classic Center
- August 16 – LEADS Seminar, Athens, GA Classic Center
- September 7 – Central East District Board Meeting
- October 5, Central East District Fall Meeting. Stone Mountain, GA - Hosted by Stone Mountain and Decatur
- October 17 – 20 - Southern Region Convention, South Carolina
- March 18, 2020 – Central East District Spring Meeting – Hosted by Lawrenceville and Winder Woman's



**LWC 2017 CSP
Chairs**

Arts
Carolyn Wright &
Janet Hecht

Conservation
Cheryl Shaw

Education
Roslyn Viterbo

Home Life
Brenda Perdue

International
Outreach
Phyllis Prunty

Public Issues
OPEN

Signature Project –
Domestic Violence
Awareness &
Prevention
Debbie Brown

**Other Committees &
Roles:**

Parliamentarian
Janet Hecht
Book Club
Shelia Jones

Communications &
Public Relations
Rosane Sandberg &
Janet Hecht

Facebook
Rosane Sandberg &
Roslyn Viterbo

Federation: Tallulah
Falls School,
Lipscomb
Society/Ella F.
White/WHRC
Debbie Brown

Newsletter Editor
Janet Hecht

Sunshine
Allan Fowler

Webmaster
Cheryl Shaw

Inspiration
Rotating – Host CSP
to Provide

Historian
OPEN

First Vice President – Membership – Paula Carroll

Welcome to our 3 new members!

Josie Arrieta Wind

Shirley Shepherd

Beverly Williams

We are so happy to have you join us!

Membership Binders/Books

Membership is working on updates for your books and hopes to have them completed by the February general meeting.

Name Tags

Remember to wear your nametag to the meeting and other club related activities and events.

We will be ordering name tags at the Feb meeting - cost is approximate \$8.50.

Ladies Time Out

Ladies time out hostesses are needed for the year. Let's all think about some experiences to share with our LWC sisters. The calendar sign up will also be at the meeting.

I am looking forward to a terrific 2019. With my new knee and new LWC position it's all up from here!

ACTIVE LWC MEMBER RESPONSIBILITIES

- Pay annual dues (currently \$60 per year)
- Participate in at least 3 LWC projects per year.
- Participate in some capacity with any club-wide fundraising projects.
- Conservation, Education, Home-Life, International Outreach, Public Issues)
- Attend at least 5 general membership meetings per year. (If a member is unable to fulfill these requirements, it is her responsibility to notify The Executive Board who will work with the member on possible alternatives.)
- Must serve on at least one of the six primary Community Service Programs: (Arts, Conservation, Education, Home Life, International Outreach, Public Issues)



BE A GREAT MEMBER!

- Promote membership in the club
- Positively represent the club in the community
- Communicate your opinions and ideas and listens to others
- Maintain a sense of humor and flexibility
- Have FUN!

Second Vice-President – Dean of Programs – Bonnie Hagen

Reports have been completed and have been sent in for the 2018 Year. Thank you everyone for all your hard work in the past year. The totals for the State of the Club Report will be available at the February meeting.

Community Service Program (CSP) Committees

Every club member is required to serve on at least on CSP (not including the Signature Project). Please think about which CSP committee you would like to **commit** to this year and email Bonnie with your first and second choices. A sign-up sheet will also be available at the February meeting. **All members are required to serve on one CSP.** You may sign up for more than one CSP, but please be sure that you have the time to **commit** to multiple CSPs. We will make every effort to place you on your first choice, but we do need at least 4 members on each CSP. You are always welcome to participate in any CSP activity/project throughout the year.

Please consider joining a CSP you have not been on in the past. It can be a learning experience and you may find a new passion.

CSP Committee Chairs:

- > Arts – Carolyn Wright & Janet Hecht
- > Conservation – Cheryl Shaw
- > Education – Roslyn Viterbo
- > Home Life – Brenda Perdue
- > International Outreach – Phyllis Prunty
- > Public Issues – **Open** (contact Shelia or Bonnie if you are interested)
- > Signature Project – Domestic Violence Awareness and Prevention – Debbie Brown

The executive Board will be hosting the February meeting. At the February meeting we will split up into committees in order to brainstorm, and plan for this year. Bring some ideas for your CSP.

Tracking Service:

Tracking our service (time, talent, and treasures) is important in order to be sure that results are comprehensive and measurable. It is critical for our end of the year reports. We want to include everyone's contributions and efforts in meeting our goals for the year.

Members need to keep track of their own activities. There will be a log book at each meeting where members can document their hours/activities on individual recording sheets. Each CSP will have a project sheet in the notebook in order to list their projects for reference. It is much easier to record everything at the time of the activity, rather than trying to remember at the end of the year. If unable to attend a meeting, you can email your info and I will record it.

Monthly General Meeting Schedule

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

- Wednesday, February 6th - Board
- Wednesday, March 6th - Federation/Signature Project Domestic Violence Awareness & Prevention
- Wednesday, April 3rd - Conservation
- Wednesday, May 1st - Education
- No meetings in June or July!
- Wednesday, August 7th - International Outreach
- Wednesday, September 4th - Arts
- Wednesday, October 2nd - Home Life
- Wednesday, November 6th - Public Issues
- Wednesday, December 4th - Christmas Party
- Wednesday, January 9th, 2020 – Annual Banquet

Monthly Board Meeting Schedule

Note: Board Meetings are held AT LEAST two weeks prior to the general meetings. **Board meetings will start at 6:30 pm**

- Wednesday, January 23rd
- Wednesday, February 20th
- Wednesday, March 20th
- Wednesday, April 17th
- Wednesday, July 24th
- Wednesday August 21st
- Wednesday, September 18th
- Wednesday, October 23rd
- Wednesday, November 20th
- Wednesday, December 18th
- Wednesday, January 22nd, Joint Board Meeting with 2020 – 2021 Officers



Third Vice President – Fundraising – Rosane Sandberg

Fundraising is what makes us able to continue to contribute to the many causes we do in the community.



Fashion Show is our primary fundraiser and we hope to continue putting on this event and to make it even bigger than last year. Thanks to Nicole Hallmark for agreeing to chair the Fashion Show again.

The Belk Charity Day Sale and the sales of the tickets are another good way to raise money. We can keep the money from any ticket sales by manning a table at the store during the week before the sale. By selling tickets the morning of the sale the club will get a percentage of all tickets sold that morning. This sale is held 3 times a year.

District Meeting Sellable Table: We usually have a table of sellable items that we take to the district meetings. Best sellers have been items we make with GFWC on them and some craft items.

Christmas Holiday Bazaar and Face Painting at local events are also ways we have raised funds.

We are always looking for ideas for other ways to raise money. A signup sheet will be at the February meeting to meet with me and bring ideas and suggestions for fundraising events.

Looking forward to a successful year and being able to contribute more to our community.

International Outreach – Phyllis Prunty



Another start of a new year at LWC. I am so pleased to be serving as the International Outreach CSP Chair again this year.

We will be collecting donations for Heifer International and Dimes for Shots again. Kudos to Bonnie who was our big donor last year. We will fill up pill bottles with change. I will have pill bottles available. Please bring your loose change to the meetings. Put your name and the amount you are donating taped to the pill bottle or on the inside of the pill bottle.

This year I would like to start some new hands-on projects in addition to donating money to organizations. If you have an international charity you support let me know. Maybe we can help.

One project we are considering doing is making pillowcase dresses for Africa. The International Outreach committee did this several years ago for the organization **Little Dresses for Africa**, and those participating had a lot of fun.

Did you know that Franklin Graham is involved in more than Samaritans Purse? Check it out on the web.



Home Life – Brenda Perdue



Welcome to 2019 - All members will be asked to serve on at least one Community Service Program for the year.

I am inviting you to be a part of Home Life.



February is Heart Health Month, the perfect time to learn about your risk for heart disease and the steps you need to take now to help your heart. The first Friday of February is WEAR RED for National Heart Week - let's get a head start and wear RED to our meeting.

Bring your ideas to the February meeting for our Day of Service in April and other projects for the year.

February Observances (Home Life)
February 3– 9 - Women's Heart Week
Friday, February 2nd - National Wear Red Day
National Children's Dental Health Month
International Boost Self-Esteem Month

Conservation – Cheryl Shaw



Join the Fun!

In 2019, consider joining the Conservation CSP if you have an interest in the preservation, maintenance, and restoration of our natural resources, recycling projects, wildlife protection, and proper care for domesticated animals. Some projects we will pursue this year include:

- Constructing a recycled shopping bag dress for (possible) use at Convention; wearing it at our April meeting if we aren't chosen!
- Donating a tree(s) for **Arbor Day**.
- Hosting the April meeting, with a focus on **Earth Day**. Our speakers will discuss the benefits of supporting local farmers markets.
- Fundraiser for the Meals on Wheels for pets (coordinating with the Gwinnett Animal Shelter). Organize a Pet Parade anyone?
- Recycling, reusing, and repurposing—we will be knitting and crocheting scarves for the homeless using yarn left overs.
- Expanding pollinator gardens to other historic Gwinnett landmarks.
- Fundraising: Please share any ideas. If you see something, say something!

Bring to the meeting: rinsed aluminum **drink cans**, aluminum **pull-tabs**, used **printer ink cartridges**, **used eye gasses** (no broken frames, please). We have plenty of books right now.

*Speaking of books, you may have noticed that our libraries have no more outside containers for used books. The County removed the containers because of liability (?). The libraries recommend that you take any used books to Goodwill.

Beginning January 1, Gwinnett County water bills increased. There are three main steps homeowners can take to reduce the amount of water they use indoors. First, check for leaks and promptly repair them. Second, evaluate the efficiency of your home's fixtures and appliances. Third, increase your water saving habits by looking for ways to reduce the number of gallons used for daily tasks.

February Observances (Conservation)
 February 2nd – World Wetlands Day
 February 15th – Georgia Arbor Day
 February 3 – 9 - National Green Week

Education – Roslyn Viterbo



With March being National Women's History Month the Education CSP is hoping to secure a table at the Women of Wonder Tea Party. The party takes place at the Female Seminary on Saturday, March 9th from 2:00 – 3:00PM. It is our hope to host a table educating attendees on the history and many accomplishments of the Lawrenceville Women's Club. If that is not feasible, then we will offer our services in other activities; welcoming, serving, etc. I should have more info by next Tuesday.

Moving on, I first brought up the First Book Club 165 book sorting and distributions to Title 1 elementary schools back in August. To refresh everyone's memory, including my own, the book distributions start in May. The dates and locations are as follows; May 6 at Winn Holt, May 10 at Simonton, May 13 at Jenkins, May 17 at Lawrenceville and May 20 at Baggett. I will have the times by the February meeting, so let's select one or two dates and assist in this very worthwhile cause.

If anyone is available on February 9, they will be sorting the books at the Lawrenceville First Baptist Church Community Center located behind the church. The times are from 9:00AM to 4:00PM and you are welcomed to go for one hour to all day or any amount of time in between. I will be going for a couple of hours mid-morning and will gladly give anyone a ride that needs one.



Arts – Carolyn Wright & Janet Hecht



We are so excited about the upcoming year. Please consider joining the Arts CSP this year, we have a lot of great plans and ideas!

Members of the Arts CSP are looking forward to an exciting year. We kicked off our first annual **Nancy Gullickson Fine Arts Award** competition at Central Gwinnett High School, at a special assembly on December 13th. Co-chairs Janet Hecht and Carolyn Wright attended. The competition is named after Nancy Gullickson, a former LWC member who was instrumental in establishing the Gwinnett Council for the Arts and later served as the Executive Director at The Hudgens Center for Arts and Learning. Janet and Carolyn manned a table in the cafeteria after the assembly at Central to answer students' questions. We distributed 58 entry applications at that time. The competition consists of three categories, creative writing, photography and visual arts with awards of \$250 for 1st place, \$100 for 2nd place and \$50 for 3rd place in each category. We are blessed that the LONA foundation is collaborating with us for this event. With their generous support as well as help from our Education CSP (thanks Roslyn) we are able provide the monetary awards for all categories with enough money left over for refreshments for the Awards Reception.

On January 19th we also held a professional artists question and answer session with one of the fine arts classes at Central. Artists Lisa McNeill, an author of children's books, Brandon Tackett, a fashion and entertainment photographer, and Arzell Thompson, Jr., a painter and digital artist were on hand to share their stories with students and answer questions. The event was very well received by both the students and their instructors. The deadline for entries for the competition is January 31st. Judging will begin in early February and an awards reception is scheduled for February 26th.

We invite all members of the club to join us at the **February 26th** reception. It will be such a great opportunity and a lot of fun. We will have more details at the meeting.



Artsy Activities



2/1 – 2/28 - Celebrate Black History Month at the Gwinnett Justice & Administration Center with a self-guided tour of an exhibit featuring contributions and accomplishments of African American contributions both locally and nationally.

2/1 – 2/19 - **Kudzu Art Zone** in Norcross opens its first show of 2019 featuring art by eight of its members ranging from painting to collage, encaustic and photography.

2/14 – 2/24 - **"Pie in the Sky"** opens at Lionheart Theatre in Norcross. A heart-warming comedy about a mother nearing the end of her life who has an overwhelming urge to bake an apple pie. Join her and her daughter as Mom tries to tie up a lifetime of loose ends

Public Issues – Open

Thanks to Mary Sanders for the Public Issues Articles This Month



MARTA Referendum Vote on March 19

Gwinnett County residents will vote March 19 on whether to enact a 1% sales tax to pay for transit operations and projects, as well as whether to enact a contract between MARTA and Gwinnett County that could bring heavy rail to Norcross and the Gwinnett Place Mall area and expand the county's existing bus system. Several open house-style sessions will be held to educate voters about this upcoming referendum. Advance voting at the Main Office will be February 25 – March 15, Monday through Sunday, 7AM - 7PM... Satellite Locations will be March 4-March 15, Monday through Sunday 7AM – 7PM. **Please go to Gwinnettcountry.com for further information including dates and locations for the open house-style sessions.**

KUDOS: Bonnie, Mary, Sandra attending City Council Meeting

Gwinnett County will hold at least 15 events intended to educate voters about the upcoming referendum on a new tax to pay for transit projects and MARTA expansion.

The county announced the open house-style education sessions Thursday evening. They will be held across the county, from Norcross and Snellville to Buford and Dacula.

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Purchases in Gwinnett are currently subject to a 6 percent sales tax. If the referendum passes, the county's sales tax will rise to 7 percent.

The meetings will be held on weekday evenings and during the day on one Saturday. They're scheduled to last two to three hours, and residents will be able to drop in at any point to ask questions and learn more.

County staff and consultants working on the transit plan will be available to answer questions, and there will be multiple stations where

guests can talk to "subject matter experts" relating to different aspects of the transit plan, county spokesman Joe Sorenson said.

It doesn't matter which part of a meeting residents attend, Sorenson said.

"If they can only make the last 15 minutes, they can still drop in, peruse the information and talk to staff," Sorenson said. "There isn't any information or presentation that they will miss."

Here are the locations, dates and times of the education sessions:

Monday, Jan. 28 – 6 to 8 p.m., Grayson City Hall Senior Center, 475 Grayson Parkway, Grayson

Tuesday, Jan. 22 – 6 to 8 p.m., Bogan Park Community Recreation Center Community Room, 2723 North Bogan Road, Buford

Wednesday, Jan. 23 – 6 to 8 p.m., Pinckneyville Park Community Recreation Center Community Room, 4650 Peachtree Industrial Blvd., Berkeley Lake

Thursday, Jan. 24 – 6 to 8 p.m., Mountain Park Activity Building, 1063 Rockbridge Road, Stone Mountain

Monday, Jan. 28 – 6 to 8 p.m., Grayson City Hall Senior Center, 475 Grayson Parkway, Grayson

Wednesday, Jan. 30 – 6 to 8 p.m., George Pierce Park Community Recreation Center Community Room, 55 Buford Highway, Suwanee

Monday, Feb. 4 – 6 to 8 p.m., Lucky Shoals Park Community Recreation Center Community Room, 4651 Britt Road, Norcross

Thursday, Feb. 7 – 6 to 8 p.m., Duluth City Hall, 3167 Main St., Duluth

Saturday, Feb. 9 – 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., OneStop Norcross, 5030 Georgia Belle Court, Norcross

Monday, Feb. 11 – 6 to 8 p.m., Dacula Park Activity Building, 2735 Old Auburn Road, Dacula

Lawrenceville City Council approves Performing Arts Center



On Monday, January 7th, the Lawrenceville City Council approved the plans for the Arts Center to be built in downtown Lawrenceville. The officials at the Aurora Theatre, which will manage the center for the city, encouraged supporters to show up and wear red as a visible sign to the City Council that there is community backing for the facility. And, as a result every chair was filled and the walls and back of the chamber was filled with supporters, including three members of the Lawrenceville Woman's Club.

The plans call for a 59,500-square-foot facility whose entrance will face the Gwinnett County Historic Courthouse and provides spaces for a 500-seat main theater, a cabaret stage, a two-story lobby and educational space that would be occupied by Georgia Gwinnett College. It will also have a plaza at the entrance Square.

Signature Project – Domestic Violence Awareness and Prevention
 – Debbie Brown



Looking forward to chairing the GFWC Special Project-Domestic Violence for 2019. At the February meeting we will be:

1. Signing Valentine Day Cards for the mom's at the shelter.
2. Collecting new or gently used bras for the National Network to End Domestic Violence.
3. If you are interested in attending the PADV Women in Action Forum, follow the link:
<http://padv.org/events/women-in-action-stop-domestic-violence/>
4. February is Teen Dating Violence Awareness and Prevention Month



Federation Information and Resources

General Federation of Women's Clubs:

- Website: <http://www.gfwc.org>
- Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/GFWCMembers/>
- Newsletter Signup: <http://www.gfwc.org/contact-us/> (go to the bottom & sign up for News & Notes)

GFWC Georgia:

- Website: www.gfwcgeorgia.org
- Facebook: www.facebook.com/GaFwC
- Newsletter Signup: <https://gfwcgeorgia.org/club-resources/newsletters/>

Georgia Central East District

- Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/GFWCGACentralEast/>

Lawrenceville Woman's Club:

- Website: www.lawrencevillewomensclub.org
- Facebook: www.facebook.com/lawrencevillewomensclub/



Federation – Debbie Brown

Did you know that GFWC GA has an App? Yes, they do! You can enjoy having the app on your smart phone in a few easy steps.

1. Go to your app store on your phone.
2. In the search line input "GFWC Georgia"
3. Click on Install

Women's History and Resource Center:

Women's History month is March.

1. Challenge yourself to check out the resources at this link <https://www.gfwc.org/what-we-do/whrc/collections/>
2. National Level: March 7th Women's History Month Reception at headquarters.

Tallulah Falls School:

This year we will continue to collect for Tallulah's Closet. So if you have any "prom" items, bring them to the meetings.



Arts CSP

- Carolyn Wright – Co-Chair
- Janet Hecht – Co-Chair

Conservation CSP

- Cheryl Shaw – Chair

Education CSP

- Roslyn Viterbo – Chair

Home Life CSP

- Brenda Perdue - Chair

International Outreach CSP

- Phyllis Prunty – Chair

Public Issues CSP

- OPEN - Chair

Signature Project – Domestic Violence Awareness & Prevention

- Debbie Brown – Chair



Sunshine – Allan Fowler

We have no birthday ladies this month.

Paula is on the road to recovery with her new knee.

“Though, February is short, is filled with lots of love and sweet surprises.”

Please send any prayer concerns or joys to allanfowler@bellsouth.net

Communications and Public Relations – Rosane Sandberg & Janet Hecht

Facebook: Please send any pictures or information for Facebook to either Roslyn or Rosane for publications.

News Articles: We will be working on submitting articles throughout the year to several outlets. If you want to write something up for a specific project we will help in getting it submitted.

If you do submit any information for external publications, please let us know and please send us a copy. We need this for club reporting at the end of the year.



Parliamentarian – Janet Hecht

I am looking forward to serving as the Parliamentarian for the club this year. I am not an expert on all things parliamentary yet, but I am confident that I will be so by the end of the year.

Speaking at Meetings. Remember that only one person has the floor at the time. Please remember to listen respectfully and not interrupt the speaker. We have a lot happening and a lot of ideas, so that I know that isn't always easy.

If you want to speak on a discussion topic please raise your hand and the person presiding will call upon you.

If it is a discussion of a motion, each person has 3 minutes maximum to speak. You can only speak again once everyone else present who wants to speak has had the opportunity to do so.

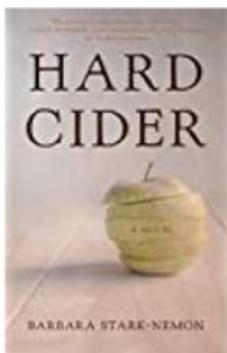
Bylaws include all aspects of club governance that are of such importance they cannot be changed in any way without previous notice. Generally, the Bylaws cover matters regarding Officers, The Executive Board, Membership, Meetings, Committees and Amendments.

The **Standing Rules** are more flexible than Bylaws, meaning they may be adopted or amended without previous notice by majority vote at any business 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

Book Club – Shelia Jones

The Next book club will be on Monday, February 25th, at 6:30 pm, location to be determined.

The book will be *Hard Cider: A Novel*, by Barbara Stark-Nemon.



Abbie Rose Stone's acquired wisdom runs deep, and so do her scars. She has successfully navigated the shoals of a long marriage, infertility, challenging children, and a career. Now it's her turn to realize her dream: producing hard apple cider along the northern shores of Lake Michigan that she loves. She manages to resist new versions of the old pull of family dynamics that threaten to derail her plan—but nothing can protect her from the shock a lovely young stranger delivers when she exposes a long-held secret. In the wake

of this revelation, Abbie must overcome circumstances that severely test her self-determination, her loyalties, and her understanding of what constitutes true family.