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From the President's Desk

Some of our members have presented fundraising opportunities through which members may support our club. Please support our club by participating in the following fundraisers:

Make a toast in honor of the WCSA! One Hope Winery is located in Napa Valley. They dedicated 10% of their sales to charitable causes. You may order a number of varietals from now until May 13th using the link: https://www.onehopewine.com/event/7dbce074-fe52-460b-9dbf-f53ac7a04659



Support your artistic side! The Lambermont House is hosting the Michelangelo's Sistine Chapel Exhibition May through June. The Woman's Club will receive a percentage of the ticket sales made June 24th through June 27th only. This is the first time these beautiful silk screens have been exhibited in Texas.

Release your inner gourmet! The Woman's Club Cookbooks are for sale for \$15.00 plus tax and credit card fee. You can call with your credit card information to reserve a book or stop by and pay on Tuesdays between 10 am and 2 pm.

Jane Stone President



2021 Royal Court ~ Celebrating "A Fiesta Tea" at the Scottish Rite Hall

Meetings & Luncheons

Virginia Van Cleave, Vice-President

May 2nd, 2021 [a Sunday]

The Queen's Reception at the Woodward Mansion

Honoring Teen Queen Sophia Christiansen & Princess Isabella Niño

The reception begins at 3:00 p.m. with food and drinks at a seated dinner. As of April 20th, 2021 attendance at the Queen's Reception **is at capacity.** If you would like to be on a list to attend in the event of a cancellation, contact Johanna Christiansen.

Queen's Reception committee members include: Diane Lewallen, Angela Pfeiffer, Leslie Doyle, Chula Boyle, Kathy Littlefield, Gail Jarratt, Kimberly Keller, Janice McGraw, Julie Alexander-Shacklett, Virginia Van Cleave and Jane Stone.



Personal Pilgrimage to the Alamo took place April 21.

For general meeting setup please RSVP by the prior Monday for the luncheon AND/OR meeting attendance. Wednesday Meeting Dates: Social time opens at 10:30 and **the meeting begins at 11:00.** Please RSVP to Karin Fee by the prior Monday @ 12:00 p.m. w/ \$25 payment if including lunch.

Cinco de Mayo ~ May 5th, 2021 ~ RSVP by Monday, May 3rd



Program: "Serenity" Guest Speaker: Richard Ojeda, El Rey Feo LXIV

The May program was selected to honor our mothers. Our speakers for March, April and May each fit Ralph Waldo Emerson's quote, "Men are what their mothers made them." Ambassador Sichan Siv's mother gave him a scarf to remember her by when she encouraged him to escape the killing fields in Cambodia and told him "never give up." He still has that scarf. Mr. Fiesta, member Michael Quintanilla, once took a scarf of his mother's on a business trip to Milan, Italy to carry the encouragement she gave him. Though he lost the scarf on the trip, it was found and returned to him by mail. He still has that scarf. Our May speaker, Richard Ojeda, will present a program to honor all mothers with the theme "Serenity". He recalls the words spoken by his mother "wherever you are is where you belong" and they propelled him to excel in whatever he pursued. Mr. Ojeda is a Longhorn having played on the UT football team in the '70s and graduating with a degree in physical education. In his varied career he has always given back with community service and in 2012 served as El Rey Feo LXIV. Black Tie Affairs Catering, a company he founded, links his interest in great food for great groups to the times he spent with his mother and grandmother preparing food for church functions.

Luncheon Menu

Starter: Wedge Salad

Hostesses: Fine Arts Round Table

Main: Bacon, Spinach Feta Frittata ~ Farfalle & Squash Salad Sautéed Asparagus and Snap Peas ~ Rolls

Dessert: Sopapilla Cheesecake topped with a Fruit Compote

Special Event in honor of Mother's Day: Local fashion designer Graciela is coming to the May 5th meeting and bringing her special designs, wonderful hats, and Fiesta items. Be the mother you shop for at this event or find that unique gift for that special person.

Meetings & Luncheons (cont'd)

May 13th, 2021 [a Thursday] ~ Golden Girls Luncheon

Program: A time to honor our wonderful members who have achieved the age of 80.

Hostesses: Noontide Round Table (POC Janice McGraw)

Traditionally this is a buffet of goodies; food will be served plated this time.

June 2nd, 2021 ~ General Meeting

Program: Presentation of Scholarship Recipients and Memorial Ceremony

Hostesses: The American Home and Garden Round Table

Community Care Concern: General Club Expenses

June 8^{th,} 2021 ~ Friendship Tea ~ CANCELLED



Summer Luncheon Series

June 16th, 2021 JUNE SUMMER LUNCHEON ~ Letters to Rose, A Holocaust Memoir ~ Rose Williams

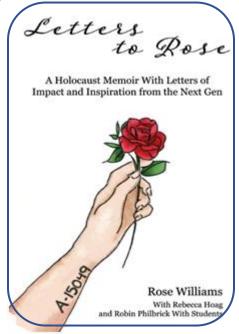
This will be a special luncheon at the OMNI San Antonio Hotel at the Colonnade.

"When Rose Sherman Williams was just twelve years old, the Nazis invaded her hometown in Poland. Subject to the ravages of World War II and the dehumanization of Polish Jews by the Nazis, each day was a fight for survival. Rose is 93 years old, but this remarkable woman continues to share her story in hopes that it inspires courage and resilience and touches the lives of those who hear it. For six years, the teenager whose childhood had been stolen from her fought both oppression and depression. She endured physical beatings, starvation, and transfers from one labor camp to another. In 1944, having been deported to the notorious Auschwitz extermination camp, she had a bizarre encounter with the Angel of Death, Dr. Josef Mengele, himself. A death march ultimately led her to one of the most despicable camps of all: Bergen-Belsen. But miraculously, she survived to be liberated. Now, her retelling vividly recalls one of the darkest moments in human history, but her message is as equally important as her tale. "

Guests and family are welcome to be included for this special program. Watch e-mails for reservation deadline and ticket prices.

July 21st, 2021 ~ July Summer Luncheon ~ SAVE THE DATE

August 18th, 2021 ~ August Summer Luncheon ~ SAVE THE DATE



YE HAD A FIESTA PARTY!

"Hat Chat" with Michael Quintanilla ~ The WCSA April Meeting 2021

In April 2019 the Woman's Club of San Antonio hosted the 26th annual Hat Contest & Silent Auction with the luncheon at the Omni Hotel. With COVID, this year the Woodward House was the site of the first annual "Hat Chat" with host Michael Quintanilla and celebrating some of the winning entries in contests past. Michael kept it lively and put it to music. He made his hat (pictured below) and shared the secrets of shopping for plumes and creating and wearing this large hat.

Orbilia Hayes rocked the runway in "Peony Perfection" the hat she made. Her daughter, Jackie, modeled it and won first place in the "Most Beautiful Category" at the 2018 Luncheon. Orbilia also shared the hat she made and wore that day, winning second place in the "Glitz and Glam" category. In her interview with Michael, the audience learned some of Orbilia's hat creation techniques and shopping advice for supplies.

Lynn Thompson modeled the hat which she made and donated to the Silent Auction in 2019. It sold for \$250 to a member of the Rey Feo Court for his Reina Linda who loaned the hat for Lynn to model for "Hat Chat". The coloring of the hat was inspired by the scarf Lynn is wearing in the photo below and started with a plum-colored woven placemat. In her interview with Michael, Lynn shared some of her design techniques and flower shopping secrets.

In the photo below, Elizabeth Neely is wearing the yellow lace dress she wore when she modeled her creation "Yellow Rose of Texas" at the 2019 luncheon. Elizabeth's entry was awarded 2nd place in the "Most Beautiful" category. Elizabeth also shared her hat making process – "everything is big in Texas!" and noted, "these hats are heavy!"

Tawana Timberlake strutted VEGAS SHOWGIRL in her amazing black and white feather plumed hat which won first place in the "Glitz and Glam" category in 2009. Tawana did not make her winning entry. She bought it in Las Vegas. It was the hat worn by Barbara Walters in her 2007 Halloween Show for "The View". Tawana completed the rest of the showgirl look with her glittery gown and black and white feathered jacket.



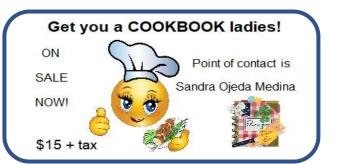
Pictured L – R: Jane Stone, Sophia Christiansen, Lynn Thompson, Orbilia Hayes, Michael Quintanilla (seated), Tawana Timberlake, Elizabeth Neeley, Isabella Niño, and Virginia Van Cleave. (Virginia's hat is a replica of the 2016 Fiesta Commission Poster with the 125th anniversary medal on top.)

Treasurer's Report

Marsha Metz, Treasurer Income Statement - March 2021

Revenues

<u>Revenues</u> Scholarships (Payable in Fall 2021)	\$	10,885.14
Dues	Ŷ	87.50
Initiation Fees		200.00
Property Usage		330.00
Round Table Lunch Fees		78.00
Donations - Cash		242.00
Donations - In Kind (Office Supplies)		58.99
Fiesta Program Book		1,625.50
Fiesta Coronation Entry Fees		1,887.25
Fiesta Medals		43.26
Fiesta Queen's Reception (Donation)		1,000.00
General Meeting Lunches		531.70
Interest income		2.04
Commemorative Bricks		120.00
Total Revenues		17,091.38
Expenses		
Fiesta Coronation (venue rental)		1,120.00
Fiesta Coronation Reception		555.00
General Meeting Lunches		364.00
Property Usage Refund		500.00
Bank Charge Credit Card		80.67
Office Supplies (Donated)		58.99
Phone & Internet		549.89
Utilities		549.63
Water		110.49
Grounds/Lawn		270.78
Trash Disposal		107.19
Pest Control		225.00
Elevator Expense		<u>957.91</u>
Total Expenses		5,449.55
Net Income	\$	11,641.83





Constance Cooper	
Gloria Acosta	3
Carol Bray	3
Iris Francis	3
Elizabeth Moad	4
Miranda Nelka	4
Kimberly Engler	5
Lari Nelson	5
Georgia Grubb	7
Lisa Nelle Head	8
Lillie Medina	8
Rhonda Gennarelli	13
Signa Johnson	15
Mercedes Bentle	17
Carolynn Snyder	18
Hilda De Hoyos	21
Melody Hays (Ingenue)	24
Carol Chapman-Ryan	25
Stacey Bradford-Miller	29
Carol Castillo	29
Nelle Still-Pichler	
Jamie Whitfield	31



As reported from Susan Moreland-Goza

Member & Past President, B. J. Duncan's son, Steven, has been diagnosed with aggressive cancer.

Member, Billie Arredondo's husband, Tony, underwent a heart procedure.



Golden Book

Submitted by Patte Pfeiffer, Golden Book Chairman

In Memory of Husband, Peter Walski By Barbara Walski

> In Memory of Peter Walski By Diane Lewallen

In Memory of Jeannine Wangler By Kathy Tarkington

In Memory of Bill Heck By Harold Atkinson and Johanna, Brian, Sophia, Harold, Tessa Christiansen

In Honor of Patsy Pelton for delivering the Woman's Club Yearbooks By Virginia Van Cleave

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In Honor of Madi Moad-Hageman for chairing the Woman's Club Coronation By Virginia Van Cleave

In Honor of Marsha Metz for her continued Contributions of Legal and Accounting knowledge she brings to our Woman's Club Board that assists in making beneficial decisions necessary to sustain our club By Virginia Van Cleave

In Honor of the Woman's Club Fiesta Queen Sophia Christiansen and Princess Isabella Niño for being Outstanding Representatives for the Woman's Club within our community By Virginia Van Cleave

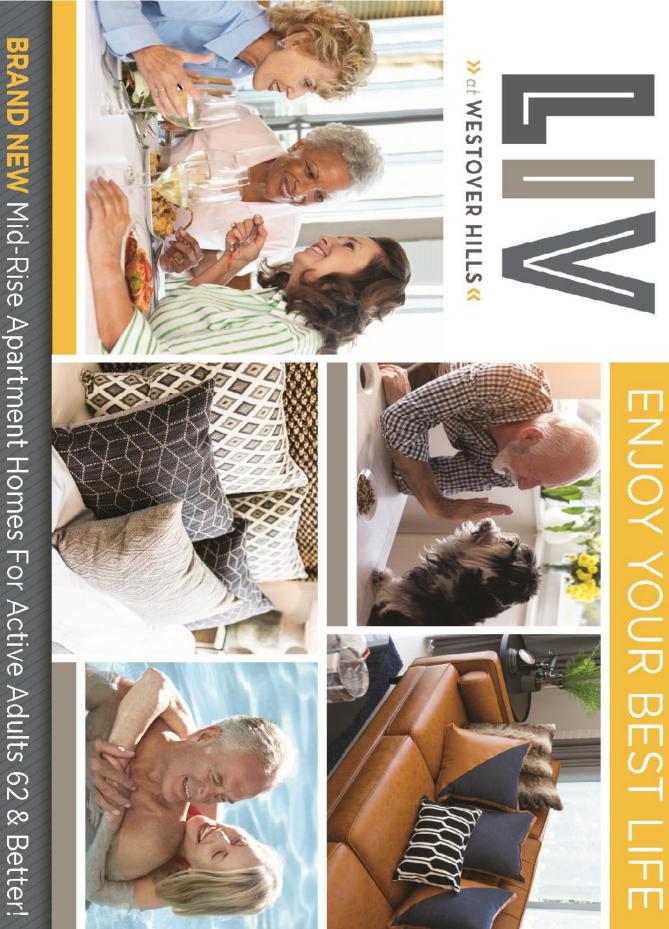
> In Honor of The Woman's Club Fiesta Queen Sophia Christiansen By Diane Lewallen

> > In Honor of our April Speaker Michael Quintanilla By the Woman's Club

In Honor of March Speaker Ambassador Sechan Siv By the Woman's Club

> In Honor of the Woman's Club By Lynn Thompson

> In Honor of the Woman's Club By Diane Lewallen



New Member Announcement

Look Who Joined Us!

Patricia Villarreal Membership Chair

Georgia Grubb is a native San Antonian and a retired teacher (elementary/reading specialist). Her interests include fine arts and historic architecture so of course she has served as Volunteer Coordinator for NIOSA and on the Board of Directors for the San Antonio Conservation Society.

Judy McKee's hobbies include photography and genealogy. She is a member of DAR, the National Society United States Daughters of 1812, Daughters of American Colonists, the Huguenot Society, and the San Antonio Genealogical Historical Society.

Barbara Slusher is a native San Antonian. She enjoys swimming and gardening and her hobbies include fashion, sewing, and bridge. A special skill is fund raising. Barbara is a member of the DRT (Alamo Couriers Chapter) and Friends of Casa Navarro.

Board & Committee Chairmen & Updates

Woman's Club of San Antonio Officers and Chairmanships are included for your reference. Changes since the publication of our 2020-2021 Yearbook are shown in bold type.



Jane Stone President



Susan Moreland-Goza Corresponding Sec'y



Virginia Van Cleave Vice President



Susan Gargotta **House Chairman**



Marsha Metz Treasurer



Patricia Villarreal Membership Chairman



Trace Mahbubani Recording Sec'y



Open Yearbook Chairman



Heather Hays Grounds Chairman





Janice McGraw Cyndi Munch Karin Fee Public Relations Chairman Newsletter Chairman Notification Chairman



Karen Ward Assistant Treasurer

The 56th Annual Fiesta Teen Queen Coronation

Presenting Her Gracious Majesty Fiesta Teen Queen Sophia Jeanette Schramm of the House of Christiansen



Herald the Princess of the Royal Court Presenting Her Reyal Highness Isabella Marina of the House of Niño

El Rey Feo, Thomas Aguillon, crowned our princess.

- Her Highness' Page, Sir Royce Ronik of the House of Patel
- Her Highness' Flower Girl, Lavinia Georgette of the House of Reyes
- Her Highness' Crown Bearer, Milagrace Florida of the House of Tamez
- Her Highness' Train Bearer, Aeriana Jude of the House of Lewis

Her Highness' Train Bearer, Juliett Adeline of the House of Martin King Antonio, Phillip Bakke, crowns our queen and presents her with the scepter and medallion.

- Her Majesty's Escort, Sir Harold Victor Gustav of the House of Christiansen
- Her Majesty's Flower Girl, Maebry Michele of the House of White
- Her Majesty's Scepter Bearer, Sir James Parker of the House of Desbrow
- Her Majesty's Bearer of the Kathleen Wyner Medallion, Sir Jonah Pascal of the House of Desbrow
- Her Majesty's Crown Bearer, Isabella Grace of the House of Van Cleave
- Her Majesty's Train Bearer, Alexis Ann of the House of Hill



The 56th Annual Fiesta Teen Queen Coronation

Madi Moad-Hageman, Chairman



The first official Fiesta event of 2021.

Many pictures & details from the Coronation are posted to The Woman's Club of San Antonio Facebook page.

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