



Athens Area Newcomers Club

A.A.N.C. meets the second Thursday morning of each month at 9:30 AM
at the new facilities of the Central Presbyterian Church
380 Alps Road, Athens, near Beechwood Shopping Center

Fall 2008 NEWSLETTER

During the past fifty years, AANC Programs have been presented with the intention of giving members insight into the varied opportunities of living in Athens-Clark County and Oconee County. During the programs each month, new residents:

- hear about the history, character, and future possibilities for this region of North Georgia,
- learn about some of the achievements and interests of some of our noteworthy community members,
- are informed about upcoming area events, and about other civic, educational, and social groups,
- and, most of all, are welcomed and encouraged to share ideas and background stories with the group.

**** **GEORGIA ON MY MIND is the yearly theme for AANC September 2008 – August 2009 Programs** ****

Please come & help Miss Louise Sheron Celebrate Her Ninety Fifth Birthday, Sunday, October 12th, 3:00 to 5:00 pm.

Please RSVP by October 2nd to learn the location and directions to the party.

Email preferred Michele@consultants-unlimited.com or call (706) 548-3948.

The Program Theme for 2008-2009 is "**Georgia on my Mind.**" This year we will hear many intriguing and informative presentations about this region of North Georgia. Ranging from 18th Century mysteries to plans for the area's anticipated growth and development, members will continue to explore our special area, with **Georgia on our Minds!**

———— FALL PROGRAMS ————

September 11 **Joe Ruiz**, Executive Director, and **Cindy Farley**, Assistant Director of the **Oconee Cultural Arts Foundation** (OCAF) will tell the story of the arts center founded in 1994. OCAF develops programs and classes in the performing, visual and literary arts. There are annual arts festivals, ongoing art exhibits, and classes for children and adults. Small festivals and events that during the 1990's were attended by a few hundred people, now draw thousands of people to the Watkinsville OCAF complex. OCAF is well known in the South for the Southworks Festival each year in May, and the Holiday Market in early December.

October 9 **Sam Jones** has invited the AANC Members and guests to his **Piccadilly Farm** on Whipoorwill Road. This "farm" is more like a botanical garden, and Sam has received national and international recognition and awards for this most unusual place. We will gather at the Pavilion and hear his story and then have a private tour of the Conifer and Hellebores (Lenten Roses) gardens. Dr. Jones recently retired from UGA where he was a much loved Botany Professor and internationally respected researcher. On Thursday, October 9th, members should

meet as usual at the Presbyterian Church for our business meeting, and then we will carpool to Piccadilly Farm, arriving there at about 10:30.

November 13 **Steven Scurry**, an **Athens historian and anthropologist**, will tell the little known story of some of the 18th Century newcomers to this area of the country. The title of his presentation is: **The University and Georgia's Hidden War**. Beginning with a fascinating letter from Abraham Baldwin, the university's first president, we will explore this region's borderline war, known to historians as the Oconee War. He will discuss the significance of this series of events to state and Southern history in the aftermath of the American Revolution, and the hidden and mysterious background, only recently discovered. His research is gaining a great deal of attention and he is a great story teller. Members and guests will enjoy this presentation!

December 11 **Christmas Holiday Banquet** at the **Georgia Center for Continuing Education**, UGA Campus, on Lumpkin Street. Members should meet at the Presbyterian Church at 11:00 AM to then car-pool to the Parking Deck next to the Georgia Center. The Georgia Center is well-known for its exceptional restaurants and private dinner and banquet arrangements. Further information about this festive occasion and RSVP details will be given to members prior to the November AANC meeting. Remember, guests are welcome for this Holiday banquet luncheon to start off the Holidays!!

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Welcome to all Newcomers for the 2008-2009 club year! We hope you will join us for some great programs. Please call me if you have any questions!
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Cards:

If you know someone who needs cheering up or has suffered a loss, please tell our Corresponding Secretary, Dottie Quarterman at (706) 546-4775, so she can send a card.

Tips & Tricks:

If you use uncoated paper plates, and you are a composter, save the used paper plates to cut up your fruit and veggie skins on. They trap the juices from fruit rinds, and once you've finished cutting, roll the plate up and place it in the kitchen compost container. You're saved from a mess on your counter or chopping block, and you're adding needed paper to your compost. I originally cut up the paper plates, but if sufficiently "juiced", I don't bother.

Another use for a paper plate, a clean one this time, is to place it under your measuring cup when you're getting flour from your canister. You can level the flour off, then bend the plate to make a funnel, and tip the excess flour back into the canister.

If you have ideas you'd like to share, email Marjorie L. Hackney at marjhck@bellsouth.net. Space permitting, we'll print them here.

AANC Website:

Our new website can be accessed at <http://aanc284367.tripod.com>. If you have trouble remembering the numbers in the URL, they equate to "Athens" if dialed on a telephone keypad. I have added pictures of the officers to the website and some new pages based on feedback received. Your ideas are welcome, and will be considered based on my skill sets and size limitations of the site. Please forward ideas to Cheryl A. Brock, Webmaster at cbrock51@bellsouth.net or call me at (706) 425-2417.

In September, we will be voting on upgrading the website and incurring a one time set-up fee of \$10 and a monthly fee of \$4.95. This will provide us with much needed additional disk space, additional bandwidth, an "ad free" site, and some additional site access reporting (so we'll know how many hits the site gets).

Special Interest Groups

Special interest groups have something for almost everyone and we are always open to new ideas. Joining a group is a great way to have fun and get to know other AANC members. Some of the current groups may be full. If you would like to form a new group please contact **Ann Hines at (706) 369-8645**.

STITCH AND CHAT

*If you like to stitch or chat or both, join us at **9:30 AM** on the **4th Friday of the month** at **the Lyndon House**.*

Gourmet I & Gourmet II

10 couples each – contact leaders about vacancies or starting a new group.

Contemporary Classics Book Club

Join us at noon on the third Thursday of each month at a member's home for a light lunch and a discussion of our "book of the month" choice. If interested, please sign up at the front table or call the leader.

Upcoming selections:

9/18 [Loving Frank](#)
by Nancy Horan

10/16 [The Professor and the Madman](#)
by Simon Winchester

11/13 [In the Bleak Mid-winter](#)
by Julia Spencer-Fleming

12/18 [Winter Solstice](#)
by Rosamunde Pilcher

New Members Welcome!

HAND AND FOOT

*This fun game is easy to learn and we are happy to teach you. We meet on the **3rd Wednesday** of the month.*

BURNT FINGERS

A lunch group that meets in member's homes – contact leader about occasional vacancies

DINING OUT

Sign up to be contacted for these outings to Athens area restaurants.. Check the website for this months location, date, and time.

BRIDGE I - 4th Tues

Contact leader for information on vacancies. forming a new group, or substituting.

LUNCH BUNCH

After the regular business meeting everyone is invited to go to lunch at a local restaurant!

Community Involvement

Don't forget to bring non-perishable food items, brown paper bags, school supplies, and plastic bags (grocery) to the meetings. In November, please be extra generous with food and money for Thanksgiving baskets. For more information, contact Frances Lang at (706) 353-7733.

Feel free to invite guests, including spouses, to any of the programs !
Refer them to our new website at
<http://aanc284367.tripod.com>

To Join the Athens Newcomers Club

Mail your check to:

Sharon Tate, Treasurer, AANC
101 Trillium Lane
Athens, GA 30605-4972

Annual dues are \$18.00 per person and are payable by or at the first general meeting in September. Dues for **new members only** joining after the first of January are \$9.00 .

Reminder: You must pay your annual dues by October 1 to participate in the Special Interest Groups and receive the annual updated membership directory!

From:

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To:



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