



DECEMBER 6TH GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Social and shopping: 10:30

Program: 11:00

Luncheon: Noon

Hosting Round Table: Bridge

Program: Holiday music presentation by the Alamo City Chorus, a ladies' barbershop quartet style of singing. Sally Whiskemann is the leader of this group, and she also heads up the volunteers at [Owl Radio](#), a radio broadcast service for the blind.



Charity: St Jude's Children's Hospital

RESERVATIONS REQUIRED

Call 732-4811 before December 4th

President's Message

Twas a few weeks before Christmas and all thru the house, (Woodward House that is) not a creature was stirring except, all the ladies were hustling and bustling about. I asked "what is all this commotion about?"

The stockings must be hung with care they said, along with all the decorations, lights, baking and such, oh my, we must get ready for the Annual "Christmas Faire at the Mansion."

There was an aroma circulating thru out the entire house along with a lot of laughter, so I sprang from my chair to check it out. Much to my surprise there was a room full of wonderful elves (volunteers) baking and assembling villages of Christmas Gingerbread Houses, to be sold at our Faire. The smells brought back memories from long ago and the laughter would warm your soul. You could just picture all the different families that would be creating lasting holiday memories with many thanks to all these wonderful Santa helpers (volunteers).

The whole upstairs was transformed like magic into 30 or so, different shopping boutiques, along with baked goods made and donated by the elves that cared for the beautiful house and its history.

The staff was busy in the kitchen getting ready to feed all the hungry shoppers twice a day that had made reservations. How could you resist all the tempting aromas of holiday fare? What an outstanding effort from all our members that helped in one way or another. There are not enough words to say "Outstanding Job" and "Thank You". Thank you to all who brought their friends and family to shop, visit and make our event a success.

The Woman's Club Ingénues on Sunday, Dec. 27, 2017 at 3:30 PM will host the once a year a party for the Respite Care that is one of our charities. I'm so proud of these young ladies. Our Fiesta Teen Queen Kendall Chapman-Ryan will head this up. The Ingénues invite all members of the Woman's Club to come and join them.

It is time now to slow the pace for a couple of days and enjoy the last remaining days of this year that is going in to the history books. What a year it has been. In this season of miracles my Christmas wish is that God grants us and our planet worldwide, a new year of peace, joy, and abundant blessings for us all and our families and friends and for those who are alone may they find love and happiness for their soul and days of sunshine instead of sorrow. A Merry Christmas from my home to yours and a very safe and Happy New Year. God Bless, BJ

News You Can Use

- ❖ **Dues are STILL Due!** The Woman's Club membership dues are due and payable in July. Dues cover July 1st through June 30th. Annual dues of a resident member are \$150, Patron dues are \$300, and non-resident dues are \$75. You can mail a check to the club made payable to WCSA, or call Martha at 732-4811 to pay by credit card
- ❖ **Yearbooks** are in and available for pick-up in the office

Memorial Bricks

Bricks! Bricks! Bricks! Don't forget this is such a unique and special way to make a lasting memory for the affordable price of \$50. Ask Martha for the form which must be completed and turned in to her with your payment (check, cash or credit card). Please make sure Martha sees/is aware of your order with payment so she can advise me that it is pending, has been paid for and is ready for review before we turn over to our engraver. A hand written gift card/note will be sent to those being honored as long as you complete that section on the form.

Harriett Ellerbee, Brick Lady

December Birthdays

Vicki Ferguson	2	Cathie Antone	18
Camille Friedrich	2	Debbie Harris	18
Linda Rowe	2	Ursula Pari	19
Rosa Tate	2	Kim Rees	19
Billye Harris	3	Faye Fox	23
Wendy Tillotson	5	Martha George	28
Virginia Van Cleave	8		
Emma "Jean" McRae-Anders	9		
Kaye Bradford	10		
Lea Fagin	10		
Connie Linville	10		
Rebecca Barry	11		
Lisa Y. Del Rio	11		
Helen Gail Jarratt	12	Cynthia Oliva	29
Shirley Rice	12	Norma Sackett	29
Karen Hanson	14	Delores Tamez	30
Connie Beasley	17	Deborah Germany	31
Marie Soules	17	Jo Ann Scrivano	31



Halloween Party

Couples Costume Contest winners. Pictured are 1st place Johanna & Brian Christiansen (center), 2nd place Barbara Vander & Ronnie Nipper (left), and 3rd place Joan & John Cleary (right).



Care and Concern – cards, prayers, thoughts, and other support

- ❖ Member Michael Quintanilla's partner, Paul Skermetta, passed away early Friday morning (11/24) after a long illness. Please keep Michael and family in your prayers. Cards welcomed. A Memorial tribute is planned for a later date.
- ❖ Jeanette Atkinson, mother of Johanna, came home from the hospital on 11/14. Johanna would like continued prayers for her mom to get stronger, for the pneumonia to continue to get better and for a stable heart rate.
- ❖ Anita Oberle's niece, Gayle Bickel, lost her battle with cancer in early November. Anita, herself, is recovering from cataract surgery. Please keep the family in prayer.
- ❖ George Sistrunk, Laura's husband was attacked by one of his animals in early November. It was a bongo (African antelope), and did a lot of damage to include five broken ribs. He did have surgery and was in ICU at the Methodist Hospital. The family would really appreciate your prayers.
- ❖ Penny McCutchen was hospitalized with bleeding ulcers in early November. She is home recuperating. Prayers and cards welcomed.
- ❖ Connie Linville has been released from the hospital in late October and is now at home with her daughter in attendance. She has been diagnosed with Vertigo in addition to the blood pressure issues which will require some adjustments. Cards and phone calls would be welcomed.



The next time you are in the house, be sure to check out the new valances in the ballroom. The old ones had certainly seen better days. The new ones are up and ready for the Christmas Faire.

Newsletter and Advertising Rate Information

Want something to appear in the newsletter? Email your photo and/or your text, and your information to womansclubnewsletter@gmail.com by the 15th of the month to have it appear in the next month's newsletter. Advertising Rates: \$25 for ¼ page, \$50 for ½ page, and \$100 for a full page. Advertising space is limited so payment must be made prior to publication.

Golden Book

Submitted By:

Johanna Christiansen, Golden Book Chairman

Jeanette Atkinson & Diane Lewallen, Golden Book Committee

In Memory of **Don Ella Howard**

By Anita Oberle

In Memory of **Laura Sistrunk's** Birthday, Patron/Life Member of The Woman's Club

By Rosemary Sundeen

In Honor of **The Woman's Club**

By Elsie McTee

In Honor of the Birthday of **Lea S. Fagin**

In Honor of the Birthday of **Connie Linville**

In Honor of the Birthday of **Marie Soules**

By Ginger Vlieger

In Honor of **The Woman's Club Past Presidents**

By The Woman's Club

In Honor of **Hector Cardenas**

November program

By The Woman's Club

December Dates in U.S. Women's History

December 1, 1955 – Rosa Parks refuses to give up her seat on a bus to a white person; her arrest sparks the modern civil rights movement in the US

December 5, 1935 – Mary McLeod Bethune creates the National Council of Negro Women

December 7, 1941 – Capt. Annie Fox receives the first Purple Heart awarded to a woman for her service while under attack at Pearl Harbor

December 10, 1869 – Wyoming is the first territory to give women the right to vote

December 10, 1938 – Pearl S. Buck receives the Nobel Prize for Literature for *The Good Earth*

December 13, 1993 – Susan A. Maxman becomes first woman president of the American Institute of Architects in its 135 year history

December 14, 1961 – President's Commission on the Status of Women is established to examine discrimination against women and ways to eliminate it

December 14, 1985 – Wilma Mankiller is sworn in as principal chief of the Cherokee Nation of Oklahoma – the first woman in modern history to lead a major Native American tribe

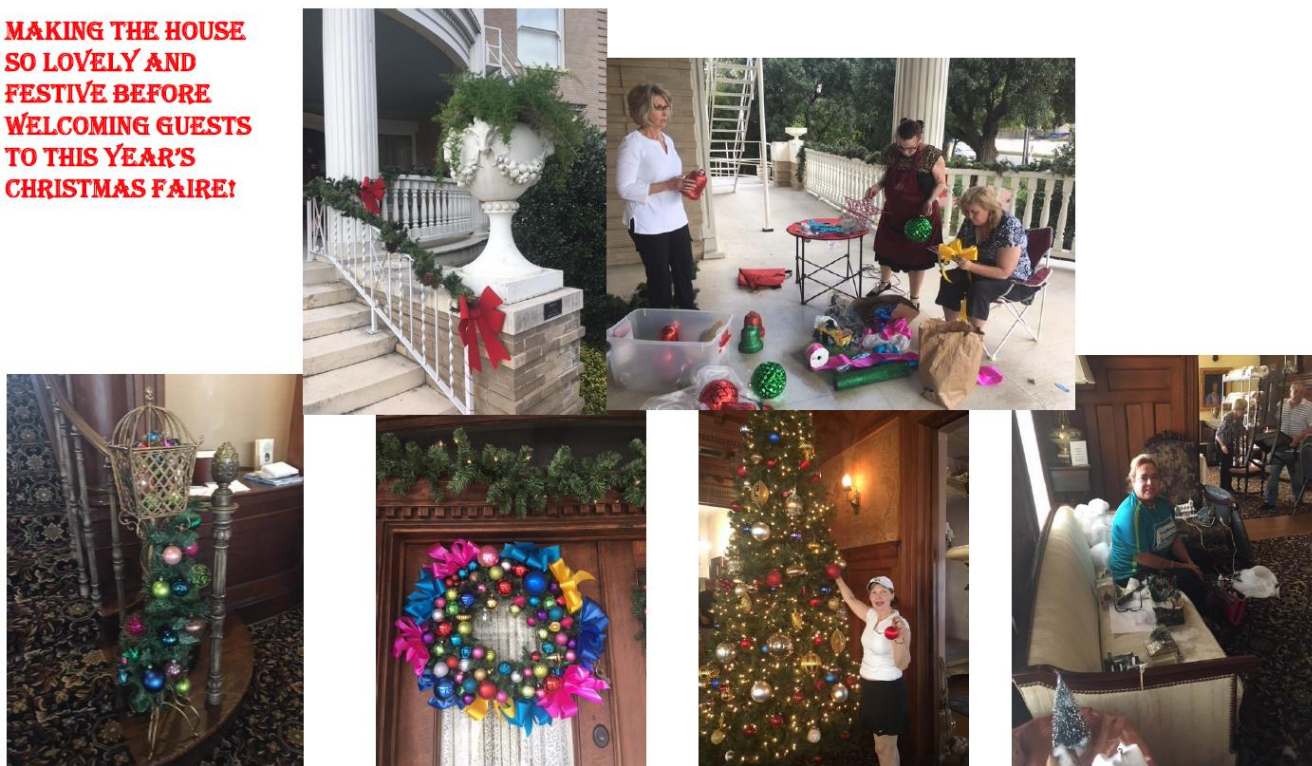
December 17, 1993 – Judith Rodin is named president of Univ. of Pennsylvania, the first woman to head an Ivy League institution

December 28, 1967 – Muriel Siebert becomes the first woman to own a seat on the N.Y. Stock Exchange

TREATS FOR THE BAKE SHOPPE



**MAKING THE HOUSE
SO LOVELY AND
FESTIVE BEFORE
WELCOMING GUESTS
TO THIS YEAR'S
CHRISTMAS FAIRE!**





Lovely Ladies Around the House

Save the Date!

Christmas Faire

Make your reservations
for lunch and great
shopping!

November 27, 28, 29, &
30

Come for the shopping
with dozens of unique
vendors and stay for a
delicious lunch – two
seatings per day

Call 732-4811 and
reserve your seat now

December 6, 2017

General Monthly Meeting

Holiday Musical
presentation by The
Alamo City Chorus

Reservations Required!

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January 3, 2018

General Monthly Meeting

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February 7, 2018

General Monthly Meeting

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