

The Key Sawnee Woman's Club

General Meeting

Wednesday, October 10th, 2012

Marie's Italian Deli

Social 9:00am-9:30am

From the President's Corner...

Happy Fall Y'all! Finally the weather is getting a little cooler and football is in full gear (although my Alma Mater doesn't seem to know it is regular season yet). We are officially moving our General Meeting location to Karen Smith's new deli this month. It is located in Tri County Plaza and the GPS address is 580 Atlanta Road. If you see Karen please give her a big thank you, since she has graciously offered to provide the coffee for us.

We are getting ready to start several of our department projects so please sign up and get involved.

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.

New Members, if you have not turned in your bio information for the yearbook, please do so ASAP. 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 Home Life committee will be in charge of the food for the meeting this month and International and NIOC will be providing for the November 14th meeting.

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

1st Vice President

Sawnee Woman's Club Membership Changes:

Active to Sustainer:

**Sharon Lee
Amy McGruder**

Resignations:

**Heather Hill
Kimberly Special
Cathy Salmon
Annette Felahis
Kara Zimmer**

SWC has 50 members. 12 are new Active members, 7 Sustainers, 2 Honorary, and 30 Actives existing members

Attendance:

33 Members attended the September General Meeting

Absent:

**Meghan Murray - Excused
Allison Madding - Excused
Kim Banta- Excused
Pennie Dahlberg- Excused
Karen Smith**

As a reminder you are allowed to miss a total of 3 general membership meetings each club year. This does not count the Christmas Luncheon which is optional.

If you have any contact information changes or if you have questions regarding membership status or attendance, I will be happy to help. 678-643-1731 or ccwcallaway@gmail.com are the best ways to reach me.

Please send any excused absence forms to me at ccwcallaway@gmail.com by Saturday following a missed meeting.

Our New Member project is scheduled for November 8th at 6pm at Taco Mac. We will be shopping for Angel Tree gifts. A sign up will be at the Meeting, and email reminders will be sent to all new members and other actives that sign up. Don't miss this fun volunteer event. It is a great way to meet others and accomplish something good for our community!

Book Club will meet on Wednesday, November 7th at Kim Balose's home 3760 Homestead Ridge Dr. at 7:30pm to discuss *Kept in The Dark* by Penny Hancock. Join us – to discuss the book and just about everything else! An email reminder will be sent. Please let Kim know if you will attend so that she can plan accordingly.

We are off to a great year and I hope to see you all next week for the meeting!

**Carolyn
1st VP
Membership Chair**

2nd Vice President

Hello Ladies, Please do not forget to get your hour sheets and fill them out and return to me. If you have any questions about hours feel free to ask me. Also I have a new department list of members, I will try and get that emailed out to everyone soon.

**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 tentatively looking at October 18th to take the boys from The Lodge to Agatha's Mystery Dinner Theatre. If you would like to go with us, the cost is \$65.00 per person plus parking fees and includes a 5 course meal. The show starts at 7:30pm. Space is limited, so please let us know ASAP so we can plan accordingly.

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

Conservation Department

Tips of the Month:

- **Sawnee EMC offers a rebate for adding insulation to your attic, which is the best way for you to save \$ on your energy bills. List of rebates and incentives available at <http://www.sawnee.com/energy/incentives.aspx>. Keeping your thermostats at 78 in the summer and 68 in the winter will also help you save the Earth and \$.**
- **Make your refrig more efficient by putting a lid on all liquids and cover all food. Uncovered foods release moisture and make the compressor work harder. Clean the door gasket and sealing surface. Set refrig to power-saver mode. Refrig. should be set between 38 and 42 degrees and the freezer should be set to between 10 and 15 degrees. Keep the refrig. full. An empty refrig. cycles very frequently when there are not items to hold in the cold. Sawnee EMC offers a \$30 rebate for refrigerators and freezers at least 10 years old if you replace it with a new Energy Star model. Call Sawnee EMC for more information.**

Don't forget to bring in your CD's and plastic bottle caps to the meeting. You can count an hour.

Thanks to Lois, Denise, Allison, Annie, Patti and husband, Jim for picking up trash on September 29. We picked up trash on the entire mile of Marketplace Blvd and filled up 9 bags and found 1 bumper. Thanks for helping to keep Forsyth Beautiful. The next pick up will be around January.

We are going to visit the Tyson Water Treatment Plant on Castleberry Road on October 19. Randy at Tyson is treating us to a pizza lunch so we need a head count. Tour will start at 11:30 am. We will have more details and a signup sheet at the meeting.

Remember to recycle, reuse and reduce.

**Thanks,
Tammie Fowler and Denise Carleton
Conservation Chairs**

Education

Education will be hosting their first "EDUCATION" event on Wednesday, October 10th following the SWC October meeting. We will explore the art of shopping and recycling combined. "The Discount Diva" is run by Dianne Murray who has a booth each month at LAKEWOOD 400 which is always the 3rd weekend of every month in Cumming, Georgia. She sells new, vintage, and slightly worn clothing, shoes, and jewelry for women. She will be hosting a shopping day for SWC on October 10th in her home. The prices for our members will be significantly lower than her LAKEWOOD prices. There will be \$1, \$5, and \$6 and up items for sale. A portion of her sales goes to "KEENANS' KIDS FOUNDATION" which is a non-profit to help children. She is happy to take donations of any clothing you no longer need or use as well. So clean out your closets and bring anything you want to donate so that you can shop to fill up the empty space. Please plan to join us and if possible let me know before the meeting if you plan to attend to simply give her an idea of the number that will be there. Her address is. 3844 Fairhill Point, Georgia 30004. My email is markliddle@bellsouth.net or phone # 678-549-8954.

Thanks,
Kristin and Debbi

International

Hey ladies! It's that time of the year again where we prepare for Operation Christmas Child.

For all of you who don't know about this project yet, Operation Christmas Child is a project by The Samaritan's Purse (www.samaritanspurse.org) designed to allow needy children around the world to have the best Christmas they can given their extreme situations of poverty, sometimes war, and all sorts of necessities. The project focuses on getting volunteers to commit to one or more kids for that Christmas. We are supposed to decide how many kids we want to take care of, of which ages and gender. We then wrap-up shoeboxes and fill it with suggested gifts for that gender/age. Some people add a family picture in the box; others, a picture of the family sending the shoebox. And some of them receive a response back from the child. Nothing can be more rewarding! So, this is a project that focuses on going beyond the regular material caring of a child. If possible, we want to give them a sense of family and belonging, even if only for a few hours or days, during the holidays. What to put in the box? How to wrap it? Here is the link to answer those questions: <http://www.samaritanspurse.org/index.php/OCC/FAQ>. If you need ideas for the shoeboxes, the website Faithful Provisions offer a few: <http://faithfulprovisions.com/2012/10/01/101-operation-christmas-child-shoebox-ideas/>

Once the boxes are ready for delivery, you turn them in to us and our committee will take care of delivering them to a local church that works with the Samaritan's Purse. National Collection Week for this program is November 12-19, so we must have your donations on or before November 14, which is the day of our November meeting, the latest. If you have any doubts or questions, just reach out for either me or Kim and we will assist you.

Heifer International Project:

Also for the new members, Heifer International is an organization devoted to help end hunger and poverty around the world. They work with gifts of livestock and training to help families improve their nutrition and generate income in sustainable ways. Each family that receive a livestock from the organization, commits to give one of its animal's offspring to another family in need. This is what they call Passing on the Gift – they believe in not only showing people that others care for them, but also helping them care for others and share their blessings in a way. I find the idea behind this project amazing.

At the International Department we support this project by collecting money along the year and sending all our collections to them, so they can put it into the purchase of livestock. So, we are open to donations and they're always welcome. For more information about the Heifer International organization and their projects, go to: www.heifer.org.

We are also working on some changes / new projects, that are still under development. We hope to share them with you soon."

Thanks,
Marcia and Kim B.

Home Life Department

Please remember to contact your families and deliver the food at a time each month that is convenient for you and your families.

We are still in need of volunteers to take a few more families so please let Beth Buursema know if you are able to help at bethbuursema@bellsouth.net.

Thanks,
Beth Buursema and Pam Pye

Public Affairs Department

No Report

Sunshine

Happy October Birthdays to:

Kim Balose

Margy Murray

Paula Glover

Denise Carleton

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 at Maria's Deli, if you have time, after the meeting.

Debbi

NIOC

Save the Date! May 3, 2013 – Big Island Luau at The Warehouse! We need volunteers! Here is what we have so far:

Silent Auction

Sandy Carter

Food

Margy Murray

Tosha Banta

Beanie Prados

Kim Pouloso

Sponsorships

None

Tickets

Sheree Crowe

Beverages

Wendy G

Sheree Crowe

Entertainment

Karen Beyer

Publicity

Paula Glover

Please email Adrienne Sipe at ahsipe@gmail.com or sign up at our next meeting so we can start planning NIOC right away!

Thanks!

Adrienne Sipe and Paula Glover

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