

Chattahoochee PLANTATION

WOMENS CLUB

APRIL 2014

A LETTER FROM THE CO-PRESIDENTS



Dear CPWC members,

Spring is finally here! Spring means azaleas and dogwoods and cherry trees. Spring means green grass between your toes and daffodils under pine trees. Spring is a symbol of rebirth!

We gather for the annual CPWC **Easter Egg Hunt** on Saturday, **April 19. 2 to 5 pm**

in McFarlane Park. Come and see the Easter bunny! Thank you to Tina Engberg for pulling this event together so beautifully!

We are very excited about our **April 11 program at 10:30 am**. Guest author Wendy Wax will share about her novel, *While We Were Watching Downton Abbey*. Missy and Patti have planned a delicious proper British cream tea in Amber Carey's beautiful home (4488 Doral Cir.). You won't want to miss it!

The **May 9** meeting will be a catered **Closing Luncheon** celebration of our fabulous year and an introduction and

vote on next year's board. Thank you to all those who have stepped forward to continue the strong leadership of CPWC. I continue to be amazed by the women in our organization. We pull together in times of need. We support one another during crisis without skipping a beat. We celebrate together. What a special group we are and what a lasting legacy we leave.

Cheers to Spring!

Julie Lischer and Sarajane Fletcher
Co-Presidents

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—CHANGE—
Closing Lunch
will be
May 9th!



FIRST FRIDAY

Earnest thanks to Janet and Steve Francesconi for hosting April's First Friday. Their house is a gardener's delight and it was such fun to see the garden beginning to burst into bloom!

Next month, on Friday, May 3rd, First Friday will take place at the home of Julie and Chuck Lischer at 540 Willow Knoll Drive.

Please r.s.v.p. via Evite for the event. And please bring an appetizer and a beverage to share!



PROGRAMS — CHERISH FOOD & BOOKS!



Last month ...

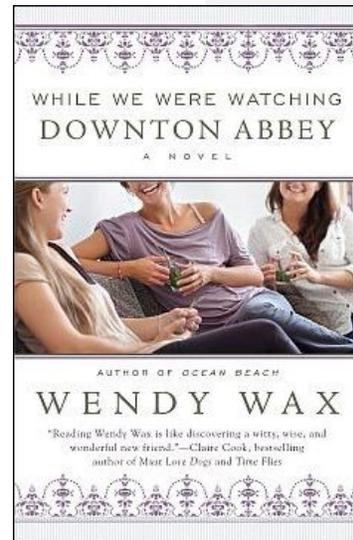
the Chinese Southern Belle, Natalie Keng and her delightful and proud momma presented a cooking demonstration at Shea Amin's home (thank you, Shea!). A few take-aways are that a cleaver is an exceptional kitchen tool and that cutting vegetables and meat into similar sizes will assure that they complete cooking all at the same time! We were able to sample stir fry and slaw which use Natalie's own sauces! They are made locally and available at our Whole Foods store! It tastes great, but "Hottie Sauce" is also just fun to buy!



And in April....

We are eagerly anticipating this month's program meeting, Friday April 11, at 10:30 a.m. at the home of Amber Carey (4488 Doral Circle). Author Wendy Wax will be our guest speaker and will center her discussion on her novel, *While We Were Watching Downton Abbey*!

Also, we will enjoy a proper British tea! Don't miss it!



PROGRAMS 2013-14

Our Daytime Programs Chair, Missy Malmberg along with Patti Newi and Suzanne Deery and Evening Program Chair Janie Kissling are working to design and orchestrate a series of program events for us to... Cherish!

April 11 "Cherish Good Books" - book author Wendy Wax and **ALSO** a proper British tea!

May 9 "Cherish Summer Fun" - closing luncheon with Chef Tomas

A special thank you to all our presenters and hostess homes

Pinterest



PINTEREST-ING

By Heather Rees

The new year is off to a roaring start, and Pinterest is already hard at work creating exciting things in 2014. They have started “discover Pins” for all your projects and interests. It is a new tool they are calling “Interests”.

For example, if you're curious about traveling, travel Pins is a good place to start. If you're really into something specific like travel in New York City, we can show you some great Pins we think you may like that are specific to New York City.

Project #1. Put glow sticks inside the easter eggs so that they glow!



Project #2. Decorate cardboard paper roll and use it to store extension cords!



Egg Hunt

The CPWC Egg Hunt will take place at McFarlane Nature Park in the back field (off Winged Foot Circle) on **Saturday, April 19th** from **2-5 pm**. Come out and enjoy spring in all its glory at McFarlane!

Tina Engberg
Family Activities Chair



Walking Club

An early-morning walk is a blessing for the whole day!
— Henry David Thoreau

Consider joining in on the **Wednesday Walk group!** Regina Woods leads the way. Reach out and email her if you would like to be a part! And walk on!



Garden Club

The garden club is going to tour the 2014 Atlanta Decorators Show House and Gardens on Wednesday, **April 30th**. We will meet at ACC parking lot at 9:30 to car-pool. — RSVP to Janet Francesconi



EVENING GROUP

By Janie Kissling

There will be an evening group meeting on **April 29** at the home of decorator and antiques dealer, plus designer of exotic pearl jewelry, Franya Waide. The meeting is at **7:00 pm** at 101 Hampton Walk off of Paper Mill. Please come join us!

RSVP to Janie.Kissling@gmail.com.

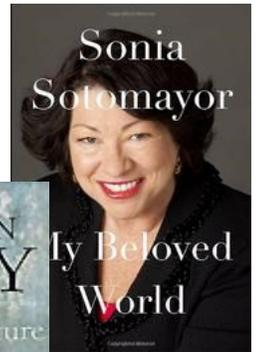
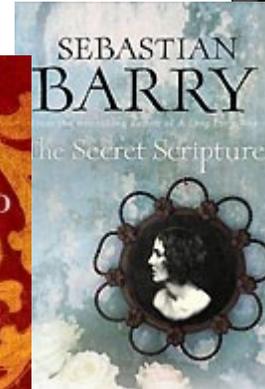
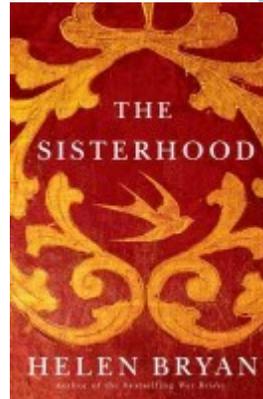
DAYTIME BOOK CLUB

By Elizabeth Cooper

The CPWC Daytime Book Club welcomes newcomers at any time, and with all of us having busy schedules, it's perfectly fine to be an "occasional" member! We meet the second Monday of the month, at 10 in the morning, in various members' homes. We read and discuss a wide range of literature, written in many eras and styles. Recent reads include *The Light Between Oceans*, by M.L. Stedman, and *Native Speaker*, by Chang-Rae Lee. In addition to our regular discussions and morning snacks, we also have luncheons twice a year. At our holiday festivities this past December we supported two local charities, Santa for Seniors and Fiesta de Libros, and were delighted with our scope of donations. At our next luncheon in May we'll discuss the books we're voting on for our upcoming 2014-2015 season, which starts in September.

In the meantime, our summer reading looks varied and interesting, and we look forward to new friends joining us as we keep cool with a good book in the heat! Please take a look at our summer book list, and email Elizabeth Cooper with any questions, or for further information.

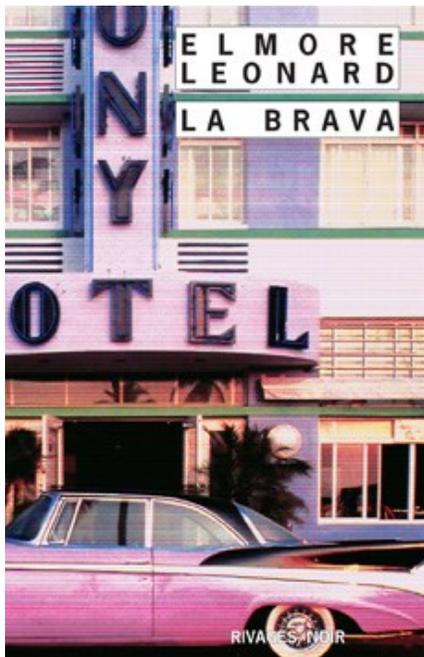
June 9- July 14- *The Sisterhood*, by Helen Bryan
 August 11- *The Secret Scripture*, by Sebastian Barry
 August 11- *My Beloved World*, by Sonia Sotomayor



EVENING BOOK CLUB

By Jana Pantesco

Veronica Bridges is now leading our evening book club! A couple of the most recent books include *War Brides* by Helen Bryan and *1,000 White Women* by Jim Fergus (which was fantastic)! The next meeting is **April 22** where the group will discuss *LaBrava* by Elmore Leonard. Please connect with Veronica if you're interested in joining the group!



One more way to be in the know...

We've all learned how important it is to stay in close communication. CPWC is offering another way of reaching our membership. Remind 101 is a one-way text messaging system. To sign up to receive updates and meeting information from CPWC via text...

On your cell phone -- do the following...



(You may opt out of messages at any time by replying 'unsubscribe@cpwc.')

Please let me know if you have any questions. Thank you. ~Julie Lischer

SAVE THE DATE: ART FOR THE PARK

Dates: Oct. 1-3rd , 2014

Place: Atlanta Country Club Ballroom

The CPWC will be organizing and hosting this event as one of their fundraising events of the year.

This is the 2nd year for "Art for the Park", a fund raiser for McFarlane Nature Park in our own community. McFarlane Nature Park is located off of Farm Rd. or Willow Knoll in Atlanta Country Club Estates. It is an 11.5 acre tranquil park, open to all in our community. We maintain a historical home on the site and have a caretaker at the home along with many fields. This park was gifted to our community from the late Mrs. Florence McFarlane. The park is part of the Cobb Land Trust Inc. and is maintained solely by private donations(a 501c(3) non-profit, volunteer run organization). For more information go to, www.cobblandtrust.org.



The Art Show will feature some artists from last year and ART of various mediums, wood, glass, textiles, etc. All the Artists are local and all the Art is original. This year we will also feature some local writers and original crafters.

Stay Tuned!

Lynn Thompson- Chairman for Art For The Park

DINNER CLUB



The March 15th Dinner Club with its Middle Earth theme was grand fun! Thanks to Liz and Brooks Hall for hosting the hobbits and goblins and elves! Oh my!

The next Dinner Club planned for May 17 is a Springtime in Paris theme! Reggie and David Wood will be hosting this romantic event! *Bon appetitet de bons moments!*



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Bible Study (Lettie Nixon)

We meet every Thursday at 10:00am at the Atlanta country Club. All are invited to join us. During the month of April we will be studying a series of Easter messages on "The Greatest Words Ever Uttered by the Greatest Man That ever Lived." "Mercy and Truth, Righteousness and Peace." For more information, call 770-953-2066 or email lettienixon@cfaith.com.

Book Club — Daytime (Elizabeth Cooper)

The Daytime Book Club meets the second Monday of each month at 10 a.m. For information, or to be included on the mailing list, please contact Elizabeth Cooper at ewsjws@msn.com or 602-323-7258.

Book Club — Evening (Veronica Bridges)

We welcome all CPWC members to join book club. To be included on the mailing list, sign up at the Luncheon. For information, contact Tracy Pickens at tonksy@gmail.com.

Bridge Club (Melissa Nicol)

We will meet the 4th Wednesday of each month. To inquire about joining Bridge Club call Melissa Nicol at 770-541-6168 or mahanmelissa@aol.com.

Bunco (Tracy Pickens)

Bunco takes place on various Fridays throughout the year. Guests are asked to bring \$2 cash, a wrapped gift valued between \$15-20, and an appetizer to share. Please contact tonksy@gmail.com to be added to the list.

Blooming Investors (Susan Weinstein)

Blooming Investors is a group of friends always happy to have new friends who are interested in learning about investing. We meet on the second Tuesday of every month at 6 p.m. for supper and discussion on the latest economic trends. If you think you might be interested, please email Susan Weinstein. You are welcome to visit and see what you think.

Dinner Club & First Friday (Jennifer Risey & Leisha Murphy)

We have an exciting year planned for Dinner Club which is an opportunity for host couples to plan themed parties with special, fun menus. There is a financial obligation and once signed up, you have a commitment to your group.

We will continue the popular "First Friday" events each month in a host home. Each guest or couple brings an appetizer and beverage to share. For information, contact Jennifer Risey at jenrisey@gmail.com or 678-849-0550.

Garden Club (Janet Francesconi)

Planning lots of fun outings for the new year. Please join us! Contact Janet Francesconi at 770-644-9214 or buff1994@bellsouth.net.

Girls Night Out (Cynthia Dolezal)

Come join us! We'll plan some new events after the holidays. Contact Cynthia Dolezal at HarryNorman.com.

Pinterest Fun (Heather Rees)

This crafty new group has lots of fun in store! Contact Heather Rees at hrees@aol.com for more information!

Play Group (Lori Collins)

The Play Group meets each month at member's homes and at parks and even McDonald's! Please let Lori Collins at LKiss9617@aol.com know you would like to be a part!

Wednesday Walks (Regina Wood)

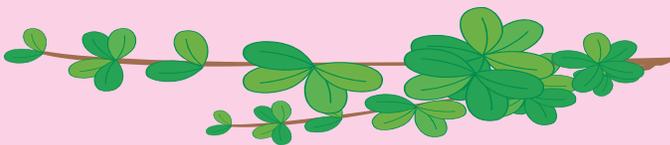
Join us at 8 a.m. for a power walk down by the river on the first Wednesday of every month. For more information, contact Regina at knockonwood@bellsouth.net, 770-690-0492 or 404-444-9935.

Events at McFarlane Park

The Georgia Native Plant Society, on **April 12th**, will be at the park hosting their native plant sale.

The Cobb County Master Gardener Volunteers will include McFarlane Park on their Spring Garden Tour **May 10th**.

We are so fortunate to have this community park to enjoy in our backyard!



Pay for events with the touch of a button on our website.



Check out the Chattahoochee Plantation Womens Club Group on Facebook and click LIKE! You'll receive updates on events throughout the year!