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Newsletter of the Woman's Club of San Antonio

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From the President's Desk

The snow has melted, Santa has left the mansion, and what a fun fellow he was for all of us. After the holidays, we are making changes to keep pace with recommended COVID-19 safety guidelines. While we already have good practices in place, such as mandatory masking, use of hand sanitizer, social distancing, and taking temperatures, going forward, anyone who visits the mansion will be required to complete a release waiver that acknowledges these precautions. Despite these regulations, we are pleased to continue to carry on the tradition of wearing big hats and sharing the fellowship we love so much.

We strive to accommodate all of you and your respective comfort level on attending meetings; therefore, a virtual option will always be available for those who wish to attend remotely.

I am proud of our club for adding members through an abnormal time and making enough money to cover our expenses. Other clubs in Texas have not been so fortunate. Thank you, members, for your continued support and for helping move this club forward to meet our mission of helping others.

Jane Stone
President



Thanks to Virginia Van Cleave, Diane Lewallen, Patty Villarreal, Carolynn Snyder, Patricia Broyles and Jane Stone for taking the Christmas decorations down and putting them into storage.

Meetings & Luncheons

Virginia Van Cleave, Vice-president

Due to the special precautions with COVID-19:

For the setup it is especially important to RSVP by the prior Monday for the luncheon AND meeting attendance.

Wednesday at the Woodward House: Social time opens at 10:30 and the meeting begins at 11:00.

Please RSVP to Karin Fee by the prior Monday @ 10:00 a.m. w/ \$25 payment if including lunch.

We were sorry to share in an 18 January email to members that Rose Williams, our February speaker, fell and broke her hip. Rose is still looking forward to coming to our Woman's Club to meet us and share her story. So –

SAVE THE DATE: Wednesday, June 16, 2021, Rose Williams will be our speaker. A perfect time to bring your children or grandchildren to hear this remarkable woman of courage and resilience. In the meantime, Rose loves mail! If you would like to send a get well card or Valentine to Rose her address is in your personal copy of this newsletter.



We are fortunate to be able to have a special entertainer for our February program after the general meeting.

February 3rd, 2021 ~ RSVP by Monday, February 1st

Program: Valentine Serenade ~ Performed by Stan Wayne

The Woman's Club of San Antonio will celebrate VALENTINE'S DAY at our general meeting on February 3, 2021 meeting. STAN WAYNE will serenade us with romantic tunes to put us in a Valentine spirit.

STAN WAYNE has been entertaining audiences across the United States and other parts of the world since the 1970's. He was born in Philadelphia, and as a fan of American Bandstand he played in local bands until he joined the Platters. He later created his own band and played the East coast from New York to Miami. He also played in casinos on the Gulf coast, but the hurricanes took their toll and Stan moved his family to San Antonio, the hometown of his wife. Stan is very popular and performs at dozens of events throughout the year in San Antonio. We are so happy that Stan will be joining us at our general meeting on February 3rd.



Luncheon Menu: Savory Chicken Florentine Crepes, Asparagus and Snap peas, Rice Pilaf, Spring Mix Salad w/Vinaigrette, Chocolate Torte

Hostesses: Modernist Round Table

Care & Concern: Volunteer Service Council of the San Antonio State Hospital.

Meetings & Luncheons (cont'd)

March 3rd, 2021 ~ RSVP by Monday, March 1st

Program: LIFE, LOVE AND LEADERSHIP

Ambassador Sichan Siv

The program will highlight the Ambassador's time at the United Nations (2001 – 2006). Ambassador Siv is the international best-selling author of *Golden Bones: An Extraordinary Journey from Hell in Cambodia to a New Life in America*. He also authored a political thriller, *Golden State: Love and Conflict in Hostile Lands*.

After escaping Cambodia's killing fields in 1976 he was resettled as a refugee in Connecticut with his mother's scarf, an empty rice bag and two dollars. Ambassador Siv and his wife retired to Castle Hills, Texas after his tenure with the United Nations.

Theme: PARADE OF NATIONS ~ Wear a hat or a costume from another country and we will have our own parade.

Hostesses: Bridge Round Table

Community Care Concern: Christian Assistance Ministry



Photo credit: Kevin Saunders, KGS Studios, San Antonio

Coming to the Mansion

April 7, 2021 ~ Program: "The Sole of Fiesta: Show Us Your Shoes"

Michael Quintanilla

Hostesses: Soiree Round Table

Community Care Concern: Woodward House Restoration Fund



Women's Federation Luncheon Notice

The Women's Federation January 2021 luncheon at the Petroleum Club has been cancelled due to COVID-19 restrictions. WCSA member and Texas Women's Federation past president, Carol Habgood, advised that the Petroleum Club could not provide the space for required distancing for the usual 140 attendees of this annual event. The luncheon program honoring outstanding volunteers in the San Antonio community was highlighted in our last newsletter. Our immediate past president, Ferne Burney, an honoree of the luncheon, will be recognized at the 2022 January event with the Women's Federation. We'll keep you posted on the event.

Golden Book

Submitted by:
Patte Pfeiffer, Golden Book Chairman

In Memory of Sandra Geppert
By Marie Soules

In Memory of David Jauer
By Marie Soules

In Memory of Elise Townsend
By the Woman's Club

In Memory of Jeannine Wangler
By the Woman's Club

In Honor of our January Speaker-Jackie Van De Walle
By the Woman's Club



Care and Concern

As reported from Susan Moreland-Goza

Member, Jeannine Wangler, passed away

Member, Liz Jauer's husband passed away.

Past member, Sandra Baskin's husband passed away.

Member, Norma Reyes, had surgery.

Member, Julie Jordan had knee replacement surgery.

Member, Karen Ward, was diagnosed with COVID-19.

Member, Marjorie Douglas's husband fell and cut his head.

Member, Belinda Pena-Bosquez's husband was hospitalized and now at in-patient rehab facility.

Member, Cathy Carroll & daughter, Avery Walker (WCSA Ingenue), both were diagnosed with COVID-19.

Member, Connie Linville, is having health issues and is undergoing tests for a growth on her lung.

Member and Past President, Jean French, fell at home and broke her left wrist.



Treasurer's Report December Income Statement

Marsha Metz

December 2020

Revenues

Round Table Assessment	150.00
Round Table Lunch Fees	68.00
Donations - Cash	9,824.64
Fiesta Program Book	4,725.00
Fiesta Medals	20.00
Fiesta Luncheon & Style Show	216.44
General Meeting Lunches	874.08
Fundraiser - Cookbooks	17.32
Boutique Sales	1,047.81
Christmas Faire Bake Shop	676.25
Attic Sale Income	375.00
Interest income	2.07
Dividend income	1,124.55
Capital Gain / Loss Income	1,892.66
Commemorative Bricks	<u>120.00</u>
Total Revenues	<u>\$21,133.82</u>

Expenses

Fiesta Program Book	32.67
Fiesta Flower Show	78.16
Fiesta Battle--Flowers Parade	226.00
Fiesta Comm.Dues/Insurance	1,820.00
Fiesta Miscellaneous	350.00
Fiesta Style Show & Luncheon	463.33
Boutique Purchases	112.58
General Meeting Lunch	612.00
Bank Charge Credit Card	89.12
Phone & Internet	494.47
Insurance - House & Liability	1,148.97
Utilities	341.23
Water	354.30
Grounds/Lawn	60.00
Trash Disposal	104.29
House/Kitchen Supplies	59.25
Maintenance & Repairs (heating system)	<u>1,350.00</u>
Total Expenses	<u>7,696.37</u>

Net Income	<u>\$ 13,437.45</u>
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February Birthdays

Julie Davis	3
Mary Jane Blanco	5
Monica Rogers	5
Courtney Ringelstein	8
Lynn Thompson	10
Mary Ann Oliver	15
Ellen Myers	16
Helen Jones	18
Sylvia Wong	19
Carol Carpenter	20
Sandra Whittaker	21
Darcy Scrimshire	22
Lorena Escobar	25
Kim Carmack	28



New Member Announcements

Patricia Villarreal, Membership Chairman

At our January 2021 meeting the Woman's Club of San Antonio elected four women into membership. Please welcome these ladies at our coming meetings and Round Table gatherings. In the meantime, we are sharing a quick introduction. You may have memberships, career fields or hobbies in common with Erika, Peggy, Adrienne and Jessica.



Erika Haskins (pictured on left)

Erika is a member of the Daughters of the Republic of Texas, San Antonio Conservation Society, and Texas State Historical Association. Erika is currently working on her Ph.D. in education.

Peggy Guerrero

Peggy is a member of the Alamo Couriers Chapter of the Daughters of the Republic of Texas and is a descendant of Alamo defender Gregorio Esparza. She is a member of the Canary Islands Descendants Assn., the San Antonio Founding Families and Descendants Assn., and the Descendants of San Jose Mission. Peggy serves on the Fiesta Commission and retired from the U.S. Postal Service after 35 years.

Adrienne Becnel

Adrienne is a member of the American Pharmacists Assn, the American Society of Consultant Pharmacists, and the Women in Spirit Prayer Group and Book Club. Adrienne is a clinical pharmacist.

Jessica McAnelly (pictured on right)

Jessica is a sustaining member of the Junior League of San Antonio. She serves on the boards of the Mid Texas Symphony Guild, the Comal ISD, and the Bulverde Activity Center. She is a past president of her PTA and of the Central Texas Environmental and Public Health Assn. Jessica is a registered dietician who loves to plan parties and do craft projects.



Yearbook Updates & New Photos

Nominating Committee Chair Patte Pfeiffer is still looking for one of you to say "yes" to serve the remaining year of the position of Yearbook Chairman for 2022.

Patsy Pelton is a member of the Yearbook Committee and will be responsible in the interim to email pages with new and renewing members for you to include in your 2021 directory.

Patsy had a great idea she wanted to share with you:

Many of you may have some beautiful photos of YOU from a Christmas or New Year or even upcoming Valentine socially-distanced event that would be a great updated Yearbook Photo!

Several of our members are missing a photo in our current directory. Some of you may want to update your photo. Please send photos and/or change in address, phone number, please email your revisions or additions to Patsy Pelton (her contact information is in the Yearbook) and she will save them safely for the new 2022 directory chairman. Then when you send in your 2022 dues we will match your \$\$ with your beautiful photo.

Woman's Clubs Around the Nation

Cyndi Munch, Editor



The Key West Woman's Club (Florida)

In November, Patricia Villarreal reached out to the Newsletter to share some photos of Woman's Clubs sent to her by member Dana Stone. When Dana was on a visit to her son who is a student at the College of Key West, she enjoyed finding the local Woman's Club. The Key West Woman's Club was founded in 1915 and the historic Hellings House and Museum, pictured on the left, has been their home since 1940. This 8,334 sq. ft. home built in 1892 is one of the few privately owned mansions remaining on the historic Duvall Street. Like the Woodward Mansion, Hellings House is beautifully decorated and maintained by her Club and is available to the public for special events. Their major annual fund raiser is the "Talk of the Town" Restaurant & Theater Tour Card with 29 restaurants and 3 theaters participating.

The Rockford Woman's Club (Illinois)

The Rockford Woman's Club came into being in 1897 when "13 independent women's groups dedicated to civic and cultural improvements and the intellectual growth of its members joined forces"¹. In 1918 these outstanding women opened The Rockford Woman's Club Building in downtown Rockford. "The building boasts spacious meeting rooms, beautiful banquet facilities and an 800-seat theatre."¹ Over its history Ethel Barrymore, Amelia Earhart, Will Durant, Ogden Nash, Hal Holbrook, Dr. Joyce Brothers and Martha Stewart have been on the stage at The Rockford Theater. Scoop: This club has an antique bar to provide the full range of beverages during shows and events.



[Disclosure: I checked out the Rockford club because my mother was a member before the family moved west.]

¹ www.rockfordtheater.com

The Woman's Club of Fort Worth (Texas)



Before our January meeting, WCSA president, Jane Stone, visited with the president of the Woman's Club of Fort Worth about the challenges of operation during a pandemic. The Fort Worth club was formed in 1923 and added a Junior Woman's Club in 1926. The Junior Club itself has 12 focus groups ('a la Round Tables) with programs on wellness (physical, environmental, financial); cinema arts; culinary arts; decorative arts; professional development; and appreciation of books, speech and drama.

In February the Woman's Club of Fort Worth will team with Dillard's for a virtual event, "A Most IncREDable Evening" with a style show and auction to benefit the Club's charities. In normal times the club can host events for parties of up to 400 and has an on-site catering service.



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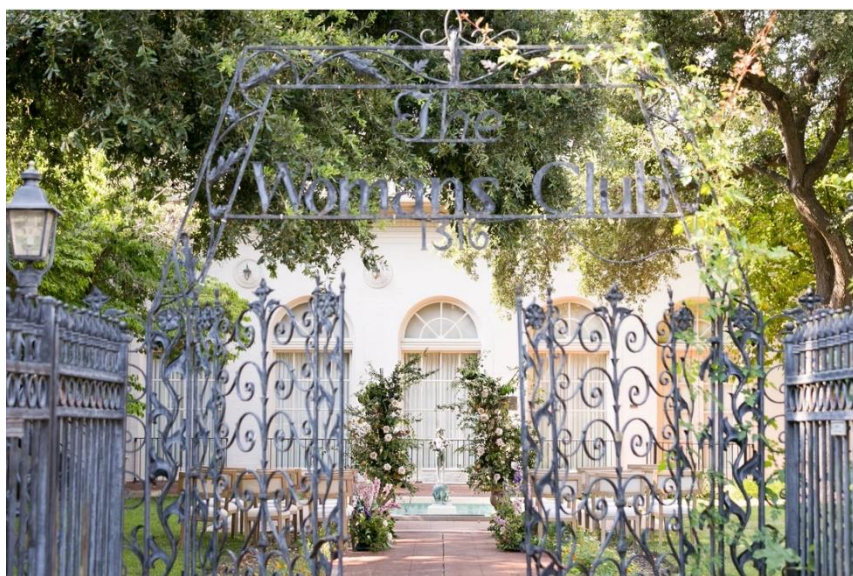


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The Woman's Club of San Antonio

Our founding, in 1898, was inspired by some of the earliest Woman's Clubs. Our 15 charter members were pioneers for women's suffrage and the origination of PTA's for San Antonio schools. The club led the charge in raising funds to establish the San Antonio Art League and the Witte Museum. In 1926 the club purchased the 9,000 sq. ft. Woodward House and will celebrate a centennial at the house in only five years!

**January Program at the Woodward House
San Antonio Stock Show & Rodeo, February 11 – 28, 2021**

Excerpts of Jackie Van De Walle's program
as recorded by Trace Mahbubani, Secretary

The San Antonio Stock Show and Rodeo is a volunteer organization with a mission of supporting the development of the youth of Texas by emphasizing agriculture and education. Since 1984 over 223 million dollars in scholarships have been given to support the college and trade skill goals of more than 21,000 students. Scholarship applications are not limited to students participating in the Stock Show. Application contests include skill-a-thons in agricultural science, agricultural mechanics, public speaking, agricultural art, landscape design, nutrition and robotics. The Stock Show and Rodeo has been held at the AT&T Center since 2003 but this year it will take place in the Freeman Coliseum. The programs will include fourteen live rodeos and performances by local Texas music talent. COVID protocols will be followed. Please check <https://www.sarodeo.com/> for the complete schedule of events, links to tickets, and ways in which you can support specific events for scholarships.



Jackie Van De Walle is pictured above receiving a plaque in appreciation for her program from WCSA vice president, Virginia Van Cleave. The photo on the left shows our eight "best dressed" members who are ready to Rodeo in 2021. Do our ladies look like bandits in full western COVID attire?

It All Adds Up

Did you know that you can help the Woman's Club of San Antonio (WCSA) by participating in the San Antonio Water System (SAWS) rebate program? You can register and watch a virtual SAWS program to earn reward credits and donate your rewards for watching the program to the WCSA for free mulch. Our WCSA Grounds Chairman, Heather Hays, will be glad to help members sign up on the SAWS website under **water saver rewards**: gardenstylesanantonio.com.

Have you thought of reaching out to a favorite business to suggest they share information of their product or service with the members of the Woman's Club of San Antonio? Advertising in *Rustling Leaves* is available at the following rates: full page - \$100; half page - \$50; and, quarter page - \$25. Ads may include business cards, recognition/celebrations, and announcements of upcoming events. The deadline for submission and payment for advertising is the 15th of the month prior to the publication month. womansclubnewsletter@gmail.com

WCSA Fiesta Theme & Coronation Entry Form

We didn't get our tea party in 2020 so the theme for the Woman's Club 2021 events is Fiesta Tea Time.
The 2021 Teen Queen Coronation Entry Form is attached to this newsletter.



Entry form, photo and fee (check) may be mailed to
The Woman's Club of San Antonio, ATTN: Madi Moad-Hageman,
1717 San Pedro Avenue, San Antonio, Texas 78212

Entries may be submitted via email:

WCSAFiestaCoronation@gmail.com

with the photo attachment of the child in jpg format only.

To pay the entry fee by credit card call Karin Fee
her phone number is in the Yearbook.



Completed form, fees and photos must be received at the
Woodward House by March 1.
No Exceptions!



Attachments to this newsletter:

- 1) WSCA Mandatory COVID-19 Waiver Form
- 2) 2021 Fiesta Teen Queen Coronation Entry Form

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Members are invited to submit relevant photos of people or events for possible use in the newsletter and/or Facebook to
womansclubnewsletter@gmail.com.

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