



# Atlanta Woman's Club



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Can you believe that it is already December, the last month of the year and the beginning of a new one? This is a bit cliché, but how does the time fly by so quickly? Imagine that everyone is gearing up for the holiday in front of us, with fond memories of their Thanksgiving although this year's events will more than likely be remembered as no other has in our lifetime.

Despite that, I know we will still manage to get through these difficult times with strength and grace and holiday spirit! We always do. To keep that holiday spirit alive let us remember those who are less fortunate than ourselves and help out where and however we can. Whether we make donations or volunteer our time this month, The Atlanta Woman's Club can make a difference. We can remember the children at drawchange, continue to collect and donate art supplies that are so needed along with medicine bottles, pop tops, and paper products. Please take a look at the AWC Weekly Updates posted on Mondays for the latest information on the CSPs and what they are collecting and donating.

I missed seeing everyone at the last meeting and I want to be sure to thank Connie Morris for filling in for me and doing a fabulous job! I would also like to thank Cimi Douglass for graciously providing the inspiration, Pat Walsh for leading the pledge and Peggy Pruett for reading the Collect at the end of the meeting. I am so proud of this club and all of the wonderful women in it, who are always so generous with their time and who selflessly serve our community. They never let us down and it shows!

It has been a tiresome and difficult road for sure for the past 9 months or so, but we should be encouraged by recent news of the vaccine, and with that, a "light at the end of the tunnel". But in order reach that goal we must adhere to the guidelines sent out by the CDC and the medical professionals..... Stay at least 6' apart from each other, wash your hands often and wear a mask. It certainly is not fun, but we really need to take care of ourselves and our loved ones the best that we can.

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE CONT'D

Once again let us wish a Happy 125<sup>th</sup> to the Atlanta Woman's Club! So much has been accomplished over those years by the hundreds of amazing women who have called themselves members as we follow in their footsteps!

It will soon be 2021 and I wish each of you the happiest of holidays and a wonderful New Year. Let's keep in mind to help and care for each other by following the CDC guidelines. Stay safe and I look forward to seeing you all at the next Zoom meeting on December 14th, when we will welcome Chris Bradshaw of the African Library Project.

**Jo Dee Gonzalez, AWC President 2020-2022**



## RECONGNIZING AWC MEMBERS

### **Louise Vernon**



Longtime Former Member Louise Vernon joined the Atlanta woman's Club September 9th, 1972; therefore, she has been a member for 48 years. Louise held many offices and committees. She was Vice President 1982-1984, Mildred Bryant was president. Their goal was to restore the Ball Room and rent it out for weddings and receptions. This was quite a chore since the roof was leaking, paint was pulling off the ceiling and walls. They had the Ball Room and other rooms painted repaired and put an ad in Bride Beautiful and the Newspaper and was rented for the first time for \$250.

Some of the other committees included Garden Division, telephone committee, office hostess, club donor, endowment, Conservation and Energy, grounds and Decoration. During this time the fire occurred in 1990 and Lucy Willard and Louise purchased new furniture for the parlor, and two rooms upstairs and other items such as ballroom chairs (the ones recently

replaced). Louise noted lots of historical facts. Before the fire in 1990 rooms upstairs were all bedrooms and several were rented.

Louise said her club work has been lots of fun, love and excitement working with all the members. She is proud of the accomplishments of the Atlanta Woman's Club and Georgia Federation of Woman's Clubs to fulfill the mission of Philanthropic work in the club in the community, district and state.

We all remember Louise and Daisy for their beautiful dresses and hats that they wore for all club meetings and events especially Christmas parties. Some pictures included for Louise with members and with her husband Dan who she recently lost. I recently visited Louise and there was evidence of their dedicated and loving relationship. She also has rooms filled with all of her beautiful dresses and gowns.

Another valued member of women's clubs. Louise transferred from a club in Virginia.

**Written by Myra Carmon**

## LEADERSHIP/LEADS

How are members appointed to the Executive Board? Are CSP chairmen appointed or elected? Have you ever considered running for an AWC office but didn't know what was required? Many of our members are happy to volunteer their time and talents to the various organizations we have relationships. However, for a few, they would like to take more of a leadership role within our club.

The Leadership/LEADS Committee is offering a virtual meeting, Saturday, December 12th, 2020 from 10:00 until noon. From president to parliamentarian advisor, this meeting will discuss elected and appointed positions in our club. Such things as how long you must have been a member to run for an office and who appoints CSP chairmen will be discussed. This workshop is open to all members but we ask that you register for the event. You will find the registration link in the body of this newsletter's email underneath the Newsletter link.

### **Judine Heard, GFWC GA Leadership/LEADS Chair**

## ARTS & CULTURE

The Arts & Culture CSP will continue to collect art supplies for elementary, middle, and high school students. This will be an ongoing project due to the decreased amount of art supplies provided by schools as virtual learning continues during the pandemic. A few standard items to consider donating are colored pencils, washable markers, drawing pads, crayons, construction paper, small and large poster boards, scissors, glue sticks, non toxic liquid glue, sharpies, etc. These supplies will be distributed during the Atlanta Public Schools and Fulton County Schools Meal distribution pick-up days which are on Monday (APS) and Wednesday (FCS) weekly.

How to Donate:

- Drop off supplies at the Wimbish House
- Mail supplies directly to me at 4053 Lyon Blvd SW, Atlanta, GA 30331

Please don't forget to submit your entries for the Member Arts Contests to me (along with appropriate completed entry forms) by **January 15th, 2021**. You can find the criteria for all categories in the 2020-2022 GFWC Yearbook. Here's how:

- Go to [www.gfwc.ga.org](http://www.gfwc.ga.org) and click the "Club Resources" tab
- Click the link for the 2020-2022 GFWC Georgia Yearbook

Once the document has opened, scroll to the following pages based upon your interest:

- Photography– pgs. 92-95
- Writing– pgs. 96-98
- Member Craft– pgs. 102-104

## ARTS & CULTURE CONT'D

### **Socially Distanced Holiday Arts & Culture Events in Atlanta:**

- **The Nutcracker 2020 Experience**

The Atlanta Ballet will host a drive-in movie version of “The Nutcracker” Dec. 2-6 at the Cobb Energy Performing Arts Center. Patrons will be able to watch a new filmed version of the classic ballet from the comfort and safety of their cars. There will also be on-demand home access to previous filmed versions of “The Nutcracker.” For tickets and details, visit [www.atlantaballet.com](http://www.atlantaballet.com)

- **Stan the Lovesick Snowman**

The Center for Puppetry Arts will host this socially distanced holiday show (only 50 seats per performance) about a snowman who falls in love with a wood-burning stove through Jan. 3. There will also be puppet making workshops and a special exhibition, “Very Merry Puppetry: Puppets of Holidays Past, Present and Future.” For tickets and information, visit [www.puppet.org](http://www.puppet.org)

- **Skate the Station**

Head to Atlantic Station through Jan. 18 and take some laps around the 10,000 square foot ice rink decked out for the holidays. General admission is \$15. Due to the ongoing pandemic, there is reduced capacity and timed ticketing, so visit [www.atlanticstation.com](http://www.atlanticstation.com) to make reservations

- **Holidays at Fernbank**

The Fernbank Museum is hosting a Winter Wonderland exhibit through Jan. 8 with decorated trees and cultural displays, Sock Skating Rink, giant snow globes and more. Details can be found at [www.fernbankmuseum.org](http://www.fernbankmuseum.org)

The Arts & Culture CSP will have Zoom meeting on **Tues. December 8th @ 7:00p** to discuss an upcoming project for the month of December. Please contact Billie Harris to RSVP and for Zoom info.

Members who are interested in joining the Arts and Culture CSP, please email your name and mobile number to [hawcinc@live.com](mailto:hawcinc@live.com). Make sure to also download the GroupMe app on your mobile device to stay up to date with projects and volunteer opportunities. You will be added to the AWC Arts & Culture GroupMe via your mobile number.

**Billie Harris, Chair**  
**Chloe Feyock, Co-Chair**  
**Arts and Culture CSP**

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