

The Key Sawnee Woman's Club

General Meeting

**Wednesday, March 14th, 2012
Three Chimneys Clubhouse
Social 9:00am-9:30am**

From the President's Corner...

HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY, a little early! We have a lot going on this month so please be sure to read your newsletter, so that you are not feeling disconnected!!

There are still several of you that have not become members of our new Yahoo Group. We are hoping to have a laptop and WiFi access at the meeting so that if you have not joined you will be able to do so then.

We have been selected to help host the Spring District Meeting at Tallulah Falls School on Saturday March 24th. We are signed up to get the breakfast items to the meeting and set up, as well as bringing door prizes. Debbi and Kristen are working on the door prize portion and the breakfast food is covered. What I need are one or two people to go with me that morning and get it all there and set up. I cannot stay for the meeting because of family commitments, but if you do want to stay we can just follow each other there. I am planning on leaving my house around 7:30AM. Please let me know if you are willing to help with this.

As we are bringing the 2011-2012 Club year to a close it is time to nominate members for positions that are going to be vacant for the 2012-2013 year. We only have one office that we are currently seeking someone or maybe two someone to fill, NIOC or 3rd Vice President. Don't worry Paula is not going anywhere, but this is usually only a one year position. If you are interested in this position please see either Paula or me.

Many thanks to the Conservation Committee for the wonderful food and our speaker, Curran Watters from Callaway Homes.

The International Committee has the program and food for our March meeting.

**See you all on Wednesday,
Beth Daffin**

1st Vice President

It's March Madness! Please don't forget to submit your New Prospective Member forms ASAP to Carolyn Watters either at ccwcallaway@gmail.com, efax 678-679-1358, or turn them in to me in person before the meeting. So we can get these ladies in the game! The names will be announced and we will vote at the April meeting. *Please do this so that we can follow the procedure as outlined in our Bylaws.*

We have all been great with our attendance this year! We have a few more meetings to go and of course our big event NIOC. If you are going to be out and want it to be excused please send me the excused absence form. Remember that you are allowed to miss a total of 3 meetings and that the Christmas luncheon was optional. You have one excused absence and two others. If you have an issue with attendance then please discuss it with me and we will make every effort to resolve it.

I would like to form a Membership Committee for the next club year. This year, I have been the Membership Committee. It is lonely here and I like friends. Here is what this would involve:

Planning the New Member Orientation and attending it. Serving as a resource about the club for any new members that need it. Helping to identify areas that we can improve our member retention –survey the new members from this year and get honest feedback as how we can improve for next year. I am sure there are other ways you will be involved. If you are interested I would like to hear from you before the meeting on Wednesday. So you don't have long. We will plan to meet after the general meeting for 15 minutes and our work would start now and would involve planning and doing over the Summer (not much I promise) in order to be ready for a new club year in Sept.

**Thanks,
Carolyn**

2nd Vice President

February hour sheets will be handed out at the next meeting. Thanks for all your support you give to our community!

Kara

Arts Department

Elementary Art Contest Volunteers

Please contact your teachers (list below) about the contest, to see how their classes are doing with the project. Remind them you will be collecting the art between March 26th and 29th. Also inform them that the Contest reception will be on May 3rd from 6-8 at Barnes and Noble at The Avenues. I will need your top (Best for each grade) artwork before spring break. If you're concerned about judging each grade, sort your art so that the obvious best is separated and we will go through them at the meeting, Thursday March 29th, 7:00 at the Starbucks on 141(across from the Avenues). The Best for County grade level will be judged at the April 11th club meeting. Please do not lose or damage any art, all art goes back to the students.

Call me if you have any questions 678-231-9083.

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We are also in need of at least 10 more easels to display the artwork.

Thanks,
Karen and Sharon

Conservation Department

Hello ladies,

The February Adopt a Road Clean up got cancelled due to rain. We have rescheduled for March 17 at 10:30 am. We will meet at the intersection of Marketplace Blvd and Bald Ridge Marina at the medical office complex. Bring your kids if they need to get service hours for school or scouts. Call me at 770-557-5361 if you need directions.

Conservation Tip of the Month:

Spring is a great time to start thinking about managing a water-wise landscape in your yards. Water-wise landscapes not only save water, they save time by requiring less routine care and conserve moisture in the soil and reduce evaporative water loss. Here are a few tips:

- Mulch, such as pine straw, pine bark or shredded hardwood mulch conserves water. They hold moisture to allow water to infiltrate the soil.
- Drip Systems – Put a drip irrigation hose woven around beds and placed under the mulch. It drips directly on the roots and not on the leaves.
- Less fertilizing – Healthy trees and plants need fertilizer once every 2 or 3 years. Look for one that is less than 15% nitrogen and apply at a low rate.
- Aeration – This should be done at least once a year. Aeration improves the percolation and movement of water and nutrients in the soil and helps roots grow.
- Water only when needed – when plants show a sign of moisture stress like wilted leaves and change of color to gray-green.
- Grass clippings – is the process of leaving clippings on the lawn instead of bagging them. Clippings go back into the grass and work as mulch. It also recycles as much as 30% of the nitrogen applied to the lawn back into the grass.
- Keep weeds away – need to get rid of weeds by hand or with an herbicide spraying because they compete with the plants for moisture and nutrients.

If you have been wondering what you're going to do with those old electronics or gallons of paint, here is your chance to get rid of them the right way! Clean out your garage and help to keep your community clean and environmentally safe by bringing your unwanted items to the Keeping It Green event, hosted by Reaping Nature Educational Outreach Foundation, on March 18, 2012 at The Ice Arena, 1345 Atlanta Hwy, Cumming, GA. To find more about this event or about the foundation, visit their website at www.reapingnature.org.

**Have a great March,
Tammie Fowler
770-557-5361**

Education

Happy Spring Everyone!

Reminders have gone out to the School Counselors regarding the Scholarships. We have extended the Deadline to Monday April 9th. There is a link on our website for applications <http://sawneewomansclub.org/scholarship-applications-due-in-march/>. I will pick up the Applications on April 10th. If anyone is available to have lunch after our April 11th meeting we could read and judge them then. I will have a sign up sheet at March meeting. A special Thank You to those who came and helped out at the Library for Dr. Suess Color Day... We all looked so adorable in our paper hats! (:

**Karen Smith
Education Chair**

International

International committee will be hosting the March meeting, so committee members please remember to bring your breakfast items. I will be collecting detergent and toilet paper to give to the transition center. As always, please remember to bring your change for Heifer International.

**Thanks,
Susan Matray**

Home Life Department

Sacs of Love is moving right along. Please keep your receipts. Both ones you are submitting for reimbursement and one's you are not. Also, we have a need that has opened at Chattahoochee Elementary. If you want to help please let us know.

Beth and Kristin

Public Affairs Department

The following people have volunteered for Special Olympics Spring Games on April 20th. Details to follow.

Wendy Goodrow -
Kara Zimmer -
Sheree Crowe -
Jenni Meredith -
Adrienne Sipe -
Tracy Wakefield -
Christine Murphy -
Carolyn Watters
Beth Daffin -
Lynn Kirby -

Thanks,
Lynn Kirby & Wendy Goodrow

Sunshine

Happy Spring!
and

Happy March Birthdays to:
Beth Daffin
Lisa Ann McDougald

Karen Beyer
Sunshine Chair

Publicity

Hello ladies, please keep me informed of your projects, take pictures and do a short write up and e-mail them to me at stocktondl@bellsouth.net and I will get them in the Forsyth County News.

Thanks,
Amelia Stockton

Social

Plan on grabbing lunch if you have time after the meeting at Taco Mac (in Dick's Sporting Goods shopping center).

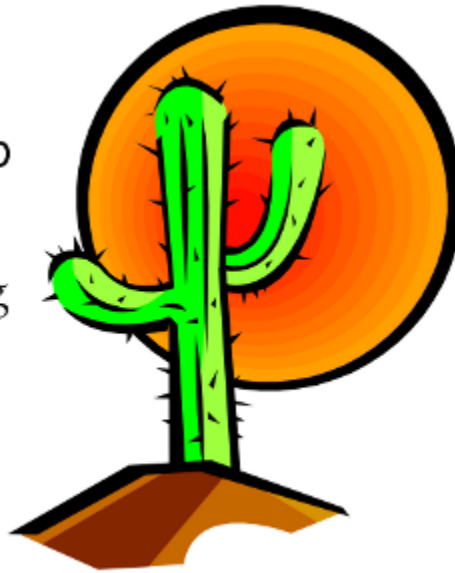
Debbi

NIOC

Sawnee Woman's Club
presents the 27th annual

Nite in Olde Cumming Cinco Celebration

Friday, May 4, 2012 7pm
Forsyth Conference Center



Buenos dias, amigas!

If you haven't yet started asking your friends, service providers and favorite businesses to become a sponsor or donate an auction item – **NOW** is the time!

Silent Auction Items Due

Your donation for the Silent Auction is due at the March meeting. You may purchase and donate a \$50 item, but we encourage you to save your money and ask local businesses to contribute. Submit forms and items to Kristin Joyner or Debbi Little at the meeting.

Win \$25 to Spend in the Silent Auction

For every 4 tickets you sell between now and the April 11 meeting, you'll earn a \$25 voucher to spend in the NiOC Silent Auction! Sell 8 get \$50 in vouchers, and so on. Sponsor tickets do not count. The vouchers are not refundable or exchangeable for cash if you're not the winning bidder on any auction item. Submit payments for tickets to Kara Zimmer at the March and April meetings to claim your vouchers.

Help Spread the Word

Information about Nite in Olde Cumming is now posted on our website at SawneeWomansClub.org. Please share links with your friends on Facebook, email your colleagues, talk about the event at church and in your neighborhood. Tammie Fowler will have a list of ways you can help spread the word at the March meeting.

Help us Decorate

Save your sombreros, empty tequila and Mexican beer bottles, ponchos, and cacti for us! Bring any of these items to the March or April meetings and give them to Wendy Goodrow or Lynn Kirby.

Please continue to seek sponsorships and donations to the silent and live auctions. Please remember that all members must volunteer at the event, so Wendy and I will be sharing information on shift assignments soon. Our next NiOC committee meeting is March 26 at Atlanta Bread Company, immediately following the Executive Board meeting (approx. 10:30am).

**Gracias,
Paula & Wendy**

