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Letter From the President

Dear Friends,

Our first meeting was on a gloomy day, but brightened by a presentation by Ray James, Head of School, about the success and ongoing need for support for The Boyce L. Ansley School. If you were there, you understand. If you weren't, you missed an opportunity to learn and appreciate one place where homeless children and their families are being cared for and educated. If you didn't have the opportunity to donate, you can still write a check, payable to the Boyce L. Ansley School, and send it to me. I volunteer there and will make sure it gets to the right place.

We're already into November, which means the beginning of the holidays season. This month's meeting is early so that you will have time to spend on Thanksgiving's requirements. Be sure to join us to get this season off to a time of being together with those who mean much to us.

Our program will be presented by Michael Rooks of the High Museum, who will speak on curating an exhibition of contemporary art. It should be both enlightening and entertaining. Don't miss it!!

Warm hugs to each of you,

Teri Hopkin

Upcoming EUWC Events

11/18/25	"Exhibition Making: What is Left Unspoken" Michael Rooks, Wieland Family Senior Curator of Modern and Contemporary Art, High Museum	MWAH Alumni Hall
12/10/25	Field Trip	Amazon Fulfillment Center
12/16/25	Holiday Luncheon	MWAH Alumni Hall

MWAH – Miller Ward Alumni House, 815 Houston Mill Road, Atlanta, GA 30329

Field Trip Announcement

We are planning a trip to the Museum of Papermaking on the campus of Georgia Tech on March 17, 2026 at 10:30.



Our Paperworks tour (or Paper Technology tour) plus Hands-on Papermaking Activity is a combination of a 45 minute docent led tour of the museum and a 45 minute papermaking experience for \$10 per person.

We need a minimum of 10 in our group to book a tour in advance.

If you think you may be interested, please email Carolyn Arakaki by November 20th so that she can contact the venue to make a reservation.

Share the Care

Our Share the Care for the November 18th meeting is one of our favorites: CASA!

We always enjoy contributing to the “magical holiday season” for the foster children of CASA. They are very organized this year. Note the dates as they are approaching (too rapidly). Remember as a child, you thought Christmas would never come, we were so eager for it. This year we will be reminding children that they are seen, valued and supported by caring women who were once their age.

CASA asked each child to list three wishes. These are not just gifts, they are powerful reminders that each child is seen, valued and supported. Their suggestions are:

1. To sponsor a Child with a contribution of \$150. It will be used to fulfill a child’s holiday wishes and support year around advocacy.
2. Give any amount to help make the season brighter.
3. Sponsor multiple children which would make an even better impact.
4. Donate gifts directly. Choose unwrapped items from a child’s wish list and have (Amazon) deliver directly to CASA (Atlanta Court Appointed Special Advocates), 395 Pryor Street SW, Suite 4115, Atlanta, GA 30312). Or purchase and take gifts to CASA independently.

For those who would like to make a cash/check donation, there will be a basket at our **November 18** meeting. In the past we have also enjoyed sending specific gifts to the children/teens as well. Reach out to me if this is your preference and I will give you more information in order to receive a wish list.

Please note: **CASA would appreciate that all donations and gifts be received by Thursday, November 20th at their office!** A quick turnaround but we are resilient and will find ways to get it done.

CASA is also looking for volunteers to wrap gifts. The date of the Holiday Wrap is December 6, 2025 starting at 10:00 AM until all gifts are wrapped.

Please use the following links to sign up for any of these opportunities:

- 💰 Financial donations: <https://buy.stripe.com/dR603B6hR5skeiY28a>
- 🛡️ Sponsor a child: <https://forms.gle/nn2Q6qWLCM9v1MCB8>
- 🧤 Volunteer to wrap gifts: <https://forms.gle/9zoJ65Wn4xTxuH1EA>



Friday Book Club

On October 24th we discussed ***Easter Island*** by Jennifer Vanderbes on Zoom.

The next meeting will be December 12th to discuss ***Good Earth*** by Pearl Buck led by Barbara Hund. We catch up for the first 20 minutes and then discuss the book.

There is room for new members. For any questions contact Margaret Foust.

Thursday PM Book Club

We will meet November 6th at noon to discuss ***Code Name Verity*** by Elizabeth Wein at Margaret Foust's home and Alma Owens will lead the discussion.

The next meeting is December 4th to discuss ***A Woman of No Importance*** by Sonia Purnell led by Vanessa Wardi and hosted by Sharon Gunn.

For further information or to join our great discussion group contact Margaret Foust.

Assistance Needed!

With the government shutdown, USDA is not producing their commodities and SNAP benefits are stopped. Y'all are smart enough to know what this means and food assistance agencies are already seeing an increased need. Last year, we heard a great speaker speak from her real-life experience with Snack in a Backpack at Glenn Memorial Church. Monetary donations help them purchase from the food bank, but with no USDA, even the food bank is held up. They (the Snack in a Backpack folks) got a wish list together. I edited it to focus on a few shelf stable things: Horizon milk single serve, single serve Chef Boyardee, Starkist white chicken 12 oz packages, Campbell's condensed soup, fruit cups, single serve raisins. If you want to participate, you can bring it to our next meeting (leave it in your car) and I'll collect them in the parking lot. It would be nice to have a one-time delivery and say "This is from the EUWC!"

I like to eat and I think everybody else ought to be able to eat,

Sally Oakes

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 Margaret Foust so that she may correspond with them on behalf of the membership.

Membership Committee Update: November 2025

We enjoyed a wonderful gathering of members at our **Scrumptious Saturday** on **October 18th**! A heartfelt thank-you goes to **Bonnie Schaudé** for all her help—and to her husband for keeping everyone well supplied with mimosas. It was a lovely morning, and a great time was had by all.

Looking Ahead: Hostess Needed for Spring Scrumptious Saturday

The EUWC traditionally hosts another Scrumptious Saturday in the **Spring**, usually in **March**. It's never too early to start planning, so let's get this on our calendars!

We're currently looking for a **hostess** for the upcoming spring event. The club provides all paper goods, and **Patty Higgins** will gladly assist with setup to make things easy and enjoyable.

If you're interested in hosting—or would like to learn more about what's involved—please contact **Patty Higgins**.

Encouraging Membership Growth

As Membership Committee Chair, I'm always looking for ways to help our club grow and stay vibrant. One of the best ways to do this is by **inviting friends** to join us at our monthly meetings, field trips, and **Tuesday Tastings**. Our members put time and care into organizing these events, and they're a perfect opportunity to share what makes EUWC such a special group.

Let's keep building our community together!

Patty Higgins

Membership Committee Chair

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