

July/August 2017

VINTAGE to VOGUE

Shírley's Corner

Dear Circle Members,

It is an exciting time to be with the Circle for Children as we celebrate our legacy. We are moving forward with the Circle mission by sponsoring a new charity, Wellspring Living. This has created new interest in our membership. New members wanting involvement with our Circle is very inspiring and creates vision and hope for our future outreach.

You will be receiving the President's Packet in the mail shortly, Membership forms are included. Please return your Membership forms ASAP. If you would like to have a President's packet mailed to a someone you would like to sponsor as a way to introduce them to the Circle, please contact Janie Kissling (janie.kissling@gmail.com) with the prospective members mailing information.

Working together is success and keeping together is progress. Let's all unite and make this the best year ever for the Circle!



Love to all,

Shirley Jones, President



Lieutenant Governor of Georgia, Casey Cagle, to Serve as Honorary Ball Chair

We are excited to announce that Lieutenant Governor of Georgia, Casey Cagle, will serve as Honorary Ball Chair for The Circle for Children 2018 fundraising ball "Vintage to Vogue."

A successful entrepreneur and respected former State Senator, Cagle made history in 2006 by becoming the first Republican elected to Georgia's second highest office, Lieutenant Governor. Georgia voters overwhelming re-elected Cagle as Lieutenant Governor in 2010 and 2014.

Cagle's family has called Georgia home for seven generations. His leadership has been recognized beyond the state of Georgia as well. After being named one of the "100 Most Influential Georgians," Cagle was one of only four public servants in the country to be honored by the National Alliance for Public Charter Schools with the Champion for Charters Award.

BALL CHAIR NEWS

I hope everyone is having an exciting summer and enjoying all the blessings it brings – beautiful flowers, singing frogs, laughing children, lightning bugs, and my favorite, VACATION. Now that I've had mine, I need to get back to work!

We have scheduled the first meeting to discuss ideas for the upcoming "Vintage 2 Vogue" ball for <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>August 15th from 11:30</u> – 1:30 at the Atlanta Country Club in Marietta GA.

If you would like to share your talents please join us for the kick off meeting. Please email me to let me know you are planning to attend at <u>linda@youreventsolution.com</u>. We are especially looking for people to help with the auction, golf tournament, casino, ball tickets and more.

I hope everyone is excited about "Vintage 2 Vogue" as I am. We will raise money for the needy children of Georgia and have a little FUN along the way. I hope that you will join me and bring your enthusiasm and skills. We need your help.

Keep your emails coming. I love hearing from you and look forward to working with you and getting to know you all.

Many Blessings,

Linda Bagley Ball Chair

Important Dates

Executive Board Meeting

Hosted by Shirley Jones 2442 Ballantrae Circle Cumming, GA 678-776-2000 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, August 9

"Vintage 2 Vogue" Ball Planning Meeting

All members welcome. RSVP to Linda Bagley <u>linda@youreventsolution.com</u> Atlanta Country Club 500 Atlanta Country Club Drive Marietta, GA 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. **Tuesday, August 15**

Summer General Meeting

Cherokee Town Club 155 West Paces Ferry Road, NW Atlanta, GA Purchase tickets online 10:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Wednesday, August 16

Junior Member Ice Cream Social with the Kids at CCYA Please RSVP to Nicole LaMontagne

n.e.lamontagne@gmail.com 7:30 p.m. Thursday, August 24

Membership Applications and Fees Due Friday, September 1

Circle Member Evening Social at the Atlanta Botanical Garden More details to come Thursday, September 14

Executive Board Meeting Location TBD 6:00 p.m. Wednesday, September 13

A Message from President-Elect, Lynn Thompson



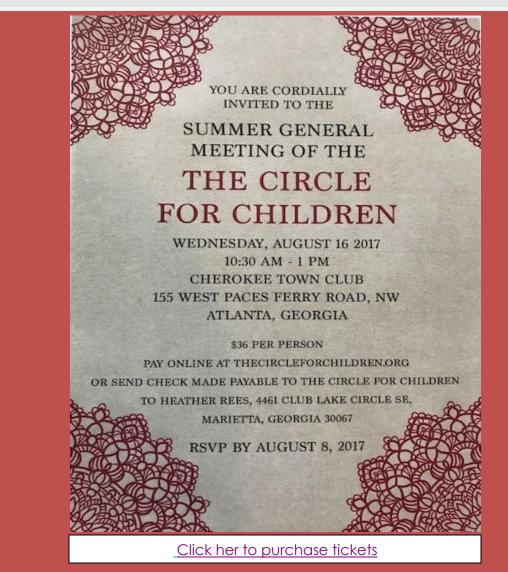
As President-Elect, I pledge to support the mission of the Circle for Children. I am looking forward to supporting incoming President, Shirley Jones and bringing progress to the children of Georgia. I will help support a new membership initiative aimed at increasing our membership in order to ensure the Circle will be a long-lasting organization of progressive women for many years to come

I've always been a "helping hand" and hope to continue to encourage young women to give of themselves to those who are less fortunate. Increased membership is a goal of mine for the Circle.

Warm Regards,

Lynn Thompson

Lynn has been a Circle member for 25 years. Through the years she has served on the ball and membership committees and was the meeting planner for two past presidents. She has been very active in charity liaison projects, especially the Circle "Fairy Godmothers" work at the Center for Children and Young Adults (CCYA).



Membership News

Deadline for Membership Applications – September 1

Consider who you know that would be a wonderful addition to the Circle for Children. Do you know someone who has passion, empathy, determination and talent? Sponsor her this fall. If you have someone in mind contact Jane Kissling, Vice President Membership, to have a Membership Packet mailed to your potential member. Janie can be reached at Janie.kissling@gmail.com

Be on the lookout for emails and mailings directing you to complete your membership form and pay your annual dues. We will be offering online as well as mail in payment options.

We have scheduled the following dates for New Member activities:

New Member Party	October 1, 2017
New Member Orientation	October 24, 2017
Trip to Tallulah Falls School	November 1, 2017

We are happy to welcome the following New Members to the Circle:

Lisa Fuller – Lisa is sponsored by Shirley Jones. She is a realtor with Atlanta Fine Homes. Her volunteer and social affiliations include the Atlanta History Center, Atlanta Humane Society and Atlanta Ballet. We are excited to have Lisa use her talents for our organization.

Virginia "Ginny" Haddock – Ginny is sponsored by Martha Bechtel and Rita Robb Furness. Ginny enjoys gardening, travel, church and antiquing. She enjoyed her former career as a realtor. Ginny would like to help the Circle with membership, social event and charity outreach. Welcome Ginny!

Deborah Jones – Debby is sponsored by Shirley Jones. She is an artist representative. Her interests include the arts, traveling, gardening, volunteering, church and tennis. Debby would like to help the Circle with social events and charity outreach.





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 <u>DFEHD@Devereux.org</u> 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. 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.



At the Center for Children and Young Adults (CCYA) "Believe to Achieve" Awards Luncheon, Joshua Elias received a Circle for Children Scholarship Certificate and a commemorative plaque from Elizabeth Cooper, Co-Chair of the Scholarship Committee. Joshua, who will be attending Reinhardt University, gave a wonderful speech at the luncheon, demonstrating once again why he is such a deserving recipient of the Circle's support. The Scholarship Committee will keep up with and mentor all the scholarship recipients this school year as they continue their studies at colleges and universities in Georgia.



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.c om or you can text photos to 404-386-7151.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Wishing you a wonderful year!

Claudia Turner Cindi Formica Donna Johnson Kimberly Johnson Donna Aycock Elizabeth Cooper Donna Brown Dory Boyer July 2 July 15 July 19 July 25 August 2 August 8 August 11 August 22

In Loving Memory

It is with a heavy heart that we inform you of the passing of our very own Evanne Letson Brock. She passed away peacefully on Saturday, June 24, 2017. She was surrounded by her family.

Sympathy cards can be sent to her home and family at: 1689 Ashebark Court Marietta, GA 30068

The Art of Communication

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

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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