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President's Message

I have discovered a number of things I enjoy but take for granted. I love reading editor's letters in monthly and weekly publications. I also enjoy reading our club president's messages each month. In the past, the ladies have penned wonderful messages. Until now I had not given any thought as to the preparation it takes to create these messages.

In recent days, I have spent hours pouring over numerous magazines, letters, and presidents' messages from The Atlanta Woman's Club and other groups for inspiration. One such letter that struck me was in our January 2014 issue in which one of Karen's topics was resolutions.

Now that we are halfway into the year, I'd like to encourage you to review your resolutions. Have you been successful? Does it need to be amended? If so, perhaps as suggested in the message, you might share your goals with someone who has a common goal.

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AWC Welcomes Special Olympics at the June Meeting!



Home Life will be hosting our June Meeting. They have invited a representative from the Special Olympics to talk with us about their organization and how we can become more involved with their initiatives.

Our speaker this month is Ms. Morgan Sumner, who is the Finance Manager for Special Olympics Georgia. Ms. Sumner handles 148 different accounts, as well as Facebook, and meals for the Special Olympic games.

Ms. Sumner began interned with Special Olympics Georgia during the summer after graduation from Auburn University. She always knew that she wanted to be a part of a helping profession. It was after that summer internship she knew she had found her true calling, working with people with special needs.

Special Olympics Georgia provides year-round sports training and athletic competition in a variety of Olympic type sports for children and adults with intellectual disabilities.

We are delighted to have Ms. Sumner at our June speaker and looking forward to learning more about the Special Olympics Georgia and how the Atlanta Woman's Club may be able to assist and interact with this wonderful organization.

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If one resolution is to become more active in club work and you have not, I'd like to suggest while perusing this issue do it with the intent of finding an activity you can do during the summer months. I find strength in your resolve to achieve your goals. Have a wonderful summer.

Judine Heard, AWC President 2014-2016

Membership News!

By Cimi Douglass, 1st VP

The Membership Committee will host its next After Hours Program on June 25, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. at The Wimbish House. All are welcome to join us. This will serve as an orientation and recruiting event. We will have plenty of socializing time and then jump into our program to educate everyone on Atlanta Woman's Club and GFWC. Please join us – invitations were sent via email, if you have any questions, please contact Cimi.



Membership's Global Soap Service Project. Join us at Global Soap to participate in the best smelling service project you'll ever volunteer with. A sign-up sheet will be on the Member Activity Table, please sign up we need to have a certain number of volunteers before a date is given. Pamela Ashe will be taking charge of organizing this event. For more info about Global Soap, please visit: <http://www.globalsoap.org/>.

At our May meeting we welcomed 8 new members to our Club! Please welcome:



Tonya Watson Anita Jansen Morgan Foster Deb Landers



Joanna Cain Diane McCoy Judy Reece Cynthia Costa-Bennett

If you have the time, I would encourage you to please read their bios which is attached to this newsletter. It's important to learn as much as we can about our new members and to get them involved in our service projects right away. "Involve, Engage & Connect!"

Arts Community Service Program



Jo Dee Gonzalez. co-chair, sayitfast@comcast.net
 Rita McGregor. co-chair, rtmcg23@gmail.com

The Arts Community Service Program recently delivered a \$1300 donation from our Club to support the Community Outreach efforts made available through the **Callanwolde Fine Arts Center**. The mission



of Callanwolde's Community Outreach Program is to bring visual and performing arts to disadvantaged and deserving communities in Metro Atlanta through ongoing workshops, classes, tours, and special events in this beautiful and historic facility. They focus on the following areas:

- Low-Income Families: Callanwolde offers need-based scholarships and discounts to individuals, school groups, and community groups for arts workshops, tours, classes, and more.
- They also offer specially-designed group tours, workshops, classes, and special events for those with special needs or disabilities, senior wellness and veterans.

Beginning with Callanwolde's summer programs, our committee will also be seeking member volunteers for Callanwolde's various workshops and classes to fulfill the goal of supporting these worthy community endeavors.



Twenty-Six volunteers represented our Atlanta Woman's Club acting as Docents to staff the entire day on May 16th for the **Atlanta Symphony Associates' Show House and Gardens**. They guided and informed visitors who streamed through "Palazzo Rosa", an 88 year old Atlanta mansion filled with beautiful designs created by more than 30 of Atlanta's top designers. All proceeds from the tour benefitted the Atlanta Symphony. Thank you to so many who gave their time and energy to support this event.

Home Life Community Service Program,

Carol Boaz & Betty Daniels, CSP
Chairs



Once again The Atlanta Woman's Club will volunteer at the upcoming summer games for the Special Olympics held on Saturday, May 31st from 11:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at Emory University. The event is free to anyone that wants to watch the games. As volunteers, we are asked to fill a 2 hour shift. Last year we had several members volunteer who truly enjoyed seeing the smiles on their faces of the Special Olympic Athletes when they participate in the games. It was a wonderful heart-warming experience. We hope more of you will be able to join us this year. Details will be provided once you sign up. We will be notified by May 9th of where you will be working. Thank you so much for your participation in helping the Special Olympics have successful State Summer Games this year.

Thank you, Carol Boaz - carol.steve.boaz@gmail.com

Conservation Community Service Program, by Karen Johnson, CSP



Volunteers Needed Please!

Sunday, June 8th at the Butterfly Festival!

Volunteer Event at Flying Colors Butterfly Festival:

Don't forget the Chattahoochee Nature Festival's Flying Colors Butterfly Festival is coming up June 8 from noon to 5:30. If you haven't volunteered already and can attend please contact Karen Johnson at [770-984-2804](tel:770-984-2804). All volunteers are invited to Page Henry's after the event for drinks and hors d'oeuvres. Maps to Page's home will be available at the event.

National Wildlife Federation:

The month of June the National Wildlife Federation is hosting its 10th Annual Great American Backyard Campout! **This year's official Campout date is Saturday, June 28, 2014.** NWF wants you to join others all across the nation and head outside with your family and friends to enjoy a fun-filled night under the stars. You might camp in your own backyard, at a neighbors, or in a local park or campground. National Wildlife Federation's Board of Directors and other friends have offered to donate \$2 in support of NWF's wildlife conservation work for every person that participates in this year's Campout—up to \$400,000! Spend some quality outdoor time with family and friends and support NWF with you pledge to Campout now:

[Click here to pledge to participate in the Great American Backyard Campout.](#)

Atlanta Botanical Garden:

The ABG just opened its *Imaginary Worlds: A New Kingdom of Plant Giants* exhibition. This enchanting exhibition presents 28 monumental sculptures made of living plants. Orangutans, Gorillas, Giant Frogs and Butterflies, are among the new additions hanging around. "This exhibition will be the largest ever presented in the U.S. and promises to be another 'wildly' successful one," says Mary Pat Matheson, the Garden's president and CEO. Go on a safari with you family and find them all! For more information click here: [Events | Atlanta Botanical Garden](#)

Chattahoochee Riverkeeper:

The CRK is seeking river paddlers of all ages and skill levels who want to participate its 12th Annually Chattahoochee River Race and Festival. The race and festival celebrates the Chattahoochee River, and proceeds support the CRK mission to protect and preserve the river for the people. Register here before June 6:

[Chattahoochee Riverkeeper - 2014 Back to the Chattahoochee River Race & Festival](#)

All Summer Long:

Conservation Volunteers Needed to Organize a New Conservation CSP Special Event:

Conservation is undertaking a big new challenge: to create a Conservation Youth Leadership summit to be sponsored by AWC and hosted at The Wimbish House later this Fall. The goal of this program is to create and promote new leaders in Conservation who will have a long-term impact on helping to affect Conservation's mission. We also hope heighten the profile of the AWC in this area. We will be working with a major non-profit partner -- National Wildlife Federation under the leadership of Na'Taki Osborne Jelks, their Director of Education and Advocacy Programs. Na'Taki spoke to our group in January and has under her NWF umbrella a group called Earth Tomorrow, which is for teen environmental leaders of color. We hope to involve her group as well as a diverse group of student environmental and leadership clubs from around the City in a day-long summit event to be held at Wimbish House. We will be seeking a variety of community environmental and conservation related organizational leaders as speakers at the event. We need your help getting speakers, getting the participant organizations, and then organizing the event. There will be break sessions to plan where the students can choose a project or organization they'd like to learn more about. We'll be seeking sponsors for catering and give always. There are lots of roles to fill and many membership volunteers are needed!

Contact Karen Johnson at goodmoviesent@aol.com;
Page Henry - page.Henry@harrynorman.com or
Penny Blackford - blackfordp@bellsouth.net to volunteer or sign up.



AWC Bridge Club Meets

**1st Thursday of the Month –
June 5th**

It's not too late to learn how to play the greatest, most intelligent card game ever!!! Bridge! If you'd like to come and observe and see if you'd like to learn how to play, we can "buddy you up" with someone and get you started. We play Bridge for a few hours then go to lunch afterward. It's lots of fun! Join us at the Wimbish House at 10:00 Thursday, June 5th. If you have any questions, please call Ginger Foshee 770-775-6230.

International Outreach Community Service Program, Pat Walsh CSP Chair



Thank you to all that purchased desserts at our May meeting, the sale of the cake raised \$148.00. The International Committee will give a supplemental donation to benefit Operation Smile. Here's a summer project for you and your children while they are out of school. Operation Smile needs your help with making a few blankets for their patients. This is a great project for your family and a wonderful way to provide warmth and comfort for the children of Operation Smile. Community volunteers can help craft blankets, sew quilts or knit/crochet afghans for children receiving an Operation Smile surgery. Operation Smile provides free surgeries to repair cleft lip, cleft palate and other facial deformities for children around the globe. For more information please visit: <http://www.operationssmile.org/> For More information on no sew fleece blankets – please visit:

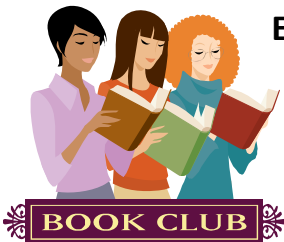
http://www.operationssmile.org/get_involved/community-volunteers/quilts-blankets-and-afghans.html

Here are a few additional items that AWC's International Outreach is also working on and/or needs assistance with:

- Remember to save your change this summer for UNICEF.
- Bring in old glasses for World Vision

- Bring in used neckties ties for Ties that Matter in Haiti.
- Remember to purchase or make pillow case dresses for Little Dresses for Africa and watch for a notice on the Global Soap Project.
- We will purchase a gift from Heifer International in honor of mothers and fathers around the world.
- We will also make a donation to the Haiti Nursing Foundation.

Have a great summer, Pat Walsh



ESO Book Club,

by Melodie Rogers and Karen Clydesdale

Please remember that all members are welcome to attend our book club meetings. The next book club meeting will be on June 16 at Karen Clydesdale's home. Karen lives near 400 at the Northridge Exit. We always have a dinner prepared by the hostess and a wonderful book discussion. We will be reading "Under Magnolia: A Southern Memoir" by Frances Mayes who also wrote Under the Tuscan Sun. I have supplied a link below for your information. We will meet at my house on Monday, June 16. All members are invited but please RSVP to me if you are planning on attending. As you know the hostess provides dinner so a head count is necessary. We will also select books for August and October. We can choose from books already mentioned or from additional suggestions.

We are looking forward to seeing you all and hoping for a nice evening of possibly dining alfresco! Please RSVP to Melodie or Karen C. so that we know how many will be attending.

<http://www.goodreads.com/book/show/18166875-under-magnolia>

Keep Reading!

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GFWC, GFWC Georgia, and AWC's Important Links!

Here are a few links we think you may be interested in. Feel free to click on the links and "Like" Facebook pages, sign up for newsletters, and read additional information about GFWC and GFWC Georgia's new initiatives on a National level and on a State level. Our Facebook page is growing every day, Chaundra Luckett, our Social Outreach Chair posts new photos and inspirational quotes every week. Please "Like" our page, you'll be glad you did!!

GFWC Georgia's Facebook Page:

www.facebook.com/GaFWC

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