



# AUGUST 2017



## GFWC MORROW CIVIC WOMAN'S CLUB NEWSLETTER



### A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENTS:

This time last year my hydrangeas were having a rough time. My watering habits could not keep up with the sweltering heat and lack of rain. NOT THIS YEAR!!! The lovely rain that we had during the spring has my hydrangeas looking happy, my grass greener than it has been in years and the fig tree is loaded. All the rain didn't seem to make my tomatoes or blueberries more productive though. Our plants require different amounts of hydration, just like people. August promises to be a hot one! Make sure you are staying hydrated. Dizziness, headaches and dark urine can be a sign of dehydration. Always have water with you!! If you are not already, become a H2O sipper!!! Your skin, brain, and whole body will thank you!

By August meeting our historical records will be at the Archives at Clayton State. This is such an exciting event! Lois will update us on how the July 26<sup>th</sup> process went.

Take advantage of the great meeting we had in June!! (6 visitors!!) Invite your guest from June's meeting to August meeting!!!

Come and be inspired!! **Institute** will be held at the UGA Continuing Education Center in **Athens on August 18-20**. The on-line registration deadline is tomorrow August 4<sup>th</sup>.

\*Central West district is being asked to contribute combs, hairbrushes and toothbrushes/toothpaste for the State Presidents Domestic Violence Emergency Boxes. If you would like to bring your donations to August Club meeting, Lois and I will make sure they are delivered. If you would rather donate money and supplemental items can be bought- please feel free to mail a check made payable to GFWC Georgia, and mail it to the state office at GFWC Georgia, 900 School Road, Tallulah Falls, Georgia 30573- noting the donation is for the President Special Project- Domestic Violence Awareness Project.

**Central West District meeting** will be September 17<sup>th</sup>

**Southern Region Conference** – October 26-29<sup>th</sup> Marriot Century Center Atlanta GA.

### Now, to celebrate our GFWC Georgia:

*Rebecca Douglas Lowe became involved in club life in November 1895 when the General Federation of Women's Clubs met in Atlanta at the Southern States Cotton Exposition. She was elected as president of the Atlanta Woman's Club when it formed on November 11, 1895. In 1896, Lowe invited 17 other women's clubs to meet and form the Georgia Federation of Women's Clubs.*



*DENISE AND LOIS*

## COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAMS



### ARTS

A brief message from Mia about something new and exciting for our club:

*In effort to bring more of the arts to the club, the Arts Community Service Group will be putting together a slideshow of member's photography to show during the social hour before each meeting. This is an ongoing project. Please send your photos to Mia Broder, [miabroder@hotmail.com](mailto:miabroder@hotmail.com) or text: 404.245.3122. Thank you so much!*

The listing of opportunities to celebrate and participate in the arts has been moved to the last page of the newsletter so that you can easily remove it for reference during the month.

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### CONSERVATION

You can bet that pollinators are busily going about their business and performing the critical tasks in our lawns and gardens that help us all along the way. Learn more here.

<http://caes2.caes.uga.edu/bees/documents/pollinatorbookletforweb2.pdf>

The Farmer's Almanac is a fascinating resource packed full of useful information. Take a look.

<https://www.almanac.com/vegetable-garden-planning-for-beginners>

Various farmers' markets are making it easy to get fresh, homegrown food and products.

Atlanta State Farmers Market [http://www.atlantaproducedealers.org/market\\_info.php](http://www.atlantaproducedealers.org/market_info.php)

Downtown Newton Farmers Market <http://www.mainstreetnewnan.com/p/events/292>

Jonesboro Farmers Market <http://jonesboroga.com/jonesborofarmersmarket.aspx>

The Clayton County Clean Initiative that was started this past May. Clayton County Access Television has a YouTube posted on their site concerning this event. Check it out. Let's hope this is the beginning of a cleaner Clayton County. <http://www.claytontv23.com/clayton-clean-initiative/>

This year has brought more rain, and that has been such a blessing to our yards and gardens. Sometimes we get too much rain at one time, but there are ways to save the extra precipitation for a "not so rainy" day.

<https://www.thisoldhouse.com/ideas/how-to-collect-water-rain-barrels>

<http://blog.esurance.com/how-to-collect-and-repurpose-rainwater-in-your-yard/>

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### EDUCATION

August is the month for us to collect school supplies to be distributed to schools or organizations mentoring disadvantaged children. We have already had a couple requests from needy groups so whatever you can donate

to this very worthy project will be greatly appreciated. We will also have a 50/50 raffle ticket sale with the proceeds designated for more school supplies.

Our annual craft program was held at the Morrow Branch Library on June 29th. Several local children attended and had a great time making Fourth of July decorations to take home. A big thank you for the members who supervised the water coloring project - Lois, Denise, Amy, Betty Kersey and Lorelei. The librarian, Patrice Prevost also sends her gratitude.

Connie Johnson hosted the book club meeting at her lake house on Lake Oconee July 11th and 12th. The book was "Dynamic Aging" and contained tips for healthy living but also had many illustrations of exercises that will enhance our flexibility and balance. We even tried them out! Along with our exercise class we had many wonderful hours talking, eating, gazing at the beautiful lake and doing our best to uphold the economy in Covington and Madison.

*As always, please remember to sign up your activities this summer and keep those Box Top and Campbell soup labels coming.*



**BIRTHDAY BUDDIES: Please join us in celebrating the summer birthdays at Silver Bay Seafood Restaurant in Stockbridge on Tuesday, August 29<sup>th</sup> at 6:15. Sign-up sheet at club meeting.**



## HOME LIFE



During August, Home Life will support community needs through activities for two organizations that promote healthy families and children's education. Clayton County CASA and the Good Shepherd Clinic are serving critical needs in our community.



Clayton County CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates) and the Kinship Center will receive gift cards for school uniforms and other necessities for a successful back to school experience. CASA and the Kinship Center support children in foster care and children being raised by grandparents. The Education Committee has generously partnered with Home Life in this effort.



The annual Tomato Sandwich Party fundraiser for the Good Shepherd Clinic will be held at the Southlake Mall Morrow Center on Saturday, August 5, from 5 to 7 p.m. Let's show our MCWC support for the valuable work of the clinic and attend this fun event. Nothing beats a fresh tomato sandwich with all the fixings!

Club members are needed to make deviled eggs and cookies or other bar-type desserts. Renee Goolsbee will have egg containers and ask for your volunteer efforts at the August meeting. Please be ready to support this worthy event.



The Good Shepherd Clinic hosts a Market Day on the last Friday of every month. It is a great deal for fresh produce. For a \$5.00 donation to the Clinic, you can get a generous bag of produce. Upcoming dates: July 28, August 25, September 29, and October 27. Share this information with your friends, and let's all enjoy the healthy benefits of fresh fruits and vegetables.

\$\$\$ Here's another money-saving tip for senior members, aged 62 before August 28<sup>th</sup>. The lifetime national parks pass for seniors will be increasing in cost from \$10.00 to \$80.00 on that date. This pass is a great bargain as it provides free, unlimited entry into all the national parks for the pass-holder and passengers in the vehicle. Additional details and purchasing information can be found on the National Park Service website.

Church pantry donations for back-to-school: peanut butter, jelly, kid-friendly cereal, granola bars, individually packaged non-perishable fruits, applesauce, etc.



## DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

### Summer Wish List

- Wal-Mart Gift Cards in Small Denominations
- Passes for Summer Fun with the children in shelter such as movies, bowling, skating, and zoo.



### Volunteer Opportunity at Bobby Dodd Center

MCWC has an opportunity to participate in two very important programs through the Bobby Dodd Institute Center in Jonesboro. You may remember it was formerly known as WORKTEC, located on Highway 138, across from Arnold Elementary and the K.W.White Maintenance Center. There are two initiatives which support the needs of the community through developing the skills and providing resources for individuals preparing to enter employment. I have offered to serve as point of contact for BD Center and MCWC. Let's not limit our involvement just to Club members. Please share this information with friends, contacts in the business world, people who are doing a little wardrobe organizing, and support the economic impact that a well prepared workforce will have on Clayton County. Please feel free to contact me about these two initiatives. Thank you many times, in advance for your contributions. Cookie Keene: [ekeene8058@bellsouth.net](mailto:ekeene8058@bellsouth.net) or 770-460-9510

### The two initiatives are:

#### Developing Successful Interview Skills:

A three hour commitment; 1 hour training and orientation for volunteer, 2 hour conduct interviews. Dates and times under consideration: 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m., training; 10:00 – noon Interviews. August 8/15, 8/16, or 17; September 9/12, 9/13, or 9/14; October 10/24, 10/25 or 10/26. Details are provided at the end of this section.

## Career Closet

Collection of appropriate wardrobe items for men and women. Appearance makes a valuable first impression, and adds confidence and self-esteem to an employee about to enter a new experience. I will be glad to collect your donations and deliver to the Career Closet. Bring them to Club, or give me a call. And for all our club members with a wonderful sense of style, your expertise would be very welcome in helping in organizing the wardrobe, and helping clients make selections. After all, we have held Fashion Shows!!

### Items Needed

In the competitive job market, making a good first impression on potential employers is almost as important as the skills you bring to the table. For many of BDI clients, the lack of appropriate professional attire is a barrier to making that great first impression. We are dedicated to ensuring our job candidates gain and keep meaningful employment, and BDI's Clothing Closet allows clients to acquire professional attire so that their professionalism is reflected in their appearance. BDI's clothing closet is in need of professional attire that would qualify as "like new," "very gently used," or "gently used;" these are defined as:

*Like New* -- Like New items have been previously worn, but there are no signs of wear. The tags and buttons are bright and new looking and the seams are tight.

*Very Gently Used* -- Very Gently Used items are in excellent condition but may show very faint signs of wear. Signs of wear include rough fabric in areas that typically wear more quickly, such as underarms or inseam, or evidence in the seams the item has been laundered.

*Gently Used* -- Gently Used items are in excellent condition but show some signs of wear, including some slight fading, the seams inside no longer lying flat due to washing, and buttons and snaps that close more easily.

### **Below is a list of items needed for the BDI Clothing Closet.**

#### Women's Clothing

Suits (Pant, Skirt and Dress Suits)  
Pants/Slacks and Skirts – black, khaki, navy, brown  
Shirts  
■ Blouses  
■ Sweaters  
■ Knit Tops

Professional Dresses  
Jackets and Cardigans  
Accessories (belts, scarves, etc.)  
Jewelry  
Other Items:  
■ Brief Cases  
■ Portfolios

#### Men's Clothing

Suits  
Pants/Slacks – black, khaki, navy, brown  
Shirts  
■ Long sleeve, button down shirts  
■ Polo shirts

Jackets and Blazers  
Accessories (belts, ties, etc.)

Bobby Dodd Institute · 2120 Marietta Blvd, NW · Atlanta, GA · 30318  
678-365-2260 · [www.bobbydodd.org](http://www.bobbydodd.org)

## Volunteer Job Description

### Mock Job Interview Volunteers

Mock employment interviews help BDI job candidates prepare for the next step of their careers – successfully obtaining meaningful employment in the competitive job market. Participating in mock interviews allows clients to build confidence as they prepare for the interview process. Volunteers are a

critical piece of the process; by having volunteers conduct interviews, as opposed to BDI staff, we provide a more realistic experience for job candidates.

**This is a two-hour volunteer opportunity hosted at BDI.** BDI staff will be available to answer questions, supervise clients, and support volunteers.

#### Job Description

- Attend a one-hour training session on how to conduct behavior-based interviews (first-time volunteers only)
- Conduct behavior-based mock job interviews using on questions provided by BDI.
- Provide feedback to clients on their interview performance using a rubric provided by BDI.
- Provide feedback to BDI staff on clients' overall readiness to participate in interviews with prospective employers.
- Complete a survey evaluating volunteer experience with recommendations for improving opportunities or future volunteers and/or clients.



## PUBLIC ISSUES

### **Purple Heart Day 2017 is on Monday, August 7, 2017**

In the process of researching information to celebrate the bi-centennial birth of the Father of our Country, General George Washington, his Executive Order of August 7, 1782 for a purple Badge of Military Merit and the accounts of the three men who had received it were discovered. On October 10, 1927, Army Chief of Staff, General Charles P. Summerall drafted a bill to send to Congress in an effort to revive the Badge of Military Merit. For whatever reasons, the bill received little support and was withdrawn early the following year.

General MacArthur began work anew on General Summerall's proposal to establish the Badge of Military Merit. The Army quietly designed and created the new award, the Purple Heart. It was announced on February 22, 1932. In honor of the Father of our Country, the man who established our military's first medal, the Purple Heart bears the profile on George Washington on its face.

The medal is authorized for presentation to any soldier, sailor or marine who was killed or wounded in combat. Though low in the order of precedence on the Pyramid of Honor (it ranks below the Bronze star), it is one of the most widely recognized and respected medals. It cannot be earned by courage or by exceptional service or achievement. The Purple Heart signifies one thing...SACRIFICE. Whenever you see the Purple Heart, know that it represents either a combat death or a combat wound. It represents the blood that has been shed in defense of liberty.

### **WAYS TO BEAT THE HEAT**

- **White and Light Clothing** - - Wear light-colored, light-weight, loose fitting clothing
- **Stay hydrated** - - Drink plenty of liquids, especially water, even if you don't feel thirsty. Avoid alcohol and caffeine which can make you dehydrated

- **Sunscreen Sense** - - Wear sunscreen and reapply during outdoor activities. Remember to apply to lips, ears, top of feet and scalp
- **Take Frequent Breaks** - - Take frequent breaks while working or playing outside. Find a cool place to rest for a few minutes
- **Check on your neighbors** - - Check on your friends, family or neighbors, especially the elderly with special needs
- **Remember your pets** - - Provide fresh water and a shady area for your pets. Never leave your pet in the car even with the window cracked.

## SOLAR ECLIPSE August 21

In the Atlanta area, we will experience a partial solar eclipse that will begin at 1:05 p.m. and end at 4:01 p.m. on Monday August 21. Total eclipse will be at 2:36 p.m. We are not in the path of totality. North of a line from Cleveland, GA to Cornelia is the line for totality. Near Hopkinsville, KY, will have the greatest period of totality at two minutes, forty seconds. This is a rare event; however, extreme caution must be used when observing anything connected with looking at the sun. **Regular sunglasses do not protect the eyes from the harmful rays of the sun.** Inexpensive, solar sunglasses are available on-line. Do not allow you or your loved ones to look at this phenomenon without proper eye protection. Even if it is cloudy, we will realize it is happening. Your cows will bed down for the night and the roosters will crow. AWESOME!!! We may not see another one for 330 years.

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## COMMITTEES



### MEMBERSHIP

Hello to Everyone! Hello to the month of August and the heat that comes with this time of the year. Whew! Hope all of you are enjoying your Summer time, having some fun, feeling well, having relaxing moments and are staying cool.

We welcomed six visitors, along with several treasured past members at the June meeting. I have been in touch with these ladies and have invited them to join MCWC for our August meeting. Hopefully, these ladies will be able to attend the meeting. I did receive a response from one visitor. She will be out of town during the time of the meeting and therefore, not able to attend. She wrote that she is planning to be in touch with Lois concerning future meetings.

Please watch for these ladies, and as I know you will do, extend your Welcome.

I will be unable to attend the August meeting due to two family commitments in the big state of Texas. Have a good meeting, enjoy the fellowship, and welcome our visitors. I hope to see you at Institute in Athens on August 19<sup>th</sup> and at the September meeting.

Marlynn

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### SCHOLARSHIP

We will have the pleasure of meeting our 2017 scholarship recipients Sonya Bingham and Kendra Stewart at the August meeting. They are very excited to be with us to share a few words. Both of them have also agreed to participate as models in the fashion show.

	<i>Happy Birthday!</i>	<i>Happy Anniversary!</i>
<b>July/August</b>	7/5 Angela Wright 7/14 Amy Simpkins 7/24 Elaine Dorsey	7/19 Linda & Hoyt Driver 8/8 Connie & George Johnson 8/12 Anne & Haywood Fordham



**HOSTESSES FOR AUGUST MEETING**

<i>Coordinator</i>	<i>Devotional</i>		
Lorelei Bonner	Cookie Keene	Joy Lanier	



**SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:**

*AUGUST 31ST*



State website: [www.gafwc.org](http://www.gafwc.org)



National website: [www.gfwc.org](http://www.gfwc.org)





## ***Here are our Arts Offerings for August***

Please send your volunteering hours and participation in the arts anytime during the year to [wils4929@bellsouth.net](mailto:wils4929@bellsouth.net). Sign-up sheets will be available at club meetings

### **Spivey Hall**

**(678) 466-4200**

Martin David Jones & Clara Park, piano duo

Tuesday, September 5, 2017 @ 7:30 PM - 9:00 PM

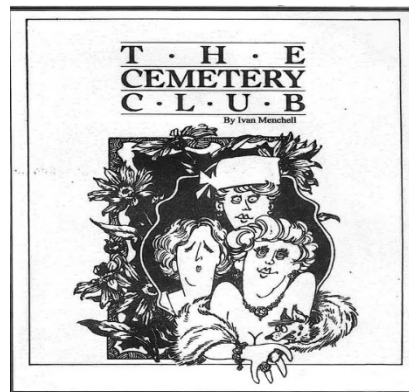
Tuesday, Sept. 5 @ 7:30pm

### **CSU Chorale & Orchestra**

Thursday, September 28, 2017 @ 7:30 PM - 9:00 PM

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### **Southside Theatre Guild**



THE CEMETERY CLUB by Ivan Menchell

Performance Dates:

September 15, 16, 17, 18

September 22, 23, 24, 25

Three Jewish widows meet once a month for tea before going to visit their husband's graves. Ida is sweet tempered and ready to begin a new life, Lucille is a feisty embodiment of the girl who just wants to have fun, and Doris is priggish and judgmental, particularly when Sam the butcher enters the scene. He meets the widows while visiting his wife's grave. Doris and Lucille squash the budding romance between Sam and Ida. They are guilt stricken when this nearly breaks Ida's heart.

“Cemetery Club, The” is presented by special arrangement with SAMUEL FRENCH, INC.

Please note that messages directed to this e-mail address can only be checked and returned by Box Office workers during periods when the Box Office is open. For more information on dates when Box Office is open, visit the reservations page @ <http://www.stgplays.com> E-mail: [boxoffice@stgplays.com](mailto:boxoffice@stgplays.com) Phone: 770-969-0956

## Clayton County Parks and Recreation

### Movies under the Stars

August 12th•Lee Street Park• Sing  
September 9th•GERALD MATTHEWS SPORTS COMPLEX• Beauty & the Beast  
All movies are free beginning at dusk. Don't forget to bring snacks and a chair!  
(Movies may be subject to change or canceled due to inclement weather)

## Front Porch Players



This is a can't-miss show! August 11-13 and 18-20.

Cast:

Mary Anne Brannon–Daisy Werthan

Keith Larson–Boolie

Jay Michael Isbell–Hoke Colburn

Lynn Frow–Daisy Werthan (Understudy)

On July 2nd we had the pleasure of meeting Theodore Morocco (Rocky) Coleman, the grandson of Miss Daisy's (Lena Fox) driver (Will Coleman). He spent nearly 2 hours telling us about his grandfather, Lena Fox (Miss Daisy), Mr. Uhry (Boolie), and Alfred Uhry (the playwright and Boolie's grandson). What an amazing treat

Coming Attractions

Lying in State - November

## Legacy Theatre

To go to this line up visit: <http://www.thelegacytheatre.org>  
404-895-1473



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Award-Winning comedy about an Opera gone hilariously wrong.  
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 (Fri 8pm, Sat 3 pm & 8pm, Sun 3pm)

## Henry Players

2017 - 2018  
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 McDonough, GA 30253  
 www.henryplayers.com

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All Showtime are Thurs, Friday & Sat @ 7:30; Sunday @ 2:30; \*\*doors open 45 minutes prior to show\*\*



The Box Office is open Tuesday-Saturday from 12-5 PM. Call 404.584.7450 to speak with a box office attendant.  
Blackberry Daze July 17<sup>th</sup> - August 20<sup>th</sup>

## BBQ, blues, and bluegrass

August 12, 2017

[Decatur BBQ, Blues & Bluegrass Festival](#) [sound] offers six hours of blues and bluegrass music, a kids' area, beer, and barbecue at Harmony Park in Oakhurst.

## **Piedmont Park Arts Festival**

August 19 - 20, 2017

[Piedmont Park Arts Festival](#) features 250 painters, photographers, sculptors, leather and metalworkers, glass blowers, and jewelers. It has artist demonstrations, live acoustic music, a children's play area, and food vendors at Piedmont Park. Free.