



Dunwoody Woman's Club January, 2018 Newsletter

President's Message

Jan Slater

With the election of officers at the January General Meeting, we will begin a new year for the GFWC Dunwoody Woman's Club. The nominating committee did an excellent job of filling all of the elected positions! Now it's each member's turn to choose an activity in which they can become engaged--small or large--become involved. The success of this club will be determined by each member being a part of the whole. The 6 CSP groups provide a wealth of opportunities for both volunteering and enjoying what we do. The social committees provide us with fun times. The Book Club and the Dunwoody "Dow" Wagers provide members individual interests.

We have a very diverse group of women. **Strong teams are diverse teams.** You don't have to like or understand everyone. It's better if you don't. A team of you-clones can't accomplish anything beyond what you could accomplish alone. There are so many excellent skills within our club. Our new president will be making thoughtful choices to fill positions. If she calls you, be ready to say "yes." Due to the 45 years in the Sandy Spring - Dunwoody area, we have the responsibility to make this community the best that it can be

Calendar

Please double check with Main Article; This Calendar may have typos and/or omissions!

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Meeting Place/Carpool Location</u>	<u>Time</u>
January 9	Book Club	Dunwoody Country Club	1:15
January 11	Home Life	Saint Luke's	10:00
January 16	Education	Home of Margie Stafford	12:00
January 25	Conservation	St. Luke's to carpool to lunch and tour event	11:15
February 7	Arts	Home of Marcia Seaton	1:15
February 22	Conservation	St. Luke's carpool to the Roswell Recycling Center	9:30

Club Dues for 2018 are due in January

Dues are considered delinquent on February 1st

Active: \$60, Associate \$75, Sustaining \$85.

Remember, your dues are tax deductible since the Dunwoody Woman's Club is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization and members receive no substantial benefits other than the newsletter in exchange for their dues. Please use this notice and a copy of your check for tax purposes.

Dues checks **payable to Dunwoody Woman's Club** should be **mailed to:** Faye Cashwell, 140 Forrest Lake Rd., Johns Creek, GA 30022

If you are requesting a change of membership status, please send a written request to: Chris Cox, DWC Membership Chairman, at cczbz@bellsouth.net or 4867 Springfield Drive, Dunwoody, GA 30338.

Questions – Call Faye at 770-409-1960 or Chris at 770-668-9362.

Membership: Chris Cox, Debra Love

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GFWC GEORGIA DAY OF SERVICE

State-wide Collection of Personal Care Items for Domestic Violence Victims

Happy New Year! Be sure to mark your calendars for **Saturday, April 28th**. **It's time to place your order for the Day of Service T-shirt. The cost is \$12.**

Let's all work together and support this effort. We will wear our T-shirts on the day of the event. Make out your check to DWC and in the memo line write t-shirt and size. Please bring it to the January 18th General Meeting. Sizes are: Small, Medium, Large, Extra Large, and 2XL, 3XL.

Faye Cashwell, Treasurer will send in one order for the T-shirts.

On Saturday, April 28th from 10 am – 2pm thousands of members of the General Federation of Women's Clubs in Georgia will be out in their local communities collecting personal care items for local domestic violence shelters and raising awareness of our national signature project: **Domestic Violence Awareness and Prevention.**

Every nine seconds in the U.S. a woman is assaulted or beaten. Studies also show that **3-4 million children between the ages of 3-17 are at risk of exposure to domestic violence each year.** This abusive behavior has devastating effects on our society and impacts individuals in every community across America.

The Dunwoody Woman's Club wants do their part and join club members from across Georgia on the GFWC Georgia Day of Service. Thank you for your support. Stay tuned for more details in the coming weeks

Ways and Means – Home Tour: Maria Barnhart
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No report this month.

COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAMS

Arts: Becky Schaaf 770-457-7126
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February 7 Arts Home of Marcia Seaton 1:15

On Wednesday, February 7 at 1:15, Marcia Seaton will present a program on "A new and different way to listen to classical music," using Tchaikovsky's "1812 Overture" and Ravel's "Bolero" as examples.

Instead of being bored or confused by classical music, you will come away from this experience exhilarated and wanting more.

If classical music hasn't changed your life already, this may do it.

Meeting place: home of Marcia Seaton: 5262 Lakesprings Drive, Dunwoody 30338; 770-457-6476.

Our January speaker will be Jessica Guinn from the City of Dunwoody. She is creating a master plan and policy guide for Create Dunwoody--Advancing Arts, Culture, and the Community.

Conservation: Kathy Hanna, Becky Schaaf
Kathy Hanna kak1941@aol.com, Becky Schaaf, becky.schaaf43@gmail.com & Gang

January 25 Conservation St. Luke's to carpool 11:15

On **January 25th** the program will be a tour of the new SPCA in Chamblee... We will **carpool at 11:15** from St. Luke's to lunch at a hot spot in the Chamblee area and will tour the facility at 1:00PM as they reserve the mornings for cleaning and grooming... Beck fell in love when checking out the place and is now the proud owner of a new cat from there, so be prepared to fall head over heels for one of their pets, and the facility is beautiful..

On **February 22, 9:30 for carpool**. Lyn has set up at tour of the Roswell Recycling facility that 6 of us got to tour last year.... It was so much more than we had ever learned from a recycling event we hope many more of you will join us and come away with information that will be useful and make you recycle even more....Lunch to follow at Sage in Alpharetta... I know you in DeKalb have curbside recycling, but my goodness there is so much more we can do; this facility will show you how...

Audubon: Carey reports that Atlanta Audubon is hosting some great programs: **Becoming a Better Birder** on Feb. 10 from 10-12 with Georgann Schmalz leading the workshop; Ms Schmalz is also leading **Birding by Ear**

on Sat. Feb 10 from 1-3 a program of bird songs; **Winter Master Birder Registration Classes** are beginning Sat. Feb. 24 to March 31, and you will need to register for any of these events at www.Atlantaaudubon.org

Adopt-A-Bench: Meredy and the Brigade are still taking orders for your bench to be placed in one of the 9 Dunwoody Park sites... The grand's and I used ours in the playground at DNC more than once over the holidays..

Dunwoody Nature Center: Pat reports....You might notice the ground breaking and renovations at the entrance to the park, Austin School is moving to some of the park ... You are invited to join us for the January First Saturday program on **Jan. 6 from 1-2PM**, the group will do a family friendly **Winter Hike and "Bowl Burning"** ceremony.. Following the hike all will gather by the campfire, write down their burdens for 2017 and throw them in the fire, and watch them burn away... Move on from 2017 and make new resolutions for 2018, celebrate the New Year with s'mores by the campfire and start 2018 on a good note!

Master Gardeners/Community Gardens: Nancy reports the MG Learning Session at Brook Run Park Garden and Orchard will have their 2nd Sat class on **Jan. 13 at 11:00** on "Urban Double Crop Project" with Richard Osterholtz, all are welcome to attend this one hour event... If it's cold, look at the barn by the greenhouse... More info at www.dcggo.org..... **GA Native Plant Society Symposium** is going to be **Feb. 10** at Middle GA State University in Macon cost is \$75, Kathy has the application form, for early registration...

Recycling: Lyn says in DeKalb County curbside **Christmas Tree Recycling** is on now and until Jan. 12... On **Jan. 6 9-4** Christmas Trees can be recycled at Home Depot's on P'tree-Dun Rd and State Bridge and at SS Morgan Falls Recycling Center... They will also take any unwanted gifts to distribute to the less fortunate...

Day of Service: It was announced that a work day is planned for **MLK Day, Jan 15** to help in one of Dunwoody's Parks, tools and assigned parks will happen at **Brook Run Park 8:30-12:00** or early registration at <https://secure.rec1.com/GA/dunwoody-ga/catalog>

A tip or two: Chattahoochee River Keeper says in 2017 they have tested 73 lake-nutrient samples, 4,373 neighborhood water samples, 14 major sewage spills were stopped, they have 163 NWW monitoring stations, have now 109 NWW partners, they are seven years at #1 Adopt-A-Stream group in GA and have collected 141 samples for BacteriALERT... **GA Power** says check your house for leaking air through windows and doors as well as check for adequate attic insulation. It's going to be a cold winter and these tips will help save you money and provide for a more comfortable place to live...

Education: Margie Stafford
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Debra Love will be offering basic training skills needed on the computer (no MAC) again this year. If you need help with internet, DWC website, MS Office, or Facebook, please call at 404-326-7990.

Up and Coming Education Program

DATE	TIME	PROGRAMS
Tues, Jan. 16	12 Noon	Lunch, Book repair, Fun

Location: 1643 Kingsdown Circle, Dunwoody

Please let me know if you are coming by sending an e-mail to margie.stafford@gmail.com.

Bring your sense of fun, a sandwich, and suggestions for a program. Cure the "It was fun to put it up, but now they've gone and I am blue." If you have any Holiday treats you want to bring, please do so.

1. We will begin with structure: My house will be open at 12 noon. I will provide soup, fruit, cookies and all the setup. Sunny Jeffries from the Friends of the Dunwoody Library will give us a demo, bringing supplies necessary, on how to clean and mend books.
2. We will clean and mend books: The clean, sorted books will be delivery by our group to shelters, schools, and Little Libraries.

3. Another table will be set up to paint signs for the outside of the Little Libraries. "*Bring a book. Take a book.*" written in English and Spanish.
 4. We will brainstorm ideas for future education programs. Bring ideas and suggestions.
- Thank You!!!

Home Life Community Service: Susan Crawford & Suzanne Bentz
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January 11 HOME LIFE Saint Luke's Presbyterian church 10:00 a.m.

Home Life wishes to thank all members who helped during the month of December to make the holidays special for those in need. We thank Judy Bertrand for hosting a wonderful Toys-for-Tots event where we collected 150 toys. We decorated Interfaith Outreach Home for the holidays and refurbished two apartments for families to move in before Christmas. Two hundred residents at Lutheran Towers were happy to receive goodie bags that we left on their doors.

Home Life CSP Meeting will be held at Saint Luke's on Thursday, January 11 at 10:00 a.m. We will be setting goals for Home Life for the year and making arrangements for the Card Party.

SAVE THE DATE of Wednesday, March 28, 2018 for our annual **Card Party, Fashion Show and Luncheon** that is sponsored by the Home Life and International Outreach Community Service Programs. A silent auction will be featured. Tecie Thatcher and Martha Blondheim are heading up the Silent Auction and will gladly take any items that you may have to donate. Tickets will be available in February.

Please be aware that January is **National Blood Donors Month**, Cervical Cancer Awareness Month, National Birth Defects Prevention Month and National Financial Wellness Month.

International Outreach: Linda Mote 404-504-2402
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I was listening to a story on the radio a few days ago. An author recounted her experiences living with and then writing about refugee camps. She told about the horrible conditions that are in most refugee camps.

She then made a statement that I could not get out of my mind. Some of you have probably heard this before but in these times it is important to repeat her statement, "Jesus was a refugee." As I did some research I found that many do not think this is the case. But, from biblical references his family left their home because of persecution and fear for Jesus' life. The definition of a refugee is a person who has been forced to leave their country in order to escape war, persecution, or natural disaster.

As we reflect on this season of peace and love let us remember those who are not as fortunate as we to live in a free country. Let us continue to help those who are living in our country not because they choose to, but because they had to flee their homes.

In the New Year we will continue our work with Friends of Refugees in Clarkston and the International Community School in Decatur.

Public Issues: Marilyn Dumon
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No report this month.

Standing Committees

Book Club: Sharon Doyle

Happy New Year!

We'll meet on Tuesday, January 9 to discuss Bill O'Reilly's "Killing the Rising Sun" and "Rules of Civility," by Amor Towles. The latter sounds like a nonfiction etiquette book but it's not. It's an engrossing novel, a best-seller for weeks.

After our meeting volunteers from our ranks will help Nancy Baldwin judge DWC's Student Writing Contest. On February 6 we'll discuss "Lady Almina and the Real Downton Abbey," by the Countess of Carnarvon, the current Countess in residence at Highclere Castle where "Downton" was filmed. The televised characters represented her husband's forebears. The parallels are quite authentic: American bride, daughter of a Jewish millionaire, marries into British aristocracy in need of some financial shoring up. There are some details too unbelievable even for television including a whole foray into Egyptology and King Tut.

The Book Club meets at 1:15 P.M. on the first (or occasionally the second) Tuesday of each month, September through June in the Ladies' lounge at Dunwoody Country Club. All DWC members and prospective members are welcome at any of the meetings.

GFWC Clubwoman: Judy Bertrand

No report this month

Legislation: Linda Mote

In 2018, the legislature will be in session from January 8, 2018, through March 31, 2018. Looking ahead to the 2018 session, two key dynamics will drive much of the activity. First, it will be Gov. Nathan Deal's last session to move major policy issues forward as he finishes his second term in office. The Deal team is adept at maneuvering the legislative process, so anticipate significant efforts around his key priorities of education reform, economic development and criminal justice reform.

Second, the session will progress in the shadow of the May primary for all statewide offices, including the races for governor and lieutenant governor. Because many of the candidates also will be actively serving in the legislature, it is a safe bet that issues appealing to the primary electorate (particularly the Republican primary electorate) will be front and center.

Georgia will elect a new governor and all of its constitutional statewide officers. The next governor will have the power to veto any election maps proposed by the General Assembly after the 2020 census. We will also elect an entirely new General Assembly.

Leadership: Donna Knowlton and Bernice McGuire

Since 2004, Forbes magazine has compiled a list of the most powerful women in the world. It is based on visibility and economic impact. German Chancellor Angela Merkel has remained at the top spot since 2006, with the brief exception of 2010 where she was temporarily supplanted by former U.S. First Lady Michelle Obama.

As we enter the new year, we might want to read about and draw inspiration from the lives of these brave and bold leaders. Six of the ten are Americans.

2017 (Top 10 Selection)

1. Angela Merkel, Chancellor of Germany, 2. Theresa May, Prime Minister of the United Kingdom, 3. Melinda Gates, Co-founder of the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, 4. Sheryl Sandberg, COO of Facebook, 5. Mary Barra, CEO of General Motors, 6. Susan Wojcicki, CEO of YouTube, 7. Abigail Johnson, President-CEO of Fidelity Investments, 8. Christine Lagarde, Managing Director of the International Monetary Fund, 9. Ana Patricia Botin, Executive Chairperson of Banco Santander, and 10. Ginni Rometty, CEO of IBM.

“It is our choices, that show what we truly are, far more than our abilities.”

- J.K. Rowling, novelist and screenwriter best known for her Harry Potter fantasy series. She is the 9th best selling author of all time.

Stage Door Players; Sharon Clark

No report this month..

Tallulah Falls School: Linda Mote, Diane Norris

Tallulah Falls School International Students travel home for Christmas. Tallulah Falls School Director of Boarding Jimmy Franklin begins working with students at the beginning of the school year to arrange travel plans so they can go home at Christmas.

After classes at TFS ended on Dec 14th, some students were transported to the airport in Atlanta that evening, while others were taken on Friday and Saturday.

For students, there are both challenges and advantages to going home at Christmas. One challenge, which is often unanticipated, is returning to their home cultures after being exposed to other cultures from around the world at a school like TFS. They go home a very different person than what they left as.

Women in History: Lee Hedden

Sandra Day O'Connor

Born on March 26, 1930, in El Paso, Texas, the eldest daughter of three children of Harry Alfred Day, a cattle rancher, and Ada Mae Wilkey. The ranch was nine miles from the nearest paved road and the home lacked running water and electricity until Sandra was seven years old.

For most of her early schooling, O'Connor lived in El Paso with her maternal grandmother and attended a private school for girls because the ranch was too far from schools, although O'Connor returned to the ranch for holidays and summers. She entered Stanford University at age sixteen, graduated in 1950 and attended the university's law school. On December 20, 1952, six months after graduating from law school, she married John Jay O'Connor III where they had met as students. Seeking employment, at least forty law firms refused to interview her for a position as an attorney because she was a woman. She eventually found employment as a deputy county attorney in San Mateo, California, after she offered to work for no salary and without an office, sharing space with a secretary. After her husband was drafted, she joined him to work in Germany as a civilian attorney for the Army's Quartermaster Corps. After three years they returned to the states where they settled in Arizona to create a private practice and begin their family of three sons.

In Arizona, Sandra Day O'Connor worked as the assistant attorney general in the 1960s. She was appointed by Governor Jack Williams to state senate to fill a vacancy in 1969. O'Connor won re-election twice. In 1974, O'Connor ran for the position of judge in the Maricopa County Superior Court. In 1979, O'Connor was selected to serve on the state's court of appeals. Only two years later 1981, President Ronald Reagan nominated her for associate justice of the U.S. Supreme Court. O'Connor was confirmed by the U.S. Senate with a unanimous vote. She broke new ground for women in the legal field when she was sworn in as the first female justice on the Supreme Court.

Sandra Day O'Connor retired from the court January 31, 2006 to care for her husband who died in 2009. In recognition of her lifetime accomplishments, President Barack Obama awarded her with the nation's highest civilian honor, the Presidential Medal of Freedom, on August 12, 2009. Sandra Day O'Connor currently lives in Phoenix, Arizona.

Report of the Nominating Committee, 2017

Thanks to the nominating committee for preparing a slate of officers: Diane Norris, Susan Crawford, Arje' McCarthy, Lynn Wright, Kathy Hanna, chairman

President: Maria Barnhart
Vice President: Dotty D'Angelo
Membership: Debra Love
Ways & Means: Chris Cox
Secretary: Diane Norris
Treasurer: Faye Cashwell

Corresponding Secretary and Parliamentary Advisor are appointed by the President

Award Winners, 2017

Club Woman Of The Year-----Maria Barnhart

Citizen Of The Year-----Jan Slater

New Member----- Susan Crawford

A Real Keeper-----Terry Kemp

Mother Earth-----Diana Wood

Angel Of The Year-----Lynn Wright

Wonder Woman----- Diane Norris

PLEASE WELCOME OUR NEWLY-INSTALLED MEMBERS:

The DWC installed seven new members at the Christmas luncheon:

Susan Clark

Lucretia Farley

Lee Dee Giesecke

Sharon Rogers

Ann Smith

Pat Troxel

Karen Turner

Please make an extra effort in welcoming them into our club. Remember, the best way to have wonderful women join our club is US! We are the best referrals

The membership committee will have its first meeting in January.

- Chris Cox, Debra Love



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