



Upcoming Functions:

- *October 11, 2018 — Club Lunch Meeting ~ Auction Planning/Build Out*
- *October 18, 2018 — East Cobb Civitan Wine and Vine Market*
- *October 25, 2018 — Club Dinner Meeting*
- *November 8, 2018 — Club Lunch Meeting*



Rather than begin with some cliché about the weather like I usually do, I thought I would kick off this newsletter with the little subliminal message above, to remind all of you about our annual fundraiser coming up this month (like I haven't pestered you enough about it already, right?).

Hopefully everyone has October 18th blocked off on their calendar, and are ready to take part in another *FANTASTIC EVENT*. Please take a few minutes to review Roselle's "Eleventh Hour" reminders at the end of this month's newsletter.



At our September 13th Lunch Meeting, Mary Crawford made arrangements for our club to have a tour of the Art and Food in Marietta off of South Marietta Parkway.

Art and Food is aligned with the Georgia Community Support and Solutions (GCSS) organization. Their Vision Statement is to consistently deliver innovative, well managed and high quality services to people and their families with needs related to disabilities, substance abuse, mental health and/or aging.

This organization is "near and dear to our hearts", as Joy Fuchs' daughter, along with Nancy and Roger St. Lifer's daughter have spent a lot of time here over the years.



On September 27th, after conducting a New Member Orientation Session prior to the Dinner Meeting, President Rob Rhodes called this last official meeting of his Administration to order.

We were honored to have the Governor Elect of the Georgia District join us at this meeting to conduct our New Member Initiation, and the Installation of Officers for the 2018/2019 Civitan Year. And ... ***how awesome is it that the Incoming Governor is our very own Mary Karras !!!***



In a moving ceremony, Mary formally initiated Jane, Carolyn, and Marilyn into the East Cobb Civitan Club. Then, Mary installed our 2018/2019 Club Officers. A big shout out to Michael, Daniel, Marge, and Richard (& Roselle) for stepping up to the plate again this year ...



After conducting these beginning of the year duties for us, Mary provided a very informative overview of the status of the Georgia District and what some of her plans for the upcoming year entail.

Below is an excerpt from Mary's article published in a recent issue of the District Newsletter:

In order to strengthen our District my goals this year revolve around rebuilding clubs we have lost and looking for areas to start a new club. Another goal is for every club to end this year plus one in membership. Big goals I know, but I believe we can do this if we focus on growth and retention. If you are in an area where you feel there is opportunity for a new club or a club has been lost and there is life there to rebuild, please reach out to me and I will get our growth, retention and club building group involved.

*Our motto this year is **Civitan Hands, Making a Difference in the World**. This is a powerful statement and really does describe what we do. We are everywhere meeting needs and reaching out to help others. We have a passionate purpose and our creed has stood the test of time and I believe is more important today than ever before. So be proud of your Civitan membership and share your Civitan story with others so that we can gather more of those hands to help us do the work that is so needed.*

Following Mary's remarks, President Rob was presented with a small token of appreciation from our club. We covertly found out that Rob is a huge fan of Elvis Presley, and we thought what's a better gift for him to remember us by than to have his very own Life Size Elvis!



I think I can safely speak for everyone in our club in saying to Rob, ***“Thank you for all of your dedicated and unselfish leadership, and for orchestrating a wonderful Civitan Year!”***



Last Minute Checklist



Our Magical Night is almost here, please review the following from Roselle carefully ...

Here we go! For October 18th, we need:

- Laptop computers with WiFi capabilities, and printers (please be sure to let Roselle know what you are able to bring).
- Easels to hold paintings / artwork; any display accessories extension cords.
- All raffle tickets (sold and unsold).
- All the money for sold tickets, sponsorships.
- Mary Karras, we will need some \$\$ for change.
- Wine for the Wine pull.
- Any auction items / gift certificates in your possession.
- Table decorations.

Please wear a Civitan or East Cobb Park shirt and/or name badge so you can be identified as a volunteer. Wear comfortable shoes and please bring a big smile

This is a fun event that only lasts a few hours. Everyone should enjoy It!

See you soon!

Roselle





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