



## connection

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### Letter From the President

Dear EUWC Friends,

Our meeting on November 14 was memorable with 30+ members and guests who came to hear Dr. Paul Wolpe, Director of the Emory Center for Ethics. Dr Wolpe also occupies an endowed chair on the faculty. He made us aware of the international dilemma of application of ethics in artificial intelligence. Dr Wolpe is brilliant, and he thoroughly engaged us with information and humor. If you would like to hear more, google *Ted Talk Paul Root Wolpe* and several presentations will come up. The most recent was from 2019 and presents some of the material and examples he shared with us. Look for an additional article in this issue of 'Connections'. Be sure to thank Teri Hopkin for securing Dr. Wolpe for us.

As I sat down to write this, I was tempted to use AI to write it. You guess whether I succeeded.

The Business Meeting was kept succinct. Relevant information was covered in less than 15 minutes. We are really trying to keep the Business Meeting relevant and not boring. We want everyone to be aware of Club workings. After the close, some of us hung around and chatted for a while. It was quite nice to connect without interruptions or deadlines.

December 12 is our annual Holiday Brunch on main level of Houston Mill House. Your personal invitation is in the newsletter. Please RSVP to Martha Catherwood. The entrée will be turkey breast and sliced ham. Please bring a salad, vegetable, or dessert to complement. You may want to double the recipe as we have several guests, including Emory staff who have been so kind to us this year. Vanessa Payne and her staff will update us on Atlanta Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA). CASA is also the focus of Share the Care for December. Also, there will be entertainment—Carol Xu, recipient of the Arts Scholarship, will serenade us with her violin.

Wishes for a warm holiday season,

*Alma*

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## SHARE THE CARE

As has been our custom for several years, in December we again focus on Atlanta Court appointed Special Advocates, CASA. Volunteers spend time with foster children and teens to provide much needed information to the court. This information is crucial to decisions about the child's future. CASA provides holiday gifts to children/teens in foster care and your donation will go toward this worthy cause.

Make checks to *Atlanta CASA*.



### Friday AM Book Club

Due to avoiding the holidays in November and December, the Friday book club meets early in December for that once a year change. On Friday, December 8, at 10 am we will meet on Zoom to discuss ***Lessons in Chemistry*** by Bonnie Garmus with Barbara leading the discussion.

There is room for new members. For any questions contact Margaret Foust at 404-633-9932 or [margaretfoust@yahoo.com](mailto:margaretfoust@yahoo.com).

### First Thursday PM Book Club

We will meet on December 7 at 1 pm to discuss ***South to America*** by Imani Perry. Rosalie Cooper will lead the group.

On January 4 we will start the New Year off with William Krueger's ***This Tender Land***, led by Judy Michna.

Happy Reading, Everyone!

For further information or to join our great discussion group, contact Joanie Edmondson at 404-325-1432.



## Paul Wolpe Captures his Audience

“Enthralled” is not a word I use casually, but it is the right word for the EUWC response to our November speaker. With AI and ChatGPT mentioned in almost all news media these days, we were very responsive to Dr. Wolpe’s ideas about the ethical issues involved in programming Artificial Intelligence and AI devices (including self-determining robots for all kinds of uses). Do we want automated drones to have lethal capabilities? If so, how will they discern the military from the civilians? Our soldiers from the enemy dressed like us? Children from soldiers? Perhaps one of the

best examples Dr. Wolpe gave was of a self-driving car which is forced to decide between one of only two options: hit a pedestrian immediately in front of it or veer to right or left hitting a solid barrier? Is it better for the stranger to die or for the driver? That clearly is an ethical question. There is much more depth to this subject than I have suggested here. Indeed, the decisions we or self-determining machines make always have a bias. We have invited the professor back to speak again as this subject is explored in greater depth.

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## *A Special Link between Rosalynn Carter and EUWC*

As the nation and the world says “goodbye” to Rosalynn Carter, everyone is grieving her loss. Sunday, I heard Andrew Young speaking on television of her enduring commitment to her husband, and I had to think of the time when Andy spoke to EUWC, entertaining us all. And this made me think of what a close-knit community Atlanta is. Upstairs in Houston Mill House is the Carter Room, labeled with a brass plate on the door. Much of the memorabilia has been removed, but that room has quite a history. The room was “home away from home” for Jimmy and Rosalynn while they were overseeing the building and structuring of the Carter Center, just a short distance away. The Carter Center was established by the Carters to advance peace and health worldwide. It is a nonprofit, nongovernmental agency which has helped to improve the lives of people in more than sixty-five countries.

At about the same time the Carter Center was being built, EUWC was helping to restore the Houston Mill House. Eventually it became a fine dining establishment for Emory and the broader public. In 1984 when her book *First Lady from Plains* came out, Rosalynn signed copies of the book at a tea held in the HMH dining room. In our archives, we have many photos of the Carters at HMH and around the Emory campus. In this time of loss, we treasure them even more than before.

By Judy Michna

## November Meeting Photos



Teri Hopkin with our speaker,  
Dr. Paul Root Wolpe



Dr. Paul Root Wolpe



Alma Owens



Jackie Walker,  
Margaret Foust



Brigitte Nahmias, Marsha  
Jones



Martha Catherwood



Dawn Davis, Debbie  
Froehlich



Judy Michna, Deb  
Bourgeois



Susan Neel, Lindsay Paroczai



Rosalie Cooper, Carol Penn,  
Monica Ali



Barbara Hund, Patti  
Higgins, Deb Bourgeois



Deb Slover, Michiyo  
Allen



Margaret Foust, Missy  
Cody



Carol Penn, Barbara Hund,



Michiyo Allen, Becky  
Conover



Mary Reed, Cheryl Murphy



Paula Klingman-Paulk,  
Bonnie Schaudé



Bette Walton, Cheryl Murphy



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Vice President, Newsletter	Becky Conover
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## Standing Committees

Achievement Award	TBA
Archives	Judy Michna, Carol Penn, Barbara Hund, Terry Hurst
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Field Trips	Jackie Walker, Carolyn Arakaki
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Photography	Joanie Edmondson, Sharon Gunn
Programs	Teri Hopkin
Share the Care	Cheryl Murphy
Spring Luncheon	Mary Reed
Tuesday Tastings	Michiyo Allen
Webmaster	Susan Neel

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

Please mark your calendar with these upcoming EUWC events. Hope to see you there!

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December 12	Holiday Lunch	HMH, 11 am – 2 pm
January 16	Tuesday Tastings	TBA
January 23	Membership Meeting	HMH, 10 am – noon
January 30	Executive Board Meeting	HMH, 10 am – noon
February 20	Tuesday Tastings	TBA
February 27	Membership Meeting	HMH, 10 am – noon

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

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## 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](mailto:thopkin@aol.com).

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## EUWC Membership Form 2023 – 2024

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address, including PO Box \_\_\_\_\_

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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*

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