

# Lawrenceville Woman's Club April Newsletter 2025

#### April Chairlady LeeAnn Gregg

Save the date for our next meeting April 2 6:00pm at Lawrenceville Female Seminary

## Happy Spring!

I wish you all a wonderful spring season. May you enjoy the bright sun, warm air and beautiful green grass.

Sheila, Nicole and I had a nice time at Delmar Gardens St. Patrick's Day social. They had a band, drinks and cake that we provided. We also visited with Phyllis.

Our program for the meeting will be working on the Plan in a Can. Also, don't forget to bring in any used books as well as plastic grocery bags for Creative Enterprises. Look forward to seeing everyone on April 2.

## Treasurer Nicole Hallmark

Still waiting on a few more sustainers to mail their checks.

#### Newsletter Nicole Hallmark

The deadline for the May newsletter will be Wednesday April 23<sup>rd</sup> by 5pm.

#### Arts and Culture Marylouise Awana

World Art Day is celebrated on April 15, the birthday of the famous artist Leonardo Da Vinci. All around the world, people have their definitions for what they consider to be art. Different cultures have different tastes and styles. This holiday is used as an opportunity to promote the development of art. It encourages people to take the time to notice the beautiful things around them. With our busy schedules, people don't always have the time to go to art galleries. A yearly reminder about beauty helps people relax and just enjoy experiencing the world. It shares knowledge, sparks curiosity, and leads to very interesting conversations. Try to visit -

Suwanee Arts Festival will be held April 12-13, Suwanee Arts Center – 3930 Charleston Market – Suwanee Ga. Admission is Free – 10am -5:00pm. "The many Lives of Andrew Young" exhibit will run through March 31<sup>st</sup> at the Lawrenceville Arts Center. Aurora Theatre presents: Ken Ludwig's The Gods of Comedy March 20, - April 13.



#### **Civic Engagement and Outreach**

We will be placing the labels Michele designed and printed for us on the tennis ball container for our "Plan in a Can" project. We have inquired with the Lawrenceville Housing Authorities to place pinwheels for Child Abuse Awareness month. If approved we will need to pick a day at our April meeting to go over and place the pinwheels.



#### **Education and Libraries** LeeAnn Gregg

In honor of National Library week is 4/6 - 4/12 let's donate books to the local library. The GFWC Georgia Presidents Special Project is called Books for Little Hands. We can think of ways through the year to participate in donating children's books to various organizations. We can also donate infant books to the local hospital for babies. There are lots of ways to get books in little hands. This is an ongoing project of our State President throughout her term which ends in spring of 2026. There will be information at the April meeting regarding the special project.

## Something to check out:

## Welcome to GCPL University!

GCPL University is a program of self-paced, online courses designed for the Gwinnett community. We currently offer courses on Computer Basics, Job Searching Skills. Microsoft Office and Python Programming.

Spill the Tea Book Club: Out with the Old

Wednesday, April 02: 4:00pm - 5:00pm

**Norcross Branch** 

**AGE GROUP:** AGES 19+ **EVENT TYPE:** BOOK CLUB

Join us as we share and discuss books that encourage us to rid ourselves of the bad while making a fun bookmark!

#### Senior Living | Decluttering: Organizing your closet

Learn folding techniques and reclaim your space.

Thursday, April 03 1:00pm - 2:00pm

## **Peachtree Corners Branch**

Are you tired of spending hours looking for things in your closet? Professional organizers Tidy Freak, will teach you how to save time and space!

Join us to learn how techniques and organization systems such as folding and matching containers will allow for quick and efficient retrieval of items in your closet. You will also have the opportunity to practice techniques and build your skill set! If anyone is interested in Genealogy, you might be interested in this:

#### **Genealogy Club**

Thursday, April 03: 6:30pm - 7:30pm

Lawrenceville Branch

**AGE GROUP:** AGES 19+ AGES 16-18

**EVENT TYPE:** GENEALOGY

Get together with fellow family history enthusiasts to discuss genealogy resources and get advice on researching your family tree from an experienced researcher.

In April, the library has several health & wellness classes as well as seed swaps and other gardening classes.



#### **Environment**

A friend sent me the link to a website called Catalog Choice that allows you to cancel unwanted catalogs. Every day in the mail it seems I get many unwanted and duplicate catalogs, I realized what a waste it is--not that I am a super tree hugger, but I can at least do my part to reduce some waste. So I thought I would pass this along in the event you also receive an obscene amount of catalogs! I have found it is easiest to collect a stack of the ones I want to opt-out of and then enter in all of the info at one time (they need the specific name and customer # listed on the mailing label). www.catalogchoice.org



Tuesday, April 22, 2025 is the 55th anniversary of Earth Day. We invite everyone to support Earth Day's 2025 theme: **OUR POWER, OUR PLANET™.** 

I challenge our member to go to the website <a href="www.earthday.org">www.earthday.org</a> and sign either one of these petitions: Global Plastics Treaty or Renewable Energy. Let's do our part to celebrate Earth Day!

Mending the Gap will be moving to Snellville to a larger facility to better serve the seniors of Gwinnett County. They have asked us to do a garden project. I'll have more information at the April meeting. Their grand opening is May 3<sup>rd</sup> so the project would have to be completed by then which should not be a problem. A perfect way to celebrate Earth Day!

Happy Spring and playing in the dirt time- April is National Garden Month. There will be a Gardening 101 class next Thursday, March 26, 2025 -- 6:00—7:00pm ---Lenora Park Community Garden.



Don't forget -In partnership with Solid Waste, Gwinnett Clean & Beautiful will host a Pop-Up glass recycling event-March 28<sup>th</sup> (noon- 4pm) -----Only clean, empty glass bottles and jars are accepted. Items can be clear, amber, green, yellow and blue in color.



Don't forget Reduce- Reuse and Recycle --

On April 26<sup>th</sup> at Coolray Field – 9:00- noon- you can drop off electronics, clothing -sneakers, latex and oil-based paints, and tires. Paper shredding will also be available.



#### ealth and Wellness Shelia Jones

Happy Spring ----Save the date – more details to follow ---We will assist Bethesda Senior Center with a <u>Garden Tea</u> <u>Party:</u> Wednesday, May 7<sup>th</sup>--- 1:00pm–3:00pm

Send a free Easter card to patients at St Jude's --- here's the link -- Send a free card to St. Jude patients - St. Jude

## Children's Research ...

April 2<sup>nd</sup> – is World Autism Awareness Day - Let's "Light it up Blue". You should have a blue light bulb from over the years - be sure to use it on April 2nd . The goal is to increase understanding and acceptance of people with autism and foster worldwide support. Autism Spectrum Disorder is a developmental disorder characterized by behavioral and communicational affections that impact a person's ability to navigate social interactions and also causes repetitive and restricted behavior.



# **Key facts:**

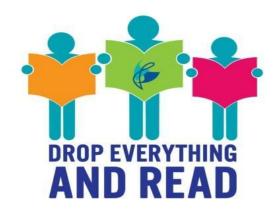
- Autism also referred to as autism spectrum disorder constitutes a diverse group of conditions related to the development of the brain.
  - · About 1 in 100 children has autism.
  - · Characteristics may be detected in early childhood, but autism is often not diagnosed until much later.
  - The abilities and needs of autistic people vary and can evolve. While some people with autism can live independently, others have severe disabilities and require life-long care and support.
  - Evidence-based psycho-social interventions can improve communication and social skills, with a positive impact on the well-being and quality of life of both autistic people and their caregivers.
  - · Care for people with autism needs to be accompanied by actions at community and societal levels for greater accessibility, inclusivity and support.



**Book Club** 

#### **Shelia Jones**

Bring your calendar so we can decide on the next bookclub/ladies time out. Let us know what you have read that you would recommend -□--- April 12<sup>th</sup> is drop everything and read day – (D.E.A.R which stands for "Drop Everything and Read," a national celebration of reading designed to remind families to make reading a priority activity in their lives.



#### Federation News Shelia Jones

On March 8<sup>th</sup>, Shelia and Nicole attended Spring District Meeting in Oxford – Ga. The Club donated a basket which raised \$150; also we donated dog/cat food and soaps. Way to go Lawrenceville Woman's Club -- We received 2<sup>nd</sup> Place in Environment (1-15 members) – Yay!!! We got a certificate for 55 years of Service.

Don't forget to track your time/projects -- Track it Forward ----- <u>www.trackitforward.com</u> - Login in <u>--</u> <u>lwcgapresident@gmail.com</u> Password -- 7Lawrenceville! -

Just a reminder that the annual convention "Changes in Latitude – Changes in Attitude" is April 25-27<sup>th</sup>, at Legacy Lodge, Buford Ga. The room block deadline at Legacy Lodge is March 27<sup>th</sup> --- Registration deadline April 5<sup>th</sup>.

#### April 20-26, 2025

**GFWC Volunteers in Action Week** 

#### **April 24, 2025**

**GFWC Federation Day** 

GFWC Convention "Spinning Vision into Reality" June 7-9, 2025 Omni Atlanta, Hotel **April 30, 2025** 

Last Day to register for the 2025 GFWC Convention - Atlanta, GA

Fall District Meeting "Fall in Love with GFWC" will be October 11<sup>th</sup>, Winder Woman's Clubhouse.

Save the date for Southern Region Conference "Serving to Infinity and Beyond" October 16-19, 2025, Huntsville, Alabama.

# PADV Shelia Jones

We donated a basket for the "Women Empowerment Breakfast and it was valued at \$105.



**Sunshine** Nicole Hallmark



