



Steel Magnolias

January 2019

President's Corner

Circle Members,

We are so excited about The Circle for Children entering 2019. The longer we serve on the board, the more we realize the great impact The Circle makes on Georgia's needy children.

Our members are energetic, smart, hard-working, generous and devoted to helping children. We are guided by our mission, which ensures that our decisions and programs are consistent with our core values. We are a community of philanthropic women who care about one another, about children, and about a loving, kind and blessed future for all children.

We're very excited about 2019! We are focusing on our main fundraiser, Derby Day, on May 4th. In addition, we will have fun social activities and amazing General Meetings for you to attend.

We continue our efforts to be the best we can be as we partner with children's non-profits to produce resources, monetary support and hands-on relationships. We strive to broaden our social media and community presence in order for more people to learn about The Circle and join our mission.

We hope that this new year prompts many of you to get more involved. Whether you choose serving on our Board and committees or getting involved in our hands-on outreach activities, there are many ways, large and small to help and support The Circle.



Sally Davis, Heather Rees and Julia Davis Barwick

Presidential Committee, The Circle for Children

Important Dates

Executive Board Meeting

Hosted by Sally Davis
6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, January 16th

General Meeting

At Indian Hills Country Club
10:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Wednesday, January 23rd

Junior Member Social:

Candle Making at Candlefish
7:00 p.m.

Monday, February 4th

Circle Member Social

Painting at Painting with a Twist

Sandy Springs location
7 p.m. – 9 p.m.

Tuesday, February 26th

Bourbon and Baubles Kentucky Derby Viewing Party Fundraiser

Saturday, May 4th

*The Circle for Children's
General Meeting
& Nominating Election*

January 23, 2019
10:30–1:30
Indian Hills Country Club
4001 Clubland Drive
Marietta, GA 30068

\$35 per person
thecircle4children.org or
mail check to:
Betts Fisher, 3681 Bays Ferry Way,
Marietta, GA 20062

RSVP by January 10th

Junior Member Social at CANDLEFISH



Junior Members join us for a fun evening crafting your own custom candle in a private class at CANDLEFISH

Monday, February 4th
7 p.m.

CANDLEFISH at Ponce City Market

\$53/person payable to Circle Junior Social Chair, Cara Buese via
Venmo @carabuese

If you don't have Venmo please email Cara to arrange payment
cara.buese@gmail.com

The class is limited to the first fourteen ladies who pay, so reserve your spot today. This is a super fun class. Find out more at the link below:
<https://www.candlefish.com/collections/atlanta-workshops/products/atlanta-february-2019-byob-candle->

Circle Member Social

at



Tuesday, February 26th
7 p.m. – 9 p.m.
Painting with a Twist
6780 Roswell Road #D-120
Sandy Springs, GA

Join your Circle friends at a paint and sip style studio and create your own 16 x 20 canvas, led by talented instructors, all while enjoying libations and light bites.

\$36.50 per person and the best part . . .

Painting with a Twist will donate a portion of the proceeds back to The Circle for Children.

You can pay \$36.50 (includes credit card processing fee) online at
<https://circle4children.weebly.com/payment.html>

Or if you prefer you can mail a check for \$35.00 made out to The Circle for Children to:
Elaine LaMontagne
5421 Beau Reve Park
Marietta, GA 30068

Payment Deadline: February 15th

Let's have a great showing and unleash our artistic talents. Guests of members are absolutely welcome!

Long Range Planning Update



Circle Long Range Planning members Rita Robb Furness, Kim Sherk, and Betts Fisher met and toured the MDE School in East Cobb to learn about how the school provides education and social skills training to children with special needs.

Scholarship Update

Scholarship recipient Ashley Kemp continues her studies with excellent grades at the **University of North Georgia** in Dahlonega.

Her Scholarship Liaison, Cathy Haire says Ashley is a sweet young lady and an ambitious student.

Ashley is planning to attend medical school at Augusta University in 2021. She currently is majoring in chemistry and added biochemistry as a minor this year. She said she enjoyed spending time with family and friends at her home in Clarksville, Georgia over the holidays.

Keep up the good work Ashley!



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PHOTOS

Circle members got into the holiday spirit having lunch and then attending the Marietta Pilgrimage Christmas Home Tour together and attending the annual Circle Holiday Party hosted at the beautiful home of Donna and Fred Aycock.





Do you shop on Amazon? If yes, it is easy to support the Circle for Children with each purchase.

What is Amazon Smile?

Amazon Smile is a simple and automatic way for you to support the Circle for Children every time you shop, at no cost to you. When you shop at **smile.amazon.com**, you'll find the exact same low prices and vast selection as Amazon.com, with the added bonus that Amazon will donate 0.5% of eligible purchases to the Circle.

Smile.amazon.com uses your current Amazon account.

How Do I Get Started?

On your Computer:

You can click on this link, <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/58-6038374> or, On your first visit to smile.amazon.com, you will be asked to select a charity. Type in: **The Circle for Children**. Click "select" box next to it. Click "agree", to confirm you *must use smile.amazon.com every time you make a purchase in order for the Circle to receive funds.*

On your iPhone:

- 1) If you have the Amazon app., delete it. It will not delete your account.
- 2) Click on the Safari app. Go to **smile.amazon.com**
- 3) Click the share button icon at bottom of the screen. Scroll until you see "add to home screen" icon. It will add the link as an app on your home screen. Next time just click the Amazon icon app.



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If you were unable to attend the Circle for Children Character 5K Race you can still buy a shirt. They are long sleeve white wicking athletic shirts.

The shirts are \$10 each and you can Venmo or PayPal Heather Rees or mail her a check

Heather Rees
4461 Club Lake Circle SE
Marietta, GA 30067

The shirts will be mailed to you.

Please [CLICK HERE](#) to see the sizes that are available.

NEWSLETTER ADS FOR CIRCLE MEMBERS \$25, NON-MEMBERS \$50

Do you have a business or service you want to tell your fellow Circle members about? You can now place an ad in our monthly e-newsletter and let everyone know all about what you do outside your "Circle Time." It's a win-win! You can reach a customer base that wants to support their fellow Circle members and the Circle raises money to help the needy children of Georgia.

Quarter page ads are offered at a monthly rate of \$25. Advertise for one month or the whole year. It's up to you.

- Ads are due to Beth Mooney at thecircle4children@gmail.com by the 20th of the month for publish in the newsletter sent on the first of the following month. For Example: To advertise in the February newsletter please submit your ad by January 20th.
- Ads must be Quarter page ads (3.625w x 4.55h)
- JPEG format
- Pay for your ad at the Circle website: <http://www.circle4children.org/payment.html>
- If you have any questions please contact Beth Mooney, Circle Newsletter Editor at 404-502-0819



**Kroger Community Rewards will donate a portion of your grocery purchase total to
The Circle for Children**

Please sign up for a Kroger Card the next time you're grocery shopping and link it to The Circle for Children.

To link your Kroger card, go to www.kroger.com and enter our number 33533. You can also call Kroger at 1-800-562-4438 and they will sign you up over the phone.

The Membership Directory is Now Available Online

Our annual directory is a great way to keep in touch with Circle friends, but it is a moving target with members moving, changing emails and phone numbers throughout the year. A printed directory cannot be updated real time.

That's why we are now making the Membership Directory available to members online at our website thecircle4children.org
The PASSWORD is: SteelMagnolias

Please safeguard the directory password. It should not be shared with non-Circle members.

DON'T BE CAMERA SHY

When you fill out your online Membership Form this year please upload a photo of yourself we can include in the directory. The helps new members put a beautiful face with a name. If you are mailing in your Membership Form instead of submitting it online, you can email your name and photo to Dolly Fehd (770-861-7107) to have it included in the directory or text it to her at 770-861-7107



Saturday, May 4, 2019

The Circle for Children
"Bourbon and Baubles"
Kentucky Derby Viewing Party Fundraiser
(This is in lieu of our annual gala)

If you are interested in joining the planning committee for this festive event please contact Tricia Leuallen: tlevallen@yahoo.com

CIRCLE CORRESPONDENCE

★HAPPY★
BIRTHDAY!

Wishing you a wonderful year!

Maureen Lok	January 1
Susan Harvin	January 3
Sandra Dye	January 4
Elisabeth "EB" Jackson	January 4
Nicole LaMontagne	January 6
Kathryn Stanley	January 8
Lisa Krueger	January 11
Nancy Garfinkel	January 13
Dolly Norton	January 15
Ginny Haddock	January 15
Sally Davis	January 20
Ginny Wolf	January 26
Bridget Conner	January 29
Patricia Iaffaidano	January 31

The Art of Communication

Please send Jan Giles pjgiles1@att.net your announcements of births, loss of loved ones, outstanding events, or illnesses. Please include the individual's address so she can send the appropriate correspondence. Also, please indicate if that information should be posted in the newsletter

Circle Celebration Fund

Can't think of a gift for a friend? Consider the Circle Celebration Fund. It is a donation to The Circle for Children in memory or in honor of someone. A lovely acknowledgement will be sent to the honoree informing them of the donation you made in honor of them. Please contact Jan Giles if you would like to donate.

Jan Giles
678-733-2705
Pjgiles1@att.net

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to our very own Kim Sherk who was recently named the 2019 President of the Cobb County Republican Women's Club.

No matter what our individual political affiliations are, we are always proud of our members who are leaders in the community.

