

connection

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Letter from the President

Dear EUWC friends,

We have had summer travels, family time, and rest. Surely you are as excited as I am to return to the Club where a socially and intellectually stimulating EUWC calendar awaits you.

Last spring and through the summer, Past-President Judy Michna and I worked to strengthen our ties with the University administration. We are now aligned with the Office of Alumni and Constituent Engagement which has been wonderful in streamlining business processes. This led to a relationship with Kevin Kell, Associate Director of Alumni Engagement, who is responsible for outreach to Emory's alumni population age 60+. Kevin will let us know about upcoming events on relevant topics, most of which will be virtual. You should have received an email invitation recently to a virtual event on writing your will. Be expecting something every few months. Do take advantage of these opportunities.

Our annual Fall Welcome is September 19 and is hosted by Carmel Fenves, wife of Emory President Gregory Fenves, at their lovely home, Lullwater House. Last year she made us feel so very welcome and shared her experiences as 'First Lady'. Carmel is a gracious hostess and made a point to speak with people at each table. Space is limited at this event, so be sure to RSVP by September 11. This is a wonderful opportunity to invite a friend and introduce them to EUWC. This is also a chance to welcome our scholarship and fellowship recipients and University staff who will attend.

Looking forward to seeing you and getting to know you better.

Your President, **Alma Owens**



Emory University Woman's Club
Cordially invites you to the
Annual Fall Welcome Luncheon
Hosted by Carmel Fenves at Lullwater House
Home of President Gregory and Carmel Fenves
1463 Clifton Road, Atlanta Georgia 30329
September 19, 11:00 am - 2:00 pm
Valet parking provided

RSVP by September 11 to <u>mmcatherwood@gmail.com</u> RSVP names needed for entry to Lullwater

Note: This typically is one of our most well attended meetings. If you sign up and then are not able to attend, please contact Martha Catherwood so that someone on the waiting list can take your place.

SAVE THE DATE!!! Scrumptious Saturday – October 7

Mark your calendars for our first social get-together of the year. Join us for Scrumptious Saturday on October 7 from 11-2 at 5705 Whitehall Walk in Dunwoody, hosted by Dee Zesiger. Plan to bring friends who might enjoy making new friends and learning more about what this great organization offers. Watch your email for further information in September.

DO IT NOW!!!

Get a jump on our first program! Subscribe to **Arts Atlanta**, a news service that keeps you up to date on arts opportunities in Atlanta. Simply Google artsatl.org and scroll all the way to the bottom. Click on "Subscribe" and you're in. Patti Siegel, Executive Director, will speak to us in October, and you'll be ready for her by already receiving information about the coming season.

Standing Committee Positions Available

EUWC has a great team of women who volunteer their time to make the club what it is today. Would you like to volunteer? We have three open standing committee positions that need to be filled for the upcoming year — Achievement Award, Graduate Fellowship, and Scholarships. If you would be interested in helping with one of these positions, please email Alma Owens at alma@owensemail.com.

EUWC Hostess Opportunities!

Patty Higgins and Bonnie Schaude are looking forward to serving as your hostess leaders this year! Please consider signing up to hostess at one of our meetings, enhancing our social experience with light refreshments. Refreshments can be very simple. Some suggestions might be a fruit or cheese tray, mini muffins, coffee cakes and cookies. Food can be homemade or purchased. All beverages, cream, sweeteners, napkins, cups and saucers, plates, utensils and tablecloths are provided by HMH. Please look for the sign up email requesting your top three dates to serve as a hostess. We are seeking three hostesses for each meeting.

Dates requested: October 24 February 27

November 14 March 26 January 30 April 23

If you have any questions, please contact hostess leaders:

Patty Higgins 678 910-4639; pattyhiggins@bellsouth.net

Bonnie Schaude 404 863-0717 bschaude@att.net

Corresponding Secretary Request

Do you know of a member who is ill? Injured? In need of a little cheering up? Death in a member's family? Please contact Teri Hopkin so that she may correspond with them on behalf of the membership. Phone or text Teri at 404-617-5172 or email at thopkin@aol.com.

Fall Welcome for You and Your Friends!

We are excited to resume our EUWC activities with a very special invitation to lunch at Lullwater from Carmel Fenves, wife of Emory's President, Gregory Fenves. Come join us September 19, 2023, from 11-2, and bring friends who might be interested in enjoying the pleasures of EUWC membership. Remember, there's no need to have an Emory affiliation, just an interest in Emory and the wider community.

Please RSVP quickly to Martha Catherwood, since space is limited, and it's first come, first served. Note the firm deadline of September 11. Email your RSVP with all names of who will attend to Martha at mmcatherwood@gmail.com. All names are required for entry into Lullwater Estate.

This is the perfect time for you to pay your \$20 dues for the coming year. Please bring cash or your check, *made out in advance to EUWC*. No credit cards please. Our 2023-24 Yearbook (including Directory) will be available at sign-in!

So please come join the fun, and plan to renew old and make new friendships! (Masks are always optional.)

ATTIC BRIGADE UPDATE



After the radiator explosion last Spring, this is what has happened in the attic. All files and memorabilia were safely rescued and are housed in Judy Michna's basement. All personnel files from the restaurant days have been safely shredded. The furniture was not removed but is covered up and protected. The appearance of the space is not very appealing, as you can see in the photo at left.

The next step in this process is to get all materials sorted, containerized, and labeled. We are also working with Emory Conference Center to do some cleanup of the attic. After that, we will be working with Emory archivist John Bence to decide what goes to Emory archives and what goes to the attic.

Friday Morning Book Club



On September 22 we will have our first gathering of the 2023-2024 year to discuss *Demon Copperhead* by Barbara Kingsolver from 10-12. There is room for new members.

For any questions contact Margaret Foust at 404-633-9932 or margaretfoust@yahoo.com.

First Thursday PM Book Club

Our first Fall meeting will be Thursday, September 7 at 1:00 pm. Weather permitting, we'll meet outside to discuss *There's Nothing For You Here* by Fiona Hill, led by Joanie Edmondson.

At our October 5 session we'll savor the writing of John Steinbeck's *Travels With Charley*, discussion to be led by Nancy Halsema.

For information or interest in our Book Club, contact Joanie E. at 404-325-1432.

Member Spotlight

One of the benefits of being a member of EUWC is the opportunity to meet new people with diverse backgrounds and interests. In an effort to help members get to know more about each other, we are including a short bio on various members in the newsletter each month. If you would like to be included in a future newsletter, please send a short writeup about yourself to Becky Conover at bky0612@gmail.com.



Missy Cody

I am called "Missy" (friends), "Mildred" (people who don't know me), Dr. Cody (former students and colleagues who cannot break the habit), "Mom" (daughters), GG (Georgia Grandma, grandchildren), and "Mrs. Cody" (my daughters' friends and some people who contact me for various things). That sums up much of my life — wife; mother; grandmother; friend; former faculty member at NYU, Clemson and Georgia State; Girl Scout leader; and registered dietitian. I have served as a science advisor to the FDA, a technical advisor to FAO and WHO, chair of the UN's World Food Day Teleconference for college campuses; chair of the University System of Georgia's Retiree Council; and chair of a national, nonpartisan healthcare-related PAC. My favorite pastimes are reading, anything to do with textiles, and playing word games and card games.

Becky Conover

After retiring in 2021 from a technology job in the financial services industry, I embraced the opportunity to explore new things. Lifelong learning through OLLI at Emory was a great way to pursue a variety of interests. I have taken courses ranging from learning to play the ukulele to jazz history to the history of the Supreme Court. I became a member of EUWC via an OLLI connection — I met Jackie Walker on an OLLI trip to Cuba, and she later invited me to the holiday luncheon at Lullwater. Practicing yoga teaches me so much about life and keeps me centered, and volunteering with cat socialization at PAWS Atlanta brings me great joy. I enjoy music, good books and movies, theater, travel, food, and fun with friends and family. Last year brought some exciting firsts — my husband and I moved ITP for the first time after many years in the Gwinnett county suburbs, and we welcomed our first grandchild.

Alma Owens

In spite of having lived in Georgia for 50+ years, I hold on to my Tennessee heritage. I grew up on a dairy farm, the oldest of 4, and elementary school was a three-room schoolhouse. I learned to drive on a tractor with 8 forward gears and 5 reverse. Since retirement in 2014, my husband says "Alma goes clubbing—book club, garden club, woman's club, church stuff." I enjoy having dinner guests, gardening, sewing, and reading. Ron and I are proud parents of two and doting grandparents of four. I have an undergraduate degree from Middle Tennessee State University and a Masters from Vanderbilt University in Speech Pathology. From 1982 – 2014 I was a speech pathologist at Emory University Hospital and at the Rehabilitation Center.

Member Spotlight (continued)

Judy Michna

Raised in the South Texas town of Woodsboro, population 1800, Judy Michna and her family were known by virtually everyone in the farming community where her uncle was the cotton ginner and her dad ran a country store, a drive-in hamburger shop, and a beer hall. She graduated from a high school class of just 50 people. Then it was off to the University of Texas in Austin where she earned a BA and MA in American literature. She followed her fiancé to Emory in Atlanta, where she married and began a college teaching career at Perimeter College, now Georgia State University. During the 70's she received her PhD from Georgia State. After instructing a rich amalgam of honors students, recent high school graduates, business professionals, international students, and moms-free-to-study-again, she retired to a "quiet life" of gardening and garden clubbing, helping nurture a grandson, reading the many volumes that she had set aside earlier, and studying her Texas family history. Shortly before she retired, she met Judi Shur, who enthusiastically introduced her to EUWC. That was the beginning of her love affair with this organization. Being a history enthusiast, she has enjoyed reading about and trying to preserve its 104 year old story. As a consequence, she finds herself knee-deep in old documents from the attic and pouring through Emory library records. Though there have been some harrowing times (explosions!), her experiences working with EUWC have been enormously rewarding.

Jackie Walker

I was invited to EUWC through my friendship and tennis partnership with member Vanessa Wardi. I was raised in Downers Grove, IL and moved with my family to Plantation, FL following high school. I settled in Atlanta following college graduations to my first job at Georgia Mental Health Institute in 1970. I married my husband, a graduate of the Emory Medical School and respected OB-GYN, in 1978. My "gifts with purchase" were four step-sons who then married and further gifted me with five grandchildren. I was able to impact many people in my psychoanalytically-oriented clinical practice. I felt honored to feel trusted when patients confided in me and I felt curious and challenged by them. I took notes with patients in my 42 year career which now allows me an adeptness to hear and take notes at our meetings as Recording Secretary. Following retirement, at an EUWC luncheon, I met our scholarship recipient Doris Mukangu when the the Amani Women Center was in its infancy. Both of us have benefited greatly from our relationship. Later on, I met the Emory Winship Center's staff member in charge of volunteers when she was an EUWC speaker. I became a Patient Family Advisor at Emory's Winship Clinic and was invited to serve on their Council. I actively enjoy classes at Emory's OLLI and founded an OLLI book club at the onset of COVID. Widowed from my beloved husband 10 years ago, I live with my three Havana Brown cats (Yang, YoYo Ma and Namaste). I enjoy friends, travel, jewelry making and continue to grow through my own personal psychotherapy. I value my activities with EUWC and am proud to be a member of our group. Thank you for including me.

2023 - 2024 Schedule

August 15	Executive Board Meeting	HMH, 10am-noon
September 19	Annual Fall Welcome	Lullwater House
October 7	Scrumptious Saturday	Dee Zesiger's Home
October 17	Tuesday Tastings	Truva Restaurant
October 24	Membership Meeting	HMH, 10am-noon
November TBA	Tuesday Tastings	TBA
November 14	Membership Meeting	HMH, 10am-noon
December 12	Holiday Lunch	HMH, 11am-2pm
January TBA	Past Presidents' Lunch	TBA
January 16	Tuesday Tastings	TBA
January 23	Membership Meeting	HMH, 10am-noon
January 30	Executive Board Meeting	HMH, 10am-noon
February 20	Tuesday Tastings	TBA
February 27	Membership Meeting	HMH, 10am-noon
March 19	Tuesday Tastings	TBA
March 26	Membership Meeting	HMH, 10am-noon
April 16	Tuesday Tastings	TBA
April 23	Membership Meeting	HMH, 10am-noon
May 14	Spring Luncheon	TBA
May 21	Executive Board Meeting	HMH, 10am-noon
May TBA	Scrumptious Saturday	TBA

HMH – Houston Mill House, 849 Houston Mill Road, Atlanta, GA 30329

Officers 2023 - 2024

President Alma Owens

Vice Presidents, Membership Joanie Edmondson, Dee Zesinger

Vice President, Yearbook Missy Cody

Vice President, Newsletter Becky Conover

Recording Secretary Jackie Walker

Treasurer Bette Walton

Parliamentarian Cheryl Murphy

Standing Committees

Achievement Award TBA

Archives Judy Michna, Carol Penn, Barbara Hund, Terry Hurst

Corresponding Secretary Teri Hopkin

Field Trips Jackie Walker, Carolyn Arakaki

Finance Martha Catherwood, Bette Walton, Terry Hurst,

Alma Owens, Judy Michna

Graduate Fellowship TBA

Hostesses Patty Higgins

Long Range Planning Linda Size

Member Communications Martha Catherwood

Memorial Library Fund Cheryl Murphy

Oxford Liaison Carol Penn

Past Presidents' Luncheon Cheryl Murphy

Photography Joanie Edmondson, Sharon Gunn

Programs Teri Hopkin

Scholarships TBA

Share the Care Cheryl Murphy

Spring Luncheon Mary Reed

Tuesday Tastings Michiyo Allen

Webmaster Susan Neel

EUWC Programs for 2023 - 2024

Thanks to Teri Hopkin for arranging a diverse series of programs for the upcoming year. We hope you will be able to join us for these interesting presentations.

October 23 A Look at Atlanta's Vibrant Arts Community
Patti Siegel, Executive Director, Arts Atlanta

November 14 Ethics in the Age of Moral Machines

Paul Wolpe, PhD; Distinguished Research Chair in Jewish Bioethics and Director

of Center for Ethics, Emory University

January 23 Update on NETWorks Cooperative Ministry

Stephanie Shapiro, Development Director

February 27 The Michael C. Carlos Museum – The Next Chapter

Henry S. Kim, Associate Vice Provost and Director of the Michael C. Carlos

Museum, Emory University

March 26 The Justice Department and FBI: Policies and Practices in Perilous Political Times

Kent Alexander, Author, Former US Attorney, former Emory University Sr. Vice

President and General Counsel

April 23 Botanicals as a Source of Novel Therapeutics for Infectious Disease

Caitlin Risener, Graduate Fellowship Recipient

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EUWC	Membersh	ip Form	· 2023 –	2024

Name		
Address, including PO Box		
Telephone		
Email		
Spouse/Partner Name (if any)		
Emory Community Affiliation (if any)		

Do you want to be listed in the yearbook? Y/N

If you are a new member, may we list your address and phone number in the newsletter? Y/N

Please complete and return this form, along with a check made out to **EUWC** for \$20, to: Bette Walton, 867 Castle Falls Drive NE, Atlanta, GA 30329