

# **Lawrenceville Woman's Club May Newsletter 2025**

# May Chairlady Shelia Jones

Hope everyone had a blessed Easter with Family and Friends. I look forward to seeing everyone May 7th, 6:00 Female Seminary. The program will be working on the "Plan in a Can." See you then!!! This will be our last meeting before we break for summer. Be back September 3<sup>rd</sup>. Have a wonderful summer!

#### Treasurer Nicole Hallmark

The Lawrenceville Woman's Club would like to offer a big thank you to all our sustainer support. Sandra Strickland, Theresa Bullock, Lynn James, Cheryl Shaw, and Stacy Bluse. We thank you for your continued support.

### Newsletter Nicole Hallmark

September newsletter articles are due Wednesday August 20<sup>th</sup>.

### Arts and Culture Marylouise Awana

Mark your calendar for the 11th Annual Multicultural Festival - Saturday May 17th -- 10:00 am - 2:00 pm - Gwinnett Place Mall, 2100 Pleasant Hill Rd. This is a free event that is your passport around the world without leaving Gwinnett County. Coming to the Aurora Theatre ----

#### WAITRESS

May 22, 2025-Jun 15, 2025

# ABOUT PIES

Book by Jessie Nelson

Music & Lyrics by Sara Bareilles

Based on the motion picture written by Adrienne Shelly

Directed by Amanda Wansa Morgan

Music Direction by Ann-Carol Pence

Waitress is a homespun tale that features music and lyrics by Grammy Award-winner Sara Bareilles (*Brave & Love Song*). Jenna, a waitress and expert pie-maker, dreams of a way out of her small town and a rocky marriage when a pie-baking contest in a nearby county offers the winner a big cash prize. Entertainment Weekly calls *Waitress* "a little slice of heaven." As a multi-platinum recording artist, Bareilles serves up a delicious score that brought a whole new audience to Broadway with her empowering story about the family we choose, told with extreme heart and irreverent humor.

# **Civic Engagement and Outreach**

Pay tribute to Gwinnett's fallen heroes. The county will host its annual Memorial Day ceremony on Monday May 26 to pay tribute to our fallen military and public safety heroes. The ceremony will be held at the Fallen Heroes Memorial at the Gwinnett Justice and Administrative Center at 1pm.





Pinwheels were placed at Lawrenceville Housing Authority in awareness for Child Abuse Prevention month.

# **Education and Libraries** LeeAnn Gregg

Teacher Appreciation Week is May 5-9 – if you have a school in mind that we could drop off some goodies to, bring your suggestions to the meeting and hopefully we could coordinate purchasing and dropping off either Thursday or Friday of that week.

Children's Book Week is also May 5-11 – this is also GFWC Presidents Special Project this year. I will come to the meeting with some suggestions on how we could participate.

The library is hosting 2 author visits in May – see below for details

# **Author Talk | Marie Bostwick**

Monday, May 05: 12:00pm - 1:00pm Duluth Branch - *Duluth Meeting Room* 

**AGE GROUP:** AGES 19+ **EVENT TYPE:** AUTHOR TALK

Join New York Times and USA Today bestselling author Marie Bostwick in discussing her newest historical fiction novel, "The Book Club for Troublesome Women," a humorous, thought-provoking, and nostalgic romp through one pivotal and tumultuous American year.

### **Author Talk | Robert Gwaltney**

**Tuesday, May 20: 6:00pm - 7:00pm**Duluth Branch - *Duluth Meeting Room* 

**AGE GROUP:** AGES 19+

#### **EVENT TYPE:** AUTHOR TALK

Join award-winning author Robert Gwaltney in conversation with author Kimberly Brock to discuss Gwaltney's Southern fiction novel, "The Cicada Tree."



Gardening 101 Workshops ----- May 6th - 6:00-7:00 pm - JB Williams Community Gardens and May 20th - 6:00-7:00 pm - Peachtree Ridge Park Community Gardens. May 12th-Gardening Series - Propagation 7:00 pm - Slow Pour Brewery and Lawrenceville Plant Sale - Sunday May 25th - 12 pm - Slow Pour Brewery.



We provided pine bark mulch, grass seed, fertilizer and hay straw to Mending the Gap for their grand opening of their new center. Mending the Gap keeps seniors healthy, independent, and connected. Since 2010, Mending the Gap has been transforming the aging experience through our innovative approach to help meet the needs of vulnerable seniors. We serve the seniors that are housebound, travel insecure, and vulnerable in ways that enhance their sense of value, community, dignity, and quality of life. Mending the Gap provides access to healthy food, personal hygiene and daily living supplies.



### ealth and Wellness Shelia Jones

Happy May and wishing everyone a Happy Mother's Day!! Save the Date --- The 11h Annual Generations Expo - 50 + Boomers and Seniors - A Lifestyle, Health & Active Aging Expo will be held Wednesday, June 25th 10am - 2:00 pm - Gwinnett County Fairgrounds Exhibit Building - 2405 Sugarloaf Pkwy --- Lville.



Did you send Easter Cards to DFAC - Don't forget to Track -- in Track it Forward!!!



**Shelia Jones** 

Yes, May is Get Caught Reading Month, a nationwide campaign to promote reading. The campaign is sponsored by Every Child a Reader, a literacy nonprofit. The aim is to remind people of all ages how much fun reading can be.

Here's why it's a good time to celebrate reading in May:

- It's a fun and engaging way to encourage reading: The campaign emphasizes the joy of reading and encourages people to get lost in a good book.
- It promotes literacy and critical thinking: Reading together as a family or with others can help enhance literacy and critical thinking skills.
- It's a great opportunity to create lasting memories: Reading can be a fun and bonding experience for families and friends. Bring your calendar and let's decide at the May meeting --- a day for book club/LTO ---

#### **Federation News Shelia Jones**

GFWC Convention "Spinning Vision into Reality" June 7-9, 2025 Omni Atlanta, Hotel – Registration Deadline --- 4/30

Fall District Meeting "Fall in Love with GFWC" will be October 11<sup>th</sup>, Winder Woman's Clubhouse.

Southern Region Conference "Serving to Infinity and Beyond" October 16-19, 2025, Huntsville, Alabama.

#### Sunshine **Nicole Hallmark**

