



March Lawrenceville Woman's Club Newsletter

President's Report Shelia Jones

Hello March – What projects are Lawrenceville Woman’s Club working on ----Dr. Seuss’s Birthday and Read Across America Day – Legislation Bill HB225 -Arbor Day – Recipes for National Nutrition Month and Nancy Gullickson Fine Arts Contest. So many projects in such a short time – thank you CSP chairs and your committees. The March meeting will be held at the Female Seminary, March 3rd, socializing at 6:30 pm with meeting starting at 7 pm. We will have the Zoom option available for those that don’t feel comfortable attending in person. I hope everyone received the call for the Spring CED District Meeting – March 13th -

All club members are invited to join via Zoom registration is free. Check-in the zoom meeting will start at **9:30am. Deadline for Spring Meeting Registration** is Friday, March 5, 2021 To make the virtual experience even more exciting, the **Central East District Happy Hour BINGO Fundraiser will be Monday, March 8, 2021. (Purchase \$5 Bingo Cards)** This is a great time to socialize with Central East Sisters and support the district. Bingo will start at 7pm with check-in starting at 6:30pm. This is a BYOB event and feel free to bring a snack or dessert. The plan is to play between 3-5 games with \$25 gift cards as prizes. Hint: The more cards you purchase the more chances you will have to win. Look forward to seeing everyone at the meeting in March --Thanks-- S

1st Vice President Marylouise Awana

Membership template was introduced and can be a valuable tool when working with new prospective members. Debbie Brown has volunteered to help customize this template for Lawrenceville. There is a section, which allows the inclusion of club photographs. So, please forward your photographs taken in 2020 of the many activities we had. One new prospect is Iris Dominguez. She attended our February General meeting. She asked to further discuss membership and was invited to the Arts and Culture Meeting, which she was not able to attend. Name Badges: Chery Shaw sent the info and the cost remains at \$8.50. Will ask members of their interest in purchasing one at March meeting. Membership Roster: Will be updated by March meeting.

2nd Vice President Carolyn Wright

Health and Wellness will be hosting the March meeting- look forward to seeing everyone there. Conservation will host April and we still need a volunteer for May. Please remember to track hours and in-kind donations to any project/meeting you participate in.

2021 Meeting Schedule

General Meetings: Doors open at 6:30 pm; Business meeting begins promptly at 7:00 pm.

August 4th (if needed) September 1st – Arts & Culture October 6th – Civic Engagement

November 3rd – Education & Libraries December 1st Holiday Party January 5th, 2022 – Banquet and Installation of Officers

Board Meetings: All Board Meetings Begin at 6:30 unless noted otherwise.

March 24th April 21st May 19th (optional meeting) August 18th September 22nd

October 20th November 17th

Note: Board business in December will be through email discussions and votes. Any board business between board meetings will be handled by email

3rd Vice President

If you have any fundraising ideas – please let Shelia know.

Treasurer Debbie Jeffries

Treasurer report: please remember to submit reimbursement forms to me. We have \$14,501.99

Arts & Culture Marylouise Awana

Zoom meeting conducted on February 16. Nancy Gullickson Third Annual Fine Arts Contest discussed. All in favor of proceeded. However, on hold until approval for go-ahead is received from Central Gwinnett. An estimated \$1250.00 is needed to proceed. Applying for grants will help defray costs. Note cards may be sold at The Hudgens Art Center, Nancy's Candy, and/or selling at a "Square", Debbie Jeffries will investigate this possibility. Only 14 sets remain, which could yield an additional \$210 for Arts and Culture. March projects: Partner with Civic Engagement to help pass HB226. Partner with Education and Libraries to make, artistically paint, and mount birdhouses for the Yalls group. March meeting will be on March 16th at either Rhodes Jordan or Debbie Jeffries home depending on weather. April project: A ladies time out was discussed. All in favor of a painting class with Pat Appling at a cost of \$50.00 per person on April 24. A maximum eight (8) students. May project: To honor Mothers, Arts and Culture members will research what other countries do to celebrate Mother's Day and will discuss at our May 18th monthly meeting. September project: Arts and Culture sponsors the General Meeting on September 1. The favored plan is to invite the Atlanta Harmony Celebration Ladies. This group is an A Capella singing group. Additionally, for refreshments, provide cookies from around the world. October activity – hoping for the best, we reserve this month to prepare for the Third Annual Art Contest. November Project: The Third Annual Nancy Gullickson Fine Arts Contest. December: Partner with Education and Libraries for an ethnic Holiday Celebration with the Yalls group.

Civic Engagement and Outreach Mary Sanders

Veterans Resource Center

Below is a portion of an article posted on the website of The Gwinnett County Veterans Resource Center. There are several pictures included in this article, some of which show items donated by the Lawrenceville Woman's Club. To see the full article with pictures, please go to www.gwinnettcoalition/veterans-resources.

[A Look Back at Christmas 2020](#)

Christmas food and toy distribution has been a tradition of the Gwinnett County Veterans Resource Center for 7 years. With COVID-19 impacting the community in many ways and limiting our resources, we are extremely grateful for the individuals and organizations who came together to ensure that this year the tradition was met. On December 18, 2020, we served 75 veteran families and 150+ children of all ages. This would not be possible without the help from Lawrenceville Women's Club, Lou Ann Campbell, the brothers of Kappa Alpha Psi, 12 Stone Church, and 12 enthusiastic volunteers. From all of us, to all who helped, we Thank You from the bottom of our hearts. Please enjoy the images taken on the day of the distribution.

Grace Commission

In the February Newsletter there was a mention of the GRACE Commission which was created to combat the threat of human trafficking in the state of Georgia, and which is co-chaired by Marty Kemp, the Governor's wife. There is an excellent Training Video which gives a lot of information about this subject and how to spot possible human trafficking and how to proceed. To see this video please go to: gov.georgia.gov/first-lady/grace-commission. In the middle of the page, you will see a prompt to see the video. Will keep everyone updated on any new information.

Education/Library

Debbie Jefferies

March 2 is Dr. Seuss birthday, Sheila, Mary, Deb B And Deb J will deliver the hats we made to the special needs school at 10 am. Will be scheduling a day to start cooking with the YALLS group, at my house. The teachers want to start with some dump meals, depending on what the teachers plan I will need at least 1-2 helpers. Will be scheduling a day arts and culture and education and Libraries can get together to help decorate bird houses and put in trees. Remember to bring glue sticks, and books to meeting March 3. Hope you all are reading for the challenge.



Environment Cheryl Shaw

Good News!

- Renewed Plot #1 at the Lawrenceville Community Garden and will continue to maintain our herb garden. Experience is a great teacher, and we have a better idea of herbs that do well in full sun. When the weather warms up, we will take inventory of what survived the cold, wet winter and introduce some new plants. We might try some lavender, chives, and catnip for the cats and tea drinkers.
- Received a \$300 grant award check from "Believe in Reading" to purchase garden theme books for the G.R.E.A.T. Little Minds Book Exchange outside the Community Garden at Rhodes Jordan. I am making a list of books to order. Interestingly, each time I replenish the children's books, I collect paperback books for adults. These will come in handy for the parents' Little Free Libraries at Creative Enterprises and the SNS.
- The LHA Community Garden recently received volunteer help from Food Well Alliance.

Basic General Winter Gardening/Yard Maintenance:

- Cut back perennials and grasses before they start to grow.
- Remove winter weeds while they are small.
- Prune deciduous trees and shrubs.
- Mulch bare areas of landscape.
- Divide and transplant existing perennials, trees, and shrubs—and plant new trees, shrubs, and perennials for easier establishment before it gets hot and dry.
- Refresh your knowledge of what to plant and when by reviewing a Planting Calendar.
- Sow cool season "heading" veggies such as broccoli, cabbage, cauliflower, and other cool season vegetables to harvest this spring.
- Stretch your limits—evaluate what worked and what didn't and plan to try something different this summer in your garden.



Continue to save and bring to the meetings: Rinsed aluminum cans; aluminum pull tabs; used eyeglasses; used printer cartridges; used towels, blankets, and pet toys; gently used children's and adults' books (hardcover or paperback). If you've had time to knit or crochet any scarves from scrap yarn, I'll take them to the Lawrenceville Co-op.

Health & Wellness Rosane Sandberg

Health & Wellness will be hosting the March meeting with a short program to celebrate National Nutrition Month. We will have some healthy recipes for you as well as a fun activity. A donation will be made to the Quinn House to assist with their Food Boxes.

On February 8th, Rosane and Marylouise started the exercise program with the Special Needs School YALLS group. We will try to do this every Monday at 10 am if anyone would like to join us.

February 12th Rosane and Sheila delivered Valentine goodies and cards to Gwinnett Extended Care.

We have also started a Fundraising project along with getting some exercise! A Walking Group – Just for members to meet up and walk and we can raise some donations for a cause through www.charitymiles.org. A team has been set up (GFWC Lawrenceville Woman's Club) so when you download the app and register be sure to join this team and have selected St. Jude's to receive whatever we can raise. All members are encouraged to join and get some pledges for miles walked. The website has a lot of good information. You don't have to walk with another member, but it would be a great opportunity to meet up and get to know another member better as you get in some exercise.

Communications & Public Relations:

Don't forget to use the new email addresses for:

President (Shelia) lwcgapresident@gmail.com

Facebook (Rosane) lwgasocial@gmail.com

Labels with this information will be handed out at the meeting to add to the page in their member binders on the page titled:

**GFWC Lawrenceville Woman's Club
*Officers and Positions 2021***

Website Request:

Anybody who has a date(s) to add to (or update for) the website calendar.

—Please send me an email or text with the dates to include. It's hard to catch them all during the meetings!

Thanks Cheryl



Sunshine

Nicole Hallmark

Dr Suess 3/2 Debbie Brown 3/20



More for Dr. Seuss birthday... Oh, the Places You'll Stay! By: Dr Fauci

You'll stay on the couch!
You'll stay in your room!
You'll stay in your chair for a meeting on Zoom!
You'll stay in the bathroom—a brief getaway!
There are so many places at home you will stay!

IMPORTANT!!! DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ARRIVES MARCH 14. REMEMBER TO SET YOUR CLOCKS AHEAD!



Happy
St. Patrick's Day