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From the President's Desk

We are wrapping up a magnificent Summer Luncheon Series at our Mansion this month. Just a warning though: You might want to have a box of Kleenex handy for the program presentation at our August meeting. Our speaker, Bill Groneman, former Captain with FDNY Engine Company 308, was on duty in the heart of New York City on 9/11. For most of us, we could only watch on TV what was happening. But for him and his crew, they experienced everything in painful reality. A few weeks later, American country music singer Alan Jackson released one of the greatest songs written about that tragic morning titled, "Where Were You (When the World Stopped Turning)".

On that fateful day, I happened to be walking past the library in a public school and noticed the children staring at the TV. I thought they were watching a movie when I saw the second plane hit one of the Twin Towers. My cousin lived in NY and flew for American Airlines as a head flight attendant. Her route was NY to LA, so she knew many of the famous passengers who flew regularly across country. Luckily, she was not on the planes that went down, but some of her friends were. We should all remember to be grateful for our lives and to live each day with no regrets.

Now, moving to the other side of the emotional roller coaster, I am grateful for my life that began one August 18. Coincidentally, my birthday is the same day as our third summer luncheon. It will be for me a wonderful opportunity to share the day with many of you in a circle of friendship and celebration.

The friendship and fun will continue in September with our fabulous luncheon to be held at the San Antonio Country Club on September 15. I hope to see many of you at these events.





Our Ingenues and Emcee at the July Summer Luncheon. L-R: Ryan Scrimpshire, Avery Walker, Tessa Christiansen, Sophia Christiansen, Michael Quintanilla, Isabella Niño, and Gabriela (Gabby) Geppert. (see pg. 7)



WCSA President, Jane Stone, presents the \$10,000 scholarship check to the SAC Empowerment Center. (see pg. 3)

Meetings & Luncheons

Virginia Van Cleave, Vice-president

AUGUST SUMMER LUNCHEON ~ "UNITED WE STAND"



11:00 a.m. at the Woodward Mansion

Luncheon Reservations must be received by Monday, August 16th @ 12:00 p.m. w/ \$40 payment.

House Supervisor, Tina Zimmerman, 10:00 – 3:00 M-F.

Office phone 210-732-4811

August 18th Luncheon Speaker: Bill Groneman, FDNY, Retired. "Remembering September, Twenty Years Later"

Mr. Groneman will speak as an eyewitness to the tragic events in New York, 9/11, 2001.

Luncheon Menu:

Seasonal Fruit Salad

Entrée: "Banana Split Plate"

Chicken Salad, Cottage Cheese and Tuna Salad

Dessert: Tres Leches Birthday Cake

Poster artwork: Janice McGraw

ANNUAL FALL LUNCHEON \sim "SWEET DREAMS OF PATSY" September 15th, 11:00 a.m.

San Antonio Country Club

International recording star and entertainer Patsy Torres will perform a musical program which will highlight the life and music of the legendary Country superstar Patsy Cline. Patsy Torres embodies the voice, appearance, and characteristics of Patsy Cline who was her childhood idol.

Perhaps you have heard Patsy sing when she performed with the San Antonio Symphony. Certainly, if you attended the July Summer Luncheon at the Woodward Mansion, you have already met Patsy Torres. Patsy joined us in for the Fashion Show and greeted everyone at the luncheon when she gave a brief introduction to her September 15th program at the San Antonio Country Club. Patsy shared that she is a long-time friend of the Woman's Club of San Antonio. The Club is so excited to have her as our special guest at the Fall Luncheon.

Ticket price for the luncheon and entertainment is \$75.00.



Patsy Torres as Patsy Cline

"SWEET DREAMS of PATSY" ~ FALL LUNCHEON (cont'd)

Have we been missing all the fun extras that make events so memorable? The event at the Country Club in September includes a Silent Auction! Silent Auction chair, Ginger Vlieger, is doing her part to bring back the bling and bidding with the Fall Luncheon Silent Auction. You can help! Ginger says, "Don't forget to bring your items for the Silent Auction to the Woodward Mansion office no later than Monday, September 13th! 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!!"



To drop off your donation please confirm timing with House Supervisor, Tina Zimmerman, 10:00 – 3:00 M-F. Office phone: 210-732-4811.

If you need pick-up service for your donation, give Ginger Vlieger a call.

OCTOBER 6th LUNCHEON ~ "BIG MAN WITH BIG IDEAS"

A Grandson's Remembrance of David J. Woodward, San Antonio Builder



Mr. Tom Bagby

The Woodward Mansion, 1717 San Pedro Avenue, was completed in 1908 and was the last of many homes David Woodward built with/for his wife, May. In 1926 when May sold the home to the Woman's Club of San Antonio, some of the original furnishings stayed with the house. Other pieces were given to family members. Now, after almost 100 years, one of the pieces that has stayed with the family, a settee, is coming back to the mansion. This treasure is being donated to our club by the Bagby family and will be presented by Mr. Tom Bagby at our first meeting and luncheon program of the year on October 6th. A copy of a picture of May Woodward on the settee with Mr. Bagby's mother, Mary Louise Tips Bagby, will also be given to the Club. Mary Louise was born in the house on the second-floor corner room facing the house from the street. Her mother was Hazel Woodward Tips, David Woodward's only daughter.

Tom Bagby, great-grandson of David J. Woodward, is going to share several family stories about Mr. Woodward in his program which he has titled: "Big man with BIG ideas."

SCHOLARSHIPS ~ SAN ANTONIO COLLEGE (SAC)

The Woman's Club of San Antonio traditionally announces annual scholarships in June, inviting the recipients to the Club for the June luncheon. At the time of the luncheon, SAC had COVID policies that did not allow in-person attendance by the women in the Services for Women and Non-traditional Students (SWANS) program who received the awards.

The Woman's Club is pleased to share that we received a personal note and 'thank you' from each and every recipient of the San Antonio College SWANS program scholarships sponsored by our Club. The ladies who wrote the letters were introduced in our July newsletter announcing the scholarship awards. The letters and a copy of the 2021 Women Empowered Conference Program (prepared by San Antonio College to announce the 2021 recipients) are in a folder in the office at the Woodward Mansion. The folder is available to all members to share in the wonderful outreach. A copy of the 2021 Women Empowered Conference Program is also posted on the bulletin board in the first-floor hall by the elevator.



Care and Concern As reported for Susan Moreland-Goza



Member, Marjorie Douglas's husband, Carl, passed away.

Member, Karin Fee's sister had triple bypass surgery.

Member, Billie Arredondo's husband, Tony, had laser eye surgery.

Member, Peggy Guerrero's husband, Ernest, injured his back.

Member, Marie Goforth fell and suffered a broken shoulder.

Member and Care & Concern Chair, Susan Moreland-Goza will have back surgery this month



Golden Book

Submitted by: Patte Pfeiffer, Golden Book Chairman

In Honor of our June speaker Rose Williams
By The Woman's Club

In Memory of my beloved daughter, Dr. Michelle Elizabeth Neely By Elizabeth Sparks Neely

In Memory of my sister, Dr. Michelle Elizabeth Neely By Melanie Neely Wright

In Memory of my niece, Dr. Michelle Elizabeth Neely By Robert B. Sparks, Jr.

In Memory of my talented niece, Dr. Michelle Elizabeth Neely By Mary Carolyn Sparks

In Memory of my fun aunt, Dr. Michelle Elizabeth Neely By Collin Nathaniel Wright



Member Announcements

At the July Board Meeting of the Woman's Club of San Antonio the Board recognized:

Kaye Bradford is a Life Member of the Club in recognition of 35 years of being a sustaining member.

Sandra Whittaker was approved as Scholarship Chairman.



Treasurer's Report

Marsha Metz, Treasurer Income Statement - June 2021

Net Income	\$ 8,043.17
Total Expenses	10,387.03
Elevator Expense	1,387.74
Payroll Taxes	28.26
Wages	1,403.41
Equipment Repairs & Maint.	312.97
House/Kitchen Supplies	45.00
Grounds/Lawn	180.00
Water	119.23
Utilities	988.60
Insurance - House & Liability	1,237.78
Phone & Internet	242.96
Newsletter Printing & Postage	106.20
Office Supplies	163.99
Bank Charge Credit Card	273.10
Name Tags	48.00
Summer Luncheons	3,331.79
General Meeting Lunch	518.00
<u>Expenses</u>	
Total Revenues	18,430.20
Newsletter Advertising	50.00
Dividend income	856.65
Interest income	2.15
Attic Sale Income	62.50
Boutique Sales	2,484.79
Fundraiser - Cookbooks	280.73
Fundraiser - Raffle	415.00
Summer Luncheons	3,845.13
General Meeting Lunches	641.48
Fiesta Queens Recep. (Donation	
Fiesta Medals	258.07
Donations - Cash	270.19
Donations - Cash	1,397.61
Round Table Lunches	32.00
Round Table Assessment	7,183.90 150.00
<u>Revenues</u> Dues	7,183.90
Income Statement - Jun	e 2021

The vote for 2022 Fiesta Teen Queen will be at the October regular meeting.

Round Table Doings

We were able to have many lovely, traditional Fiesta events again this year and the House was decked out for it! The July issue of the newsletter included volunteer recognition and photos of the Woodward Mansion decorated for Fiesta.















In May, members of the **Friendship Round Table** met to make colorful paper flower decorations. It was wonderful to be back together having a good time doing good for Fiesta.

The **Bridge Round Table** meets in the summer. The July gathering was hosted by Kathy Littlefield and Anita Oberle. We are happy to report top scoring players:

1st ~ Marilyn McKinney 2nd ~ Jackie Bonney 3rd ~ Kim Rees

Stay Tuned for exciting news from the Ingenue Round Table.

In the September WCSA Newsletter the three ingenues eligible for 2022 Teen Queen will introduce themselves with a little background of their accomplishments and goals.

Ingenue candidates for 2022 Teen Queen: Gabby Geppert, Sarah Stone, and Avery Walker.



Membership



The fiscal year for the Woman's Club runs July 1st to June 30th and dues were due on 31 July 2021. Life members are not assessed 2021-2022 dues. If you are not a life member and you missed the July date:

General Membership Dues Including Late Payment:

Paid August 1st – August 31st - \$165 if paid by cash or check (\$169.95 by credit card) Paid September 1st – October 1st - \$180 if paid by cash or check (\$185.40 credit card)

Please make your check payable to the Woman's Club of SA & include "2021-'22 Dues" in the memo line. Mail to the Club - 1717 San Pedro, San Antonio, TX 78212.

If you wish to pay by credit card or have any questions about your dues: Call Karen Ward.

Dues not paid by October 1st will result in loss of membership to the Club & reapplication/reinstatement requires a new initiation fee.

JULY FASHION SHOW & LUNCHEON

Many thanks to the student/faculty team from the University of the Incarnate Word (UIW) for bringing their designs and models to our July Summer Luncheon. Our emcee, Michael Quintanilla, introduced Dr. Melinda Adams, Director of the Fashion Management Program at UIW, and Teri Lopez, who has recently retired from UIW. Teri presented the fashions –

designed and made by Fashion Mgmt. Program students.



Some of our models....



JoAnn Ahmadi, Virginia Van Cleave and Orbilia Hayes at the UIW Fashion Show, WCSA July Summer Luncheon.



Decorating the luncheon tables: L-R: Darcy Scrimpshire, Ryan Scrimpshire, Avery Walker, Gabby Geppert, Cathy Carroll, and Patricia Geppert. The Ingenues were wonderful hostesses as they served our 100 guests at the UIW Style Show July Summer Luncheon.

Movig at the Mansion ~ High School (1940 Film)

Ferne Burney, Ways and Means Chairman



Totally San Antonio – Jefferson H.S. and the Monticello neighborhood had starring roles in the comedy brought to the Woodward Mansion the last Sunday in July. In attendance were Jefferson alumnae and residents of the surrounding neighborhood. The idea for screening this fun flick was fundraising with entertainment. Ferne enlisted John Buxie to mind the box office. The Ingenue Round Table supported the soda & snack concession - complimentary for movie goers. Many thanks to Darcy & Ryan Scrimpshire; Irma Duran de Rodriguez, Jeanette & Paulina Rodriguez; and all who pitched in with supplies, set up, tear down and shared memories. Let's do this again! Chick flick anyone?





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womansclubnewsletter@gmail.com. Advertising in Rustling Leaves is available at the following rates: full page - \$100; half page - \$50; and, quarter page - \$25. Your ad may include business cards, recognition/celebrations, and announcements of upcoming events. The deadline for submission and payment for advertising is the 15th of the month prior to the publication month.

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.

Office hours: 10:00 - 3:00 M - F. To call ahead and confirm: 210-732-4811. Email: womansclubofsa@aol.com

Buy-A-Brick Recognition Peggy Guerrero, Chairman

Nine new bricks are ready to be added to our garden this month. When you come to the August luncheon, take the brick walkway in the north front yard to see the new recognitions:

In Loving Memory of Peter Walski	Marsha Metz	Isabella M Niño
By Family and Friends	Chairman ~ 2017-2020	Teen Princess ~ 2021
	American Home & Garden Round Table	

Ferne Burney	Barbara J. "BJ" Duncan	Rosemary Sundeen
President ~ 2018-2020	President ~ 2016-2018	President ~ 2012-2014
Helen Jones	Jaquie Rothermel	Betty Lewandowski
President ~ 2006-2008	President ~ 2004-2006	President ~ 1996-1998

If you would like to add to this garden, the Brick Order Form is on the Club web page www.thewomansclubofsa.org

Attachment – 2021- 2022 Dues/Yearbook Form

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