

# Chattahoochee PLANTATION

WOMENS CLUB

JANUARY 2014

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- BIBLE STUDY — JAN 16
- CHERISHING OUR HEALTH — JAN 17
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## A LETTER FROM THE CO-PRESIDENTS

Dear CPWC members,

Happy New Year Everyone! It is hard to believe decorations are coming down and kids, big and small, are heading back to school! CPWC members had a busy December, not just enjoying family activities but showing their heart by providing a home cooked meal for the residents and staff of CCYA (our charity beneficiary) as well as collecting gift cards and toiletries for the kids. Our annual cookie and gift exchange was held at Linda Pace's beautiful home and was well attended as always. Kim Borno, from

CCYA, reminded us how difficult the holidays are for the kids and how even the small things we do for them mean a lot. CPWC saw the return of a few favorites from the past, the Yule log and visit from Santa as well as the placing of luminaries throughout CPCA. Thanks to Janie Kissling and Tina Engberg for organizing these wonderful events.

Our next program is 'Cherish our Health' on **January 17** (pg.3). We can all get pointers on how to get in shape to look extra fabulous in those gowns for the Gala! Danna and her committee are working hard on

the Valentine's Gala to be held on **February 8** at Atlanta Country Club. Don't forget to purchase your raffle tickets by contacting Lisa Krueger. Lynn Thompson is in charge of RSVPs, and you may direct any donations for the auction to Amy McConnell or Danna Vach. Many hands make light work, so please volunteer to help in any way you can to make this event spectacular. We wish you a happy and healthy 2014!

*Sarajane Fletcher & Julie Lischer*  
Co-Presidents

## 2014 VALENTINE'S GALA — FOR THE CENTER FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG ADULTS



The Charity Committee is busy, busy, busy with final plans for the Valentine's Gala on **February 8**. Thank you to all of our CPWC members that have helped put this together! It truly is a labor of love.

Invitations are in the mail, and if you haven't received yours, please contact Danna Vach. Tickets will sell quickly, so be sure to rsvp ASAP! Each ticket is \$100 and includes dinner, 2 drink tickets, dancing and a

fabulous atmosphere. Keep in mind that we are encouraged to invite friends and acquaintances who may not be CPWC members to join us for the Gala.

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GALA — CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1...

If you or your company would be interested in sponsorship, we are again offering several Sponsorship levels — will you be a Cupid, a Juliet, a Romeo or a Sweetheart...? This could be a great marketing opportunity for you or your company (and tax-deductible where applicable).



**Cupid Level** — \$250 donation -Two tickets to gala and company's name or personal name in program and mentioned during the evening from the podium

**Romeo Level** — \$500 donation -Four tickets to gala and company's name or personal name in program and mentioned during the evening from the podium

**Juliet Level** — \$750 donation — Six tickets to gala, a rose for each of the ladies in your party and company's name or personal name in program and mentioned during the evening from the podium

**Sweetheart Level** — \$1,000 donation — Eight tickets to the gala, a bottle of champagne for the table and company's name or personal name in program and mentioned during the evening from the podium.

We have some wonderful auction items, so don't forget your checkbook or credit card on the big

night! Some of our auction items include trips to Scotland, New York and a Master's golf package. Beautiful jewelry, autographed pictures, amazing artwork and passes for local venues are other items up for sale at the auction. There's something for everyone! Don't want to be involved in a bidding war with your friends?

Don't worry. This year we are introducing a "Buy It Now" feature for select items in the auction!

Don't miss out on our 50/50 raffle! You all deserve a chance to win more than \$1000. Tickets are \$25 each. Contact Lisa Krueger: petrokruieger@mindspring.com for information or tickets. Winner need not be present to win. You can also purchase raffle tickets on your RSVP card for the Gala. If each CPWC member purchases just one raffle ticket, we would exceed our raffle goals! Of course, you are encouraged to purchase more than one so you can increase your chances of winning.

I look forward to seeing each and everyone one of you at our Valentine's Gala on February 8<sup>th</sup>. It will truly be "A Date to Cherish".

**Danna Vach**  
2014 CPWC Valentine's Gala Chairperson

My sisters, the question for you is not what you are going to get out of the world, but what you are going to give the world. Let us bind ourselves closer together; let us work a little more, and with faith and prayer, go forward with the work that God has appointed us to do."

— Mary Ann Lipscomb



At the end of your life, you will never regret not having passed one more test, not winning one more verdict, or not closing one more deal. You will regret time not spent with a husband, a friend, a child, or a parent.

-- Barbara Bush

FIRST FRIDAY FUN!



Thanks to Linda and Jeff Pace for hosting December's First Friday and to Danna and Jeff Vach for hosting in January! The next First Friday will take place at Cindi and Scott Smith's on February 7th at 7:00 p.m. Please BYOB and an appetizer to share! See you there!



## BOOK CLUBS

The Evening Book Club met to discuss The English Girl by Daniel Silva in early December at Nancy Mitchell's house.



Also in December, the Book Clubs enjoyed a book exchange and holiday luncheon at the festive home of Judy Winchell. Donated items were also collected for two charities.

## CHERISHING OUR HEALTH

Join us on **January 17** at 10:30 a.m. at Trish Chapman's home (CHANGE OF VENUE) 110 Cherry Hill Dr. We will cherish our health with Mary Jo Falvey of Pilates Tutor in Paper Mill Village and Lisa Flynn, Yoga Instructor. Wear your comfy work out clothes so we can learn some new moves! Something for everyone of all ages. Light lunch will be served.



# Thanks!

Many thanks to Elizabeth Cooper, Sarajane Fletcher, Surabhi Arjunan and Julie Lischer for spending time putting together the luminaria kits for the lighting on December 15th, and to those who helped distribute them to their parts of the neighborhood! Many hands make light work! -Tina Engberg & Janie Kissling

## THE CENTER FOR CHILDREN & YOUNG ADULTS



Our chosen charity for the 2014 Valentine Gala is The Center for Children and Young Adults. The center, on Austell Road in Marietta, provides a home to 39 girls and boys from the ages of 12-21 years. These children come from a world filled with abuse, neglect, abandonment and exploitation. The center provides food, shelter, clothing, educational services and transitional services to these youth. It truly is a nurturing place for them to live, heal and thrive.

The CCYA also would like a few volunteers to help with a bird-house craft on a date nearer to the Gala. We will be helping to decorate birdhouse with the children living at the CCYA. These birdhouses will be a part of our silent auction at the Gala. Please contact Danna Vach to be involved!



# BRIDGE GROUP GOES TO GAME!



CPWC Bridge group enjoyed a Christmas luncheon at the home of Jane Gray. We welcome new players and substitutes. Please contact Melissa Nicol (770 541-6168) if you are interested in joining!

Time is a dressmaker specializing in alterations.

— Faith Baldwin

## CHRISTMAS EVE THANK YOU

On Christmas Eve, the CPWC prepared a beautiful Christmas meal with all the trimmings for Cobb County Police Precinct 4 and Firefighters. This has been a delightful tradition for many years! Thank you to Heather Rees for coordinating!



I value the friend who for me finds time on his calendar, but I cherish the friend who for me does not consult his calendar.

—Robert Brault

## PROGRAMS 2013-14

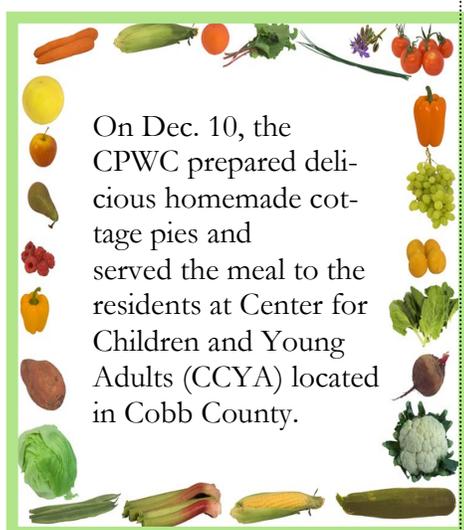
*Our Daytime Programs Chair, Missy Malmberg along with Patti Newi and Suzanne Deery and Evening Program Chair Janie Kissling are working to design and orchestrate a series of program events for us to... **Cherish!***

- January 17 “Cherish our Health” with Personal Fitness speakers at Trish Chapman’s home
- February 21 “Cherish Wine & Cheese” by Lance Dunn & Assoc. from Kroger at Amber Carey’s home
- March 21 Cooking program with Natalie Keng, Chinese Southern Belle at Shea Amin’s house
- April 18 “Cherish Good Books” - book author & lunch in Roswell
- May 16 “Cherish Summer Fun” - closing luncheon with Chef Tomas

*A special thank you to all our presenters and hostess homes*

## CDA AWARD!!

In October, the CPWC received the Child Development Association's 2013 Civic Partner of the Year Award at their Howdy Partner Luncheon. Thank you to all our generous members who helped raise \$24,000+ at our Valentine's Gala in February for this very worthwhile organization! Representing the CPWC were Trish Chapman, Veronica Bridges, Heather Rees and Julie Lischer.



## EVENING GROUP — CHERISH YOUR STRENGTHS! —

By Janie Kissling

This year in the CPWC, we have talked about cherishing food, cherishing art, cherishing the holidays, and cherishing friendships.



*But what about you?*

At the evening group on **January 21** at 7 p.m., we will talk about us and our strengths. The meeting will be presented by Lisa Ames, a strength coach. Lisa will teach us how to discover our strengths, how to develop them further, and how to share them with others. Lisa lives at 71 Sherwood Lane. Please come out and enjoy learning how to discover your strengths. RSVP to [Janie.kissling@gmail.com](mailto:Janie.kissling@gmail.com).

We had a terrific time at Rescued Too in December (with help from Sugarbenders) and gathering for dinner afterward at Moxie Burger!



## OUR 2013-14 EXECUTIVE BOARD

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## **Bible Study (Lettie Nixon)**

Bible Study will start back next Thursday, January 16th from 10-11:30 a.m. at ACC. The lesson: Setting Goals for your New Year, and, Your Heavenly Father has provided for you to have Abundant Life. We would love to have you join us! 2014 is going to be a great year! For more information, call 770-953-2066 or email [lettienixon@cfaith.com](mailto: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](mailto:ewsjws@msn.com) or 602-323-7258.

## **Book Club — Evening (Tracy Pickens)**

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](mailto: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](mailto:mahanmelissa@aol.com).

## **Bunco (Tracy Pickens)**

Bunco is this Friday, January 10 at 7 p.m. at the home of Shea Amin, 4508 Chattahoochee Plantation Drive SE. Guests are asked to bring \$2 cash, a wrapped gift valued between \$15-20, and an appetizer to share. Please contact [tonksy@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:HarryNorman.com).

## **The Needlers (Anne Power)**

The Needlers is a knitting group with all levels of knitting ability welcome. We will go over the basics first then choose a project to work on together. Of course, there will be lots of socializing as well! We meet on Friday mornings with the first meeting date TBD. If this sounds fun to you, contact Anne at [annpower@comcast.net](mailto:annpower@comcast.net).

## **Pinterest Fun (Heather Rees)**

This crafty new group has lots of fun in store! Contact Heather Rees at [hprees@aol.com](mailto:hprees@aol.com) for more information!

## **Play Group (Lori Collins)**

The Play Group will be meeting Friday, January 24 at 10:00 a.m. at the home of Susan O'Farrell. Her address is 511 Brook Hollow Circle. I'll be bringing Munchkins to celebrate Caleb's 4th birthday! Please RSVP to Lori Collins at [LKiss9617@aol.com](mailto:LKiss9617@aol.com).



## **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](mailto:knockonwood@bellsouth.net), 770-690-0492 or 404-444-9935.



*Please keep in mind....  
Raffle tickets for the Valentines Gala  
will be available at all of the interest  
groups and meetings during January!  
So please bring checkbooks or cash in  
support of the **Center for Children and  
Young Adults!**  
Thanks!*