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Updates From Our Co-Presidents

Appreciation is a wonderful thing. It makes what is excellent in others belong to us a well.
-Voltaire

CPWC Members,

Appreciation is indeed a wonderful thing and the Theme for the CPWC Year.

We appreciated seeing 64 CPWC members at our Annual Opening Luncheon, and thank our wonderful Programs Team of Lesli Asiello, Lisa Enochs, Ellie Lacey, Susan Fulkerson and Karla Stafford for making it a special event with a yummy menu, beautiful tables, fun entertainment.....and reunion of friends we had not seen in too long.

Special thanks to Kristine Ward for writing and performing a skit to explain our upcoming fundraiser for Great Prospects. Our Charity Committee is looking for 15 homes to host 4-8 couples for an evening gathering on Saturday, February 6, 2021 from 7-11pm as a fundraiser for this worthy charity. Great Prospects provides meaningful connections for individuals with disabilities through continued educational enrichment, social interaction, community outreach and recreational programs.

We also appreciated time with each other to compare masks styles, check in on families and get caught up. So many of us have missed social interaction with our neighbors in the past few months.

Your co-Presidents challenge you to pick 2 CPWC events for a change of scenery and more social interaction. How about?

- Appreciating Nature's Beautiful at McFarlane Park on October 16th,
- Hiking the Island Ford Trail in the Chattahoochee National Forrest Trail on October 13th
- Trying Remote Yoga on Tuesday and Thursday at 10 a.m., led by Belinda Vogel,
- Savvy Women's program on Elder Abuse on Tuesday, October 20
- More to choose from..... book clubs, card clubs, Bible study

Check out our website calendar for specific details!

Speaking of what is excellent in others, please take a moment to read our Member Spotlight of Janey Kissling, a cheerful, positive leader and friend of CPWC for so many years.

With Appreciation,

Chris Cashman & Jean Ann McCarthy

CPWC Co-Presidents 2020-2021



Jean Ann McCarthy and Chris Cashman, your co-presidents

Opening Luncheon

We welcomed 64 members to our Opening Luncheon -- September 18 at 10:30AM at Atlanta Country Club.

We laughed along with Heather Tolley-Bauer, "a 50-year-old, drop-dead funny wife, stay-at-home mom and colon-cancer survivor."

Face masks were the fashion statement of the day. The luncheon was a salad, a chicken or salmon option over orzo and key lime tart for dessert. Members brought a donation for Great Prospects -- deck of cards, 100-piece puzzles, or stencils. Thank you for the generous donations! We were so happy to gather together!





If you're a CPWC member and on Facebook please join our Chattahoochee Plantation Women's Club closed group page. If you missed the Opening Luncheon you can watch the speakers in two different recordings on the Facebook page.

Member Spotlight

Janie Kissling - A Friend to All

Where do we begin to spotlight someone like Janie Kissling? She is the matriarch of AtlantaCountry Club Estates! With boundless energy, she is always there to lend a hand, plan an event, host a dinner, offer a word of encouragement, lend a smile, write a sincere and heartfelt note, or sell raffle tickets -- who can you say 'no' to her raffle tickets?



If you are lucky, she will bring her gooey butter bars to your table. And who else has Santa Claus' number in her cellphone? Janie sings beautifully, has a heart for the Lord and walks out her faith every day.



We are not sure how our community will function when she and husband Ron move in November. Their new home is in a 55+ community called Village Green off East Piedmont Rd. with a master on the main and minimal upkeep. We are certain Janie, a CPWC Lifetime Achievement recipient, will carry one of her dynamic CPWC themes with her and "bloom where she is planted."

Ron and Janie moved to Atlanta in 1973 and to Atlanta Country Club Estates in 1987. Janie taught middle school in Cobb County until Kurt was born when she became a full-time homemaker. Then along came daughter Lori and their second son Rob. They are blessed to have all three children and six grandchildren living here in the Atlanta area. Janie loves being "Granny" and has yet to say 'no' when she is needed.

Love and best wishes from longtime neighbors and friends...

Pat Smith shared, "Janie loves this neighborhood and has always wanted the very best for all who live here. When she was President of the Women's Club, Janie cared about all the members and wanted them to interact with each other, so she started many different groups within the club to attract everyone's energy together. She has been an active caretaker of our Chattahoochee Plantation Community Association in many ways and especially our neighborhood directory which is a very valuable resource to all who live here. She has been called the MAYOR of the Atlanta Country Club neighborhood keeping us all informed about matters with her many phone messages thru the years."

"When I think of Janie, the word that comes to mind is Kindness," says Lynn Thompson. "Since the first day I met Janie, she welcomed my family into the neighborhood with a friendly smile and kind words. As our friendship grew over the years, Janie was always there to lend a helping hand or new idea and willing to assist wherever needed. She has been a leader in our community in many volunteer positions."

"She does so many things to bring people together," adds Belinda Vogel. "In this age of technology, her efforts to sustain a sense of community is more valuable than ever. In addition to her many contributions to CPWC and CPCA, Janie is active on The Circle for

Children Scholarship Committee. Janie and I keep in contact with a Circle Scholar named Jake. We sent him a care package for finals last fall and, of course, Janie included some homemade goodies. Jake told me her treats were 'probably one of the best things I ever ate.' That's Janie...spreading joy in many ways and many places."

Janet Thomas remembers "being both impressed and appreciative at one of my first Women's Club events when Janie went around introducing everyone in the room. She warmly welcomed them and said something specific about each one (their kids, activity, or an interest). Not only was I impressed and inspired by how well she knows and cares about her neighbors but also, selfishly, I was delighted that I was then able to approach people with some common ground or question in order to begin knowing neighbors myself! Janie does this everywhere in such a warm and earnestly interested way. It is a gift to our neighborhood. Janie also asks for help and thus finds ways include and involve others. As a result, so many of us become involved with and invested in one another and our neighborhood. Janie herself is a beautiful gift."



Linda Pace sums it up by saying, "Janie enriches our lives with unparalleled kindness, grace and wisdom." Janie will thankfully remain active in Chattahoochee Plantation Women's Club after their move. We send our best wishes as they settle in their new home. We are so grateful for the foundation of fellowship and community Janie Kissling helped build here in Atlanta Country Club Estates.

Newcomers Update

Cindy Formica and Regina Woods from Newcomers gave out 39 welcome bags to our new neighbors. As you know we had to cancel the Newcomers event but in the bag was an invitation for chat or a coffee date with our Co- Presidents, Cindy and Regina. If you hear of anyone we missed let us know.

Cindy Formica, cindyformica@comcast.net
Regina Wood, reginawood@westminster.net



Membership Update

We APPRECIATE all of our members and look forward to spending time with you this year! Thank you for being flexible as we find new ways to gather and be safe.

Please join me in welcoming our newest members. We are so glad to have them as part of our community. Please let us know if you have new neighbors who you would like to welcome to our group!

Bonnie Connors	4750 Rivercliff Landing
Carla Crews	820 Burning Tree Dr
Amy Henry	4841 Rivercliff Dr SE
Julie Jenkins	3754 Fox Hills Dr
Dee Kazinec	760 Atlanta Country Club Dr
Marianna Kovich	3610 Ridgewater trail
Kerry Landtroop	420 Tam Oshanter
Leanne Lapp	500 Tam Oshanter
Terri McKendry	525 Glengate Cove
Mari Mendoza	510 Brook Hollow Cir
Anita Rainwater	518 Rivercliff Trace
Debbie Vaky	4468 Belvedere Place
Carol Waddy	501 Brook Hollow Circle
Abbie White	4540 Ponte Vedra Dr

Be on the lookout for your new directory in the coming weeks! Be well!

Patty Pace
CPWC Membership

Community News

Please consider participating in the CPCA as an annual dues payer, a volunteer, a meeting attendee, and an interested neighbor. [Click here](#) to pay your dues online and also donate to McFarlane Park.

CPCA will provide the front entryways with winter plantings about the middle of October.

Checks made out to the CPCA Beautification Fund can be sent to [Trish Chapman](#) at 4371 Classic Links Court.

Thank you for your consideration and generosity.

First Friday Returns!

Thank you to the Cashmans for hosting a fabulous First Friday on October 2.

Octoberfest First Friday! The Octoberfest themed event was entirely outside. Fun had by all!



Save the Dates!

October 16 - Daytime Program Meeting

Join us Friday, October 16 at 10:30 am in McFarlane Park in "Appreciation of Nature's Beauty." Jennifer of "Jennifer Rust Botanicals" will speak on gardening and share her expertise. A boxed lunch will be provided from Bountiful Basket Catering. Please bring your own chair as we gather and enjoy our own special "great outdoors."

[Click here to RSVP](#)

Halloween in McFarlane Park - October 31



See more upcoming events below!

Upcoming Interest Groups and Events

The CPWC hosts a wide range of Interest Group meetings each month. You can find the upcoming events on the website under the Calendar & Events menu item or click [Calendar & Upcoming Events](#)



Interest Group	Date(s)	Details
5K Walk/Run		(click here for additional races or contact Susan or Chris)
Bible Study	Ongoing	We meet Thursdays at the Atlanta Country Club from 10 am to 11:30 am. Please RSVP. We'll be studying Scriptures from the Epistles which will include important truths to help us live victorious in this life. We would love to have you join us. Please contact Lettie Nixon , 770 -953-2066
Bridge	Ongoing	<p>For those who are interested in BRIDGE LESSONS, there are two bridge clubs nearby where bridge lessons are offered.</p> <p>Ruff n Sluff Bridge Club 770 973-7717 Not far, this side of the Big Chicken 1809 Roswell Road Marietta GA 30062</p> <p>Bridge Club of Atlanta 770 354-6033 Fountain Oaks Shopping Center, far left corner upstairs 4920 Roswell Road Sandy Springs GA 30342</p> <p>Bridge is a fun game that can be played on many levels. Since it requires a multiple of four players, get several friends together and explore the potential at either of these clubs which are about six miles from where we live. If you have any questions, please contact Melissa Nicol (email) or 770-541-6168</p>
Canasta	Ongoing	<p>Canasta is a fun game that stimulates your brain but also allows you to converse and get to know your neighbors and have fun during the game. Partner play allows for more options but individuals can play too.</p> <p>We meet monthly on the second Thursday from September to August at 12-3 pm. There is no need to commit to playing every month! Contact Karen Frantz (email) or 770-715-7139</p>
Daytime Book Club	Oct 12	<p>The daytime book club will be meeting on October 12 at 10:00 am outside at Melissa Nicol's house. We will be discussing "<i>The Indifferent Stars Above</i>" by Daniel James Brown.</p> <p>Please contact Susan Fulkerson for additional information.</p> <p>The daytime book club meets on the second Monday of each month at 10:00 am at rotating homes. Meetings are currently being held outside for social distancing.</p>

Evening Book Club	Ongoing	<p>For October, we will be reading Seven Husbands of Evelyn Hugo by Taylor Jenkins Reid. Location TBD.</p> <p>The Evening book club meets the last Tuesday of each month. Please contact Trish Chapman for additional information.</p>
Family Activities	Oct 31	<p>Look forward to celebrating with you and your family! Please contact Kristen Bernheim with any questions.</p> <p>Halloween - October 31 (5-6pm) Yule Log - December 6 (3-430pm) Easter Egg Hunt - March 28 (3-430pm) Last Day of School - Kona Ice Truck - May 26 (Time TBD)</p> <p>Details to follow</p>
Hiking	Oct 13	<p>Congratulations to the 14 hikers who completed September's Jones Bridge Trail and earned 5 miles of this year's 50 mile Chattahoochee River challenge!</p> <p>In October, we're heading to the next trail down the Chattahoochee river for 6 more miles (one of our longer exhilarating hikes)...</p> <p>When: Tuesday, October 13, 2020 (meet at trailhead at 9:30am - estimated 25 min drive from ACC)</p> <p>Where: Island Ford Trail on the River (est. 25 min drive from ACC) Trailhead: 1978 Island Ford Parkway, Sandy Springs 30350 <i>(This is the Chattahoochee National Park Headquarters and Visitor center)</i></p> <p>What: 6 mile moderate / elevation hike. Hiking boots, water and snack-on-the-go recommended 'Survival Bags' awarded to the first 3 new hikers!</p> <p>We will see: Wildlife-filled forest, 2 creeks, several large cave-like outcrops and an old wagon ford across the river.</p> <p>CDC guidelines: Carry and /or wear a mask. 6' to 10' of separation between hikers</p> <p>Any questions? Don't hesitate to contact us. We look forward to seeing you on the trail!</p> <p>Trish Wenger (414) 840-4441 and Jean Dole</p> <p>RSVP to Trish</p> <p>For a complete list of proposed hikes for 2020-2021, please click here.</p>
Play	Oct 9	Play Group will meet every second Friday of the month at 10 a.m.

Group		<p>Join us at an outside location given Covid concerns.</p> <p>Calling all moms of young children!</p> <p>Playgroup will be meeting, as usual, on the second Friday of the month October 9 at 10 am. For October the meet up will be at Morgan Falls Park (weather permitting). We love to see new faces so please feel free to join us!</p> <p>Hope to see you soon!</p> <p>RSVP to Jillian Miller Email or Phone Jillian with questions (phone: 847-323-0248)</p>
Savvy Evening Group	Oct 20	<p>Savvy Women is honored to host Senator Kay Kirkpatrick, Representative Sharon Cooper and Joe Gavalis on Zoom from 6:45 - 8:00 on Tuesday, October 20, 2020.</p> <p>Chattahoochee Plantation Women's Club will send a link to those that have indicated in advance a desire to attend. Those interested in participating in the Zoom meeting should Rsvp to Chris Cashman at excelnbe@me.com. The proposed schedule will be as follows:</p> <p>6:45 Welcome 7:00 Joe Gavalis - Community Update 7:15 Representative Sharon Cooper - Elder Abuse 7:30 Senator Kay Kirkpatrick - Covid as it relates to LTC & Mental Health 7:45 Question & Answer Session 8:00 Dismissal</p> <p>This group meets on the third Tuesday of the month from 6:30-8:30 pm at Pat Iaffaldano or Chris Cashman's home...with a few exceptions. We love to learn about a variety of topics. Our goal is to refresh your knowledge or introduce you to matters you may encounter in your week, month or year and give you tools to make a difference.</p> <p>When meeting in person, there will be featured wine & cheese from a selected country around the world. Click here for a complete list of proposed programs for this year.</p>
Yoga	Ongoing Tuesdays and Thursdays	<p><i>As Belinda recovers from back surgery, please check Facebook and email for announcements to her availability. When possible, she will provide Zoom links to an online session. Sessions will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays unless otherwise communicated.</i></p>

Evening Book Club Night Under the Stars!

The Evening Book Club met at Trish Chapman's on September 29 to discuss "Educated".



Interest Group Contacts

Email [Judy Boyce](#) to learn more or sign up!

Bible Study

[Lettie Nixon](#)

Book Club - Daytime

[Susan Fulkerson](#)

Book Club - Evening

[Trish Chapman](#)

Bridge Club

[Melissa Nicol](#)

Canasta

[Karen Frantz](#)

Couples Chef's Dinner Group

[Jane Harm](#)

[Pat Iaffaldano](#)

Community Liaison

[Trish Chapman](#)

CPWC Run/Walk 5K

[Chris Cashman](#)

[Susan Fulkerson](#)

Family Activities

[Kristen Bernheim](#)

First Friday

[Karyn Porter](#)

If you have an idea for a new Interest Group please contact Chris, Jean Ann, or a member of the Programs Committee.

Hiking Club

[Jean Dole](#)

[Trish Wenger](#)

Garden Club

[Janet Thomas](#)

Globe Trekkers

[Shea Amin](#)

Newcomers

[Cindy Formica](#)

[Aurelie Barrial](#)

[Regina Wood](#)

Play Group

[Malinda Hlavenka](#)

[Jillian Miller](#)

Savvy Women

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