THE WOMAN'S CLUB OF SAN ANTONIO

RUSTLING LEAVES

SEPTEMBER 2019

"PARIS" COMES TO THE ALAMO CITY – AS DESIGNER ROGER CANAMAR RETURNS SEPT. 18 – PAID RESERVATIONS REQUIRED

To kick off the membership year, couturier Roger Canamar will present his current collection at our annual fall event on Sept. 18. The program, "Paris at the San Antonio Country Club," will be a follow up to last June's gorgeous Paris collection Roger presented at the Woodward Mansion. His show at the San Antonio Country Club will be artistic, on trend and every piece is one-of-kind. He also will create a unique scarf to purchase at this special luncheon. The event begins at 11 a.m. with a social and boutique shopping. Lunch will be served at 12 noon followed by the style show. The cost of the luncheon is \$70. Raffle tickets for an original hat by our own Lynn Thompson will be available as well as the spectacular shopping at the famous Woman's Club Boutique. We will not be able to add reservations after the **deadline of** Sept. 12 at noon. Buy your tickets early with your friends for an unforgettable afternoon "in Paris."



antonio.ticketleap.com/fall-luncheon-2019/

HAPPY BIRTHDAY IN SEPTEMBER TO

Linda Nairn	1	Molly Watt	15
Dorothy Akers	2	Diane Lewallen	17
Sandra Geppert	2	Maria Ramirez	17
Kyndal Keller	5	Helen Henderson	24
Yvonne Niño	5	Anita Oberle	24
Mickey Tovar	5	Vickie Kinder	26
Sandy Massey	6	Karen Rogers	26
Brenda Jaye	10	Billie Arredondo	27
Sue Walski	11	Ann Le	27
Erminia Uviedo	12	Lee Perry	28



*Disclaimer: Appearance of information is based on the 2018-2019 yearbook ONLY.

CARE AND CONCERN

Our thoughts and prayers are with:

- Divina Alvarez, whose nephew passed away
- Linda Parson's daughter who had breast cancer surgery
- Cheryl Conway, whose father passed away
- Barbara Niemann, who is awaiting a specialist lung evaluation
- Judy Willingham with serious medical issues
- Belinda Pena-Bosquez, whose uncle passed away
- Sandra Baskin, whose granddaughter was in the ER last month

(list as of Aug. 25, 2019)

More information about each family above has been emailed to all members from Corresponding Secretary Susan Moreland-Goza. Contact her at simoreland@att.net.

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Our Board of Directors meets each month, and our discussions are lively and varied. While we are often focused on sustaining the structural integrity of the Woodward House, most are directed toward making our club a place you will want to join and grow. It seems that monthly, we take up the concern of retaining new members. Last month, we talked about starting information sessions for new members, hosting an orientation coffee, assigning mentors, and ensuring that new members are brought into the circle of friends at each table for lunch.

If you are a new member, we want you to know that you are valued, and we want to get to know you. The member who recommended you for membership will be a good one to lead you through the "learning the

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lingo" phase of membership. Joining a Round Table is an excellent path to enjoying your membership more. If you are a current Round Table member, find that new member who seems to have an interest in the focus of the Round Table. Ask her, *face-to-face*, to be a part of your group. These informal gatherings that we call Round Tables are effective in gaining knowledge about the club and learning to be a part of it.

When you are standing in the foyer of the house during the social hour, please seek out the unfamiliar face or the lady seated alone. Invite her to join you upstairs for the meeting, and let her know who your friends are. Both you and the new member will have a better meeting, I promise!

In October, we will be introducing a new page for all members which will soon be included in the membership application letter. It will help us identify the skills our members possess and their interests in volunteer assignments, large and small. We want to know when you want to help and what you do best. Through the years, I have watched several new members take on responsibility, sometimes with trepidation. I have seen them blossom and be happy when their new ideas took hold and were successful. The club and all of its members win in those situations.

When you think of our club, think of the giant sequoia. As majestic as they are, their secret lies underground. The sequoia's roots reach out under the soil, and they connect with the other trees. She holds hands; she wraps arms with the other trees. They become each other's strength – they become each other's support system.

May it ever be so with us. *Ferne Burney*, President (210) 381-4372 <u>ferneburney@hotmail.com</u>

ON THE NEXT 2 PAGES ARE PHOTOS AND INFORMATION PROVIDED BY THE CANDIDATES FOR OUR 2020 FIESTA TEEN QUEEN. Photos were placed in alphabetical order. A poster is also in place in the Woman's Club that each candidate has also prepared for you to review. THE ELECTION WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE OCTOBER GENERAL MEETING. A BALLOT IS ATTACHED TO THIS NEWSLETTER. YOU MAY MAIL IT IN OR BRING TO THE MEETING OCT. 2. RESULT WILL BE ANNOUNCED THEN.



EXCITING NEWS COMING NEXT MONTH --How you – with any size gift – can ensure that the Woodward Mansion will be here for this young lady and her friends to enjoy for years and years to come!



2020 Fiesta Teen Queen Candidate Hannah Geppert

I am a senior at Winston Churchill High School. I am extremely interested in science and hope to be accepted into an environmental engineering program in college. I have played the mellophone in marching band since freshman year and have played the French horn for about 7 years now, participating in multiple full orchestras, recordings, and musicals. Aside from my school life, I am a huge animal lover and have volunteered at the San Antonio Humane Society for a year and a half. I first became affiliated with the Woman's Club of San Antonio when I was 5 years old. I was the princess's crown bearer in the 2008 Fiesta Teen Queen Coronation, and I have participated in every coronation since that time. As I became an Ingenue, I started to meet more members of the club. From helping out with the Ingenue's annual Christmas party for Respite Care to participating in the house cleanup days, every opportunity I seize gets met with new extraordinary people that have recently helped me shape the type of Princess I wanted to be this past year. Being given the honor of Fiesta Teen Princess 2019 was a dream come true! Being able to put a smile on strangers' faces from all different backgrounds, whether it was a senior home or an elementary school, is a gift that I hope to cherish for many years to come. In addition, getting to hand off the wreath to the soldier during the Pilgrimage to the Alamo, participating in the annual

hat luncheon, and riding in the Woman's Club's car for both Fiesta Especial and the Battle of Flowers Parade helped me realize the significance that the Woman's Club has had on the community since 1898. My grandmother, Sandra Geppert, has been my sponsor for the Woman's Club from the beginning and I will be forever grateful. As Fiesta Teen Queen, I would continue to represent the Woman's Club of San Antonio in a positive light through actively participating in events of all different types while maintaining being someone to look up to for kids and young adults, both in and out of the club. I also hope to sustain what I do as far as volunteering for the Club, like helping to decorate for the winter festival for instance, and continuing to meet and appreciate the people of the Woman's Club of San Antonio that make this organization so enjoyable to represent.

HAVE YOU HEARD IN THE CLUB?



CLEANING DAY AT THE MANSION WILL BE MONDAY, SEPT. 23 beginning at 10 AM. Just bring yourselves and

elbow grease...we will furnish the cleaning supplies! Hope to see many of you there.

—Helen Henderson, House Chairman



Ruth Stone, longtime caterer for decades at the Woman's Club of San Antonio, announced her retirement at the end of the August Summer Luncheon. The Board voted to present Ruth with a \$100 gift card to shop at our famous Boutique and to have a honor brick in her name placed in our walkway. THANK YOU RUTH FOR SERVING US HOSPITALITY AT ITS WARMEST AND FRESHEST!

Ruth Stone

Don't forget to bring your items for the **Fall Luncheon Silent Auction** to the office no later than Monday, Sept.16!

Have you received a gift that you will never use? It would be great for the Silent Auction! We love receiving decorative items, anything for the kitchen, art, or gift cards of any kind – nail salons, hair salons, or restaurants!

Our members always donate unique items for our Silent Auction – that makes it fun!! Questions? Contact Ginger Vlieger at (210) 219-1522. THANK YOU!

2020 Fiesta Teen Queen Candidate Lillie Medina



Lillie Michelle Medina

Lillie was born in San Diego, California on May 8, 2001 and raised in San Antonio, TX.

- Ronald Reagan High School Senior
- Underclassman Honor Society
- Member of Academia National Honor Society
- Member of National French Honor Society
- Reagan Varsity Soccer Two year Letterman
- US Soccer Club SA Sting 3 years
- Member of Fellowship of Christian Athletes
- Special Read Program Volunteer
- Food Bank Volunteer
- Women's Club Ingénue 4 years
- 2019 WCSA Fiesta Teen Princess
- Member of Community Bible Church
- Referee for various CBC sports programs -2 years

Parents are Omar Ojeda Medina and Bridget Davis Medina Grandmother Sandra Ojeda Medina, WCSA Member - 4 years

FINAL SUMMER LUNCHEON in AUGUST – ITC education infused with Filipino culture

The presentation by Angelica Docog, Executive Director of the Institute of Texan Cultures, on the Mabuhay exhibit was educational, including "why" museums are important to our collective story-telling. The dancers demonstrating the different Filipino cultures were the perfect end to her program.







Visit the ITC Filipino Exhibit until Feb. 2, 2020.

Remember 2nd Sundays are free admission from noon to 5 PM.



40th FASHON EVENT ANNUAL FASHING with STYLE

- Fashion Show
- Chic Boutique
- Cafe' & Brunch
- Silent Auction

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2019 Omni Hotel - Colonnade

9:30 AM Exclusive VIP Access to Chic Boutique/Silent Auction 10:00 AM General Registration & Shopping 11:30 AM Fashion Show & Brunch Shopping continues after Program until 2:30 PM

For information visit **SalvationArmySATX.org/Fashion**

Proceeds support individuals and families who are hungry, homeless and hopeless through Salvation Army programs in the San Antonio area.



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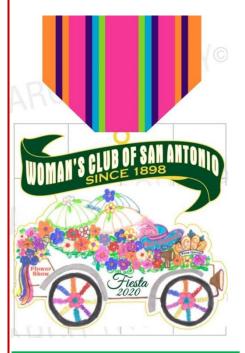
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NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The following members have been chosen, per the bylaws of the club, to serve on the Nominating Committee which will select the slate of officers for the 2020-2022 term: Sandra Ojeda Medina, Chula Boyle, Patte Pfeiffer, B.J. Duncan, Ginger Vlieger, Carolynn Snyder, Dolores Tamez, Elizabeth Moad, and Gloria Tate. If you have an interest in serving in any capacity on the next Board of Directors, please speak to one of these ladies and express your interest to her. You must have been a member of the club for at least one year and your dues must be paid.

Congratulations to the following members who were elected by the Board of Directors to serve on the Finance Committee for the Woman's Club of San Antonio:

Karen Fee Susan Gargotta Jeanne Koplan Patty Landacre Janice McGraw



Congratulations to Iris Ann Francis, who submitted the winning design for the Woman's Club of San Antonio 2020 Fiesta Medal! Thank you to all who submitted a design for the election that was held at the Aug. 21 Summer Luncheon. ¡VIVA FIESTA!



If you loved the hat box centerpieces from the Fiesta Hat Luncheon in April, you can buy one to take home for \$20 at the September 18 Luncheon at the San Antonio Country Club. Only 10 left!

NEW VENUE FOR THE 2020 FIESTA TEEN QUEEN CORONATION: Temple Beth-EI 211 Belknap Place at San Pedro with ample parking too!

GET READY TO FIESTA IN 2020: Sunday, March 1: Fiesta Teen Queen Reception, 3-6 PM Sunday, April 5: Fiesta Teen Queen Coronation, 3-5 PM April 17 – 18: Floral Show, Ribbon Cutting 2 PM Friday Wednesday, April 22: Fiesta Hat Contest & Luncheon, 11 AM to 2 PM, Omni Hotel at the Colonnade

GIFTS TO THE GOLDEN BOOK FUND Submitted By: Johanna Christiansen, Golden Book Chairman Diane Lewallen, Golden Book Committee				
In Memory of Martha Dabbs By Elizabeth Moad, Michele Moad-Hag Madi Moad-Hageman	In Memory of Martha Dabbs eman, By Barbara Niemann			
In Memory of Martha Dabbs In Memory of Chad Ferguson In Memory of Harriett Ellerbee In Memory of Buddy Banack By Marie Soules	In Memory of Martha Dabbs In Memory of Bob England In Memory of Doris Hill In Memory of Chad Ferguson In Memory of Joyce Breene By Kathy Littlefield			
In Memory of Bob England In Memory of Joe Herrera By Virginia Van Cleave	In Honor of the 85 th Birthday of Harold Atkinson By Brian, Johanna, Sophia, Harold & Tessa Christiansen			
In Honor of Angelica Docog August Program By The Woman's Club	The form for a gift to the Golden Book Fund can be found on the website at www.womansclubofsa.org .			

MARK THE DATES AND DEADLINES:

- ✓ SEPT. 12 NOON DEADLINE to purchase your September 18
 Fall Luncheon Ticket ORDER EARLY Tickets are selling fast!
- ✓ SEPT. 18 "Paris at the San Antonio Country Club" Style Show
- ✓ SEPT. 23 Clean up work session at the Woodward Mansion at 10 AM
- ✓ SEPT. 30 10 AM DEADLINE to RSVP for Lunch for Oct. 2 meeting
- OCT. 2 GENERAL MEETING begins at 10:30 a.m. for social and boutique shopping. Program will begin at 11 a.m. to honor our past presidents and hear the "State of the Club" report. Election of the 2020 Fiesta Teen Queen will take place. New Club members will be announced and welcomed.

The Woman's Club of San Antonio was organized October 1, 1898. We consistently strive to live up to our mission statement: For mutual improvement and cooperation in all charitable and educational undertakings that pertain to the greater good of humanity. We welcome new members all year to come and join us! Visit our website at www.thewomansclubofsa.org under the MEMBERSHIP tab for information and application.