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The past few days have been glorious here in Atlanta. The skies were as blue as they could be with virtually no clouds, and it was the perfect temperature, both in the mornings and the evenings. I personally think that the fall is the best time of year. Besides the weather and the various holidays to look forward to, we can finally say farewell to the oppressive heat and humidity that surrounds us over the summer months.

I must admit that I also enjoy the "fall back" part of Daylight Savings Time when we gain one hour of sleep or whatever you want to do with that one hour! As far as GFWC news goes, some of you have probably heard through the grapevine that the Fall meeting of the NW District went very well with Cimi Douglass at the helm, and the Atlanta Woman's Club made a good showing-- both in person and online. It was held in Cartersville. Congrats to Connie Morris, our Membership chair, who accepted an "award" for the most new members acquired within the district who have joined since June, 2020. The award consisted of a yellow feather boa, a bright gold crown, and a "Bee" tray.

Please remember to check out this week's Weekly Update where you will find quite a few volunteering opportunities for everyone. The "Thanks for Giving" project for the Atlanta Community Food Bank, by Karen Clydesdale; the Health and Wellness committee (Kelly Feyock) will be preparing a dinner for the Atlanta Hospital Hospitality House residents on November 6 at the AHHH house; there will be a fascinating walking tour of the Michael C. Carlos Museum sponsored by the AWC History Committee located on the Emory Campus on November 12; and lastly there will be a virtual LEADS Workshop for all AWC members from 10am to noon (Judine Heard).

In the case that I have totally confused you, be sure to check the update for details and registration information that is required for each of these events so that you will not miss out on any of them!! As for past opportunities in October, we had the collections for UNICEF and the

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE CONT'D

planting of trees for Trees Atlanta (Environment, Page Henry). I am very proud to say that everyone has been working hard with their fellow members to improve our community. I sincerely hope that you will be able to attend one (or more) of these inspiring projects to get a good look at a portion of the work that the AWC can do.

I hope you enjoy this Autumn poem by Carl Sandburg:

"UNDER THE HARVEST MOON"

"Under the harvest moon, When the soft silver Drips shimmering Over the garden nights, Death, the gray mocker, Comes and whispers to you As a beautiful friend Who remembers.

Under the summer roses When the flagrant crimson Lurks in the dusk Of the wild red leaves, Love, with little hands, Comes and touches you With a thousand memories, And asks you Beautiful, unanswerable questions."

Looking forward to seeing you all on Zoom on November 8. It won't be much longer until we can meet in person. I hope I hope! Wishing you and your families the Happiest of Thanksgivings.

~~ Jo Dee jodee.gonzalez12@gmail.com

Jo Dee Gonzalez, AWC President 2020-2022



THANKS FOR GIVING

The Atlanta Woman's Club Members Partner with the Atlanta Community Food Bank to Provide Thanksgiving Food for Those with Allergies



Below is the flyer information that was sent to all AWC members.

This holiday season, families across the country will set their tables to come together and enjoy a Thanksgiving meal. For many of us, the holidays wouldn't be complete without a turkey and heaping sides of stuffing and mashed potatoes on the table. But for the millions of families who struggle with hunger, celebrating the holidays can be tough. For those who also suffer from hunger and food allergies, the holiday becomes a lot more complicated. A food allergy is a potentially life-threatening medical condition in which the immune system triggers an extreme reaction to harmless substances, including some Thanksgiving food staples and the ingredients in them. Unfortunately for those with food allergies, many foods on the Thanksgiving table contain at least one of the "big 9" allergens – milk, eggs, fish, shellfish, tree nuts, peanuts, wheat, soy and sesame. To help avoid running into these culprits at the Atlanta Community Food Bank (ACFB) this Thanksgiving, the AWC will be doing a gluten free, allergy free, vegan food drive.

How Can You Help

Join the" **Thanks for Giving**"" Campaign by signing up to order online \$100 of gluten free, allergy free, vegan food to be sent to the Atlanta Community Food Bank by **November 12**. You are eligible to be reimbursed for your donation up to \$100 by providing your receipt or you can make it a donation. For more information and to sign up contact Karen Clydesdale by October 31. Instructions and additional information will be sent to you to make this an easy project that you can do from home and support our local food bank and **FARE**.

FARE: GFWC GA CHALLENGE

125th Anniversary of GFWC Georgia Challenge



To celebrate this amazing accomplishment one AWC member is eligible to win a \$125.00 Gift Card!

And the winner is.......Darlene Kimes! Darlene and her team delivered 200 FARE flyers. The flyers were distributed to the general public, a woman's luncheon and two daycare facilities, Sun Shine Smiles and Bright Futures Academy.

Darlene has graciously donated the card back to support the FARE Thanks for Giving program!

Many Thanks to Jo Dee Gonzalez, Pat Walsh, Lisa Banes and Connie Morris for your generous support of this FARE project

LEADERSHIP/LEADS

Virtual Leadership Workshop for The Atlanta Woman's Club Members

Ever wonder - what are the responsibilities of the officers of The Atlanta Woman's Club? Perhaps you're interested in an elected or appointed position or you're a new member and just would like to know but don't know who to ask. This is the workshop for you.

Register today for this virtual workshop and learn about the roles and responsibilities not only the officers of The Atlanta Woman's Club but positions at the district, State, region and International.

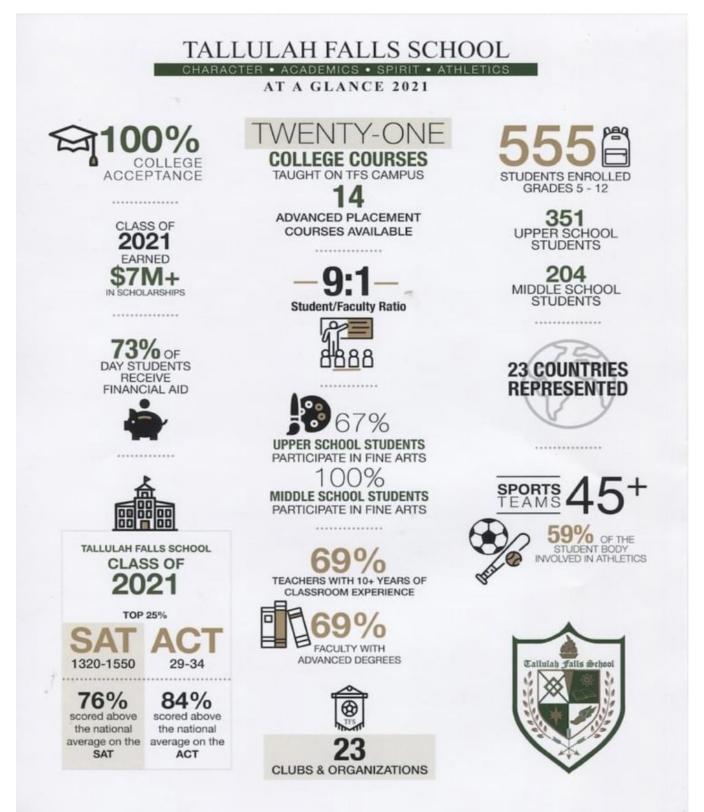
This interactive workshop will include officers who will be open to answering your questions. The meeting will be held Saturday November 6th at 10 am. For questions, please contact Judine Heard.

To register for the meeting, click the link in the body of the email underneath the newsletter link

Judine Heard, GFWC GA LEADS

TALLULAH FALLS SCHOOL

Here are some interesting facts about Tallulah Falls School that sums up current statistics. We are very proud of the progress of TFS. If you have any questions, contact Peggy Pruett.



WOMENS HISTORY

The **AWC History Committee** has organized a tour of Emory University's **Carlos Museum** on Friday, November 12, beginning at 1:30 p.m. If you plan to attend, please rsvp to Sara June McDavid by the end of the day on November 9 at sjmcdavid@gmail.com. Museum admission is \$8 or \$6/seniors. Masks are required in the museum.

Parking is available at the **Fishburne Deck** which is an easy, 2 ¹/₂ block walk to the museum. If you arrive by 1:25 p.m., Sara June will guide the group from the sidewalk on Fishburne Street to the museum. Parking costs \$6-8. Link to a campus parking map: https://transportation.emory.edu/visitor-parking

Michael McDavid, a Carlos docent will lead a tour of museum highlights. The guided tour will last approximately one hour and will feature objects from ancient Egypt, the Near East, Greece and Rome as well as collections from the Americas, Africa and South Asia. In addition, there is a traveling exhibition of the work of two prominent native American artists. https://carlos.emory.edu/exhibition/eachother-marie-watt-and-cannupa-hanska-luger

Ursula Reynolds, Women's History

CIVIC ENGAGEMENT AND OUTREACH

Civic Engagement and Outreach Committee lead club in distributing Food Allergies Flyers.



Darlene Kimes, Chair Amber Hahn, Co-Chair 200 Food Allergies Flyers were distributed by the committee to support the state's Food Allergies program. Flyers were distributed throughout the Atlanta community in September in an effort to educate the public about food allergies. Flyers were distributed to the general public at a woman's luncheon that created table topic discussions, and at Day Care facilities. Day care facilities were the major focus of distribution due to early detection of food allergies at early ages.



EDUCATION AND LIBRARIES



The Atlanta Woman's Club Education/Library Community Service Project at the Hirsch Academy presenting \$1000.00 for STEM supplies. The academy is for children on the Autism spectrum.

"We are so touched by the wonderful visit and the generous donation from Atlanta's oldest non-profit woman's organization, The Atlanta Woman's Club!! Thank you for supporting our school, students and staff. We look forward to putting this donation toward our science and technology programs for our students. Thank you!"

To learn more about Hirsch Academy and see the "thank you" from Hirsch, watch the you tube video: https://youtu.be/WbYjILsQoso

Student Blog: https://www.juliagriffith.org/BeautifulMind



School Principal and Student

Barbara Washburn, Chair Linda Hirsch, Co-Chair

ARTS AND CULTURE

The Arts & Culture CSP donated \$1000 to the Hines Family Foundation for the purchase of tiles for the AimHigher Earthwork Art Project that was unveiled at Woodruff Park on October 11th, and on display until October 12th. The project was conceived by Christina Korp, President of <u>Purpose Entertainment</u> and the former manager of Apollo 11 astronaut Buzz Aldrin. It was produced in partnership with Stan Herd Artworks, the Space for Art Foundation, Atlanta Parks and Rec Department, Downtown Atlanta, the Hines Family Foundation, Associated Universities Inc. (AUI), Georgia Tech, Morehouse College, and the Georgia Space Grant Consortium.

The 4,800 square-foot natural Earthwork by renowned crop artist Stan Herd was created to commemorate World Space Week and International Day of the Girl to raise awareness about NASA's Artemis Program and inspire



women and girls through the high-profile STEAM exhibit. The theme for World Space Week 2021 was "Women in Space." The Earthwork eco-friendly portrait featured active NASA astronaut, Stephanie Wilson. Wilson's 42 days in space and three trips to space are the most of any female African American astronaut. The intent of the Earthwork was to inspire women and girls, and especially people of color, to "aim higher" as they pursue their dreams.



The Earthwork was framed by approximately 1,500 tiles of space art created by students from fourteen Atlanta Public Schools and kids from three Children's Healthcare of Atlanta hospitals. Satellite images of the Earthwork was captured from low Earth orbit by Satellogic, a company specialized in Earth-observation satellites.

ARTS AND CULTURE CONT'D



Former NASA astronauts Nicole Stott and Susan Kilrain (the 2nd woman to pilot the Space Shuttle and a Georgia Tech alum), along with Inspiration 4 Mission Pilot astronaut Dr. Sian Proctor (the 1st African American woman to pilot a spacecraft), were on site at the unveiling at Woodruff Park to speak about the importance of representation, and to inspire more women, girls, and people of color to pursue careers in space and tech fields.



Stephanie Wilson (Honoree) participated virtually with a video greeting from quarantine at the Kennedy Space Center, where she will be supporting as the backup crew for the next NASA International Space Station mission (Crew 3).



There was an AimHigher Partner Dinner held at The Candler Hotel the evening before the unveiling, where donors learned more about AimHigher's purpose for the project, met representatives and founders of the supporting Art foundations, and enjoyed remarks from the Artist

of the Earthwork and former astronauts, with a keynote speech from Dr. Sian Proctor. AWC members Billie Harris and Penny Blackford attended.

Members who are interested in joining the Arts and Culture CSP, please email your name and mobile number to hawcinc@live.com. Be sure to download GroupMe app on your mobile device to stay up to date with projects/volunteer opportunities.



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