

The Key Sawnee Woman's Club

General Meeting

Wednesday, September 12th, 2012

Three Chimneys Clubhouse

Social 9:00am-9:30am

From the President's Corner...

Welcome back returning members and our new members! I hope that all of you had a very restful and fun summer. Now our work begins! The Department Chairs and the rest of the board have met several times since May and we have a budget as well as some new projects for all of you to get involved in this year. We are planning on moving our meeting location to Karen Smith's new Italian deli for the rest of the year, but we did not want to rush her into hosting us this month. Be on the lookout for information about the location before the October 10th meeting.

We are still looking for a Chair for International Affairs if anyone is interested please let me know. We would also like to have a Co-Chair to help Jennie out with Public Affairs.

The 9th District Fundraising Project this year is very simple and easy. They have asked that each member bring 25 cents to donate every month at our club meetings. At the end of the club year we will then turn around and give the 9th District all of the money raised, so don't forget to bring an extra quarter to the meetings this year.

If you are not getting updates from our Yahoo! mail site please see me after the meeting. I would like to get this problem taken care of ASAP.

The Executive Board will be in charge of the coffee and food for the meeting this month and Home Life will be providing for the October 10th meeting.

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

1st Vice President

As we start our new club year we are so excited to welcome the following new members:

**Kim Banta
Denise Carleton
Sandy Carter
Sheree Crowe
Sherrie Franks
Bette Glass
Allison Madding
Patti McDonald
Kelli Mills
Margy Murray
Meghan Murray
Annie Ross
Andrea Spillers**

We had a great night at Beth Daffin's beautiful home on the 27th meeting our new members and helping them learn about our club. We have some very interesting and talented ladies joining us this year! The Membership team has already started planning the New Member Project. Paula and Beth have been coordinating this and although details are still being worked out it will be a Holiday Shopping Night for Angel Tree and promises to be a lot of fun while giving us an opportunity to better our community.

Please remember to wear your nametags and introduce yourselves. Let's make them feel welcome! Any new member that was unable to attend the orientation and dinner should plan to stay for a few minutes after the general meeting to receive their Yearbook and have a mini orientation. If you are sponsoring a new member please check with them throughout the club year to help them assimilate.

The Membership Committee has worked diligently this summer planning, sharing, and implementing ideas- some you will hear about later in the year - and I would be remiss if I did not offer a sincere thank you to Lee Ann Broscher, Alison Compton, Tammie Fowler, Paula Glover, and Marcia Fervienza. A wonderful group of ladies that have made my life a whole lot easier – Thank you!

Ok. You know I have to say this so here goes....

Our bylaws are pretty clear about attendance. It is simple: come to meetings. We have nine meetings from September to May. The Christmas luncheon is optional which leaves only 8 mandatory meetings. Of those 8 you are allowed to miss 3. Two are excused if you send the form to me that is found in your notebook. I need to receive this by Friday after a missed Wed. meeting. You are then allowed one more absence for any reason – an unexcused absence. So of the 8 mandatory meetings

you can attend 5 and remain in good standing. Please put the second Wed. of each month on your calendar now so that you can plan to be with us!

If you get close to being dropped due to membership – you will get a reminder letter and an email. If you have extenuating circumstances then please let us know and consider taking a leave of absence. Being a member of the Sawnee Woman’s Club should be a win-win – fun for you and rewarding as you give back to the community, but sometimes life interferes and we do understand that. There is a form for that in your yearbook.

When you arrive at the meetings please get your nametag and sign the attendance log.

Any change of contact information should be sent to me at ccwcallaway@gmail.com If you are not receiving group emails from Yahoo and Mail Chimp please make Paula Glover, Beth Daffin, or me aware of it.

I am very excited about this year and look forward to working with all of you. I always look forward to seeing returning members as well as meeting the new ones. Summer is fun, but I miss seeing all of you!

**Thanks,
Carolyn**

2nd Vice President

The August service hours sheet will be distributed at the meeting. I will also have copies of the Department Assignments.

Please remember the following when recording your hours:

Counts towards hours:

- * Personal sponsorships of 200.00 or more
- * Additional silent auction items
- * Executive/Department meetings
- * State meetings

Doesn't count towards hours:

- * Dues
- * NIOC ticket
- * General meetings
- * Silent Auction item (50.00)

If you have any questions please feel free to ask me.

Thanks,
Amelia Stockton

Treasurer

Club dues of \$80 are due by the October meeting. If paying by check please make out to SWC.

Thanks,
Kim and Debbi

Arts Department

The Arts Committee is excited to expand on-going projects, the *Elementary Art Contest* with support from Children's Healthcare of Atlanta and *Culture for Kids*, which has provided outings for the girls at Jesse's House and the boys from The Lodge. We are planning on taking the boys to Agatha's sometime this fall and are planning an outing to the ballet for the girls next spring. The Arts Committee will also continue to support the *Egg Project* and designate funds for the *Laura Holt Scholarship*.

See you at the meeting,
Lee Ann Broscher and Alison Compton

Conservation Department

Welcome back ladies to our new year and welcome to all our new members. We look forward to getting to know you and working on great projects with you. Conservation is all about recycling and beautification at home and in our community.

Please bring to the first meeting any music/movie CD's/DVD's that you are no longer listening to or no longer want. If you have the cases, please bring them in also. Denise Carelton, one of our new members, will be using them to teach kids how to make a spin top toy out of them and also teach them how things can be reused. When you bring them in, you can count that as 1 hour.

Thanks and looking forward to working with all of you.

Tammie Fowler and Denise Carleton
Conservation Chairs

Education

Ladies, we would like to host an Author's Luncheon this year. If anyone has any suggestions or connections to local authors please let us know.

Thanks,
Kristin and Debbi

International

We are still looking for someone to chair our International Department, but have a great line up of projects already budgeted and approved including; Heifer International, Operation Christmas Child and the Transition Center. Please bring backpacks and school supplies to the meeting to be taken to the Transition Center this month.

Thanks!

Home Life Department

Hey ladies. We are looking forward to seeing you all very soon. We currently have four families that need to be served with boxes of love. If you are interested in helping out with these families, please let us know ASAP.

Thanks,
Beth Buursema and Pam Pye

Public Affairs Department

Do you enjoy helping others? And watching others succeed? Consider co-chairing Public Affairs. Contact Jennie Meredith at jenniemeredith@gmail.com or 770-289-3838 for more details. Special Olympics will have a volunteer opportunity in October. Look for details in Mail Chimp or Yahoo!.

Sunshine

Happy September Birthdays to:

Karen Beyer

Beth Buursema

Heather Hill

Sharon Lee

Christine Murphy

Karen Smith

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 stocktonl@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.

Debbi

NIOC

Night in Ole Cumming Committee is looking for volunteers for Committee Chairs and Members. If interested, please contact Adrienne Sipe at ahsipe@gmail.com. Thanks!

**Adrienne Sipe and Paula Glover
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