



September 2017

VINTAGE to VOGUE

Shirley's Corner

Dear Members and Prospective Members,

I am so excited my term as President is off to an energetic start. Our legacy year is looking great! The August General Meeting at the Cherokee Town Club was very exciting and included one of many skits that will be performed to promote our annual event.

We had numerous requests for room reservations at Chateau Elan, so we secured a block of rooms with a discounted room rate for our **Vintage2Vogue** ball on March 24, 2018. If you weren't able to sign the room sheet at the General Meeting and would like to reserve one of the discounted rooms please contact Linda Bagley our Ball Chair and she will add you to the list at linda@4yes.com.

Hopefully everyone has mailed in their completed membership form and dues. If you haven't, please do so promptly. You can also download a form and pay your dues online at <http://www.circle4children.org/membership.html>

The Membership Directory is being updated. If you have not submitted a photo of yourself to appear with your listing or would like to update your photo, please email it to Dolly Fehd at dfehd@devereux.org.

A reminder to all that New Member applications should be sent to Janie Kissling by the first week in September to ensure they are invited to the spectacular New Member Party. New Members can also sign up online.

I am always surprised when I meet someone who hasn't heard of The Circle for Children. The Circle was established in 1927 right here in Georgia. We all know ladies who are gifted that could add much to our group. Invite them to join us and share their strengths and talents to help the needy, abused and at-risk children in Georgia.



Love to all,

Shirley Jones, President

Important Dates

Executive Board Meeting

Hosted at the home of
Heather Rees
6:00 p.m.

Wednesday, September 13

Cocktails in the Garden

Meet in lobby of the
Atlanta Botanical Garden
1345 Piedmont Avenue
Atlanta, GA

\$21.95 at the door

7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Thursday, September 14

New Member Party

Hosted at the home of
Chris Cashman

5:30 p.m.

Sunday October 1

New Member Orientation

Hosted at the home of
Ginny Haddock

6:30 p.m.

Monday, October 16

Executive Board Meeting

Hosted at the home of
Tricia Leuallen

10:00 a.m.

Tuesday, October 17

Wine Night at Vinoteca

299 North Highland Ave.
Atlanta, GA

\$15 at the door

Attendance capped at
eighteen members

RSVP to Heather Rees

heatherrees27@gmail.com

7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Wednesday, October 18

Trip to Tallulah Falls School

More details to come

Tuesday, November, 7

Charity Golf Tournament and Vintage2Vogue Ball

Chateau Elan Resort & Winery

Saturday, March 24

A Message from Ball Chair, Linda Bagley



We are getting off to a running start! I'm so excited about our recent General Meeting and all the excitement Circle members expressed about the **Vintage2Vogue** ball. We have a big job and I'm working on reaching out to all of you who have expressed an interest in helping to plan the ball. If you haven't heard from me and you are interested in helping please email me at linda@4yes.com.

This year the format of the ball will be different. We are planning a weekend experience. You'll have an option to participate in a golf tournament, the ball which will include a gourmet meal, dancing, silent auction and a casino! You'll have the option to stay overnight in a luxury suite. If you don't want to spend the night, we will have a transportation option available if members desire group transportation to and from the event. Uber even runs from Chateau Elan.

Want to bring the kiddos along for the weekend? If there is enough interest, we can plan a babysitting service at the hotel.

WE WANT YOU TO COME!!!

I challenge each and every one of you to:

Invite Your Friends – Fill a Table – Secure an Event Sponsor

If each one of us does this, imagine the money we will raise for the needy children of Georgia this year!

The silent auction accounts for the majority of funds raised at the ball. We are looking for high end auction items and unique experiences. Be creative and reach out to your network. Do you know someone who could provide a ride in Formula One Race car? Do you know someone who could provide a behind the scenes tour of the new Mercedes Benz Stadium and box seats to a game? Let me know what you come up with. Your help is needed and everyone knows someone that can make an experience happen. Most unique experiences can be obtained by asking the right person. Think hard. Who do you know?

I will have the Sponsor and Auction forms done soon. I plan to hand them out at the next General Meeting. If you need the forms sooner please call me at 770-307-8433.

Remember the mission is NOT about US – It's about the KIDS!

Many Blessings,

Linda Bagley

**YOUR
CIRCLE
DUES ARE
DUE NOW**

Booking Your Hotel Room for Your Vintage2Vogue Experience



There has been an overwhelming response from Circle members for booking room nights at Chateau Elan for the 2018 Circle for Children Charity Golf Tournament and **Vintage2Vogue** ball.

We have negotiated a deeply discounted rate for our group. We are finalizing the contract. We will send out an email with the booking number you will need to use when you call Chateau Elan to book your room. The number is not in their system yet, so please don't call their reservation desk at this time.

There will be \$15 non-refundable deposit to reserve your room. The discounted rooms are available for our group to reserve on a first come, first served basis through December 2017. Another high-profile event is scheduled at the hotel for the same evening as **Vintage2Vogue**. We encourage you to reserve your room as soon as possible to ensure you get one.

| <u>ROOM</u> | <u>DISCOUNTED SINGLE RATE</u> |
|--------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Inn King | \$179 |
| Inn Double/Double | \$159 |
| Inn Suite | \$279 |

WINERY TOURS

If you are interested in a Winery Tour during your stay please contact Cellar Door Manager, Hope Calhoun at 678-425-6307 or hcalhoun@chateauelan.com

SPA

If you are interested in booking a spa treatment during your stay please contact Spa Coordinator, Erika Thomas at 678-425-6925.

Hotel check in is 4:00 p.m., however if the room is available you will be able to check in early. Check out time is 12:00 p.m.

If the need arises, rooms can be cancelled up to 72 hours in advance.

Scholarship Committee Kickoff

The kickoff for the Circle Scholarship Committee's school year was recently celebrated with a luncheon at Co-Chairman, Elizabeth Cooper's home.

Eight Scholarship Committee members attended the luncheon, including new committee members Mary Helen Harris and Marsha Brenner.

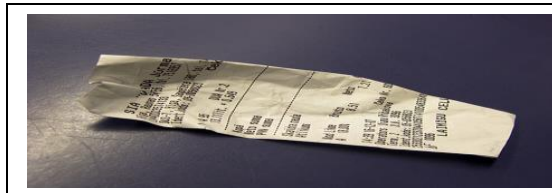
The committee discussed strategies for mentoring, hosting and cheering on our Circle Scholarship recipients who are attending colleges and universities throughout the state of Georgia this year.

The committee is also excited to share that over ten students at the Center for Children and Young Adults (CCYA) were on the Honor Roll at school last year.

The committee is hoping to receive some scholarship applications from these deserving students in the spring!



A REMINDER FROM FINANCE



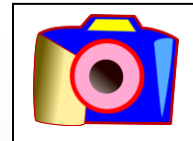
If you buy anything for the Circle that requires reimbursement, please [SAVE YOUR RECEIPTS](#).

In order to maintain the Circle's charity status with the IRS, we must have complete and correct documentation for all of our expenses.

Please use the Circle Disbursement Form to submit any qualifying expenses and receipts to the Treasurer. Circle Disbursement forms can be obtained from Finance Chair Danielle Hourett-Lam, Treasurer Cynthia Barr or Treasurer Cindy Formica.

One last reminder:

Please pay your Circle Dues in a timely manner!



Time to Submit Your Directory Photo

We're starting to put together the 2017/2018 Circle Directory. We would like to include photos of all of our members with their listing. You are welcome to update your photo from last year or submit one for the first time.

Please send a selfie/headshot of yourself to Dolly Fehd at DFEHD@Devereux.org or text the photo to 770-861-7107. Please include your name so we can ensure your photo is featured next to the correct contact information in the directory.

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

- To clarify, Circle Junior Membership dues are available to those ladies who are ages 21 – 35.
- The Membership Committee members are:

Chairman

New Member Party Chair

New Member Orientation Chair

Database Chair

Junior Membership Chair

Janie Kissling

Cathy Haire

Beth Ferguson

Rita Robb Furness

Elizabeth Stuk

Julia Davis

Nicole Lamontagne

- Emeritus Membership is a new category of membership that pays no dues. You can nominate someone for Emeritus Membership by contacting Janie Kissling janie.kissling@gmail.com. To qualify for Emeritus Membership the Circle member will have had to be very active in the Circle and fit into one of two categories. The member has to either have health problems that prevent them from coming to events or has moved out of the area. Emeritus Members do not have voting privileges. Emeritus Membership replaces what was previously referred to as Lifetime Membership.

- **NEW MEMBER PARTY – Sunday, October 1**

This party is a wonderful way to welcome new members to the Circle family. This evening will give New Members an introduction to the roots and goals of the Circle through the years as well as an opportunity to bond with their Circle sponsor and members of the Executive Board. Spouses and significant others are welcome to attend. Look for your invitation in the mail if you are a New Member, the sponsor of a New Member or a designated Board Member. Chris Cashman and her husband Jeff will be our gracious hosts for the evening at their home in Marietta, Georgia.

- **NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION – Monday, October 16**

New Member Orientation is a great opportunity for New Members to socialize and learn about all the different committees and volunteer opportunities the Circle offers. Ginny Haddock will graciously host the evening at her home in Marietta Georgia.

- **TRIP TO TALLULAH FALLS SCHOOL – Tuesday, November 7**

The founding of the Tallulah Falls Schools is where the Circle for Children got its start back in 1927. This annual pilgrimage back to our roots is always a favorite among New Members. Tour the school, enjoy a meal with the school President and learn how the Circle is involved in offering college scholarships to qualifying graduates to help them pursue a college education.



Join the Circle for Children for

*cocktails in the
garden*

SEPTEMBER 14, 2017 FROM 7:00-9:00 PM

**THE ATLANTA BOTANICAL GARDENS
1345 PIEDMONT AVENUE ATLANTA, GA 30309**

\$21.95 AT THE DOOR

Meet in the main atrium at 7:00-7:15 and we'll walk
the Garden as a group.

THE CIRCLE FOR CHILDREN MEMBER SOCIAL

WINE TASTING



OCTOBER 18

7PM - 9PM

Vinoteca - 299 North Highland Avenue - Atlanta
Limited to the first eighteen members who
RSVP to Heather Rees at heatherrees27@gmail.com

\$15 at the door - Enjoy three pours of three different wines
Feel free to bring an appetizer to share with the group

Junior Member Served Ice Cream and Smiles at CCYA



Circle Junior Members put on a wonderful Ice Cream Social at CCYA in August. They served ice cream to 35 kids and the staff at CCYA. The ice cream sundaes were such a hit some of the kids came back for seconds.

Pictured above L to R: Katherine Holland, Cara Buese, Sarah Dobson, Nicole LaMontagne, Marissa Crowe, Lucy Dorris, Julia Davis
Not pictured: Elizabeth Stepenson.

Inspiration Shared by Kimberly Johnson at the General Meeting

Fredrick Douglas said, "It is easier to build strong children than to repair broken men."

Have you heard of the butterfly effect? The phenomenon whereby a minute localized change in a complex system can have large effects elsewhere. Here is one example of how a minor change can have lasting effects from the book, [The Butterfly Effect](#).

There was a couple that did everything to save their friend and child from Quantrill's Raiders in 1864 and although they couldn't save the friend, the husband traded their only horse from the farm for one small child, naked, cold and half dead. The farmer, Moses, placed that child inside his own shirt and coat to warm him and walked all night and into the next morning to get the child to his wife Susan,

They committed to that tiny human being and to each other that they would care for and educate him in his mother's honor. And that's how Moses and Susan Carver, flapping their butterfly wings, came to raise George Washington Carver. Through the years George Washington Carver grew in his faith and became a prominent scientist and inventor, developing 266 things from the peanut and 88 things from the sweet potato that we still use today.

He flapped his wing a couple of times with his college professor's six year old boy, Henry, who would go on botanical expeditions with him. George Washington Carver instilled in Henry a love for God's creation, a love for plants and a vision for what they could do for humanity.

That six-year-old, Henry Wallace flapped his butterfly wings, became Secretary of Agriculture and then Vice President of the United States under Roosevelt. During that time, he created a station in Mexico whose sole purpose was to hybridize corn and wheat for arid climates. Henry Wallace hired a young man, Norman Borlaug to run the station and his work allowed crops to grow in the dust bowls of Africa, our own Southwest desert, South and Central America, the plains of Siberia and across Europe and Asia. Norman flapped his butterfly wings and over 2 billion lives have been saved from famine by his work.

All this and much more from one couple reaching out to rescue one small child.

What will happen when flap your butterfly wings? What effect will you have on a young boy or young girl still in the beginning of their lives, from one of the organizations that benefit from The Circle for Children? What will your kindness, your care, your donations, your time, your unconditional love provide for these children? By your hand lives will be altered, caught up in a chain of events begun by you today. You have the power to change the lives of the children we support.

I'll end with a quote from Jane Austen. "It isn't what we say or think that defines us, but what we do."



Kroger Community Rewards will donate
a portion of your grocery purchase total to
The Circle for Children
(This is free money to the Circle)

To register your Kroger Card for the first time or to re-
register your card annually:
Go to: The Kroger Co. – About Kroger
Scroll down to: Community Rewards (tap on)
Create an Account – Set up an account or sign in to
your account
Scroll Down: Re-Enroll Now
Here you can name The Circle for Children
OR Edit your Organization Name and make a change
ORGANIZATION NUMBER 33533

If you have a problem, please call
Betts Fisher at 770-363-8461



If you take photos of a Circle event please share them with Julia Davis. She will post them on the Circle social media and website.

Email your photos to:
julialeedavis@gmail.com or you
can text photos to
404-386-7151.

★HAPPY★
BIRTHDAY!

Wishing you a wonderful year!

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| Anne Wallis | September 9 |
| Patricia Quinn | September 13 |
| Dottie Rachels | September 16 |
| Maureen Olson | September 18 |
| Elizabeth Stephenson | September 26 |
| Becky Calvert | September 28 |
| Julie Mendenhall | September 29 |

[The Art of Communication](#)

Please send Tricia Leuallen your announcements of births, loss of loved ones, outstanding events, or illnesses. Please include the individual's address so I can send the appropriate correspondence.

If you have newsworthy events, please forward your information to me so I can quickly respond and send appropriate items out to members.

[Giving Heart Fund](#)

Can't think of a gift for a friend? Consider the Giving Heart Fund. It is a donation to The Circle for Children in memory or in honor of someone. Please contact Tricia Leuallen if you would like to donate.

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