



## THE PRESIDENT'S LETTER

I used to associate the month of August with the “Dog Days of Summer.” After doing a little research I learned that the actual “Dog Days” were a period between July third and August eleventh. Certainly, our San Antonio days this summer have been unbearably hot and sultry, not the crazy, hazy, lazy days of summer we remember from our youth. We have stayed busy, despite the heat, making plans for the coming year.

Our NEW MEMBER SALAD LUNCHEON was a RED LETTER DAY at the Woodward Mansion! About 25 new members came to meet and bond with each other and hear seasoned members share information about our Woman's Club. Sandra Bradley was our fun-loving chairman and she began our activities with a game to let us learn more about each other. She created a wonderful questionnaire asking new members to share their interests and talents. Each new member attending received a fun fragrant favor, possibly could win one of 12 door prizes and one member at each table won a small marble bud vase from Marble Mountain in South Vietnam. A comment I heard more than once that day was “EVERYONE WAS SMILING!”

CONGRATULATIONS to Christmas Faire 2022 Chairman Jennifer Miller- Brearley and Vice-Chairman Patricia Broyles for beginning their plans early for our annual holiday extravaganza. Our Christmas Faire 2022 theme is GLITZ AND GLAMOUR AT THE MANSION. Four of the new members indicated in their questionnaire that they wanted to help decorate the mansion for Christmas. They have enthusiastically joined and already made plans with the Christmas Faire Committee Chairs. If you are interested in joining the committee and helping in any capacity, please email Jen at [jmbrearley@gmail.com](mailto:jmbrearley@gmail.com). Perhaps all of us should fill out the questionnaire so we can gain insight into our member's interests and talents.

Our Vice-President, Sandra Ojeda Medina, has been making plans for our upcoming programs. We are ready to hear about the Briscoe Western Art Museum in August which celebrates the art, history and culture of the American West. Our annual Fall Luncheon program at the SACC will highlight JAZZ which will prepare us for San Antonio's annual official Jazz Festival in September.

Stay tuned for exciting news from the Ingenue Round Table. In the September WCSA Newsletter, the two Ingenues eligible for the 2023 Teen Queen will introduce themselves with a little background of their accomplishments and goals. Ingenue candidates for the 2023 Teen Queen are Melody Hays and Laurel Miller. The Woman's Club will be well represented during this Fiesta because one of these talented young women will be our Queen and the other our Princess.

Virginia Van Cleave  
President



**TEAM: TOGETHER EVERYONE ACCOMPLISHES MORE**

WELCOME to a NEW WOMAN'S CLUB YEAR!

Welcome to the 2022-2023 Woman's Club of San Antonio year! Our fiscal year begins on July 1<sup>st</sup> and ends on June 30<sup>th</sup>. Sandra and I are privileged to have been elected to serve you. I would like to thank our outgoing executive officers and the entire board for leading us these past two years. The 2022-2024 Board of Directors are ready to make plans for the future.

Our Round Tables are such a valuable part of our club. In Round Tables, members enjoy catching up with longtime friends as well as making new friends. Each Round Table has varied interests. We hope you will consider joining one this year.

We will be celebrating our 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary, 1898 –2023, this coming year! Thank you for your participation in the past and look forward to your 2022-2023 membership, sharing the passion you have always had for the Woman's Club of San Antonio.

Virginia Van Cleave

2022-2024 President

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

Mid-July and still very hot outside, so let's start with our Woman's Club Hot Topics. In June, we had our First Summer Luncheon with speaker Teri Wilson. What fun it was hearing a firsthand account of her experiences being in London during Queen Elizabeth's Platinum Jubilee. On July 20th, Michael Quintanilla presented "Fashions Cultural Connection – Timely or Timeless", our Second Summer Luncheon. He had the audience participate displaying their fashion pieces that shouted out days

gone by or that made a fashion statement of our current period of time, be it hats, jewelry, purses, dresses, etc. For those of us that walked the red carpet it was fun! We've gone from a bestselling author to a fashion newspaper reporter, now, on to a museum curator of education in our Third Summer Luncheon at The Mansion. Save the date for August 21st when Melanie Schwebke will introduce us to some exciting art pieces within The Briscoe Western Art Museum. *"What's It All About?"* We'll learn things about one of our city's beautiful art collections. Along with our diverse and interesting programs, we share good conversation with friends and enjoy a 3-course meal. September 21st, we'll have our Fall Luncheon at the San Antonio Country Club...Save the Date for our Woman's Club "JAZZ ALIVE". Not only will we have a delicious meal in a beautiful environment, but we'll be entertained by Stan Wayne. He'll take us back to a time of crooners, like Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin, etc. What wonderful memories of that 50's JAZZ period. Ladies, invite a friend or two to any of our events, we know how to have fun, how to enjoy life.

With warm regards,  
Sandra Ojeda Medina  
Vice-President



### A NOTE OF THANKS

Thanks to all of you for thoughts, prayers and cards for my husband Nacho. Since May 12, he has been under the care of a doctor including 17 days in the hospital. He is home recovering now. Everyday he is getting stronger. Prayers are powerful. Thanks again for the concern from so many of you!

Patti Villarreal

### CARE AND CONCERN

Belinda Pena-Bosquez is now home continuing to heal after having been hospitalized. Continuing prayers and healing vibes are appreciated. Cards can be sent to:

331 Serenade Drive, San Antonio, TX 78216

### August Birthdays

Mary Frances Corrigan	3rd
Gina Langley	4th
Brissa Chapa	6th
Caroline Ingram	7th
Armandina Sifuentes	9th
Debbie King-Kline	11th
Sandra Ojeda Medina	11th
Barbara Slusher	11th
Linda Parsons	13th
Susan Moreland-Goza	14th



Betty Lewandowski	17th
Jane Stone	18th
Peggy Belasco	19th
Janet James	19th
Ferne Burney	20th
Jeanne Koplan	20th
Ashley Littlefield	25th
Divina Alvarez	28th
Michele Moad-Hageman	29th
Vanessa Van Cleave	31st



# JULY HAPPENINGS

## NEW MEMBER LUNCHEON

On July 6<sup>th</sup>, the Woman's Club hosted a salad luncheon for members that have joined the Club over the past couple of COVID years. About 25 new members attended and received information on opportunities to get involved and to share their interests and talents. Sandra Bradley chaired the event and led it off with a questionnaire to gather member interests. The questionnaire is included in this newsletter and we encourage all members to fill it out and send it back to: [womansclubnewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:womansclubnewsletter@gmail.com). It looks like everyone had a wonderful time.



## INGENUE ICE CREAM SOCIAL



President Virginia Van Cleave hosted a fun Ice Cream Social at her home for the Ingenues! The Ingenues also helped Vice President Sandra Ojeda Medina make the table decorations for the July summer luncheon. The Ingenues are looking forward to a fun year and will be led by Chair Johanna Christiansen and Treasurer Kathy Littlefield. The Ingenues would like to thank the prior Chair Julie Alexander Shacklett, who decided to retire as Chair, after 5 years of wonderful service to the Ingenues!





**JULY SUMMER LUNCHEON AND HAT SALE**



Thanks to all members who participated in the Great Hat Sale!



Iris Frances, our Ways and Means Chair, organized a member hat sale to kick off the July luncheon. Proceeds benefit the house restoration fund – and the members selling the hats!

The hat sale was followed by a presentation on fashion through the ages “Fashion Cultural Connection. Timely or Timeless” by member Michael Quintanilla.







## NEW MEMBERS

In July we welcomed two new members:

- ❖ LeAnna Laubach (sponsored by Robin Templeton). LeAnna is Robin's daughter. She is involved with education and ranching. She is an active member of the Bexar Country Palomino Patrol, San Antonio Rodeo Drill Team and helping organize charitable trailrides. She has two sons and two grandchildren
- ❖ Joan Headley (sponsored by Virginia Van Cleave). Joan is retired from a public relations and non-profit management career. Her interests include rescuing dogs and entertaining at home. She has one son and three grandchildren.

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

## PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS

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

- |                         |                                |
|-------------------------|--------------------------------|
| ❖ Michele Sheldon       | ❖ Diana Balli Taylor (renewal) |
| ❖ Hilda Irizarry        | ❖ Dr. Gabriella Diaz           |
| ❖ Amanda Alarcon-Hunter | ❖ Flora Tallman                |
| ❖ Elise Lewis           | ❖ Eugenia Thorn                |
| ❖ Belinda Hill-Herbst   | ❖ Donna Balli                  |

Their applications will be presented for a vote to the Board of Directors. Please contact Cathy Carroll, Membership Chair with any questions.

# UPCOMING LUNCHEONS

Sandra Ojeda Medina, Vice-president

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

Order online at: <https://wcsa.ticketleap.com/august-summer-luncheon/>

*The Woman's Club of San Antonio*

*Third Summer Luncheon Series*

*August 17, 2022*

*11:00 a.m.*

*Presents*

*Melanie Schwebke*

*Experienced museum educator, manager, and  
program coordinator*

*The Briscoe Western Art Museum*

*Curator of Education*

*"What's It All About?"*



*Luncheon to follow*

*The Woodward House - 1717 San Pedro Avenue*

*\$40.00*

*Make your reservation by calling*

*(210) 732-4811*

*On-line at*

<https://wcsa.ticketleap.com/august-summer-luncheon/>

*Luncheon Menu*

*Cheese Plate*

*Shrimp Louie Salad*

*Peach Upside-down Cake*





## FALL LUNCHEON SILENT AUCTION

Ladies –

It's time to start checking your closets and cabinets for that item you purchased and now have second thoughts about and any gifts that you received but will probably never use! They would be perfect items for our Fall Luncheon Silent Auction at the San Antonio Country Club on Wednesday, September 21<sup>st</sup>. Our members always donate unique, new items for personal use or household use. We will be accepting items on Wednesday, August 17<sup>th</sup>, at our Summer Luncheon, or you might drop items off with Tina from 10:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. weekdays. Please fill out the paperwork showing donor and value of item. Our deadline for items is Monday, September 19<sup>th</sup>. If you prefer, we will be happy to pick up your donations, just give me a call.

Ginger Vlieger  
Silent Auction Chairman  
210-219-1522

**SAVE THE DATE!**

**DAY OF THE DEAD LUNCHEON**

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27<sup>TH</sup>**

**LOTS MORE INFO TO FOLLOW!**



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# Interest Questionnaire

Let's Get Together Name \_\_\_\_\_

As a Club, we encourage our Members to Enjoy New Friends and Experiences

What do you do or did you do for a living? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you own a business? (The Club likes to support our Members)

\_\_\_\_\_

What are your interests and talents? Check all boxes that apply:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Gardening	<input type="checkbox"/>	Baking	<input type="checkbox"/>	Travel
<input type="checkbox"/>	Play an Instrument	<input type="checkbox"/>	Sing	<input type="checkbox"/>	Dance
<input type="checkbox"/>	Decorating	<input type="checkbox"/>	Photography	<input type="checkbox"/>	Organizing
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sewing and/or knitting	<input type="checkbox"/>	Computers	<input type="checkbox"/>	Art-Painting
<input type="checkbox"/>	Cooking	<input type="checkbox"/>	Planning	<input type="checkbox"/>	Books-Reading

The Club has many Activities and Events that Members enjoy becoming involved in.

## 1. The Christmas Faire -

<input type="checkbox"/>	Decorating the Mansion	<input type="checkbox"/>	Working with Planning Committee
<input type="checkbox"/>	Volunteer	<input type="checkbox"/>	Etc. Welcome New Ideas!

## 2. Planning and Hosting Parties and Events at Mansion

<input type="checkbox"/>	Valentine	<input type="checkbox"/>	Kentucky Derby
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mardi Gras	<input type="checkbox"/>	Teas
<input type="checkbox"/>	Halloween	<input type="checkbox"/>	Dia De Los Muetos Luncheon

## 3. Fiesta Hat Luncheon

<input type="checkbox"/>	Etc. New Ideas Welcomed
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<input type="checkbox"/>	Decorating	<input type="checkbox"/>	Hat Contest
<input type="checkbox"/>	Volunteer	<input type="checkbox"/>	Silent Auction
<input type="checkbox"/>	Planning Committee	<input type="checkbox"/>	Boutique and etc.

## 4. Round tables are the quickest and most rewarding times to personally get to know other members and make great friends. (See yearbook for list)

## 5. Interested in working (with House and Grounds Chairman) on

☐ House ☐ Grounds ☐ Maintenance of the Mansion

**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."