



Atlanta Woman's Club



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Wishing all of you a Happy Holiday and a Happy and Safe New Year.

There are just a few things to remind you about: 1) GFWC Georgia's Day of Service will be on January 20th - please bring items listed in the weekly for Georgia Cares to the January 13th meeting, 2) GFWC Georgia reporting forms are in the gfwcga.org web site under club resources. CSPs please find your form and begin your report and send to Connie Morris. Connie or I can help. Judine sent information to help with reporting. We appreciate an early start with the reporting process.

The AWC Holiday Party was successful. Everyone seemed to have a good time eating, drinking and dancing.

Billie Harris lost her father who had been ill for a while due to cancer. His funeral was on December 21st in Houston, Texas. Our thoughts and prayers are with Billie and her family.

See you on January 13th for the January meeting.

Myra Carmon, AWC President 2018-2020



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GFWC INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION



GEORGIA
HOLLYWOOD OF THE SOUTH

GFWC Convention at the Sheraton Atlanta
located at 165 Courtland Street in
Downtown Atlanta
June 24-30, 2020





<p>Business Meetings Door Pages</p> <p>You will greet everyone with a warm smile and Hello and ensure that all entering the meeting have a name badge.</p>	<p>Table Hostess</p> <p>You will be the Georgia representative at the table. You will help keep the conversation going and making everyone feel welcome to Georgia. If the only time you can attend is to serve as a State Night Table Hostess, you do not have to pay the convention registration</p>	<p>Georgia Welcome Table</p> <p>You will Welcome ladies and offer them snacks and drinks and help keep this table replenished with items donated.</p>
<p>Meal Event Door Pages</p> <p>You will greet everyone with a warm smile and Hello and take meal tickets at the doors.</p>	<p>Tour Hostess and Bus Captains</p> <p>You will help ensure everyone taking the tour is on the bus. You will help distribute the drink/snack totes.</p>	<p>Sign Up</p> <p>There is a sign up link on our website. www.gfwcgeorgia.org Or email us at Ida Dorvee, 2020 GFWC GA Chairman idadorvee@gmail.com Julie Walters, 2020 GFWC GA Co-Chairman lude128@aol.com</p>

FROM THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

PUBLIC SAFETY REMINDER: The Wimbish House is a weapons-free facility.

As a privately-owned property, The Wimbish House is allowed to opt out of Georgia’s Safe Carry Protection Act and clear notices to that effect are posted on site and included in our event contracts. Anyone – member, visitor or guest – in possession of a weapon of any kind will be asked to leave the premises, subject to arrest for criminal trespass. The only exception is paid security staff while on duty.

Ladies, please do not ever bring weapons of any kind to The Wimbish House premises. If you usually carry a weapon, it should be left at home or secured in your vehicle before you enter the property. The police will be called any time this policy is violated, and this policy will be equally enforced.

Thank you for your cooperation and compliance.

MEMBERSHIP

Happy New Year everyone! After a whirlwind of a month since Thanksgiving, we are now entering the New Year....2020. I hope for a year of health, peace and everything that makes you happiest!

Now for the “business stuff”.... Please don’t forget that our club dues are due by February 15, 2020 in order for you to remain on our new roster. And a hearty thank you to those of you who have already paid! Your promptness is much appreciated. (The amount due this year will be \$75.00, and also includes a new name tag.)

I want to introduce to you our newest member, Ada Duke, who is rejoining us after she took some time to raise her son and take care of her family, which brings our membership total to 119 for 2019!

Please take a moment and introduce yourself to Ada at the next meeting, and help make her feel welcome.



My name is Ada Duke, I’m born to parents from Puerto Rico. I was born and raised in Chicago, Illinois. I graduated High School in 1985 from Madonna High School, an all-girl school. I was in the school Band, Track team, and Spanish Club. My family and I moved to Georgia in 1985. I attended Trinity College in Deerfield, Illinois and later studied at Georgia State University, where I studied business. I worked at Equifax for many years where I met my husband.

I joined the Atlanta Woman’s Club years ago where I got involved in various committees. I volunteered to host a room for the decorated show house during my membership for various years. I got involved in the education department and as a committee member with Ruth Yurchuk. We visited an Atlanta school and donated books to the school library. We purchased books approved by the Atlanta Woman’s Club board. At that time, I purchased books for the cause. I also donated money to Daisy’s late sister remembrance fund at Tallulah Falls school. In addition, I helped the club in many ways. I donated items when needed, cash, or mementos.

When my husband and I were dating his work flew me to New Zealand to be with him. I later moved to California, got married to Dan Duke, Jr. The son of the late Chief Judge, State Court of Fulton County, Georgia, Dan Duke, Sr. We then moved to Chicago on business then back to

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Georgia. We had a child, Daniel Duke, III, where currently he's attending LSU and studying Sports Commerce, and plans to attend Law School. As Daniel Duke, III, was growing up I got involved in many committees at his school, Pinecrest Academy, and chaired some committees. I also got involved in the church I attended helping the priests and the poor. I look forward to becoming a member again utilizing my strengths and getting involved in the education committee. I find giving back to my community rewarding and fulfilling and hope that I am considered for the membership.

It's important to note that I enjoy traveling, reading, journaling, exercising and dining out with my husband, with whom I've been married to for 22 years.

Happy Birthday to the following members with January Birthdays!

Linda Hirsch

Sandie Clendon

Amber Hahn

Pier Janrhett

Rita McGregor

Elizabeth Thorstenson

Jo Dee Gonzalez, Membership Chair, 1st Vice President

AWC ELECTIONS AND NOMINATIONS

This month the club will be starting our nominating process for next term's officers and trustees. We will hold our election at the March 9th General Meeting.

New officers are installed at the May general meeting and serve a two-year term. **Please give thought to members who you believe would be good candidates and share your suggestions with any member of the nominating committee.** If you are interested in serving in an office, please don't hide your enthusiasm. Express your interest to a member of the nominating committee and you will be considered. A candidate must have been a member of the club for one year with regular attendance.

Descriptions of the duties of all officers and BOT trustees are located in the AWC bylaws. You can find a copy of the bylaws in your yearbook or in the members-only section of the AWC web-

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site. Duties of Officers are located in Article V, Section 6. Duties of members of the Board of Trustees are located in Article VII, Section 5.

The nominating committee will post nominations electronically to the membership and at the club house no later than February 28. The nominating committee is composed of Judine Heard (Chair) heardjudine@hotmail.com, Leigh Reynolds, Billie Harris, Beth Jetha, Pat Walsh (Alternate), Lexa King (Alternate), and Sara June McDavid (Parliamentarian.)

Sara June McDavid, AWC Parliamentarian

ESO BOOK CLUB

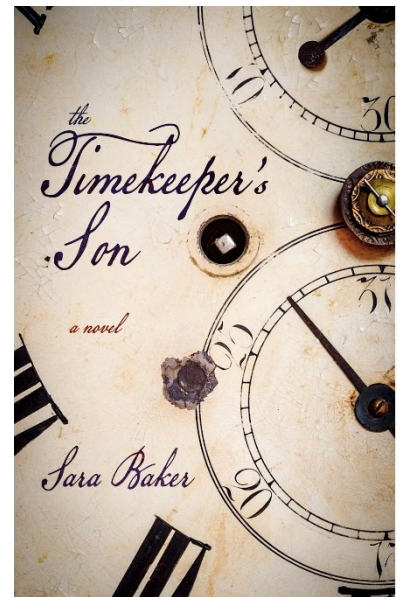
Hello Readers,

Hope all of your holidays have been joyful and peaceful. Our next Atlanta Woman's Club Book Club will be Thursday, January 30th at 6:30 p.m. This change of date was due to some traveling conflicts. We are reading the "The Timekeeper's Son" by Sara Baker.

Sara is a former University of Georgia professor and is looking forward to joining us for the evening. I will have a few copies to sell at the general meeting in January. More details to follow. Our host for January is Sara June McDavid. Please RSVP to her at sjmc david@gmail.com and her phone number is 404-325-0691. Her address is 211 Colonial Homes Drive NW, Unit 2601, Atlanta, GA, 30309.

Happy reading. Mark your calendars for the change. Happy New Year 2020.

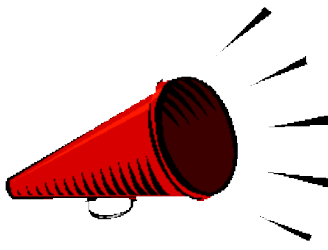
Melodie Rogers, ESO Book Club



ARTS

Every 3rd Friday of the month from 9:15a-11:00a, the Arts CSP will volunteer with drawchange at a local school specifically started for homeless children. We will assist kindergarten children with their art therapy projects by encouraging them to be creative, being a listening ear, re-iterating the importance of "Please" and "Thank You", as well as other positive behavior. No art experience required. Please join us!

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CALLING ALL CREATIVES!!! The Arts CSP is encouraging all members who have completed a work of art between January 1st and December 31st, 2019 to enter your piece(s) into the GFWC Membership Art Contest. You can submit art work for the following categories: Photography, Writing, and Membership Craft (stitchery, sewing, knitting, crocheting, hand and machine quilting, nature crafts (using objects found in nature), jewelry, painting, and miscellaneous (pottery, basket weaving and other things outside of the mentioned categories). Submissions are encouraged to be submitted to Billie Harris or Jo Dee Gonzales by **January 15th, 2020**. We can't wait to see all of the amazing entries!

The Arts CSP will be sponsoring the Kids Zone at the Lanta Gras parade on **Saturday, January 25th, 2020 from 12noon-5pm**.

We will provide fun art related activities such as face painting, crafts, and games to children attending the parade that day, and need volunteers to assist with the activities. The Arts CSP has been a proud supporter of Lanta Gras for the past 3 years. Lanta Gras is a 501 c 3 non-profit organization that provides free after school brass and percussion music lessons to underprivileged middle and high school children.

Please sign up for this fun and rewarding event at the January meeting or via email. Make sure to indicate the number of hours you'd like to volunteer, we're asking for 2hr increments if you are unable to volunteer from 12noon-5pm.



***If you have any questions about any of the upcoming volunteer opportunities and events, would like more info, or would like to sign up, please contact Billie Harris via email at hawcinc@live.com or via phone at 678-617-8511.**

Billie Harris, Arts CSP Chair

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