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GFWC GA MORROW CIVIC WOMAN'S CLUB NEWSLETTER

Check us out at <https://mcwcga.org/>



A MESSAGE FROM OUR CO-PRESIDENTS

Dear Club Sisters,

Fall is in the air and as the weather gets cooler Mother Nature is beginning the process of preserving and letting go. As you all know, the Community Service Programs (CSPs) that have guided our Plans of Work for many, many years have been rearranged. One CSP, International Outreach, will be “let go”, and five other community service programs will be “preserved” but renamed and reorganized. Our former International CSP members have moved to one of the new CSP areas.

To that end, we ask that each club member take some time and visit the GFWC Georgia website at <https://gfwcgeorgia.org/> and learn about the new changes, while watching videos prepared by state level officers and CSPs chairs. The state level women have really done a great job with this task. You may also view the 2020-2022 Yearbook section pertaining to new CSPs on the state website.

There are videos pertaining to all the CSP areas except for the Environment CSP. The video, Hearts for Service (26:14), is an overview of ALL the CSP areas. It is a concise look at each CSP as well as the Special Project of each area. The Environment CSP is found at the 7-8-minute mark of this program. Note: This month's special project is in the Education and Library CSP and concerns hosting a STEM school event for special needs students.

Your mission, and we hope you decide to accept it as a former or current CSP chair and/or member, will be to learn about the NEWLY developed CSP areas and compare them to our **current** plans of work for your area. Identify the activities that NO LONGER fit into your NEW CSP areas, and “pull them out” before 10/26 (November newsletter deadline). Current CSP chairs should include this information in your section of the November newsletter.

Example: It looks like Girl Scout activities now fit in with _____(new) CSP and no longer in Public Issues.

Then as we read the November newsletter, we can review the suggestions about where certain projects might be moved or retained. It is our hope that on November 5th we can have a “face to face” meeting to discuss this information in our CSP groups.

All CSP chairs should view the video, “Everything You Wanted to Know About Reporting, But Were Afraid to Ask”. It provides details on writing reports and provides a lot examples and information. It specifically guides you through the process of writing a report. NOTE: The reports will be ALL online this year.

A Central West District Zoom meeting took place on Saturday, September 12th and there were several items of discussion. A summary of this meeting was emailed to club members. Please read it.

Ladies let's roll up our sleeves and get to work. Apply the **TEAM** principle...**T**ogether **E**veryone **A**chieves **M**ore. We look forward to seeing all of you as we Zoom into October to reconnect and reorganize.

In Sisterhood,

Mary and Cookie

REVIEWING NEW COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAMS



Arts and Culture Community Service Program (FORMER ARTS CSP)

The GFWC Arts and Culture Community Service Program encourages members to promote and support art and cultural programs in their clubs and communities, and to expand understanding on every level, from local and regional to national and international. Our goal is to create projects that include crafts, dance, drama, food, music, and other manifestations of art and culture that develop skills, awareness, and appreciation. It is designed to inspire clubwomen and ignite within them a desire to make the world a more beautiful, thoughtful, and caring place.

**Check out the GFWC Georgia YouTube video for this CSP. Link is below.
Video can be found on GFWC Georgia YouTube Channel.**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=J1Xg1DWBIr8>

The Arts and Culture CSP is happy to welcome Joy Lanier to our fold. We are also looking forward to the international projects that will be best suited for this new CSP. It will be great to support the arts from around the world. Locally, financial support has been sent to the Spivey Hall Children's Choir and the ME Stillwell Performing Arts High School. We look forward to our new and improved CSP.

Consider researching a way to give back to the arts. Check out the following websites:

<https://316.clayton.k12.ga.us/>

<https://www.artsclayton.org>

<https://www.clayton.edu/spiveyhall/>

<https://thefrontporchplayers.com/>

<https://316ccps.ss10.sharpschool.com/>

<http://www.henryplayers.com/>

Please enjoy the Art Web Links at the end of the Newsletter!



Civic Engagement and Outreach Community Service Program

(FORMER PUBLIC ISSUES)

The GFWC Civic Engagement and Outreach Community Service Program reminds GFWC members that each of us is a part of a larger society and is responsible for undertaking actions that will create a better quality of life and foster a sense of community—locally, regionally, nationally, and globally. This Community Service Program highlights and encourages citizenship; crime prevention, safety, and disaster preparedness; the needy, hungry, and homeless; and our military personnel and veterans.

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[HTTPS://WWW.YOUTUBE.COM/WATCH?V=EAPD1INIIZK](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EAPD1INIIZK)



On September 15, Angelia Wright and her husband Tommy drove to Dublin, Georgia to deliver the soldiers' care packages to Ashley Thomas, a Fort Stewart soldier. One of her job responsibilities is to coordinate the mailing of care packages to soldiers who are stationed overseas. Our packages are going to a company of 20 soldiers who are stationed in parts of the Middle East. Ashley was very appreciative to receive the packages and thanked Angelia and Tommy many times.

Our next project involves collecting items for the USO at Atlanta Hartsfield Jackson Airport. Following is a list of needed items: paper plates (all sizes), paper napkins, plastic sandwich and snack bags, individually packed serving size of trail mix, cheese or peanut butter crackers, granola bars, small bottles (12 oz.) Gatorade, small bottles of Powerade, paper towels, hand soap, disinfecting wipes, Welch's fruit snack (individual packs/gummies), cases of small bottled water, and fruit, pudding, and applesauce cups. Make plans to drop off items on **Monday**, October 12th at 1:00 pm in the First Baptist Church of Jonesboro parking lot. All members are encouraged to participate. Perhaps, a member could contact other members who live close by and designate a person to collect the items and drop them off at the church. If you do not want to get out, ask someone in your area if they would do some shopping for you. Together we can make this project a big success!



Our Voting project has taken off. Thank you for sharing photos and information related to voter registration and exercising our right to vote (since 1920!). If you have not sent a photo to Lois Wolfe, please do so now. The last day to register to vote is October 5, 2020. We would like to post photos prior to this date. Check out and share all the images on our website and Facebook page.

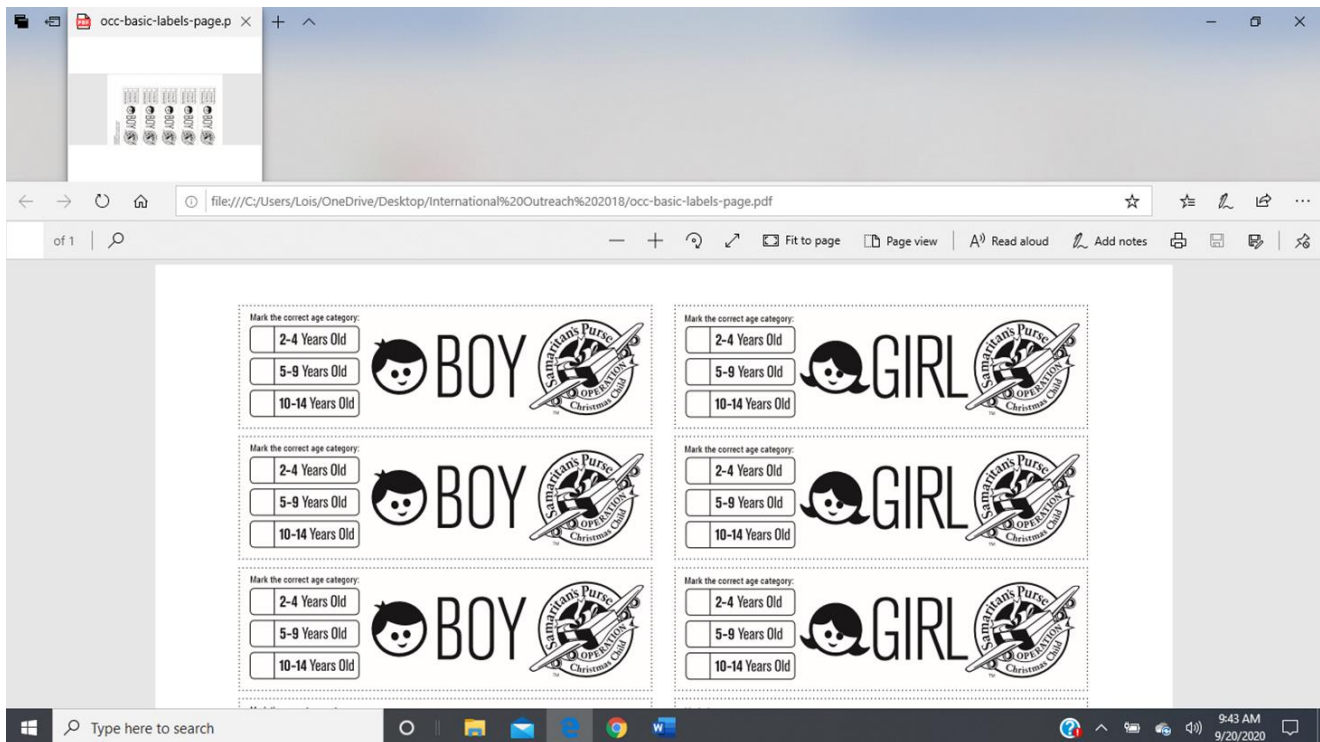


It is time to begin collecting items for Operation Christmas Child. Just think how much fun a child will have when s/he opens your gift box! This year, we are asking you to place the items in a plastic shoebox. If you want, you may purchase a Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child plastic box at Hobby Lobby, yet any plastic shoebox will be good.

What items are suggested? Consider the age groups: 2-4, 5-9, 10-14, girl or boy. Start with a quality *wow* item such as a stuffed animal, soccer ball with pump, or clothing outfit that will capture the child's attention the instant s/he opens the box. Include other fun toys, hygiene items, and school supplies to fill the shoebox.

DO NOT include the following: candy, toothpaste, gum, used/damaged items, war-related items such as toy guns/knives/military figures, chocolate, food, seeds, fruit rolls/other fruit snacks, drink mixes (powdered or liquid), liquids, lotions, medications/vitamins, breakable items such as snow globes/glass containers, or aerosol cans.

We will collect the boxes at our November meeting. If we are unable to meet face to face, a drop-off date, time, and location will be determined. Remember to **INCLUDE** \$9 cash or a check payable to MCWC to cover the Operation Christmas Child cost for processing. Place the \$9 donation inside the box and please **DO NOT** TAPE the box closed. **DO** TAPE the child label on the box top noting gender and age - <https://www.dropbox.com/s/izw0fget1g0wg00/14391-shoebox-labels-color.pdf?dl=0> - Please pray for the child who will receive your box. Thank you for bringing joy to children around the world!





Education and Libraries Community Service Program

(FORMER EDUCATION CSP)

We aim to help others, while we also continue to learn. Projects in the Education and Libraries Community Service Program are designed to foster schools, as well as other educational institutions and opportunities. These projects promote libraries, literacy, and the love of a good book. Through these efforts, we encourage the growth of individuals and communities at home and around the world.

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[HTTPS://WWW.YOUTUBE.COM/WATCH?V=BoD6ML6DLLQ](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BoD6ML6DLLQ)

1. Cathy White shared that she recently talked to a friend whose daughter is teaching both virtually and in the school. This teacher says she has never worked so hard in her life. Cathy asks that we pray for our teachers and our students, especially while many students are still learning virtually and are struggling. Cathy believes our special education students are having an even harder time and we should specifically pray for them.
 2. Cathy has several books in her garage because she has not been able to take them to Friends of the Library. If you like to read and want to save money, there are probably 200 books for you to peruse. Members may visit Cathy's garage to see if there are any books you are interested in reading.
 3. Cathy reminds each of us to take care and to know-- in all of this -- God is in Control!!!
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Environment Community Service Program

(FORMER CONSERVATION CSP)

The GFWC Environment Community Service Program encourages us to become stewards of the earth by working to preserve the world's resources, protect wildlife and domesticated animals, live sustainably, and beautify our communities and enjoy nature. Environmental degradation is cumulative, and many scientists warn that we are at a tipping point. There is no time like the present to act.

Remember to keep record of the time you spend:

- Recycling
- Picking up trash while you walk
- Reading about or researching environmental issues
- Working in your garden or yard

FOR DEBRIS REMOVAL IN UNINCORPORATED CLAYTON COUNTY CALL 770-477-3548. Debris must be at the street by the curb. An inspector will assess the cost. Pick up of debris will be within 1-3 working days after receipt of payment. Payment can be made to the inspector by check. You can call the office and pay by credit card. You can mail a check or money order. You can also visit the office and pay by cash, check, money order, or credit card.

FOR DEBRIS REMOVAL IF YOU LIVE WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS CALL:

- City of College Park (the portion in Clayton County) 404-767-1537
- City of Forest Park 404-366-4720
- City of Jonesboro 770-478-3800
- City of Lake City 404-366-8080
- City of Lovejoy 770-385-1000
- City of Morrow 770-961-4002
- City of Riverdale 770-997-8989

TO REPORT GRAFFITI CALL 770-477-3548



Health and Wellness Community Service Program

(FORMER HOMELIFE CSP)

The human body, mind, and spirit comprise our health and wellness. To improve our well-being, we must address three key components: nutrition, disease prevention, and physical and emotional care. This Community Service Program aims to explore the various opportunities for awareness and advancement of each of these vital areas.

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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yCJeT1mYm0c>



Club members are asked to wear **PINK** to the October ZOOM meeting to show their support for National Breast Cancer Awareness Month, (NBCAM), an annual worldwide campaign that takes place in October. Its purpose is to increase awareness of the disease and to raise funds for

research into its cause, diagnosis, treatment, cure, and prevention. The third Friday in October (the 16th this year) has been proclaimed National Mammography Day. This day serves as a reminder to all women that the best defense against breast cancer is early detection through mammograms and regular check-ups. Members are encouraged to schedule mammograms according to their doctor's directions. When we return to a more normal lifestyle, you will be able to help raise funds with donations to Relay for Life via the Pinkstrong Steppers or Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Team. Additional information can be found at www.acs.org.



HOPE LODGES, facilities supported by the American Cancer Society, offer cancer patients and their caregivers a free place to stay when their best hope for effective treatment is in another city. Hope Lodge provides a nurturing, home-like environment where guests can retreat to a private room or connect with others. Every Hope Lodge also offers a variety of resources and information. The Atlanta area Lodge is located in Decatur. More details can be found at <https://www.cancer.org/treatment/support-programs-and-services.html> Cash donations can be made on the website, and later, we may be collecting basic items suggested by the director. Our soup supper fundraiser for the Hope Lodge has been postponed, but a \$100 donation to ACS was previously made.

Currently (from their website): *In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, ACS suspended Hope Lodge operations on March 27, 2020, because we could no longer ensure the health and safety of our immune-compromised cancer patient residents, volunteers, and staff. Until we are able to safely host patients again, ACS is offering our Hope Lodge facilities as free temporary housing for health care workers who are unable to return home for fear of exposing their families to the coronavirus. We've also launched the [Hope Lodge COVID-19 Response Fund](#) to raise funds to operate our repurposed Hope Lodge facilities during the COVID-19 crisis.*

NOTE: Collecting items to support **Habitat for Humanity** is postponed for the time being.

SKIN CARE AWARENESS and **SUN SAFETY** are important issues for our overall health. Skin cancer is one of the most common cancers but is also one of the most easily detected when early treatment is most effective. Our skin is the body's largest organ, so it is important to take good care of it. Keep skin healthy year-round by using some of the following tips from the American Academy of Dermatology Associates.

- Wash your face daily
- Use an antiperspirant, not a deodorant
- Determine your skin type and purchase products accordingly
- Examine your skin regularly for signs of skin cancer
- Protect your skin by using a broad-spectrum sunscreen with a 30 or higher SPF
- Moisturize daily-while skin is damp
- Prevent blisters & corns-use moisture wicking socks
- Consider using petroleum jelly to treat minor injuries or to moisturize

More skin care tips can be found at www.thehealthsite.com/beauty/skincareawareness .

SUN SAFETY information was in the Home Life section of our June newsletter. The following reminders have more detailed information for reference in that newsletter:

- Seek shade
- Use sunscreen
- Read sunscreen labels carefully
- Apply sunscreen properly
- Wear a hat
- Wear sunglasses



PROTECT YOURSELF IN FIVE WAYS FROM SKIN CANCER

On-going collections: calendars, eyeglasses, soda can pop tops

Church pantry: canned soups and meats, spaghetti sauce & pasta



Special Project: Women's History Resource Center (WHRC)

What will our club documents reveal 10, 20, even 50 years from now? Last month, it was suggested GFWC GA MCWC should submit an article to the local news media reflecting current changes in our organization and how we continue supporting others even through a pandemic! However, in the time of social media, how can members share our work in the community? Videos? Facebook? We can spread the word and invite other women to join us in supporting the new CSPs. Left to right: Arts and Culture, Civic Engagement and Outreach, Education and Libraries, Environment, and Health and Wellness.



DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

Haven House, which provides a safe shelter for domestic violence victims, needs several items. Save donations at home until our next face to face meeting.

Haven House needs towels, wash cloths, and twin sheet sets. The Blessings Thrift Store has reopened for donations Tues.- Sat. 9:00 am - 4:30 pm.

COMMITTEES



Budget and Finance

Our MCWC's fundraisers are a bit different this year. Let's all look at our contact lists and make sure we have phone numbers and/or email addresses so we can get information out about Rada Knives and the Pecan sales. Our ability to make a difference in our communities require us to step outside our comfort zone in making sales and raising funds especially during this pandemic. **SELL**, but do it **SAFELY!**



Fashion Show Fundraiser

Cancellation of the annual fashion show fundraiser has been posted on the club website. The Chairs composed a letter that members may send to those who purchased ads and/or tickets. The letter was emailed to all members. Program ads are featured on <https://mcwcga.org/>.

If you have any questions, ask/call/email Peggy Wilson, Lois Wolfe, or Marlynn Jones. Some fashion show plants still need "fostering". Please contact Marlynn Jones if you can take one or more plants. If you have fashion show food such as muffin mixes, remember to check the expiration date. If a food item needs to be used before Fall 2021, make it, and then purchase a replacement when the fashion show is held. Thank you!



Pecan Fundraiser

It is time to sell pecans! Please begin taking orders for pecans. Our orders should arrive before Thanksgiving. The order forms assist us in keeping our records correct. Please try to use our forms if possible.

1. Prices will be \$13.00 for a 1-pound bag of Mammoth Pecan Halves and \$13.00 for a 1-pound bag of Medium Pecan Pieces.
2. We are required to pay for the pecans before they are shipped, so please collect the amount for your sales when you take the order if possible.
3. **PLEASE KEEP YOUR SALES FORM UP TO DATE WITH YOUR ORDERS AND MONEY COLLECTED, SO YOU RECEIVE CREDIT.**

For Check Sales: Make checks payable to MCWC. Place your name in the “memo” section of the check...OR, place the check in an envelope with your name on the envelope, so you receive credit and payment is noted.

For Cash Sales: Place the money in an envelope with your name and the name of the person ordering the pecans, including the amount of the sale.

4. All money should be given to Marlynn Jones or Heloise Wilson.
5. Orders can be e-mailed to Marlynn at mjones1694@hotmail.com or to Heloise Wilson at wils4929@icloud.com, or call Marlynn at 770-713-5143 or Heloise at 404-403-5755.
If you call Marlynn, please speak up, especially if you leave a voice mail. Thank you!
6. ****Deadline for all orders will be November 1st****

Arrangements for pickup of your order will be announced when we know the details, and we will make the pickup as safe as possible for this Pandemic year.



Rada Online Fundraiser

Visit <https://radafundraising.com/?rfsn=4699925.3900a81> for the MCWC fundraiser. Share the link with friends and family along with this message: *Thank you for supporting our fundraiser through Rada Cutlery. With the right kitchen tools, cooking at home doesn't have to be a chore. Every purchase you make using our unique shopping link shown here helps support our group, the Morrow Civic Woman's Club!*



Club Relations

Gratitude is extended to Catherine Douds for purchasing and mailing a gift card to Cookie Keene for use after her cataract surgery. Also, Catherine requested a club donation to Habitat for Humanity in memory of Kenneth Carter, Cookie's brother.



Membership

Membership hopes to have a virtual drawing for those in attendance or who call in and listen during our October ZOOM meeting.

Please share our posts on Facebook. By doing so, we might encourage friends to join MCWC.



On September 3rd, Ronshanda Chaney was unable to join our Zoom meeting after countless attempts. She apologized and emailed a message for club members. *I want to personally thank everyone who considered me as a candidate to receive the Andrea Lane Memorial Scholarship. I was on Dean's List spring semester and summer as well. I currently have all A's this semester. I am eternally grateful for the blessing received as it helped tremendously with tuition. I wish your organization much success and I will continue being successful throughout my educational journey. Sincere regards, Ronshanda Chaney*



Scrapbook

Scrapbooking for MCWC in a Pandemic.....

Marlynn Jones needs members to remember to take a picture or write up what is being done in the community, and she understands how difficult that can be. Marlynn says, *I know because I have a hard time remembering as well....and I am the one who is trying to keep the scrapbook!* Marlynn notes that when you do remember, or recreate the event for a picture, it will surely be appreciated and then placed with care in the scrapbook. Who knows, in 20 years your picture may be framed and await placement on a fashion show table! How about sending a picture of you and yours, in your masks, ready to go out in our new world today? Send Marlynn photos in an email, a text message, a print ready for the scrapbook, or hand deliver and pick up a plant as a reward! What do you say?!

Marlynn sends her thanks and wants everyone to continue to take care and stay safe.





Tallulah Falls School

Our donations have been delivered to the TFS. The donation consisted of 16 dresses and snacks for the students. Gratitude is extended to all who helped with the donations.



HAPPY OCTOBER!

SPECIAL OCCASIONS

<i>Happy October Birthday!</i> 	<i>Happy October Anniversary!</i> 
10/5 – Heloise Wilson 10/23 – Lois Wolfe 10/24 – Joy Lanier	None

HOSTESSES FOR OCTOBER MEETING - “STILL ZOOMING”

<i>Coordinator</i>	<i>Devotional</i>	
-----	Loretta Tucker	

NEXT NEWSLETTER DEADLINE: OCTOBER 26, 2020



State website: <https://gfwcgeorgia.org/>



National website: <http://gfwc.org/>

ARTS FOR YOUR ENJOYMENT

Links that enrich you in the Arts:

Here are links you might enjoy!

<https://broadwaydirect.com/where-to-watch-musicals-online-the-musical-lovers-guide-to-streaming/>

<https://artsandculture.google.com/story/DAWx75ap5FKeBQ>

<https://www.google.com/url?sa=t&rct=j&q=&esrc=s&source=web&cd=&ved=2ahUKEwjM-4ji5rHrAhUQRKwKHdl9C0MQFjADegQIBBAB&url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.ajc.com%2Fentertainment%2Farts--theater%2Fatlanta-museums-extend-exhibitions-closed-abruptly-because-covid%2F2AAGaX9nO1TAg03oIQSL9M%2F&usg=AOvVaw29RjmUZecTsjCP5sMjEJY>

The Crescent City Chamber Music Festival

presents

the Manhattan Chamber Players
in four Live Stream Concerts

Friday, October 2, 7:30 pm

Sunday, October 4, 3 pm

Friday, October 9, 7:30 pm

Sunday, October 11, 3 pm

For details go to:

crescentchambermusicfestival.com



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