





August 2024

NEWSLETTER



A Message from Our President

Happy August! I hope you all enjoyed your month off. Of course, even though MCWC didn't meet during the month doesn't mean that we were idle. Please think back over the month and be ready to log your time and money spent on activities related to our CSPs? How many hours did you spend on volunteer activities? How much money did you spend collecting school supplies or on food to contribute to food pantries? Did you go to any plays or art exhibits? Did you garden or compost? Did you get a mammogram or exercise regularly? Did you write letters to your elected officials, did you go to a city council or county commissioner's meeting or perhaps a school board meeting? Did you attend a special event in honor of Juneteenth or July 4th? Did you spend time reading or did you read to a child/children? Did you teach a class or take a class? Did you exercise? All of these are things and more can be logged in for various CSPs.

We hope that you are making plans to attend the August meeting (August 1st) and attend the Tomato Sandwich Party (August 3rd 5:30). Remember that the club is having an art show/contest at the TSP so please wear your name tag. Also, if you haven't already done so, start selling your Bunco tickets. Bunco is August 20th at 5:30 but we will need to get a head count at the meeting. If you haven't sold your tickets yet, we need to know your best guess for how many guests are coming.

We are looking forward to welcoming Maureen Sasser as a member at the August member and recognizing this year's recipient of the Andrea Lane Scholarship. The August meeting will be a project night. We will have a brief business meeting after our social time and then will move into projects directed by the Civic Engagement and Education Community Service Programs. Please read the newsletter and bring items for as requested so that we have a successful project night.

COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAMS



Fourth of July Cards

Thank you to all club sisters who participated in the making of the Fourth of July cards for the River Walk Assisted Living. Everyone had fun. The residents were thrilled to receive them. A special thanks to Peggy for getting all the required items for the completion of the project.

Member Art Show

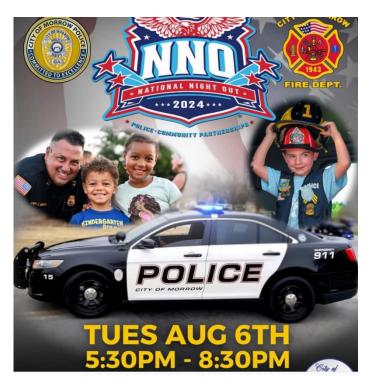
Our Member Art Show will be held on Saturday, August 3, at the Tomato Sandwich Rally. If you are planning to participate, please bring your art item or items to our August 1-club meeting. We will take them over on August 3-and get our display ready. Items will be return to you at our September meeting. Thanks to all who are participating.



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.

Educational Moment: August 6th is National Night Out

National Night Out is an annual community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie. The City of Morrow will be hosting a National Night Out on Tuesday, August. 6th from 5:30-8:30 PM at 1065 Olde Towne Morrow Road, Morrow, GA 30260. Come and meet the First Responders!



August Projects:

- Collect hygiene items such as men & women socks, washcloths, travel size hand sanitizers, travel size toothpastes, toothbrushes, band aids, combs, face masks, bar soap, and sanitary pads.
- We will be assembling at our meeting health kits for our first responders to give out to the homeless using the products listed above.
- Please bring to the following non-perishable items for the First Baptist Church of Morrow's Food
 Pantry that assists families in our community experiencing
 food insecurities: Canned Meat, Canned Peas, Soups, Dry Pasta (Spaghetti), and Packaged Pasta
 Sides (NOT Mac-N-Chesse). ** Please watch expiration dates.

Upcoming September Projects:

- ➤ Two Opportunities for GFWC Day of Service:
 - 1. Prepare food for and serve at Calvary Refuge Center in Forest Park on Thursday, September 12th at 6:00 PM
 - 2. Assemble food distribution boxes on Wednesday, September 25 at First Baptist Church of Morrow Food Pantry. Time: TBD



The Plan of Work for Education and Libraries is currently a revision in progress. It will be shared by the August meeting. In the meantime, it is time for back to school donations. This year we are supporting 3 schools: Mt. Zion Primary, McGarrah Elementary, and Callie's Kids, a pre-school program at 1-Baptist Morrow. Donations are welcome, and don't have to be for all three schools. At the August meeting I will have 3 boxes labeled for your donations. I have selected items from each list to simplify our shopping. The complete school supply lists are available on each school's website. For Callie's Kids, you can contact me or Joy and we will send you the complete list. If you are unable to be at the August meeting, I will be happy to get your donations any time, and get them to the school. I have been in contact with the Parent Liaison at Mt.Zion Primary about their needs, looked at the lists from Callie's Kids and McGarrah.

If you have any questions, or if you would like me to shop for you, give me a call or text.

MtZion Primary -- Requested headphones and water bottles, however crayons, kid scissors and glue sticks are welcomed. I looked at headphones on Amazon and Walmart websites. The school requested that these not be earbuds.

McGarrah -- common to all grades are #2 Ticonderoga pencils, crayons, wide rule notebooks **Callie's Kids** --jumbo 8 pack crayons, Lysol spray, play dough



Hope that all had a great 4th of July, it was really "hotter than a firecracker!" Now the time has come to participate in the Great Southeast Pollinator Census on August 23 and 24.

Who Can Participate?

The census is designed for citizens of Georgia, South Carolina, North Carolina, and Florida of all ages to participate. We encourage school groups, gardeners, families and individuals to be a part of the project. You do *not* need to be an entomologist to partake; we ask for only basic insect identification into the following categories:

Bumble bees Wasps

Carpenter bees Flies

Honey Bees Moths & Butterflies

Small bees Other insects

2024 Insect Counting and Identification Guides may be found online as well as instructional videos to provide more insights to help participants prepare. These are available on the Home Page of the website. UGA Extension office https://gsepc.org/

How do participants count?

You will be asked to choose a favorite pollinator plant – a plant from your garden that shows insect activity, for example – for counting. You should count and identify the insects that land on the flowers of that plant for 15 minutes. To make sure your counts are included in our database, visit this website again after counting where you will find a pop-up prompting you to add your information.

Do I count every time an insect lands on the plant, even though I know that insect has been on the plant earlier?

Yes, we are technically counting insect visits, not just the number of insects, so be sure to count each time any insect lands on your plant – regardless of whether it's been there before.

What if my plant is too large for me to get accurate counts?

Choose a part of the plant to use for counting, maybe 2 feet by 2 feet, that you feel comfortable getting accurate counts. And YES, you can count more than once during the two-day counting period.

Great Southeast Pollinator Census Observation Sheet

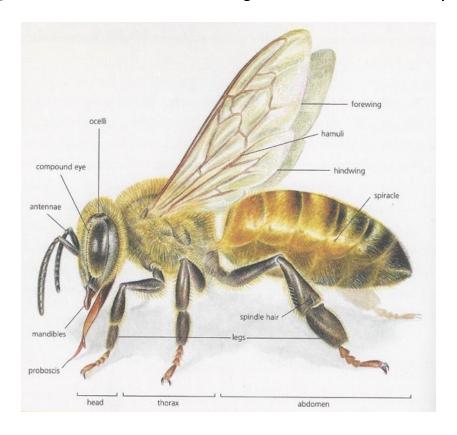
Name of participant:		Email:			
Address of Garden (for mapping):			County		
Would you consider your large (>1 acre)	garden small (< ¾	4 of an acre)	medium (>	1/4 of an acre b	ut < 1 acre) or
Date:					
Time of count start:	·				
Temperature: °F					
Weather conditions: Sur	nny Partly Cloudy	Cloudy	Rainy		
Is there a honey beekeep	per within 5 miles of y	our garden? Y	'es No Dor	ı't Know	
Name of pollinator plant	used for counting. Pl	ease give com	mon name an	d Latin name if	you have it:
Counting Data:	_				
Counting Data.	Type of Insect	Nur	nber of times	the insect	7
		land	ls on your pla	nt	
	Carpenter Bees				

Bumble Bees	
Honey Bees	
Small Bees	
Wasps	
Flies	
Butterflies/Moths	
Other Insects	

Visit https://GSePC.org to upload your counts to the website. Every count is important so THANK YOU!



You can also use this QR code to get to the website for count uploads!



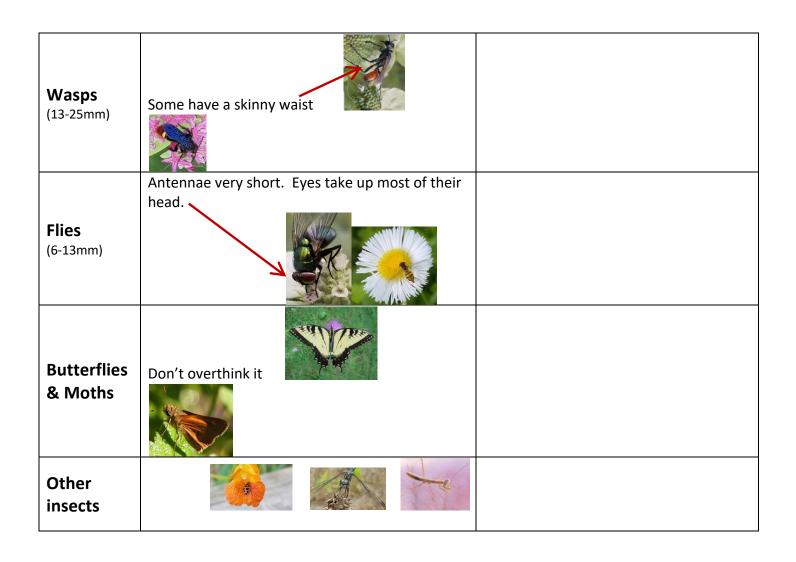
This program is coordinated by University of Georgia Extension. South Carolina participation is coordinated by Clemson University Extension and North Carolina participation is coordinated by North Carolina A&T State University. Florida participation is coordinated by University of Florida Extension/Marian County.





You can upload counts here (or go to the website on vour computer

Name of Plant:		ate:	Time:		
Weather Con	ditions: Sunny	Partly Cloudy	Cloudy	Rainy Temp	erature:
	Description of Insec	t		Number of Ins	ect Landings on Your Plant
Carpenter Bee (16-22mm)	Shiney Hiney				
Bumble Bee (10-19mm)	Fuzzy Rear	7			
Honey Bee (12-15mm)					
Small Bees (smaller than a honey bee)					





The GFWC Health and Wellness Community Service program encourages members to explore the various opportunities in their clubs and communities for awareness and advancement of nutrition, disease prevention, and physical and emotional care.

We will collect can pop tops at each meeting.

For the August meeting, we will be taking donations of boxes of wheat crackers for the Shepherd Clinic Tomato Sandwich Party. fundraiser will be held August 12 https://www.tomatosandwichparty.com/





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August 4-10 is National Health Center Week https://healthcenterweek.org/ Supporting the Good Shepherd Clinic Tomato Sandwich Party is just one way you can participate.



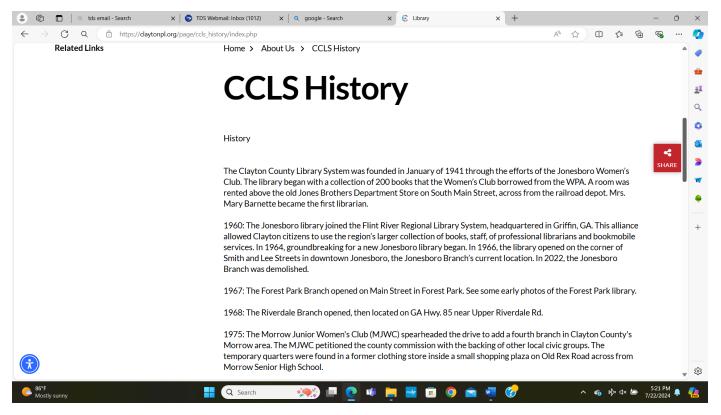
Special Project: Women's History Resource Center (WHRC)

Did you know that GFWC Facebook has "WHRC Wednesdays" on the GFWC Facebook page? Every Wednesday, there is something new to learn. Interesting, right? What is something you have learned over the past weeks? Well, here's something that might catch your attention. If you email Lois Wolfe with something new you learned from GFWC WHRC Wednesdays with the date of post, your name will be entered in an opportunity

drawing that will be held in December for a \$25 Chick-fil-A gift card. As you know, more entries increase opportunities, so email those interesting facts to Lois often during this club year

MCWC's role in the establishment of the Morrow Public Library is beginning to be recognized. Check out https://claytonpl.org/page/ccls history/index.php <u>Library (claytonpl.org)</u>

Look at 1975. Here's what you will read:





Has your Spring cleaning extended into Summer? If so, consider bringing up to three of your good, but no longer needed items to our August meeting. I will deliver them to the Blessings Thrift Store that is located at 18 Depot Street. Now, if you have more than three items to donate, you may take the additional items to the store, which is open Tuesday-Saturday 9:00am-4:30pm. Donations are accepted on Tuesday-Saturday 9:00am-4:00pm. Remember to record a list of your donations for the end of year Domestic Violence club report. I will have a recording sheet for the items you bring to our meeting in August.

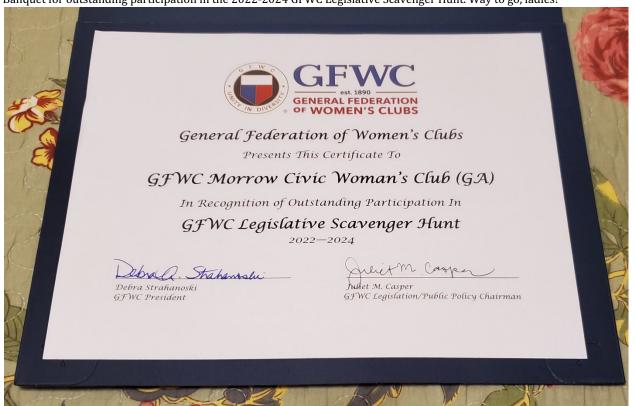
Please note, the Blessings Thrift Store accepts donations of gently used clothing, furniture, household items, toys, and linens. Donors receive a tax donation receipt at the time of donation. For questions, call 770.337.3886. (Just a note: please only bring items I can get in my car. Thank you!) Lois



Legislation and Public Policy

 $During \ the \ recent \ GFWC \ Annual \ Convention \ held \ in \ Chicago, \ the \ Morrow \ Civic \ Woman's \ Club \ was \ recognized \ at \ the \ GFWC \ Southern \ Region$

Banquet for outstanding participation in the 2022-2024 GFWC Legislative Scavenger Hunt. Way to go, ladies!



COMMITTEES



Ladies Luncheon

The numbers concerning the Ladies Luncheon have been tabulated. This information will be shared at our August meeting.

Rada Knives

We have the following Rada knives for sale: Tomato Slicer (5) \$13.00 each Vegetable Peeler (5) \$10.00 each Peeling Paring (2) \$8.00 each Regular Paring (5) \$8.00 each

CLAYTON STATE Scholarship Committee

Congratulations to Jenelle Charlton Broomes on her selection as this year's Andrea Lane Memorial Scholarship recipient! Jenelle will join club members at our August meeting.



Tallulah Falls School

Tallulah Falls school is getting ready for a new school year. TFS welcomes back our Director of Security, Dustin Rogers. Rogers' unit was deployed to Poland, for nine months. This was his last deployment, as he is set to

retire in 2025 after 26 years of service to our country.

This will be Rogers's tenth year as Director of Security. He heads up a nine-member school security team.

"Security keeps a presence on campus at all times -- at athletic events, fine arts events, and any other event hosted on our campus. By staying involved in our students' lives, they feel safe and secure, and we keep them safe and secure."



One of my favorite perks of being a boarder is the study cafe. I go almost every Sunday. It's a good opportunity to work with other boarders with whom I have classes and would not normally study. I enjoy studying in my room, but being in a different environment helps stimulate my mind.

Ultimately, after a long and busy day, the study cafe is a way to relax. TFS provides different environments for students to thrive in their everyday lives. TFS is a home away from home."

Joliet Okoronkwo '25



Fifth-grade teacher Andrea Jones is excited to start her 32nd year as a teacher! This is her second year teaching here at TFS. Last year, in her first days on campus, she dove right in and joined students on the cow train at the Back to School Bash!

"What I love most about teaching has always been building relationships with students, watching them grow and develop, and celebrating their many accomplishments, large and small."

One of the things I (Heloise) have memories of are the many creative activities like the "cow train" or "science projects at Lake Rabun". These activities build teamwork and encourage learning and family. I know we all wish TFS a great year.



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Website- Kristy Coughlin coughline@bellsouth.net

Special Occasions



Morrow Civic Woman's Club Ladies' Bunco Night Please come join us for a fun filled night of food and fellowship.

When: Tuesday, August 20, 2024



Place: First Baptist Church of Morrow

Time: 5:30PM Tickets: \$10.00

Hostess(es) for Meeting

Coordinator	Hostess	Devotional
Renee Goolsbee	Mary Harmon	Angelia Wright

State website: gfwcgeorgia.org

National website: gfwc.org