



The Key Newsletter

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Presidents' Corner: Sharon Lee & Sheree Crowe

February is heart health awareness month, don't forget to wear RED to the meetings to show your support.

This month we will Kick off our Preparation for Nite in Ole Cumming, this will leave less than 3 months to prepare. Several members took a tour of the event location. We will have another one at the end of March for any others that want to take a look before the event.

Please print or take a Sponsor packet and give to a business that you think would be a great partner for our event. We also are excepting silent auction items at this time.

In the upcoming months the board will be looking for members interested in taking Department and Executive board positions, please be in consideration on where you might be able to serve.

Our February 8th meeting sponsor is the Arts department; Feel Beautiful today will be here for bracelet making. We will try to finish up early for this, and We will not go to lunch after meeting this month. Please see details in Arts section.

Visitors are welcome at all meetings, if you have a friend interested Sawnee Woman's Club, please bring them. We look forward to seeing you.

"We cannot do great things on this Earth, Only small things with great love."

-Mother Teresa

Evening Guild: Jennie Meredith & Regina Maddox

The Evening Guild will meet **February 21** (a week later due to Valentine's Day) at 6:15pm at The Ridge in Cumming. No speaker scheduled at this time.

1st Vice President: Lois Watts

I hope you all are having a great start of the new year. We are trying to bring in new members between now and May. Please reach out to anyone you think might be interested and invite them to a meeting. I will put an invite on Facebook as well that you can send to potential members. Thank you for your help with this!

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Book Club
Tosha Banta

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2nd Vice President: Sandy Carter

Thank you to everyone for getting your hours in to me this month! Also a huge shout out to all department chairs and executive board members who filled out the reports and got them in the mail on time. Hopefully we have a shot at a few awards but if not, we still can show them all the great projects we have completed over the past year!

After manually entering in everyone's hours per month and per project, I have decided we need to come up with a better way. I am going to investigate that this month. In the meantime, if you can please use the master year form that is front and back and lists the departments, projects and months, I would appreciate it. Please keep it with your SWC stuff and fill out monthly and total it at the bottom with the hours and donations in kind. You don't have to turn it in every month but it will help when it is time to report again versus getting an email or text. It makes it easier to enter the information accurately in the spreadsheet. There are copies on the Shutterfly site but if you need another, I will have them at the meeting this month. We did great things last calendar year and I know we will do even more this year!

3rd Vice President:

Nite in Olde Cumming will be fast approaching with all the requirements needed to make it come together successfully.

The event date is April 22nd, the ticket prices will be \$90. This is significantly more this year, but drinks will be included in the price. We will be dividing the club up into committees. If you have a particular strong suit, please let me know so your skills are used to the fullest. Start working on acquiring Silent auction items and sponsorships now.

Let's get Excited about making this the best Nite in Olde Cumming yet!!

NOTE: Please see attachments for the NiOC forms!!

Treasurer: Maria Seibert

See attached Treasurer report for January. Club dues of \$80 were due by 10/31. There are still several of you who have not paid.

Mail check to Maria Seibert 6980 Wakehurst Place, Cumming, GA 30040

Use Paypal from our website (\$2 processing fee)

If you have any concerns or questions, please contact me at meseibert@gmail.com or 404-457-5320.

Book Club: Tosha Banta

The book for February book club is Faultlines by **Barbara Taylor Sissel**. It will be at Lisa Lewis' house on March 1st.



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Arts: Andrea Preston and Lee Ann Broscher

February is National Cancer Prevention month so we will be partnering with the non-profit "Feel Beautiful Today" to make bracelets for cancer patients after the meeting on February 8. Please sign up for this event if you would like to participate. This will take 1 to 1 1/2 hours. **A \$25 tax-deductible donation is appreciated to cover the cost of the materials payable at the time of the event.** The bracelets we make will go to one of the cancer treatment centers in Forsyth County. Also, if you plan to participate, **please bring your reading glasses!**



Conservation: Lisa LaFayette and Jeannie VanCuren

Now that glass can no longer be recycled curb-side, where can u take it?

Did u know Forsyth Co. has 3 Recycling Centers that take more than just your glass?

At our February meetings, you can get a Keep Forsyth County Beautiful pamphlet that explains it all! In April, Tammy Wright from KFCB will be our speaker and will be able to answer your questions and more.



Education: Kim Bacastow and Jamie Barrett

The Conservation and Education committees have teamed up and are in great need of gently used or new books!

We will be bagging 3 books each in our re-usable bags to be given out to children showing a specific need for their own personal books. Chestatee Elementary is a Title 1 school in rural Forsyth Co. The event is Our Bags Of Books for Read Across America Day.

Please bring donations to next Wednesday's meeting, give to someone who will be at the meeting, or contact one of us for an alternate drop off time. We really need these books by February 12!



Home Life: Wendy Goodrow and Debbi Little

No news to report for February.



International Outreach: Kimberly Funderburg/Marilene Cunningham

A very important function of International Outreach is Treat the Troops. The next packing event will be Feb 23rd, 7:00 at the VFW Post 9140, 1045 Dahlonega HWY, Cumming, 30040. Treats include : cookies packed 6/bag that is fastened at the top with a twist tie or ribbon; individually wrapped snacks i.e. chips, crackers, gum, etc...no chocolate or anything that might melt; personal hygiene items excluding bars of soap; and magazines. The dates for the rest of the year are April 27, June 29, September 14, and January 9. If you can't attend the packing event, I would be happy for you to drop off your contributions at my house in Three Chimneys...4275 Homestead Ridge Dr. Just send me an email so I know to look for your "treat" at my front door.

If you are interested in making gowns or treat bags for the Operation Smile project, please let me know. We have fabric available to use, we just need someone to sew some very simple rectangles and/or gowns 😊



Public Issues: Lisa Lewis

Public issues gave a donation to Forsyth county Special Olympics in the amount of \$250. If you are interested in volunteering for the spring games please sign up at the next meeting.

We continue to collect pocket chain and loose coins for the Forsyth county burn foundation. We currently have raised \$241!!! This is fantastic. We have two more months to raise the money before the burn foundation drive or boot drive.

Finally, we continue to collect items for homeless veterans. Any travel size items, feminine products, but no bar soap please.



Upcoming Events

Wednesday, February 8

General Meeting, 9:00am at The Villas Of Canterfield (new Independent Living Building)

Feel Beautiful Day Event after meeting.

Please see Arts Section for more details.



Sunday, February 12

Deadline for book donations for Read Across America Day. See the Education section of the newsletter for more information.

Tuesday, February 21

Evening Guild, 6:15 at The Ridge in Cumming.

Thursday, February 23

Treat the Troops packing event, 7:00pm, VFW Post 9140. See the International Outreach section of the newsletter for further details.

Monday, February 27

Board Meeting, 9:30 am at Panera Bread in Cumming.

Wednesday, March 1

Book Club at the home of Lisa Lewis, 7:00. See the Book Club section of the newsletter for more details.

Keep checking the SWC calendar often for updated events/times. The link to the website is...

<http://sawneewomansclub.org/calendar/>.

Sawnee Woman's Club is also on Facebook and Twitter. Please "like" and "follow"!