



Lilburn Woman's Club

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October 2011

President: Gail Zarnik

Dear Women of Purpose, Lilburn Daze is here again! It's time for fun, food, camaraderie and yes, a bit of work. So you might be surprised that my topic for this newsletter is the **Christmas Auction**.

For those of you who are new to the Club, the Christmas auction and dinner is an annual event where each Club member donates "a quality craft". These items are auctioned off in a festive and fun live auction. Bring your friends and family! The money raised goes to provide Christmas for families in need in the Lilburn area. **Lilburn Daze is a wonderful opportunity to purchase a new, quality craft for the auction.** We seem to have gotten away from the "craft" aspect of the Christmas auction, but that is how it started out so many years ago. I hope that we can get back to the tradition of either making or purchasing one nice craft item for the auction. It does not have to be a Christmas item, as many of us have so many Christmas decorations that we would like to have other choices. There is no need to bring more than one item, if we auction 60+ wonderful things we will



have plenty to spend on our Christmas families.

We are trying to help things go a little more efficiently for that evening; there have been some concerns about how late this event goes. With over 100 attendees, paying for dinner as you come in takes a lot of time, so **this year, we need everyone to pay for the dinner in advance, preferably by the November general meeting.** The deadline for the dinner RSVP will be November 21st due to the early date of the auction (December 1st.) Barbara will need your payment by



November 28th. This will make the check-in go much faster. We will start check-in at 6 pm and the dinner will start at 6:30. We will be at the Mount Carmel Christian Church again this

year, with the same wonderful caterer. Details about the dinner and cost will be available soon. As we grow as a club we have to make some adjustments, so I appreciate all of your cooperation in making this our most successful Christmas Auction ever!

1st Vice President: Mandy McManus

Our orientation event on September 10 went very well. We were able to introduce eight very interested ladies in our club to the activities and projects we work on. They will have completed a big portion of their membership requirements by attending that orientation, but they still need to attend two general meetings.

Hopefully we will see at least eight new faces at our next couple of general meetings. So as a reminder, I want you to think back on how it felt to be a new person at our



monthly meetings...remember that one person who spoke to you and made you feel welcome? I am hoping that all of you will take a minute away from your preparations for the meeting and speak to the new faces in the room and make them feel welcome. We were all there once; some of us more recently than others, and it feels really good to be included in a new organization. Thanks for all you do to make the Lilburn Woman's Club the great organization that it is.

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Art

Teresa Foster
Cheryl Shaw

Conservation

Susan Hendricks
Mandy McManus

Education

Kim Stephenson

Home Life

Terri Collins
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International Outreach

Patty Gabilondo
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Public Issues

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Treasurer: Barbara Brooks



Reminder: If you chose to pay your dues in two installments, the second payment is due now. Per our bylaws, the second installment shall be due at the September meeting. Dues are considered

delinquent after the October meeting for this partial payment option.

You may mail your check to me before the October meeting or bring it to me at the general meeting.

Art: Teresa Foster & Cheryl Shaw

A note to all our talented LWC artists and photographers: The Arts Program encourages you to unleash your creative side and participate in the **Member Arts Contests!**

Rules and Guidelines for the Photography Contest can be found on Pages 83-85 of the GaFWC Yearbook. All entries must be submitted by February 1, 2012, and photos must be taken during 2011. Entries can be black and white or color.



Photography

Contest: The World in Pictures includes three categories: Natural History, Scenic, and Feature. You may submit one photo in each category.

Photography Contest: GFWC Volunteers in Action should feature a club project. Action shots, rather than a posed group, are recommended.

Photography Contest: A Year in Pictures—Calendar Contest. A winning entry could put our club in the GFWC calendar! One photograph per club is allowed. Judges will look for photos particularly relevant to certain months or seasons. Photos must be horizontal or landscape.

Rules and Guidelines for **Member Short Story** and **Poetry Writing Contests** can be found on Page 86.

Short stories are limited to 2,000 words, must be typed and double-spaced on one side only, and must be written during the contest year. Authors must be amateurs.. Poetry entries can be any style, with a minimum length of 8 lines and a maximum length of 50 lines. Entries may not have been published prior to the competition. Entries for



both these contests are due by February 1, 2012.

Member Craft Competition (Page 90) is open to all GFWC/GaFWC members who are not professional craftsmen. Categories include Stitchery,

Needlework, Quilting (hand & machine), Nature Crafts, Miscellaneous (such as basket weaving), Painting, and Computer Art. Members may submit only one entry per category, but may enter as many categories as desired. The craft must be created between January 1 and December 31 of the current year.

Rules and Guidelines for **Youth Contests in Poetry Writing and Short Story** are available on Pages 86 through 88. **Student Art Competition** (Pages 88-89) is open to local high school graduating seniors. District level winners (three from each District) will be judged at the State level, with citations and four \$500 awards presented to winners at the State Convention.

We will be collaborating with Education for a story time/puppet making project for kindergarten students at Lilburn Elementary in the near future. More details as our plans develop...

THANKS to everybody who helped us make favors for Fall District and for our Christmas Dinner/Auction; thanks for all your help with monthly art projects at Lilburn Heritage Healthcare; thanks for making our "So You Think You Can Paint" classes such a successful fundraiser; and last, but not least, continue the good work of saving those toilet paper cardboard rolls for our "How Long Can You Make a Snake" project at Lilburn Daze.

Pumpkin Carving for a Cause: Mandy McManus

Halloween is right around the corner and I know you love to carve a cool pumpkin for your holiday decor...I have the perfect idea to combine fun (pumpkin carving) with a "write-upable" project for Conservation. Go to Better Homes and Gardens website and download custom designed pumpkin carving stencils to help some of America's most respected nonprofit organizations. For each

download Better Homes and Gardens magazine will make a \$2 donation to that charity. We hope you will choose to download the very cute dog or cat and give a donation to our partner The Humane Society of America. But check out the other stencils too! Go to: BHG.com/charitystencils to see all the designs.



Conservation: Susan Hendricks & Mandy McManus

Conservation Department will clean up and replant the Healing Garden at Lilburn City Park on Friday, October 7th at 10:00 am, so it will look great for Lilburn Daze.

To follow up on a project that we learned about at the August Institute, Conservation department has purchased some recycled crayons from a company called Crazy Crayons who collects used crayons, mostly from restaurants and teachers and remakes them into new usable crayons. Our department has bought a supply of these crayons for the club to



include in their Operation Christmas Child boxes that we will be making in the month of November with the International Department. The recycled crayons will be available at the general meeting for you to add to your boxes.

As a corporate member of the Georgia Native Plant Society, LWC can help promote the stewardship and conservation of Georgia's native plants and their habitats. It's a worthwhile experience to volunteer

at the Native Plant Propagation Nursery at Stone Mt. Park or participate in Native Plant Rescues.

Gwinnett Great Days of Service will be Sept 30-Oct 1. LWC partners with Gwinnett Clean and Beautiful, so bring your tools and your friends to participate in the events. Check out the website for a list of projects in a specific zip code. Such as - building and painting deck chairs at Wellspring Living in Duluth; clearing landscape at Creative Enterprises in Lawrenceville; Stenciling storm drains in Lilburn. Note: More activities in the Lilburn area will be posted



Wish you could have a pet, but can't? LWC also partners with the Gwinnett Humane Society, so you can volunteer at the new Gwinnett Humane Society Store. Attend a one hour volunteer orientation, held the 2nd Saturday of the month. Then spend some quality time with some very cute, lonely cats and dogs or help sell some really neat pet gear!

Special Committees

Club Historian
Dianna Carson

Domestic Violence
Linda Newton

Lilburn Daze
Diane Bronk
Carol Watson

Publicity
Patty Gabilondo
Pat Shaver

Social
Kay Bennett

Sunshine
Janet Pino

Tallulah Falls
Jackie Thornberry

Storm Water Service Tax Credit: Susan Hendricks

Gwinnett County has implemented a storm water utility to improve customer service, to reduce the number of storm water maintenance and construction projects waiting to be done, and to respond to stream water quality and erosion problems. Property owners who take actions to limit the amount of storm water that leaves their properties or to clean pollutants from the run off can earn credits for these actions that will lower their storm water service fees.

The four Credit Categories are: Watershed Stewardship, Water Quality, Peak Flow and Channel Protection.

The total maximum credit for any property is 40%. The Storm water Credit Manual lists the possible credit for each action. Credits earned in a calendar year and assigned on the following years tax. Be sure to read through the Manual on the website.



Actions include:

- * Participation in Stream Cleanup project,, Storm water Stenciling
- * Attending and passing Adopt a Stream training
- * Maintaining Low Impact parcels - minimize impervious areas
- * Restoring a stream or stabilizing a stream bank
- * Fencing livestock out of streams
- * Maintaining Conservation easements
- * Maintaining Stream buffers that Exceed 75% standards
- * Using Rain Barrels or Automatic Sprinkler Sensors
- * Maintaining Septic Tank Systems or Connecting to Sanitary Sewers
- * Residential Rain gardens

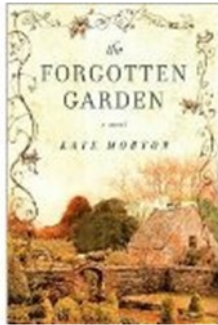
+ Detailed information including requirements of each credit activity and the application forms on all credits can be found in the Storm water Credits Manual on the Gwinnett County website at www.gwinnettstormwater.com Click on Storm water Utility



Book of the Month:

The Forgotten Garden

by Kate Morton



On the eve of the First World War, a four-year-old girl waits alone on a dock in Australia for parents who never come. Her only possession? A tiny white suitcase containing no information about who she is or how she came to be abandoned.

Nell is a foundling, and what a rare foundling she is. A stow-away on an ocean liner, she refuses to tell even so much as her name. Until in her 60s, over-protected by a loving foster father, she has no clue how she came to be alone on that dock. Hers is the mystery that unfolds in this long novel spanning more than a century, five generations, and two distant continents.

If you enjoy long stories about generations of women, you will love "The Forgotten Garden."

Education: Kim Stephenson

There were 4 club members at the Scoliosis Screening at Lilburn Middle School. This screening is mandated by GA law for students in middle school to be screened twice. Therefore all 6th and 8th graders are screened each year. Thanks to everyone who volunteered!

Stacey Moura, Media Specialist at Lilburn Middle, has asked Jackie Thornberry to be the community representative on the Media Committee at Lilburn Middle School.

Vickie Nash is the literary coach for Arcado



Elementary. She called Jackie Thornberry and asked if any of our members would like to volunteer to read to students for 30 minutes once a week. If you are interested in supporting literacy at Arcado, please contact Vickie. Her email address is vickie_nash@gwinnett.k12.ga.us.

October is National Book Month. October 5th is World Teacher's Day. October 16-22 is Teen Read Week so encourage your teenagers to spend some time reading, preferably something other than on a social media website.

Home Life: Terri Collins & Laurie Wexel

The clients at Hope Lodge thoroughly enjoyed the Lilburn Cooks cookbook meal. Thanks everyone for helping out with your time and delicious food. The lady who won the cook book in the drawing seemed like a celebrity to the other clients there who were wishing they had won it. Jenny Nall, thanks for such a great idea and purchasing the cookbook for the drawing.

October 24th at 7:00 pm is our seminar on Alzheimer's and Stroke. Please make plans to attend this at Lilburn City Hall. Invite your friends, neighbors and family, it will be a very informative evening. The Home Life program will be providing light refreshments.

The dance for Side By Side Brain Injury Clubhouse has been moved back to October 29th at St Timothy United Methodist Church, 5365 Memorial Drive in Stone Mountain 30083. The dance will be from 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm. At 5:30 Mike Ramey will be there at 5:30 to teach wheel chair dancing. One of the daughters of a member at the clubhouse is having her sorority come and help serve and dance. If any of you would like to come and help or dance feel free to drop in, the more the merrier. (I think I have talked my girls into coming and teach some swing dancing as well.) It will be a costume party as well, dressing

up for that is optional.

October is National Disability Awareness month. The U.S. Department of Labor's Office of Disability Employment Policy's theme is "Profit by Investing in Workers with Disabilities." The theme honors the contributions of workers with disabilities and serves to inform the public that they represent a highly skilled talent pool that can help employers compete in today's global economy. "Return on investment means hiring the right talent," said Kathy Martinez, assistant secretary of labor for disability employment policy. "Workers with disabilities represent all skill sets and are ready to get the job done. This year's theme focuses on improving employment opportunities that lead to good jobs and a secure economic future for people with disabilities and the nation as a whole." Statistics for employment are not good, **Labor Force Participation, People with disabilities: 21.0%...People without disabilities: 69.9%. Unemployment Rate People with disabilities: 16.1% ...People without disabilities: 8.8%.** To learn more about this go to <http://www.dol.gov/odep/> .



Side By Side Clubhouse

A meeting place for people with brain injuries to transition from medical patient to contributing community member.

International Outreach: Patty Gabilondo & Christine Peredney

Eight members attended the encore performance of 'A Powerful Noise'. For those that missed it and would still like to see this inspiring movie, the DVD will be available for check out on an individual basis. Contact Patty Gabilondo for more information.



World Food Day is on October 10th and we will be collecting rice, beans, canned food, grocery gift cards, checks and cash-earmarked for the Lilburn Co-op at the next General Meeting to put into their Thanksgiving and Christmas food baskets.

Another large box of medical supplies was shipped to AFCA this month. Continue to collect prescription bottles and miscellaneous medical supplies.

We will have a raffle at the October meeting for Clowns without Borders. This is one of the GFWC Collaboration organizations that works to spread

happiness and positive social change all over the world where children live in crisis. Bring your quarters and dollars to have an opportunity of winning a darling clown.

Start gathering your items for Operation Christmas Child. The shoe boxes should be filled with toys, games, toiletries, school supplies, etc and brought to the November meeting.

The Lilburn Co-op is also in need of birthday boxes for children whose parents do not have funds to purchase them a birthday gift. Just fill a shoebox with toys, games, toiletries and sweets.

Please designate the boxes as Operation Christmas Child or birthday boxes and put girl/boy and appropriate age level on each box. Collection areas for each box will be clearly marked.



United Nations Association of the USA

International Outreach works with seven organizations

through partnership. Six have already been discussed. The seventh organization is United Nations Association of the United States of America, (www.UNAUSA.org). UNAUSA is a nonprofit membership organization dedicated to building understanding of and support for the ideals and vital work of the United Nations among American people. Through its educational and



humanitarian campaigns people are allowed to have a strong

influence at a local level. A contribution of \$69.00 was sent to support the mission.

At the September general meeting a fund raiser was done for BeadforLife, which creates sustainable opportunities for women to lift their families out of extreme poverty. \$85.92 was sent to this group from LWC. Thanks to all who participated.

Publicity: Patty Gabilondo

Lilburn Daze press release has been sent to all the local publications in time for the October issues. Gwinnett Daily featured Lilburn Daze on page 11 of their Fall Festival pull out. Money Mailer also had a page featuring Lilburn Daze.



Diana Preston has been contacted about the possibility of a secure and locked down display area for the Lilburn Woman's Club in

the new City Hall building. Mayor Preston agreed that it would be a good idea and will speak to the building designer about this space.

The Lilburn Woman's club group photo will soon be added to the City Hall office.



Come to the Authors' Tea September 30th!

The girls of GVS kick off the new academic year with the first traditional Authors' Tea Friday, September 30th at the school.

Come and bring a friend to support the girls' creative endeavors.

Poetry, stories, songs and art are all part of the GVS tradition. At the Authors' Tea, students have the chance to showcase their work and practice their presentation skills.

You get a chance to chat with the girls and see how your support has made a difference in their lives!

Tea and cakes are served at 2 pm and student presentations begin at 2:30 pm.

Mark your calendars for other opportunities to support the girls.

November 4th
and
December 2nd





Donation Reminders

The LWC collects the following items to help those in need. Bring items to club members.

Empty toilet paper rolls
Art for Lilburn Daze

Empty and cleaned pill bottles
International Outreach

Canned meats & fish, canned corn, canned fruit, dishwashing detergent, laundry detergent, & shampoo

International Outreach & Home Life for Lilburn Co-op

New woman's socks
Domestic Violence

Food storage bags, Laundry Detergent, Cleaning Supplies (mops, brooms, dust pans, sponges, scouring pads), Lysol spray, Bleach, Bathroom cleaner, Dish washing liquid and Diapers – Any size

Domestic Violence for Safe House can be dropped off at House of Payne

Old Cell phones
Domestic Violence for Georgia Coalition Against Domestic Violence

Campbell's Soup Labels www.labelsforeducation.com
Tallah Falls School give to Mandy McManus

Public Issues: Lori Harrison & Pat Swan

Need Volunteers for 2011 Public Safety Fall Festival to be held at Coolray Field on October 1. E-mail Sylvia.goalen@gwinnettcountry.com if you would like to get involved or call Pat Swan. Some of the things we can help do are "Stop, Drop, and Roll, Bean bag toss, Fish for Safety Game . I am going from 10-12 if you would like to go with me. Everyone is invited to come to the Festival-- Admission free-- Canned goods or other non-perishable items.

On October 17 --LWC Public Issues will sponsor a Candidates Forum at City Hall from 7-9pm. All candidates who qualified to run for City elections have been notified and have accepted to be there. Mike Smith will emcee the Forum and we invite all to come even if you do not live in the City. These positions are very important for our club. We have two members from LWC running for office---Diana Preston as Mayor and Kay Bennett as Council Member.

November 6th at 3pm in the Lilburn City Park we will host a Veteran's Day Celebration. Jim Freeman will be our guest Speaker. The Public



Issues Department will again sponsor the Task Force Patriot Charity Golf Tournament. Please come to our Celebration so

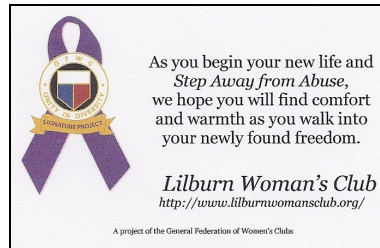
that we can thank those who have served or who are serving now to keep us safe.

Golf Tournament to benefit Homeless Veterans will be held on October 17th 8am until 4pm at Northwoods Club on Club Drive. If you can help, please contact Jeroylyn Randles as soon as possible as she needs a shirt size.

A Safety Note---It will soon become chilly, please have your Furnace checked so they will be safe to give heat for those cool to cold days of autumn and winter. You should have your car checked to get it ready for those cold winter days.

Domestic Violence: Linda Newton

Bring a New Pair of Woman's Socks to the October Meeting. This is a General Federation of Women's Clubs Signature Project: Domestic Violence Awareness and Prevention Fund – "Step Away From Abuse" section. The new socks will be placed in a quart-size, clear plastic baggie, an attractive label customized to name the giver as the Lilburn Woman's Club will be attached and the socks will be given to domestic violence shelters. The very attractive label has these words of encouragement – "As you begin your new life and *Step Away from Abuse*, we hope you will find comfort and warmth as you walk into your newly found freedom."



Safe House
Topic: the Role of the Advocate
Mama Mia's
5394 Five Forks Trickum Road,
Lilburn, Georgia 30047
October 20, 11:30 till 1pm

Buy a \$5 Raffle Ticket at the October meeting to raise funds for the Gwinnett Family Violence

Task Force Raffle. You will be entering a drawing for: a 46 Inch TV, Self Defense Class, \$50 American Express Gift Cards, Anazao Salon Gift Package. Drawing will be hold at GJAC on October 21.

The Gwinnett Safe House is full. Help PADV provide a safe haven for victims of DV and their children by bringing one of the items below to the October meeting:

Food storage bags, Laundry Detergent, Cleaning Supplies (mops, brooms, dust pans, sponges, scouring pads), Lysol spray, Bleach, Bathroom cleaner, Dish washing liquid and Diapers – Any size.

Donate a cell phone you no longer use. We need at least 8 more cell phones to complete a shipment and raise more funds for Georgia Coalition Against Domestic Violence. Bring to the October meeting or drop off at House of Payne.



Attend the October 20 Domestic Violence Lunch and Learn to develop a better understanding of the women who answer calls placed to Domestic Violence Crisis Lines such as 1-800-33.Haven. Invite a friend!

October Domestic Violence Lunch and Learn
Speaker – Jeanette Soto, Director of the Gwinnett


October 2011

Check www.lilburnwomansclub.org/Calendar.html for updates.



November 2011
6 Veteran's Day
 celebration

December 2011
2 Lighting Christmas
 tree
3 Christmas parade
Natural Decoration
 Workshop

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	Education reminds us to celebrate National Book Month!					1 Public Safety Fall Festival @Coolray Field
2	3	4	5	6 LWC general mtg @ LCH 7pm	7 Set up for Lilburn Daze Conservation: Replanting Healing Garden @ 10 Lilburn City Park	8 Lilburn Daze
9	10 International Outreach - World Food Day	11	12	13	14	15
16	17 Public Issues: Candidates Forum @ 7pm Lilburn City Hall	18	19	20 Domestic Violence: Lunch and Learn @ 11:30am Mama Mia's Executive board mtg @ 7 pm	21	22
23 30	24 Home Life Alzheimer's/ Stroke seminar 31 	25 Fall 9th District Mtg- @ 10:30 am Hartwell Library Adult Learning Center	26	27	28	29 Home Life: Dance for Side by Side Brain Injury Clubhouse @ 5:30 pm St Timothy UMC Church

Lilburn Daze

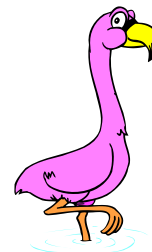
This is just a reminder to make sure you know your sign up time for Lilburn Daze. Watch for an email which will have your times and volunteer areas listed.

Don't forget to bring your baked items (2 items or batches) to either the October meeting or to City Hall on October 7th. We will cut and wrap them for you. Please label items, especially if there are nuts in them.

We look forward to everyone having a wonderful day.

Thanks for all of your hard work in making this day a success.

Roberta's Meeting Tip:



Make sure to look for a quality craft for the Christmas Auction at Lilburn Daze!