

Atlanta Woman's Club

Reminders for November 12th meeting:

- Bring Good Samaritan shoe box, labeled with gender & age of child
- Bring back UNICEF boxes
- Avoid the rush - renew your \$55 membership for 2008

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Dear Ladies of the Club,

The holidays are approaching and I want to share with you an even dozen ways to keep yourself stress free.

1. Keep it simple.
2. Decide what your priorities should be. Anything that doesn't agree with them- just say, "No".
3. Don't take things personally. It is probably more about them and not about you.
4. Decide what you will and will not tolerate. Set your boundaries. Take a deep compassionate breath when your tolerance level is exhausted but never, ever compromise your integrity.
5. Delegate and eliminate. When you take on too much, you lose credibility by doing things half way.
6. Let go of perfection. Don't expect it from others.
7. Give with generosity in a way that causes you to feel good about yourself. Give what comes naturally to you, without the worry of what you "should" give.
8. Live in the present. The past is past.
9. Stop trying to impress or compete with anyone. Praise the person that does a better job than you.
10. Enrich the lives of others. Elevate people with words of encouragement not criticism.
11. Take extremely good care of yourself.
12. Know that you are wonderfully made. Let your light shine so that others will see your good works and glorify your Creator.

I was proud to attend the 5th District meeting along with Ellen Milholland, Betty Daniels, Dr. Myra Carmon, Dr. Ruth Yurchuck, Pat Walsh, Bobbie Kraus and Lucy Willard. What a good time we had laughing together. We exchanged ideas about future club activities that will let us connect socially, make it more enjoyable to be a member, and expand our impact civically. We received praise from our National, State and District Officers for our ACT in Oct. event at the AWC. Members and guests arrived to share our beautifully decorated jack-o-lanterns, peach bubbly punch, delicious food and stimulating conversation. It presented an opportunity to get to know one another while learning more about Domestic Abuse in an informal social environment. I cannot tell you how proud I was to be your President as the guests expressed their amazement and gratitude for being invited. We will definitely be hosting more membership enrichment activities like this. A future dinner event seemed to be the consensus of those in attendance. All work and no play makes the AWC member a dull girl.

I want to remind everyone to contact Betty Daniels or Ellen Hicks and state their Department preference. ALL GFWC members are required to serve on a Department. We want every member to feel as though she can make some contribution to the club's success. So, even if you cannot contribute physically or get to meetings, your Department Chairmen will be happy to work with you to find a way that you can help. We want you to be a part of our success and maintain a connection.

I am here for all of your ideas and welcome your comments.

Love ya'll,
Susie



COME ONE, COME ALL !

The **Christmas holiday RAFFLE/ SILENT AUCTION** will be held at the **December 10th meeting, Ladies.** Bring your check-books and good cheer and take part in a fun affair. We will have some nice things this year including another Oriental runner that was hand-made and has 300 knots per inch. It is lovely. Also some other handmade items from Florida and Georgia. Tickets will be (2) for five dollars: (5) for ten dollars and (15) for twenty dollars. One hundred percent of the proceeds of this function will go to the six committees of the club to use in philanthropic projects. I have missed all of you, my dear friends, and am excited to see you again in December.
*Joy Kiser,
Auction Chair*

*From Betty Daniels,
2nd VP and Dean of
Departments:*

November is the **112th Birthday** of the Atlanta Womans Club. We had planned to have Kay Chadwick, President of GaFWC, to speak but she had a conflict. Instead we will celebrate our Birthday as Sarah Helen Kilgore reviews highlights from our history. We want to invite members to share their memories or relate why they joined the Club. Our Club has a wonderful history that we can share

INTERNATIONAL DEPARTMENT

The International Committee thanks everyone who participated in the UNICEF Boxes! If you have not returned your UNICEF box, please bring it to the November meeting. Also, our most important contribution **this month is our Good Samaritan box** for the children of the world. Please bring your shoebox in to bring a smile to child for our November meeting. Take an empty shoe box. Select a boy or a girl, choose the age(infant to pre-teen) and pack age-appropriate items into your box. No candy, no

and be proud of but it is not the time to rest on our laurels. We can also celebrate our future and our plans for Federation work. We hope to move forward and have fun doing it. Happy Birthday to the "Grand Lady" of the Ga.FWC.



liquids, no over-the-counter medications. Items that work well: toothbrushes, combs, bar of soap, washcloth, underwear, crayons, flashlights and batteries. A small toy or stuffed animal, barrettes, hair ribbons. This is always a meaningful project. The International Committee will pay the \$5.00 per box for shipping. Please make sure that your shoe box, plastic or cardboard is securely tied, you may wrap your box, if you wish. Once again, thank you for your compassion for the children.

*Pat Walsh,
Chairman*



Bridge Anyone?

Bridge Club meets on the **third Monday each month** and we shall finish bridge lessons for this session. We want to thank Phyllis Weisser for teaching the class and we shall let you know about future classes.

*Maxine Parker, Chairman
Bridge Club
Maerene Fischer, Co-
Chairman Bridge Club*

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

The Education Department has placed an order for dictionaries for the third and fourth grades classes at CW Hill Elementary School. We are also awaiting word about the books that teachers would like to add to the school library. Don't forget to keep up with your ESO reading lists. Copies are available at every meeting.

The Education Department welcomes all interested members. Please conact Phyllis Weisser at pcweisser@yahoo.com or call 770-391-3556.

*Phyllis Weisser,
Chairman
Ruth Yurchuck,
Co-Chair*

HOME LIFE

Judine Heard

Vaccine

Thank you, Myra Carmon, for coordinating the vaccine distribution at the October meeting.

Chico's Wardrobe Party

Perhaps you visited Chico's at Phipps after the October meeting. If you did and purchased products, please send Judine Heard a copy of that day's receipt no later than November 15, 2007. Chico's sales team was only able to identify Lisa Banes from the Club to give credit for her purchase. Please provide the receipt by November 15, 2007, and the proceeds will still go to the shelter.



Dollar and Sense

Owning Your Financial Future
- Part 2

By Jessie Swieter with
contributions from BB&T
Wealth Management

Now that you have determined that a Road Map can help you reach your financial goals, do you have the proper tools and "Key" to help you read that map? Do you have the proper tools to determine which Map to buy and which direction to go?

Any Travel Guide will tell you that preparation is the "Key" to any great trip. You must have the proper items packed to help you get to your destination on time with ease and comfort. In this example the "Key" or Legend to your Road Map is your completed Personal Financial Statement. One must have an accurately completed Personal Financial Statement to show your trusted advisors where you currently stand. This can also help these advisors give the best directions to your goals.

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A Personal Financial Statement is a listing of one's assets, liabilities, and net worth. Below are a few basic items that are in each category.

Assets:

Cash and other liquid money
Marketable Stocks & Bonds
Real Estate
Pensions & Retirement accounts
Personal Assets such as jewelry, art, or antiques

Liabilities:

Credit Cards
Accounts Payable such as notes to a friend
Loans on Real Estate
Loans on Vehicles, boats, etc

Net Worth or Equity is calculated by subtracting your Total Liabilities from your Total Assets.

As always, choose your financial advisors wisely. Make sure you have the proper "Keys" prepared to help your "Travel Guide" determine which Routes to suggest.

Additional information will be provided for those interested at the next monthly meeting.

Please share you feedback with Judine Heard or Jessie Swieter.





Shared by Linda Valenzuela:

When you are making out your Christmas card list this year, please include the following:

A Recovering American Soldier
c/o Walter Reed Army Medical Center
6900 Georgia Avenue,NW
Washington,D.C. 20307-5001

Membership Dues

Remember your dues for 2008 are **payable at the November through February meetings**. After February 2008, if you do not pay, you will no longer be able to vote. Since dues are for the calendar year January through December, if you attend the January and February meetings without paying your dues, you have attended two meetings as a guest and will no longer be considered a member. Dues are **\$55**. Please make it payable to the Atlanta Woman's Club and **mark your checks "Dues - 2008"**. Thank you.

*Ellen Hicks,
Membership Chair*

The Met Comes to Your Neighborhood

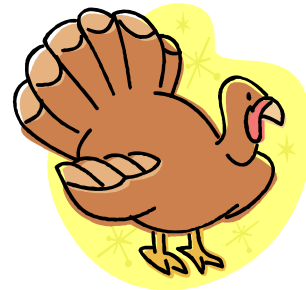
This season, the New York Metropolitan Opera will be broadcasting 8 live performances to various theaters around the country in HD. They did it last season for 6 performances, and apparently it was a success.

The next broadcast is on Sat. Dec. 15 (Gounod's Romeo & Juliette, conducted by Plácido Domingo). Looks like there are a few participating theaters around Atlanta, including Merchant's Walk(in Marietta) and Perimeter Point (in Perimeter Mall). Schedule:

http://www.metoperafamily.org/metopera/broadcast/hd_events.aspx

List of theaters:

http://www.fathomevents.com/files/METLISTING/met_live.html



HAVE A SAFE AND HAPPY THANKSGIVING !

**Atlanta Woman's Club
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Atlanta Summit on Citizen Diplomacy

Friday, November 16th, 2007

9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Key Details

Who: You are invited!

What: The Atlanta Summit on Citizen Diplomacy - a day-long training event to bolster your cultural competency

Where: Georgia State University Student Center

When: Friday, November 16th, 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Why: Increase your citizen diplomat skills and learn about ways to become more globally engaged in Atlanta and Georgia.



You are cordially invited to the Georgia Council for International Visitors' second annual Atlanta Summit on Citizen Diplomacy. The summit is an opportunity for Georgians to attend cross-cultural training workshops, panel discussions on specific areas of the world, and conversations with members of the Atlanta Consular Corps. Its goal is to better prepare Georgians to be citizen diplomats.

Individual citizens have the right, perhaps even the responsibility, to help shape U.S. foreign relations one handshake at a time. Citizen diplomacy provides an opportunity for Americans to better understand the rest of the world and for others to learn more about the U.S. Learn how to become more involved through GCIV and other international organizations in Atlanta!

The summit is free and open to the public; however, you **MUST** register to attend. ***Go to www.gciv.org to register online and view the day's schedule.***

By participating in this initiative, you join a far-reaching community of citizens across the country that is committed to harnessing the power of citizen diplomacy and citizen exchange to meet the challenges of the 21st century. We believe that by engaging greater numbers of Americans in meaningful person-to-person encounters with citizens from around the world, we can have a significant effect on our national well-being.

We hope you will join us at this exciting event! ***We can only accept the first 350 registrations, so please register today at www.gciv.org!***

About GCIV

The mission of the Georgia Council for International Visitors is to build cross-cultural understanding and mutually beneficial personal and professional relationships between Georgians and leading citizens from around the world.

Our vision is that every Georgia citizen has the opportunity to become more globally engaged.

GCIV would like to thank the following companies and organizations for their support of the summit:



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Please contact Ashley Mastin at 404-832-5560 x 13 or ashley@gciv.org with any questions.