



# GFWC ARLINGTON WOMAN'S CLUB

Club Organized in 1920



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March 2011 Newsletter

## IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN !

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In March, the Board selects a Nominating Chairman from the current Executive Board and two persons from the membership to put together a slate of officers for the coming year. The two members are Virginia Solomon and Pam Oglesby. They will present the slate of officers at the April meeting and take nominations from the floor. The membership will vote on the candidates for each of the of the elected offices. This includes President, 1st Vice President, 2nd Vice President, 3rd Vice President, 4th Vice President, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer. If you have an interest in any of these Board Positions, please notify the Nominating Chairman, Roberta Dill. Additional offices are appointed by the incoming President, for Membership, Finance, Publicity, Chaplain, Newsletter, Advisors. Together with the elected officers, this is the official Executive Board for 2011-2012. The Installation of Officers takes place at the May meeting

## NEW MEMBER, RETURNING MEMBER

Welcome to...

Penny LaBelle, our newest member and Shelby Jackson who has rejoined the club.



## **A Little Round of Applause, Please**

Well if you missed this, you missed the debut of Sally Wallace on the piano. While she did a brilliant job with her version of “Happy Birthday”; the singers needed some practice. Approaching the piano, in her makeshift tails, she, with all the pomp of a rising Liberace, played away. The group in B-flat, sang to the celebrants of March birthdays. They are: Elaine Bailey on March 4. We gave her an amazing party at the Garage Sale. And, even tho’ Frances Padgett celebrates on March 14, we took that opportunity to honor her also. Who said Garage Sales aren’t fun? Others with March birthdays are Ann Bissett, Donna Martin, Margaret Youngblood, and Judi Blan. Many happy returns of the day !

## **NOW, ABOUT THAT GARAGE SALE...**

A big thank you to all who helped in any way to make this sale a huge success. Roberta Elkins, the Project Manager, did an amazing job with all the arrangements, placement of items (thousands, I would say), organizing the workers, and managing the five day affair with the aplomb of a CEO. We are all so proud of her. The sale got a rough start because of the chilly rain on Friday, but we did sell a lot and although the second day was beautiful, we competed with an estate sale down the road, a community sale in Clifton and garage sales all throughout Arlington. So, even with that we met our goal and more. Sally Wallace manned the kitchen and we ate very well, keeping up our strength. Edna Bishop, the door-keeper ran a Bake Sale in front of the Kitchen doors. We kidded her about being the Toll (or Troll) keeping Sally safely in the confines of the kitchen. Again, thanks to everyone, whether you bought, sold, came, donated, or prayed for us.

## **DISTRICT BLUE RIBBONS**

The District Arts and Crafts awards were given out at the District Meeting in Fernandina Beach. There were three professional judges and they scrutinized each and every piece and there were many entries. We received two blue ribbons, one was Deborah Holton’s beautiful hand made quilt. It also won a Director’s Choice Award. The other blue ribbon was for embroidered pillow cases by Sylvia Millard. Judi Blan also won a Director’s Choice award for her beautiful table cover. There were a number of second place ribbons in our group. Thank to everyone who entered.

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## To Our Members

This month, we have so many members out with illness or injury, that we need all the prayers we can give, to get them healthy and healed again. Our dear friend, Kay Slaine is undergoing chemo and radiation for lung cancer. Please put her on the top of your list. She needs our prayers and support during this time.

We were so glad to see Jane LaBelle back with us after a head injury with stitches from a fall. Others out with fall injuries are Grace Thomas, and Virginia Solomon, Marilyn Feinberg is recovering from a hip fracture at the Atrium and her husband, Herb, is also there, needing dialysis treatments, Also, LaRoss Hulcher, always in our prayers is and will be on routine dialysis treatments, following renal surgery some time back. Susanne Branson is recovering from abdominal surgery. Bunny Wise and Barbara Hagadorn are both out with back problems. Louise Sikes and her husband have moved to the Atrium for assisted living. Pam Oglesby is back with us after having hand surgery. She still has pins in her fingers, but she is, in typical nurse style, keeping active.



## FIRST VICE PRESIDENT

Once again, Elaine Bailey has provided us with a wonderful program from the Riverkeepers Association. Our speaker was so enthusiastic about our St. Johns River, not only with its history, but with keeping it clean and free of pollutants. Their group is a private group and not attached to any political or government money. One of the things that we can do to help not pollute is to curb the use of too much water and fertilizer going down the storm drains—that goes right to the river. All that fertilizer causes an enormous growth of algae, which is full of toxins. This growth of algae has increased each year to an alarming rate. Kelly, our speaker, who holds degrees in environmental studies, said that unfortunately our treasured St. Augustine grass is a problem because it needs lots of water and lots of fertilizer, weed and insect killers. She suggested planting Bahia grass instead. Our next meeting will be our Birthday meeting. We celebrate this event each April. We will have a birthday cake, so you might want your covered dish not to be a dessert for April. The March covered dish lunch was soooooo good. We have amazing cooks.

## **Second Vice President**

After Sally's entertaining piano arrangement, she got down to the serious work of collecting for the March of Dimes. If you did not bring in your coin bank distributed last month, please bring it in, in April. Sally reminds us that there is another Sunday Luncheon scheduled for April 18th. As always, it takes 12 members to make this a success, so please let us know if you can help.

Please cancel the spaghetti dinner scheduled for March 25 and re-enter it on your calendar for May 27th at 6 p.m. Glenda Gordon is our hostess for April.

## **Third Vice President**

Edna Bishop has donated a beautiful quilt that she made. It took a second place at the District level competition last month. Chances are a dollar donation each and we will draw at the May meeting. There are only 300 chances available—going fast.

Lu Coberly offered to design our Artful Bra this year. She displayed it at the meeting. Her work beautifully conveys the hope that these bras will increase awareness of the importance of early detection of breast cancer. The Artful Bra's from each club are displayed at the Spring Convention and awards are given out.

## **Watch Out**

Please remember to bring in your old watch and a dollar. We would like to participate with GFWC in the American Mural Project. This is an enormous undertaking. Our watches represent the many hours of volunteerism given by the members of GFWC. It is a national project and you may read more about it on their web site [www.americanmuralproject.org](http://www.americanmuralproject.org) We will be collecting these watches for several months as we would like to have 100% participation. Your names will appear on a list of donors if you contribute. Please, no valuable or keepsake watches. Bunny Wise turned in several watches and you may adopt one on the extra watches for a dollar.

## **Sally Wallace is our Volunteer of the Year**

Sally has done an outstanding job this year and deserves our applause.

# MARCH 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
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27	28	29	30	31		

**March 1 - Executive Board Meeting at 10 a.m.**

**March 1- 3 Set up for Garage Sale**

**March 4-5 Garage Sale 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.**

**March 8 - General Club Meeting at 10:30 a.m.**

**March 11 - Daylight Saving Time Begins**

**March 17 - St. Patricks Day**

**March 24- Bridge Luncheon at 9:30 a.m.**



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## Vendor Fair

On April 9th, we will present our first ever Vendor Fair. Janice Combs, Project Manager, has gathered together some wonderful merchants to bring their wares to our Clubhouse from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, April 9th. These vendors will have the latest in fashion, jewelry, cooking, decorative items, crafts, cosmetics, and services, such as Dish Network®.

The vendors are from Pampered Chef, Avon, Satellite & Wireless Dish Network, Premier Jewelry, Willow Tree, Tastefully Simple, Purse Lady, our own members' craft offerings, our Club Cookbooks, pickles and more. We will also have on display, a beautiful quilt made and designed by Edna Bishop. She has donated this quilt to the Club and we will raffle it off at our Club Meeting in May. You may get a chance for a \$1.00 donation.

Please mark your Calendars now and plan to come. You will have a good time, we promise.  
- The Editor

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