



## THE PRESIDENT'S LETTER



I am honored and humbled to be elected as the 69th President of the Woman's Club of San Antonio, 2022-2024. It will be busy as we will be making plans on how to celebrate our 125th Anniversary. We were organized in 1898 and will be celebrating our past accomplishments and accepting the challenges to continue in the steps and traditions of our founders. Past President Kathy Littlefield has accepted being appointed as our Woman's Club 125th Anniversary Celebration Chairman. Share your thoughts and ideas so together we can plan a spectacular year. Membership is the heart and soul of any organization. My goal is to plan more opportunities for fellowship among our members. The first event will be a Salad Luncheon I am hosting for our members that joined the Woman's Club from July 2020 to July 2022. It will be held at the Woodward Mansion on July 6th, 2022 at 11:45 am.

Knowing that some of our members may be going back to work, I will try to keep our agenda brief, but full of information that will be of interest to our new members. Sandra Bradley created a questionnaire asking for new members to share their interests and talents. All who submit their forms will be part of a drawing for prizes that

day. The form also lists some of our yearly activities and events. Elaine Staller, Counselor of Roundtables, is preparing a hand out for all new members to learn more about our 11 Round Tables. Round Tables are a good way to meet and get to know other members in a smaller setting. One of our Round Tables, Modernist Round Table, celebrated their 100th Anniversary this year!

Our second summer luncheon is on July 20th, our member and Mr. Fiesta, Michael Quintanilla will present "FASHION'S CULTURAL CONNECTION TIMELY OR TIMELESS." Guests can be part of the program, more information to follow in the newsletter. This is an amazing program that you will not want to miss! The same day, we will have a big HAT SALE. Members are invited to bring hats they would like to sell. The member gets 80% of the final sale and the member gets 20%. Great opportunity to come and sell or come and buy. I plan to do both!

The motto of this administration is "TEAM: Together Everyone Accomplishes More." I look forward to working with each of you as we work together to fulfill our Mission Statement: "For mutual improvement and cooperation in all charitable and educational undertakings that pertain to the greater good of humanity."

Virginia  
President, 2022-2024

### WITH THIS ISSUE

Fiesta Medal Contest Form ~ Attachment 1 to the Newsletter

Membership/Dues Renewal Form ~ Attachment 2 to the newsletter. Dues date is 31 July 2022.

## JUNE HIGHLIGHTS



At the final General Meeting held on June 1<sup>st</sup>, we memorialized the members of the Club that passed away during 2021-2022, including: Sylvia Wong passed away on August 16th, 2021 at age 69; Debbie Hamer, passed away on Sept 17, 2021 at age 68. Iris Francis, her first cousin, was in attendance; Elsie McTee passed away on November 2, 2021 at the age of 88; Rosemary Sundeen passed away on December 7, 2021. She was president of the Woman's Club of San Antonio from 2012-2014. Renee Bennet, her daughter, was in attendance; Norma Sackett, passed away on February 23, 2022 at age of 82. Her daughter, Tamara Anderson, and family friend, Fernanda Karpienski, were in attendance; and Pamela Patton passed away on April 23, 2022.

New officers were installed. Kathy Littlefield conducted the installation ceremony.



Pictured: Karen Ward, Asst Treasurer; Barbara Vander, Corresponding Secretary; Sandra Ojeda Medina, VP; President: Virginia Van Cleave; Kathy Littlefield, Installation Officer; Jane Stone, Past President; Darcy Scrimshire, Public Relations Chairman; Carolynn Snyder, Newsletter Editor; Ginger Vlieger, Notification Chairman; Cathy Carrol, Membership Chairman; Gretchen Hill, Chairman of Long Range Planning Committee; Stacey Bradford-Miller, House Chairman. Photo Credit: Johanna Christiansen



The June 15<sup>th</sup> Summer Luncheon speaker was best-selling romance author and member of the San Antonio Women's Hall of Fame, Teri Wilson. Teri is shown in photos below autographing her books for luncheon guests. In addition to the program, the Club had a Hat Raffle. The lovely hat was donated by Iris Ann Francis to raise funds for house restoration. The raffle was won by ingenue Tessa Christiansen, shown wearing her new hat in the photo below.



Photo Credit Johanna Christiansen

## VISIT TO THE AUSTIN WOMAN'S CLUB



House Chairman, Susan Gargotta, coordinated a meeting between the WCSA and the Austin Woman's Club at their club, Chateau Bellevue on Monday, June 6.





In attendance were President Jane Stone, Vice President Virginia Van Cleave, incoming House Chairman Stacey Bradford-Miller, Ingenue Laurel Miller, member Krystal Stone Patel, and Susan Gargotta. In the productive two-hour meeting, we each shared information about our clubs. A few notable items we learned was that the Austin Club meets every week. They have a full-time chef, secretary, event planner, and maintenance person. They do a lot of weddings. We were impressed by the way they designed their patio to be an event venue for outdoor parties and weddings which we could also do especially since all of our bamboo has been cut. The mission of the Austin Woman's Club is historical preservation, whereas ours is to maintain our building and to better the lives of women and children by giving to our charities and by giving \$10,000 in scholarships. ~ Submitted by Jane Stone

Follow this link for a virtual tour of the Chateau: <https://my.matterport.com/show/?m=W43aafqUEb>



David Woodward's great granddaughter, Eugenia Thorn and her husband Rick were visiting San Antonio from Dallas and wanted to see the Mansion. Jane Stone met them and gave them a tour of the house.

### **A NOTE FROM THE DESK OF THE VP**

Hot! Hot! Hot! And it's not just the weather!

With our new year, come new officers and I thank you for your vote of confidence in electing me your Vice President. I care about all of you and what we stand for..."mutual improvement and cooperation in all that pertains to the greater good of humanity".

Through our undertakings, we strive to make things better; providing informative general meetings, special events and interest groups, known as Round Tables, within our organization. We also provide resources and financially support various community endeavors. As we roll into July, we start with a "HOT" speaker, Michael Quintanilla. He's our own special man. Take a look at our next meeting dates and speakers, do mark your calendars and come join us.

- ❖ July 20 – Michael Quintanilla – "Fashion Cultural Connection, Timely or Timeless" Join Michael with his presentation by coming dressed in decade attire, a hat, some jewelry, anything that's still fashionable and/or makes a fashion statement. (Woodward House)
- ❖ August 17 – Briscoe Western Art Museum, Melanie Schwebke, Curator of Education – "What's It All About?" (Woodward House)
- ❖ September 21 – Live Music with Stan Wayne – 1950's Jazz Songs (San Antonio Country Club)

Needed is your input for other "HOT" topics/speakers. The Woman's Club of San Antonio is our club and you are being given the opportunity to give some input on topics/speakers. As we move forward, let's keep it "HOT" with what interests us.

## July Birthdays

Maria Cyr	July 3
Margot Rocha	July 3
Kathy Tarkington	July 3
Deborah Long-Shirley	July 7
Carmen Cervantes	July 8
Eva Anderson	July 11
Liz Jauer	July 11
Penny McCutchen	July 11
Karen Arnold	July 14
Angela Pfeiffer	July 14
Angela Sanchez	July 14



Missy Fredrickson	July 17
Patricia Villarreal	July 20
Isabel Bernal	July 22
Linda Purcell	July 24
Becky Reina	July 26
Melissa Sanchez	July 26
Adrienne Becnel	July 28
Sandy Salinas	July 30
Belinda Pena-Bosquez	July 31
Claire Pronovost	July 31
Norma Reyes	July 31

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR 2022-2024

President	Virginia Van Cleave
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Membership Chairman	Cathy Carroll
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House Chairman	Stacey Bradfield-Miller
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Scholarship Chairman	Sandra Whittaker
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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](http://www.thewomansclubofsa.org) under the MEMBERSHIP tab for information and application.

## NEW MEMBERS

In June we welcomed three new members:

- ❖ Lisa Wahrmund (sponsored by Robin Templeton). Lisa is Robin's daughter and now that she has retired from coaching gymnastics she has time to participate in the Club. She has one daughter and three grandchildren
- ❖ Dina Juarez (sponsored by Virginia Van Cleave). Dina enjoys event and party planning and has been a business owner for over 20 years. She has two sons and lives just down the road from the Woodward House
- ❖ Melba Toscano (sponsored by Angela Sanchez). Melba is a retired elementary school teacher. She enjoys working in her garden and traveling. She has three children and three grandchildren.

Welcome aboard! We are happy to have you with us.

*Please Join Us*



WEDNESDAY | 6 JULY 2022 | 11:45

WOODWARD MANSION

MEET NEW FRIENDS~LEARN ABOUT THE CLUB~LEARN HOW TO GET MORE INVOLVED

RSVP to Virginia Van Cleave  
text~210.264.3207 call~210.340.4150  
email~albertv3@swbell.com

## PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS

We have received applications for membership in the Woman's Club of San Antonio for:

- ❖ Michele Sheldon
- ❖ Joan Headley
- ❖ Diana Balli Taylor (membership renewal)
- ❖ Hilda Irizarry
- ❖ Dr. Gabriella Diaz
- ❖ Amanda Alarcon-Hunter
- ❖ Flora Tallman
- ❖ Elise Lewis.

Their applications will be presented for a vote to the Board of Directors at the June Board Meeting. If anyone has any questions, please contact Patti Villarreal.





# UPCOMING LUNCHEONS

Sandra Ojeda Medina, Vice-president

RSVP to the Woman's Club office @ 210-732-4811 for credit card payment.



## THE WOMAN'S CLUB OF SAN ANTONIO'S SECOND SUMMER LUNCHEON SERIES JULY 20, 2022

Our very own Michael Quintanilla, fashion and style writer for the San Antonio Express-News (now retired), presents an encore performance of:

### "FASHION'S CULTURAL CONNECTION TIMELY OR TIMELESS"

11:00 a.m. - Luncheon to follow – The Woodward House –  
1717 San Pedro Avenue

\$40.00 - Make your reservation by calling (210) 732-4811 or

On-line at <https://wcsa.ticketleap.com./july-summer-luncheon/>

#### Menu

Tomato Basil Gazpacho  
Chicken Salad on a Bed of Butter Lettuce  
Melon Salad with Citrus Honey Mint  
Katy Kornettes  
Pineapple Cream Dessert

## FALL LUNCHEON SILENT AUCTION

It's Silent Auction time again for our Fall Luncheon on Wednesday, September 21st at the San Antonio Country Club. We welcome new, unused items and gift certificates! If you have questions or need pick-up service, please give me a call. We will begin taking items at our July Summer Luncheon on July 20th and our August Summer Luncheon on August 17th. You can also leave items in the Office with Tina in a container labeled "Fall Luncheon Silent Auction Items." Please fill out the paperwork showing the donor and the value of the item donated. Remember, our Silent Auctions are pure profit for our Club and proceeds will be used for scholarships, charity donations, and Mansion care. We need your donations and would appreciate receiving them no later than Monday, September 19th.

Ginger Vlieger  
Silent Auction Chairman

## Members Hat Sale!

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When: July 20 Th Summer Luncheon  
Open to all members. Members will receive 80% of their sales and 20% will go to WCSA. Limit 20 hats per member. Hats should be in good shape!

Members will help tag their hats and Set up on July 19 at the Club. 10 til 2  
Members will assist in selling the day of the sale! And responsible for Clean Up after the sell!

Register and save a space!!!  
Call and leave a message or text  
Iris Ann Francis. **210 846 80030**  
This is going to be a WIN WIN sale!  
Come and Sell or come and Buy!  
Or both!!!! Who doesn't love a HAT SALE?

## SAVE THE DATE!

THIRD SUMMER LUNCHEON SERIES,  
AUGUST 17<sup>TH</sup>

Menu:

Cheese Plate  
Shrimp Louie Salad  
Peach Upside-down Cake





## Care and Concern:

*As reported from Sandra Whittaker*

- ❖ Adolfo Alberto Duran Salas, husband of member Maria "Mari" and father of member Irma Iris Duran de Rodriguez has passed away
- ❖ Orbilia Hayes' husband, Bob, has passed away
- ❖ Member Rose Reyna-Sanchez fell at home and fractured her hip.

## Golden Book

*Submitted by: Patte Pfeiffer, Golden Book Chairman*

- ❖ In memory of member Pamela Patton, By Patsy Pelton
- ❖ In memory of Kevin Davis, husband of member Julie Davis, By Patsy Pelton
- ❖ In honor of our President Jane Stone, for the excellent job she performed during the past two years for our Club, By Anita Oberle
- ❖ In honor of member Janice McGraw for the great job she did for the Golden Girl Luncheon, By Anita Oberle
- ❖ In honor of member Angela Pfeiffer and her team and member Janice McGraw and Noontide for a memorable Golden Girls Luncheon, By Helen Henderson
- ❖ In memory of Bob Hayes, husband of member Orbilia Hayes, By Brian, Johanna, Sophia, Harold, and Tessa Christiansen
- ❖ In memory of Adolfo Alberto Duran Salas, husband of member Maria "Mari" and father of member Irma Iris Duran de Rodriguez, By Brian, Johanna, Sophia, Harold, and Tessa Christiansen
- ❖ In memory of Bob Hayes, husband of member Orbilia Hayes, By Kathy Tarkington
- ❖ In memory of David Anguiano, husband of Bel Anguiano, By Virginia and Bill Van Cleave
- ❖ In memory of Bob Hayes, husband of member Orbilia Hayes, By Virginia and Bill Van Cleave
- ❖ In memory of Alberto Duran, husband of member Maria "Mari" Duran and father of member Irma Duran de Rodriguez, By Virginia and Bill Van Cleave
- ❖ In honor of June Speaker Teri Wilson, By The Woman's Club.

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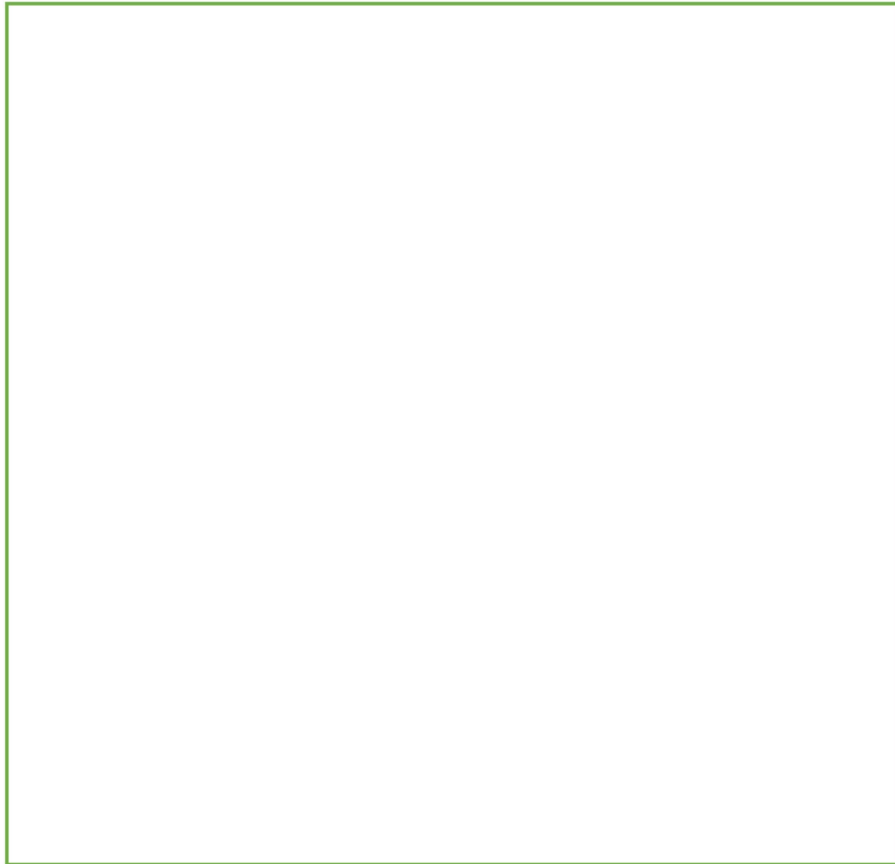
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# Woman's Club of San Antonio Fiesta Medal Contest

**Theme:** CELEBRATING OUR 125TH ANNIVERSARY 1898-2023

**Directions:** We ask that all medal creation submissions be complete with color and fit within the frame below. Medal submissions should not include any dangles or cut-outs as these features entail additional production costs. The deadline for the submission is July 27, 2022 to [womansclubofsa@aol.com](mailto:womansclubofsa@aol.com) or in person to the club office.



I understand and agree that my submission is a donation to the Woman's Club of San Antonio. I relinquish all rights to the design and artwork for this medal.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**The Woman's Club of San Antonio  
1717 San Pedro Avenue  
San Antonio, TX 78212**

**Membership Dues Notice and Request for Changes in Yearbook Information**

The Woman's Club of San Antonio Membership Dues for 2022-2023 are due and payable  
**on July 1, 2022**

Please respond with a check or credit card payment submitted to the Club office by the deadline.

**\$150.00 (\$154.50 CC) If paid by July 31, 2022**

\$165.00 (\$169.95 CC) If paid after August 1, 2022 and before September 1, 2022

\$180.00 (\$185.40 CC) If paid after September 1, 2022 and before October 1, 2022

Dues not paid by October 1, 2022 will result in a loss of membership in the Club.

Dues paid **BEFORE** August 1, 2022 will ensure that the member's profile is included in the new yearbook.

**Life Members may become a Patron by paying \$150.**

Please indicate any changes needed for the 2022-2023 Yearbook:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Husband: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: LANDLINE? \_\_\_\_\_ CELL: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Birthday (M/D): \_\_\_\_\_

Year joined the WCSA: \_\_\_\_\_

**Make checks payable to The Woman's Club of San Antonio.**

Please note in the memo line "2022-2023 DUES."