

THE WOMAN'S CLUB OF SAN ANTONIO



RUSTLING LEAVES

FEBRUARY 2019

VULNERABILITY

At our last General Membership meeting, we had a visitor who was immediately identified as the scam artist who was at the club last year. She did not have an opportunity to swindle anyone then. Our becoming aware of her shenanigans last year made us "on guard" last month so that no harm was done. But we were cautious, the police were called to ensure that she was not out of jail illegally, and we protected ourselves.

I mention this because when I sent out a message on email the next week, many of you reacted with comments to me. The word I heard time and again was "vulnerable". We are indeed vulnerable in so many ways as so many are in today's society. So, what do we do about it?

OUR RESPONSE

Vice President Jane Stone and I have had several conversations about this. It is our concern that we have not prepared enough for that difficult situation when a stranger meaning us harm walks through the front (or side or back) door. Jane and Patty Landacre have attended a seminar conducted by the Bexar County Sheriff's Department that addresses the active shooter. While that is an extreme situation, it is not out of the realm of possibility. We have discussed what steps we need to take to protect ourselves and the members of the club under such a situation.

We plan to ensure that our doors are guarded or at least watched. We will have key people

assigned to accept information of problems and to respond appropriately. We will have a code word which can be passed on so that people can be made aware of an emergency without tipping off the one who is causing it. Simply stated, we need to plan, and plan we will. Please help us as we put our ideas together by being watchful and free to report anything that seems amiss. Your safety is and always will be primary to us.

NO TIME TO BE BORED

In the meantime, please mark your calendars for the social season which is about to start! On **Tuesday, Feb. 19**, we will have a Games Day. I have wanted to do this for some time. All of us love a party, and this will be in the daytime so that our members who do not like to drive at night will enjoy participating. It will be a relaxed day with a pot luck lunch and lots of fun ways to enjoy each other's company!

On **Sunday, March 3rd (*NEW DATE)**, our annual Fiesta Teen Queen's Reception will be held at the Woodward House. Johanna Christiansen and her committee are organizing the food and decorations for that afternoon. And please come help us and the rest of our Fiesta friends as we honor Fiesta Teen Queen, Kyndal Keller. Very shortly after that, on March 12, is the annual Friendship Tea, honoring our founder Eleanor Brackenridge and sponsored by Friendship Round Table. We can all pitch in to help conduct a lovely tea for our friends and neighbors.

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Three weeks after those events, we look forward to the craziness that we call Fiesta San Antonio. The Coronation comes first on April 7, then the Fiesta Flower Show on April 19 and 20, and finally the Fiesta Hat Contest and Luncheon on April 24. Be sure to see the reminders for all of these in our Club calendar.

I think that you can tell by now that if you are bored, it is your own fault!

Warm regards,
Ferne Burney, President
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February Birthdays

Julie Davis	3	Helen Jones	18
Maureen Montgomery	4	Harriett Ellerbee	19
Mary Jane Blanco	5	Sylvia Wong	19
Monica Rogers	5	Carol Carpenter	20
Sharon Greene	7	Sandra Whittaker	21
Courtney Ringelstein	8	Elaine Wood	23
Lynn Thompson	10	Lorena Escobar	25
Mary Ann Oliver	15	Joyce Breene	26
Ellen Myers	16	Kim Carmack	28



Care and Concern

We keep in our thoughts and prayers:



Another way to honor a friend or to cherish their memory is to buy a brick to be placed in our memory garden outside at our historic Woman's Club. See the attachment with this newsletter to complete an order form. For questions please contact Harriett Ellerbee at 210-561-0862 or email her at hellerbee@gmail.com.

Belinda Pena-Bosquez's daughter, Lili Dyer, was hospitalized.

Norma Reyes experienced complications due to surgery.

Past President Faye Fox passed away Dec. 31, 2018.

B.J. Duncan's husband had spinal surgery and is now recuperating at a rehabilitation center.

Helen Jones had neck surgery.

Kim Rees had a mild stroke in mid January, followed by a second one at the end of January.

Deana Somerville had heart catheterization and is awaiting future heart surgery.

Maria Moore had extensive spinal surgery.

More information about each family above has been emailed to all members from Corresponding Secretary Susan Moreland-Goza. Please contact her at smoreland@att.net. (To our members: A gift to our Golden Book fund is always available to you to honor or remember a loved one. Donations are always printed in each month's newsletter and a card is sent to the family per the giver's instructions. Contact **Johanna Christiansen** for more information on making a gift.)

FEB. GENERAL MEETING – RSVP BY MONDAY, FEB. 4 at 10 A.M.



Bring a friend and learn about the good work of the Shriner's Hospital for Children as we hear from Lisa Court, director of donor development.

Be ready to share some joy for our furry friends with gifts for the Animal Defense Fund as this month's Community and Concern charity.

Hostesses: Carousel Round Table

SCHEDULE FOR THE GENERAL MEETING on WEDNESDAY, FEB. 6:

10:30 AM Social and Boutique (profits benefit the Club)
 11:00 AM General Meeting and Program Speaker: Lisa Court, Director of Donor Development
 Noon Lunch

PLEASE NOTE NEW TIME FOR PAID RESERVATIONS AND CANCELLATIONS

Luncheon reservations and cancellations must be made no later than 10 a.m. on Monday, Feb. 4, 2019, by email or phone (210-732-4811). Making a reservation guarantees payment unless the cancellation deadline is met.

GO TO JAIL	PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE	?	STATES AVENUE	COMMUNITY CHEST	B&O RAILROAD	BOARDWALK	ELECTRIC COMPANY	JAIL JUST VISITING	BALTIMORE AVENUE	ST. CHARLES PLACE	VERMONT AVENUE	INCOME TAX	FREE PARKING
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<p align="center">GAMES DAY</p> <p align="center">Join us to play your favorite game!!</p> <p align="center"><u>Tuesday, FEBRUARY 19 at</u> <u>10:00 am till 3:00 pm</u></p> <p align="center">Bring a salad to share for lunch. We will provide the beverages for this pot luck event.</p> <p align="center">\$5 per person will cover the costs of servers and opening the house.</p>													
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We are going to try something new this year as a "just for fun" event. You do not have to come for the whole time...drop in and drop out as your schedule permits.

We will be setting up all types of card games, board games, and mind challenging games. We might just end up with a rollicking game of BINGO!

MEMBERS SPOTLIGHT



Meet the fun loving Patty Landacre! I first met Patty on a ladder putting Christmas ornaments on the big tree at the Mansion. She is currently the Vice Chairman of Books and Letters Round Table and she's always wearing a cute hat and that adorable smile of hers. She is from Monterrey, Mexico and is married to Bud, who is a retired pilot and spends most of his time perfecting old cars. Life is full of church commitments and going on the road shows with Bud. Thanks Patty for your super charged enthusiasm! Give Patty a shout out for being in the spotlight for this month! **Iris Francis**



From the Women's Federation – “WCSA Volunteer of the Year”



Every other year the San Antonio Women's Federation honors a "Volunteer of the Year" from each of its member clubs. This year Cecily Macdonald was our honoree. Cecily is shown at left at the podium as she shared her remarks at the luncheon held Jan. 26. She is also shown below seated with all the other award recipients. Congrats Cecily!



We need you AND we need your dues!
For those of you who opted to pay your 2018-2019 dues in 2 installments, the second and final payment is now due on Feb. 1.

For those of you who have not paid your \$150 dues at all...you will be receiving an email from Patte Pfeiffer soon as a friendly reminder that to receive full Club privileges you must be paid! **THANK YOU!!**

Board member Barbara Vander will be honored by the State Association of Texas Pioneers on Feb. 24 with the "Honorary Lady Chairman Presentation Party." The program runs from 7 to 10 p.m. at the Prassel Auditorium at the Witte Museum. Please RSVP to Karen Rogers at 210-862-7258 or by email to honorbarbara@texaspioneers.org by Feb. 14. Barbara was spotted at the Mansion recently wearing her Fiesta medal...as the Honorary Lady Chairman, she will preside over the Pioneers' Fiesta events including sponsoring a carriage in the Battle of Flowers Parade. Congrats Barbara!



The Woman's Club of San Antonio is a charter member of the Fiesta San Antonio Commission. Last year, we were voted onto the Executive Board of the Commission as a Participating Member Organization by the other PMOs and individual members who voted.

We have enjoyed being at the table for big decisions regarding Fiesta. This year's Executive Board negotiated a 10-year contract with the City of San Antonio, made changes to the By-Laws, and sailed through the murky waters of legal issues regarding the Commission.

As an individual member of The Woman's Club, you should consider membership in the Fiesta Commission. Membership comes with

- being the first to see the official Fiesta® poster unveiled
- the exclusive annual Fiesta member medal
- a 15 percent discount on official merchandise at The Fiesta Store® (excludes medals)
- a copy of and recognition in the award-winning Fiesta® magazine
- advertising discounts
- early access to tickets for select Fiesta parades and events
- access to *Member Only* events
- discounted tickets to select Fiesta® Commission events
- Fiesta Notecard Set



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2019 TEEN QUEEN
KYNDAL KELLER

You will also have a vote at the next Fiesta San Antonio Commission election of officers. That would include your support of our seat at the table once again. Individual membership costs \$65 and a couple can be members for \$120. Please consider joining and increasing our presence in this important (and fun) organization. Contact Ferne Burney for more information.

ALMOST TIME FOR OUR QUEEN TO SHINE – CHANGE OF DATE FOR RECEPTION TO MARCH 3

SUNDAY, MARCH 3 – NEW DATE. Our annual **Fiesta Teen Queen's Reception** will be Sunday, March 3, when we will host Fiesta Royalty, families, and friends for the annual Fiesta Teen Queen Reception. This is one of the first Fiesta events of the year, and we will be honoring our 2019 Fiesta Teen Queen, Kyndal Keller. Johanna Christiansen and her team will be working to put together refreshments for the many guests who will visit the house. Please be sure to give her a positive response when she requests food items, beverages, or monetary support.

SUNDAY, APRIL 7 – It's Coronation time! We invite you to participate in the 2019 FIESTA Teen Queen Coronation to be held at the Carver Community Cultural Center. The Royal Court will be celebrating with the theme of "My Fair Fiesta Lady." For a registration form, go to our club website at <http://www.thewomansclubofsa.org> where you can download it, complete and send it via email ONLY with a photo of child in jpg format ONLY to this address: WCSAFiestaCoronation@gmail.com. Thank you for sharing your beautiful and talented children, grandchildren and great grandchildren, it's an experience of a lifetime.

-- Sandra Ojeda Medina, Coronation Chairman

OUR FIESTA BOOK NEEDS YOUR AD

Check our website for the sales packet information and ask, ask and ask again for friends, family and business colleagues to support this fundraising effort. Deadline for ads will be the first week of March. Time to get your Fiesta bling on and start selling! Thank you and the Restoration Fund thanks you too!



ROUND TABLE REPORTS



Carousel Round Table celebrated the New Year with candles on their dessert and party hats.



January American Home and Garden RT program was "A Meeting of the Minds: Saving the Alamo" -- a presentation by Adina De Zavala and Clara Driscoll, personified by Virginia Van Cleave and Mary Ann Oliver. Dolores Tamez shared how she helped get the Historic Marker for Adina De Zavala. You could not be more proud to be a Texan woman after hearing these amazing Texas pioneer women!



YOU ARE INVITED TO:

NEWCOMERS ROUNDTABLE

The speaker for the Feb. 20 meeting will be Virginia Van Cleave, who will present:
 "30,000 years of Art History in less than 30 minutes"
 Please join us at 11:15 AM at the Woodward Mansion
 RSVP to **Patricia Villarreal** pvillarreal94@gmail.com
 Or text 210-240-5818.

FINE ARTS ROUND TABLE

Come join us at the Mansion on Feb. 25 at 11:30 a.m. we will be celebrating Valentine's Day with songs. On March 25 we bring Irish music and dance for St. Patrick's Day. RSVP to **Sandra Ojeda Medina**, RT Chairman, 210-883-4882 for lunch (\$10).

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.

Golden Book

Submitted By:

Johanna Christiansen, Golden Book Chairman

Diane Lewallen, Golden Book Committee

In Memory of the life and legacy of **Laura Sistrunk**
By Ferne Burney

In Honor of the **Members of The Woman's Club**
By Barbara Vander

In Memory of **Faye Fox**, Past President of The Woman's Club
By Helen Jones

In Honor of **Mr. and Mrs. George B. Jones**
By Helen Jones

In Honor of **Mr. and Mrs. Glen Piper**
By Helen Jones

In Memory of **Faye Fox**, Past President of The Woman's Club
By The Woman's Club

In Honor of **Susan Beavin**, January speaker
By The Woman's Club

In Memory of **Faye Fox**, Past President of The Woman's Club
By Carol Keller

In Memory of **Faye Fox**, Past President of The Woman's Club
By Barbara Niemann



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**STUDENTS
OF THE YEAR**

Dear Fellow Woman's Club Members,

My name is **Isabella Niño** and I am a sophomore at Alamo Heights High School. My Mother, Grandmother and Aunt are proud members, as well as I am, of the Woman's Club of San Antonio.

I have been nominated to run as a **Candidate for Students of the Year 2019** with The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, along with my Team Voices for a Cure!



The Students of the Year campaign is a seven-week philanthropic leadership development program during which students foster skills such as entrepreneurship, marketing and project management in order to raise funds for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society in a fundraising competition. The campaign kicked off Jan. 11, and culminates in a Grand Finale celebration on March 2. The candidate who raises the most money and awareness about leukemia and lymphoma, at the end of the seven weeks, is named Student of the Year.

I thank the Woman's Club of San Antonio for being great mentors and providing a strong foundation for young ladies. I will remain forever grateful. Please consider donating to my campaign to find a cure: <https://events.lls.org/sctx/sanantontosoy19/inino8>

If you prefer to mail your donation, please make your check payable to The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society and print "Team Voices for A Cure, Isabella Niño" in the "memo" section. Mail to: The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, 1218 Arion Parkway, Ste. 102, San Antonio, TX 78216. The deadline for receiving contributions is **February 28**.

Please reach out to me if you have any questions about my mission. Thank you!

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JANUARY GENERAL MEETING REVIEW



Our January program speaker was Susan Beavin, president of the Conservation Society of San Antonio. She shared about the various events that the Society plans and/or is involved with as a partner. She often referred to their mission as “saving history by making history.” After her program, the

Woman’s Club president had the honor of being part of that same mission of making history. She presented to Debbie Middleton, director of the Empowerment Center of San Antonio, a check for \$2,500 – from an anonymous Woman’s Club of San Antonio donor who wanted to help ensure that students who needed funds to pay the \$150 registration fee to take the GED would not have to worry where to find that money. The statue that was given to the Club (christened Adina, after another history-making Texan woman) was brought forward to be part of the presentation and Scholarship Chairman Helen Henderson as well. Watch your emails for more opportunities to help the students in the San Antonio College “Women in Transition” program. Plans are underway for a “Meet a Mentor in March” session and we cannot do it without volunteering to meet the students and see if you are a good match to a student. We will also host their closing graduation celebration in May at the Mansion.



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