

June 2024 Newsletter of the Woman's Club of San Antonio Volume 125, Issue 6

The President's Letter

Our 29th Annual Fiesta Luncheon and Hat Contest was a very popular event with 422 guests in attendance. Our theme was QUEEN FOR THE DAY and there were crowns of every size and shape with beautiful gems, flowers and feathers. As President and Vice-President, Sandra Ojeda and I worked on this together, our largest fundraiser of the year. Amanda Alarcon-Hunter and Racheal Weisensee co-chaired our Silent Auction, which was a financial success, with funds still coming in. Sandra was in charge of the VIP Swag Bags and a beautiful small gold crown filled with Jordan almonds, and a beautiful THANK YOU for each attendee. Member Ashley Wash, the Westin Hotel Catering Manager, assisted us in countless ways throughout the event. Karen Ward and Tina Zimmerman chaired the registration. Angela Pfeiffer and her



Deep in the Heart of Texas The Woman's Club of SA

team had a fabulous boutique for our guests who wanted to shop. Michele Moad-Hageman and Heather Hayes organized the Hat Contest and all the awards. As a native San Antonian and having attended Fiesta events for decades, I can honestly say that the hat competition was one of the high points of the 11 days of Fiesta. Our emcees, Michael Quintanilla and Elizabeth Ruiz, and our DJ David Rios, brought so much energy and excitement to our event. I want to thank each of you for what YOU did to support our three official Fiesta events. I treasure each of you for all you do during Fiesta and throughout the year on behalf of the Woman's Club.

Our thanks to Ronnie Bitterly, the owner of the 1926 Model T, who drove your President and our Teen Princess Bella Walski and fellow Junior Sarah Cardenas. Our theme was DEEP IN THE HEART OF TEXAS and our decorations on the car were single-handedly put together and planned by our amazingly creative RosieBella Gastelum. The car was filled with an abundance of flowers, plus a half of a real windmill, a beautiful saddle, cowboy boots and a bluebonnet train worn by Sophia Christiansen when she was only 5 years old! Monica Bridges and her two daughters helped RosieBella attach all the decorations to our antique car. Because of RosieBella, the Woman's Club of San Antonio won the FIRST PLACE BLUE RIBBON! Viva, Fiesta!!

Fiesta 2024, has come and gone, but this is another exciting time for The Woman's Club as we will be installing our new officers, 2024-2026, at

our June General Meeting on June 5th at 11am. If you are contemplating recommending anyone to become a member, please bring them in June since our next general meeting will not be until October 2nd. Please honor your incoming Elected Board of Directors by seeing them be installed by our Parliamentarian Carol Habgood. I have met with our incoming President and told her I would give her my full support for the next two year. Viva, Sandra Ojeda Medina, our incoming President!!

With love and appreciation, Virginia

TEAM: TOGETHER EVERYONE ACCOMPLISHES MORE

Elected Officers for 2024 – 2026

Vice President – Tawana Timberlake Membership Chair – Amanda Alarcon-Hunter Yearbook Chair – Karin Fee House Chair – Irma Duran Grounds Chair – Diana Balli-Taylor Public Relations Chair – Darcy Scrimpshire Newsletter Chair – Sarah Komet Notification Chair – Johanna Christiansen Recording Secretary – Michelle Sheldon Corresponding Secretary – Eva Anderson Treasurer – Marsha Metz Assistant Treasurer – Karen Ward Long Range Planning – Cyndi Munch

Fiesta Flower Show Thanks

Another successful Flower Show is over due to the hard work of our members. Many thanks to go to our Flower Show committee. They planned for this, starting last summer, and brought it to a very successful conclusion. Thank you to: Barbara Vander, Ferne Barney, Tinker Mass Schultz, Eva Anderson, Helen Jones, Rosie Bella Gastelum and Sir Oliver Smith. This is a very dedicated group of members. Smitty deserves extra thanks as head of the Horticulture Division. He sets up and runs the Horticulture exhibit with lots of hard work and knowledge of plants. Tinker enlisted the help of vendors to place their arrangements in the first-floor niches and entry table. After all the planning, these members spent 3 days at the Woman's Club setting up, attending each day of public viewing, and tearing down at the end. You are a great group to work with. My heartfelt thanks to all of you. And thanks Heather Hayes with setting up tables and helping clean up after.

Helen Henderson, Flower Show Chairperson

Prospective Members

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

- Brigitte Owens- Brigitte comes to us via Kay Turner! She has been in the real estate business for over 40 years; the first 20 with her late husband and the last 20, she has run it as her own company. She is joining to be "amongst friends!"
- Barbara Mayer-Kielmann- Barbara belongs to the Red Hat Lonestar Ladies and enjoys scrap- booking, singing, GARDENING!! She volunteered in a German Club and helped organize crafts in the Language School whilst living in San Diego. She is coming in with her friend -
- Jeanine Coombs-Todd. Jeanine loves the ARTS! She too belongs to the Red Hat Lonestar Ladie. She served on her Frankfurt American Highschool Reunion Committee and has assisted with numerous Dance events as well as participating in many herself! They both came in as guests of Rose Corley.
- Cindy Rodriguez- (Cynthia M Rodriguez- her Mother is a new member and goes by Cynthia Rodriguez.) Cindy's a DAR, Victoria Chapter and is in the process of moving her membership here. She also belongs to the Jr. League of San Antonio and the Dazzling Damas. She dabbles in art and loves yoga! She is ready to volunteer wherever she is needed!
- Heidi Tarrillion Heidi is a small business owner of the Ditzy Gypsy if you attended our Flower Show you saw one of her beautiful floral designs. She is an active member of the Schertz, Cibolo, and Selma Chamber of Commerce. She volunteers at her sons' schools and Boy Scout events.
- Stefany Saucedo- Stefany runs a small local market boutique that specializes in "Game Day" accessories for local colleges. She loves crafting! And, she is a licensed microblading permanent makeup artist! She is the social media liaison for the medical communities and the San Antonio Stick Show & Rodeo. She is coming in as a guest of Chasity Villarreal.
- Dr. Sanya Hardin Dr. Hardin is the Professor Dean of the School of Nursing at the UT Health Science Center.

Their applications will be presented for a vote to the Board of Directors. If anyone has any questions, please contact Membership Chair Tinker Mass Shultz.

Golden Book

Submitted by: Sandy Salinas, Golden Book Chairman

- * In memory of Jeryl Johnson Stevens, sister of Karin Fee, by Brian, Johanna, Sophia, Harold & Tessa Christiansen
- * In memory of Irene Behrends, sister of Lynn Thompson, by Brian, Johanna, Sophia, Harold & Tessa Christiansen
- * For a speedy recovery for Mari Duran, by Brian, Johanna, Sophia, Harold & Tessa Christiansen
- * In honor of the wonderful Angela Pfeiffer and wonderful Diane Lewallen for serving as co-chairs with me for the Oueen's Reception and Coronation Reception, by Johanna Christiansen
- ✤ In honor of and congratulations to Sandra Ojeda Medina as President of the Woman's Club along with her new board, by Sandy Salinas
- ✤ In thanks to Johanna Christensen and her family for the kindness they expressed to my daughter Melissa Sanchez and her family, by Sandy Salinas
- ✤ In honor of the 15th birthday of Paulina Rodriguez, by Brian, Johanna, Sophia, Harold & Tessa Christiansen
- In honor of the high school graduation of Ryan Scrimpshire and her future plans to attend Texas A&M University (WHOOP!), by Brian, Johanna, Sophia, Harold & Tessa Christiansen
- In memory of Jeryl Johnson Stevens, sister of Karin Fee, by Kathy Tarkington.

Care and Concern

Submitted by: Tawana Timberlake, Corresponding Secretary

- * Member Lynn Thompson's sister Irene Behrends has passed. Her obituary may be found at https://www.ungerhorner.com/obituary/irene-behrends. Please send notes of condolence to 611 San Dizeir San Antonio, TX 78232
- Member Mari Duran is recovering from surgery. Send prayers or cards to: 4 Serena, San Antonio, TX 78248
- Karin Fee's sister, Jeryl Johnson Stevens passed away April 30, 2024 in Waterloo, Iowa where she had lived for many years. She was born in Mobile, Alabama on October 19, 1951. She graduated from Holmes High School in San Antonio. In a private memorial her ashes were buried next to her husband. Condolences may be sent to: Karin Fee, 2151 Green Creek, San Antonio, 78232
- Patti Villarreal will be having a surgical procedure on June 5th. She will be in the hospital for 4 days and then recuperating at home. Please hold her in prayer. Her address is: 714 McCullough Ave #555, San Antonio, TX 78215

BJ Duncan	June 3
Gloria Grohman	June3
Carol Habgood	June 3
Hannah Geppert	June 5
Elizabeth Ruiz	June 5
Diana Reyes	June 6
Julie Jordan	June 9
Lisa Wahrmund	June 17
Stephanie Hobbs	June 19
Eleanora Saenz	June 20
Deborah Kunetz	June 22

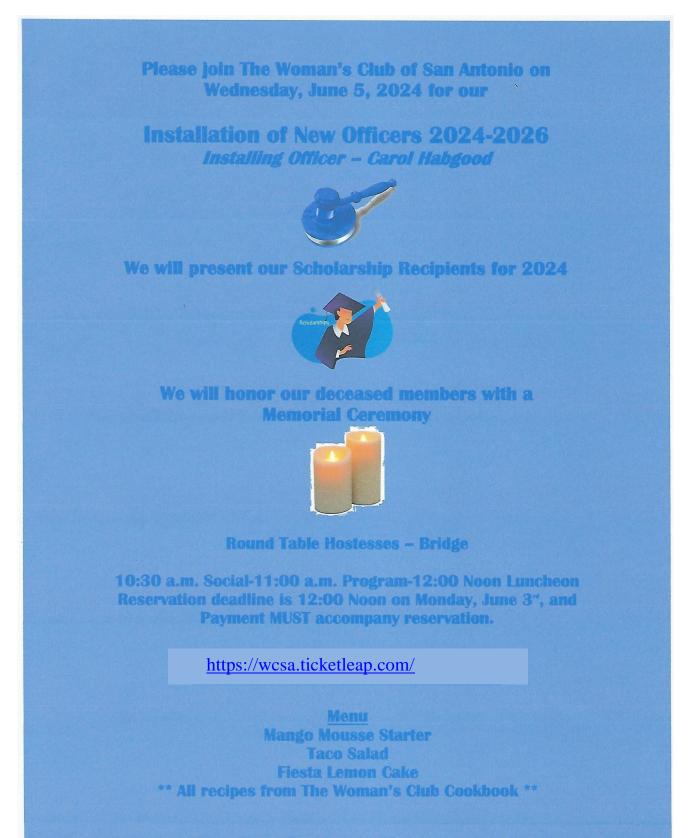
JUNE BIRTHDAYS



Chasity Villarreal Elizabeth Neely	June 23 June 24
Myra Keiser	June 25
Sarah Komet	June 25
Rosie Bella Gastelum	June 26
Marvinette Smith	June 26
Molly Allen	June 27
Arabella Dalton	June 28
Marianna Coindreau	June 30
Peggy Guerrero	June 30

Upcoming Luncheons and Events

Sandra Ojeda Medina, Vice-president RSVP to the Woman's Club office @ 210-732-4811 for credit card payment





IT WAS TIME FOR ALL THINGS FIESTA! FIESTA HAT LUNCHEON AND CONTEST

Thank you to all the members who either donated, volunteered, or helped the Auction Chair and Co-Chair this year for the annual Fiesta hat contest and luncheon silent auction. It was a huge success! This was a true labor of love. We raised a lot of money this year by thinking outside the box and getting creative with our efforts. We could not have done any of this without all of your help. It takes a village to do these types of events. We would like to give special thanks to Tawana Timberlake, Michael Quintanilla, Tina Zimmerman, Flora Tallman, Kathy Tarkington, and my mother Barbara Alarcon for all your hard work and dedication to the Woman's Club and the auction this year.

Thank you from the bottom of our hearts! Amanda Alarcon-Hunter and Racheal Weisensee Auction Chair and Auction Co-Chair

48 small businesses donated! 121 auction items. Total raised: \$15,362.00!!



Hat Contest Winners for **Glitz & Glamour**: 1st Orbilia Hayes; 2nd Marie Goforth-Albanian; 3rd Cindy Munch



Hat Contest Winners for **Spirit of Fiesta**: 1st Ginger Gaiser; 2nd Ana Laura Ramirez; 3rd Jonathan Bernal

Vintage: 1st Kay Ness; 2nd Irma Duran de Rodriguez; 3rd Eva Anderson Small Group: 1st Texas Wildflowers; 2nd Eva's Heroes; 3rd Queens of Feathered Friends

























Hat Contest Winners for **Youth**: 1st Julian Ramirez; 2nd Stephany Gonzales; 3rd Hunter Dudek **Texas Topper**: 1st Flora Tallman; 2nd Amanda Bradley; 3rd Belva Kimble **Most Beautiful**: 1st Graciella Carrillo; 2nd Analissa Medina; 3rd Loreen & Sherry Korzekwa **Large Group**: 1st Rey Feo Spirit of Fiesta; 2nd Queen of Hearts; 3rd The Bee Hive



Members, our Royalty, and our Ingenues were very engaged in Fiesta events. They participated in the Fiesta Beethoven Gartenfest, the King William Parade, the Battle of Flowers Parade and everything in between.



May Meeting

In addition to electing the Board of Directors for the 2024-2026 term, we received an informative presentation from Annette Delgado, Director of Community Relations for the San Antonio State Hospital. She discussed the new hospital; invited the Club to tour the facilities; and iterated how important the Volunteer Services Council is to patient morale. The VSC raise funds for those extras for the patients for birthdays and holidays. Many patients have no family or no family support. She also presented the Club with a Certificate of Appreciation for our ongoing support.



On May 10th the Club's Golden Girls were feted! Great job to Monica Bridges and her team for a job very well done!

















Round Table Corner

Carousel Round Table voted to honor their outgoing Chair Diane Lewallen (2022-2024) with a brick to be placed in the House's Brick Garden. Pictured: Carolynn Snyder, Johanna Christiansen, Diane Lewallen



The Soiree Round Table voted to honor their outgoing Chair Karin Fee (2020-2024) with a brick to be placed in the House's Brick Garden.



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June 2024 House Calendar

SUN 26	MON 27	TUE 28 (11:30am Modernis)	WED 29 Culligan Delivery 10am Combined F	THU 30	FRI 31	SAT Jun 1
2	3	4	5 General Meeting	6	7	8 (Vonzetta Hickman Re)
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18 (Ferne Burney Rental)	19 11am WCSA Sumr)	20	21	22
23	24	25	26 10am Combined F	27	28 10am Bridge Roun	29
30	Jul 1	2	3	4	5	6 (Patty Villarreal - Rent)

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Membership Dues Notice and Request for Changes in Yearbook Information

The Woman's Club of San Antonio Membership Dues for 2024-2025 are due and payable

on July 1, 2024

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, 2024

\$165.00 (\$169.95 CC) If paid after August 1, 2024 and before September 1, 2024 \$180.00 (\$185.40 CC) If paid after September 1, 2024 and before October 1, 2024

Dues not paid by October 1, 2024 will result in a loss of membership in the Club.

Dues paid **BEFORE** August 1, 2024 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 2024-2025 Yearbook:

Name:	Spouse:
Address:	Zip Code:
Telephone:	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 "2024-2025 DUES."