



# HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY

*Let's Do Something  
Good!*



## Roswell Cares Service League's Volunteer & Meeting Events

Welcome March!

March is here with its transition from winter to spring. In this month of March, we celebrate International Women's Day and honor the remarkable contributions of women worldwide, let us reaffirm our commitment to equality, justice, and empowerment for all.

March also marks a time for reflection as we commemorate World Water Day, reminding us of the vital importance of preserving our planet's precious resources for generations to come. We also celebrate St. Patrick's Day and the luck of the Irish.

As we journey through the month of March, may we find inspiration in the beauty of nature and the resilience of the human spirit. Together, let us embrace the possibilities that lie ahead and welcome the season of renewal.

Wishing you a March filled with hope, joy, and abundance.

We will skip this month's meeting and a meal since we hosted 3 events this month. Save the Date of April 18th for our next meeting! Details will be sent later.

## CHOA Scottish Rite Craft Party

Our Scottish Rite craft party at CHOA continues to be a heartwarming success. It brings us so much joy to spend time with the children and their families, creating and spreading smiles. A big thank you to Laura Youngblood for organizing our monthly service event at CHOA, where we come together to make a positive impact in the lives of these young ones. Let's keep the spirit of love and kindness alive as we look forward to more heartwarming moments ahead.



## Upcoming events!!

### March 23th - Fundraising Event for Roswell Cares

We are thrilled to announce that thanks to Ashley DeSalvo Putnam, we have secured an exciting fundraising opportunity to support our charitable initiatives and service projects. We have been granted the chance to host a table at an upcoming event where we will be selling Bobo Balloons. This fundraiser has the potential to greatly benefit our cause, but we will need assistance in transporting the balloons to the event.

I will be discussing the specifics and coordination details with Ashley and will updated everyone. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to Ashley for providing us with this wonderful opportunity to raise funds for our important work. Thank you, Ashley, for your generosity and support!





## Can you assist us with this event?

### LOCATION

Location Specifics

### DATE AND TIME

03/11/24 4:00pm - 03/11/24 8:00pm US/Eastern

See flyer

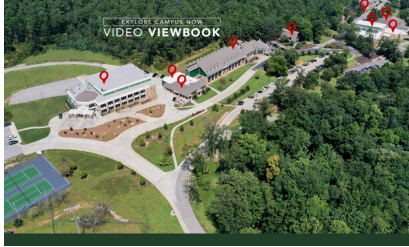
I'll Be There!

Maybe

I Can't Make It

## April 12-13th Tallulah Falls Tour and visit to the State Office

Our Roswell Club will be embarking on a special trip to Tallulah Falls School. This excursion is designed to enhance our understanding of our organization and its history. During



the trip, members will have the unique opportunity to tour the school and visit the State office, gaining valuable knowledge of the history of GFWC Georgia.

One of the highlights of the trip will be a hands-on environment project in the President's garden. Members will be actively involved in preparing the garden for the placement of Kim Sekulow's name plate on the President's wall of honor.

This project not only serves as a meaningful contribution to our club's environment initiatives but also allows members to spend time with each other.

Stay tuned for more details and get your gardening tools and gloves out of the garage!

*Our goal: help keep this "Grand lady" of Tallulah Falls looking beautiful...*



*The historic Lipscomb Cottage was built around 1909-10 and served Tallulah Falls School for nearly 100 years until it was repurposed into the state headquarters for the GFWC-Georgia. Today it contains photos, scrapbooks, period furniture and memorabilia from past to present. Help us in our efforts to keep this wonderful structure looking magnificent for her next 100 years.*



*How YOU can help...*

**JOIN  
the Lipscomb Society  
TODAY!**

**Membership Levels**

- Level 1 - \$9
- Level 2 - \$90
- Level 3 - \$900

*The Lipscomb Cottage was an important part of TFS campus life for more than 100 years.*





## Are you attending this event?

### LOCATION

Location Specifics

### DATE AND TIME

04/12/24 10:00am - 04/13/24 5:00pm US/Eastern

Tallulah Falls School tour, overnight at the Lipscomb Cottage, followed by cleaning up the President's garden.

**I'll Be There Friday and Saturday**

**I will attend Saturday only**



## February's Meeting and a Meal

During our volunteer work at CHOA, we discovered a heartwarming way to bring joy not only to the children but also to their parents. It became evident that the parents were just as enthusiastic about the crafts as their little ones. In fact, some parents asked us if they could take a craft back to their rooms, as it is a wonderful way to pass the time while awaiting discharge.

During our February meeting, six members took the initiative to create special craft kits intended for both parents and children. Each kit was thoughtfully put together, containing all the necessary materials along with a QR code linking to a helpful How-To video. In total, we assembled 30 of these kits to distribute to families at CHOA and/or Ronald McDonald House.



## March 9th - North West District Meeting at the Atlanta Woman's Club

We had a wonderful time at our District meeting. It is always so nice to meet others from across our district. Our district meeting had 75 ladies in attendance and a great time was had by all!



I have been in contact with Simple Needs Georgia.



She has invited us to visit their warehouse on a Saturday for a tour and/or help out - 10am to 1pm almost every Saturday accepting donations. We can discuss this at our meeting.

Below are lots of ideas for service projects. Several are higher priority than others.

**Current top needs are (see below for details on some):**

- Women's underwear (sizes 6-9 are most needed)
- Small appliances
- baby items
- school supplies (we have plenty of some; need others)
- New standard bed pillows
- new character backpacks (we can give you the character list if that helps)

**She provided us with a few service project ideas:**

- A few possibilities for our birthday program <https://simpleneedsgablog.com/programs/my-birthday-matters/>
- A new book drive. For their birthdays, each child receives 4-5 new books for their birthday (depends on their age/grade). We help kids up to age 18.
- A new backpack drive. We can use character backpacks as well as popular color backpacks. Our inventory right now is lowest for larger backpacks for high school kids (larger bottoms to hold more things). We also need a few themes; let us know if you want to do backpacks and I can let you know what we need (we track which themes are popular - and not).
- School supplies which we include with the birthday gifts. Gallon ziplock bags of: 5 pens, 5 pencils, box of crayons (24 or 36), box of colored pencils (10 or 12), box of markers (10 or 12), a deck of cards and a glue stick.
- No-sew fleece blankets. You would purchase 1.5 yards each of a pattern and matching solid fleece. If you decide to make these, we could send you instructions. Some people neglect to put the pattern the right way or don't cut off the manufacturer's edge (called selvage) and then we have to take them apart and start over. ?
- A drive for new underwear (kids through adult sizes since some teens wear adult sizes). There are some sizes we have plenty of so if you want to do this, we can let you know what those are.
- For Simple Household Needs - <https://simpleneedsgablog.com/programs/simplehouseholdneeds/> --
- You could do a drive for new or gently used essential household items --for kitchen/bed/bath. There are a lot of essential things someone coming out of homeless needs that can be purchased at the Dollar Tree or elsewhere. The list of what we offer to our clients is attached.
- Or a drive for gently used or new small appliances - toasters, crockpots, toaster ovens, DVD players, irons, coffee makers, microwaves, vacuums, floor lamps. Then there are some specific household items we are always low on. Those are: new kitchen trash cans (13 gallon) and gently used or new mattress pads and blankets (twin/full/queen/king).
- New pillows. We always need a lot of pillows!
- One more... we try to have small baby items on hand for clients. Right now, we are low on diapers size newborn, 1, 5 and 6 as well as boys' pullups. These items can be purchased at the Dollar Tree: Pacifiers, baby wash, Baby shampoo, Bottles, Bibs

- **Another option is our Comfort Kit program:**

<https://simpleneedsgablog.com/programs/duffel-bags/> You could put together bags of full-size toiletries (you can pick and choose from the list as you'd like). Or do a drive for toiletries that we need and we'll pull them together in the bags (we have bags). We also need 5-item bags of full-size toiletries for the school social workers. Those include shampoo, soap, toothpaste, a toothbrush and deodorant (can be purchased at the Dollar Tree if you'd like).

Truly appreciate your thinking of others and your desire to help your community. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Brenda Rhodes, Founder

*Simple Needs mission is to meet the simple needs of children, people experiencing homelessness, and others in need, while inspiring our community to do the same.* While agencies focused on these vulnerable populations are doing great work, most focus on the basic needs of food, clothing, shelter and job training. SNGA seeks to “fill in the gaps” by meeting other unmet, but important, needs. It is in these simple acts—bringing a tent to a person living in the woods, or providing birthday gifts to a homeless child—that we help connect people with the services that can improve their lives.

**Let's place this on our ongoing Collection items:** Candles, in particular, are one thing people experiencing homelessness need the most. They use them to see at night and to keep rodents away from their tents. I'll bet you have some candles in your house gathering dust! Please consider donating to our cause. Do you like to do after-Christmas shopping? Candles are often on sale at a great price! The best kind are pillar and tapered.

Keep your eyes peeled for a few gently used items or post this need in your neighborhood facebook or nextdoor neighbor. In March - I'd like to set a goal to collect 10 gently used tents, new pillows, tarps, backpack filled with new socks/underwear, candles, hygiene items.

Please review this website and let's put our heads together on what we can do - there are so many opportunities. <https://simpleneedsgablog.com/drives/>



**Let's Collect Pop Tabs  
for Ronald McDonald**

Let's keep this on our ongoing list. Pop Tabs Program for Ronald

McDonald House. Collecting pop tabs is a fun and easy way to support Atlanta Ronald McDonald House Charities. Pop tabs are recycled, and we receive the market value of the recycled metal. [Click here for more information.](#)



**Ronald McDonald  
House Charities®  
Atlanta**



**THE  
SANDWICH  
PROJECT**

## **Nourish the Hungry. Feed the Soul.**

The Sandwich Project (TSP) is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization whose volunteers assemble and donate fresh, homemade sandwiches each week for immediate consumption to meet the food scarcity needs in Metro Atlanta. The Sandwich Project is a grassroots 501(c)(3) non-profit organization addressing food insecurity in metro Atlanta. The organization operates through a network of dedicated volunteers who come together to create and deliver fresh, homemade sandwiches to individuals facing food insecurity. They firmly believe in the transformative power of community, the compassion of kindness, and the fundamental right of every person to access nourishing

food. <https://www.thesandwichproject.org/>

This is on our list for a February or March project. It will be held on a Tuesday night after work and we will deliver it on a Wednesday.

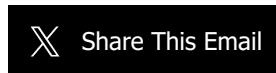


**Membership Information:** If you are currently not a member of our club and would like to join us, please [click here to complete the membership application](#). The annual fee to join our club is \$40.00 from June 1st to May 31, 2024 (1yr). This fee covers our international dues of \$15, State dues of \$10, District dues of \$3.50, the remaining amount will remain in the Roswell treasurer to be used for bank fees, and/or misc. administrative fees to secretary of state, etc.

Your membership not only includes membership to our club, but it also includes membership to our international organization, GFWC ([www.gfwc.org](http://www.gfwc.org)) and our State organization, GFWC Georgia, ([www.gfwcgeorgia.org](http://www.gfwcgeorgia.org)). You will receive quarterly newsletters, invitations to State meetings such as our Annual Convention and Institute, a weekend of learning and more.

Members are also eligible to receive discounts - [click here to view them](#).

Please share this newsletter to your friends, neighbors and family, we'd love for them to join us!



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