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Welcome to February ladies, when we celebrate Black History Month, Groundhog Day, Make a Friend Day, Random Acts of Kindness Day, Girl and Women in Sports Day, Heart Health Month, Susan B Anthony Day, Superbowl Sunday, Abraham Lincoln's Birthday, Galentine's Day, National Frozen Yogurt Day, and of course, on February 14th we celebrate Valentine's Day. This is also the day of our upcoming meeting with guest speaker Dr. Larry A. Peevy, President and Head of Tallulah Falls School. Many of you may know his lovely wife Dinah, who is a long time and dedicated member of the AWC. Please plan to join us on Monday, February the 14th to hear the latest from Dr. Peevy.

Our GFWC Georgia 2022 reports have been successfully completed and submitted to the state office for review. Everything was turned in on time and I can't begin to tell you how wonderful aloof the reports were and how proud I am to be able to say that these hard working women are members and friends of *our* club. In addition, the hours of time and energy they willingly put into their committee work in 2021 is truly amazing, and has greatly benefitted many organizations and citizens of the communities around us. I am speaking of all of the CSP chairs, Advancement area chairs and the Special committee chairs that include the following women:

~~ **Billie Harris, Barbara Washburn, Kelly Feyock, Page Henry, Darlene Kimes, Karen Clydesdale, Myra Carmon, Judine Heard, Ursula Reynolds, Dinah Peevy and Lucy Willard, Judy Reece, Britton Rogers, and our 2nd VP Penny Blackford, Dean of CSPs.** ~~

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE CONT'D

I would like to extend a very sincere thank you to all of these women along with their committee members and acknowledge their outstanding work that has continued for the past year and a half, despite our constant battle with the pandemic.

~~ In honor of Women's Heart Health Month and Valentine's Day I think it would be great if we all wore something red to the upcoming meeting on February 14th and brighten up our Zoom screen! Don't forget to register, and if you do so by *February 8*, you will receive a "small treat" in the mail! ~~

Reminder Be sure to check the ***Monday Weekly Updates*** for all of the latest information and news relating to the club, committee meetings, collections, information from the Nominating committee. Please call Judy Reece with any questions.

The North West District membership meeting will be coming up on Saturday March 19, so keep an eye out for that one and be sure to register and most importantly, attend!

See you all soon!

Jo Dee

Jo Dee Gonzalez, AWC President 2020-2022



MEMBERSHIP



Kathy Wilde was born and raised in Ohio, and by way of Colorado and North Carolina, she ended up in Atlanta 8 years ago where her two children have settled. Upon moving here, she began volunteering with the Piedmont Conservancy (hauling and spreading wood chips!) and at the Atlanta Botanical Gardens where she was a docent for adult and children's tours, as well as in the children's garden and other special events and programs.

Kathy worked part-time for the Metro Atlanta YMCA in early 2015. As the years went on and she worked more hours, and slowly gave up volunteering. She as a mom of young children stayed at home and volunteered with the public-school systems of Colorado and North Carolina. She was very involved with the PTA's K-12 and tutored in the classrooms of the elementary schools.

Connie Morris, 1st Vice President, Membership

LEADERSHIP/LEADS

What Is Your Passion?

Join us virtually **Thursday, February 10th, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.** with author and motivational speaker, Genevieve Piturro. Her book, Purpose, Passion, and Pajamas, a NYC Big Book Award winner and National Indie Excellence winner, can be found on Amazon and at various book stores. Genevieve has been featured on Hallmark's Home and Family Channel, The Oprah Winfrey Show, and Martha Stewart Living to name a few. She has contributed to Forbes magazine and the Huff Report. So join us as we explore defining our purpose. Please register in advance at <https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZArc-GqqzMrHt158gXuOS3TIowJF1kOb-EP>

AWC Leadership Academy

The next AWC Leadership Academy class starts on **March 26, 2022**. This six month program is exclusively for members of the Atlanta Woman's Club who have been members for a minimum of 18 months.*

LEADERSHIP/LEADS CONT'D

The program is designed to educate and inspire future leaders. By participating in the program, you will.....

- * Learn what an ethical leader is and the characteristics of such leader
- * Learn the importance of diversity and how it impacts you as a leader
- * Hone your communication skills
- * Discover ways to organize your time and even avoid procrastination
- * Gain an understanding of finance (personally and professionally) and what is required to serve on a non-profit board

Upon completion

You will have a better understanding of your capabilities; you will be able to set personal and professional goals, and you will be able to lead and motivate other people.

When are classes held?

Classes will be held-in person and virtually beginning Saturday, March 26, 2022. The remaining sessions are on April 16, May 21, June 18, September 17 and October 1, 2022. You must commit to attending all classes.

Register

To learn more and register, visit The Atlanta Leadership Academy on-line at

<https://gfwc-ga-awc-leadershipacademy.weebly.com>

* Typically a candidate is required to have performed a minimum of 20 volunteer hours with AWC, however because of the pandemic, this is waived. The program is limited to 10 members.

Judine Heard, GFWC GA LEADS

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

ELECTIONS IN MARCH

Nominations are open and will be accepted by the committee until mid to late February (precise date to be announced soon). Nominations should be sent to a member of the Nominating Committee.

Nominations are also allowed from the floor the day of the election; candidates must be qualified and must consent to serve.

The Nominating Committee is elected and serves for two years; this is their second year. The Nominating Committee members are: Judy Reece (chair), Beth Jetha (parliamentarian), Jennie Lobato, Kelly Feyock, Ursula Reynolds, and Karen Clydesdale (alternate).

Any Club member may nominate someone to run for office. Members of the Nominating Committee may be nominated; they must excuse themselves for discussions about their qualifications. Members may also nominate themselves. Those nominated for Board of Trustees must have been a member for two years; those nominated for Club officer must have been a member for one year beginning in January of the election year. No member can hold two offices.

We will be electing all of our elected Club officers: President, 1st Vice President, 2nd Vice President, Recording Secretary, Treasurer, and Assistant Treasurer. In addition, two members of the Board of Trustees will be elected.

Look for more information as we get closer to accepting nominations.

Reference in the Club Bylaws for duties of officers: Article IV – Officers.

Reference in the Club Bylaws for duties of Board of Trustee members – Article VI – Board of Trustees.

Reference in the Standing Rules, Article VI – Nominations and Articles IX – Nominations and Elections.

Nominating Committee

ARTS & CULTURE

Happy February!

This month is full of exciting things to celebrate and commemorate...here are some fun ways to support the Arts this month in our community!

- * Visit Atlantucky (170 Northside Dr. SW) now through Feb. 19th for the Black & Proud Art Exhibit in celebration of Black History Month, sponsored by BrightRing Foundation, a 501c3 focused on promoting arts & culture and assisting young artists by offering education and tools to enhance artistic potential.
- * Shakespeare In The Ponce presents Romeo & Juliet, Thursdays through Saturdays from Feb. 7th to Feb. 26th at RoleCall Theatre at Ponce City Market (675 Ponce de Leon Ave. NE). For more info visit www.rolecall.tix.page/e/romeo-and-juliet
- * Alvin Ailey American Dance Theatre at The Fox from Feb. 10th-Feb. 13th. For more info visit www.foxtheatre.org
- * **For everything you can imagine relating to Arts & Culture in Atlanta visit www.discoveratlanta.com/things-to-do/arts-culture/**

Members who are interested in joining the Arts and Culture CSP, please email your name and mobile number to hawcinc@live.com to be added the GroupMe to stay up to date with projects and volunteer opportunities. Be sure to download the GroupMe app on your mobile device in advance. You can also send your name and email info via text to 678-617-8511.



“The aim of art is not to represent the outward appearance of things, but their inward significance.” -Aristotle

Billie Harris, CSP Chair

ATLANTA WOMAN'S CLUB ROSTER OF OFFICERS & EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS

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Billie Harris- Chair, Arts and Culture
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Committee Chairs

Karen Clydesdale, President's Advisor
TBD, Historian
Ursula Reynolds, Women's History
Lucy Willard, Tallulah Falls School
Myra Carmon, 1734 Society
Karen Clydesdale, GFWC GA President's Special Project/GFWC Signature Project
Connie Morris, Membership
Karen Clydesdale, A Seeded Event/Fundraising
Judine Heard, GFWC GA LEADS/GFWC GA Environment Co-Chair
TBD, ESO Book Club
Karen Johnson, Peachtree Women's Writers Alliance
Cimi Douglass and Judy Reece, Website
Lisa Banes, Marketing/Public Relations
Judy Reece, Member Events/Communications/Weekly Bulletin/Bridge
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