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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Clubwomen,

Congratulations! Our club won silver in all categories for 51 and over clubs. We can agree it is not the awards we win, rather the time we spend volunteering in our community that is more fulfilling. Congratulations to several talented members who won in various categories. They are:

Short Story:	Betty Daniels
Painting:	Billie Harris
Knitting, Crocheting:	Anita Jansen
	Judith Behrens

There is quite a bit happening in April. Our annual membership tea and open house is Sunday, April 10. Don't forget to wear your hats. The 120th Annual State Convention is Friday, April 22 - Sunday, April 24, 2016. Finally, the week of April 24 is GFWC Volunteers in Action Week, and April 24 is GFWC Federation Day. I encourage you to read all of the newsletter and make plans to join other clubwomen at least one of the events.

Judine B. Heard

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LEADERSHIP QUOTE OF THE MONTH

“A true leader has the confidence to stand alone. The courage to make tough decisions, and the compassion to listen to the needs of others. He does not set out to be a leader. But becomes one by the equality of his actions and the integrity of his intent.”

-Douglas MacAthur

A SEEDED EVENT

The Atlanta Woman’s Club will be hosting several upcoming fundraising events as part of the Seeded Event Program.

On April 28, 2016, the Atlanta Woman’s Club will host a fundraising event for the Bettie Brand Mother’s Empowerment Fund.

On May 7, 2016, the Atlanta Woman’s Club will host a fundraising event for the Georgia Ballet, entitled *Pas das Chavel*.

On July 14, 2016, the Atlanta Woman’s Club will host a fundraising event for FitWit Foundation.

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TALLULAH FALLS SCHOOL

Lucy Willard, Chair

Atlanta Woman's Club members visited Tallulah Falls School in March. One highlight of the visit was touring the Middle School's gymnasium that is under construction and should be complete in 2016. When complete, the space will include a walking track, weight room, lateral climbing wall, classrooms and auditorium capabilities. We ended the day at President and Mrs. Peevy's home for tea and dessert.



MEMBERSHIP

Cimi Douglass

1st Vice President, Membership

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Welcome New Members! AWC welcomed two (2) new members in March. Below please find their bios, as always it's very important to learn as much as you can about AWC's new members in an effort to get them involved in AWC service projects right away. "Involve, Engage & Connect!"



Johanna finished her undergraduate degree in International Trade from Georgia Southern University in 2010. Following graduation she joined the United States Peace Corps as a volunteer in Kenya where she taught financial discipline, entrepreneurship, and micro-lending to community groups including women and minorities. Her service in the Peace Corps awarded her a Fellowship at Kennesaw State University to pursue her MBA, which she completed in May 2015. Since then, she has been working at Merrill Lynch on a team that focuses on Impact Investing which has given her the opportunity to become involved in the social enterprise community of Atlanta. Humanitarianism is very much a part of her spirit and she looks forward to the opportunities and camaraderie that will be presented by The Atlanta Woman's Club.



Cori White is a contributor, idea creator and explorer. Originally from Erie, PA, she earned her Bachelor of Science Degree from West Virginia University with an emphasis in Fashion Merchandising.

As the Senior Event Manager at Elavon, Inc. she executes events that meet business objectives and exceed expectations. She is a member of Meeting Professional International (Georgia Chapter), the U.S. Bank Group Travel Advisory Committee and active volunteer at Buckhead Church.

When not traveling the country, Cori resides in Buckhead with her fury feline child, Sammy.

PHOENIX FLIES

The Atlanta Woman's Club (AWC) celebrated its the 6th consecutive year to serve as a host site for participants of the 2016 Phoenix Flies Tours held on Tuesday March 8 and 15, 2016. Phoenix Flies was created in 2003 and is sponsored by the Atlanta Preservation Center (APC) to commemorate the 25th anniversary of the rescue of the Fox Theater from imminent destruction. The AWC was proud to join in this effort acknowledging the importance of appreciating and preserving iconic landmarks in addition to celebrating and educating the public about GFWC's history and mission.

The 2016 tour was made successful through the assistance of the following Phoenix Fliers who shared the history of their assigned room and decade while dressed in period costumes: President, Judine Heard who greeted the guests; Cimi Douglass, the 1895 decade in the foyer; Karen Bacheller, the 1900s in the parlor; Billie Faye Harris and Laytona Watson, the 1910s in the Palm Room/Cora Bell Wesley Room; Sandy Paik, the 1920s in the side parlor; Page Henry, the 1930s in the dining room; Judith Behrens, the 1940s on the upstairs hall landing; Barbara Culmer-Ilaw, the 1950s in the brides room; Pat Walsh, the 1960s in the front bedroom; Penny Blackford, the 1970s in the front room ; Elvina Berry Calland, the 1980s in the Lucy Willard room; Lisa Banes and Morgan Foster, the 1990s in the side room, and Carol Boaz, the 2000s in the ballroom and Hall of Presidents.

Many thanks are given to these ladies for their participation and to Cameron Adams, photographer extraordinaire who for the second time graciously photographed the event and provided the picture for this article.

Elvina Calland, Penny Blackford and Leigh Adams were the coordinators.



ESO BOOKCLUB

Hello Readers,

Thank you Karen B. and Penny for hosting a fabulous Atlanta Woman's Club book club evening on Monday March 21st. All that were fortunate to attend at Karen's home and meet author Kimberly Brock were treated to a lively, heart-warming evening.

Kimberly Brock was open, fun, gracious, and insightful while sharing her book *The River Witch*. We also enjoyed meeting Kimberly's friend Mary Anne who is involved in a writing group and writing workshops.

Karen and Penny, you are masters of creativity, detail, and planning an exceptional themed food to complement the books we read. The place cards that brought out the story, the pumpkin seeds to take home and plant, were delightful.

We are very lucky to read such inspiring authors who enjoy meeting their readers. Thank you all who have made the commitment to support the book club and get to know one another better.

Our Next Book Club Meeting - Monday May 16

Location to be announced. Book: *A Place at the Table* by Susan Rebecca White. Susan will join us at our May 16 meeting. Frank Reiss of Cappella Books is getting 20 copies of Susan's book for me. Susan's book will be available at the Atlanta Woman's club by Friday April 8. There will be a spot for you to pick them up with an envelope for you to leave payment - \$16.00. If you write a check, please make it payable to me. Please let me know if you are interested in purchasing a book.

Happy Reading,
Melodie Rogers
678-974-5854

SOCIALLY YOURS.....

The Social Engagement Committee would like to thank all of the Clubwoman for coming out to the Hard Rock Café for our March Social. We were welcomed with a delicious array of appetizers complimentary of the Hard Rock. We all enjoyed sharing some laughs and getting to know each other better. There were also some lucky ladies who took home prizes from the games we played. We are looking forward to April's social at the end of the month. Details will follow soon. Hope you all can join us. Our time spent together is definitely unforgettable.

“I am not what you see. I am what time and effort and interaction unveils.”

-Richelle E. Goodrich

CONSERVATION

Conservation has arranged a tour of gravesites of historic women (including our own Rebecca Lowe) at Historic Oakland Cemetery on April 30 from 2 - 3:30 pm. We'll all meet after at the nearby restaurant Six Feet Under. An Evite will follow from Leigh Adams who is coordinating this event.

Conservation invites members to attend the 24th Anniversary Award Celebration for "I Have A Dream World Peace Rose Garden" on May 12 at the MLK Historic Park site on Auburn Ave. An Evite will follow with times and meet up from Penny Blackford who is coordinating this event.

Conservation CSP seeks volunteers to help plan the following events. Contact Karen Johnson or Penny Blackford if you're interested in volunteering. The Charette Luncheon to be held at the Wimbish House for the City's Conservation stakeholders on Wednesday May 18, 2016 from 11-3. Snipettes to resume snipping the roses at the MLK Rose Garden, periodically May to October, volunteers can attend on dates they are available. We usually meet for lunch after.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Members of the 2015-17 Nominating Committee want to thank all members for their participation in the March 2016 election by recommending qualified candidates for the open offices, serving as tellers, and voting on the March 14. We especially thank those members who were willing to run for an office and offer congratulations to those who were elected: Cimi Douglass, President; Tonya Watson, First Vice President; Jo Dee Gonzalez, Second Vice President; Sara June McDavid, Recording, Secretary; Latonya Jordan, Treasurer; Penny Blackford, Assistant Treasurer; and Karen Bacheller and Karen Clydesdale, Board of Trustees.

We look forward to supporting these officers as they assume their official responsibilities at the June 13, 2016 meeting. Working together, we can continue to grow our Club and make significant contributions to our community and the Federation.

Nominating Committee Members

Myra Carmon
Jo Dee Gonzalez
Billie Harris
Renee Sanders
Madelyn Suriel
Tonya Watson
Ruth Yurchuck, Chair

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR HOBY

Volunteers Needed for HOBY Leadership Conference at Berry College in Rome, Georgia.

Contact Cimi Douglass at cimi.douglass@gmail.com or 678-467-1922

What is HOBY? – Founded in 1958, HOBY's mission is to inspire and develop our global community of youth and volunteers to a life dedicated to leadership, service and innovation. HOBY is also a GFWC Ga. Partner (Education) and GFWC GA encourages our participation.

For over five decades, Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership (HOBY) has inspired young people to make a difference and become catalysts for positive change in their home, school, workplace, and community. As America's foremost youth leadership organization, HOBY has a long and impressive history of successfully motivating youth and volunteers to outstanding leadership. HOBY aims to inspire and develop our global community of youth & volunteers to a life dedicated to leadership, service, and innovation.

HOBY programs are conducted annually throughout the United States, serving local and international high school students. The programs provide students selected by their schools to participate in unique leadership training, service-learning and motivation-building experiences. HOBY's flagship program, the State Leadership Seminar is designed to help high school sophomores to recognize their leadership talents and apply them to become effective, ethical leaders in their home, school, workplace and community.

Students explore their own personal leadership skills while learning how to lead others and make a positive impact in their community.

They Need Our Help at the Upcoming Leadership Conference at Berry College.

HOBY is asking for assistance on Friday, June 10th - they need help with registration – if you want to help with registration; you will need to be at the school early on Friday morning. The HOBY leaders will give you a brief run-down of what is needed at the check in tables. This job is very necessary to get the students to where they are supposed to be. This job will require about 2 - 3 hours on Friday morning. Last year the registration volunteers had to be at the tables at 8:00 AM. I don't have the exact time yet, but will let everyone know more details when you sign up.

If you would like to sponsor a student to attend, sponsorships are between \$175.00 - \$200.00, depending on the number of students you sponsor.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Monday, April 21 - 24- AWC State Federation Meeting - Callaway Gardens

Celebrate 120 years of our state federation. Be present for our very own private butterfly release to honor President Elaine Chandler. Don't forget to order your pearl and crystal butterfly pins. After the business session of proposed Bylaw amendments we'll install the new officers. Then celebrate our anniversary Saturday night in fun formal attire.

Registration Deadline: April 10, 2016

Tuesday, April 26th - GFWC AWC April Social - SAVE THE DATE!

It's Social Time! Mark your calendars. Details to follow soon.....

Monday, April 28, 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. - Of Mothers and Special Others - Bettie Brand Mothers Empowerment Event

Pay tribute to your own mother, or beloved aunt, grandmother, wife, favorite teacher or any special other whose unconditional love and guidance has helped make you the special person you are. Cocktails buffet, live and silent auctions to benefit the Bettie Brand Mothers Empowerment Fund. Join our special guests Ambassador and Mrs. Andrew Young, Ann Stallard and April Ross.

Tickets: \$100

RSVP: <https://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/eventReg?oeidk=a07ebrxs5i6e3372939&oseq=&c=&ch=>

Saturday, April 30, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. - Atlanta Women's Club Oakland Cemetery Tour

Join us for a fun, entertaining and educational tour of the Women of the Oakland Cemetery. After our 90 minute guided tour, we'll wrap up with a nosh at Six Feet Under Restaurant. Tickets: \$12 regular admission, \$6 for 65 and older, payable at time of visit. Exact cash is appreciated.

RSVP: <https://awc-oakland-cemetery-tour-dinner.eventbrite.com>

Deadline: Monday, April 4 to guarantee a spot (no pun intended). Questions? Contact Leigh Adams phlox13@gmail.com - 404.431.3276

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