



Dunwoody Woman's Club March 2019 Newsletter

President's Message: Maria Barnhart

As I start the second year as President of the Dunwoody Woman's Club I want remind you of the reason I selected the pineapple as my symbol. In Colonial America the pineapple became a symbol of hospitality and that sign of welcoming continues today. I think the pineapple is a wonderful representation of our Dunwoody Woman's Club. Being warm and welcoming to prospective members, establishing lasting friendships, and being hospitable to each other, our guests and individuals who benefit from our service, are some of our best attributes.

I am so proud to be a part of the Dunwoody Woman's Club and to be your President. With our collective efforts we are strengthening our community and enhancing the lives of others through volunteer service. And it does not stop there. In so doing, I hope you will meet and make new friends, expand your knowledge of the needs in our community, and become a better citizen of our community. It is my hope each member will grow as a person in leadership and bring new interests into your home.

Let's keep our momentum going by inviting family, friends and neighbors to join us. In addition to our charitable projects, DWC has interesting and engaging programs and events. As we continue to enhance our community, let us extend our reach with a welcoming spirit.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve as your President for the second year. I appreciate the members who agreed to serve in leadership positions. Thank you to everyone for your support.

I look forward to another wonderful year.

Maria Barnhart

Calendar

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event Sponsor</u>	<u>Meeting Place/Carpool Location</u>	<u>Time</u>
March 8	Education	Tour of Georgia State University Carpool from previous Sprouts location	9:30
March 12	Public Issues	Making Casseroles – Saint Luke’s	10:00
March 21	March General Meeting	Dunwoody Library	9:30
March 27	Card Party, Fashion show....	Saint Luke’s	9:30
March 28	Joint CSP	Playable Arts Park-Abernathy Greenway. Carpool 9:30am – Lunch at Hammocks	9:30
March 31	Stage Door Players	“Secrets of a Soccer Mom”	2:30
April 2	Book Club	Saint Luke’s	1:15
April 3	Arts	Atlanta History Center and Cyclorama Carpool from Saint Luke’s	9:30
April 10	Home Life	DowWagers Investment Club	1:15
April 10	Arts	Adult Daycare of Dunwoody	10.00
April 11	Home Life	Tax Law by Maria Barnhart – Saint Luke’s.	10:00
April 18	Monthly Meeting	Vintage Pizza - Dunwoody	10:45
April 25	Conservation	Dunwoody Nature Center	10:00

Messages:

Save the date for the Spring Luncheon on Thursday, May 16 at Dunwoody Country Club

Ways and Means – Home Tour: Diane Norris
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It is with excitement that we celebrate our **47th Annual Home Tour**. In order for our Home Tour to be successful, we will need the help of every member. Please mark your calendars for **August 15th for our Called Meeting** and Preview Day of Homes and **Wednesday, October 2nd for the Home Tour** (all members are encouraged to participate the day of the tour). We are pleased to announce the Committee:
Chairman: Diane Norris, dianenorris@bellsouth.net Cell phone: 678-772-0109

Hostess Chairman: Martha Blondheim and Jill Jordan

Home Selection Committee: Diane Norris, Maria Barnhart, Martha Blondheim, Suzanne Bentz, Chris Cox, Marilyn Dalrymple, Jill Jordan, Bernice McGuire, Barbara Robinson

Publicity: Debra Love, Suzanne Bentz, and Bernice McGuire

Posters and Pole Banners: Diane Norris, Donna Fullilove (Permit from City of Dunwoody)

Florists: Kathy Hanna (Chairman)

Homeowner Gifts: Barbara Robinson

Sponsors: Su Ellis and Sheila Willibey (Co-chairmen)

Ticket Layout: Mount Vernon Printing

Ticket Distribution: Donna Fullilove and Faye Cashwell (members)

Marilyn Dalrymple, Joyce Niemann (businesses)

We always need lots of help in calling on our sponsors. Many hands make the job much easier. Please contact Diane at dianenorris@bellsouth.net with home suggestions.

Membership: Debra Love: debra1926@comcast.net

The April meeting will be held at Vintage Pizza. Please be sure to invite friends and neighbors to this event as it is a great for recruiting. Make your checks payable to Kim.

Time: 10:45 am Sign In. 11:00 am Meeting Begins.
Location: Vintage Pizzeria in Dunwoody
Menu: Pizza & Salad Buffet with Choice of Non-Alcoholic Beverage
Cost: \$12.00/Person (Includes Tax & Gratuity) Guest are free!!
RSVP: Encouraged & Appreciated
Kim Reuning kimreuning@hotmail.com 404-434-0974

Also, keep your “What’s my Line” coming in!!

Collectors’ Corner

- Medicine Bottles with the labels removed for the Atlanta Humane Society
- Medicine Bottles with the labels on to Roswell Recycling Center
- Any pet supplies – newspapers, blankets, towels, paper towels - can be taken to the Atlanta Humane Society on Mansell Rd and please report to Kathy the items and value
- Old mascara wands to be used to clean small animal’s fur
- New men’s socks for holiday good bags to distributor at Lutheran Towers
- Used books to used in “The Little Book House” locations we support

COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAMS

Arts: Jan Slater: janetslater13@aol.com 678-629-3446

On Wednesday, April 3rd – Meet at 9:30 am at Saint Luke’s to carpool. Arts, Conservation, Education, and Public Issues will travel to the Atlanta History Center to see the newly restored Cyclorama. **Note: We have a reserved time slot at 11:00 am and we must be there at 10:45 am.** If you can drive, please let Jan Slater know (678-629-3446). Ticket prices: Seniors (65+) with group discount is **\$13**. Regular ticket (non-senior) with group discount is **\$16**. Make check payable to Maria Barnhart. We will pay with one credit card. Ticket prices includes all exhibits at Atlanta History Center so after Cyclorama you can see other exhibits if you choose. Sign up at March 21 general meeting if you want to attend. If you are not the general meeting, call Jan Slater no later than March 22 to reserve your space. We must have an accurate count. Lunch afterwards at around 1:00/1:30 pm (location to be determined).

On Wednesday, April 10 Adult Daycare of Dunwoody 10-11:30 am - Make Art Project with clients and have a sing-a-long. The more the merrier. Meet at Adult Day – 1 Dunwoody Park #123, Dunwoody, GA.

March: Music in our Schools, Youth Art Month, National Craft Month

Other Events: Spruill Center for Arts

4/9 - 5/15 Unframed – A pin up show

3/23 - 33rd annual Artistic Affair – tickets online

3/31 - Spring Quarter Classes Begin

5/03 – 5/5 Pottery & Arts Sale

5/11 – 5/12 Stop by the Spruill booth at the Dunwoody Arts Festival

Conservation: Kathy Hanna, kak1941@aol.com, Becky Schaaf 770-457-7126 & Gang

On **Feb. 28th** we met at **The Asian Cafe** dining with **Brent Walker, Director of Parks and Recreation** and after lunch did our planning for the Conservation year.. Thanks to one and all.

March 28th 9:30 we will carpool to **The Playable Art Park Abernathy Greenway** for a tour with SS Conservancy's Linda Bain and the Spruill Guild. This will be a joint meeting of many CSP's in DWC... Please sign up and we will set carpools and send a reminder....

April 3 We are joining Arts and Public Issues for a trip to Atlanta History Center and Cyclorama. Please refer to Arts for details.

April 25, 10:00-12:00 Program and tour at **Dunwoody Nature Center**, and meeting with Michael Cowan the new director....Parking at DNC as now there is space.. Lunch to follow.

Adopt-A-Bench: The Conservation Program has incorporated this project as part of our plan of work. Meredy, as chairman, reports that the Adopt-A-Bench project is alive and well under the wing of the Conservation Program, a truly natural fit for park benches...

Dunwoody Nature Center: Pat reports: If you haven't visited the DNC, you are in for a big surprise! And if you're looking for a venue for a meeting, wedding, corporate event, reunion, come see what we have to offer you. There is Sun Porch, Meadow, Fern Glade, Treehouse, and our popular new North Woods Pavilion. Two camps are in the calendar-Summer Camps and Spring Break on April 1. Tickets are available now, and will sell out soon for the April 27 Monarchs and Margaritas... Contact DNC for information at <http://www.dunwoodynature.org/>

Lost Corner: Diana reports that members are renewing their memberships to the garden beds for the year. **Family Nature Series-Walks & Talks** continue. **History & Ecology Lectures**, The Natural History of Sandy Springs lectures are so informative... Register at: friendsoflostcorner.org under Programs & Classes... **Volunteer Days** are the 2nd Sat. of the Month 9-noon, next one is March 9th, bring your tools.. A group of young people and adults called Pebble Tossers volunteer, and we are going to learn more about them...

Master Gardeners at Brook Run: Nancy reports that on March 9 (second Sat) from 11-12 at the Greenhouse Barn by the Skate Park, this lecture will be on Improving your soil. The Demo Gardens raised and donated to Community Assistance Center just under 230 lbs. of veggies and herbs in 2018. Great spot to learn more about growing food in GA's clay soil...

Tips: Please plant trees spring and fall... Trees Atlanta is offering to plant **Neighbortrees** in your yard or parks or contact Arbor Day Foundation for 10 seedlings to plant at the Lost Corner Preserve. If you do plant trees, please let Kathy know as it's the GFWC Grand Initiative for Conservation. In 2019 we again will be asked to plant 56 trees for DWC...

Riverkeeper will be hosting a Sweep the Hooch on April 6, contact them to sign up to clean up local creeks, the river or the banks of Lake Lanier, www.chattahoochee.org.. They have 115 new partners in 2018 and investigated 207 sites for pollution.

Recycle your extra fridge and save \$100 in energy and get a \$35 check from GA Power

Education: Dottie D'Angelo

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Please join us Friday March 8th for a tour of Georgia State University/ Perimeter Campus, 2100 Womack Rd., Dunwoody, GA 30338. We will meet at location previously used by Sprouts at 9:30 and carpool to the campus. Our tour will finish at 11:30 and then we will go to JR's Log House Restaurant for lunch.

Please contact Dottie D'Angelo by phone 770/310-7575 or email DottieAtlanta@gmail.com for reservations and questions.

On **Tuesday March 19, 2019 at 1:30**, at St Luke's Presbyterian Church, we will meet and plan Education activities for the year. If you cannot attend the meeting please contact me with your ideas.

Education continued:

As you start your spring cleaning please remember all of your used books can be brought to our March General Meeting and will be used in “The Little Book House” locations we support.

Home Life Community Service: Beverly Clark
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We will be collecting new men’s socks at the March General Meeting for the holiday goody bags that we will distribute at Lutheran Towers in December.

Thanks to all who participated in the pillow stuffing and sewing on February 14th. We finished 80 pillows for the cancer center at Northside Hospital. We also made 110 Valentine goody bags for the teachers at Hightower Elementary School. And we gave candy to the after-school tutors at Hightower.

Ongoing HeartScarves Program

Last March our club sent 30 knitted scarves to The National Coalition for Women with Heart Disease’s HeartScarves project. These scarves are distributed in hospitals and at support network meetings and provide comfort, support, and encouragement for women with heart disease. Please bring completed scarves to the **March** general meeting.

Upcoming Programs

March 27 Home Life Annual Card Party, Fashion Show, Silent Auction and Luncheon

Our **Annual Card Party, Fashion Show, Silent Auction and Luncheon** will be Wednesday, March 27, from 9:30am-2:00pm at Saint Luke’s Presbyterian Church. You can purchase \$25 tickets at the **March General Meeting**. A variety of board games will be available for those who don’t play cards. Please contact Martha Blondheim or Tecie Thatcher if you have items to donate to the **Silent Auction**. They would like to have the items as soon as possible. We are happy to announce that Von Maur will be providing clothing for the fashion show

We also need card tables. If you have card table(s) that you would be willing to loan, you can drop them off at Saint Luke’s Presbyterian Church on Tuesday, March 26 between 2:00 pm and 4:00 pm. If you can’t deliver them to Saint Luke’s, please contact Beverly Clark ASAP to arrange pick up.

March 28 Joint CSP Event Playable Art Park on Abernathy Greenway 9:30am-12:30pm

We will meet at Saint Luke’s Presbyterian Church’s Manhasset parking lot to carpool for a tour of this park and be joined there by members of the Spruill Guild. Linda Bain, the visionary for this green space, will be our speaker and lunch will follow at Hammock’s. Please plan to join us!

April 10 Home Life Dunwoody DowWagers 1:15 pm

The Dunwoody DowWagers Investment Club meets the first Wednesday of each month in the Dunwoody Country Club’s Women’s Lounge. Please contact Marilyn Dumon or Diane Norris if you are interested in joining this group.

April 11 Home Life Tax Time is More than April 15th 10:00 am - noon

We will meet in the Session Room at Saint Luke's Presbyterian Church to hear our own Maria Barnhart (who worked for the IRS for over 37 years and retired as a Senior Tax Analyst) speak to us on tax law.

International Outreach: Linda Mote 678-429-0570
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Did you know? More than 100 St. Patrick's Day parades are held across the United States; New York City and Boston are home to the largest celebrations.

Since around the ninth or 10th century, people in Ireland have been observing the Roman Catholic feast day of St. Patrick on March 17. Interestingly, however, the first parade held to honor St. Patrick's Day took place not in Ireland but in the United States. On March 17, 1762, Irish soldiers serving in the English military marched through New York City. Along with their music, the parade helped the soldiers reconnect with their Irish roots, as well as with fellow Irishmen serving in the English army.

ST. PATRICK'S Day Celebrations AROUND THE WORLD

Today, people of all backgrounds celebrate St. Patrick's Day, especially throughout the United States, Canada and Australia. Although North America is home to the largest productions, St. Patrick's Day is celebrated in many other locations far from Ireland, including Japan, Singapore and Russia.

We'll be celebrating St. Patrick's Day at the General Meeting. No Parade but there will be Irish foods and decorations. Be sure to be wear'n the Green. I know I will be.

Irish Saying

May pleasure walk with you;

May luck smile upon you; and

May joy be at home in your heart.

Happy St. Patrick's Day.

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Dates to Remember

Sunday, March 10th – Daylight Savings Time – Change battery in smoke alarm.

Tuesday, March 12th – National Girl Scout Day – National Girl Scout Day is observed annually on March 12th. Girl Scouting in the United States of America began on this day, March 12, 1912, when Juliette Gordon Low organized the first Girl Scout troop meeting in Savannah, Georgia.

March 17 – 23rd – Poison Prevention Week – Be prepared for poisoning emergencies by saving the Poison Help line in your phone today, **1-800-222-1222!**

March 23rd, April 20th and May 18th – Sandy Springs Fire Department to Host Free Community CPR Training – The Fire Department will use the American Heart Association's Family & Friends CPR Course, a program intended for individuals who want to learn CPR but do not need a course completion card in CPR for a job. Classes begin at 10 a.m. and are expected to end at noon. The training courses will be held at Sandy Springs City Hall, located at 1 Galambos Way. To register for the class, email ccampbell@sandyspringsga.gov or rmclendon@sandyspringsga.gov.

Upcoming Programs

Tuesday, March 12th, 10:00 – 12:00 pm – St. Luke's Presbyterian Church – We're making casseroles for the Domestic Violence Safe House. Don't forget your apron!

Thursday, March 21st – March General Meeting – Dunwoody Police Department Representative Katherine Tate – "Yellow Dot Safety Program." Katherine will answer all our questions about the new program in Dunwoody/Georgia and will have information packets for you to take home.

Wednesday, April 3rd – We are joining Arts and Conservation for a trip to Atlanta History Center and Wedclorama. Please refer to Arts for details.

STANDING COMMITTEES

Book Club: Jean Kammerer

The book club group met on Tuesday, March 5 at St. Luke's to discuss Conclave by Robert Harris, and led by Marcia Seaton. We had a special treat since Marcia provided some appropriate music to go along with her presentation and discussion.

Our next meeting will be on April 2 at St. Luke's where we will discuss and choose books for the coming year. If you have a favorite, come and tell us about it.

On May 7, we will discuss Coffin Road by Peter May; June 4 will be Circe by Madeline Miller; July 2 is An American Marriage by Tayari Jones, and for August 6 is Lady Susan, by Jane Austen. Everyone is welcome, first Tuesday, 1:15, at St. Luke's.

GFWC Clubwoman: Judy Bertrand

Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Month

March is Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Month. Multiple Sclerosis (MS) is a nervous system disease that leads to communication issues between the brain and the body. It affects 400,000 Americans and about 2.5 million people worldwide. MS is at least two to three times more common in women than men. It's an unpredictable disease, and patients experience different symptoms. Some of the most common ones include fatigue, balance problems, numbness, and vision problems. Many people with MS experience symptoms that aren't visible to outsiders. This can be a frustrating experience, especially when others assume someone with MS is fine, when in reality they are suffering. That's just one example of where shedding light on the disease can have an important impact on those who have it. There is not currently a cure, but the progression of the disease can be slowed down and symptoms can be managed.

Advances are made every year through research, and you can help keep that momentum going. To take action this month, wear orange to spread awareness and join a Walk MS or Bike MS in your area. You can also support GFWC Partner Easterseals, which offers services to individuals with disabilities, including clients with MS who have issues with mobility and accessibility. Learn more about their services by visiting the [Easterseals website](#). The [National Multiple Sclerosis Society](#) is also a great resource for learning how you can advocate for change and make a difference in the lives of people with multiple sclerosis this month!

Legislation: Linda Mote

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From Polly McKinney, Advocacy Director, Voices for Georgia's Children

The following bills pertain to GFWC's Signature Project Domestic Violence. Please be aware and if you want to take action see what you can do at the end of this article.

The chambers passed the FY 2019 Amended Budget. It now awaits the Governor's signature.

HB 359 (Holcomb-81st) Revises the terminology used in determining whom to arrest in instances of family violence when complaints are received from opposing parties. The revision changes the term "primary aggressor" to "dominant aggressor." The bill also states that an officer shall not threaten, suggest, or otherwise indicate that all parties will be arrested, and that when determining who the dominant aggressor is, an officer shall consider threats that created the fear of physical injury. STATUS: House Juvenile Justice Committee

HB 234 (Efstration-104th) This bill is in response to the Anti-Human Trafficking Protective Response Act and represents the shift away from criminalization and towards providing victims with services. It authorizes DFCS to provide care and supervision to children who are victims of human trafficking; allows a law enforcement officer or agency or DFCS to refer any child suspected of being a victim of commercial sexual exploitation or trafficking to a certified statewide victim services agency which provides comprehensive trauma-informed services designed to alleviate the adverse effects of trafficking victimization; raises the age from 16 to 18 for purposes of determining the offense of prostitution and codify the process for identifying sex trafficking victims; and makes it easier to prosecute knowing owners of places where trafficking occurs. This bill would align Georgia law with federal trafficking laws such as the Preventing Sex Trafficking and Families Act and the Trafficking Victims Protections Act. STATUS: Recommended Do Pass by the House Juvenile Justice Committee. The bill now rests in the House Rules Committee.

2 Minute Advocacy Ask: House Bill 234 - "Anti-Human Trafficking Protective Response Act"

The Ask: Call members of the House Rules Committee and ask them to put House Bill 234, the Anti-Human Trafficking Protective Response Act, on the House Floor for a vote.

The What: **HB 234** (Efstration-104th) This bill authorizes DFCS to provide care and supervision to children who are victims of human trafficking; allows a law enforcement officer or agency or DFCS to refer any child suspected of being a victim of commercial sexual exploitation or trafficking to a certified statewide victim services agency which provides comprehensive trauma-informed services designed to alleviate the adverse effects of trafficking victimization; raises the age from 16 to 18 for purposes of determining the offense of prostitution and codify the process for identifying sex trafficking victims; and makes it easier to prosecute knowing owners of places where trafficking occurs. This bill would align Georgia law with federal trafficking laws such as the Preventing Sex Trafficking and Families Act and the Trafficking Victims Protections Act.

The Why: A holistic, victim-centered response to child sex trafficking is key to getting trafficked, molested children the services that they need. Additionally, it is vital to hold the adults involved, from pimps to johns to bad-acting property owners responsible. Such a protective response, without criminalizing children for their own rape can start to turn the tide on the epidemic of abuse.

Leadership – Donna Knowlton and Bernice McGuire

LEADERSHIP SELF ASSESSMENT TEST

1. Do you like to organize activities at home, at work or in club work?
a. yes! b. sometimes c. I just participate
2. Do you consider yourself a “take charge” personality?
a. yes! b. occasionally c. maybe not
3. Do others find your personality “magnetic” and “fun-filled”?
a. yes! b. sometimes c. not very often
4. Is personal satisfaction rewarding to you?
a. yes! b. sometimes c. I prefer to work for money or fame
5. Are you willing to sacrifice some of your personal time to better your community?
a. yes! b. maybe a little c. what personal time?
6. Do others often ask your opinion or advise?
a. yes b. occasionally c. only when I’m awake!
7. Do you consider yourself a “neat freak” with everything in perfect order?
a. yes b. maybe c. are you kidding?
8. Do you like to socialize with other women?
a. yes b. sometimes c. especially if there is food!
9. Are you concerned about the future of our communities, country, world?
a. yes b. most of the time c. all the time
10. Do you find it difficult to say “no” to people?
a. yes b. yes c. yes

If you answered mostly “a” you have all the qualities we are looking for in Dunwoody Woman’s Club leaders!

If you answered mostly “b” you have just the type of personality to become a DWC leader!

If you answered mostly “c” you have the potential to be an outstanding DWC leader!

Everyone has the qualities, personality and potential to be a DWC leader! All you must do is say **“Yes.”** *“Anytime women come together with a collective intention, it’s a powerful thing. Whether it’s sitting down making a quilt; in a kitchen preparing a meal; in a club reading the same book; around the table playing cards; or planning a birthday party; when women come together with a collective intention, magic happens.”* - *Phylicia Rashid, American actress, singer and stage director (born 1948).*

Answers to February article “How Well Do You Know Your Federation?” **1.** Mary Ellen Brock **2.** Washington D.C. **3.** Unity in Diversity **4.** Six **5.** \$10 GFWC - \$10 GFWC GA **6.** Tina Daniel **7.** Fifteen **8.** Six **9.** Southern **10.** Five **11.** Kay Chadwick, GFWC Georgia **12.** 1896 **13.** 1890 **14.** Domestic Violence Prevention **15.** Austin, Texas **16.** St. Louis, Missouri.

Stage Door Players; Sharon Clark, Lois Kroeger

Sunday, March 31st.2:30pm, we will be going to see “SECRETS OF A SOCCER MOM”

Reservations – call 770 396 1726. Mention DWC for seating. Dinner following the performance will be announced at a later date.

Tallulah Falls School: Linda Mote, Diane Norris

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Do you have any Graduation, Encouragement or blank cards hiding in drawers? If so bring them to the March General Meeting. We want to participate in the TFS Green Envelope project. Each of the sixty graduating students is given a green envelope containing these cards on Graduation day in May. If you would like to sign the cards please do so it can be your name or the club's name. If it is a blank card write a note of Congratulations or encouragement in the card.

Women in History: Suzanne Bentz

March 2019 — Annie Oakley, Little Sure Shot

The Irish side of my family emigrated from Donegal, Ireland, in the wake of the 1845-1849 Potato Famine. After clearing Ellis Island, the family traveled the usual 50 miles in various directions and landed in New York, New Jersey, and Connecticut. Like pages torn from a "Blue Bloods" script, the men became cops, detectives, parish priests, or lied about their age and joined the US Navy; the women became housewives. Weaponry was high on their list of known skills, and it was thus that the family patriarch was tapped by Annie Oakley to be one of her gunsmiths during a period when she lived in Nutley, New Jersey.

Annie Oakley was born Phoebe Ann Mosey on August 13, 1860, in a rural western border county of Ohio. While it is said her first shot was taken at a squirrel with her father's Kentucky rifle when she was eight years of age, she gained acclaim by besting her future husband, marksman and dog trainer Frank Butler, in a shooting match when she was fifteen. Stories vary, but by one account, Butler had placed a bet with a Cincinnati hotel manager that he could outshoot any "local fancy shooter." After his 25th shot, he lost the match to Phoebe and the bet. But he did win the heart of young Phoebe whom he married a year later. They never had children.

Phoebe assumed the stage name, Annie Oakley, reflecting the Cincinnati neighborhood of Oakley where she and Frank Butler first lived. Together they joined Buffalo Bill's Wild West show in 1885 and public advertising hailed her as Little Sure Shot — she was only five feet tall. Her fame was cemented for the ages when the Buffalo Bill show went abroad for the Paris Exposition of 1889. She also performed for Queen Victoria, King Umberto I of Italy, and other crowned heads of state. It is said she shot the ashes off a cigarette held by the newly crowned German Kaiser Wilhelm II at his request.

A good eye and perfect aim were Annie Oakley's strengths whether it was with a pistol, rifle, or shotgun — she mastered them all. "At 30 paces she could split a playing card held edge-on, she could hit dimes tossed in the air, she shot cigarettes from her husband's lips, and, a playing card being thrown into the air, she riddled it before it touched the ground." She continued to set sharpshooting records into her sixties, despite declining health, and right up until her death in 1926.

Like the women of the Dunwoody Woman's Club, Annie also "engaged in extensive philanthropy for women's rights and other causes, including the support of young women she knew." It is believed she personally taught more than 15,000 women how to use a gun and defend themselves. She also promoted the service of women in combat. She wrote a letter to President William McKinley "offering the services of a company of 50 'lady sharpshooters' who would provide their own arms and ammunition should the U.S. go to war with Spain." While Annie's offer was not accepted, President Theodore Roosevelt did name his voluntary cavalry "Rough Riders" after Buffalo Bill's Wild West and Congress

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of Rough Riders of the World, where Annie was a major star. When she died, it came to light that her entire fortune had been given to her family and her favorite charities.



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