



LAUREL DISTRICT 65TH ANNUAL MEETING



*Bountiful and
Beautiful*



Tuesday, October 24, 2023
9:00am to 2:30pm

The Wheeler House Barn
510 Gilmer Ferry Road
Ball Ground, GA 30107

**Featured Speaker: Ashley Frasca, WSB's Garden Expert
"The Beauty of Fall Gardening"**

**Garden Club Host: Anetsa-Ga-Da Garden Club
Karen Hawkins, President 2023
RSVP: By Thursday, October 12, 2023**

See attached information to prepare for the meeting:

- Complete your reservation form and submit payment.
- Make hotel arrangements if you plan to overnight Monday before the meeting.
- Ask your club to provide a basket for the raffle or send a \$50.00 check made out to Laurel District. This is our fundraiser to help pay for the annual meeting. See suggestions for basket themes.
- State or District Chairpersons: reserve exhibit space using your registration form.
- Gather pull tabs for the Ronald McDonald pull-a-tab project; place them in a container that you don't need to be returned.



LAUREL DISTRICT ANNUAL MEETING REGISTRATION FORM 2023

Coffee: 9:00am
Meeting: 10:00am

Mail the completed registration form and check for \$45.00

(Payable to Laurel District) to:

Dee Anne Wyse
37 Waterside Drive
Emerson, GA 30121

Registration Deadline: Thursday, October 12, 2023

NAME _____

EMAIL _____

BADGE NAME PREFERENCE _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____

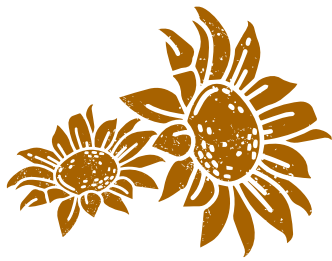
GARDEN CLUB AND CITY _____

DISTRICT _____

DIETARY RESTRICTIONS _____

Please check all that apply to you:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> National GC Board Member | <input type="checkbox"/> Club President |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Deep South Board Member | <input type="checkbox"/> Club Member |
| <input type="checkbox"/> GCG President | <input type="checkbox"/> Club Voting Delegate |
| <input type="checkbox"/> GCG Board Member | <input type="checkbox"/> Guest |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Former GCG President | <input type="checkbox"/> New Garden Club Member 2023 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Laurel District Director | <input type="checkbox"/> First Time Attendee at District Meeting |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Laurel Board Member | <input type="checkbox"/> National Life Member |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Council President of _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> GCG Life Member |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Deep South Life Member |



HOTEL INFORMATION:

***Holiday Inn Express & Suites**

145 Park Center Drive
Canton, GA 30114
770-213-6880

*Recommended; Rooms blocked until 10/16/2023

Group Name: Laurel District Garden Club of Georgia
Use Code: LDG

Room Type: Double Queen

Rate: \$139.00 plus tax

Arrival Date: Monday, October 23, 2023

Check in: 3:00pm

Departure Date: Tuesday, October 24, 2023

Check out: 11:00am

Breakfast included. 100% Smoke/vape free, and no pets allowed.
Individual cancellation policy: 24 hours advance notice.

The cutoff date for this rate is Monday, October 16, 2023.

Fairfield Inn & Suites by Marriott

Canton Riverstone Parkway
120 Reinhardt College Parkway
Lot 192
Canton, GA
1-888-729-5616

Room Type: Double Queen

Rate: \$134.00 plus tax

Arrival Date: Monday, October 23, 2023

Check in: 3:00pm

Departure Date: Tuesday, October 24, 2023

Check out: 11:00am

Breakfast included.

Individual cancellation policy: 24 hours advance notice.

DINING IN CANTON (Optional)

Restaurant for Night of October 23, 2023 – 6:30pm (“Dutch Treat”)

Local on North - Canton

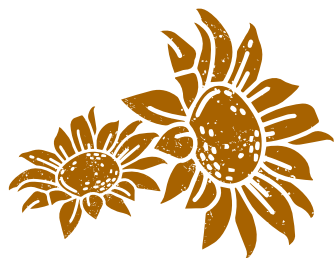
170 North Street
Canton, GA 30114

Menu \$11.00 – \$38.00

Appetizers, Salads, Soup, Main Plates, Handhelds, Pizza & Desserts

Will you attend? ___ Yes ___ No





A Little Bit About the City of Ballground...

(print and save for your traveling pleasure)

We are a city of 2,560 residents located in Cherokee County, Georgia — on the northern edge of metro Atlanta — nestled in the foothills of the Appalachian Mountains. Our quaint city is known for its historic main street characterized by unique shops and restaurants, numerous historic homes, and great recreation.

A marker in downtown Ball Ground, placed by the Georgia Historical Commission in 1953, states: “Two and one-half miles to the east, near the confluence of Long-Swamp Creek and the Etowah River, is the traditional site of the Battle of Taliwa, between the Cherokee and Creek Indians.” The Cherokees won and the Creeks had to move to below the Chattahoochee River.

Parks and Recreation facilities in Ball Ground include Calvin Farmer Park, City Park, Calvin Farmer Multi-Use Area, Lions Field, the Community Center Complex where fabulous fireworks are displayed for the Fourth of July, and the City Gym. Fifteen-acre Calvin Farmer Park features two picnic pavilions, a playground, a duck pond, open fields, and wooded areas with a small stream running through the center, and a performance stage available for public use and concerts.

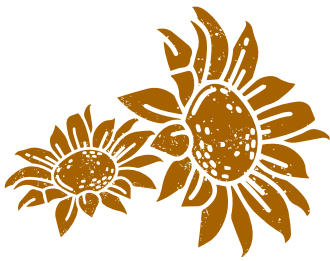
Perhaps where Ball Ground really shines is in its gardens. On the grounds of City Hall is Ball Ground Botanical Gardens, designed in 2015 by the Ball Ground (Anetsa-Ga-Da) Garden Club. Antesa-Ga-Da means Ball Ground in the Cherokee language. The Garden is three-quarters of an acre featuring flowers, plants, trees, and shrubs – hundreds of plants blooming in all seasons. The garden includes an Entrance Garden, Welcome Garden, Cottage Garden, Native Plant Garden, Daylily Walk, Iris Bed, Children’s Garden, Bog Garden, Japanese Garden, Four Seasons Garden, Heirloom Garden, a Picnic Pavilion, Honorary and Memorial Brick Plaza, a stream running through the Garden and a Butterfly Garden that is on the Rosalynn Carter Butterfly Trail. The Garden continues to grow and is in constant maintenance by the hard-working ladies and gentlemen of the Ball Ground (Anetsa-Ga-Da) Garden Club with the support of the City of Ball Ground. Ball Ground’s claim to fame really belongs to Gibbs Gardens, one of the nation’s largest residential estate gardens.

Places to eat and drink: The Burger Bus, Ball Ground Tavern, Barrel House Coffee, Dominique’s Food Truck-Pizza, Dot’s Fine Wine & Craft, Feathers Edge Vineyards and Wildcat on a Wing Gift Shop, Frankfurt Doner & Meats – German Butcher & Sandwich Shop, Jill’s Cakes & Bakes, Scooped on Main – ice cream, Choate’s Barbecue, La Catrina – Mexican food, Lés Bon Temps Louisiana Kitchen, Rock Solid Brewery and Lora Mae’s.

Shopping: Southern Oak Provisions, Sunshine Life, Molly and Margie’s, Perched – Unique Gifts and Fashion, Carma Vinyl & Vibes – vinyl records, Ball Ground Hounds – pet supply and gifts.

Come to see what Ballground has to offer!





PREPARATION FOR THE MEETING:

Reserve Exhibit Space: State or District Chairs

If you wish to reserve exhibit space,
please email Jennie Byers at: jenniedbyers@aol.com

Memorial Service: All Laurel District Clubs

If a member of your club passed away since the 2022 Laurel District Annual Meeting,
please email or call Rene Lanier, Laurel District Chaplain at:

Rlanier111@gmail.com
770-713-0600

She will need to know the name and garden club of the deceased member.

Memorial information deadline: Tuesday, October 10, 2023

WHAT TO BRING:

RAFFLE BASKET

Each club should bring a raffle basket to the meeting worth \$50.00 or more. Be creative!
(We know you are!) If you have no one attending the meeting, we ask that you donate \$50.00 to the raffle
(checks made out to Laurel District). Each basket should have the content and value list completed
and attached to or within the basket.

Suggested themes are:

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| Christmas is Coming! | Plant for Pollinators |
| Feed the Laurel Birds | Herbs and Spices |
| Be Thankful for Thanksgiving | Grow Garden, Grow |
| Children’s Gardening | All About Honey |
| New Year Celebration! | Wine and Cheese Party |
| Tailgate Time is Here! | Love the Butterflies |
| Golfer’s Delight | Family Italian Dinner |

BASKET NAME: _____

BASKET CONTENTS:	VALUE:
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PULL TABS

Bring pull tabs in a container that you can lift and that you do not need to be returned.
There will be a designated area for you to donate your pull tabs.

